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Schools, teachers mum on pact



The Plymouth-Canton schools and the teachers have reached a one-year agreement on a contract, but neither side will say what type of wage agreement the accord includes.

By M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

Negotiators for Plymouth-Canton teachers and administrators reached a tentative contract agreement at 1 a.m. Tuesday, after a marathon bargaining session that began at 8 a.m. Monday.

However, both sides refused to disclose the financial terms of the one-year agreement and the cost to local taxpayers until after both sides have voted on the contract.

"We're pleased a tentative agreement has been reached. We are recommending the pact to our mem-

bers," said Maryann Ligato-Freydl, executive director for the state teachers union. "We have no comment regarding the contents until after the ratification vote. We don't disclose terms of the agreement until both parties have had an opportunity to ratify."

Teachers are scheduled to vote on the contract Tuesday and Wednesday.

Agreement was reached after the third full day of negotiations.

"The negotiating teams for the Plymouth-Canton Education Associ-

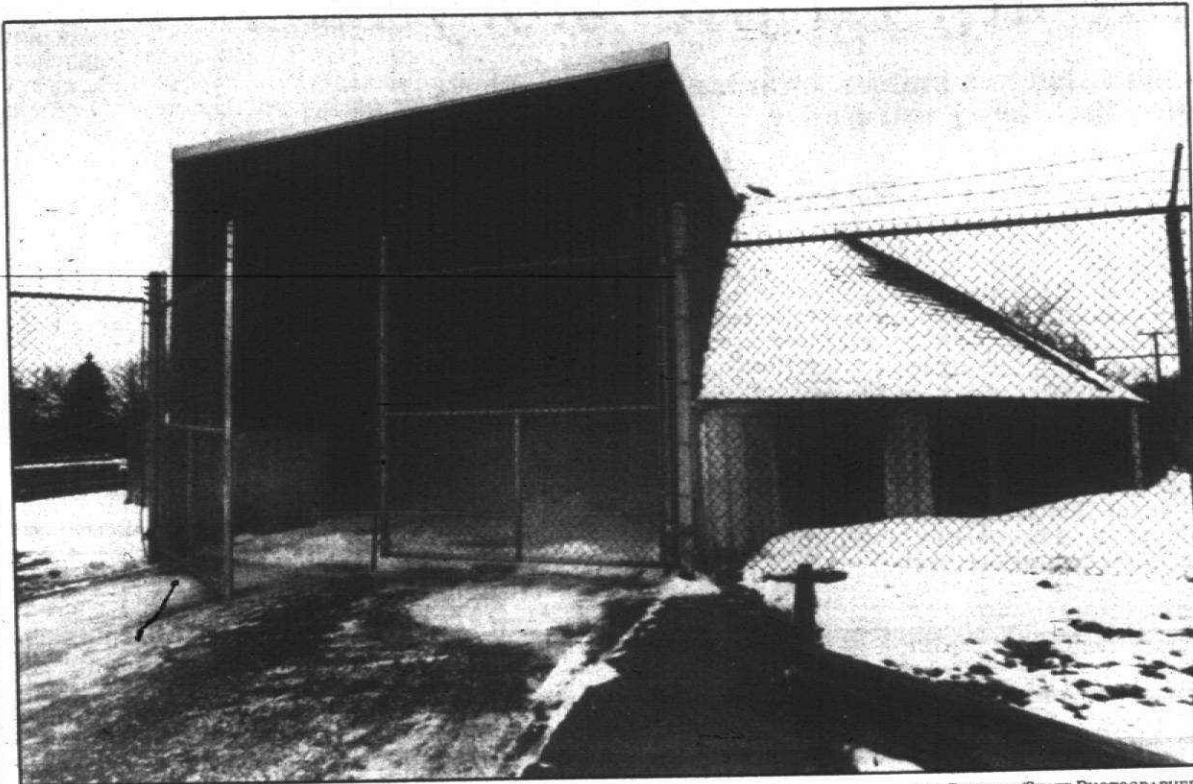
ation and the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools worked into the night last night and have now reached a tentative agreement," said district spokesman Richard Egli.

"The board of education is expected to vote on the contract on March 29. Both bargaining groups are recommending ratification of the one-year pact. We can't give further comment on it really at this point because teachers have to vote on it."

"I can't discuss it at all. No details will be released until then."

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Dragging on



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salt city: Winter dug in its heels in the Plymouth-Canton area and dumped more snow and cold our way, sending road workers to the salt barns for refills.

Failed kidnapping puts area on alert, police seek information

A 9-month-old girl was not injured after an unidentified man tried to abduct her from her mother as she was shopping at the Meijer shopping center in Canton Monday afternoon.

While shopping at the store at about 1:25 p.m., at Canton Center and Ford roads, a man approached the 20-year-old Redford woman and her daughter, who was sitting in the shopping cart, according to Tammie Colling, Canton police community relations officer.

He spoke with the mother and complimented the baby. The mother apparently became suspicious and walked to another part of the store. Five minutes later, the man, whom the mother described, as 55-60 years of age, reappeared and again talked about the baby.

As the man grabbed the baby, he offered the mother \$100. The mother grabbed the baby back, and went to get a store employee and security guard.

"At that point he reached out and got the baby out of cart. He had her up but her foot got caught," Colling said.

As the man grabbed the baby, he offered the mother \$100. The mother grabbed the baby back, and went to

get a store employee and security guard.

Police believe the man left the store after the incident. The mother described the man as having what she called a Romanian-type accent and dark hair with some gray. When last seen the man was wearing a purple spring jacket and a white T-shirt under a dark blue V-neck sweater.

"We don't know if there were any others (incidents)," Colling said, referring to the man in the store.

Police have no description of the car the man might be driving. Police are asking for help in finding the man. If you saw someone matching the man's description at Meijer Monday afternoon, call Detective Bill Keppen at 397-5340.

Former teacher declares

By M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Township's Robert Burger, who taught school for 35 years before retiring in 1989 from the South Redford school district, has announced his candidacy for Plymouth-Canton School Board.

Voters will fill a single board seat in the June 14 election. Trustee Dave Artley is running for re-election. Rev.

CANDIDACY

William Myers of Canton also has taken out election petitions.

A 1942 Plymouth High School graduate and an active member of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, is making his first bid for public office.

"I would just like to be in on the process of helping to set the course for the schools," he said. "I've always wanted to run for school board, but while I was working, I didn't feel I had the time to put in."

Burger taught elementary school in South Redford and high school social studies at Thurston High School for 11 years. He retired in 1989.

Burger's wife Joan operates the Cameo Wedding Chapel and Boutique in Plymouth. Their son Rob, 17, is a junior at Plymouth Canton High School.

Burger says he isn't running because of dissatisfaction with the district.

"I'm really pleased with what they've done in the past," he said. "They have done a remarkable job with kids in the Talented and Gifted Program." The Burgers' son was enrolled in TAG through middle school. "They gave him such a fantastic start in elementary and middle school. I think Plymouth's program has gone way ahead (of neighboring districts)," he said.

Burger says he's been satisfied with student achievement in Plymouth-Canton schools and is "very impressed with some of the teachers and their dedication."

The candidate hasn't yet decided whether he supports the 4-mill tax increase proposed for the June ballot. "I know they have a real problem now

See BURGER, 2A

Officials to debate cluster housing options

By JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Developer Richard Lewiston wouldn't be able to build his Royal Pointe subdivision if he had to follow some preliminary standards for cluster housing.

"It would be a disincentive for me to use the program," Lewiston told Canton planning commissioners Monday. "I think that bucks what we have tried to do in the last few years."

Township planner Jeff Goulet provided commissioners with a set of preliminary recommendations for cluster housing, including site and lot size, no minimum size on open space, setbacks and a minimum 50-foot buffer along roads.

The Royal Pointe subdivision, on Beck Road, between Ford and Warren roads, is 106 acres with 30 acres devoted to open space. Under the preliminary recommendations, however, Lewiston said there's no way he could build 3,100 square-foot homes, something township officials want for the community.

"This is kind of a starting point for the planning commission," Goulet said, referring to the preliminary recommendations. "Really, the numbers are flexible and based on your ultimate goal."

Planning commissioners and township trustees are expected to meet jointly at 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 6, to further discuss possible changes to the cluster housing option.

The cluster option was deleted temporarily from township ordinances in December while planners study and review new language to better suit what township officials believe the option should provide in more open space and larger lot sizes.

Township officials have been unhappy with how some developers have used or misused the option, which was expected to allow developers creativity with projects on land that boasted amenities such as woods and creek beds.

Lewiston told commissioners the new ordinance should specifically address township offi-

cials' concerns about cluster housing and how it should be used.

"I think the problems, the things that worry people, have to be dealt with directly," Lewiston said, adding that if a certain amount of open space is wanted, specify it.

Goulet said that other cluster options used in Livingston County, for example, might not work because Canton is more suburban than rural. But what about the flat land, which predominates in Canton, commissioners asked.

"They (residents) are in love with the fact while Canton Township is suburban it has a rural feeling. They don't want to see that lost," commissioner Phyllis Johnson said. "There's nothing more dismaying than driving in these subdivisions and seeing a large house on a postage stamp lot."

Township trustee Melissa McLaughlin, liaison to the planning commission, agreed. "I don't think we should dismiss the value of flat, level land. I don't want cluster to be (just) the next best choice."

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with finances. I'm not going to tell you I have the answers; if anyone does, I'd like to hear them.

"I don't know if I'm in favor," he added. "It would have to be looked at. I know a lot of people are asking, 'Why do we have to have a millage increase if they're raising the valuation of homes?'"

"If that's the way we have to go, then yes, I'm not wild about raising my taxes, but I want to make sure we don't drop such programs as TAG. Too often, we spend a lot of money on those who are in special education, and we neglect the TAG people with the result that they languish in class and aren't

challenged. As a teacher you see this. Bright kids get bored. If they're not challenged, they become a problem."

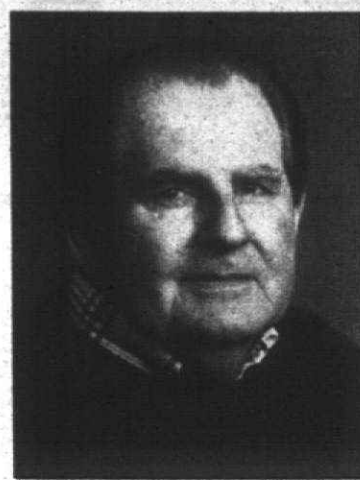
Burger, a graduate of Wayne State and Eastern Michigan Universities where he earned liberal arts and education degrees, doesn't favor across-the-board school funding.

"Plymouth has always been willing to tax themselves for the schools. I don't think districts that are willing to do that should be penalized," he said. "What they're doing now is trying to make all schools equal. It's almost like taking from the rich to help the poor."

Burger also stresses the value of parental involvement in children's education and of a good relationship between administration and staff. "You can't be divided in any endeavor. If you are, you're not going to accomplish much," he said.

Burger, who served the U.S. Army for nearly five years, hopes the campaign won't be a costly one.

"I think the position is important, but I don't know if it's so important that I'd ask people to donate considerable amounts of money. Too much money is spent on electioneering."



Robert Burger

Canton looks for ways to spend federal money

By JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

If you have something to say about how Canton Township officials want to spend this year's federal Community Development Block Grant money, a public hearing is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 22.

The hearing in the township board meeting room will be before the Canton CDBG Advisory Council, which will recommend allocations to township trustees. This year the township will get a larger chunk of the federal money for projects to benefit low- and moderate-income residents.

Canton will get \$375,000 compared to \$313,000 in 1992. Proposed allocations of the money include: \$56,250 for public services; \$28,125 for housing rehabilitation; \$150,000 for the township's community center; \$75,000 for administration; and \$65,600 that's uncommitted.

Under the public services category (a 15-percent allocation), money is generally donated to service agencies such as Salvation Army, First Step and Growth Works.

Money for housing rehabilitation (a 7.5-percent allocation) will be used to fix houses and bring them up to current codes. The interest loans are given to income-eligible residents.

The community center allocation matches the same amount set aside in 1992.

The uncommitted money will be used for "brick and mortar"

projects that must benefit low- and moderate-income residents. In past years, money has been used for sidewalks and playground improvements at a couple of subsidized housing projects. Though some projects have been proposed for the uncommitted money, more ideas are being sought from the public, which is invited to attend the public hearing.

The advisory council will meet at 7 p.m. for their regular meeting, followed by the public hearing. The public hearing agenda includes: Salvation Army summer day camp; Growth Works; First Step; Child & Family Services; adult day care; information center/Homeshare; volunteer coordinator; community center; housing rehabilitation; Canton Place canopy; service center building acquisition; Sheldon Road sidewalk; administration.

"If they have bad nights, they can wake up and talk with someone or go in the living room and read," said Jo-An Brown, Haven Manor executive director, herself a 15-year recovering alcoholic.

"Alcoholism is a disease. This is a physical, spiritual and mental disease."



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Sharing problems: Jo-An Brown, Haven Manor executive director, talks with the women who live at the substance abuse recovery home in Canton. Rules, structure and responsibility are house rules.



Home chores: It's their turn to make dinner at Haven Manor. The two women, residents of the home, are making a roast for dinner, which is expected to be on the table by 6 p.m.

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Plymouth-Canton schools employ 756 teachers. Errol Goldman, the district's executive director for employee relations, headed the district's negotiating team. Chief negotiator for the teachers was Plymouth

Salem High School teacher Tom Cotner.

Given the economic conditions the district finds itself in, teachers sought a one-year contract and a "reasonable" settlement. They stressed they wanted no changes

in their benefits, said Chuck Portelli, president of the Plymouth-Canton teachers union and a member of the bargaining team.

Superintendent John Hoben said he hopes an accord could be reached before the June election,

when voters will be asked to renew 17.74 mills and raise taxes by 4 mills. Hoben wanted a salary settlement in the area of 3 percent and help from teachers in the prescription co-payment, which has been \$2.

Creativity's the key for this storyteller

By LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

For years Barbara Jones would tell her children bedtime stories each night, tape recording a story if they were spending the night with their grandmother or she was away.

"I make up my own stories. After taping them, I realized that I had great stories," said Jones of Canton. "I had just kept the stories in my bedroom."

About six years ago, Jones, a Livonia school district substitute teacher, began taking her storytelling outside her home, performing for groups and recording her stories.

She'll be sharing her methods in a "Creative Storytelling" class 7:30-9 p.m. tonight (Thursday) at Tales and Tapes, 30040 Ford. Information and registrations can be made by calling 421-5544.

■ 'I make up my own stories. After taping them, I realized that I had great stories.'

Barbara Jones

Working with Bobbe Branch, who writes songs and sings, Jones has made two sets of "Live Your Dreams" tapes which combine her stories with songs.

"If there is a theme in each story, it's about our true self being greater than what we ever conceived them being," Jones said. "I'm still self-discovering, what else can I do. I like my kids to dream. I want them to continue to have a great dream. If one doesn't work out, try another."

For younger children, the tapes

can be used to help the youngsters relax at bedtime.

There is music for while the child gets ready, then a story begins once the youngster is settled in bed.

"It depends on how the parent introduces it to the children. If the parent makes it special, a time for relaxation, it becomes that," Jones said. "The reaction I get is that, kids want to hear it every night. I think kids will listen over and over to something until it makes sense to them."

Since November, Jones has

been expanding her live storytelling efforts with a clown character named Sparkles.

"I discovered that some kids like to hear from Sparkles more than they like to hear from Barb Jones," she said. "There are times when a child is afraid of me but not Sparkles, who can give them a hug or kiss."

For her class, Jones said she will discuss story-telling techniques such as paying attention to words and their implicit messages and body language.

Two addition classes are being offered March 26-27 at Curious Child in Plymouth.

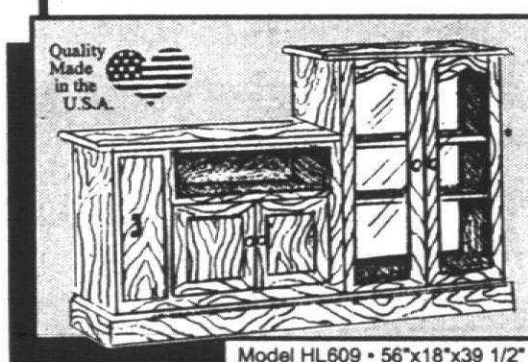
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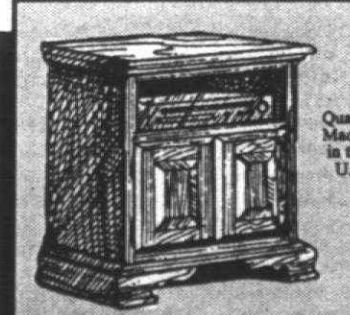


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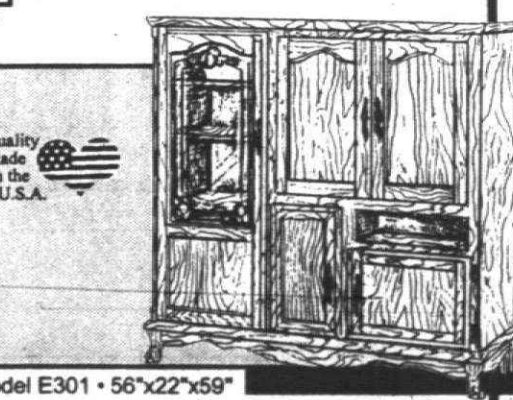
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Grandma's Loft



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Closed gates: Highland headquarters in Plymouth were guarded and the gates were closed on Tuesday shortly after it was announced that the chain would close.

City doesn't expect financial strain from Highland closing

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By KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

The demise of Highland Superstores probably won't put a severe financial hardship on the city. That was the word from city officials Tuesday, after Highland announced it had closed its stores and would soon conduct liquidation sales.

"We are proud of our 60-year history and all of the employees who made it possible," said Ira Mondry, Highland president and chief executive officer.

"We have been pleased to serve our customers and their communities," he said, "and we are saddened that we will be unable to continue to do so in the years ahead."

"We really don't have any more information, everything's coming together," said Karen Willgues, an attorney for the company, shortly after the announcement. She declined further comment.

A company spokeswoman was unavailable for comment on how many Plymouth city and township residents are employed by Highland.

Highland moved from former headquarters in Taylor to Plymouth in 1987. Nearly 500 employees have been employed at one time at the facility.

Mayor Robert Jones said, "We visited with the president 6 months ago to see if there was anything we could do."

"We have to do everything we can," Jones said, to seek a new tenant for the building.

Highland, at 909 N. Sheldon Road, has already paid its city taxes for 1992-93, said city manager Steve Walters.

He pegged the potential loss to the city's general fund for the 1993-94 fiscal year, starting in July, at \$10,000-\$15,000, on unpaid taxes on equipment.

Should the company fail to pay property taxes, that would pose a much greater loss — but the city would quickly recover that amount from a property sale required by the county if that occurred, city officials said.

The greater problem is posed in the long run, Walters said. If the building sits vacant, the city could not collect taxes on equipment. Then, Walters said, the city could stand to lose \$60,000 a year.

Also, if the building is vacant, its property assessment could fall, meaning less in property taxes generated for the city. "A worst-case scenario is the building is vacated and would remain that way and as a result the assessed valuation would be reduced, and property taxes would be lower," said city finance director Bill Graham.

Walters and Jones say the current building should be attractive to potential tenants, despite significant competition from Plymouth Township which offers tax breaks.

"There's a large parking lot, you couldn't have better railway access," Walters said, adding M-14 is nearby and the facility also provides quality office space.

Highland in 1992 paid a total of \$532,983 to all taxing entities, including 113,590 to the city of Plymouth and \$202,500 to the Plymouth-Canton schools, city officials said.

A Plymouth-Canton schools finance official was unavailable for comment Tuesday on the impact of Highland's closing on the schools.

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Young mother dies from rare disease

"A courageous young mother who fought to live against the greatest of odds."

That's how the Rev. John Sullivan urged mourners gathered Monday in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church to remember Marie Haydon.

Haydon, 36, of Plymouth Township, died March 11 in Harper Hospital of complications from aplastic anemia, a disease that affects the body's ability to produce blood cells.

Sullivan urged family, friends and neighbors to continue their network of support for her husband, Paul, and their four children, Kristen, 13, Ryan, 9, Jillian, 7, and Adam, 4.

"It's what Marie would have wanted," said Sullivan, who eulogized Haydon as a woman of great courage who "touched lots of children — her own and the many others she came in contact with at OLCG and her neighborhood."

Haydon ran OLCG's cooperative nursery until mid-January when she was hospitalized to undergo treatments.

The pastor also urged family, friends and neighbors to keep Haydon's memory alive by talking about her to each other and to her children.

"Don't let them forget; don't be afraid to talk about her," Sullivan urged the large crowd of mourners gathered to celebrate the Mass of Resurrection.

Sullivan's message and his presence were especially comforting for Haydon's parents, Theodore and Evelyn Small of Garden

City. The Smalls are members of St. Mel's Parish in Dearborn Heights. Marie attended elementary school in the parish school, and Sullivan, who grew up there, returned to the parish as a young seminarian.

"I guess you could say it was coincidence that he came back in our time of need," said her father.

Friends remembered Haydon as a devoted mother and a "warm, loving, giving person who was always there."

"We met at the OLCG nursery and we had a lot in common. We both had four children. She was my first friend as a mom," said Carolyn Dew of Plymouth Township.

"She was the only person who ever offered to watch my children besides my mother. You could count on her," said Dew.

"She was always there for me and my kids," said close friend Jeane Holmes of Plymouth Township.

"My daughter broke her arm at school and they couldn't get a hold of me so they called her."

Dew said Haydon had a deep, strong faith and worked hard to share that with her children.

Many others remember Haydon as one who, when she saw a need, always tried to help.

Mary Mitchell remembered how Haydon found out about teenage lifeguards at a local swim club who had been injured.

"They were teenagers and their parents had died. She called me and said 'Mary these kids need help, they're teenagers. They need

to eat.' She asked if she could count on me."

Friends and family members said Haydon had recently agreed to serve as the regional director of the Williams Syndrome Association. She attended national conferences, raised funds for the organization and helped organize conferences in the region.

Her daughter, Kristen, had been diagnosed with the condition.

Haydon was a 1972 graduate of Garden City East High School. She received an associate's degree in nursing from Schoolcraft College in 1974. She worked as a pediatric nurse at Children's Hospital until 1978. She married Paul Haydon of Garden City and her high school sweetheart in June 1977.

"I watched her grow up; she was like my own daughter, said her mother-in-law, Della Haydon of Garden City.

The couple lived in Escanaba and Marquette where Paul was enrolled in a Michigan State University pilot program for physicians specializing in family practice.

The couple moved to the Dearborn area and Marie worked part-time at Oakwood Hospital while Paul completed a residency in internal medicine there. They spent two years in Chicago before settling in the Trailwood Subdivision in Plymouth Township six years ago.

Paul Haydon directs the critical care unit at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

Memorials may be made to Williams Syndrome Association or Aplastic Anemia Foundation.



Happier times: Paul and Marie Haydon were high school sweethearts.

Haydon is survived by her sisters, Kathleen Small of Chicago and Colleen Martello of Florida; brother, Michael of Grand Rapids; in-laws Bill and Della Haydon of Garden City; brothers-in-law Charles Martello of Florida, Mark Stuart of Texas and Tom Peterson and David Haydon of Texas; sisters-in-law Pat Small of Grand Rapids; Laura Peterson of Midland, Holly Stuart of Texas and several nieces and nephews. Burial was in Parkview Cemetery in Livonia. Arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Registration set for PLUS preschool program

The PLUS preschool program, offered by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools in conjunction with a federal government grant, is accepting applications for the 1993-94 school year.

The free program is offered for 4-year-olds and their parents who live in the attendance areas of Eriksson, Farrand, Field, Gallimore, Hoben or Smith Elementary Schools. Children must be 4 on

or before Dec. 1 to enroll.

PLUS stands for Pupils Learning Useful Skills. The program features the High-Scope curriculum, which includes many experiences geared to promote critical-thinking skills in young children. Hands-on computer science and nutrition activities also are a part of the program. Classes for children and parents are held at Central Middle School.

The program gives parents an opportunity to be involved in their child's education by attending parent classes once a week during the time their child is in school, according to Mary Fritz, program director.

The children's program emphasizes developmental principles and a variety of activities that encourage readiness skills.

Classes are taught by teachers who specialize in early childhood education. Parent class topics include nutrition, child management, child development, health and safety. Activities for home use also will be discussed in class. Many joint trips and activities for parents and children are planned throughout the year.

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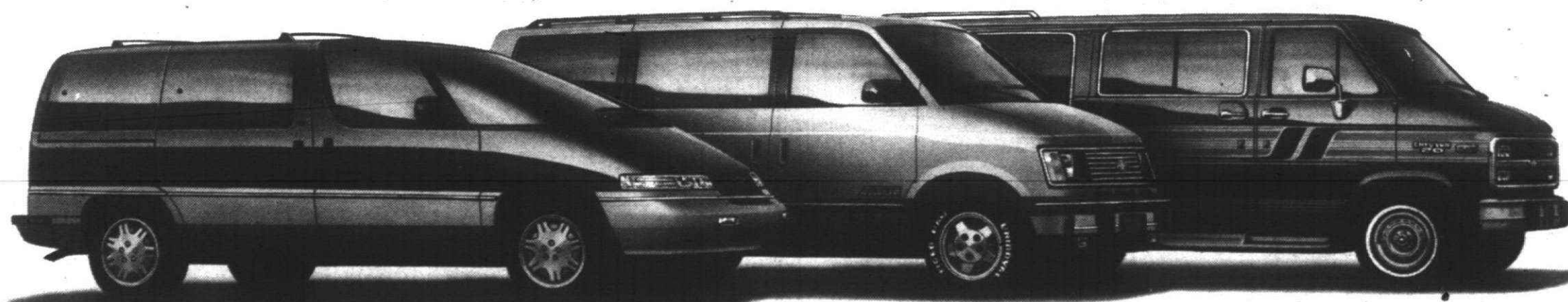
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Senate bills seek to tie school attendance to welfare aid

By TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Parents who let their kids skip school too often would lose \$25 a month in welfare aid under a controversial bill passed by the state Senate.

Under a companion bill, parents would lose their state income tax exemption for the school-skipping pupil.

"Short-sighted and counterproductive," said Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville, who was on the short side of the 24-9 vote. "The ADC (aid to families with dependent children) program is designed to provide a basic minimum of food, clothing and shelter for families of children in poverty. To elevate school attendance to so high a level that we jeopardize food, clothing, shelter, Medicaid eligibility and the emotional security associated with a minimum family income — if one of the children happens to miss more than two days of school in any given month — is so ridiculous as to confound common sense."

"A very poor way to encourage individuals to send their children to school," added Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills. "It creates an adversarial relationship between the parents and the school itself. If you have a so-called 'unexcused absence' — and I would take it that the school would make that determination — then the parents are going to be subjected to two kinds of punishments."

Faxon said the bills would create more legal work. "They do nothing to promote education," he said.

"Only poor people with children in public schools will be punished severely enough to make a material difference," added Sen. Lana Pollack, D-Ann Arbor.

The key measure on welfare benefits won on a 24-9 vote last week.

Voting yes: Sens. Mike Bouchard, R-Birmingham, Mat Dunaskias, R-Lake Orion, William Faust, D-Westland, and George Z. Hart, D-Dearborn.

Voting no: Faxon and Geake. Excused absence: David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield. One-third of Michigan high

school students fail to earn a diploma. The bills are aimed at assuring attendance from kindergarten through fifth grade so that today's truants don't become tomorrow's dropouts.

"Across the state, many grade school children who want to be in school do not attend daily merely because no one makes the effort to get them there," said the position paper of sponsor Dan DeGrow, R-Port Huron.

"Under the bills, parents and caretaker relatives who did not meet their responsibilities in making sure their children attended school could face financial consequences. Unfortunately, some parents and caretakers need this type of incentive."

If the bills pass the House and become law:

■ The parent or "caretaker relative" would be required to meet with school officials if a student

had more than two "unexcused" absences in a month. Students through fifth grade are covered unless the student was excused, suspended or expelled.

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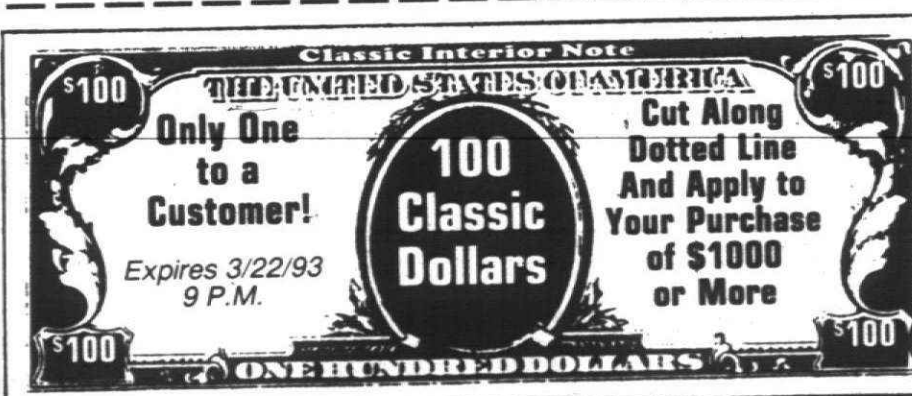
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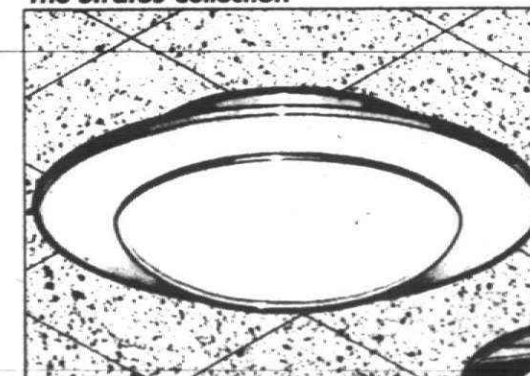
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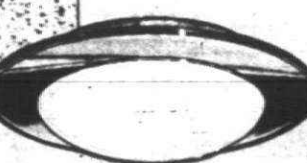
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Sales tax bills would help improve state's cash flow

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

The Engler administration's plan to beef up sales tax collections barely survived its first hurdle last week in the state Senate on a 19-9 vote.

"It's a tax increase of \$9 million on the medium and large retailers of this state," objected Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Lansing, a probable candidate for governor. "We are not balancing the budget without raising taxes."

Sen. Fred Dillingham, R-

Fourville, agreed and added, "It also hurts the small business of this state."

"We increased the cash flow on the backs of retailers," said Sen. Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham.

Senate Bills 437 and 438, sponsored by Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville, move up tax collection dates and eliminate a collection fee for retailers. Geake said they were part of Gov. John Engler's plan to balance the budget in the

face of revenue shortfalls in a lackluster economy. Spending cuts also are included. The bills now go to the House.

Voting yes: Sens. William Faust, D-Westland, Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, and Geake. Voting no: Sens. Bouchard, Mat Dunaskis, R-Lake Orion, George Z. Hart, D-Deerborn, and David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield. Consumers who pay the

state's 4 percent sales tax and use tax will notice no changes, but retailers will be affected.

State Treasurer Doug Roberts said the bills will:

- Improve Treasury's cash flow by \$100 million by advancing the due date for retailers to pay.
- This change would apply to large taxpayers only, said Roberts.
- The disadvantage to the retailer is the loss of use and sales tax col-

lections for several days. Requiring an earlier due date does not increase the retailer's liability.

In real terms, improved cash flow will help to protect the state's credit rating and fiscal integrity.

- Eliminate a 0.75 percent collection fee retailers currently keep for paying their sales taxes on time. Roberts called the "discount" unfair to consumers, who

receive no discounts for paying their taxes on time. Roberts said state revenue would be increased \$8 million for the rest of this fiscal year and \$20 million in the fiscal year starting Oct. 1.

Sen. Faust noted Democrats as well as Republicans were split over the issue. Voters approved the sales tax rate in the constitution, he said, but never approved the collection fee for retailers.

Killeen remembered for 'great integrity'

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITER

Former Wayne County Clerk James R. Killeen died Sunday at the University of Michigan Hospital of lymphoma, a form of cancer. He was 69.

Killeen announced his retirement in March 1992 after 18 years in office. He hoped to travel with his wife, Georgia, but the lymphoma kept him here.

"He'll be missed. The guy was a force in county politics," said county commissioner Bryan Amann, D-Wayne, who was Killeen's chief deputy in 1988.

Another former Killeen deputy, current Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano, said Killeen "was a man of great integrity. He definitely had a vision."

Born in Detroit on July 4, 1923, Killeen was a World War II veteran and worked 25 years for the U.S. Department of Justice.

Appointed Wayne County clerk in 1974, Killeen assumed that office at a time when the records were "in total disarray," Amann said, then proceeded to straighten the mess out.

As clerk, Killeen oversaw coun-

ty elections, court clerks, birth, death and marriage certificates and reappointment of commissioners.

Killeen's political influence in Wayne County was almost legendary, and he frequently battled with county executives, first William Lucas, then Edward McNamara.

Having been in office before the county charter established a county executive office in 1981, Killeen was loath to relinquish power. "Jim argued that there were five county executives (including himself), not one," Amann said.

Perhaps Killeen's proudest moment was when he won a fight with Lucas over who could appoint a county sheriff. Killeen won, and Ficano has his former boss to thank for his current status.

Besides wife Georgia, Killeen is survived by sons Michael and Timothy; daughters Moira Hartwell, Katherine, Sharon Lake, Teresa and Rosemary; three brothers and six grandchildren. Services were held today in St. Philomena Church in Detroit.

Local sites offer health tests

Five areas will offer 13 days of testing in this year's "Project Health-O-Rama."

WXYZ-TV/Channel 7, United Health Organization, Blue Care Network, United Way and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan are sponsoring the health project.

Area sites include:

- Laurel Park Place Mall, 37700 W. Six Mile, Livonia (just east of I-275), 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 24 and Thursday, March 25.
- Livonia Mall, sponsored by Botsford General Hospital, 29514 Seven Mile at Middlebelt roads, Livonia, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, March 17-19.
- St. Mary Hospital, 36475 Five

Mile, Livonia, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 27.

- Westland Center, sponsored by Annapolis Hospital, 35000 W. Warren (Warren at Wayne roads) 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, March 29-31 and April 1.
- Wonderland Mall, 29859 Plymouth Road, Livonia, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, April 5-7.

For more information call the Health-O-Rama hotline 313-424-8600 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The project provides low-cost, health screening tests to individuals over age 18. Assistance is given to those who have experienced a decrease or removal of their health benefits due to layoffs, unemployment or underemployment.

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School finance debate approaching crescendo

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

The school finance debate — over property tax cuts and "equity" between districts — will come to a head in Lansing in the coming weeks.

In the four most recent developments:

- A union representing 355 teachers in the well-to-do Grand

Rapids suburb of Forest Hills voted 94 percent in favor of a two-year salary freeze. It sent a message to teachers in other out-of-formula districts across Michigan.

The fear: The state will cut their funds, either through "re-capturing" retirement and categorical payments, or a property tax cut with no reimbursements.

Superintendent Michael Washburn, former chief of Garden City schools, guaranteed the jobs of all existing faculty. Union president Willard DeJonghe told the Grand Rapids Press: "We're more concerned about people keeping their jobs in this economy than getting richer."

The action showed Michigan Education Association affiliates are responding to Engler's complaint that suburban districts have been too generous with pay

increases.

Like Forest Hills, most Observer & Eccentric area school districts are out of formula and fear major revenue losses if (say) Gov. John Engler's 20 percent school property tax ever becomes law.

■ Engler on Friday will unveil his budget for fiscal 1994 after leaking word he would propose guaranteeing every district \$4,200 per pupil. Roughly half the state's 265 districts have less than that.

No tax hikes will be proposed to

pay for it. Engler hinted Social Security and retirement payments for out-of-formula districts will be cut — another "Robin Hood" plan.

Engler's plan won warm praise from Sen. Dan DeWitt, R-Port Huron. DeWitt, along with Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City, contends it's wrong to give wealthier districts even a dime in categorical aid when there is such a massive disparity between districts.

Engler's 4,200 figure is \$500 below an equalizing measure proposed by the Bipartisan Legislative Team. BLT wants a flat

\$4,700 per pupil figure, with statewide residential tax base sharing and an increased income tax.

■ The House Taxation Committee reported out the BLT plan a week ago, but it is languishing on the House calendar because backers fear it lacks a majority to pass.

■ Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, this week put in bill form his cutthroat plan. Faxon's bill would cut local school property taxes by half, on average. It would raise the sales tax two cents, requiring voter approval, and put the revenue in a "residential school property tax relief fund."

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Auto insurance bill flies through committee

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

A "cost containment" auto insurance bill breezed through the Senate Commerce Committee in 20 minutes Tuesday, almost before Sen. William Faust could offer objections.

Faust, D-Westland, interrupted the roll call to say, "I'm going to vote to put it out (to the full Senate) to move the process. But I reserve the right on the floor to offer amendments."

Without debate, the committee voted 4 to 1 to approve the House-passed bill. Dissenting was Michael O'Brien, D-Detroit.

Perot group to host TV town hall

United We Stand America and Ross Perot will host its first electronic town hall at 8 p.m. Sunday on NBC-TV Channel 4 and NBC Mutual Radio Network.

The topic is government reform and Perot will guide viewers through a ballot that outlines 17 reform issues. Ballots also have been distributed in TV guide.

Those seeking more information can call Diane MacShara, the group's contact in the 11th Congressional District at, 313-363-1549.

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"Our caucus members from Detroit do not like this bill," Faust said after the meeting.

Faust said one amendment would raise to \$2 million, from \$1 million, the amount of "catastrophic claim" coverage every Michigan driver would be required to carry. Current law, which many consider too costly, requires \$5 million. "It's that taking away that bothers people," Faust said.

Most states require \$250,000 in catastrophic claim coverage. Some permit up to \$1 million to be purchased voluntarily.

"Michigan is the only place in the world," said insurance agent spokesman Gary Mitchell, "where, as a prerequisite to driving a car, you have to buy unlimited medical coverage."

Mitchell said his group, Professional Independent Insurance Agents of Michigan, would lose

money on the bill because their commissions are tied to premiums, which would be cut — but they are willing to make the sacrifice to get a better law.

Faust, a 25-year Senate veteran, said it may be difficult for insurers to deliver a required average 16 percent cut in premiums. Reason: Interest rates are going down. Some insurers pay out in claims more than they collect in premiums, turning a profit only by what

they earn on investing their reserves.

Faust likes the provision requiring larger insurers to establish offices in every rating district in the state — including Detroit.

"There's no competition in Detroit. I live 15 miles from Detroit, and my bill is half what a Detroit person's bill is," Faust said.

Faust declined to say what other amendments he might offer until the 16-member Democratic

caucus is consulted. Meanwhile, Republicans saw their margin swell to 22 to 16 in the Senate with an upset victory Monday in a Bay City area district formerly held by a Democrat.

House Democrats offered some 30 amendments when they debated House Bill 4156 earlier this month. All the major ones lost. Finally, 11 Democrats joined Republicans to give the bill 65 to 43 victory.

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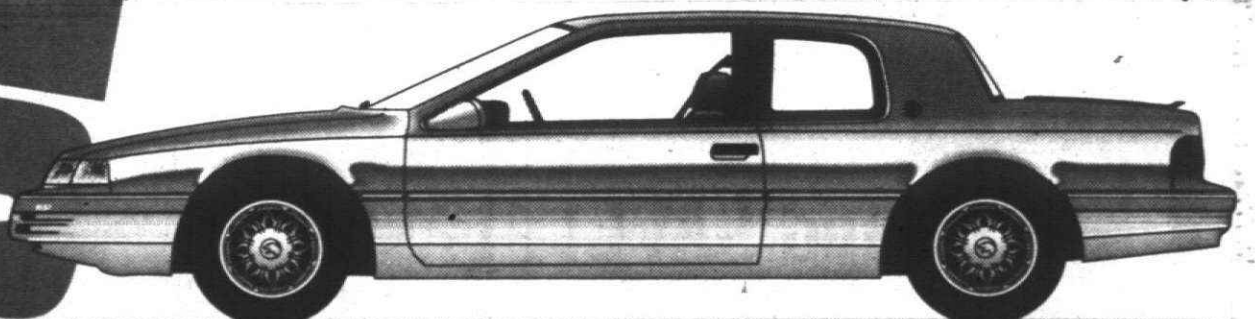
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Memorial dedication set

The Canton Veterans Memorial is scheduled to be dedicated Friday, June 25, in Heritage Park. The dedication will coincide with the opening of the 1993 Liberty Fest.

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Secret Service life
excites Salem grad

A former Plymouth Salem High School student was back in the class room recently to tell students about his travels as a U.S. Secret Service agent. He has one big tip for kids: Don't do drugs if you want to be an agent.

BY M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

Jeff Kleinsmith spends his nights hanging around foreign embassies in Washington, D.C., and gets paid to do it.

The 1982 Plymouth Salem High School graduate works in the foreign mission branch of the U.S. Secret Service. His job is protecting foreign diplomats, their embassies, and chanceries (offices) on the midnight shift. He also works in drug law enforcement.

Kleinsmith, who's late father Edgar Kleinsmith was a principal at Fiegel Elementary, was the guest of teacher Bob Kroeger and his history classes at Salem High School last week.

Looking fit and muscular, Kleinsmith wore his uniform, replete with his weapon; black trousers striped with gold and pressed white shirt decorated with the Presidential seal, gold nameplate and Secret Service badges. Across his engraved, gold badge was a ribbon of black in tribute to the four federal agents who died last week in Waco, Texas.

A former tri-captain for the Rocks' swim team, Kleinsmith spoke about what the branches of the Secret Service do (they will investigate you if you threaten the President's life), highlighted his career, and told students about how becoming a drug abuser can destroy your life.

"It's an exciting life in the Secret Service, but it can be scary sometimes," said Kleinsmith, a 1986 graduate of Eastern Michigan University

who joined the Secret Service in 1990. "You can also be bored out of your wit."

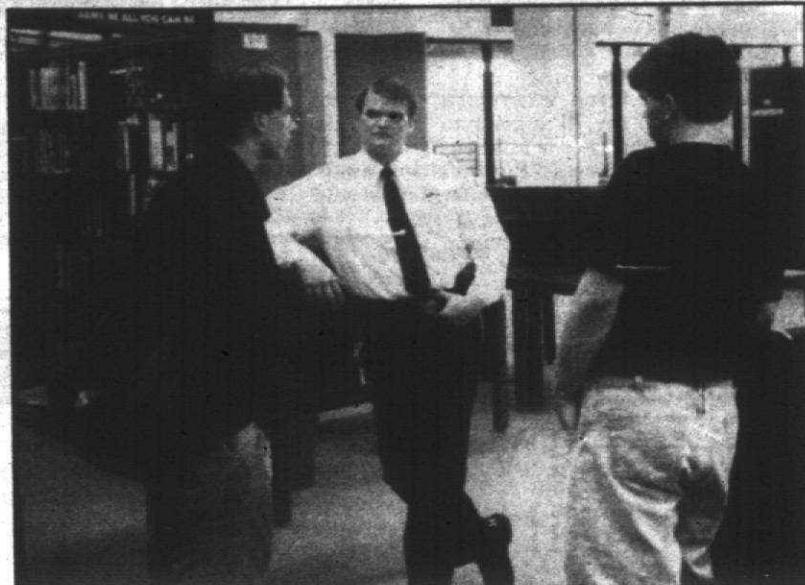
Dignitaries Kleinsmith has protected include President and Mrs. Clinton; Vice President and Mrs. Gore; President and Mrs. Bush; England's Queen Elizabeth and Prime Minister John Major; President and Mrs. Carter; foreign officials including Russian President Boris Yeltsin; the presidents of Colombia and Korea; and the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

Kleinsmith was on campaign detail with President and Mrs. Bush when they made their whistlestop tour through Michigan.

"I enjoyed it very much. It was fun detail. I got to see a lot of people I knew, and I stayed with my mom." Kleinsmith's mother, Carolyn, still lives in the community and teaches in Walled Lake Public Schools. Kleinsmith's father was hit by a car and killed while running near Beck and Joy roads in 1982.

Kleinsmith — who protected President-elect and Mrs. Clinton during their pre-inaugural midnight vigil and at the Midwestern Inaugural Ball — said he's glad the presidential campaign is over. "The campaign was hectic because everyone and their brother wanted protection. It was a long, hard campaign. Now we have a little R and R," he said.

Kleinsmith was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army Infantry through ROTC, serving in the Army's 101st Airborne Division from 1986-1990. A reserve captain in



Secret service: Jeff Kleinsmith tells students how he spends his time as a secret service agent.

the infantry, Kleinsmith completed jump school and air assault school in the Army. He says his military experience, coupled with the fact he never tried drugs, did much to help him get his job.

"The military is good for any job, even if you want to be a nurse. I've never tried a drug in my life; that's why I got this job. I had plenty of chances; I decided I didn't want any part of it. It's not worth getting arrested." Kleinsmith said he's made numerous drug arrests, apprehending suspects as young as 14 years old.

"If you've tried drugs in your life, you aren't going to achieve in life what you want. You guys are at the point where you can either destroy it or make successes of yourselves. Sure job competition is tough right now, but if you put the right cards on the table, you'll be all right."

The Secret Service gives applicants a polygraph test. "It's one of the hardest exams you have to take. It's five hours with no breaks. Ninety percent of applicants fail. They've been arrested or tried drugs at some time in their life," he said.

On foot or on a motorcycle, Secret Service agents patrol embassies, many of which are in affluent D.C. neighborhoods. "Others are in high-crime, drug areas," said Kleinsmith. "We don't respond to calls, but anything we run up on in D.C., we follow up on."

The drug culture is nothing to get involved with, he said. "I've seen people die in the District of Columbia because they had to buy that last rock of cocaine. They overdosed or got killed. If the drug doesn't kill you, other dealers will, because they want your business."

Students had plenty of questions for Kleinsmith and seemed to enjoy his talk. Clint Smith, Jr. is a senior a Plymouth Canton High School who'd like to enter the Coast Guard and eventually work for the bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

"I think he was very interesting," said Smith. "For not being able to tell us a lot about the Secret Service, he sure gave out a lot of information. But when he was talking about drugs, I felt like I was in an interrogation room."

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CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND CANTON

SPECIAL EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY
In conjunction with Plymouth Oratorio Society and Great Lakes Quartet, Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 will be performed at 8 p.m. Friday at First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial, Plymouth. Afterglow is at the Mayflower Hotel in Plymouth. Tickets, 451-2112, or purchased at Beitzner's Jewelry or Evola Music in Plymouth; Giftfinder or Bookstall on the Main in Northville; or Dearborn Music in Canton.

EASTER ACTIVITIES
Washi-Egg Workshop for adults, 1-3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 27, and Easter Bunny Fun Party for the family, all ages, 6-7:30 p.m. Friday, April 9, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 455-6620.

DINNER DANCE
The Plymouth Newcomers Club presents "An Evening of Elegance" on Friday, April 30, at the Mayflower Hotel Ballroom. Fashion show included. Proceeds to support the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Tickets, 455-5934 or 451-7296.

EASTER EGG HUNT is 10 a.m. sharp Saturday, April 10, at Heritage Park. Canton residents, ages 10-under. Call Canton Parks and Recreation, 397-5110.

SPECIAL DANCE
Mother & Son Dance (sisters, aunts, grandmothers), all ages, 7:45-9:15 p.m. Friday, March 26; Daddy & Daughter Dance (brothers, uncles, grandfathers), all ages, 6-7:30 p.m. Friday, March 26, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. For information, call the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department, 455-6620.

SCHOOL BOUNDARIES
The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will host two public forums this month to offer citizens an opportunity to review and comment on proposed elementary school boundary changes: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, at East Middle School; and 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 29, at Pioneer Middle School. 451-3188.

TRIPS
City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is offering two trips: Pelee Island Theater, Wednesday, April 14 (includes tour of Point Pelee National Park and a City tour of Windsor); Washington, D.C. and Gettysburg, 4 days, April 30. 455-6620.

SCIENCE FEST
"A Family Science Experience" activity night for the family is 6-8 p.m. Monday, March 22, at Field Elementary School.

ESTATE PLANNING
Seminar is 1-3 p.m. Monday, March 22, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Reservations, call the Recreation Department, 455-6627.

WEST SIDE STORY
Plymouth Park Players will present a play at 8 p.m. March 26, 27, April 2 and 3

at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy Road, Canton. 459-3518.

PHANTOM
"Phantom of the Auction" will be presented by Plymouth Christian Academy 5:30 p.m. to midnight March 26 at Laurel Manor — Livonia. Includes dinner. Walk-through is 7-9 p.m. March 25. Tickets, 459-3505.

TAX HELP
IRS representatives will provide help with federal returns at the Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road: 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 20. Register, 397-0999.

SPINNING
Kids ages 2-6 can hear a great story and enjoy free milk and cookies 2-2:45 p.m. Tuesdays at McDonald's, 39700 Five Mile, Plymouth. Sign up, 420-0033.

ICE SKATING
Register for lessons 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Classes begin April 5. Call Recreation Department, 451-6555.

PCAC GARAGE SALE
Start saving white elephants for the second annual Plymouth Community Arts Council Treasure Mart May 14-15 at Wilcox Mill. Bring clothing, household goods, furniture, items of all kinds to the Mill 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays, April 24, May 1 and May 15. Volunteers needed. 455-5260.

PARENT ACADEMY
Parents are invited to attend free meeting 7-9 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at E.J. McClelland Education Center, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth. Psychologist will examine the effects that various parenting influences can have upon children's self-esteem. 453-3441 or 455-8417.

PLYMOUTH MUSEUM
"What Men Collect" is the theme of the exhibit at 155 S. Main. 455-8940.

STRESS LECTURE
Cause, effect and prevention of stress will be discussed to improve quality of life at 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main. Register, 453-0750.

BAND SCHOLARSHIP
The Plymouth Community Band will host its annual Kenneth Wease competition at 7 p.m. March 30 in the Phase III bandroom, Plymouth Centennial Education Park, on Joy Road at Canton Center. Applications available from James Griffith, Band Director. Forms returned by March 20 to Vickie Krause, c/o Plymouth Community Band, PO Box 700745, Plymouth, Mich. 48170. Competition performance is open to the public.

AUCTION
New Morning School will present its annual auction 5 p.m. to midnight April 3 at

The Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland. Corporate tables available, advance registration required, 420-3331.

PRE-RETIREMENT
Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System (MPERS) will host a free, informational meeting to discuss retirement benefits at 4:30 p.m. today at Canton High School Little Theater. Call Ana Archer, (517) 322-6000.

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SPELLING BEE
Canton Rotary Literacy Committee will sponsor The Third Annual Community Spelling Bee at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 13, at the Canton High School Little Theatre on Canton Center. Proceeds to benefit local literacy efforts. 451-6555.

CHARITTE
Architecture students from local universities will compete in displaying design ideas to enhance the Ann Arbor Road corridor beginning at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at East Middle School, 1042 S. Mill Street, Plymouth. Award presentation, 7:30 p.m. Public invited. For information, call Plymouth Community Chamber at 453-1540.

SPORTS
PLYMOUTH SOFTBALL
For information on men's slow pitch league and women's slow pitch league, call Tom Willette, 455-6620 at City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department.

CANTON SOCCER
Club needs players for the 79 Boys Recreational Division. Birthdate between Aug. 1, 1978, and July 31, 1979. Call Don Kelm, 397-1926.

GIRLS SOCCER
The Canton Crusaders team, which plays in the Under 14 Division of the Little Caesars Soccer League, needs good players for the spring 1993 season. If interested, and if birth date is on or after Aug. 1, 1978, call coach Carl Brey, 453-5547.

FOR YOUR HEALTH
The Plymouth and Canton Observers welcome calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Canton Observer, 744 Wing, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 313-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

Event:
Date and Time:
Location:
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Additional info:

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ERIC BLOCH, son of Leonard and Patricia Bloch of Canton, has been cast in the Eastern Michigan University Theatre production of "Excuse Me While I Adjust My Bra Strap," on April 2, 3, 4, 15, 16 and 17 at the Sponberg Theatre on the Ypsilanti campus. He is a graduate of Catholic Central High School where he was an active member of the Swim Team, Creative Students Organization, Drama, Honor Roll and the Student Newspaper. At EMU he has been a member of various activities including theater. He is currently a member of the University Honors Program and is recipient of the Interpretation/Performance Studies Service Award.

TOM SWARTHOUT, son of Canton resident Kathy Swarthout, has been cast in the Eastern Michigan University Theatre production of "Excuse Me While I Adjust My Bra Strap." The production will play at the Sponberg Theatre on the Ypsilanti campus April 2, 3, 4, 15, 16 and 17. He is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School where he was an active member of Theatrical Troupe 354, as well as receiving English and Drama departmental awards. Since his arrival at EMU, he has been a member of various activities including theater. He is currently a scene shop technician and enjoys working on both sides of the stage. His most recent role was that of Courier in

CANTON SOFTBALL
Men's, women's and co-ed teams welcome. Season begins April 18. "Early Bird" tournament is April 18-19. Information, 483-5600 Ext. 102, or 483-2913.

UMPIRING CLINIC
Canton Softball Center (CSC) Umpires Association offers solo-umpire clinic to potential umpires, experienced umpires, as well as players and managers. 483-5600 Ext. 102.

JUNIOR BASEBALL
The Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League will hold registration for the 1993 baseball season 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 31, at the Canton High School cafeteria. Boys ages 7-15 years; girls, 7-18. Adult help and umpires needed. Call John Lukina, 455-8538 or Rich Madson, 420-0223.

WALKERS
Group walks are 10 a.m. Monday-Friday in the Community Room at St. John Neumann Church, 44900 Warren in Canton, 455-9042.

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Home inspections Proposed program restrictive

A proposed house inspection program unveiled by Canton Township smacks of the big brother concept and takes control away from homeowners over their own property.

The inspection program was proposed to the township board on March 2 by Aaron Machnik, township municipal services director. It needs board approval before it can be put in place.

Machnik contends the inspection program "allows you early on to take care of the repairs in your home."

He said it would cover items in your house such as the basic electrical, mechanical and structural areas. It would also ensure that quality housing is maintained as a community ages.

However, the question is: Should government be involved?

There is already enough governmental involvement when a house is purchased. Homes are constructed under zoning and code regulations that set standards for construction and the looks of a house.

Adding another inspection system will cost the sellers an additional \$200. In a sense, it's another tax being placed on residents.

Traditionally house inspections are paid for by the buyer, it's the American way.

A prospective buyer wants to know what to expect, so he or she pays an inspection firm for a report on the roof, plumbing and heating. The

buyer then decides if the house is worth the money.

The subsequent negotiations that take place usually result in money spent on property maintenance.

In a sense, that buyer is doing the work the township wants to take on.

The township is looking at the inspection system as a way to ensure the quality of houses in Canton. The sentiment is fine, but the system being looked at is just more red tape for sellers.

There's also the question about which inspection a prospective buyer will accept. Chances are a buyer will more easily accept a report from a firm he or she hired than one done by township building inspectors.

There's also the question about how detailed such inspections are going to be. Let's face it, government can turn a crack in a driveway into the Grand Canyon and then demand that it be filled.

Canton Township is going too far with the proposed house inspection program. Ensuring there are quality buildings in the township is a good goal, but government shouldn't be involved in minor disputes between buyers and sellers.

Canton should go back to the drawing board and come up with a less restrictive method that will ensure quality buildings.

Bills infringe on our liberties

While the Michigan Legislature isn't planning on handing over absolute power to police and prosecutors, a bill currently in trouble in the House would greatly expand police powers and make it easier to presume guilt than innocence.

Legislators are working on a broad-based anti-crime package. Constituents with an interest in preserving civil liberties still have a chance to make a change by contacting their legislators, asking them for fair and equal justice under the law and asking them to reject giving police and prosecutors an unfair advantage.

Giving prosecutors a trump card, even though it appears to be a politically expedient solution to the polls that show people fear crime, doesn't solve the problem of crime. It only edges us toward a police state. Even some police officials, like Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano, oppose the measure.

Some of the initial components include: the resurrection of the previously voted-down "no knock" rule, allowing police to enter homes of suspects without first identifying themselves; give state and local police wiretapping authority in major drug investigations; give prosecutors the power to force witnesses to testify in certain cases; make it more difficult to get evidence obtained in illegal searches barred from court; and shift the burden in an insanity case from the prosecution to the defense.

Many people will think these moves appropriate at first glance, without looking at constitutional history. The reason police and prosecu-

tors have to secure permission from the courts before conducting searches or wiretaps is to protect people who aren't guilty.

Making people testify is not only a violation of First Amendment protections against compelled speech but also infringes on Fifth Amendment guarantees against self-incrimination. The police and prosecutors should have to build their own cases, rather than having defendants supply them. The American system of justice strongly affirms that people cannot incriminate themselves, and even need not speak out in their own defense because it is up to the juries and the police to prove that a person is guilty.

Crime and criminals should be punished. The danger lies in giving freer rein that could result in greatly higher prosecution rates but increasing the chance of an innocent person being imprisoned. The one part of Blackstone's law that the United States adopted is that it is better to let a dozen guilty people go free rather than to deprive one innocent person of liberty by improperly convicting that person.

It's called justice. Innocent people go free, everyone has the right to a fair hearing and everyone is presumed innocent until the prosecutor can mount a case that the judge and jury agree finds the defendant guilty of committing a crime.

But the way to do that is to make police operate within the current guidelines and have a sufficient-sized judiciary to handle the cases before them. The end result of quashing crime doesn't justify the means of putting the Bill of Rights down the toilet.



LETTERS

No surprise

Our school district is once again facing financial problems. This should come as no surprise, since over the past three years the district salaries have increased 22 percent. Few businesses could survive this recession with such an expanded payroll obligation.

These are deflationary times. Lower interest rates have not stimulated the economy. GM and VW seek the same cost cutting czar. And the harsh realities of the business world today are frozen wages, benefit reductions and layoffs.

The median teacher salary in our district is now \$52,000, while the median household income in the city of Plymouth is only \$38,000. Since becoming a one income family, our household income has increased only five percent from our combined level of 1986, while our property taxes alone have increased 60 percent.

To reduce costs, our latest new vehicle was used, our latest appliance was a damaged floor model, we've increased our insurance deductibles, canceled cable and magazine subscriptions, curtailed our vacation and entertainment expenses, and I brown-bag my lunch.

Of course, I don't advocate the school district taking such drastic measures. The decision to raise a family on one income has been our own personal choice and sacrifice. A quality school system is the foundation of a strong community, and I am willing to contribute my fair share.

However, while the increased revenue will help the district maintain its competitive standard, I am once again faced with reducing mine. Instead of rushing to reduce programs and services for our children, or increase the millage, perhaps it is time for more responsible financial decisions.

Gerald Sabatini, Plymouth

Mettetal relief

Once again the so-called "Concerned Citizens" are making a desperate attempt to eliminate Mettetal Airport. I have attended several of the public meetings concerning the purchase of the airport and heard their arguments as to why it should not be supported. It seems quite obvious that there are a few individuals who are striving for personal gain rather than the welfare of the community. It is interesting to note that their recent flier dropped all the other smokescreens, and they now are pressing on expansion and taxes.

This group claims the reason for the FAA rejection of the terms of purchase was due to a condition blocking expansion. It is my understanding that the local proposal demanded a right for the townships to be able to walk away after ten years. Expansion of Mettetal would create additional problems for the Metro traffic control area. This is what the FAA is trying to avoid. By keeping it a small reliever airport for small aircraft, it reduces the burden and improves the safety factor at Metro.

The residents of this community should be asking those "Concerned Citizens" who is funding this intensive campaign, and who hopes to line their pockets on the deal.

Harold Long, Canton

No solution

Taxes and the shifting of taxes on one segment of society to another will not solve any problem in our economy or in society itself. Wealth taken from people under threat of physical force by government cannot and will not produce more wealth in society; if it did Russia would be the richest country on earth. Government is but an abstract entity of force, capable only of exercising force through its representatives — nothing else.

To create wealth you need business — the abstract entity whose motive is the creation of wealth by men, by providing to the consumer at a price they can afford, the products made possible by the men of the mind. Business can do so long-range only if government performs its one and only proper function — the use of its force to protect its citizens from physical force and fraud, a form of physical force.

"Truth is the product of the recognition (i.e., identification) of the facts of reality" — Ayn Rand. The false is the result of denying the facts of reality and results in corruption, destruction and death.

Paul L. Gruchala, Inkster

Pension problems

I am an independent voter, and I try to vote for a person's character, his or her ideas and whether they offer tax and spend ideas or constructive changes. Guess you could also call me a conservative. I've been trying to get some of those people in our state government to do something about public pensions that are not counted as income for state income tax. So teachers, legislators, all county, state and city pensions are not taxed. But private pensions are. This is discriminating against one group of people.

I don't know how many people in government, the news media (press) that I've written to, with no answer, or some excuse as to why one group pays, another doesn't. I happen to be a federal retiree and up until 1984 paid state income tax. I retired in 1972. Then a court case taken to the U.S. Supreme Court made the state either tax all public pensions, or exempt all federal pensions. Guess what they did? Even though the new law took effect in 1989, the state reimbursed taxes paid plus interest back to and including 1985 (5 years).

I sure wish someone would start harping about the money that would come to the state if everyone was taxed fairly. Maybe you will. Thanks.

M. A. Swango, Garden City

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POINTS OF VIEW

Trust, training bring students through storm

Dear Cranbrook-Kingswood students:

Welcome back! We thought you'd like to know that while you were testing your survival skills against greater odds than you could have imagined in the Great Smokies, the world was watching and hoping for your safe return.

We thought you'd like to know that your parents had every confidence in your abilities and your training. And that many of them were kind enough to share their faith in you, their sons and daughters, by talking with us.

We thought you'd like to know that your school had full trust in you and in your leaders. They knew what you had been carefully taught and what you had been carefully equipped with and were sure you would make the best use

of it.

We thought you'd like to know that your school officials refused to allow rumors to float — only making statements about your safety which had been fully verified by authorities in charge of the search. For the most part, they refused to lay blame on anyone for failing to react to weather forecasts, saying it was only important to get you out. And although you might not have minded your name being in the paper, they protected your confidentiality and that of your parents.

We thought you'd like to know that everywhere we went, out for lunch in downtown Birmingham, to the gym, at the local bookstore, even over at your arch-rival school, Detroit Country Day, people only wanted to know that you were safe.



JUDITH DONER BERNE

There's a lot we'd like to know. We're hearing tales of leadership and courage, of injury and camaraderie, of loyalty and love. More will be told and some won't be.

What you know is yours to keep and hold forever. You know that you survived what is being called the storm of the century. And that the forces of nature are stronger than can be imagined. But you used your ingenuity, intelligence, spirit and youth to your advantage.

You know how you handled yourself and how you reacted to others. And your teachers who were there to guide you know how much they learned from you.

We hope each of you will figure out a way to record it, for your children and grandchildren. For each of you have had a different slice of your shared experience. Those who were rescued on Sunday had the tension and strain of waiting for the rest of you. While those who were exposed to the elements for a longer period had the fears they might not survive. As each group was discovered, and rejoined your band, it had to be the feeling of being made whole.

At an age, when many do not look for their next class or their next date, you have gone through an experience which could shape your life. Hold onto the best of it. And know that you, your parents, your teachers and your school have the admiration and respect of this community and beyond.

We wish a full recovery to your teacher, James Woodruff, and your classmate, Danielle Swank. Welcome home.

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LETTERS

School woes

Congratulations on your excellent coverage of the various aspects of school finance, especially as it relates to our district. Unfortunately the Observer didn't come close to identifying the drastic cuts which will be in effect next year unless the picture improves. For example, by the time the March 4th Observer came out, every high school student knew that a five-period day would be a distinct possibility for next year. This along with other truly devastating program/service eliminations (not detailed in the Observer) could irreparably damage the fine reputation this district has maintained for many decades.

The inevitable downgrading of our schools will not only adversely affect our children's future at a time when more intensive, high quality training is essential, it will eventually be disastrous to residential and commercial/industrial property and expansion.

The sad thing about this situation is that the majority of citizens living in this school district have been very supportive over the years of the school system. The consequences of non-support have not been lost on them.

I can understand why Dr. Hoben does not want to "bash" the legislature; he has to work with these people. However, they should be bashed by somebody. It's no secret that many legislators, as well as our governor, do not support public education. I have been an educator in this district for 32 years. We are no closer now to having an equitable, consistent, reliable basis for funding education than when I started.

The lotto scam to "fund" our schools is representative of this.

This letter is really not meant to be a warm-up practice for a harangue about the need to pass the millage in June. It is a plea for more information and understanding about our plight and more serious efforts from our government to resolve the problems.

Various members of my family and I own five homes in the Plymouth-Canton community. It is the major investment for all of us. We can't and won't sit idly by to see it destroyed.

Frederick J. Libbing, Plymouth

Government distrust

The public purchase of Mettetal Airport is more than an issue of whether it is of value to the community. If the airport was needed, its value to the community would be reflected in its success as an airport. Any nostalgic value Mettetal Airport may have would be reflected in local support for public ownership. Anyone that knows what has happened over the last two years regarding Mettetal, knows that the Plymouth-Canton community has the nostalgic value of Mettetal low on its list of priorities.

The real issue is whether this community, and the people in it, have control over their own destiny. Canton Township has stated the terms under which it would accept public ownership of Mettetal. These terms were rejected by the FAA. The two institutions could not come to agreement because of differences over the

amount of local control Canton wanted regarding Mettetal.

Plymouth Township representatives have unanimously rejected airport ownership, and the City of Plymouth has voted 3 to 1 against ownership without voter consent. Distrust of government is high on the list of reasons why the public rejects ownership of Mettetal. The word of government officials does not have the credibility it once had, especially officials not representing the local community such as those from State or Federal agencies.

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) have verbally stated that the airport would not be expanded. Who could you complain to when the FAA or MDOT says that the runway must be lengthened for safety reasons, and can now accommodate larger and noisier aircraft?

How much control will we have in the loss of value of surrounding property? How much control will we have in the erosion of the private property tax base? Why would I trust the FAA and MDOT then when both organizations haven't shown respect for the democratic process, and were trying to purchase Mettetal Airport without public knowledge. No public hearings held and no local officials consulted. It is my understanding that the owner of Mettetal and MDOT knew of the impending purchase months before it leaked to the public that ultimately pays for it.

The FAA and MDOT have priorities very different from ours. They probably think that they

know what is best for us. If you think that the State and Fed know what is best for you, I recommend you throw in some extra money on your state and federal income tax returns.

If you want to maintain some local government control over our community I recommend that you contact Governor Engler and tell him that we don't want state ownership of Mettetal. I understand it takes six weeks for Governor Engler to get his mail (that should tell you something about Federal and State organizations). So please call him and see if he is more sensitive to the democratic process than MDOT or FAA.

Greg Pappas, Plymouth

Mettetal interests

This letter is in response to the letter from Ms. Traskos of Canton concerning Mettetal Airport.

We have been residents of Plymouth Township for nearly 25 years and to our knowledge, we have never sought to alter the community. We are not hysterical, but we are angry. The only special interests we have are our own property values and the use of our hard-earned tax dollars. We are in the midst of difficult economic times and government spending needs to be cut, so how can the purchase of Mettetal (by the State) be justified?

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Degenhardt, Plymouth Township

County CEO powerhouse for changes in Michigan

St. Patrick's day is this week, which got me to thinking about the Irish and all that.

One odd thing about the way Michigan works is the lack of attention and respect given to a balding, slightly overweight, Irish career politician called Ed McNamara.

He's the elected chief executive of Wayne County. With Coleman Young nowhere to be found these days, this makes Ed the most powerful local official in Michigan.

But he represents more than just power. He has solid managerial and political accomplishments.

When Ed McNamara was first elected in 1986, Wayne County was broke, ungovernable, without prospect and without much point. Today it's on solid financial footing, with a record of innovation in areas ranging from welfare reform to job training.

That's why I wanted to see the text of McNamara's "State of the County 1993" speech. It makes interesting reading.

He said the choice for the county is clear: "Restore our image as a tough, creative, can-do place — or pack it up and move to Indiana." His choice: Stay and innovate.

McNamara wants to get state government to "cut us some slack and allow us the freedom to experiment." He wants to "use Wayne County as a laboratory for simplifying tax structures" by junking property taxes altogether and replacing them with sales or income taxes.

He wants to improve the business climate. He's ready with a \$750 million bond sale — the largest public works project in Michigan history — to finance an international terminal and new runways at Metro Airport. And he wants to loosen the death grip the state environmental laws have on developing rundown urban areas. "Urban recycling" is the phrase to make used properties productive again.

And he wants to take on the (heavily Irish in Wayne County) judges and lawyers. Listen to this:

"We're nationally famous for the size of our jury awards in liability cases. That brings us plaintiffs from across the United States — like



PHILIP POWER

the guy whose Mr. Coffee caught fire in northern Michigan. He found a way to file suit in Wayne County, where he was awarded \$42 million. That kind of reputation scares off employers, whose insurance companies tell them they'd be nuts to do business here."

That's a pretty tough talk from an elected politician.

But it makes sense to me. It shows that McNamara understands that the point of holding office is to get something done, not merely to get re-elected.

In that, he reminds me of another professional politician who talked bluntly and who got things done: Harry Truman.

I've recently been reading David McCullough's biography of our nation's 33rd president. Here was a man whose career became a monument to the capacities of the common man in America, who stood for his principles and who made the tough decisions on time.

All this reminds me of Ed McNamara: his background, his personality, his political style and his managerial skills.

I don't know whether McNamara will run for governor or some other office. In a sense, I don't care, because he has already graced the largest county in our state with guts and talent.

And St. Patrick's Day is as good a time as any to say it.

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COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Where does the weather come from? When do you think spring will arrive?

We asked this question at Isister Elementary School.



"The sky. The first week of May, I think, spring is going to come."
Ben Johnson, 8



"The sky. Spring will be here in 20 days."
William Speakman, 9



"Maybe from the clouds. Spring will get here maybe in a few weeks."
Kelly White, 7



"The sky. Spring will come a little later."
Stephen Portelli, 7

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County park system plans many improvements

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITER

"World class" is one of Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara's favorite phrases when talking about county government.

Even the title of the county's new promotional booklet is, "Wayne County: World Class for You."

Among the items McNamara brags on in the booklet is the county park system.

"We inherited a park system that was all but shut down just like the shuttered and closed comfort stations in the parks," says McNamara in the booklet. "We now have a park system that is a jewel in our county."

The centerpiece of that "jewel" is the 21-mile-long Middle Rouge Parkway that embraces the Rouge River from Northville through Plymouth Township, Livonia, Westland, Dearborn Heights and Dearborn.

Although the Rouge River has been unfit to smell, much less swim in, for a good long time, McNamara hopes to change that with a federal pilot program called the National Wet Weather Demonstration Project. The 20-year effort expects to leave the river safe for swimming and teeming with edible fish. Not to be outdone in making a splash in Wayne County, McNamara said



JIM JAGDFELD/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Where's the hill? Some county residents are well aware that the county parks are useful in the winter as well as the summer. Here an area man cross country skis along Edward Hines Drive in Westland.

in his state of the county address last month: "I plan on doing the first cannonball off the dock."

Hurley Coleman Jr. is the director of Wayne County's 4,200 acres of parkland and 51 full-time employees. A 1989 McNamara appointee, Coleman said the county executive told him to apply for all the state and federal grants that could benefit the parks, and the county will come up with the matching funds somehow. "(McNamara) says for us to not let any opportunity go by to develop these parks," Coleman said.

The latest big project, a 17-mile

bike path in Hines Park, has been approved and will begin construction next year. Paid for in part by a \$360,000 state grant, the path should be open for business in 1996.

The park system has received a lot of grants lately.

For example, a \$1 million state grant will help build 52 boat slips on the Detroit River in Elizabeth Park, Trenton.

A \$750,000 state grant (combined with an equal number of county dollars) will pay for the restoration and expansion of Nankin Mills, the county parks head-

quarters on Ann Arbor Trail in Westland.

The old mill will be restored to its original condition, and the parks offices will be moved into another building to go up on the Hines Drive side of the mill. The main level of the new building will be reserved for public use. Construction is supposed to start this summer.

Also coming to Nankin Mills are two more volleyball courts, bringing the total number to four. Recreation manager Anastasia Pitsas said volleyball was very popular last summer. "The public would be telling me, 'We need more courts,'" she said. "You're going to see a lot of action over there (this summer)."

Newburgh Pointe Station in Livonia also will undergo several improvements this year. Funded by a \$415,000 state grant and a \$138,000 county match, the project includes renovation of the comfort station, construction of a brick boardwalk on the waterfront and additional parking. And what's more, the paddleboats are scheduled to be back in operation this year.

For additional information on Wayne County parks, call 261-2022, or stop by the Nankin Mills office on Ann Arbor Trail or Hines Drive just east of Farmington Road.



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Growing soon: The Nankin Mills building on Edward Hines Drive in Westland is scheduled to get bigger this year as a large edition will be put on it.

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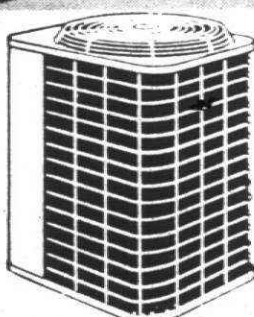
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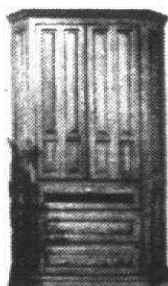
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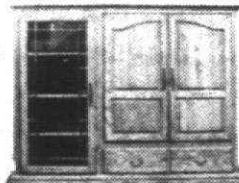
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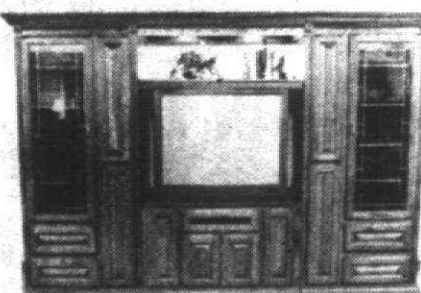
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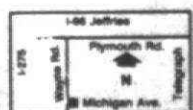
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Force wins indoor titles

The Canton Force, a 1981 Premier Little Caesars soccer team, captured the championship of both indoor sessions at the Canton Soccer Dome.

The Force dominated its opponents throughout both sessions, scoring 97 goals and allowing 36. The Force finished with a 12-1-3 record.

The players are Bobby Cushman, Matt Connelly, Ryan Dillon, Ignacio Guerra, Kyle Helland, Kris Houston, Ryan Johnston, John Loop, Ryan Madsen, Brent McMasters, Bryan O'Neil, Aaron Nephew, Brad Schopieray, Mike Shull, Kyle Solberg, and Kyle Tardiff.

Leroy Schopieray is the head coach, Vic Dillon assistant coach and Elaine Dillon team manager.

Brazilians stop USA

The U.S. Under-20 National Soccer Team fell 3-0 last Sunday to Brazil in the quarterfinals of the seventh World Youth Championship for the FIFA/Coca-Cola Cup in Adelaide, Australia.

USA goalie Jeff Cassar, a Livonia Churchill High product and freshman at Florida International University, stymied Brazil's top threats numerous times, making his most impressive save against the fleet-footed Cate.

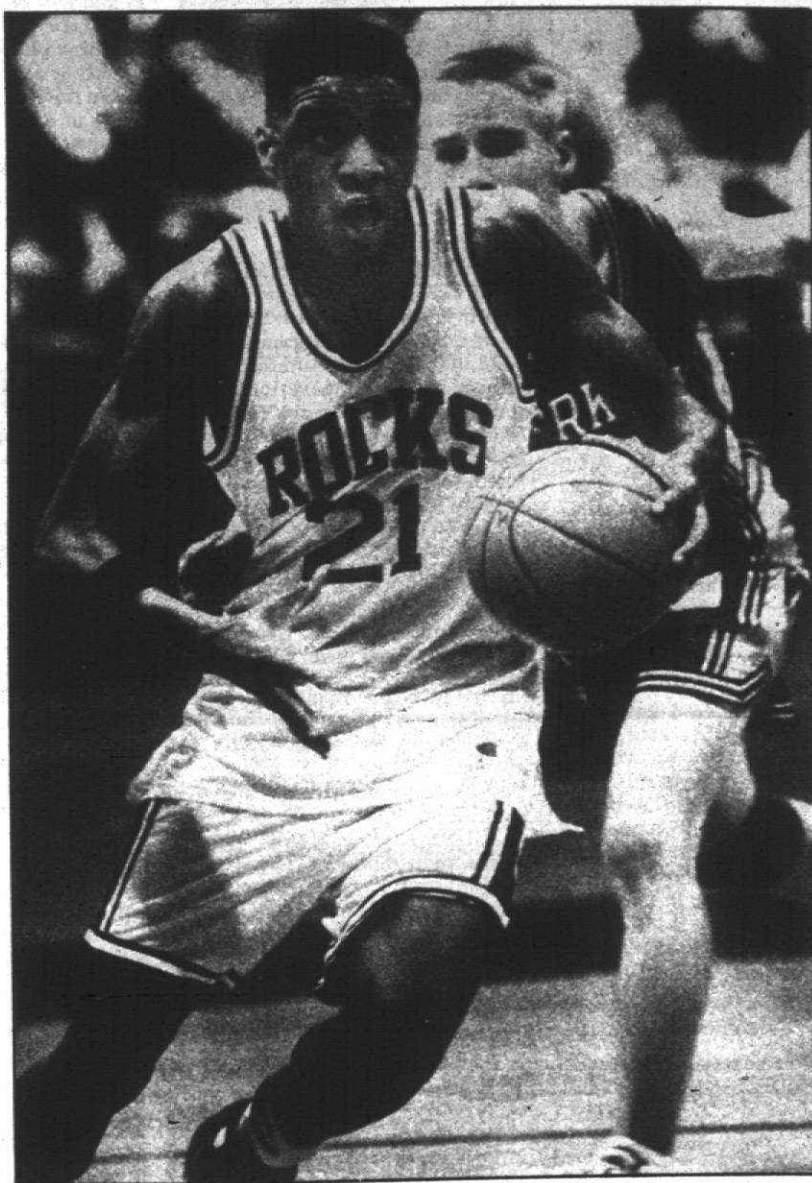
Kerry Zavagnin of Plymouth, a Redford Catholic Central High grad and freshman at the University of North Carolina, went all the way at midfield for the USA squad, which finished 1-2-1 overall.

Livonia skier wins

Farmington Hills Mercy High School sophomore Nicole Gable of Livonia, representing the Bay Race Academy, won the women's giant slalom with a time of 1:00.55 at the U.S. Ski Association's final event of the season Sunday at Sugar Loaf.

Gable added the 15-16 age-group title to her credit after finishing second in Saturday's slalom event.

Rocks chase Bears, face Doughboys



Heading to the hoop: Salem junior James Head prepares for takeoff on a dunk attempt Tuesday.



Plymouth Salem won its first-round regional tournament game Tuesday, 72-60 over Berkley, and will play Detroit Pershing, an 82-59 winner over West Bloomfield in the other semifinal, Friday for the championship.

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Berkley coach Steve Rhoads cited three reasons for his basketball team's 72-60 loss to Plymouth Salem in a regional game Tuesday.

James Head's role in breaking the Berkley press, Mike Slone's scoring, and poor shooting by the Bears contributed to Salem's victory and resulting berth in the Southfield-Lathrup tournament final.

The Rocks (21-3) face defending state champion and top-ranked Detroit Pershing in the championship game at 7 p.m. Friday.

"They're the No. 1 team in the state, but we can't think about them being No. 1," Head said. "We have to take them as another team and come ready to play. We have to box out and not rush our shots."

Salem first had to subdue the Bears (13-11), and that meant overcoming Berkley's pressure defense. Head used his 6-foot-6 frame to protect the ball and help get it over the time line.

"We had a lot of success in the district with full-court pressure, and we've seen Salem enough to know they've had trouble with it at times," Rhoads said.

"James Head was the difference in dealing with it. If you try to trap him in the back court, he can see out of those situations, and it's difficult to keep the ball out of his hands on the inbound lob because he's so big and athletic."

Then there was the matter of points. Slone scored 27 to lead Salem, Brandon Slone 14, Head 13 and Sanjeev Seth nine. Eric Vander Eyk posted 29 for Berkley.

"Mike Slone got away from us. He's

a big-time scorer. He had a big game and that hurt us," Rhoads said. "We shot 20-of-60 and you can't beat a team as solid as Salem by shooting 30 percent."

Salem's half-court defense also was a factor as the Rocks frustrated the patient and pass-happy Bears, who were forced to rely on Vander Eyk, a 6-foot-7 senior who plays on the perimeter, for most of their scoring.

Vander Eyk was 10-of-20 from the field and made six three-point baskets, four dunks and three free throws. Craig Rhoads and James Shorters added eight points apiece.

"The key was not to give anyone else easy inside baskets," Salem coach Bob Brodie said. "Our scouting report said to take away their backdoor cuts and inside game and force them to shoot the outside shot. (The scouts) said we could run if they came hard with pressure, so we took advantage of it."

Berkley attempted to control the tempo with its half-court offense, but the press and long rebounds from perimeter shooting afforded Salem a lot of fast-break opportunities.

Berkley led 14-13 after one quarter, but Salem outscored the Bears 20-13 in the second and was ahead at halftime 33-27.

The Rocks stretched their lead to 47-33 in the third period and led 49-39 at the end. Salem led 63-50 late in the finale before the Bears cut it to 64-58 with under a minute remaining.

"A couple of times we looked ready to go (under), but we scratched our way back and with a minute and a half left it was still possible for us to win."

See ROCKS, 4B

Canton, Salem swimmers have successful state finals

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem contributed to an excellent showing by Observerland teams in the Class A swimming and diving finals Saturday.

Six teams, including five from the Western Lakes Activities Association, placed among the top 17 teams at Eastern Michigan University.

Canton had its best state meet in more than a decade and tied with Redford Catholic Central for 13th with 31 points each. WLAA champion Salem was close behind and tied with Westland John Glenn and Lansing Eastern for 15th (29).

"We're a dual meet, league-meet oriented team with a lot of depth," Salem coach Chuck Olson said, "but we had a few guys who stepped up for this meet to compete with some of the best in the state."

"Maybe this will get us over the

hump as far as next year. A lot of guys who missed their cuts are wondering what they could have done had they given themselves the opportunity. Hopefully, it will be a positive influence on the next team."

Canton juniors Mike Orris and Jeff Clark placed in two events each and helped the Chiefs score in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Orris, who missed a month of the season with mono, rebounded from that setback to finish fifth in the 200 freestyle (1:43.36) and ninth in the 500 freestyle (4:44.28).

He dropped nearly five seconds in the 200 and more than 11 seconds in the 500.

"I was very happy for him that he was able to recover from being sick and was able to place," Canton coach Hooker Wellman said, adding Orris also was mentally prepared for the finals. "Those were his goal times, too."

"He was a little doubtful after

the conference meet, but he wasn't shaved then. We had two weeks between meets, and we did a lot of resting and speed things. Once he got the hair off, he felt great and he swam great."

"The kid trains like an animal. As long as you can train well and get the brain in the right spot at the right time, you're going to do well."

Clark finished sixth in the 50 freestyle (22.0) and ninth in the 100 (47.86). His previous bests were 22.23 and 49.63.

"Timing is everything — doing it at the right place and the right time — and he did," Wellman said.

"Jeff is greatly improved, mentally and physically. Doing things at the right time makes a difference. If you catch the start and have a good turn, you can do well."

See SWIMMERS, 3B

Rennolds named top gymnast; Miller concludes with 4 medals

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Salem gymnasts took their share of individual awards at the state finals Saturday, but the highest honor went to Plymouth Canton senior Kim Rennolds.

She was named Gymnast of the Year by the Michigan High School Gymnastics Coaches and Judges Association.

"It doesn't necessarily go to the girl who wins the state, but the gymnast who is the best representative of the sport," Canton coach John Cunningham said.

"Kim always has been admired by the coaches and judges. I think they admire her talent and personality."

A day after Salem won the team state championship, the top 10 gymnasts in each event in Divisions I and II at the end of Friday's round competed for individual titles.

Salem senior Kim Miller placed in each Division I event. She was 10th on vault (18.15), fifth on bars (18.7), eighth on beam (18.25) and fifth on floor (18.7).

"Kim had a great meet," Salem coach Johanna Anderson said. "It was a very good way to end her high school career. She has no reason not to be proud of her performance."

"Her beam routine the first day was outstanding. She had one of the hardest routines there and nailed it."

Salem senior Courtney Gonyea placed in three events and just missed in the other. The top 10 receive medals. She finished fourth on vault (18.5), fifth on beam (18.45) and third on floor (18.75). Gonyea was 11th on bars.

Salem sophomore Melissa Hopson took fourth place on beam (18.5) and sixth on vault (18.3).

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Kim Rennolds
Canton gymnast

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Krueger finishes with win

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Redford Catholic Central senior Jason Krueger is an example of what proponents of sport mean when they speak of athletes learning valuable lessons from competition.

Krueger overcame a devastating setback at the Class A wrestling finals in Battle Creek to finish with a third-place medal and his pride restored Saturday.

"Coach Rod (Mike Rodriguez) sat me down and said a true champion wouldn't give up, but would suck it up and do all he could to win," Krueger said.

Redford Thurston's Luiy Hadad placed third at 119 pounds in Class B. Garden City heavyweight Jason Peterson was fourth and CC's Bill Lamb (103) seventh in Class A.

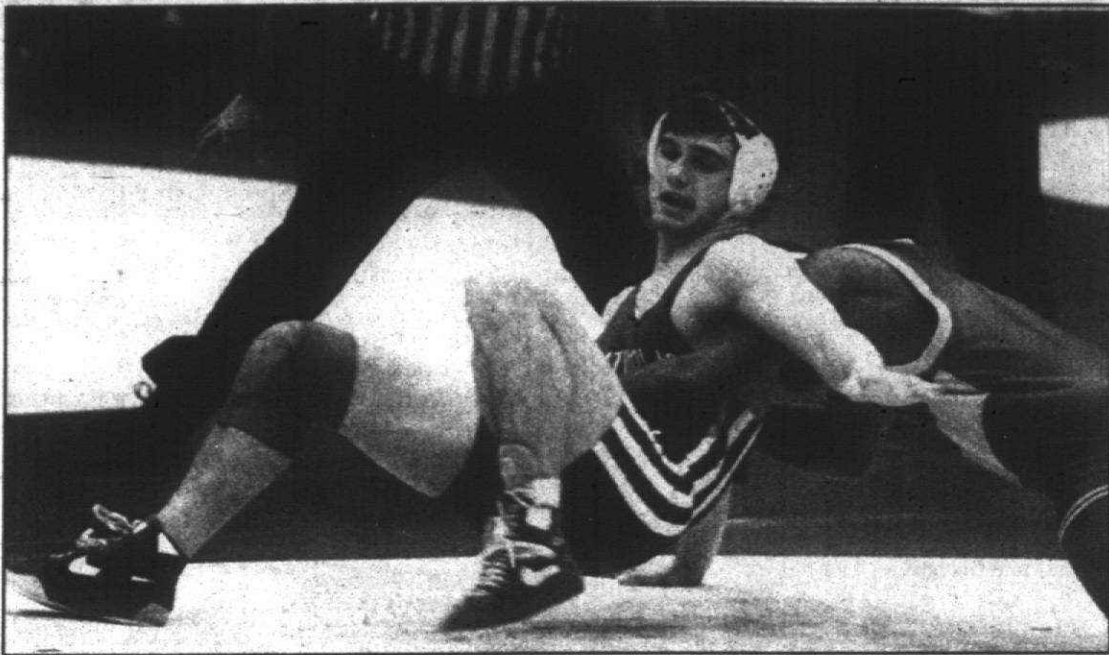
Krueger was a top contender at 171 pounds but was upset 5-3 in the second round by Midland's Aaron Anderson, who eventually won the title when he pinned defending champ Tom Graverson of Grandville.

The Plymouth resident demonstrated his resiliency and determination by winning his last four bouts, including a 4-2 decision over Davison's Jeff Lewis in the consolation final.

"Right now it's kinda hard to be disappointed after coming back," Krueger said, "but overall I am disappointed that I couldn't achieve my goal of being a state champion."

"It was hard to come back, but coach Rod, my dad (Ron), and my brother (Lee) were there pushing me."

After winning his third and fourth bouts by close decisions, Krueger edged Flint Northern's Etienne Logan on criteria when he got an escape in overtime.



JOHN STORMAND/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

State placer: Jason Krueger of Plymouth and Catholic Central High School battles Etienne Logan in the state wrestling tournament Saturday.

The final match was 0-0 after two periods, but Krueger got Lew in a cradle twice for a pair of two-point nearfalls early in the third. Lewis later got a reversal but couldn't score any more points against Krueger.

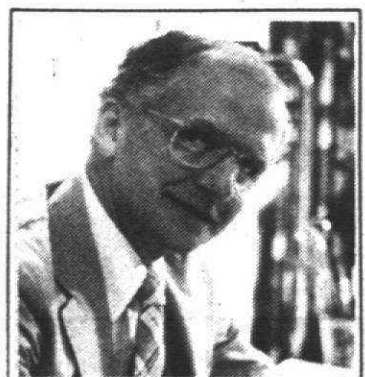
"It was the last match of my career, basically, and I was a little tired at first," said Krueger, who doesn't anticipate wrestling in college. "In the last period, I decided I was going to do it for myself and go out a winner."

"It was kind of emotional for me because I've been wrestling since the age of 5, and it was my last match ever," he said as he fought back tears. "It just kinda gets to you."

Krueger, who finished 47-2 this year — 94-6 the last two — and was 177-27 during a four-year career, went to the stands after his last bout and embraced his brother, Lee, a former CC wrestler and two-time heavyweight champion.

"He said 'nice job.' When he won it in '88 and '89, I was in the stands for him. It's brotherly love," Krueger said.

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Reeves captures 2nd state crown

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Mike Reeves had a simple goal for his senior year of high school wrestling.

What seemed like such an overly modest objective for a defending state champion was really a building block for success.

"My goal all year was not to be taken down," Reeves said. "It was more of a goal (than winning another state title). I knew I could take anyone down, and if I didn't get taken down I wouldn't lose."

The Westland John Glenn wrestler followed his plan for success to an undefeated season (42-0) and a second individual state championship.

Reeves won all four bouts by decision at the Class A tournament in Battle Creek last weekend, including a 10-5 win over Dearborn rival Bill Polk in the 160-pound final Saturday night.

Of the four defending Class A champions, Reeves was the only one to repeat. He was the 152-pound winner last year.

"The second time there's so much added pressure," he said. "It's three times worse because everyone expects you to win constantly."

"When I was in the eighth grade, I watched the state finals and thought it would be great to win it once, but it's even better to win it again."

Reeves, who was unphased by a nasty abrasion across his forehead, is known for his dedication and rigorous training schedule. The two weeks of preparation for the state meet might have been the most intense time.

"I think I slept probably 18 hours and wrestled 25 hours a week," Reeves said. "Since the beginning of March, all I thought about was the final match."

The championship bout was a rematch of the regional final in which Reeves prevailed when Polk was disqualified for successive illegal holds.

Reeves led 6-2 after two periods and got two takedowns in the third to build a 10-3 lead. Both are intense wrestlers and had to be cautioned about being overly aggressive in the first period.

Polk congratulated Reeves afterward and both shook hands, not just as a matter of protocol but away from the mats when just coaches and parents were around.

"On the mats we hate each other, and when we're off the mat we're friends," Reeves said. "I've wrestled him four times this year, and they've been the most intense ones I've had all year."

Coin toss crucial

Garden City heavyweight Jason Peterson was forced to settle for fourth place when a referee's decision and an ill-fated coin flip cost him the consolation title.

With eight seconds left and the score tied 5-5 in the second overtime, the Garden City senior was disqualified for stalling, giving Milford's Pete Christopher the victory.

"The referee determined we were not trying hard enough, not making a good effort to put him back down on the mat," Garden City coach Phil Freeman said.

Still, Martin's times in both the butterfly and backstroke were well under All-American qualifying standards. His butterfly time is currently the fastest in the nation and he is expected to be invited to the National High School Mythical Meet — which features the eight best swimmers in the nation — in Indianapolis in June.

Martin, who will attend either Stanford, Florida State or Michigan State next fall, will compete at the junior nationals in Gainesville, Fla., next week and at the senior nationals in Nashville the following week.

Observerland boys swim teams make solid showing in 'A' meet

BY CHRIS MCCOSKY
STAFF WRITER

It was a good year for area swimmers competing at the state level. Two Observerland boys — Matt Martin of Westland John Glenn and Alex Goecke of Livonia Stevenson — won individual Class A championships Saturday at Eastern Michigan University.

Seven Observerland teams finished among the state's top 15, six from the Western Lakes — Stevenson, sixth; North Farmington, eighth; Northville, 11th; Redford Catholic Central and Plymouth Canton, 13th; Glenn and Plymouth Salem, 15th.

"I was just amazed at our league and how well we did," said Stevenson coach Doug Buckler. "We showed that we are the best league in the state, by far. It was a proud day for the Western Lakes and for Observerland."

For Martin, it was a good-bad day. He established a state record winning the 100-yard butterfly in 49.49, and he had set another record in the prelims of the 100 backstroke. But that mark fell in the finals, when Dearborn's Jeff Neumeier touched at 49.97, 0.42 before Martin.

"It was disappointing not to hold on to the state record," Martin said. "But it's just one race. It isn't the first time I've lost a race and it won't be my last. It's just kind of disappointing because I didn't swim as well as I could have. I messed up my second turn and that cost me the race."

A talk with Buckler helped keep Goecke involved in swimming.

Swimmers from page 1B



Mike Orris
Canton swimmer

The 400 relay of senior Craig Steshetz, junior Paul Montross, Orris and Clark was 11th at 3:16.8, knocking more than six seconds off its time.

"We found a whole new Paul," Wellman said. "He's been swimming a long time but never at that level. Now that he has I hope he feeds on it."

Salem's lone individual qualifier, Fred Locke, did well in the finals and finished seventh (21.68) in the 50 freestyle. His time was good enough to place him sixth if he had gone faster in the prelims.

Scott Helmstadter, Alex Beard, Matt Erickson and Locke were ninth in the medley relay (1:39.41). The 200 freestyle team of Locke, Erickson, Beard and

David Bracht was seventh (1:27.91).

"At a meet like that, all four have to be good," Olson said. "To swim 1:38.39 (in the medley prelims), you have to have all four cylinders moving. But that's what we needed and expected."

The Rocks dropped 3/4 seconds in the medley and three in the 200. The 400 freestyle team of Joe Ervin, Helmstadter, Eric Seidelman and Bracht failed to place but also had a big drop from 3:22 to 3:19.7. Helmstadter is a senior, the others sophomores.

"They're mainly 51 (second) guys and all went a second better," Olson said, adding Bracht's split was 48.6. "It got those guys excited about next year."

Stevenson faces huge challenge

BY BRAD EMOUS
STAFF WRITER

David slew Goliath. And don't forget the "Miracle on Ice" USA hockey team during the 1980 Winter Olympics.

Some said Mike Tyson would never be beaten, but Buster Douglas shocked the world.

So why can't the Livonia Stevenson volleyball team beat Portage Northern?

The odds are against the Spartans (45-7-2 overall) when they take on the state's top-ranked and defending Class A champions in a quarterfinal matchup, 7 p.m. Friday at Portage Central.

Heavy underdog might be the correct term when talking about Stevenson.

Their upcoming opponents, nicknamed the Huskies, are 70-1 overall and have won five state titles in the past 11 years.

"Without a doubt they're the top team in the Midwest," Stevenson coach Lee Cagle said. "As 16-year-olds, they finished third in the country in the U.S. Volleyball Association tournament."

"In an exhibition game they played the top club team from Chicago and won in five (games)."

Friday's quarterfinal will more than likely determine the state champion.

Stevenson finished the regular season ranked No. 2.

"If we beat Portage Northern, I believe we can win it all," Cagle said. "We're not looking past them because we feel this is the championship match. That's why everybody will be there Friday night watching our match."

Portage Northern is led by junior middle hitter Theresa Crawford, a transfer from Comstock.

Sophomore outside hitter Jenny Magness, daughter of the head coach (Jack), possesses a 30-inch vertical jump. Sister Heather, a junior, is an outstanding setter.

"They're very, very, very quick," said Cagle, who is retiring after the season as Stevenson coach. "Their hitters are already into the air when the ball is ready to be set. We have to be extremely alert on defense."

"Defensively, they're darts . . . all over the floor. They rarely give up free balls. Everything is an attack play."

Stevenson did not fare well in two previous meetings this season with the Huskies. The team known affectionately as the "Wrecking Crew" was blindsided by a wrecking ball.

At the Portage Northern Invitational on Dec. 19, Stevenson lost

15-2, 15-6. On Feb. 20, Northern beat the Spartans, 15-3, 15-9 at the South Haven tourney.

"Maybe there is a charm," said Heather Taylor, Stevenson's senior back-row specialist. "I remember that they were a very hard-hitting team. They go for everything and never let the ball hit the floor. They play together very well."

Senior Kristen Drabicki, a veteran starter for the Spartans, is optimistic going into the match.

"We have a chance because we've worked hard all week," she said. "We know we have to play together and be just as quick. We have to dig everything."

"We have to make them make the mistakes if we get a free ball."

The Spartans have some offensive weapons of their own, namely 6-foot-1 Julie Martin, who has signed with Madonna University, and 5-11 setter Patty Diamond, bound for Florida State.

The two sparked Stevenson to a key opening-round district victory over city nemesis Livonia Ladywood, another of the state's elite teams. That win was a springboard to Stevenson's successful tournament run.

"We just have to play well," Martin said. "This should be for the state championship."

Gymnasts from page 1B

Salem junior Alyssa Sofios placed eighth on bars (18.15) and was close on floor and vault, finishing 11th (18.5) and 12th (17.95), respectively.

Gonyea experienced a lot of muscle soreness Saturday, which made competing more difficult, Anderson said.

"I think it was more difficult for (all) to compete Saturday after competing all day Friday," she said. "I think everyone performed at top level, and they were at full difficulty. Just to make it to the

finals is an accomplishment in itself."

Rennolds finished seventh on floor in Division I and 11th on beam after two falls caused her score to drop.

Canton senior Jenny Tedesco was fourth on beam in Division II. She was seventh Friday but qualified despite a fall and improved her position Saturday.

"Kim did her floor routine with a double full and improved her score," Cunningham said. "It was

one of the best routines performed Saturday." Tedesco moved up three places on beam. "So her Saturday routine was much better than a lot of other girls, too."

"Kim really wanted to do well on floor and she did. Jenny wanted to do well on beam and did."

"Kim took a risk (on beam) and I was proud of her for doing that, just as I was Jenny for doing her giants on bars. They didn't sit back and rest on their laurels. Both went out feeling they had accomplished something."

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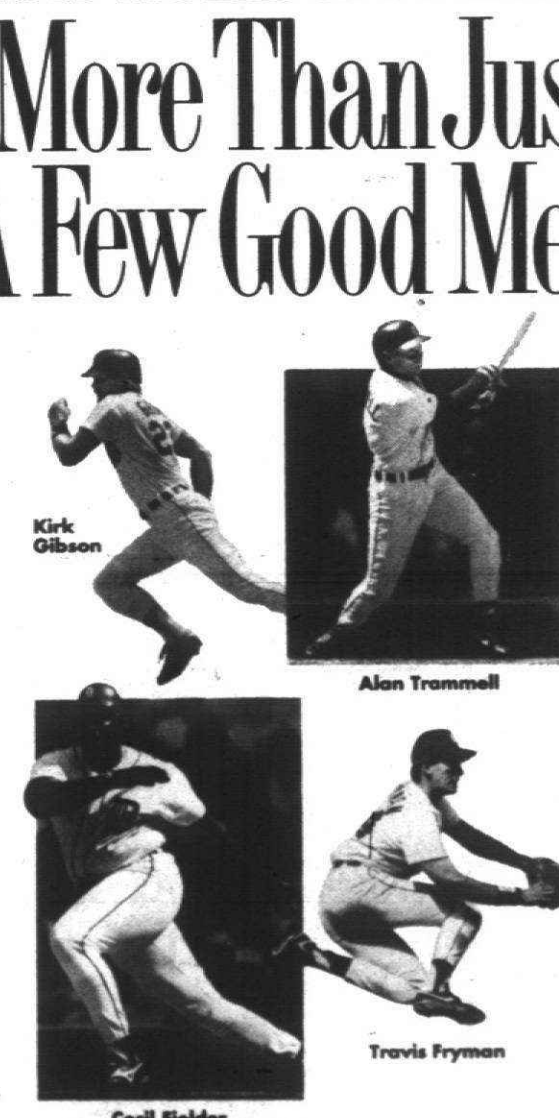
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■ The Livonia Symphony Orchestra and Michigan Ballet Theatre join forces to present "Peter and the Wolf."

By LINDA ANN CHOMEN
SPECIAL WRITER

The lively, animated music of Serge Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf, Op. 67" comes to life when the Farmington Hills based, Michigan Ballet Theatre joins the Livonia Symphony Orchestra for two performances Friday and Saturday, March 26-27 at the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, Farmington Road at Five Mile.

Curtain time for the March 26 Series B concert is 8 p.m., and 2 p.m. for the March 27 Series C children's concert.

Guest narrator is Dennis Neubacher, WJR's Traffic Copter reporter. Tickets for the March 26 concert are \$10; seniors age 62 and up and students ages 16-21, \$6; children 15 and under, \$3.

Tickets for the March 27 children's concert are \$6 adults; children \$3, and available at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan; Hammill Music, 15630 Middlebelt, at the door before the concert or by calling the LSO office noon to 4 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at 421-1111, or the 24 hour hotline, 458-6575.

The concert will open with Dukas' "Fanfare - La Peri." "The first half is all brass. We're going to introduce the different brass instruments (for Saturday's children's concert). We'll have a trumpet made out of a garden hose to show that metal tubing is not

necessary, and that goes for all brass instruments," said conductor/music director, Francesco DiBlasi. Ewald's "Symphony for Brass" follows Dukas on the program with featured artists, the LSO Brass Quintet - trumpet, Brian Moon and John Davidson, horn, Carl Karoub, trombone, Bruce Sole and tuba, Michael Andrew.

Next up is Hovhannes' "Overture for Strings and Trombone" with Sole as soloist, and closing the first half of the program Bolling's "Trot Suite for Trumpet, Piano, Bass and Drums" with Moon on trumpet, Dianne Lord, piano, David Reese, bass and Pam Manos, drums.

After intermission the Michigan Ballet Theatre under artistic director, Michelle Wolfe takes center stage to perform the Russian composer's classic story ballet of "Peter and the Wolf."

Prokofiev wrote "Peter and the Wolf" to introduce the orchestra's instruments to children. The story was merely a pretext to have the children listen to the music.

"I think it's novel how Prokofiev picks the different instruments for the characters," said concertmistress, Julie Kurtyka.

"The clarinet is a cat (Regina Cesarz of South Lyon). The strings are Peter (Becky Jardon of West Bloomfield on Friday night, and Kim Kuether of Wixom, Saturday afternoon). The oboe is a duck (Rachel Stebbins of Walled Lake) and the flute, a bird (Erin Webley of Orchard Lake).

Arthur Robert of Ypsilanti is the big bad wolf who comes out of the forest looking for something to eat, preferably a bird or duck. Brian Swiacki of Farmington Hills plays the grandfather.



Dance company: Michigan Ballet Theatre co-artistic director Heather Stants re-staged "Peter and the Wolf" to include more movement and dancers who serve as live trees.

When the dance company performed last season with the orchestra in the same location, co-artistic director Heather Stants found that the stage's floor space was smaller than the space in which she had choreographed the ballet. So she had to re-stage it for this year's performance.

"My sole purpose as a choreographer is to make sure the audience is entertained and that's why we have more movement this way," said Stants.

"The hardest thing is to keep the interest with such little room to move. Because dance is movement, they have to keep moving," she said.

Also new are the company's sets, and instead of a forest backdrop, five dancers will serve as live trees. "There's a whole lot more humor. It's like Disney a little. The forest is

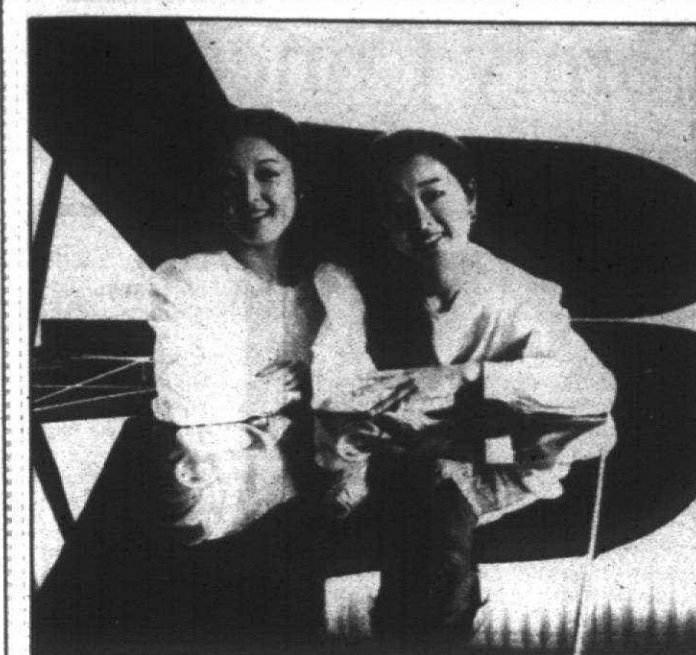
alive. It moves," Wolfe said.

Now in its 26th season, the Michigan Ballet Theatre company consists of 31 dancers in the senior and junior company divisions, 16 of whom rehearsed three days a week to stage Prokofiev's whimsical ballet.

"The instruments and music paints the pictures," Kurtyka said.

The dancers tell the story. The Plymouth Symphony, Oratorio Society and Great Lakes Quartet will combine for a concert featuring Beethoven's Symphony No. 3, 8 p.m. Friday, March 19, at First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial, Plymouth.

Tickets are \$12 adults, \$10 seniors and college students, and \$5 for students in kindergarten through grade 12. For information, call 451-2112. Tickets also available at the door 30 minutes before performances.



Talented sisters: Duo-pianists Yuki and Tomoko Mack will be featured at the Southfield Concerts in the Garden series on March 28.

Talented piano duo
to perform at concert

Southfield's Concerts in the Garden series will feature duo-pianists, sisters, Elena Yuki Mack and Tomoko Mack 11 a.m. Sunday, March 28 at the Marriott Hotel, 27033 Northwestern Highway in Southfield. Concert and continental breakfast served at 10:30 a.m. are \$7.50. Concert and coffee only are \$4. For information, and reservations, call 354-4717.

Born in Tokyo, the sisters came to the United States in 1977. Both have earned bachelor degrees in piano performance from Oakland University and have gone on to graduate school at the University of Michigan.

As duo-pianists, they have performed at the World's Fair in Knoxville as well as with the Warren, Livonia and Pontiac-Oakland symphonies. They have been selected as one of four finalists in the Ellis Duo Piano Competition conducted later this year in South Carolina.

The Southfield Symphony will present a concert 7 p.m. Sunday, March 28 at St. Hugo of the Hills Church in Bloomfield Hills. The Ann Arbor Cantata Singers will perform Leonard Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms" with the orchestra. The concert will conclude with a performance of the Fifth Symphony by Dmitri Shostakovich. For ticket information, call 354-4717 or 851-7408.

Another noteworthy event, a fund raiser for the Conservatory of Music, will take place 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 24 at the historic Burgh Church on the northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road in Southfield.

The event will feature a champagne reception with gourmet desserts, and musical performances. Tickets are \$25 general admission, \$50 patron and \$100 benefactor. Call 354-4717 or 827-0700 for information.

Funny musical surprises audience

Performances of the Ridgedale Players' production of "70 Girls 70" continue through March 28 at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. For ticket information call 644-8328.



HELEN ZUCKER

The dust off rarely does material and give it a good workout. "70 Girls 70" gives 35 energetic players a chance to burn up the boards.

Based loosely on a story about enterprising elderly folk in New York, the play, written in 1971, tells the garish set to say "yes" to shaplifting (on a grand scale) and "no" to being old.

The Players throw themselves into this fantasy about how to better one's life with gusto when one's working years are over. All the characters are past their prime; many are in their forties, but as Agatha Christie's Poirot would say, "There's nothing like planning a caper to wake the little grey cells."

Tap dancing, singing, wearing mink, lunching out, redecorating a hotel, buying a hot all of these things seem to help reinvigorate aging bones.

Genie Garner is exuberant as Ida, the leader who has spent 45 years as a teacher. She is determined to leave the Sussex Arms,

if not the earth, a better place than she found it. Garner never stands still; she makes us believe she is the endlessly inventive idea who manages to brighten the corner in which she lives.

Mark Hammill shines as Harry, the ex-banker who's been left with a gold watch. Hammill's dextrous renditions of "The Caper," complete with chart and pointer, is the high point of the show. A lesser actor would have run out of breath long before the end of the song; Hammill seems barely winded and stays high to the end.

Jim West is solid as Walter, the soul of righteousness who turns out to have nimble fingers. Becky MacIntyre as his hunched, frightened girlfriend, Eunice, grows into a flashy dancer and a blushing bride.

Linda Hammill, as lively Gert, seems to have pounded the pavement of Manhattan all her life. Joe Ewald is funny as Sadie, and Jim Patton as Eddie, the bellboy, does a neat turn as a dancer as well as commenting on the scene. Joan Bowes as "Hit It, Lorraine," plays mean piano. Liz Walters and Gwen Elbert in their gingham aprons sing up a storm. The tresses who move into the Sussex Arms.

Bloomingdale's, police, watchmen; a cast of thousands seems to cavort across the stage. This little musical, with its mild humor, manages to surprise us toward the end, to say deeper things than were said before. The Players have a good time saying it.

Helen Zucker has many years' experience reviewing for newspapers and magazines in Michigan, New York and Massachusetts.

WHAT'S COOKING

■ THE LARK

The Lark will present its 10th annual Russian Feast 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, March 22-23 at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Roles available for men and women of varying ages. For information, call 464-1311.

Waterman Campus Center. Tickets \$25 per person. Proceeds fund members of the Culinary Salon Team in future competitions. To order tickets, call 462-4417, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Enjoy vintage and improvisational jazz by the Magnificents while the college's award-winning Culinary Salon Team prepares a brunch feast.

■ SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
Schoolcraft College will present a Jazz Choir, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, April 4 in the College's

inn are scheduled 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 24 at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Cost is \$23.50 per person, which includes tax, tip and musical entertainment. Call 271-1620.

■ BENEFIT BRUNCH
The Michigan Humane Society's 4th annual Bow Wow Champagne Brunch will be noon to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 4 at the Ritz Carlton-Dearborn. Proceeds from the brunch will help 85,000 injured and needy animals cared for by the Humane Society annual.

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■ SWEET LORRAINE'S
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CLASSIC BRUNCH

Brunch with the Classics features Marcel Schulman, vocalist singing the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber including selections from "Phantom of the Opera" noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, March 21 at the Somerset Collection Rotunda, 2801 Big Beaver Road, Troy. Call 643-6360 for tickets.

BRAND NEW

Michigan Opera Theatre returns to the Auburn Hills Concert Series, 8 p.m. Friday, March 19 at the Performance Space, Building F, Room 119 on the Auburn Hills Campus at 2900 Featherstone

Drive in Auburn Hills. Tickets \$7, students and seniors over 65, \$5. For information, call 340-6546.

THEATER

BIRMINGHAM THEATRE
"Nurse Annie" continues at the Birmingham Theatre, 211 S. Woodward, through March 21. Call 644-3533 or Ticketmaster, 645-6666 for ticket information.

MAPLEWOOD CENTER
Nancy Gurwin presents "Beauty and the Beast," 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, March 27 at the Maplewood Community Center in Garden City. Tickets \$6 adults, \$4 children ages 2-11. Call 525-8846 for information.

MARQUIS THEATRE
"Jack and the Beanstalk," 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, March 20, 27 and April 3; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, March 14, 21, 28 and April 4. Easter break performances 2:30 p.m. April 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18. Tickets \$6. Call 349-8110. The theatre is at 135 E. Main Street, Northville.

MEADOW BROOK
Robert Louis Stevenson's classic "The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" will premiere in a new adaptation by Charles Nolte at Oakland University's Meadow Brook Theatre in Rochester Hills, 8 p.m. Thursday, March 18. Shows Tuesdays through Sundays until April 11. For tickets, call 377-3300 or Ticketmaster, 645-6666.

SRO
SRO productions presents "Harvey" by Mary Case, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, March 19 and 20 and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 21 at the Burgh on the northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road in Southfield. Tickets \$7 and \$6, call 927-0700.

TRINITY HOUSE
"Quilters" continue through April 3 at Trinity House, 38840 West Six Mile, Livonia. For ticket information, call 464-6302.

TROY PLAYERS
Troy Players' production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's classic musical "South Pacific" week-ends through March 20 at the Troy Community Center, 520 W.

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FOLK

JOHN WHITE, JR.
Folk and blue singer John White Jr. will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 20 at Schoolcraft College in the Waterman Campus Center. Call 462-4417 for ticket information. Schoolcraft College is at 18900 Haggerty, Livonia.

JAZZ

QUARTET
The Fine Arts Department of the Auburn Hills Campus of Oakland Community College will present Sheila Landis and Top Drawer quartet, an evening of jazz, 8 p.m. Friday, April 2 at the Performance Space, Building F, Room 119 on the Auburn Hills Campus, 2900 Featherstone Drive in Auburn Hills. Call 340-6546 for ticket information.

Deadline for the Upcoming entertainment calendar is three weeks ahead of publication. Send items to be considered for publication to: Kelly Wagoner, Entertainment Editor, The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Comfy Concert features singer

Singer and songwriter Susan Grace (Stoltz) of Fairbanks, Alaska, will be featured at the Paint Creek Folklore Society Comfy Concert, to be held 7 p.m. Sunday, March 28, at the Rochester Hills home of Phil and Althea Doolittle. Opening for Susan Grace will be Randy Proctor and Bill Meldrum. A Comfy Concert is a house concert held in the living room of a home. It is an informal setting that brings a new degree of closeness between the performer and audience. Seating is limited. With this concert, Grace returns to her native Michigan. Although her roots are set deep in northern Michigan, she has made Alaska her home since 1985. The material she performs is a mix of contemporary and traditional folk and original compositions. Her songs carry a message of the wilderness and capture the spirit of Alaska. Call 375-2513 to reserve your seat. Tickets are \$8. The Doolittles will send a map and directions to the concert.

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Called CountyLaw, the program was developed by Cyom Data Systems for Long Beach, Calif. and is currently used by municipalities nationwide. It cost Wayne County taxpayers \$88,000 initially and \$10,000 a year for upgrades and training.

"The system addresses the special needs of attorneys in the public sector who represent government employees, elected officials, appointees and public departments," said county executive Edward McNamara. "Not only will this provide us easier access to information, but it will save money as well."

County attorney Saul Green said that being able to track legal matters in a speedier fashion will allow county attorneys to provide preventative information to county departments as well as help attorneys to represent, defend and inform county officials on legal matters.

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More daylight triggers bird bonding



TIMOTHY NOWICKI

Dec. 24.

As I drive to and from work in the light of the lengthening days, I notice that I am not the only organism noticing the change. In a field I pass on Farmington Road I have seen a pair of red-tailed hawks perched next to each other. Those two birds definitely represented a pair because I could see a noticeable difference in their size. The females of birds of prey are larger than the males.

This pair of hawks is establishing a pair bond between them that will endure through the nesting and fledgling stage of rearing young. Cementing a bond between the two birds is critical because finding enough food to feed their young is a job for two experienced adults. One species of hawk actually has brothers and sisters help raise their younger siblings — in addition to the help of the adults.

On Dec. 24 it was difficult, if not impossible, to tell that the length of daylight was getting longer. Now, in March, it's easy to tell that the length of daylight is much longer than it was on

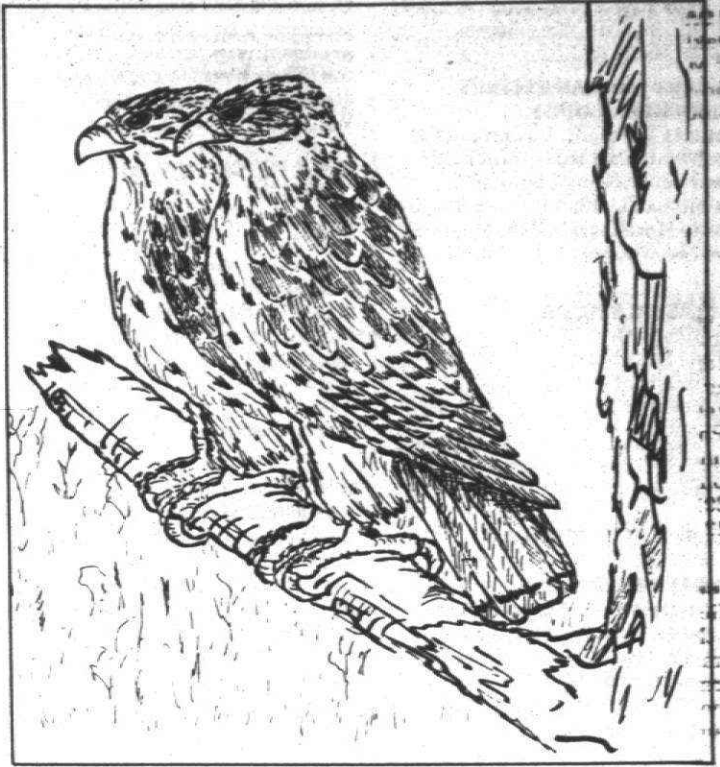
It is the lengthening daylight hours that initiates the pairing activity of the hawks. Birds are stimulated by the lengthening days to start pairing, migrating or molting. This clue of changing daylight has been consistent for millions of years and prepares the animal for expected future conditions.

Mallard ducks have used the winter months to develop pair bonds with mates. Even as far back as November, male mallards could be seen courting females. Paired individuals have been found to be dominant over unpaired individuals and thus would have an advantage in case of food shortage.

Lengthening days are also noticed in the southern states where many species of waterfowl winter. Courtship activities start on the wintering grounds in preparation for a quick start of nesting when they return to the breeding area.

Chickadees, nuthatches, doves and cardinals are all beginning to show signs of courtship, though nesting for many birds will not start until April or May.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks County Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia. You can reach him by Touch-Tone phone at 953-2047, Ext. 1874.



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NAVY LT. STEPHEN T. MCNERNEY reported for duty with 2nd Dental Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group, Camp Lejeune, N.C. His wife, Heidi, is the daughter of James D. Hoeschele of Canton. The 1986 graduate of Ferris State University, Big Rapids, with a bachelor of science degree and 1991 graduate of the University of Michigan with a Doctor of dental

science degree, joined the Navy Reserves in Aug. 1991.

MARINE PVT. JAMES A. RODRIGUEZ, son of Allison Gibson of Canton, completed the School of Infantry course at Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif. The 1991 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School joined the Marine Corps in May 1992.

TECH. SGT. HOWELL A. EPPERSON, son of William and Ardith Epperson of Plymouth, graduated from an Air Force major command non-commissioned officer academy having received advanced military leadership and management training at Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, Texas.

SECOND LT. DOUGLAS T. SOHO has received silver wings upon graduation from pilot training at William Air Force Base, Phoenix, Ariz. Soho is the son of Walter V. and Nancy L. Soho of Plymouth. He graduated from Plymouth Salem High School in 1987, and 1991 graduate of the University of Colorado Springs, Colo. in 1991.

PVT. NICHOLAS A. DAZIO completed training at the US Army Infantry School at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. Dazio is the son of Susan D. Dazio of Canton.

AIRMAN CHRISTOPHER W. PIERCECCHI graduated from the helicopter maintenance specialist course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas. He is the son of Bill Piercecchi of Canton. The airman is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

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BUSINESS PEOPLE

Dr. David H. Janda, director of the Institute for Preventive Sports Medicine and Associate of Orthopedic Surgery Associates based at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor has been appointed to serve a four-year term on the board of directors of the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. Dr. Janda and his colleagues on the board will develop policies, strategies, objectives and priorities in reference to the development of a national plan for injury prevention and control.

Patricia Wedhorn of Wayne, a self employed video producer, has been voted in as president elect of the Detroit Producers Association. She begins her one year term in June 1993.

The Detroit Producers Association is made up of artist, animators, audio-video directors, producers, educators, equipment and material suppliers and all other elements of the professional media production community.

Kathy Moulton of Dow Corning Corp. was the winner of two round trip airline tickets to any Northwest Airline destination at the Mayflower Hotel Secretary party in Plymouth last month.

The party is held each year to reward and honor secretaries from local corporations that make hotel and banquet arrangements at the Mayflower Hotel.

Tony Camilleri has been named to the position of manager at the Westland office of Real Estate One.

William J. Pekar has been appointed director of sales and marketing, North America division for the Romulus-based Battan Corporation.

Thomas A. Diefenbaker has been named director, Data Hub Sales for Detroit Diesel Corporation in Redford.

Diefenbaker will assume responsibility for sales efforts in Detroit Diesel Corporation's new venture in the data hub market.

Roy Seelbinder, president of R.A. Seelbinder Construction Company in Troy, has been reelected as chairman of the Livonia-based Masonry Institute of Michigan, Inc., a non-profit organization that educates the construction industry on improved masonry practices, design and proper use of materials.

Also elected are: Mariano 'Skip' DiGiovanni, president, Central Masonry & Cement in Southfield, vice chairman; John Bobrovitsky, president, Bobrovitsky Construction Inc. in Southfield, secretary; and Charles Wilson, vice president, Monte Costella Co. in Novi as treasurer.

DATEBOOK

DISABILITY ACT
Human resource professionals in companies of 15 or more employees should attend a seminar by nationally known attorneys Lillian Ciccodicola and Laura Cooper on the enforcement of the Americans With Disabilities Act and its impact on employers Friday, 1-4:30 p.m. Friday, March 19, at the Holiday Inn - Livonia. Sponsored by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Call 1-800-243-5767.

WOMEN IN MOTION
Strive Network, a Michigan affiliate of the National Association for Female Executives is sponsoring the organizations first-ever conference for business women from around the state on Friday and Saturday, March 19 and 20 at the Southfield Plaza Hotel. Call 391-6162 for information.

RETAIL SITE SELECTION
Charles J. Miller, director of the Real Estate Specialty Group, Kinart Corp., will discuss the ins and outs of corporate retail site selection at the Retail Financial Executives Group meeting 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, at Fox & Hounds Restaurant in Bloomfield Hills beginning at 5:30 p.m. Call 396-6988 for reservations by March 19.

HEALTH PERSPECTIVES
The National Association of Women Business Owners will present "Perspectives on the Canadian Health Care System: A National Plan With Implications for U.S. Business Owners" on Monday, March 22 at the Trowbridge, 24111 Civic Center Drive near Telegraph Road in Southfield. Call 396-2576 for reservations.

WAC
The Women's Advertising Club of Detroit & Ann Arbor, Creative Process Consulting is sponsoring a seminar on "Unleash Your Creative Power! How to tap Into Your Natural Creativity For Personal and Professional Gain." at 5:30 p.m. Monday, March 22, at Producers Color Services, 24242 Northwestern Highway, in Southfield.

OFFICE SAFETY
The American Society of Employment is sponsoring a seminar on at 23815 Northwestern Highway in Southfield on "Office Safety: Cost Containment Strategies" 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday, March 22, at 23815 Northwestern Highway in Southfield. Speaker: Peter Shelt, Solutions Inc. Call 353-4560 for more information.

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PhotoFast was born seven months later.

The Heasfields were trendsetters in matters other than picking a location.

He said he was the first in the area to offer 4-by-6 inch prints rather than traditional 3-by-5s.

"We're doing a good job making good pictures pretty much without regard to how much paper we have to throw away to get it right," Heasfield said.

He pegged his disposal rate at about 40 percent when industry advisers recommend a range of 5-7 percent.

Quality over quantity

"Our prices aren't the lowest in town," he said. "But my business practice is to do the quality work I'd personally like done and charge what I have to."

He also paid cash for his equipment, which can cost upwards of

\$100,000, fairly early in the game. "It's a lot cheaper to own," Heasfield said. "I can never figure out why anyone with the ability to pay cash wouldn't. I'm choosing to put money in my business because I figure you can get a better return from business than a bank."

PhotoFast isn't big into advertising and promotion. "I basically don't run specials, don't do coupons," Heasfield said. "I try to get away from gimmicks and try to give people value for their money. If you're giving out coupons, 50 percent off, you're kind of telling customers what the work is really worth."

He added that he doesn't think it's right to charge a loyal customer full price, then give a break to someone who may just come in for a special.

About 80 percent of his sales are film processing, the other 20

percent supplies, Heasfield said. An immediate business goal is to introduce a computer imaging system to print enlargements and touch up underexposed negatives or add texture. Longer-term goals include development of an order-tracking computer system and possibly expanding to a second site.

Resisting expansion-itis

Slow and steady are the watchwords, though, Beth said.

"We don't feel the way conditions are now we could offer the quality we wanted to and expand at the same time," she said.

"Business in the early years grew at an annual rate of 33 percent, he said. "It's still growing, but not at that rate. We were so busy running the business that we didn't have time to go spending money on anything except running the store."

Their frugality was one reason that the couple was able to pay cash for later equipment purchases, Heasfield said.

Both have MBAs. He's a certified public accountant, she's a certified management accountant. "It helps a lot when you want to deal with a bank. You learn the kinds of things you should be looking for, indicators how the business should be doing," he said.

But it was a bit daunting, even with the academic credentials knowing that the business had fixed expenses of \$10,000 a month coming out of the starting blocks.

And knowing their house was on the line for collateral, Beth added.

"Initially, I think we felt it would be easier," she said. "It had faith it would be a success."

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Lincoln National Insurance Co. — combined have more than \$40 million in claims, he said.

"We expect to recover a substantial portion," Snider said, declining to elaborate.

Highland and the creditors could never agree on a reorganization plan to climb out of bankruptcy, Snider said.

"We hoped that they would be able to attract a new investor which would enable them to continue operations," he said. "We had lots of hopes that didn't pan out. Everyone tried — management, the committee."

"I think the committee felt they had enough time. We had engaged in discussions for a year prior to them filing (for bankruptcy) in

August). That's 18 months. We think that had been more than sufficient."

Highland last turned a profit in budget year ending Jan. 31, 1988 with net income of \$7.2 million on sales of \$910.7 million, said Jon Fischer, assistant to the research director at Roney & Co.

Highland lost \$12.4 million on sales of \$919.8 million in 1989, lost \$11.8 million on sales of \$860.8 million in 1990 and lost \$15.4 million on sales of \$575.2 million in 1991.

The company reported losses totaling \$34.3 million on sales of \$257.7 million through the first three quarters of budget year 1992, Fischer said.

Various analysts have attributed Highland's downfall to rapid, unsuccessful expansion in out-of-state markets, a lack of new home entertainment products to excite buyers and high overhead.

"The economy hasn't been all that great," said Ferrin Long, director of equity research for First of Michigan Corp. "Until recently, people weren't buying appliances to any great extent."

"With a poor economy... you still have operating costs for advertising, employee costs. It sort of caught them and they go," Long said. "The lenders pulled the plug now so everything wouldn't go down the drain."

Highland officials couldn't be reached for direct comment of why the business, founded by the Mondry family in 1933, soured to the point of liquidation.

"We have exceeded our projections since last September and recently proposed a plan of reorganization which would have continued the company's operations as preserved jobs," Ira Mondry, Highland's president and chief executive officer, said in a new release.

"However, without the approval of our creditors committee, reorganization isn't possible. "We are proud of our 60-year history and all of the employees who made it possible," Mondry said.

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SUBURBAN BUSINESS LEADERS

Nick Valenti of Northville, general manager of Prudential's Detroit Agency in Southfield, celebrated his 20th anniversary with the company. Since joining The Prudential in 1972, Valenti has received many honors for sales and service, including the company's President's Trophy in 1988, when the Detroit Agency finished first among more than 100 Prudential agencies.



Valenti

Joan White of Westland was promoted to project manager in the Management Information Systems department at D'Arcy Masius Benton & Bowles advertising agency. In her new position White is responsible for production support of accounts receivable, accounts payable, human resources, and financial agency systems. She joined DMB&B in 1987 as a financial systems coordinator. In 1991 she was promoted to senior systems coordinator.



White

Dietitian Shanna Reed of Redford Township was appointed manager of dietetic services at Holy Cross Hospital in Detroit. Reed will be responsible for overseeing all clinical nutrition management, patient service management, the cafeteria and catering operations as well as employee relations. She had been the clinical nutrition manager at Hackley Hospital in Muskegon, Mich., and a clinical dietitian at Sinai Hospital in Detroit.



Reed

Richard Lauro of Livonia was promoted to accounting Analyst I at Visiting Nurse Association Inc. Lauro, who began with the VNA in 1991, has a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Wayne State University. He also recently passed the Certified Public Accounting examination.

To submit materials to this column, please send a brief biographical summary along with a black-and-white photo, if possible, to: Business Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. There is no charge.

Shooting for success frame by frame

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

At one time John R. Heafield snapped pictures for a living. Now, the 44-year-old Bloomfield Township resident takes care of the film processing for others.

Heafield owns an independent business that he said has annual sales of nearly \$1.2 million. He owns equipment free and clear valued at several hundred thousand dollars and employs 14.

Heafield (pronounced Hay-field) and his wife, Beth, have cultivated those fruits less than 10 years after sowing the seeds for PhotoFast One Hour Photo in Birmingham.

The couple defied conventional wisdom in building their business, Heafield said.

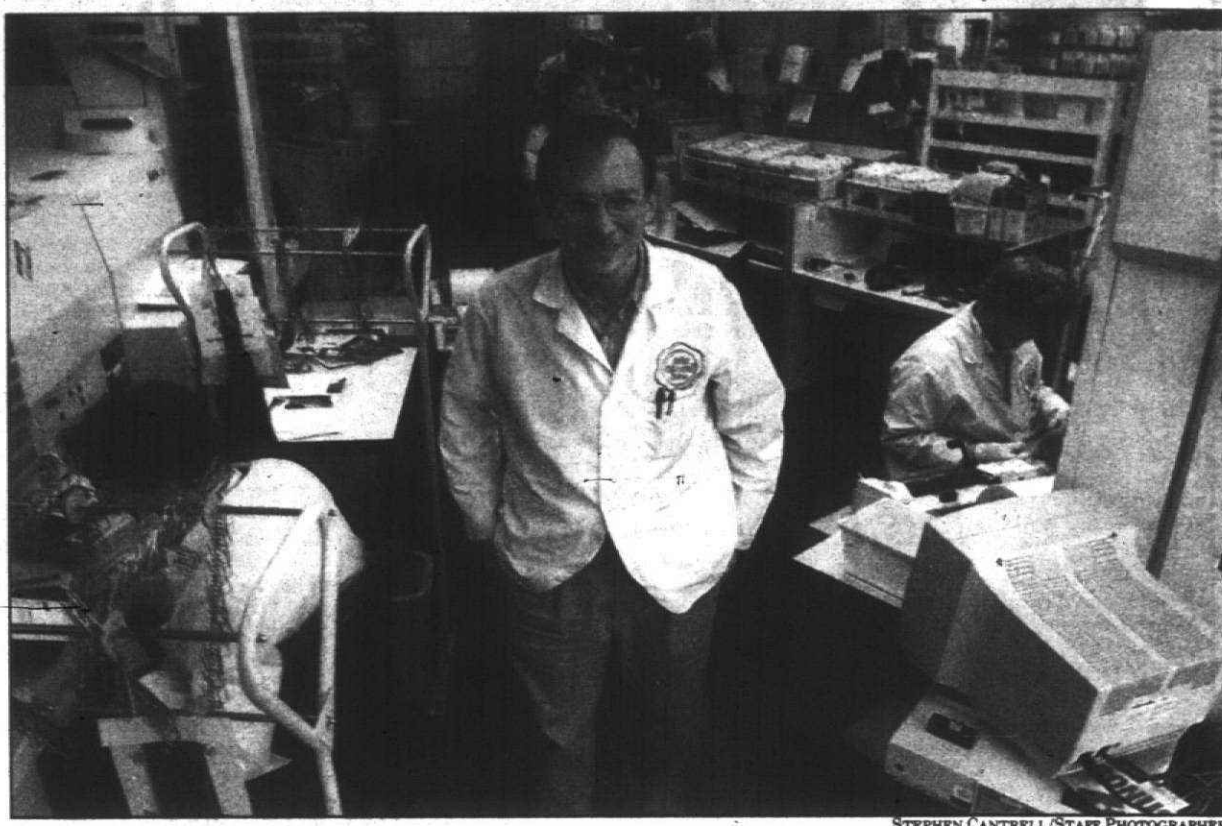
"We were advised by a number of self-styled gurus that shopping centers were the place to be, but we didn't find any we liked that didn't already have a (photo) processing center," he said.

"I was in touch with the U.S. Census Bureau, Wayne State University. I scouted all the way from Mount Clemens, Downriver to Ann Arbor."

The Heafields finally settled on a ground-floor shop in a combination retail/office/residential complex, Birmingham Place, where they've been ever since their April '83 grand opening.

"Some people thought I was making a mistake not being in a mall," he said. "They said Birmingham was not open in evenings or Sundays, that it doesn't have a lot of business hours. They said that on Hunter Street everyone goes 50 miles per hour and no one sees you."

But the Heafields set up shop there anyway.



STEPHEN CANTRELL/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Photo processor: John Heafield and his wife, Beth, have put together a thriving film processing business, PhotoFast, which seems to draw a loyal customer base.

Instinct won out

"I felt the demographics were right. The area certainly could afford to pay for good work," he said. "When I came into this area, they didn't have a lab within three miles."

Both Heafields were accountants at

American Motors before they decided to get into the film processing business.

Heafield felt he was underpaid as a photographer at U-M, later unemployed as an accountant.

"The day my daughter, Rachel, was

born, I took some film (of her) to a lab near Providence Hospital in Southfield. That was the day my interest really took off. I became impressed by the speed and quality the machines were capable of," he said.

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Highland goes down for the final count

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

All three Highland Superstores in Westland, Troy and Southfield had white-on-red "now hiring" signs on their doors this week.

But it's not going to happen.

Instead, the retailer of home entertainment equipment and appliances announced plans to sell its inventory and go out of business, unable to agree on a restructuring plan with creditors after filing for bankruptcy protection last summer.

Stores have been locked, and, according to a recorded message on store telephones and a news release, will reopen approximately March 26 for a liquidation sale.

Many people apparently couldn't wait.

Stella Lopiccolo visited the Troy



store late Tuesday afternoon looking for deals.

"I wanted to see what they have," she said. "Anything to save a dollar. I need a dishwasher, possibly a refrigerator—whatever's a bargain."

Roger Hale stopped by the Westland store after hearing radio accounts of Highland's demise.

"I'm here to get a laser disc," he

said. "It's human nature if you can get a bargain, get it."

While Highland's closing may be bonanza for consumers, employees and stockholders of the publicly-owned company will take it on the chin.

Some 550 Highland employees at the Plymouth headquarters and several stores in the metro area eventually will lose their jobs.

It hadn't been determined earlier this week whether the company would offer any kind of special outplacement services to laid-off employees, said Danette Wineberg, Highland vice president.

At least one competitor, Fretter, headquartered in Livonia, has an eye on augmenting its work force.

"We're always looking for good people," said Dale R. Campbell, execu-

tive vice president for Fretter. "I'm sure we'll be interviewing and hiring."

There will be no recovery for shareholders, Highland announced. The stock has been selling for pennies per share in recent months, closing Monday at 37 1/2 cents per share.

On the positive side, individual stockholders have no personal liability for the company's financial debts.

Highland owes financial institutions and suppliers about \$150 million, said Lawrence K. Snider, lawyer for the creditors committee in the bankruptcy proceeding with Highland.

Four major creditors — National Bank of Detroit, Comerica and subsidiaries of AIG Insurance Co. and

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Prioritize goals by pouring energy, assets into business startup

BY DANIEL BOYCE
AND ALAN FERRARA
SPECIAL WRITERS

To receive a free financial planning brochure or to obtain a questionnaire to participate in this column, contact the Center for Financial Planning, Dept. 100, 26211 Central Park Blvd., Suite 604, Southfield 48076 or call 948-7900. Names of participants are withheld upon request, and submitted financial data is confidential.

A phrase that is often used in financial planning is "if you don't know where you are going, any road will do."

This is often used in reference to clients who have not clearly defined the goals they wish to

achieve and therefore cannot determine in which direction their efforts should be pointed.

This month's case, Ron Solomon of Berkley, has clearly defined to us his goals, but we also need to work on how these goals can be accomplished.

Solomon, 34, is unmarried and works as a golf pro at a private golf course. His work is seasonal, mostly in the summer, and he earns approximately \$20,000 per year.

He has said to us that "if things go well, I should be able to put away \$3,000 to \$5,000 each year." His current investment assets are approaching \$40,000.

Solomon has big dreams, which can be positive. His goals are spe-

cific and include buying a new truck next year (at a cost of \$20,000), buying a lot on a golf course in the suburbs in two years (at a cost of \$50,000), starting a clothing business in three years and owning a driving range in five years.

Five years thereafter, he wants to build a house on the lot, buy a condo in Arizona and have his retirement planning in order. These are excellent, specific goals and sound great but will be very hard to accomplish on an income of \$20,000 per year and \$5,000 of savings per year.

Speculative investments

Much of Solomon's investable assets are in stocks and options. His stocks are relatively small, volatile holdings, and his options are clearly speculative. Statistically, more than 80 percent of all stock options expire without any value whatsoever. Buying options is somewhat like playing the lottery and is no sure way to financial success. Solomon may be counting on these stocks and options to hit big for him, and they apparently have offered him a good return in recent years, although with significant risk.

It appears that there are insufficient assets and income to meet all of Solomon's goals within the time period he has set. If he is to have any chance of achieving some of his goals, he should extend the time period for reaching these goals and limit the number of goals he is trying to achieve at one time.

If he would like to achieve all of these goals eventually, we would

advise that he put all of his efforts now toward establishing and building a business. This may be a risky proposition because many new businesses do not succeed for various reasons. But with proper preparation, planning and a strong work ethic, he may beat the odds and succeed.

There are many pitfalls and opportunities in establishing a new business. First, proper planning is important. A business that is based on a clearly defined and reasonable business plan has a greater chance of success. Many businesses fail because they are undercapitalized — that is, not enough money has been set aside for operating expenses of the business and unexpected emergencies. It is not enough to have a good idea for a business. It is vital to have the financial wherewithal to see that idea through. With a good business plan and sufficient initial capital, a business may be able to succeed on its own or it may be possible to convince a bank of other investors to contribute additional capital.

There are also many legal and tax issues that should be considered prior to starting a business, such as the form of doing business, liability, taxation and employee issues. Failure to consider these issues in advance can doom a new business. Solomon should seek the advice of a qualified attorney and accountant in establishing his business.

Get down to business

If Solomon's main goal is to establish a business, he should put all of his resources, financial and

otherwise, into the business. Using his capital to buy a \$20,000 truck and a \$50,000 vacant lot could prevent him from ever having sufficient capital to begin his business.

Solomon has told us that he has no estate plan in place "except what I told my parents." While an estate plan need not be complicated, he should at least have a basic plan in place. An individual who dies with assets in his own name without a will causes the estate to be subject to the Michigan Intestacy Statute. In Solomon's case, if he dies without a will, the Michigan statute provides that the entire estate would go to his parents, which may not be actual desire.

Solomon also said that one of his concerns was to have his retirement planning in order within 10 years, although "at this point, I have not put anything into retirement, but I would like to retire at age 60 and be comfortable." If Ron chooses to maximize the possible success of his business by focusing his financial resources in establishing a business, he should give himself some time to make this dream a reality. He might want to set a goal of five to seven years to establish the business and focus financial resources

in that direction. If he doesn't own a business by that time, he should put a priority in placing money into an IRA and other retirement savings vehicles at that time. If he establishes a business, as soon as it becomes profitable he should arrange a retirement plan for the business. This will help him accumulate assets for his retirement and will minimize taxes to the business.

While Ron's goals are excellent, his ability to achieve them in the desired time frame does not appear realistic. We would suggest that Solomon prioritize his goals in order of importance and place maximum effort on those that are most important to him.

By focusing on realistic paths to reach his destination, he will create the foundation to attain financial success.

Dan Boyce, a certified financial planner at the Center for Financial Planning in Southfield, has been recognized by Money magazine as one of the top financial planners in the nation. Alan Ferrara is a partner in the Farmington Hills law firm of Cousins, Lansky, Fealk, Ellis, Roeder & Lazar. Both have served in leadership roles in financial planning professional organizations.

ASSETS:		STRENGTHS:	
Investment -		✓ Steady income	
Checking and Savings	\$3,700	✓ Some assets accumulated	
Individual Stocks	30,000	✓ No debt	
Stock Options	5,000	✓ Good medical and auto insurances	
Subtotal ...	\$38,700		
Personal Use -		WEAKNESSES:	
Auto	8,000	✓ Goals may be unrealistic	
Coin Collection	2,000	✓ Investments too risky	
Personal Possessions	10,000	✓ No retirement plan in place	
Subtotal ...	\$20,000	✓ No estate plan; health concerns	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$58,700		
LIABILITIES:			
None	None		
NET WORTH	\$58,700		



TAMMIE GRAY/STAFF ARTIST

SUBURBAN LIFE

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THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1993

FAMILY LIFE



EARTHA DEYAMPERT

Try to wash, wash, wash your hands

It's the cold and flu season. In order to create an environment that promotes good health and reduce the spread of those nasty common and contagious germs, there are several good health habits that should be practiced regularly whether in the home, at work or in a child care setting.

The common cold is an illness that is indeed common to all adults, but more children, especially those in day care and in larger institutionalized settings like schools catch at least six to 12 colds a year (younger children being more susceptible).

Colds are usually considered contagious for two-three days after the symptoms begin. Children who cough into their hands and wipe their runny noses without using a tissue (as children will sometimes do) can spread germs to the next child or adult.

These germs are usually spread by direct contact, hand holding, touching a door knob or sneezing on another person. The most important factor in any environment to help minimize germs from spreading is hand washing.

By simply using soap and water, proper cleansing of hands is the key. Antibacterial soap with a moisturizer is a good choice. Instead of bar soap, especially in a commercial setting, a dispenser is best. They're also good for the home as well, especially when preparing for a guest.

If you're away from the home and have to use a public restroom, use a paper towel to turn off the faucet, after washing your hands. And remember to use a towel or a tissue to open the door when leaving. By practicing this little routine, you reduce the risk of picking up those same germs after you've washed your hands.

Dress accordingly. Whether inside or outside, environment is a factor. In all settings indicated, proper room ventilation and appropriate heating and cooling systems are essential.

At work, bring your own coffee mug and wash it thoroughly after use. If you're using Styrofoam cups, make sure they're clean and avoid sitting it in a place where someone might mistake it as theirs — thus sharing germs indirectly.

Wash your hands before and after eating lunch and again before sitting at the desk snacking. Dispose of all used tissue immediately. No one wants to find a used tissue at a work station due to someone's careless habit!

At child care facilities, hand washing is a big must for both staff and children. Hand washing should be done after handling diapers, soiled clothing, sick children, cleaning potty chairs, taking out the garbage and handling all body fluids.

Children should be discouraged from sharing food from individual plates and positioned at the table with ample room between each child, especially toddlers. When napping, children should not share bedding nor should the cots be positioned so that they touch. Place them at least 2 1/2-3 feet apart in a head-to-foot pattern.

Sanitize all toys that are mouthed daily with a solution of one tablespoon of chlorine bleach in one gallon of warm water. Use the bleach solution to disinfect diaper changing tables, door knobs, toilet seats, non absorbent surfaces, playpens and cribs.

When washing dishes, use a bleach solution to rinse dishes and utensils. Allow cooking utensils, etc., to air dry.

If plastic disposable gloves are used regularly, which is good, continue to use good hand washing practices. Keep lotion handy to keep hands from becoming infected.

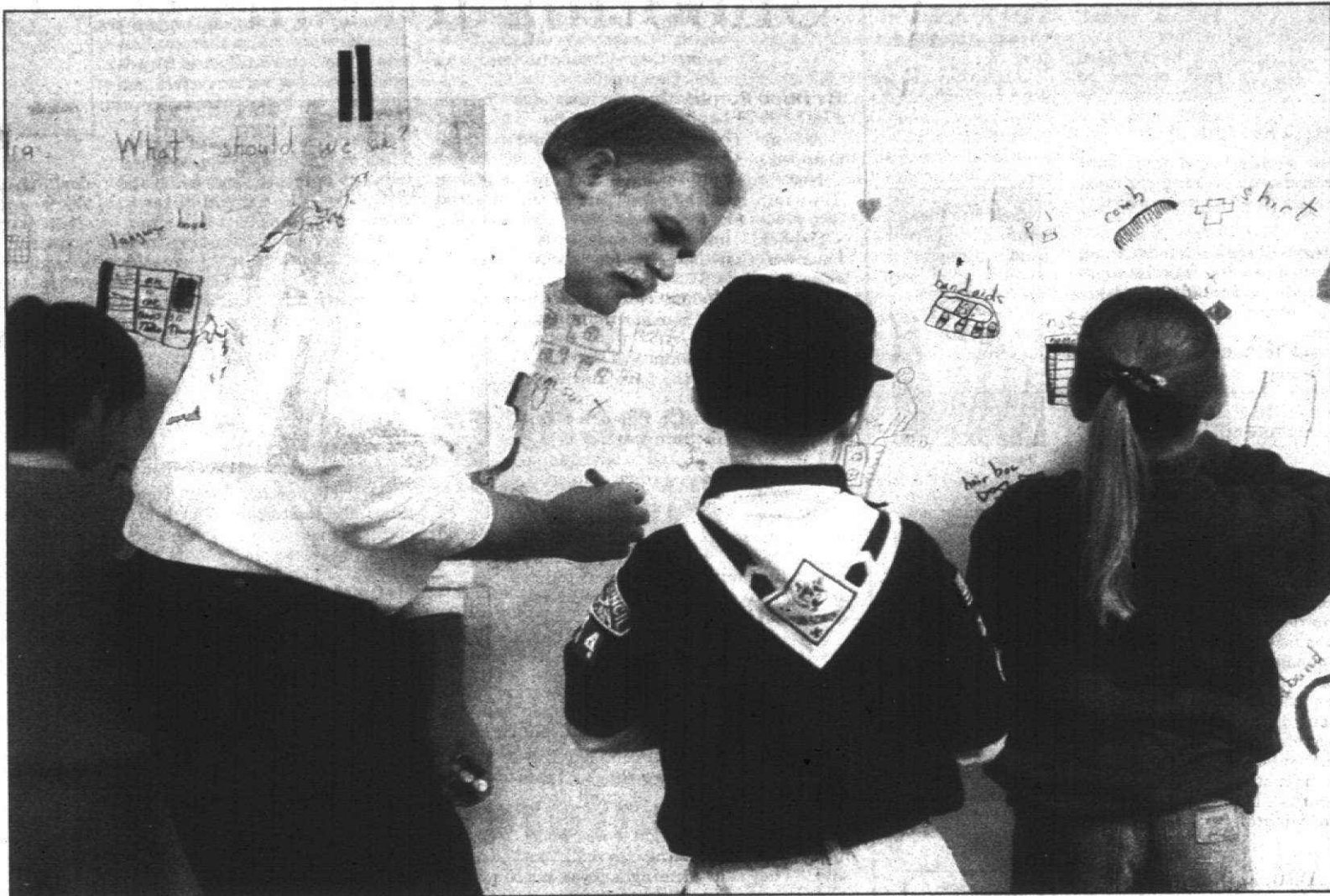
The common cold and flu virus is a culprit that has been around longer than we can imagine. It can trigger other germs that cause bronchitis, ear infections, pneumonia and sinusitis to flair up.

To fight these culprits is a continuous battle, but the intervals between can be longer, if we would just remember to wash our hands.

If you have a question or comment for Eartha DeYampert, call her at 953-2047, mail box number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write her at The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

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'Lasting Influence'



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Different role: Jon Childs, a second-grade teacher at Miller Elementary School in Canton, works with Timmy Larsen in putting words to pictures. Childs is one of only a handful of men who teach at the elementary level.

Few men find niche in lower 'L'



At a time when women have made great inroads into traditionally male careers, men are still few and far between in teaching elementary school-aged children. But those who have dared to tackle the lower 'L,' have found the work rewarding.

BY JAMES RADEBAUGH
STAFF WRITER

The numbers tell the story — or seem to.

Of the roughly 250 teachers in Plymouth-Canton elementary schools, 15 percent are men. Of those, five teach in the third grade and three teach in the second grade. None, at the moment, teach in the first grade or in kindergarten.

The numbers are similar in neighboring districts.

Despite 25 years of changes that border on the radical, one elementary school tradition hangs on: Few men teach in the lower grades.

What accounts for this fact is a matter of opinion.

At least one male third-grade teacher says there's an unwritten rule barring men from teaching very young children in Plymouth-Canton schools. Others, both administrators and teachers, say emphatically that is not the case.

Self-limiting?

Bob Gale — a 25-year veteran whose status as a third-grade teacher with Plymouth-Canton Schools remains uncertain after being cleared on a charge of striking a stu-

dent — believes old-fashioned prejudice keeps men out of the lower grades.

Gale said recently at his Plymouth home that unwritten rules limiting jobs to one sex or the other permeate the district.

Men don't teach kindergarten just as women don't coach football, and everybody takes it for granted, he said.

"We've been trained by the train-

ers to limit ourselves," he said.

District spokesman Richard Egli disputed the claim of a sex barrier and said administrators simply seek the best candidate for each job.

Even Chuck Portelli, president of the local teachers' union, doubts discrimination keeps men from teaching in lower elementary grades.

"It's never come to our attention that it's a conscious effort to keep men out of those posts," he said.

In his 18 years with the district, Portelli has taught third, fifth, and sixth grade. He prefers the higher grades because he "just can't keep up" with the younger kids, he said.

Jay Young, spokesman for the Livonia schools, agrees that if there

is discrimination, it's on the part of the male teachers who shy away from the lower grades.

Those who want to teach lower grades would be accepted unconditionally, particularly since the number of single-mother homes creates a need for male role models.

Few differences

Jon Childs, a second-grade teacher at Miller Elementary in Canton, knows why he prefers the lower grades. In his open classroom, with its movable walls covered with maps and other colorful teaching aides, Childs explained that with young

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Names can be deceiving

BY JAMES RADEBAUGH
STAFF WRITER

Searching a school district's personnel directory for men's names is not quite a foolproof way of determining how many men teach in the district.

You can ask Mark Said, a first-grade teacher with the Livonia Public Schools.

Excited at having found a man teaching a lower-elementary grade, district spokesman Jay Young encouraged the Observer to contact Said.

We did — and we got a surprise akin to the one that comes midway through the movie "The Crying Game."

Well, almost.

On the telephone, Said's voice sounded distinctly feminine. Yes, Mark Said is a woman. We had not found the elusive man who teaches first-grade.

Said, named Marva by her parents, explained that she has used the name Mark since she was a kid and quite a tomboy.

As for men teaching in the lower-elementary grades... well, she thinks that's just great. Young children need male role models as well as female role models, she said.

She noted that two men regularly substitute in the lower grades at her school, Washington Elementary. "It's something we like, and it's OK," Said said.

Conference focuses on women's health

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Women looking to improve their health will find they help they need at "A Call to Wellness — A Women's Healthy Agenda for the '90s."

The day-long conference will be Saturday, April 3, at the Waterman Center of Schoolcraft College, Livonia. This is the second year that Schoolcraft's Women's Resource Center and Health Service and Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus Womencenter have teamed up to sponsor the conference.

"I think it's kind of exciting to have a whole day where women's health is the focus," said Pat Briggs-Jones, director of OCC's Womencenter. "We're working on a theme of empowerment; we're trying to create an atmosphere where women are able to speak and be heard."

Picking up on the theme will be the keynote address by Sean Hogan-Downey. A licensed marriage and family therapist in private practice for more than 15 years, her subject will be "The Fairy Godmother is NOT Coming! Empowering Yourself."

It was a twist of fate that paired up the two Schoolcraft groups with OCC for the first confer-

ence in 1992. Swanborg had begun exploring the idea of a women's health conference the same month OCC's call to papers arrived on her desk.

Rather than "reinvent the wheel," Swanborg approached than Womencenter director Mary White about a co-sponsorship. White was "thrilled."

"It was like it was supposed to be," Swanborg said.

This year's conference will open with registration and coffee at 8:30 a.m., followed by the keynote address at 9:15 a.m. There will be three workshop sessions — 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 2:15-3:30 p.m. and 3:45-5 p.m. — and lunch 12:30-2 p.m.

Pick and choose

Briggs-Jones and Nancy Swanborg, director of the Women's Resource Center, began working on the conference last fall, sending out a call to papers to those people interested in participating in the workshop. A committee helped to narrow the field to the 22 topics that will be covered.

"Of course, we had more workshops than time available," Briggs-Jones said. "Our final decision was based partly on evaluations done at last year

and then we talked among ourselves. We tried to address issues relevant to all age levels."

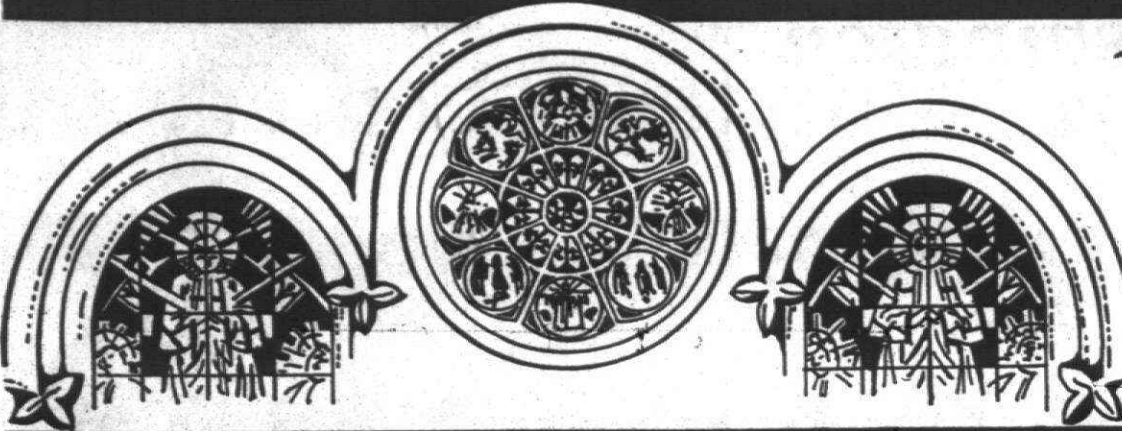
In fact, those evaluations prompted the second conference, according to Swanborg.

"We asked if we should repeat the conference on the evaluation and got an overwhelming response of do it again," she said. "I would guess the potential is there (for an annual conference)."

Topics include "Thin at Any Price," an overview of eating disorders by Marni Egrin Stone of Affiliated Psychologists of Michigan, "After the Earthquake — Now What?", using personal support, dream work, meditation, prayer and introspection to discover dormant inner dreams with Sandy Baumann of Emerging Free, and "The Breast Cancer Epidemic: Creating an Environment for Change," an overview of existing data and prevention strategies by Joan D'Argo of Greenpeace International.

There also will be at least 10 display tables about services available to women, including those provided through Womencenter and the Women's Resource Center.

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Your Invitation to Worship

Mail Copy To: OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS
36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150
CHURCH PAGE COPY CHANGES: 953-2153, Fridays 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

BAPTIST

BETHLE BAPTIST TEMPLE
29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia
525-3664 or 261-9276
Sunday School: 10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship: 11:00 A.M.
Evening Worship: 6:00 P.M.
Wed. Family Hour: 7:30 P.M.

MARCH 21st
11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.
Guest Speaker: Rev. Paul Frizzell
"A Church That's Concerned About People"

REDFORD BAPTIST CHURCH
25295 Grand River Avenue at 7 Mile Road
Redford, Michigan 533-2300
Sunday Worship 9:30 A.M. Church School 10:45 A.M.
Midweek Family Program, Wednesdays 5-6 P.M.

March 21st
"Christ In Us"
Pastor Nelson preaching
Pastors: William E. Nelson, Mark E. Semmens
Minister for Children: Sharon Soap
Director of Music: Donna Giesse

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH
Welcomes You!
—SCHEDULE OF SERVICES—
425-6215 or 425-1116

SUNDAY SCHOOL: SUN. 10:00 A.M.
MORNING WORSHIP: SUN. 11:00 A.M.
EVENING WORSHIP: SUN. 6:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: WED. 7:00 P.M.

DR. KENNETH D. GRIFF
PASTOR
28440 LYNDON, LIVONIA, MI

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH
11095 Haggerty Rd., (North of Ann Arbor Rd.)
Plymouth 455-7711 or 455-4357

Family Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
Morning Family Worship: 11:15 a.m.
Children's Church: 11:15 a.m.
Evening Family Praise Service: 6:00 p.m.
Kings Kids (Wednesday): 6:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer (Wednesday): 7:00 p.m.

Pastors Stan Jenkins D.D. & Bob Etzel

Livonia Baptist Church **SBC**
23401 Schoolcraft, Livonia 424-7763
Bible Study for all ages 9:45 A.M. Sundays
Sunday School 11:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Service 7:00 P.M.
Nursery Provided
Pastor: Gilbert Sanders Ph.D.

FARMINGTON HILLS CHURCH
(Independent Baptist)
12 Mile Rd. at Orchard Lake Rd. & 696
Farmington Hills, MI (313) 539-8116 or 533-4964
Does the Bible ever seem difficult to understand?
What most men don't know is that the Bible was
written so that those who don't live by it will
understand the Bible's true message (1 Cor.
11:31). God wrote the Bible. And God is the only
One who can give a man understanding in the
Bible. If you really love the Word of God, then
you're probably hungry to learn what the Bible
really says. Come study with us.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST
35475 Five Mile Rd. 464-6722
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Steve Allen, Youth Minister
Celebrating 50 Years of Service
Bible School: All ages 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Morning Worship: 9:30 & 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship & Youth Meeting 6:30 p.m.

EPISCOPAL

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
16360 Hubbard Road
Livonia, Michigan 48154
421-8451

Mon.-Fri. 9:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
Wednesday 6:00 P.M. Dinner & Classes
Saturday 5:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist

Sunday 7:45 A.M. Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. Christian Education for all ages
Sunday Morning - Nursery Care Available

The Rev. Robert Clapp, Rector
Every knee shall bow and every tongue
confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.
Phil. 2:11

ST. JOHN NEUMANN
44800 Warren • Canton • 455-5910
Father George Charnley, Pastor

MASSES
Saturday 4:30 & 6:30 p.m.
Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH (in Redford)
5815 E. of Telegraph
23310 Joy Road
Livonia • 453-2121
Private Phone: 784-9511

Mass Schedule:
Sunday Mass 9:30 A.M.
Rosary & Confession before Mass

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
1160 Penniman Ave.
Plymouth • 453-0326
Rev. John J. Sullivan

Masses: Mon.-Fri. 9:00 A.M., Sat. 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 8:00, 10:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M.

COVENANT

Faith Covenant Church
Making Faith a Way of Life
Sunday School for All Ages
Worship Services 8:30 & 10:45
36415 W. 14 Mile Road (at Drake Road)
661-9191

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rev. Richard A. Peretto, Pastor
981-5600

Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Mass - Faith Community
Church (Plymouth Pl. - West of Center Rd.)
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Mass - Pioneer Middle School
Ann Arbor Rd. between Center Rd. and McChesney

LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
14175 Farmington Rd. (Just N. of Jeffries X-Way)
Livonia Phone: 522-6830

Rev. Luther A. Werth, Pastor
Sunday Worship 8:30, 11:00 A.M.
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:45 A.M.
Week Day School, Pre-School, Kindergarten
Sharing the Love of Christ

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD
High & Elm Streets, Northville
T. Luback, Pastor
L. Kinne, Associate Pastor
Church 343-2145 - School 343-2146
Sunday School 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Saturday Vespers: 6:00 P.M.

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN
Church & School
1000 W. of Ford Rd., Westland
Divine Worship 8 & 10:45 A.M.
Bible Class & SS 9:15 A.M.
Monday Evening Service 7:30 P.M.
Ralph Fischer, Pastor
Gary D. Hestegrove, Associate Pastor

HOSANNA-TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
9500 Livonia • St. Redford • 937-2421
Rev. Glenn Kopper, Rev. Lawrence Wito

WORSHIP WITH US
Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Monday Evening 7:00 P.M.
Bible Class & Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Christian School: Pre-School-8th Grade
Mrs. Pat Sadler 937-2233

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Timothy Lutheran Church
5820 Wayne Rd.
(Between Ann Arbor Trail & Joy Road)
Livonia • 427-2390
Worship Service: 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Rev. Mary T. Olivanti, Pastor
261-0766

APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN

FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH
26325 Halstead Road at 11 Mile
Farmington Hills, Michigan
Services Every Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
Also, 1st & 3rd Sunday at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday School: 9-15 A.M.
Bible Class - Tuesday 7:30 P.M.
Song Services - Last Sunday
of Month 7:00 P.M.

FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF PLYMOUTH
221 E. SPRING ST.
2 Blocks N. of Main - 2 Blocks E. of Mill
SUNDAY 11:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY
11:00 A.M. (Classes for all ages)
Pastor Frank Howard • Ch. 453-0323

CHRISTIAN HARMONY MINISTRIES
24230 West McNichols
2 Blocks West of Telegraph
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Friday Prayer and Worship 7:00 p.m.
Pastor Donna Lach 532-1000

UNITED METHODIST

ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST
30800 Six Mile Rd. (bet. Meridian & Middlebelt)
Chick Sandquist, Pastor, Dist. Office, Assoc.
10:00 A.M. Worship & Church School
11:15 A.M. Adult Study Classes
Nursery Provided • 422-6038

UNITED METHODIST

NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
29887 West Eleven Mile Road
Just West of Middlebelt
478-8860

Worship & Church School
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.
March 21st
"O, Do Remember Me"
Dr. Ritter preaching

NEWBURGH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
36500 Ann Arbor Trail
422-0149

Worship Services & Sunday School
9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

March 21st
"The Road to Samaria"
Dr. Gilson M. Miller preaching
Dr. Gilson M. Miller
Rev. Steven E. Poole
Nursery Provided

ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
(Redford Twp.)
10000 BEECH DAILY ROAD
Between Plymouth and West Chicago
Redford, MI 48239 937-3170

Worship 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Saturday Evening
Informal Chapel Worship 6:00 p.m.

March 21st
"It Happened to Me!"
Adult Sunday School 9:45
Children's Sunday School 11:00
Pastors M. Clement Parr
and Burford W. Coe

First United Methodist Church
45021 N. Territorial Road (Just West of Shadon Road) • 453-5280
Worship at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (Nursery Provided)
Church School 9:00 a.m. - Children's Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Sermon Title for March 21st
"The Way of Suffering"

Pastors: John N. Grenfell, Jr., Kevin L. Miles
Dr. Frederick C. Yoshida
Music Director: Michael E. Gross
Organist: Larry A. Vasey
Ministers: The Entire Church

Worship Together

UNITED METHODIST

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10:00 A.M. Worship & Church School
11:15 A.M. Adult Study Classes
Nursery Provided • 422-6038

CHERRY HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
495-1155 • 495-0035
Rev. Randy Whitcomb
9:00 A.M. Informal Worship Service
9:30-10:30 A.M. Coffee Hour
10:30 A.M. Traditional Service & Sunday School
321 Ridge Road
Just South of Cherry Hill in Canton

Claremontville United Methodist
20300 Middlebelt Rd. • Livonia
474-5444
Rev. James Kemmer, Pastor
Worship Services
8:45 & 11:15 A.M. 6:00 P.M.
Church School - 10:00 A.M.
Wednesday Enrichment
Dinner at 8:00, Classes at 7:00
Nursery Provided

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth
at Goddard & Ann Arbor Rd.

Worship Services
8:15 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
9:30 A.M.

Dr. Wm. C. Moore - Pastor
Rev. Wm. Brannen - Associate Pastor
Nursery Provided
Phone 459-9550

Presbyterian Church
17000 Farmington Road
Livonia • 422-1150

Reverend Mark A. Brewer, Sr. Pastor

Identical Worship Services
Sunday School
8:00, 9:15, 10:45 A.M.
and 12:05 P.M.
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.

The group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 26, in the church social hall for a dance performance by brother and sister Kathy Sarrugia and Steve Glad. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 591-1350 or 728-9679.

PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.)
Hubbard at W. Chicago • Livonia • 422-0494

10:30 A.M. Worship Service
10:30 A.M. Sunday School

Rev. Richard I. Peters
Nursery Care thru Senior High

YOU ARE INVITED GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)
1841 Middlebelt • 1 Bk. S. of Ford • 427-7820
10:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Enrichment Hour for All Ages
Nursery during Both Hours
Elevator Available
Garrett D. Baker, Pastor

ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH
16700 Newburgh Road
Livonia • 454-4844
Sunday School 9:30 A.M. All Ages
Family Worship 11:00 A.M.
Rev. Jerald Hoode, Pastor
A Creative Church Centered Congregation

GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)
5535 Sheldon Rd., Canton
Just North of (East)
459-0513
Rev. Bryan Smith, Pastor
Worship & Church School - 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.
Nursery Available
Resources for Hearing and Sight Impaired

CHURCHES OF THE NAZARENE

PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
4851 W. Newburgh Road • 429-4818
SUN. BIBLE STUDY & WORSHIP: 9:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening: 6:00 P.M.
Ladies' Ministries - Tues. - 9:30 A.M.
FAMILY NIGHT - Wed. 7:00 P.M.
NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN: 458-1198

CHRISTADELPHIANS

CHRISTADELPHIANS
Sunday Memorial Service 10:00 A.M.
Bible Class, Wednesdays 8:00 P.M.
Lecture - April 18 at 2:15 p.m.
A World in Crisis or Divinely Controlled?
36516 Parkdale, Livonia • 425-7610

INTER-DENOMINATIONAL

AGAPE CHRISTIAN CENTER
41500 E. Ann Arbor Trail
Plymouth, Michigan 48170
(313) 459-6240

Sunday Worship - 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday - Family Night - 7:00 p.m.
Nursery & Children's Ministry at All Services

"A church ministering to today's needs"

Mark B. Moore, Pastor
Agape Christian Academy - K through 12

BAHA'I FAITH

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The source of all glory is acceptance of whatever the Lord hath bestowed, and contentment with that which God hath ordered. (Baha'ullah)

BAHA'I FAITH
MEET THE BAHAI FAITH SUNDAYS AT 8:45 P.M. ON CHURCH ST. FROM 418-8151
418-5515

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New Life Christian Academy K-12
34645 Cowan Road, Westland, MI 48185
(just past of Wayne Rd.)
422-5433

Sundays Celebration of Worship 11 a.m.
Call for schedule of ministries and activities
Inspiring People to Serve Jesus

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Brightmoor Tabernacle
Assemblies of God • Calvin C. Ratz, pastor
26555 Franklin Rd., Southfield, MI. (I-696 & Telegraph - West of Holiday Inn) • 552-6200
9:15 a.m. Family Sunday School Hour • 6:30 p.m. "Recovering The Cutting Edge"
10:30 a.m. Special Guest: Dr. Don Argue, president
North Central Bible College
Wednesday 7:30 p.m. "Family Night"

Tri-City Assembly
2100 Hannan Road • Canton
326-0330

Morning Worship
8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.
Praise Celebration
6:00 p.m.
Family Night - Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
Rocky Barra Pastor

Come Sense The Freshness

WEDNESDAY
March 24, at the First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. A \$4 donation is requested. Participants should bring a sleeping bag or large blanket to use as a mat and bathing suit and shorts. For more information, call 349-0911.

WOMEN'S RETREAT
Macomb Baptist Church is sponsoring a women's retreat March 19-20 at the Mayflower Hotel in Plymouth. Workshop topics include making a memory, marriage relationships and rejoicing in the Lord through suffering. Call 463-5061.

WOMEN'S RETREAT
Special Lenten services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Risen Christ Lutheran Church, 46250 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. The services will focus on an in-depth Bible study of "The Passion of Our Lord." The public is welcome.

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church is offering Wednesday evening services during Lent. There is a fellowship supper at 5 p.m. with a preservice hymn singing at 6:50 p.m. and the service at 7 p.m. Topics for the services are "The Sympathetic Tear and the Burden Shared" (comforting the bereaved) March 25 and "Be It Ever So Humble" (the blessing of the dwelling) March 31. Hosanna-Tabor is at 9600 Levee, near West Chicago, Redford. For more information, call 937-2255.

RELIGION CALENDAR

OPEN HOUSE
Parents are invited to a preschool, kindergarten and day care open house 7-9 p.m. Thursday, March 18, at Christ Our Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. The church offers programs for 3- and 4-year-olds, kindergarten and year-round day care (7 a.m. to 6 p.m.). For more information, call 522-6830.

VOYAGERS
Voyagers Singles, a group for people age 45 and older, will meet at 1 p.m. in the church parking lot Saturday, March 20, to car pool for feather bowling and dinner at the Cadieux Cafe. Those driving direct should meet at the cafe at 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$4 in advance for bowling.

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Pastor serves up tasty Lenten fare

BY DIANE HANSON
SPECIAL WRITER

There's something fishy going on at St. Agatha's Catholic Church in Redford and the Rev. Thomas Slowinski, pastor, is primarily responsible. This isn't the first parish where he's tried this and because of him, parishioners and other area residents are paying... gladly!

It's all in good fun and definitely in good taste. Every Friday during Lent (and also on Ash Wednesday), the good Father removes his clerical collar and dons his chef's hat and suit to cook up some "under the sea" delights to tempt the taste buds.

"I don't cook a whole lot of things, but what I do I can do well," Slowinski admitted.

Bill Harvey, a parishioner at St. Agatha's, will attest to that.

"He gets an E for effort and an A for taste," he said after finishing his meal.

Slowinski had been involved with Lenten fish fries at other parishes before coming to St. Agatha in November 1989. He started the weekly Lenten cuisine in 1991 as a fund-raiser for St. Agatha church and the school which has preschool through high school.

"This is the most successful of any I've ever done," said Slowinski about the annual event. And the popularity appears to be increasing. This year it is estimated that proceeds will be between \$4,500.

"This is the first year they have made it a part of their budget."

"The first year or two we didn't put it in (the budget)," said Slowinski. "We didn't know what it was going to do and this year we actually put it in the budget."

When Slowinski was growing up, his mother did most of the cooking at home, and there was a cook after he became a priest and lived in a rectory with another priest. Once on his own, he decided to do some cooking for himself.

needed skill

"When I first started out living alone, I wound up going out to eat," he admitted. "I think I went out to eat for one period, three weeks in a row. Not every meal, but I'd go out for lunch or dinner."

After awhile, he decided where there's a subtle restaurant taste to everything. So, I finally said, "I'm going to have to start learning how to do this myself."

Friends have offered Slowinski

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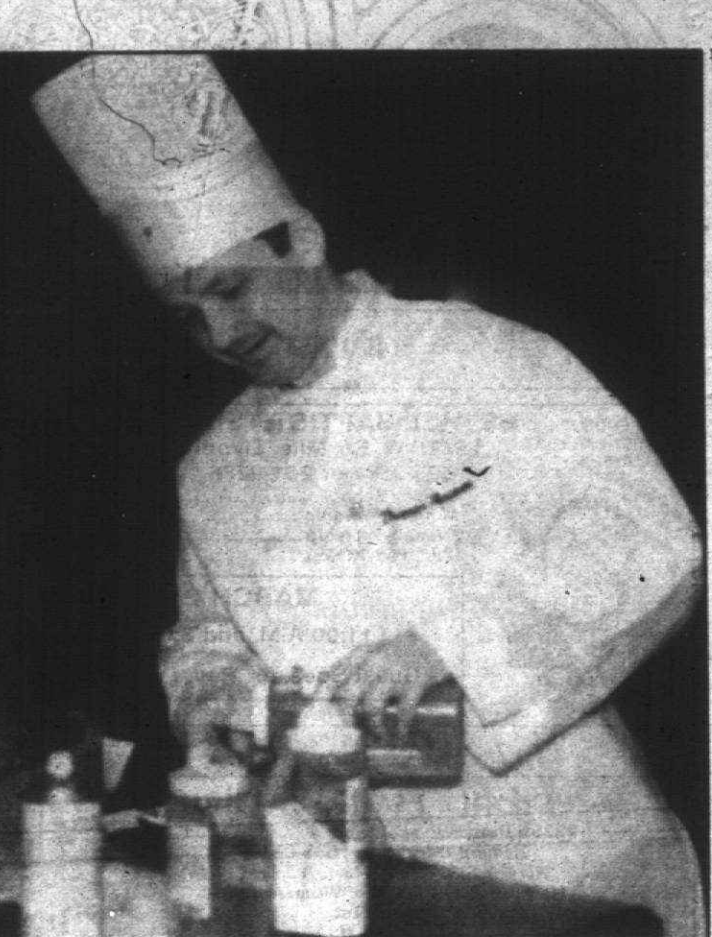
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Added touch: Mick Wilson adds a dash of advice as Rev. Thomas Slowinski adds some seasoning to his "Friday night special."

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The Rev. Thomas Slowinski
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St. Agatha

slow and rolls for \$4.50. Last year, due to the request for something other than fried fish, Slowinski added baked cod (an eight-ounce portion), potato salad, cole slaw and rolls for \$5.

This year you can also get a steaming 12-ounce bowl of New England clam chowder for just \$1.50. Beverages are 50 cents and if you're still hungry on your way out, you can pick up something sweet from the St. Agatha Youth Group bake sale.

Many of the parishioners are regulars for the Friday feasts, like Anne Fabin. She tries something different each week.

"I had the fish and chips the week before and the baked cod today," she said. "And there's no dishes to wash when we go home now."

Approximately 40 percent of the orders are for take-out but there's plenty of room to sit down in the cafeteria and enjoy a leisurely dinner.

Parishioner Becky Strohmmer comes every week with her three daughters, Linda, 7, and Jennifer, 6, who attend St. Agatha Elementary School and Sarah, 1. Strohmmer enjoys an evening with no cleanup. "The prices aren't bad either," she said.

Slowinski and his crew keep jumping in the kitchen each Friday serving 400-450 meals between 3 and 8 p.m. The first Friday

of Lent, Strohmmer tried to say hello to those working in the kitchen.

"It was just crazy; it was a fish assembly line," she said.

"I enjoy doing this," said Slowinski, "and I've got a lot of good help."

He has also gotten some practical advice. A friend once told him that when cooking for company, he would have to learn to get everything done at the same time while not looking like he did the cooking himself.

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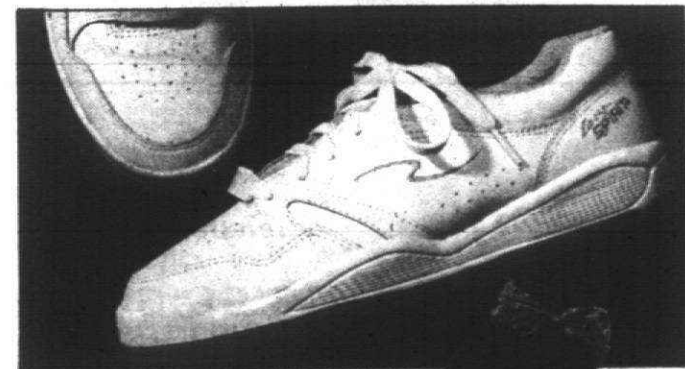


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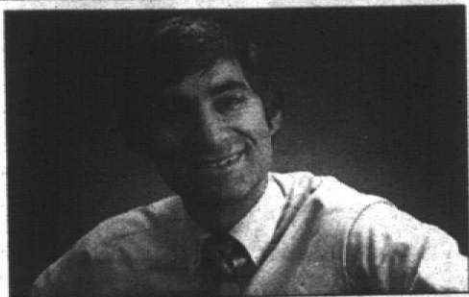
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BOB SKLAR

Watercolor's vagaries challenge, captivate

Watercolor poses "a far greater challenge than oil or acrylic," says Eileen Bibby, Visual Arts Association of Livonia (VAAL) president.

The Livonia Artists Club member spotlights in her work landscapes, still life and people.

Her "Autumn Beauties," two giant sunflowers with orange petals beside them, won Best of Show in VAAL's 1990 spring show. In 1988, her "Up, Up and Away," an abstract created around kites, won a Livonia Arts Commission purchase award for inclusion in the city's permanent fine art collection.

"With watercolor," Bibby said, "the paint moves for you. It does some of the painting for you. And it dries faster than you think, leaving different textures."

Watercolor also is hard to alter once brush is put to paper. "The white is the paper itself. So once you paint a passage dark, you don't go back to white. You can lighten it but even that depends on how much the dark color stained the paper," Bibby said. "With oil and acrylic, you have the luxury of going over it and making it white again."

Bibby usually paints in layers, adding enhancing or more intense colors. "My mind tells me to do different things as I go along. It's a creative process. But you have to know when to stop."

Bibby is one of five Observerland artists exhibiting in the 47th annual Michigan Watercolor Society show in the Dennis Museum Center at Northwestern Michigan College, Traverse City. Joining her are Igor Beginin and Connie Lucas of Canton, Billie Thompson of Livonia and VAAL instructor Edee Joppich of Farmington Hills.

Third time's a charm

Bibby has entered the Michigan Watercolor Society show three times but this is the first year she has had a watercolor accepted.

William F. Weege II, an internationally renowned art professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, juried the show. He selected 89 works to exhibit from 400 entries.

Bibby's entry, "Pumpkin Patch," captures the flavor of a countryside farm she spotted while studying with other artists on the Leelanau Peninsula last fall.

Bibby sketched the scene — a farmhouse, a barn and outbuildings in the background, pumpkins amid scattered leaves in the foreground — then took a picture of it.

The watercolor, sporting more trees and more colorful leaves than the real setting, came when she returned home.

"What caught my eye," Bibby said, "were all these leaves going every which way with little touches of orange from the pumpkins. It really made for a nice composition."

For the eight years she has worked in watercolor, Bibby has taken part in informal northern Michigan art trips led by Edee Joppich.

Bibby eagerly awaits the next such trip in June. "You don't worry about home at all; you just paint all day. It's really an upbeat group. You accomplish a lot with no phones to answer nor TVs to watch."

Northern exposure

The seed for one of Connie Lucas' two pieces in the Michigan Watercolor Society show was planted on a Joppich-led trip up north last fall. "I always get good inspiration from her," said Lucas, accepted into the show for the fourth time.

"Morning Ritual" spotlights antique furniture found at the Leelanau Peninsula lodge the group stayed at. The viewer looks into a dresser mirror to see a reflection of a composite scene from various rooms at the lodge.

Like in many Lucas paintings, "Morning Ritual" shares her interest in art history. A postcard tucked into the top edge of the mirror duplicates an actual painting of Van Gogh's Arles, France, bedroom.

Lucas' other piece, "The Observer," depicts a shelf with children's toys, a sad Jill in the Box, three stern wooden soldiers and a book open to a page showing an expressionist painting by German artist Otto Dix.

"The Observer" relates the interplay between an unhappy Jill and the soldiers, a sort of who's looking at who. It tackles male relationships with women, elicits viewer interpretation and conveys the artist's love for the colorful aspects of German expressionism. Colors in "The Observer" are intended to "affect you emotionally — to entice you, then make you uneasy."

Lucas delves into war and peace, women's rights, societal violence and personal feelings while working in a variety of media. The mysteries of watercolor have captivated her for 15 years.

"I like the freshness, the spontaneity of it, all of the exciting textural things that can happen in the drying stage," said Lucas, who teaches watercolor at VAAL and through Plymouth-Canton Community Education.

"It's a very tough medium. You have to plan really well when working in it."

Bob Sklar is assistant managing editor for special projects. To leave a message, call 953-2113.

Multivisual experiences await

■ Livonia Arts Commission spotlights a multitude of media by Artifacts Art Club members through March 31 in the lobby of Livonia City Hall.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER



From abstract collages made from sandpaper to pastel landscapes, colored pencil portraits and clay wall sculptures, the Artifacts Art Club fine art exhibition spotlights a variety of visual experiences in the lobby of Livonia City Hall, Farmington Road and Five Mile.

Presented by the Livonia Arts Commission and city of Livonia, the third annual multimedia show, running through March 31, features 53 artworks by 13 club members. Media include watercolor, photography, clay, pastel, colored pencil, pen and ink, oil, sculpture and mixed media.

"I think with the broad range, from abstract to realism, from photography to painting, pastel and clay, somebody will find something they like. It's such a broad spectrum," said Marsha Weigand, exhibition coordinator.

Artifacts artists work at all levels, from beginner to professional. The exhibit was juried only for content and framing by club founder David Messing, Weigand, and last year's coordinator, Kathleen Erngren.

"We tried so that everybody who wanted would have a piece in the show," said Sherry Eid, club president, an artist for eight years who has three pieces in the show, all completed within the last year.

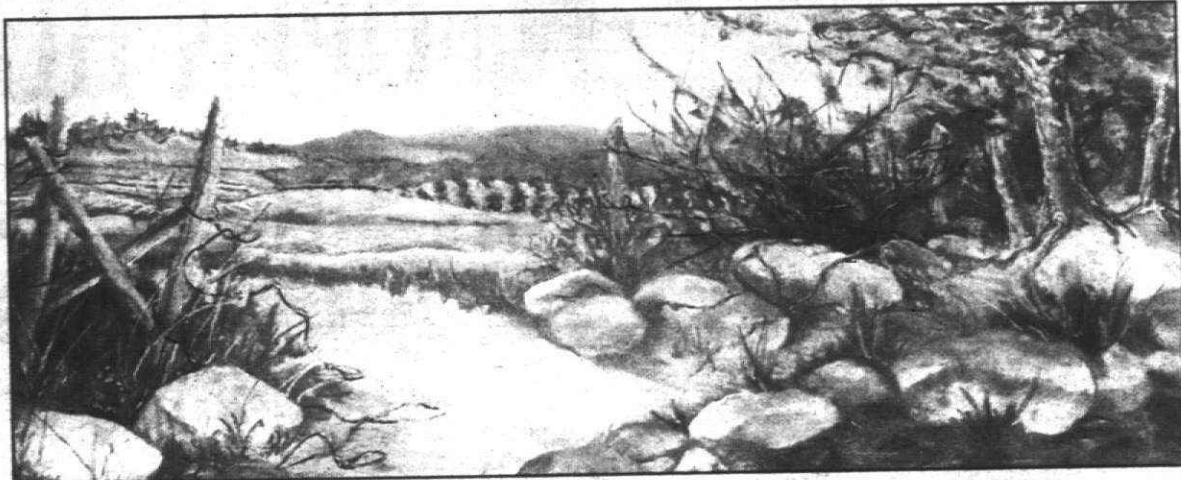
"Choco Indian" is rendered delicately in colored pencil, a medium requiring hours of time and patience. The eye is drawn to this particular work by richly colored sepia skin tones. Hibiscus flowers in shades of red decorating the Panama Indian's hair hook the viewer.

"I like colored pencil because it's user friendly. You can take it with you," said the Livonia artist.

See ARTIFACTS, 4D



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Pencil and pastel: Left, Sherry Eid uses colored pencil to create artwork like this "Choco Indian." Red hibiscus flowers and richly colored skin tones draw the viewer into the portrait. Below, Marsha Weigand painted this rural scene in earthy pastels. The highly detailed piece keeps the viewer's eye moving around the landscape.

Expressive murals inspire a cheery outlook

Residents, families and staff of DMC Nursing and Convalescent Center in Dearborn Heights are enjoying a bright and cheerful landscape in the "Eatery."

A formerly large room with four uninteresting walls where residents who need assistance are fed has now been filled with bright fields of flowers, soft clouds and birds.

The murals are the creation of Livonia artist Ed Ferguson, who has a studio in St. Charles Common Ground for the Arts in Detroit. He feels his work expresses his "love of mankind, nature and life."

His murals are bold and energetic, giving the viewer an insight into the artist's depth of feeling for the world around him.

"Working with Ed on this project was intriguing. I knew roughly what I wanted and he took my thoughts and went far beyond my expectations. He has the vision," said Susan Ritzer, DMC Nursing and Convalescent Center administrator.

The 265-bed center is a subsidiary of The Detroit Medical Center and is affiliated with Wayne State University.



Panoramic view: Artist Ed Ferguson (left) and DMC Nursing and Convalescent Center administrator Susan Ritzer stand in front of his newest landscape mural.

Artbeat features vignettes from the suburban arts scene. Write: Artbeat, Creative Living, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.
For details and reviews of musical performances, please turn to the Entertainment section.

ON THE AIR

Penni Paul, who has performed classic guitar at Art in the Park in Plymouth, is the next guest host on WQRS' "Guess Who's Playing the Classics?" program 9-10 p.m. Thursday, March 25.

She teaches guitar, choral and exploratory music at Tappan Middle School in Ann Arbor.

VAAL CLASSES

Visual Arts Association of Livonia's spring classes start the week of March 29 in Jefferson

Art Beat

Center, Room 24, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Classes are offered in Creative Approach to Watercolor, Impressions in Oil, Still Life in Watercolor and Independent Study.

Workshops will focus on White on White (watercolor) with Edee Joppich, All Media with Audrey DiMarco, Landscape Can Be Fun (watercolor) with Gwen Tomkow, Flowers, Flowers and More Flowers (watercolor) with Donna Vogelheim, Think Spring (watercolor) with Marge Chellstorp.

Call VAAL class chairwoman Marge Masek for registration information: 464-6772.

MUSEUM WATCH

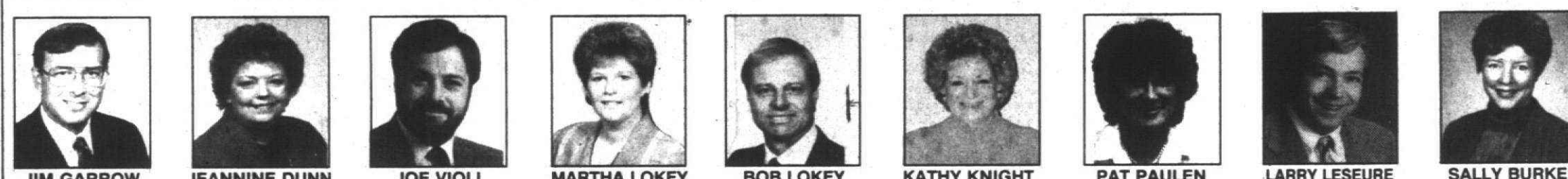
The Canton Historical Museum has two finey exhibits on view for the next three months: one of men's, women's and children's clothing, some dating back to the 19th Century, the other of dresser items from 1880 to 1920, including perfume bottles, comb and brush sets, a collar holder and a hat pin holder.

The exhibits, on loan from Canton Historical Society members, will be up three months. "Anyone who has an interesting collection of historical items, we'd really appreciate them contacting us to put on display in our locked glass cases," said Joan Palmer, museum volunteer. Call the museum: 397-0088.

The museum is at Proctor and S. Canton Center, next to the Canton Township Library. Hours are 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays and 1-4 p.m. Saturdays. There's no charge.

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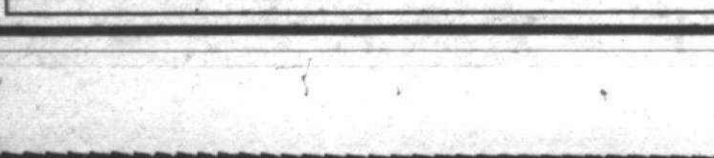
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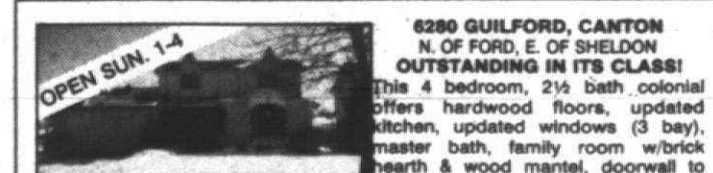
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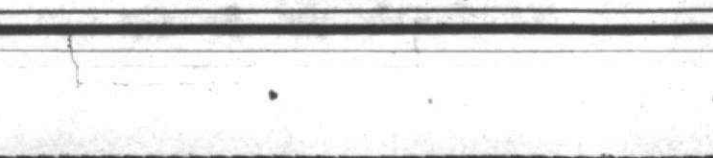
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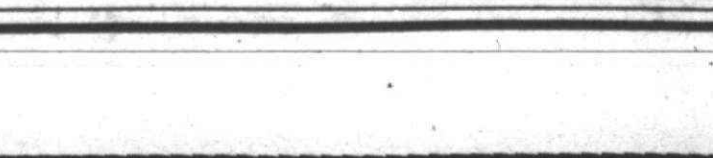
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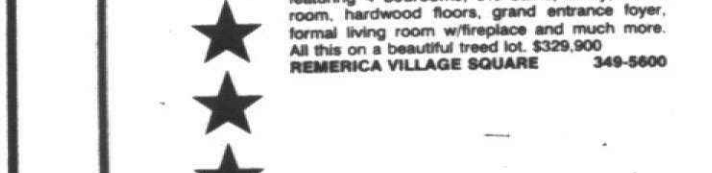
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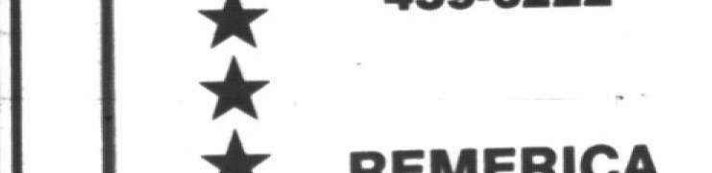
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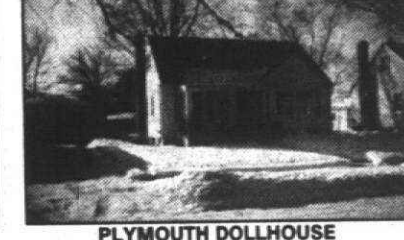
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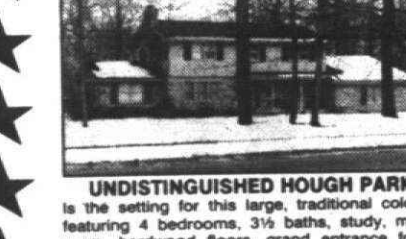
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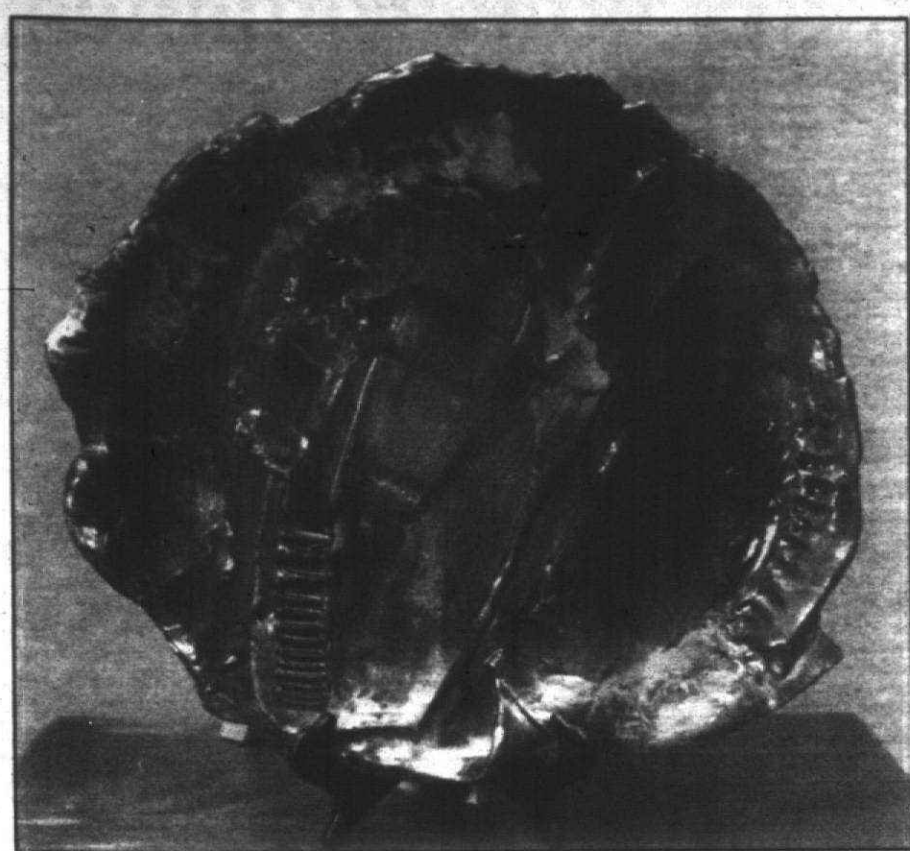
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Land or sea: Judy Blanchard's handbuilt clay platter takes on the color and texture of a dark rocky landscape or storm-tossed sea.

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A quick glance at another work focusing on a cactus' blooms leads the viewer to conclude that Elid rendered the piece in whites and black. On closer inspection, it's apparent she used every color but white.

"In 'Night Blooming Cereus,' I was trying to get the effect of white without using white. You get beautiful effects with colored pencil building up layers, a ghost image."

Elaine Majors of Livonia has six pieces in the show, primarily collage. "Untitled Abstract" mixes vivid color and sandpaper. "I like doing collages and using different materials and different papers, rice paper, sandpaper, experimenting. It keeps you motivated," Majors said.

In a solar painting, "Face in a Cabbage Patch," Majors creates translucent violet cabbage leaves that catch the eye and keep the viewer guessing.

"You take these papers out in the yard, then I spray on inks and let them dry in the sun. It's a lot of fun," she said.

Judy Blanchard, a ceramicist 30 years, has four clay pieces in the show, including two wall sculptures and two platters, one with a pedestal. Her handbuilt platter without pedestal resembles a dark rocky landscape, or, letting the imagination wander further, a storm thrashed body of water with white-capped waves.

"I like the hands on feel of clay. The fact that you can move it around. One half of your mind tunes out, the other half takes over. You're right into it," said the Northville artist.

Blanchard began her studies in clay at the Cleveland Institute of Art and continues them today at the Ann Arbor Potter's Guild. She finds the medium fascinating and unpredictable.

"A wallhanging I did I wanted red and it came out turquoise. I was really surprised. When the kiln opens, you go, 'Wow,' but that's the fun of it."

Karin LaPlatt of Livonia started studying pen and ink with Messing in 1984. Her

"Hooper Strait Lighthouse" is a multimedia piece.

"The paintings I like to paint have memories attached to them. They become a part of me, then I can't part with them," LaPlatt said.

Weigand, who has been working in a variety of media for 15 years, has eight pieces in the show. A pastel, "Rural Landscape," is rendered in earth tones.

"We're a diverse group as far as media as far as level of skills," Weigand said. "As a club, we did not even show the first two years. It was more for the sharing of ideas and information. Basically, it formed for friendship and love of art."

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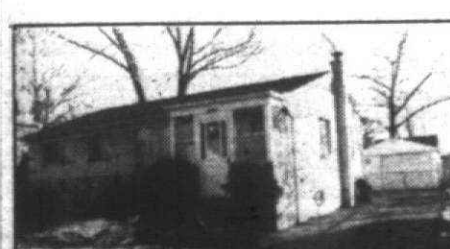
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Faberge

Meet famed maker of bejeweled eggs

The grandson of Carl Faberge, legendary jeweler to the Czar and the Imperial Russian Court, will showcase his newest bejeweled ornamental eggs 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, in Jacobson's at Laurel Park Place, Newburgh and Six Mile, Livonia.

Theo Faberge will unveil these new creations for his St. Petersburg Collection to coincide with the upcoming Easter celebration.

In keeping with family tradition, Faberge combines craftsmanship with surprise in his ornamental eggs. Each egg is created in limited editions of between 250 and 750. Each design represents an idea or story. Eggs range

in price from \$1,250 to \$5,300. The latest additions to the ornamental egg collection are:

- The Tropical egg — reflecting his concern for the rainforest.
- The Encore egg — celebrating his love of the performing arts.
- The Imari egg — exploring his childhood memories.
- The Autumn egg — completing the Four Seasons series.

The Encore egg celebrates Faberge's 70th birthday and reflects his enjoyment of the ballet.

Also on view will be other bejeweled eggs, jewelry and objects of vertu from the St. Petersburg Collection.

Faberge, who designs the entire col-

lection and makes a number of creations himself, is a celebrated artist craftsman. His designs are crafted in the original manner on a Holtzaffel lathe dating back to 1861.

He is a member of the ancient prestigious guild, "The Worshipful Company of Turners" and he was awarded the great honor "Freeman of the City of London." He lives in the South of England.

Faberge will discuss his legendary family and their work for the Russian Imperial family, his own life and work, and the universal symbolism of the egg, in particular the egg tradition at Easter.

Garden seminars slated via McFarland's Florist

Starting this week, McFarland's Florist of Farmington Hills will offer a series of seven gardening seminars taking place 11 a.m. Saturdays.

Farmington Hills resident Betti Pool will be the presenter. She is a master gardener with 25 years experience and is an active member of the local gardening community. Call 474-0750 for more information.

The scheduled seminars are:

- March 20, "Planning Your Garden," the basics on starting your own garden.
- March 27, "Planting for Michigan's Cool Weather Climate," the how-to's about seeds and the best cool weather plants.

- April 3, "Easy Care Specialty Gardens," plants that attract wildlife, scented gardens, edible flower gardens, cutting flowers and shade gardens.
- April 10, "Personal Yard Care," fertilizer, pruning, problem spots, reseeding and transplanting.
- April 17, "Gardening for Children," a hands-on workshop on starting seeds, planting, transplanting, sunflowers and vegetables.
- April 24, "Container Gardening," how to plant window boxes, hanging gardens and other containers.
- May 1, "Easy Care Gardening," annuals, perennials and shrubs for sun or shade.

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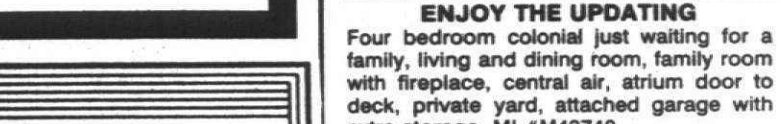
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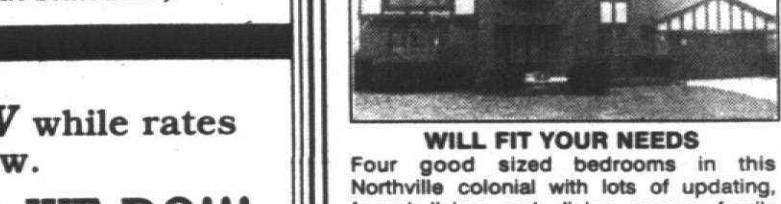
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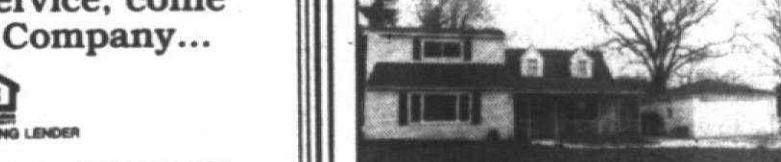
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Themes of new novels — kids, intrigue, romance

As spring approaches, let's take a look at a busy trio of area writers and find out what's happening with them.

Barbara Hood Burgess of Livonia, author of last year's critically acclaimed children's novel "Oren Bell," is looking forward to the publication of her second novel, "The Fred Field."

The book, due out later this year from Delacorte, is written mainly for kids 8-14.

Set in inner-city Detroit, "The Fred Field" continues the story of 13-year-old aspiring musician Oren, his twin sister Latonya and their precocious little sister Brenda. This time around, the lively group gets into some hot water.

With Detroit bigwig when they meet up and join forces with a free-spirited neighborhood artist.

The story revolves around a fictional character based on real-life Detroit artist Tyree Guyton, says Burgess, recalling Guyton's controversial attempts to turn abandoned, decaying houses in an eastside Detroit neighborhood into works of art.

Burgess — grandmother of six, one-time teacher's aide and veterinarian's assistant — is hard at work on her third novel. There's no title yet and no clues forthcoming from her on what it's about. She'll only reveal that, like her first two novels, it's set in Michigan.

It happens every spring. Sure and dependable as forsythia and apple blossoms, you can count on finding a shiny new whodunit by William X. Kienzle on bookshelves.

This year will be no different, Kienzle reassured us. He expects to see his new mystery, "Dead Wrong" (no. 15, by the way) in bookstores around April 1.

In it, the famous fictional Father Koehler solves a murder that has had authorities stumped for 30 years. Most of the action takes place in and around an extravagantly wealthy construction real estate firm in the Motor City, the author says.

From his at-home office in West Bloomfield, Kienzle recently started work on his 16th Father Koehler mystery, "Bishop As Pawn," scheduled for release (as you might guess) in April 1994 from longtime publisher Andrews and McMeel.

"Bishop As Pawn" will explore more about the background workings of the church, said the former priest, whose bestselling debut novel "The Rosary Murders" was made into a motion picture in 1987. "It centers on the se-

lection of a bishop and also takes a close look at the church's marriage laws."

Kienzle is set to meet readers and sign copies of "Dead Wrong" at the grand opening of Farmington Book Center, Grand River and Halsted. The signing is at noon Saturday, April 3.

West Bloomfield romance novelist Jill Gregory will meet fans and sign copies of her latest Regency romance, "Forever After," at the Farmington Book Center at 2 p.m. April 3.

The set-in-England tale is a kind of "Cinderella story-family story-mystery-romance," says Gregory.

A bit more specifically, it's the story of a beautiful orphan girl who witnesses a murder, flees from the murderer and, after much cloak-and-dagger action, is "saved" not exactly by the proverbial handsome prince but by the

next best thing: a dashing nobleman.

In November, Doubleday will bring out "Something Borrowed, Something Blue," a collaborative effort by Gregory and area writer Karen A. Katz. The book, which Gregory describes as "women's fiction," will be issued in hardcover under the pseudonym Jillian Karr.

"Something Borrowed, Something Blue" centers on four women, all about to be married and all with deep, dark secrets in their past, says Gregory. The action takes place in such far-flung spots as New York City, Los Angeles, Maui and Michigan. (One of the women is a Livonia manicurist.)

In May, Gregory will take in the Romantic Times conference in San Diego. Her novel "Cherished" has been nominated for Best Historical Romance of 1992 by Romantic Times reviewers.

Later in the year, her novella "Moonstone Magic" will be included as part of an anthology of supernatural tales coming out in paperback from Avon and titled "Haunting Love Stories."

Last words: Area authors Marianne Willman ("Silver Shadow") and Joan Shapiro ("Hello, Love") will sign copies of their new romance novels noon to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 20, at Books For Less, Grand River at Farmington Road, in downtown Farmington.

Correction: R.J. King, who writes as Dalmatian, and whose novel "Mystical" was reviewed here recently, lives in Detroit and not Bloomfield Hills.

Victoria Diaz of Livonia tracks the books and literary industry. You can leave a message for her on a touch-tone phone by dialing 963-2047, then mhr mailbox number, 1854.

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Russian dancers to lead ballet classes in Plymouth

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN SPECIAL WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company and Joanne's Dance Extension will host master classes with Russian balletmasters Maxim Prokofiev Evguenievich and Igor Yakovlev Polunin Saturday, Tuesday, March 20-21.

The classes take place at Joanne's Dance Extension, 9282 General Drive, Plymouth.

Saturday classes are open to Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company members only. Sunday classes are open to serious-minded ballet students ages 12 and up as well as teachers. Classes are \$15 each or two classes for \$22. Teachers may observe all Sunday classes for \$35.

The workshops provide dancers with the opportunity to study ballet from dancer/choreographers trained in the rigors of the Russian ballet schools.

"When people think of dancers," said Joanne Zavisa, owner of Joanne's Dance Extension, "they think of a strong Russian dancer. It's the opportunity of a lifetime for the kids to work with real live

Russian balletmasters who have pretty impressive credentials."

Zavisa, Dance Olympus assistant national director, learned about the Russian balletmasters while attending a convention in St. Louis. Her source: New Mexico dance teacher Patricia Dickinson, a master class teacher.

In the past, Zavisa and Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company artistic director Dawn Greene have brought in dance teachers for their company members and students from Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island and Pennsylvania.

"It's not unusual for us to bring people in. This is an opportunity to bring in international dancers," Greene said.

"We've tried to bring the best that the U.S. has to offer. Now we want to bring the best the world has to offer. Their stage presence, their poise — it all helps them."

Master classes help the students broaden their dance education. "It shows them there are other choices. It shows them there

are a billion ways to channel their talents, not only ballet but drama, theater. You have to expose them so they know what's out there," Zavisa said.

Although the Russian balletmasters' English is not what it could be, Zavisa is certain they



Renowned duo: Russian balletmasters Maxim Prokofiev Evguenievich (left) and Igor Yakovlev Polunin have the distinction of performing worldwide.

will all communicate.

"The French terms (used in the Cecchetti method) will be similar but spoken with a Russian accent," Zavisa said. "It will let the students see you don't always have to talk. Movement can talk for you. They don't share a com-



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Diversity OCC showcases artwork by women

By MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

The phrase "The Year of the Woman" has been heard and seen frequently in recent months.

It's nothing new to participants and visitors for "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," an annual art exhibit at the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College, 27055 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills.

The exhibit, now in its seventh year, is part of the Women in Art Project co-sponsored by the OCC Womencenter and Oakland County NOW. Coinciding with Women's History Month, the project celebrates the arts by showcasing the work of women artists, including Andrea Dezell of Plymouth.

The art show continues through March 27 at the Smith Theatre Gallery on campus.

"This is the strongest feminist show we've ever had," said Elaine Saltzman of West Bloomfield, a representative of Oakland County NOW.

"I think with today's times and the beginning of a new president, and the Year of the Woman, I think women are making strong statements about who they are and what they want to be."

"I think in terms of our ideological diversity it's probably our strongest show," said art show chairwoman Jodie Stein.

More than 500 entries from around the United States and Canada were received for this year's exhibit. They include work in watercolor, colored

pencil, clay, raku and ceramics, among other media. Portraits, abstracts, still lifes, installations are included in the wide variety of art.

Awards went to "Lorissa and Roxanne," a photograph of two children by Deborah Donnelly of Holyoke, Mass. (best of show); "Housewife," a raku and multimedia doll by Sandra Hoppel of Farmington Hills (first place); "House with Hands," a ceramic work by Cheryl Herr-Rains of Alma (second place); and a wax and brass garment by Heidi Hartung of Bloomfield Hills (third place).

Honorable mention awards were given to "Two Peaches," encaustic, by Frances McDonald; "Bad News," watercolor, by Darcy Scott; "Obituary Highlights," Xerox on rice paper, by Linda Duvall; a covered clay raku bowl by Lori Seltzer; "A Memory," ceramic, by Herr-Rains; and "Gaia," fiber, by Lisa Wood.

"I think it's a very strong show, a lot of variety and... very inventive," said artist Shirley Woodson, one of the jurors.

"The show's strength is its diversity, and it shows that women have a multitude of interests," said the other juror, Ann Treadwell, former executive director of the Creative Arts Center in Pontiac.

The images in the show may be comforting and whimsical, or disturbing and confrontational. Sometimes they are soft or humorous and other times use rough, jagged materials. The home, the body, self-image are among the themes.

EXHIBITIONS

Send calendar items about Oakland County art gallery exhibitions to The Observer, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009. Send items about Wayne County exhibitions to The Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Attention: Creative Living editor.

SOUTHFIELD CIVIC CENTER
Friday, March 19 — "Painting with Light," an exhibition by international award-winning fine art photographer Marj Silk, continues to March 26. Reception to meet the artist 7-9:30 p.m. Friday. Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, 2:00 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays. Call 544-1203.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET
Friday, March 19 — "Reform Function: Furniture and Costume" will continue through April 16. William Porter joined the furniture entries and chose 22 artists displaying fine craftsmanship in wood, steel and mixed media. An array of tables, lamps, screens, clocks and chairs will be exhibited. Some challenge the original function of the furniture while others provide new forms for traditional materials. Artists Ray Katz, Jose Reguero and Scott Brazner are joined by such newcomers as Mark Haines and David Chapman. The works of seven artists will be featured in the costume exhibition juried by Patti Smith. Included are traditional handwoven fibers, experiments with dyes and paints, and multimedia works that juxtapose industrial elements with sensuous fibers. Rita Grendze's "finger" pants and hats by Christopher Donald and Boswell are examples of original statements on fashion within a conventional format. The market is this year's beneficiary at the eighth annual Boxer Short Auction Sunday, March 28, at Patti Smith in Royal Oak. Call 399-0756 for details. Hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Suite 1650, Detroit, 393-1770.

MICHIGAN GALLERY
Continuing — Watercolorist Roslyn Balgley-Grosky of Southfield is one of four artists whose work is exhibited in the gallery's opening show for 1993. Other exhibiting artists are Bryce Denison, whose color photographs speak about the theme of prejudice; Marion Melody, who uses flex to create free-standing sculpture; and Joan Herzog, who cuts linoleum and wood to make her relief prints. Melody will present a workshop 1-5 p.m. Saturday, March 20. Her workshop will include hands-on experience with flex and handmade paper. The \$25 fee includes lunch. Hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2661 Michigan Ave., Detroit. Call the gallery at 961-7867 or Denison at 386-7444 for more information.

WORDS INTO PLOWSHARES
Thursday, March 18 — "Carnival of Conflict," art of Oak Park artist Deanna Sperka, will be 15. Opening reception 1-4 p.m. Sunday, March 21. Combines photo montages and sculpture to create images of the conflicts between people and between people and nature. 33 E. Adams, Detroit. Call 965-5422.

SCARAB CLUB
Thursday, March 18 — The 1993 Annual All-media Silver Medal Exhibition and "Bette Prudden: Recent Paintings and Drawings" continues through April 17. Awards reception, open to the public and featuring a performance by pianist Keith Vreeland, 5-8 p.m. Thursday. Juror David Klein, owner and director of the O.K. Harris/David Klein Gallery in Birmingham, will comment on the selections and answer questions 7 p.m. Thursday, April 8. Prudden, renowned for her pastel portraits and watercolors, will host a reception 2-5 p.m. Sunday, March 28. Hours: noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit, 831-1250.

ARTIST'S COOPERATIVE, THE
Friday, March 19 — "Art Through Mechanical Reproduction," a group exhibit of photographs, copies and other mechanically reproduced works, 99 E. Grand River, Detroit. To April 17. Hours: noon to 5 p.m. Thursday-Saturday.

"Georgia on My Mind" by Alice Nichols is a watercolor tribute to Georgia O'Keeffe, featuring a variety of images of the artist and her work, with quotes running in a handwritten border. Marion Melody's multimedia work, "ERA-Yes!", shows a woman plowing a field.

"Under a Wing" is a pastel portrait of a young woman with a gentle smile. Prudence Bernstein's "Speaks For Itself" features energetic, colorful lines. "Los Chupones" by Roxa Smith is an oil work of a woman holding a tray of pacifiers. Andrea Dezell of Plymouth depicted "Blackberry Harvest" in oil.

"Messages of Hope and Fear" by Ann Savageau is a box, half black and half white. The white side features the word "hope" written over and over again, and colored ribbons.

"I'm very impressed with the show," Hoppel said. "I was being teased about it being a 'femi-Nazi' show. It isn't 'femi-Nazi,' it's energetic."

"I think this is very dynamic and a strong representation of women working today."

Women in Art also features Poetry in the Gallery, in which poets read their works in an informal evening forum. The reading will take place 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, in the Smith Theatre Gallery.

Gallery hours are 1-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Call 471-7700. For more information on Women in Art, call 471-7802.

phot," new and recent works of three nationally acclaimed Dearborn artists: baskets of Kathleen Broom Crombie, sculpture of Lois Teicher and fiber art of Christine Schecter. The exhibition explores the process by which idea is transferred to art object, giving it scope far beyond its immediate function. In MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, Evergreen and Ford Road, Dearborn. To March. In conjunction with Women's Recognition Week.

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE
To March 26 — "Object as Metaphor/Function and Non-function," in the Sison Art Gallery at MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, featuring the baskets of Kathleen Crombie, the sculpture of Lois Teicher and the fiber art of Christine Schecter. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn, 845-9634.

HABATAT/SHAW GALLERY
To March 27 — One exhibit focuses on the work of Mary Rehm, a pioneer in the technique of wood firing in America. Her masterfully thrown porcelain vessels serve as strong foils for the soft orange to orange-brown blues and golden ash deposits and/or drips that appear as gifts from the fire. She also will exhibit mixed media drawings. Also, "Select Works from the Estate of Wayland Gregory (1905-1971)." Gregory, who taught at the Cranbrook Academy of Art and directed the sculpture division of the New Jersey WPA, was one of the first and most important figurative artists in the history of American ceramics. Hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday or by appointment, 32255 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills, 851-8767.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION
To March 27 — The annual juried show for adult students of the BBA. The exhibit showcases work in a variety of media, including painting, weaving, pottery, jewelry and calligraphy. As part of the exhibit, the non-juried Youth Student Show is displayed in the deSalle Gallery of the BBA. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham, 644-0866.

OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
To March 27 — "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow: Women in Art," "Poetry in the Gallery," an open reading, reception and awards presentation, will take place 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 24. The seventh annual exhibit and sale is part of the Women in Art Project, co-sponsored by the OCC Womencenter and Oakland County NOW. Hours: 1-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, in the Smith Theatre Gallery at the OCC Orchard Ridge campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills, 471-7602.

HABATAT GALLERIES
To March 31 — Showing are the large-scale figurative sculpture of Leslie Hawk, the box worked glass with Muriel by Richard Ritter and the sandblasted glass and steel sculpture of K. William Lequier. Habatat Galleries is in the TriStar Building, 32255 Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills. Call 851-9090.

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REAL ESTATE NEWS

Digital process speeds up availability of house photos

By GERALD FRAWLEY
STAFF WRITER

Technology waits for no one — not even the real estate industry. The Western Wayne Oakland Board of Realtors is going digital — with photographs of houses for sale.

Doug Metzger of Century 21-NADA in Farmington Hills, and a member of the Realtor board's board of directors, said the association is incorporating digitized photos into its multi-list to use for a variety of purposes.

Photos of roughly 70 percent of the houses listed in the multi-list have already been included, he said, adding the association hopes to include them all within the next several months. "There are

people already using it, but it's not available to all members yet."

The multi-list is a computer database of homes available for purchase that is shared by area Realtors. The list includes information like the house's address, list price, features, tax rates, school districts and other amenities.

The multi-list is used to search for houses that meet certain criteria for potential buyers and also to do comparative market analysis that help Realtors set a asking price for a house.

Metzger said its use of technology is motivated by several needs. "Like anything else, it's a tool."

One of the more obvious uses, he said, is to increase the speed

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Doug Metzger
Century 21-NADA

and ease of use in printing real estate advertisements.

In most cases, Realtors snap shots of houses, hand in the photographs, and then a printer takes a picture of a house. That image can be directly downloaded to a computer, which can size and manipulate the photos.

Computers can also enhance the photos, he said.

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But a more interesting use is how the digitized photos can be used on the front lines by the real estate agents.

"We're looking at using computers or laptops and downloading photo images with the multi-list," he said. "That way, Realtors can call up a multi-list and also show the customer what the home looks like."

"Looking at a picture on line is a lot nicer than a list of numbers and words," he said, adding it can also be a time saver. A house can easily be eliminated or included for a possible visit if the buyer sees it.

With the vast array of desktop publishing software available, it's also conceivable that a Realtor could quickly and inexpensively create a personalized brochure or flyer for a particular home a cou-

ple of hours before an open house, Metzger said.

Metzger added that while digital imaging may be cutting edge, technology is also sometimes called "bleeding edge."

"It may take some time before it comes into widespread use," he said.

"This is really a technology-driven phenomena," he said. "There hasn't been a lot of real estate agents clamoring for it."

"I'm not even sure if the common Realtor is ready to invest in a color laptop right now — some may not even be interested in using this technology," he said.

"I'm sure there are a lot of old pros who will say, 'I've managed to succeed in this business for years without it.'"

But that doesn't mean that it won't become a valuable tool.



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House selling seminar set

Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors and Observer & Eccentric Newspapers will conduct a free seminar on home selling from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at the Holiday Inn Livonia West, 17123 N. Laurel Park Drive.

Syndicated real estate columnist Tom Ervin will join a panel of speakers to discuss what can be done to make sure your home sells for top dollar, how to set a selling price, speeding the sale of the home and seller financing.

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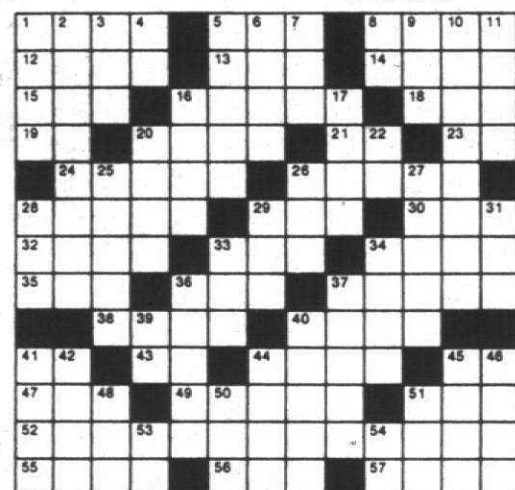
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SAT. MAR. 20, 1-4PM
DEARBORN HTS
25536 Pennine. \$45,900
3 bedroom, double lot, 2 1/2 car garage, updated aluminum ranch.

SUN. MAR. 21, 1-4
WESTLAND
34412 School. \$81,900
4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, 2 car garage, central air, deck, with double gas grill.

7115 Caribou. \$69,900
Investor's 1st time buyers. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, 1544 sq. ft.

35132 Soane. \$116,900
3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, 2 car attached garage, central air, fireplace, 29791 Hwy. \$107,999
3 car plus 1st time buyers. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, great room with fireplace, must see.

Century 21
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453-4300
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FARMINGTON HILLS
OPEN SUN. 12-5 - Owner wants a sale, ranch, 1st floor laundry, 2 car garage, many customizations. Call for details. \$145,999
HELP-U-SELL OF N.H.S.L. 348-8006

LIVONIA - Open House 2-5
By Owner - 1 acre lot in prestigious 7 Mile/Gill area. 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 fireplaces, finished basement, 2 1/2 car garage. \$175,000. 477-1547

LIVONIA OPEN SUN. 1-4
36942 Lancaster, N. of 5 Mile, E. of Newburgh. 4-5 bedroom quad, 3 baths, large family room with fireplace, 2 1/2 car garage, many updates. \$148,900. 464-4843

LIVONIA, Open House 2-5
36505 Gardner - By Owner
Gorgeous 3 bedroom brick ranch, 2 baths, finished basement, family room & more! \$155,900. Appointment only. No agents. Leave name & number. 591-3454

LIVONIA - OPEN SUN. 2-5
By Owner - 1800 sq. ft. ranch, excellent condition. 3 large bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath, 1st floor laundry, natural fireplace, 2 1/2 car garage, large wooded lot, many extras. 20571 Hickory Lane. \$158,000. 464-7029

LIVONIA Schools. Beautifully done unit, 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, designer white kitchen, Kitchen-Aid appliances, 18x14 wood deck, on large lot. Quality at a cheap price. Open House Sat. Sun. 12-5, 7318 Kingston off Newburgh. 454-4383

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NORTHVILLE, Open Sun. 1-5
44707 Cherry Ridge, off of Sheldon, bet. 6 & 7 Mile. 2600 sq. ft., contemporary, on 2 acres, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 bath, gourmet kitchen, vaulted ceilings, large deck, fluid floor plan. By Owner. \$229,000. Days, 344-5860. Evenings and weekends, 348-2718.

OPEN HOUSE: Sunday, 2-5, 9340 Saratoga, 3 bedroom brick ranch in prime S. Redford location. Many updates. \$72,900. 538-3432

OPEN SUN. 12-5: 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath ranch condo w/attached garage in Willow Creek. 38093 Greenwood, off Hwy. 5, of Ford. 729-6122

Plymouth
OPEN SUNDAY 1:00 TO 4:00
12925 Dunn Court, Plymouth, S. of N. Territorial, this one story brick ranch is just W. of Sheldon on a quiet lane. There are 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath, a glorious yard (120 x 240), an efficient kitchen with many updates, finished basement with a fireplace, family room, 2 outbuildings, new roof, 2 1/2 car garage, etc. \$134,900

Farmington Hills
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4
29508 Kenloch Ct., Hunters Pointe. Built in 1992. Over 3100 sq. ft., 4 bedrooms, luxury master suite, 3 car garage. Seller wants offer! HOME SALES ETCETERA 473-9494

FARMINGTON HILLS RANCH
Treed double lot. New roof in 1993, new carpet & entry doors, large oak kitchen, maintenance-free exterior. Move-in condition. \$85,900. S. of 9 Mile, W. of Farmington Rd. 33653 Harlowville, Open Sun. 1-5. Call: 478-6538

FARMINGTON HILLS
OPEN SUN. 1-4
21176 Goldsmith. Great family home w/4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1st floor laundry, family room & lots of trees for privacy on this 1/2 acre lot!

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Realtors
453-8200

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OPEN SUN. 1-4
45335 Dunbarton, N. of 8 E. of Tait. 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, formal living and dining room, family room, first floor laundry. Ask Bob.

WANDA SCHAFER
CENTURY 21
ROW
464-7111

OPEN HOUSE, SUN., 12-4
Charming Country Farmhouse featuring elegant kitchen, dining room w/cathedral ceilings, exposed beams. Peawick tile fireplace, wonderful wraparound porch, many updates. Just eleven miles from Ann Arbor. South Lyon schools. By Owner. \$126,500. 7955 Duboro @ 8 Mile. 437-5191

Plymouth
OPEN SUN. 1-4pm
Five Star Home in Beacon Meadows. 4 bedrooms, 3 car garage, 8 person whirlpool, sunroom and much more, mint condition. 13974 Covington, N. of Territorial, E. of Beck. Call.

Marcia Sheppard,
Century 21 Suburban
455-5880 455-8477

PLYMOUTH TWP. OPEN SUN. 1-4
8634 Normandy Drive
ELEGANT STYLING
surrounds this 2537 sq. ft. Georgian Colonial featuring 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, fireplace, library, extra sized garage, central air, large deck & so much more! \$224,900.

RON OCHALA
RE/MAX 100 INC.
348-3000

Redford - Open Sunday 1-5, 14038 Marion GEORGEUS 2300 sq. ft. home new windows, completely updated kitchen, triple lot \$124,550
HELP-U-SELL OF NWWC 454-9535

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Pager: 309-0979
Century 21 Hartford North
525-9600

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15826 LEXINGTON
E. of Inlander, N. of 5 Mile
Owners motivated, offering great terms and price. You'll fall in love with this 3 bedroom bungalow, finished basement, garage, screened in back porch and much more. Asking \$67,900. Call Pam: 347-3050 or 344-3801

COLDWELL BANKER
Schweitzer Real Estate
Rochester Hills
OPEN SUN. 2-5pm
774 Oakbrook Ridge, University to right on Livonia, to right on Taiten to right on Oakbrook Ridge. Sharp corner, with private entrance, overlooking wooded campus. Neutral tones with contemporary flair, possible third bedroom in finished basement, garage plus parking, pet okay. Easy stroll to pool and clubhouse. Chip shot away from golf course, with bike trails and nature preserve nearby. Only \$82,900.

Deborah Watt
REAL ESTATE ONE
623-7500 920-2369

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OPEN SUN. 1-4
3/4 acre Spectacular 3 bedroom ranch, updated from top to bottom and situated on a beautiful ravine lot. \$152,900. 18710 Starwood, S. of 8 E. of Middlebelt.

NEWLYWED SPECIAL
Daring ranch with soft fresh decor. This home is a little gem with a large country kitchen, better than most! \$54,900. 20424 St. Francis, N. of 7 Mile, W. of Inlander.

CENTURY 21
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464-7111

PLYMOUTH
OPEN SUNDAY 1:00 TO 4:00
522 Adams, East of Harvey and North of Farmer. Walk to downtown Plymouth from this spacious 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath maintenance free one story home. Features include formal dining room, 1st floor laundry family room with fireplace, a pleasing kitchen with lots of cupboards and a bright and cheery breakfast eating area. Full basement, 2 car garage, and a delightful covered porch. See you on Sunday. JUST REDUCED \$119,900 581-5544

ROCHESTER
OPEN SUN. 1-5PM
30 Cedarwood, N. of Mead, E. of Rochester Rd. Absolutely perfect 3 bedroom Ranch on 3/4 acre lot with evergreen galore. Completely updated, mint condition. Open house, if you are lucky this is the home for you. \$179,900. ERA Meadowbrook Real Estate. Ask for Bernier/Lydia Chas. 653-4138 or 656-2000

ROYAL OAK - By Owner
Open Sun. 1-4. Charming 3 bedroom brick home. Large corner lot, attached garage, fireplace, remodeled kitchen, finished basement. Quality throughout. 307 N. Vermont. High 90's. 543-9416

SALINE
BREATHTAKING
Quality & luxury only as you have dreamed. 3-4 bedroom contemporary in serene golf community setting. Prepares to be impressed. Open House Sat & Sun 1-4. 973-2900

SOUTH LYON - OPEN SUN. 1-5
Close to park & school w/finished basement, 1st floor laundry. Many extras. call for details. \$144,000
HELP-U-SELL OF N.H.S.L. 348-8006

BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS - N. of Big Beaver E. of Adams. Open Sun. 1-4pm. 4 bedroom, 2 baths, hardwood floors, large treed lot, by owner/broker. \$184,900. 645-2378

TROY: Open 1-5pm Sun. March 21st. Beautiful 4 bedroom Colonial. 3245 Easton Ave. New kitchen, updated neutral decor. \$174,900. BY OWNER! Call. 649-1876

Westland - Open Sunday 1-5, 1870 Stockmeyer, RELOCATING-Built 1991 Colonial, 2 1/2 bath, vaulted ceilings, skylights. \$114,900
HELP-U-SELL OF NWWC 452-8881

WESTLAND, Open Sun. 1-4, 7329 Kingston Court, S. of Joy, W. of Newburgh. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath condo, attached garage. \$89,900. Greg, Century 21 Row. 464-7111

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SOUTHFIELD: Open Sun. 2-5pm.
19028 GOLDWIN. Exceptional 4 bedroom, 2 bath Quad. Dream kitchen, Central air, move-in condition. \$99,500. HMA Realtors. 353-7170

WEST BLOOMFIELD
NATURAL BEAUTY
Quality & luxury only as you have dreamed. 3-4 bedroom contemporary in serene woodland setting. Prepares to be impressed. Open House Sun 12-5
3539 Oakleaf. \$133-960-9350

WEST BLOOMFIELD
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4
Beautiful four bedroom colonial built in 1989. Professionally landscaped. Ceramic tile in foyer, kitchen, and all bedrooms. First floor laundry. Library. Great room. Must see! \$650 STONEBRIDGE EAST, (S. of Maple & W. of Farmington). \$559,900. B-08512

HANNETT, INC.
REALTORS
646-6200

W. BLOOMFIELD - OPEN SUN. 1-5.
Spacious end unit, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath townhouse. Private entrance, finished basement, 3 decks, 2 car garage, pool, tennis. \$123,500. 681-5544

W. BLOOMFIELD - OPEN SUN. 1-4
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30330 Woodhaven, S. of 13, E. of Lahar. 3 bedroom Ranch on 1 acre wooded lot. Over 2,000 sq. ft. of tasteful updates. New kitchen & deck. Bargain. \$154,900. 433-1509

BEVERLY HILLS - OPEN HOUSE
Sat & Sun, March 20-21, 2-6pm.
Charming 2 bedroom, brick & fieldstone ranch on double lot, 2 car attached garage, finished basement, fireplace, hardwood floors. \$152,900.

BINGHAM FARMS - JUST LISTED
Northwoods feeling! 2 bedroom, 2 bath ranch with wonderful views from hilltop setting. 2+ acres of wooded property with Franklin River flowing through. \$246,000. EC-H-759R

MAX BROOK, INC. 646-1400

BIRMINGHAM - INTOWN
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MAX BROOK, INC. REALTORS

302 Birmingham

Bloomfield
BEVERLY HILLS-Birmingham schools. 2807 sq. ft. mint condition ranch. 3 bedrooms, office, P.R. room. Buyers only. \$168,500 646-4999

BEVERLY HILLS - OPEN SUN. 1-5
Large 3 bedroom brick ranch. Beautiful area, spacious kitchen, central air, 2 1/2 car attached garage, family room, den, large living room with fireplace, finished basement, rare room out kitchen or study on third floor. Over 1/2 acre, 3 car garage with lot. \$221,000. Call for appointment. 313-360-2392

BIRMINGHAM BUNGALOW
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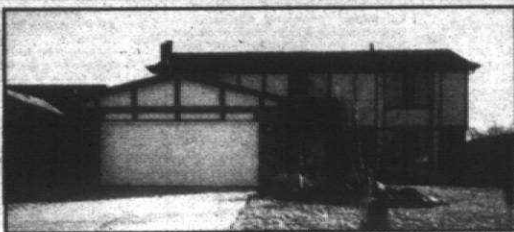
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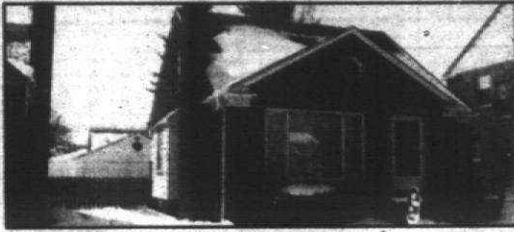
WANT IT ALL? THIS IS IT! This immaculate, spacious Colonial features: 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, 2½ car attached garage, natural fireplace in family room, sliding glass doors onto a beautiful deck and lots of extras!

\$174,900 (N826) 261-0700

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THIS IS IT-SEE AND BUY! Perfect and precious! Your money couldn't buy more updated bath, kitchen, new driveway, newer roof and completely painted. Low taxes, great schools and in an excellent area.

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**DEARBORN**

THE EXTRAS STEAL THE SHOW. In this 3 or 4 bedroom brick Dearborn Cape Cod. 1½ baths, rec room, brand new kitchen with oak cabinets, pantry and snack bar. 2 car garage.

\$119,900 325-2000

**PLYMOUTH**

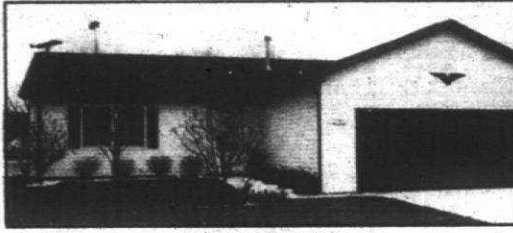
BREATHTAKING COLONIAL in majestic setting on the park/commons. Home offers 4 bedroom, 2.2 baths, grand entry hall with double staircase. Serving pantry to dining room walk out basement with fireplace.

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**LIVONIA**

GREAT LOCATION! Beautiful three bedroom, 2 full bath Ranch. Newer carpeting in living room and hall. Finished basement with wet bar, great patio with privacy fence. Immaculate, move-in condition.

\$109,950 (M14134) 261-0700

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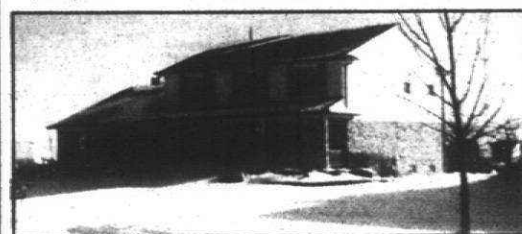
DETACHED CONDO. Absolutely stunning. Executive builder model with extras galore! Spacious, open great room, three bedrooms, 2 full baths, master suite, 1st floor laundry, huge decking, 24x22 attached garage.

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**WESTLAND**

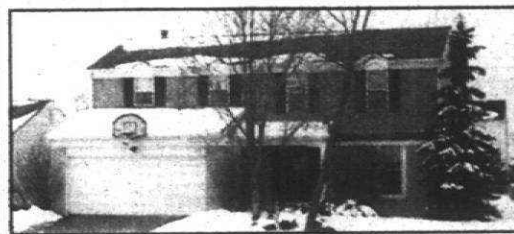
PAINT BRUSH SPECIAL With loads of potential, this home needs your touch. 3 bedroom, 2 baths, basement, garage all at a price that's not much.

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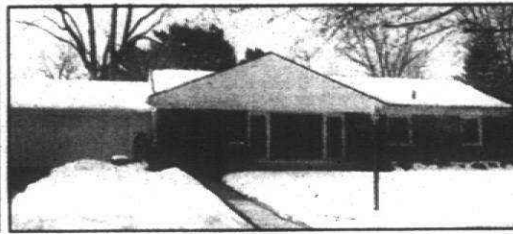
ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLE Unmatched location, close to downtown Plymouth and expressways. Spacious 4 bedroom Colonial, 2½ baths, family room and den, could be a bedroom. All on a ravine lot.

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**CANTON**

COZY CORNER FIREPLACE IN FAMILY ROOM. Enjoy the roomy comfort of this sharp 4 bedroom Canton Colonial with country kitchen, wood floor in foyer and 4th bedroom. Fenced yard and near park.

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**LIVONIA**

COVENTRY GARDENS SUB! Sprawling 3 bedroom ranch. Remodeled kitchen, beautiful addition, natural fireplace, 2 full baths, skylights, sunroom, newer furnace, attached, 2 car garage, and on a lovely treed lot.

\$127,900 (R33 945) 261-0700

**WAYNE**

ALL BRICK 2 story duplex, wet plaster walls. Hardwood floors, master bedrooms with his and her walk-in closets. 2nd bedroom has walkout balcony, separate basements. Private entrances, own drive and garage.

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**PLYMOUTH**

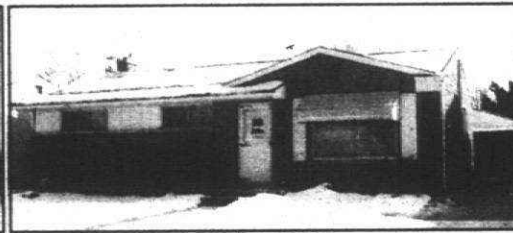
WILLIAMSBURG COLONIAL 4 bedroom, 2½ bath, den, formal living and dining rooms. Family room with beamed cathedral ceiling and fireplace. Glassed sun room, maintenance free exterior and many updates.

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**CANTON**

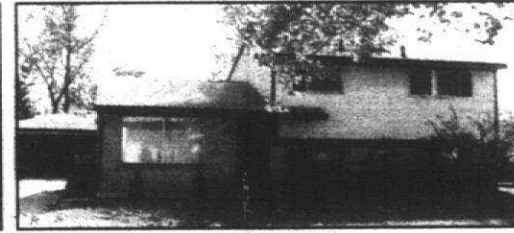
"FOREST TRAILS", 4 bedrooms, 2½ bath, large master bedroom, walk in closet, private bath, plus 2nd bedroom! Newer carpets throughout, new kitchen floor, rec. room in basement with wet bar.

\$146,900 (23F-44506) 455-7000

**REDFORD**

PRIME SOUTH REDFORD Brick ranch—three bedrooms, huge living room with dining area, beautiful newly finished rec room (possible 4th bedroom), 2½ car garage, and newer roof. Motivated sellers!

\$79,900 (L9042) 261-0700

**LIVONIA**

SPACIOUS AND AFFORDABLE. Maintenance free tri-level in popular Sunset Hills. Large living room with dining area, family room, 3 bedrooms and 1½ baths, 2 car garage, fenced yard. Kitchen appliances stay.

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**CANTON**

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**WESTLAND**

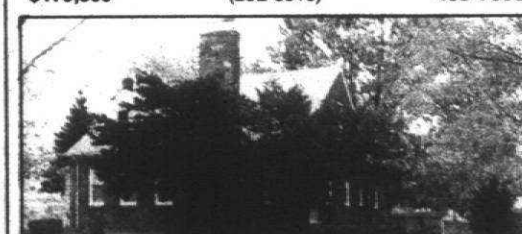
SUPERB SMALL CAPE COD. 3 bedroom, brand new bath with oak accents, newer furnace, city work completed. Nice 90 foot lot.

\$52,900 326-2000

**DEARBORN**

A REAL CHARMER. Cute three bedroom one bath brick ranch with central air, 1½ car garage, newer water heater and furnace, partially finished basement.

\$89,900 (WAL) 477-1111

**REDFORD**

CAPE COD. Hardwood floors, wet plaster, great fireplace, a sitting room off master bedroom, walk-out basement, new windows, roof, furnace, water heater, and carpeting. VA, FHA terms. On ½ acre lot.

\$84,900 (W23610) 261-0700

**CANTON**

BRING YOUR CHECKBOOK! Absolutely gorgeous 4 bedroom Sunflower quad with partially finished basement and new carpet. Side entry garage. Family home family sub. Neutral an immaculate. Home warranty.

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**WESTLAND**

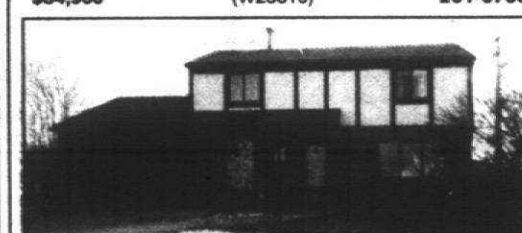
NEW, NEW, NEWER. Everything in this house is new or newer. 2 person whirlpool tub, 4 bedrooms, 2 car garage. All window treatments and verticals stay. This house will not last.

\$78,900 326-2000

**PLYMOUTH**

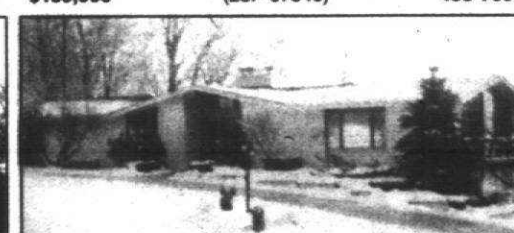
THIS SHARP ranch condo is a within walking distance of downtown Plymouth, oak cabinets, neutral carpet throughout, large windows make it very bright and cheery.

\$89,900 (PREN) 348-6430

**LIVONIA**

LUXURIOUS COLONIAL. Family room, bedrooms galore, master bath, his and hers closets, finished basement, central air, newer roof, furnace and hot water heater. Priced to go! Bring your offer!

\$144,000 (S2377) 261-0700

**FARMINGTON HILLS**

PRESTIGIOUS MEADOWBROOK HILLS contemporary ranch. Finished walk-out, 5 bedrooms, 3 baths. Master suite with bath, skylight and whirlpool.

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**WAYNE**

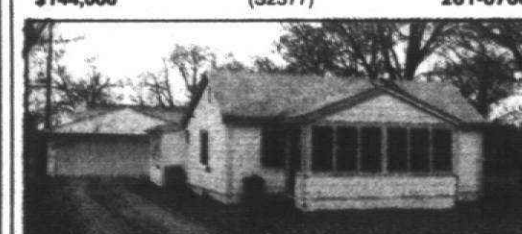
PRIME LOCATION. Move in condition. Home backs to woods, professionally landscaped, winding staircase, family room with fireplace and wet bar, sprinklers, new furnace, master bath, large lot, central air.

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**NORTHVILLE**

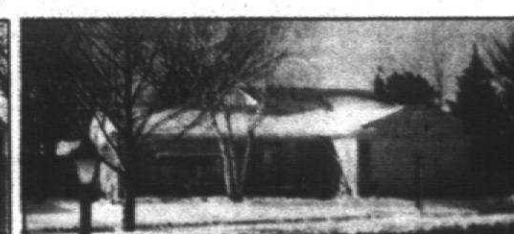
EXECUTIVE ELEGANCE GREET'S YOU in this Northville charmer! Move right in. Large family room has cathedral ceilings, deck off rear, backs to open area. Must see this 4 bedroom 2½ bath Colonial.

\$264,900 (MAP) 348-6430

**LIVONIA**

THREE BEDROOM ALUMINUM RANCH. This house won't last! Central air, newer furnace, and 2-car garage. Can move right in.

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**PLYMOUTH**

PLYMOUTH'S POPULAR LAKE POINTE VILLAGE Brings you this 4 bedroom, 2 bath quad. Terrific floor plan for family living. Large family with stone fireplace. Hardwood floors throughout. Many updates plus beautiful treed lot.

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**GARDEN CITY**

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Housing achievement

Joseph F. Slavik of the Slavik Organization, Farmington Hills, has been honored as the 1992 Housing Achievement Award Winner by the Michigan Association of Home Builders.

"Joe Slavik's organization was one of the first development companies in the nation to 'master plan' recreational communities which exhibit a harmonious mix of single-family and multiple-family housing, with several boasting golf courses or marinas and supportive office and commercial facilities," said Mike Cofer of Clarkston, MAHB president.

Among Slavik's innovations was the 400-acre Burton Hollow subdivision in Livonia, the first project that offered varied styles of houses including ranches, multilevels, Cape Cods and colonials. Twenty-five years ago, he developed the 400-acre Great Oaks subdivision into a golf community.

Forty-five years since its beginning, the Slavik organization maintains an ownership interest in more than 5,000 apartment units, several hotels and motels. The company is an active participant in residential development building and management through the operation of its subsidiary companies and joint venture operations.



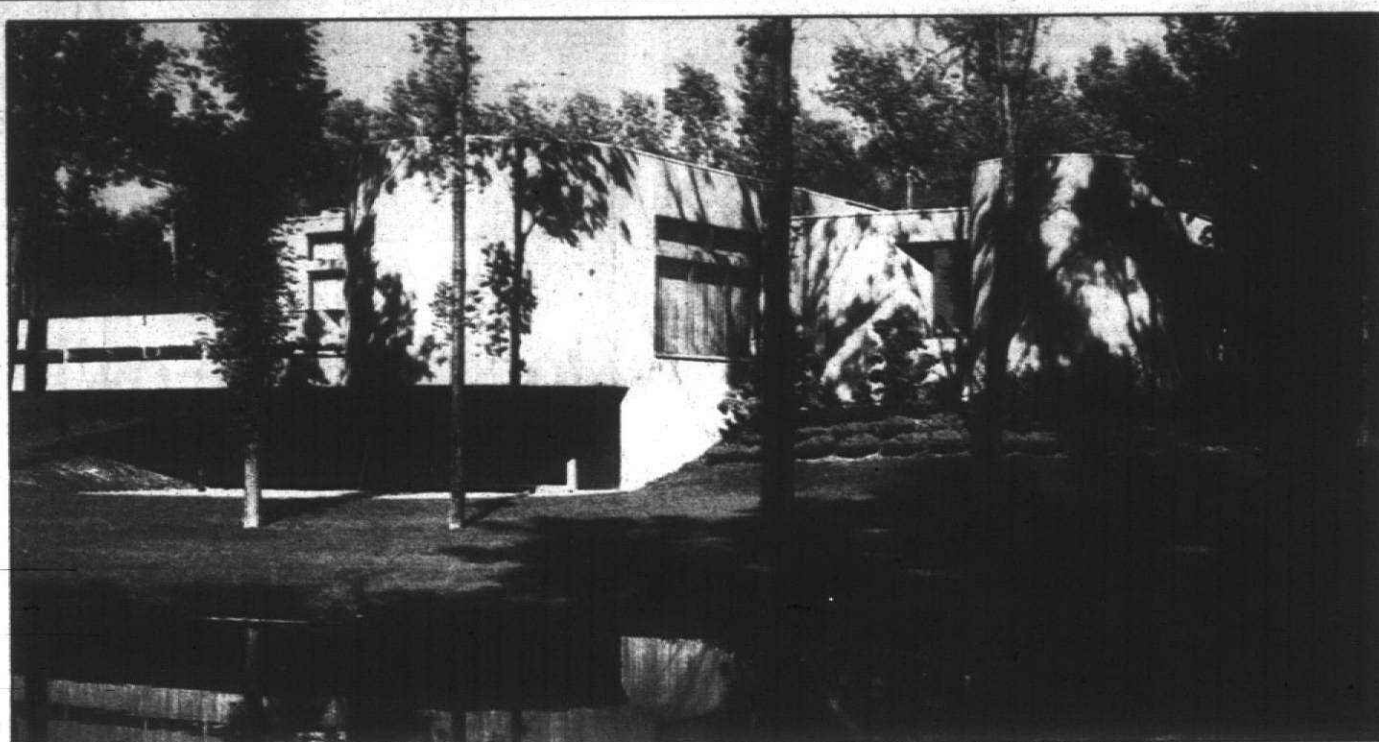
Slavik

Millgard honored

The MecTool system, designed and patented by Millgard Environmental Corp. of Livonia, received the 1993 NOVA award, given to innovations that improve the quality, safety and cost-effectiveness of construction by the Construction Innovation Forum.

MecTool is used for in situ remediation of contaminated soils. The system was honored for significant improvement in quality and cost-effectiveness over existing methods for treating soils contaminated with hazardous wastes, while reducing safety and health risks associated with remediation work. In situ treatment is done without removing soils from the ground.

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Fitting example: Contemporary architecture is more than large glass panes, white walls and flat roofs, as shown in this house designed by Birmingham architect Irving Tobocman.

CONTEMPORARY

Architect blames its lack of popularity on poor design

■ Low expectations of contemporary architecture on the part of homebuyers begins a ripple effect that reinforces the notion.

BY GERALD FRAWLEY
STAFF WRITER

Irving Tobocman is worried about the state of contemporary architecture.

Not for himself necessarily — as one of the area's most productive and respected contemporary architects, he has managed to eke out a fairly successful practice in Birmingham working almost exclusively in contemporary architecture for 38 years.

In an area like southeastern Michigan — where traditional-influenced architecture is the norm and contemporary architecture is, while not rare, hardly commonplace — that's saying something.

Although Tobocman grants that contemporary architecture isn't as common in Michigan as in some areas, he said he believes there is more contemporary architecture



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Cost torpedoes formal quality programs in building industry

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

Total Quality Management, a comprehensive management philosophy pioneered and popularized in the manufacturing sector, has yet to catch on in a big way with contractors, engineers and architects.

That's what Grant Thornton, an accounting and management firm, found in a national survey taken last fall. Three hundred responded.

The findings:
■ Less than half reported that many or most of their top managers understand and accept Total Quality Management.

■ More than half indicated that few or none of their employees have participated in quality improvement teams.

■ A third said that their company doesn't incorporate quality improvement objectives explicitly in their business planning.

"You need a formal measuring stick," said Russ Agosta, director of Grant Thornton's national construction group based in Southfield. "To-

tal Quality Management is identifying areas where you can improve, defining some measures for productivity and quality."

"What TQM policy says is we do it right the first time, make sure the customer is happy, do it in the most cost effective way and run a profitable business," he said.

"You start with training top management, devising a game plan, passing the message on and doing some training of middle management, then training field people."

Obstacles to TQM

Cost, apparently, is the biggest reason most contracting businesses opt out.

"Our industry has enough to worry about now with prices and competition," said John M. Harlan, president of the Construction Association of Michigan and owner of a Southfield electric company.

Harlan believes that many construction managers already intuitively do many things called for in a TQM program.

"It's the latest buzz word going around," Harlan said. "A year ago, I hadn't heard about it. I've got four brochures in the last month. My reaction is I want to find out more."

"You don't have a lot of flexibility when things are competitive," Harlan said. "When things are difficult, like now, we find productivity goes up. Quality of building in this area is quite good."

Tom Huff, president of the Associated General Contractors of America, Detroit and a vice president for Perini Building (formerly R.E. Dailey of Southfield), said his company will soon implement a Continuous Improvement Program.

"We are going to set up things we can measure — sometimes job specific, sometimes generic," he said. An example of the former is how concrete forming systems are used, the latter how people are hired.

"In the construction industry, we haven't been very innovative over the years in new procedures," Huff said.

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Really big home show opens at Cobo

Buyers, planners, browsers and dreamers all have reason to attend the International Builders, Home, Flower and Furniture Show Saturday through March 28 at Cobo Center.

The latest technology products and services for kitchens, baths, doors, windows, appliances, decorative accessories, heating and cooling, arts and crafts, yards and gardens and remodeling will be showcased.

Nearly 450 exhibitors are expected at this 75th annual show sponsored by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan.

"If people have any home modernization plans, if they have drawings, photos, floor plans, they can bring them with them and get a price quote from contractors on the floor," said Rosalie Lamb, show operations manager for BASM.

"Another thing they can do is comparison shopping," she said, adding that many exhibitors offer price dis-

counts during the show. "They're planning their work now, lining it up for the next few months."

"If people want to zero in on types of products or a specific exhibitor, they can easily look at large floor plan locator maps positioned throughout the show," she said.

"Another thing to do is wear very comfortable walking shoes," Lamb said. "And tell them to stop and smell the flowers along the way while they're looking."

Featured attractions in addition to product displays include:

■ A full scale mock-up of an orbiting space station and laboratory, moon rocks, Apollo space suit, scale model of the space shuttle and other NASA informational displays.

■ Parade of Homes featuring pictorial renderings of new houses and free plan book.

■ More than two acres of gardens from herbs to annuals.

■ Demonstrations on gardening, crafts and cooking.

■ Birdhouses of all sizes and shapes built by seventh and eighth graders in the metro area.

■ The ever popular House of Nails contest.

Show hours are 2-10 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturdays and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sundays.

Weekday afternoons generally are less crowded than evenings and weekends, Lamb said.

Tickets are \$5.75 for adults, \$3.50 for adults 65 years and older and children 6-12 and free for kids under 6. Family tickets for two adults and accompanying children are available for \$8 at Farmer/Jack/A&P stores.

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than many people might suspect. That being said, he added he often wonders why there isn't more contemporary architecture.

He's also mystified as to why so much of the contemporary architecture he sees is so badly designed. "I think almost all of it is terrible."

Perhaps the two are related, he concludes. Tobocman said he believes that since there is so little contemporary — and much of it is substandard — home buyers' expectations are lower.

Because expectations are lower, much of the contemporary architecture being built is less than praiseworthy and fewer people are drawn to contemporary designs.

"So much of contemporary architecture seems like a knockoff of a bad copy," he said.

Contemporary architecture is so much more than white houses with flat roofs and round windows — some of the traits commonly associated with contemporary architecture, he said.

Other characteristics common in contemporary architecture include simplicity of design, basic geometric shapes, stark flat walls and materials like steel girders and glass.

Contemporary design also requires proper use of proportion, lighting and shadow, siting and materials.

Tobocman said he doesn't like to talk about the features of "contemporary architecture" because that often leads to stereotypes and bad architecture.

Many of the features popularized by pioneers like Mies van der Rohe, Frank Lloyd Wright, and Charles LeCorbusier (Le Corbusier) are sometimes thought of as the end all to contemporary architecture.

"They're a beginning point," he said. Tobocman said he greatly admires the works of these past masters, but that shouldn't mean contemporary architecture should stop evolving.

"There are no hard, fast rules."

Bad architecture

Poorly designed contemporary architecture is infuriating to Tobocman for a variety of reasons. "It's an opportunity that wasn't capitalized on and everyone suffers for it."

"The homeowner suffers because he's not getting good work, he said. Another architect with the skill, talent and determination to develop a good design but needs a break loses because some less talented architect wins the bid.

"And we all suffer because we perpetuate that mediocrity we're getting and seeing and people stick with the traditional styles instead of trying something new."

What it is

Contemporary architecture isn't always easy to define, he will admit. "When people ask me to describe it, I say come, let me show you."

"The dictionary defines it as meaning 'of our time,'" he said, adding that features are not as important as achieving a kind of timeless aspect.

"I would like to be able to say — when I'm done doing this — that no one would be able to point at a design I did and say that was built at a specific time."

Not for everyone

Tobocman grants not everyone is going to like contemporary architecture. People who like

contemporary architecture are more interested in pleasing themselves than going along with the crowd.

"I like to think they're intelligent people who have looked around a bit and made a conscious decision to build something special," he said.

"They want what they want and they are not going to be swayed by a particular preference of a given community."

"They want to be in sync with living today," he said.

Tobocman added that while he doesn't necessarily think traditional architecture is always bad, he doesn't understand why more people are not drawn to contemporary architecture.

Fortunate architect

Tobocman said he is fortunate. He has either worked in a small office or as an independent. A lot of architects don't have that luxury.

Many work in large firms on parts of projects or on many different types of projects.

"I never had to compromise that — I was lucky enough so that I didn't have to do those things."

By working in a small office and then moving straight into his own practice, he had the opportunity to fine tune his skills in contemporary design.

Another plus was that one of his first really big projects — an unnamed apartment complex in Detroit near McNichols and Woodward — was a smashing success.

"I think it was really the first apartment complex done in contemporary architecture," he said. It created quite a stir in the community, he said, and his name became fairly well known in architectural circles.

After that, work came in fairly regularly (but not without some hustle on his part) for that he is thankful, he said.

Steady work has also given him an opportunity to turn down projects and make stands other architects hungry for work might not have.

"I've walked away from projects — sometimes I'm rehired or asked back, sometimes I'm not but that has helped me establish a reputation for good design."

Tobocman said he has but one criteria for his projects. "I always ask myself, would I be proud to show it to another professional that I hold in high esteem."

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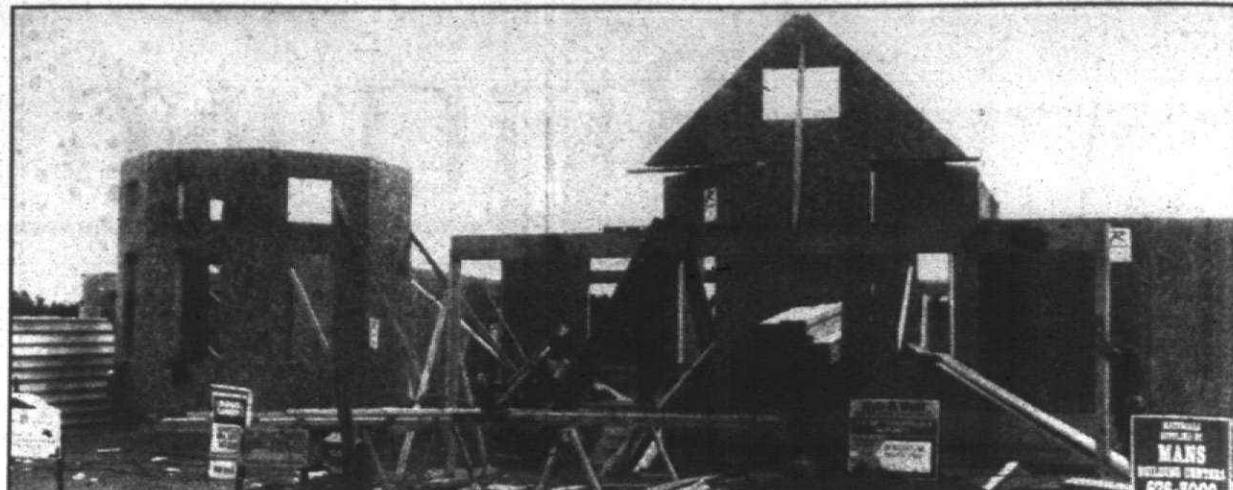
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Price boost: The National Association of Home Builders said higher lumber prices have added \$4,500 to the price of a new, 2,000-square-foot, \$120,000 home.

Don't blame owl for lumber prices

(AP) — Sharp increases in lumber prices were caused mainly by the nation's economic recovery rather than spotted owl protection or federal logging cutbacks, congressional researchers reported.

The study said that while the price increase has been substantial, "existing evidence suggests that it will not significantly slow housing starts or the economic recovery."

The Congressional Research Service, an arm of the Library of Congress, concluded that timber and housing industry leaders have exaggerated the northern spotted owl's impact on the lumber market.

The price of framing lumber rose to \$474 per 1,000 board feet in February from \$255 last October. A board foot is one foot square and one inch thick.

The congressional study said protection for the northern spotted owl, seasonal factors and an import duty on Canadian lumber have played some role in pushing the lumber price up.

But the report said those prices, when adjusted for inflation, are no higher than they were in the 1970s.

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Flourescent lighting grows softer

(AP) — A fluorescent light bulb generates about four times as much light per watt as a standard incandescent light bulb. This makes fluorescent bulbs by far the most economical light source for the home today.

Once used only in kitchens and workplaces because of their harsh light, today's fluorescents produce light in a wide range of whites and colors. Bulbs come in many shapes and sizes with socket pins to fit fluorescent fixtures or screw-type bases to replace incandescent bulbs.

Because of the power surge needed to start a fluorescent, frequent turning on and off of a fixture wastes power and shortens tube life. When leaving a room for a short time, it is usually best to leave the lamp on.

The ordinary fluorescent fixture consists of a bulb and a ballast in a metal channel. The bulb is an airtight glass tube with cathodes — metal conductors of electricity — at either end. It holds argon gas and mercury vapor and the interior is coated with phosphor, a substance that can be electrically stimulated to emit light.

The ballast is a transformer that boosts 120-volt house current to the 300-plus volts needed to light the bulb when you turn the fixture on, then it reduces voltage to the level needed to keep the bulb lit. When the switch is turned on, power flows between the cathodes, heating the gases and phosphor so they glow or "fluoresce."

Older fixtures (and many small modern ones) have a separate, small, silver-color, cylinder-shaped starter built into the fixture to preheat the

gases.

Another fluorescent fixture is an instant-start style preferred by industrial users for its low maintenance. However, bulb life is only about 9,000 hours.

In contrast, most homes have rapid-start fixtures whose bulbs may last 20,000 hours. As the name implies, the instant start goes on immediately; the rapid-start flickers for two or three seconds before lighting completely. The older starter-types take 15 to 20 seconds to light properly.

Fluorescent bulbs give off less light at temperatures below 50 degrees. If the fixture is to be located in an unheated garage or basement, install a cold-rated ballast.

The light output of fluorescent bulbs decreases with time. Blackening at the ends of a tube means that it's worn out; replace it. If only one end of the tube is discolored, remove it, turn it over, and reinstall it. Replace an old or burned-out bulb with a new one of the same type (double-pin or single-pin), length and wattage.

Double-pin rapid-start and older starter-type bulbs are interchangeable. Instant-start bulbs have single pins. If the bulb is missing from a fixture, check the ballast to find the right size.

Dispose of old bulbs carefully. The gases and phosphor aren't poisonous, but the bulb may explode if broken, sending glass fragments flying. Never throw a fluorescent bulb into a fire or incinerator.

Fluorescent problems are rare and usually easy to fix. A starter is inex-

pendent to replace, but a ballast costs so much that when it fails, it's often more economical to buy a new fixture.

If a fluorescent lamp fails to light, check for a blown fuse or tripped circuit breaker in the main panel. If the tube still doesn't light or if it flickers or blinks, turn off power to the fixture and twist the tube slightly back and forth to make sure it's firmly seated in the sockets.

If that doesn't work, give the tube a quarter turn toward you and pull it out, handling it carefully. Use long-nose pliers to straighten a bent tube pin. Spray the socket contacts and the pins with electric contact cleaner. Clean a dirty tube with a damp cloth; let it dry before reinstalling it. Tighten the socket screws; replace broken sockets.

To reinstall the tube, line up the pins with the socket slots, push the tube in, and give it a quarter turn. Still no light? Install a new tube of the same wattage and type. A new tube may flicker for an hour or two at first. If flickering lasts longer or if the new tube doesn't light, replace the starter with a new one of the same wattage. Rapid- and instant-start fixtures don't have starters.

If the ends of a tube glow but the center does not, replace the starter. If the lamp still doesn't work, hums loudly, or repeatedly blows a fuse on a circuit that isn't overloaded, the ballast may be defective.

Replace the ballast with a new one of the same type and wattage or with a low-noise type; or replace the fixture.



Let there be light: Once reserved for only kitchens and basement workshops, fluorescent lighting has adapted designer features and can be seen throughout new houses. This bathroom in a model at Meadowbrook subdivision in Canton combines natural lighting with overhead soffit lighting to create a warm effect.

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Family living takes place in the great room, at the back. The owners' suite is to the far left, well buffered from the sounds of family activities by the dining room and living room. Children's or guest bedrooms and the main bathroom are to the right.

The U-shaped kitchen is large with a walk-in pantry and built-in

desk. Range and oven are located in a central work island. The counter that provides separation between the kitchen and the nook could be partially elevated for use as an eating bar.

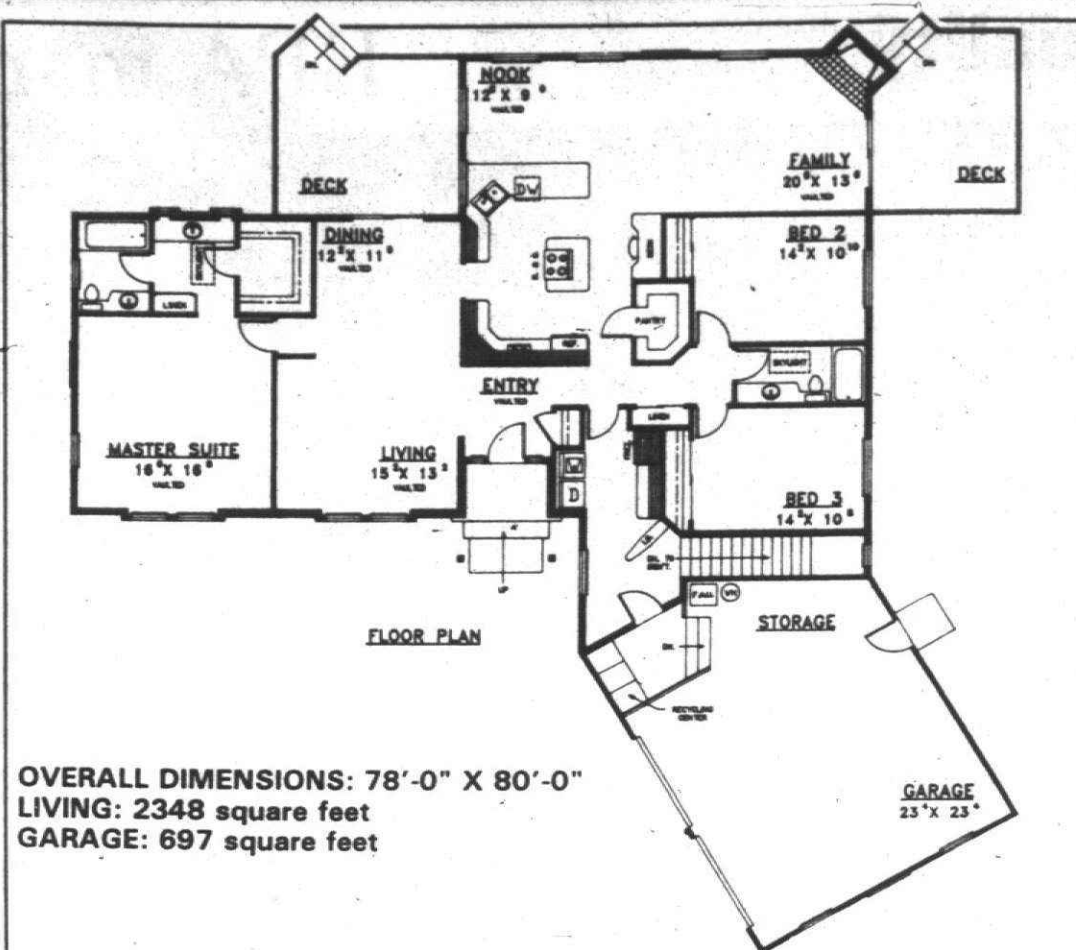
Windows on two sides of the nook make this area exceptionally bright. If desired, sliding glass doors could substitute for the left-facing window to allow direct access to the deck. Sliders at the right end of the family room open onto another small deck next to the stone-face fireplace.

The utility room is large enough to include space for a freezer, a fold-down ironing board and basement stairs. Located next to the garage, it serves as a pass-through space for unloading groceries and a place to leave

mess footwear instead of tracking mud through the house. A recycling center is tucked into the passageway from the garage, handy but out of sight. Extra storage space is available at the back of the two-car garage.

Skylights brighten both bathrooms. The master bathroom also has a second vanity in the dressing room, located between the walk-in closet and the private portion of the bathroom.

For a study plan of the Carthage (332-150), send \$7.50 to Landmark Designs, P.O. Box 2307, Eugene, Or. 97402, specifying plan name and number.



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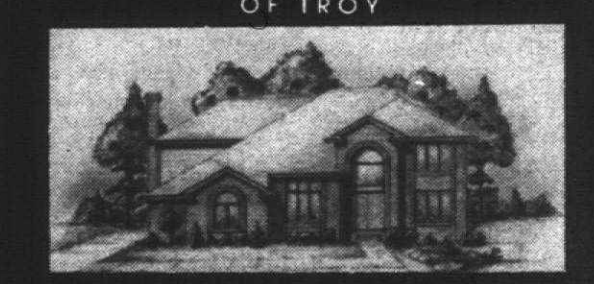


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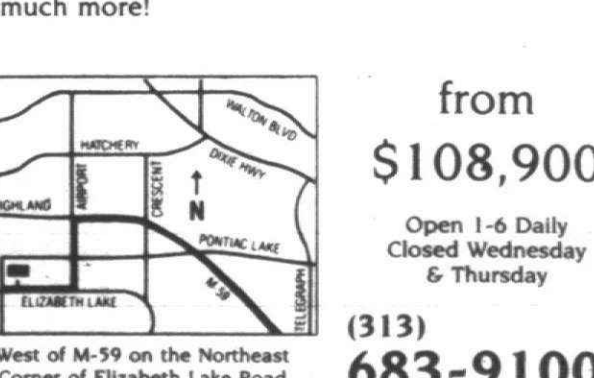
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"The drawback (to TQM) is cost," he said, adding that consultants usually are involved at the beginning of the process, staff people on an ongoing basis. "I think some larger contractors can afford it, smaller ones can't."

But a formal TQM program pays off in the long run, Agosta maintained. "It's all relative," he said. "It is expensive up front but the payback — more work because you will be allowed to be on a bid list, happy customers, you meet a deadline and have less rework — will be more than the cost."

Momentum picking up

Interest has picked up in the past couple of years and will continue to do so, Agosta said. "Major customers who put TQM in as a goal for suppliers are now expanding (the concept) to contractors... on any remodeling, new building, major repair work," he said, citing Ford, GM and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

That's the understanding of Katherine Banicki, chief execu-

tive officer of Testing Engineers and Consultants. She implemented a Quality Improvement Process at her Troy-based company a couple of years ago at a cost of about \$10,000.

"We felt a need to have a focus on our clients," she said. "Basically, all we have to sell is our service. We recognize internal customers as well as external. Many of our departments work together on projects."

"We did a lot of reading on different gurus on the quality management front and basically patterned ours after all of them," she said. "It has to fit. You can have someone come in and do it to you but it doesn't stick."

"You can spend anything from a few thousand to a few hundred thousand dollars," Banicki said. "We did our own, basically, but we did have some consultants come in."

Her company's Quality Improvement Process, which includes regularly-scheduled meetings, recorded minutes and action forms, is now monitored by a longtime staff member, she said.

EPA mandates wood stove changes

(AP) — There are new environmental rules that lead to cleaner, more efficient wood stoves, according to Building Ideas magazine.

Back in the mid-1970s, wood stoves were as plentiful as white-tailed deer in a Rocky Mountain valley. Burning timber seemed a natural and honest way to heat a home.

But there was a problem. By 8 a.m. on any chilly winter morning, a smoky black haze as bad as a Los Angeles smog attack would chase the blue from the sky.

To combat this kind of pollution, individual states began enacting air-quality standards for wood-burning appliances. Then, in the late 1980s, the Environmental Protection Agency moved to establish national stove emissions standards. The EPA demanded cleaner-burning equipment by limiting the amount of microscopic, unburned hydrocarbon pollutants escaping as smoke.

Prodded by the new requirements, manufacturers of stoves and fireplaces have hammered out a whole new set of options for their customers. Because the

EPA laws took full effect in 1992, the universe of wood heat has expanded. Faced with the need to clean up sooty emissions, manufacturers have re-examined both the stoves and the fuels to find a solution. Their answers are available in stores today.

■ Pellet stoves. Here's a cleaner idea for those who find the concept of cordwood a bit messy. Instead of burning timber, pellet stoves burn stubby, inch-long pieces of recycled waste materials, such as sawdust, sunflower seed hulls and cardboard.

This is the wood stove for folks who dislike all the chopping and carrying. Just load pellets into a bin in the back of the stove, set thermostat and the slow-burning fuel will be fed into a fire lasting as long as 50 hours.

This recent addition to the marketplace is catching on with consumers. For 1991, the Hearth Products Association reports that cordwood-burning stove sales were down about 8 percent from the previous year. But sales of the more expensive pellet stove had increased almost 20 percent in the same period. In 1991, 185,000

cordwood stoves and about 50,000 pellet stoves were sold.

■ Catalytic stoves. When automotive engineers looked for a way to dampen noxious car emissions, they bolted the catalytic converter in place. Similar technology is now being designed into wood stoves.

The hurdle for engineers is to lower the temperature of smoke within the stove so more gases will be consumed by the heat. A catalytic combustor helps lower smoke temperature from 1,200 degrees to about 600 degrees. The desired result is achieved as far fewer gases go up the chimney and into the atmosphere.

Though these catalytic stoves burn significantly cleaner than most of their noncatalytic rivals, the catalyst must be replaced periodically (in about six years with average use) at a cost of about \$100.

■ Noncatalytic stoves. A number of clean-burning noncatalytic stoves are on the market as well. These effectively handle the smoke by rerouting it through a series of chambers where it will burn.

■ Gas fireplaces. Among people with more interest in an occasional firelight show than a primary heat source, fireplaces that burn natural gas are gaining popularity. A red glow is ready at the flick of a switch, and it's difficult to tell the difference between these flames and those in a wood fire.

These systems also offer a distinct installation advantage. They can accept a zero-clearance chimney, which fits neatly inside a wall. No bulky, space-consuming brick chimney is necessary.

When considering the purchase of any of these products, you should ask yourself: Is this to be one of my home's primary heat sources? Is cordwood readily available where I live? Are pellets available where I live? How involved with heating chores do I want to become? How often will I really use this stove?

For additional information, send for the free booklet "Buying an EPA-Certified Wood Stove." It lists certified stoves and runs their emissions. Write to Federal Programs Section (EN-341), U.S. EPA, 401 M St., SW, Washington, DC 20460.

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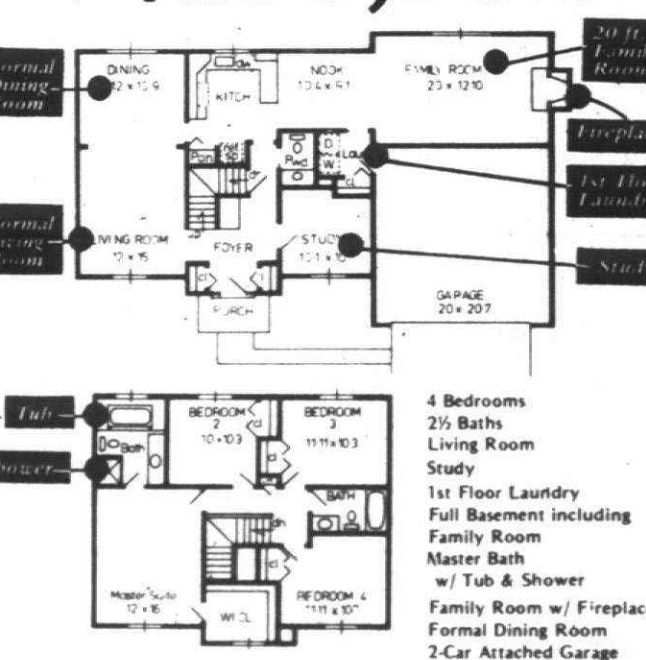
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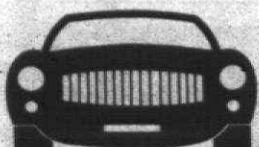
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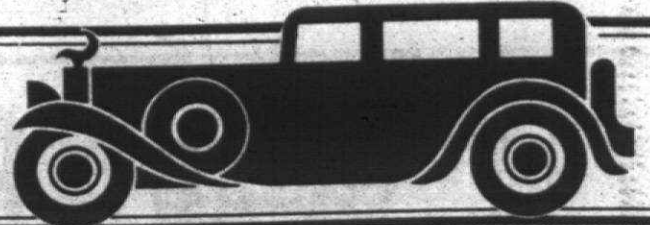
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