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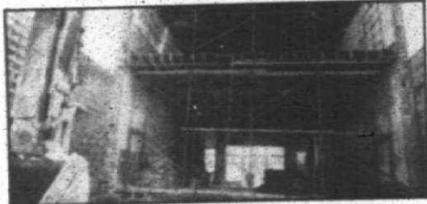
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## Bus rides expected to continue



Canton bus riders are assured of continued transportation with township officials' plans to pull out of Nankin Transit and hook up with Child & Family Service of Washtenaw.

BY SUE BUCK  
STAFF WRITER

Even though Canton Township is pulling out of Nankin Transit, township riders will be assured of continued transportation services.

Canton officials requested to pull out of Nankin June 6, and officials now intend to contract with Child &

Family Service of Washtenaw for local transportation. Child & Family Service is expected to duplicate Nankin services, fares and time schedules. The new service is expected to provide rides to Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. The township board has yet to approve a contract with Child & Family Service.

After Canton opted out of the Wayne County Transit Authority and the May 23 SMART millage vote, township officials looked for a fast turnaround and an alternative public transportation carrier by July 1. But the switch will be delayed.

A 1974 agreement ensures that Nankin has time to find a replacement service community so that the transit service will not lose \$88,000 — Canton's contribution — according to Ralph Shufeldt, Nankin chairman, who also served on a six-member transportation advisory committee that presented its findings at a Can-

ton Township study session June 6. Nankin serves Canton, Westland, Wayne, Garden City and Inkster. Canton's contract with Nankin expires June 30.

Each of Nankin's participating communities must vote to let Canton out of the system, which may take some time. But delays are not expected to affect Canton riders.

Shufeldt declined to name the community that would replace Canton in the Nankin Transit system, stating only that one "is in the wings" and

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STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL BREWSTER

Friends: Amy Price, left, and Patrick Russell, right, embrace after the Plymouth Canton High School graduation on Sunday.

## Seniors find day exciting

BY JILL HALPIN  
STAFF WRITER

Even overcast skies and light rain couldn't dampen the spirits of more than 1,000 members of the Plymouth Canton Educational Park class of 1995 during Sunday's commencement exercises at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor.

Friends and relatives of graduating seniors were at the auditorium twice, with Plymouth Salem graduates at 1:30 p.m. and Plymouth Canton at 4:30 p.m.

"Graduation is a heart thing, not a head thing," said Gerald Ostro, Plymouth Salem principal.

He told the class of 1995 that there are two key words for future success, change and persistence.

He cited President Lincoln as an example of persistence, and added that students should be prepared for major changes in the job market.

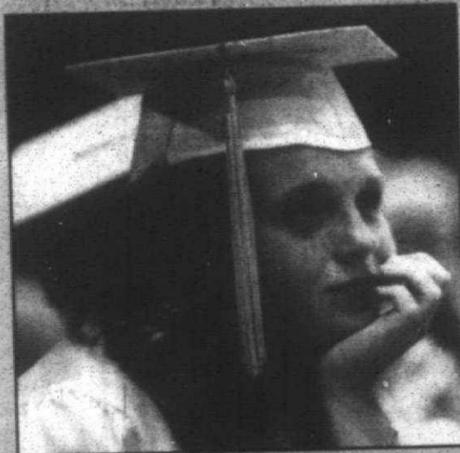
He praised the class for its performance, saying: "In this class we have over 50 percent on the honor roll. We also have 19 students with all A's, that's all A's for four straight years."

He said there will be students attending West Point in the fall and that "our students have attended in the past, but never three in one year."

Plymouth Salem senior class president Margaret Rae Gallorini warned the students against falling prey to a "powerless victim attitude," and added that attentiveness is the most important factor to success.

"We can't control what happens to us, but we can control how we react to it," she said.

For Jill Licata of Plymouth, it was a day filled with excitement as she watched her son, Mike graduate. "This is great. He's all ready. I hate to see him go, but we are so proud," she said.



Watching: Kelly Larsen watches her classmates as they cross the stage.



At last: Plymouth Salem senior Benjamin F. Rosenberg show his sentiments.

## Millage proposals, board race face voters

BY M.B. DILLON  
STAFF WRITER

If you're a registered voter in Plymouth-Canton, don't forget to go to the polls today. It's election day, and voters are deciding the fate of two millage proposals and eight school board hopefuls.

Polls opened at 7 a.m. and will close at 8 p.m. On the ballot is a two-year, 2.3-mill tax increase and a 10-year, 18-mill renewal on non-homestead property. The renewal affects commercial and industrial property only.

"We have done what's needed to be done to get information to as many people as possible. Now it's up to the voters to get out and vote," said district spokesman Dick Egli. "We anticipate we could have a heavy turnout based on information that has gone out, and the good publicity we've received."

The district's record turnout occurred in August 1993 when 17,597 of the district's 65,000 registered voters cast ballots on a millage proposal that lost.

Last year, just 3,165 voted in a non-millage election.

For the owner of a \$100,000 home, the 2.3-mill increase would mean an additional \$115 in taxes for each of two years.

Voters will fill two four-year positions on the school board.

Once again, Close Up government students at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park held a mock election. If the past is an indicator — and students have a 90 percent accuracy rate in predicting election outcomes — candidates Michael Maloney and

Gerald Trumpka will be elected. Candidate Daniel Dunnigan was unable to attend the students' candidates forum.

"Maloney blew away the competition," said Close Up teacher Mike McCauley, who hosted a candidates' forum for students. "He beat every one four-to-one. Kids liked his honest answers, and the fact that he is a Salem graduate and personable." Maloney received 255 votes, and Trumpka 107.

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## Red Wing mania strikes Canton community

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Detroit Red Wing fever has hooked sports fans in Plymouth and Canton, as sales are soaring at local sports memorabilia stores.

"It's going crazy," said Bob Unis, owner-manager of The Old Ball Park on Ford Road in Canton. "We're selling a lot of jerseys — Federov, Yzerman and Vernon."

Stopping in Thursday at Trader Jack's Sports Collectibles on Forest Avenue in Plymouth, to buy a Red Wings pin, was Bob Laird of Plymouth.

Laird wanted the pin to wear on a business trip

to Canada. "I do my celebrating subtly, I don't turn cars over," he explained.

"We are a big hockey store," said John Kwiecien, president of Trader Jack's. But while 60 percent of sales are typically devoted to hockey, now those items make up 90 percent of his business.

"We can't keep the Red Wing jerseys in stock," he said, adding Paul Coffey replica jerseys — \$99.99 for the replica jersey and \$159.99 for the pro-weight model — are especially hot.

At Trader Jack's, Red Wing items range from inexpensive pins and hockey cards to a 1950 Red Kelly stick signed by the Stanley Cup champ Wings.

For an unusual item, how about a Rawlings Sergei Federov baseball bat, issued to commemorate his Most Valuable Player award for the 1993-94 season? It's featured on a wall at Trader Jack's, next to a Cecil Fielder model bat.

While in the past fans tended to buy more items related to individual players, Kwiecien said now, "A lot of people are looking for things that are team-related."

An 8-by-10-inch team photo of the Red Wings is especially popular. "I must have sold 100 of those in the last week and a half," he said.

See RED WINGS, 4A

# No one hurt in plane mishap

According to a witness, the student pilot of a twin engine Piper made a beautiful landing Monday afternoon at Mettetal Airport. But the witness believes a possible mechanical problem caused the plane to veer off the runway. "I was pretty proud of them," said the witness, a pilot, who asked not to be identified. The Piper was flown by a student pilot, who is licensed but still unable to fly solo and was with an instructor. The plane went off the runway at about 4:25 p.m. Monday, June 5. No one was injured in the incident, said Lew Stevens, Canton police community relations officer. According to initial police reports, the student pilot lost control, the plane swayed and ran off the runway into an adjacent grassy area. But the unidentified witness told the Observer that he had

heard the plane had a mechanical problem with the front wheel. When the student pilot landed the plane on the center of the runway, the plane veered to the right, the wheel was cocked to the right and then the plane veered to the left, the witness said. "Had he tried to compensate, the plane could have flipped. He was probably very much in control of the plane. I would suspect he did everything under his power to maintain no injuries," the witness said. Randy Collier, state Bureau of Aeronautics licensing and enforcement manager, said it has been officially labeled as an incident, not an accident or crash. The extent and dollar amount of damage to the airplane is still unknown. Mettetal Airport manager and fixed base operator Doug Kitz

# Fest prompts parking bans

Because of expected heavy traffic at the Canton Liberty Fest June 23-25, parking will be prohibited in areas around the festival grounds in Heritage Park. Effective 11 a.m. Friday, June 23, parking will be prohibited along Canton Center Road, between Cherry Hill and Palmer, as well as on Proctor Road, west from Canton Center Road. The emergency traffic order, issued by Canton Public Safety Director John Santomeuro, will remain in effect until 9 a.m. Sunday, June 25.

### CONNECTION

Canton Center, Canton, 48188. Call 397-5389 for more information.

**Canton cleanup**  
The next Canton Cleanup at Canton Waste Recycling, 42020 Van Born Road, is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 23, and 8 a.m. to noon June 24. Residents may take certain materials to the CWR facility that are not normally picked up during curbside waste collection. For more information call CWR, 397-5801.

**New assistant**  
Mary Siefert, former treasurer for Harrison Township, is the new assistant treasurer for Canton Township. Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter, Siefert is a Royal Oak resident and graduate of Oakland University.

**Playground program**  
Canton's supervised playground program will begin at 22 sites June 26. The program, for children ages 5-14, includes games, sports, activities, and arts and crafts. Call parks and recreation, 397-5110 for program times and locations.

**Homeowners meet**  
The Canton Homeowners Advisory Council will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, June 12, in the Canton Township Hall, 1150 Canton Center Road. Subdivision and neighborhood association officers and residents are invited to attend.

**Seeking members**  
The Canton Historic District Commission is seeking new members. Applicants should be residents of Canton and have an interest in historic preservation. If you are interested, send a letter and resume to Canton Township, 1150

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Students didn't vote on the millage questions, but were asked how their parents planned to vote. They said their parents were against the enhancement millage.

and were opposed to it two-one," he said, adding that students are "pretty reflective of their parents' views." "Generally, they've heard more

negatives than positives. I think it's the issue of the last \$59 million bond issue and what they did with that money. I think people are concerned. There's a lot of disension."

The third top vote-getter was Brenda Anderson Plecha, with 95, followed by David McCarthy with

93; Paul Schrauben with 49; Jeffrey Phillips with 26; Daniel Dunne with 11; and Carrie Blamer, three.

If voters are unsure of where to vote or have questions, they may call the district's election office at 416-3095.

# Heritage Hideout

## Playscape volunteers give task their best

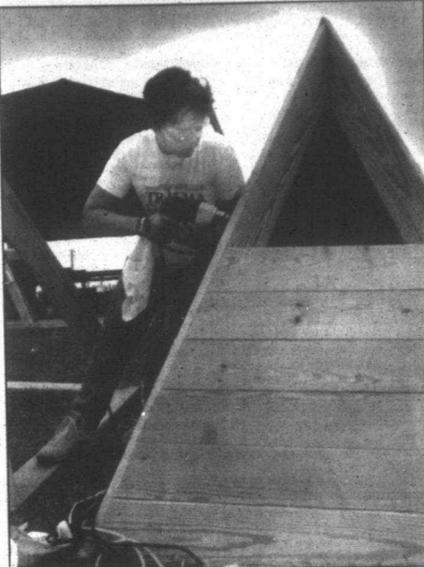


Measuring: Steve Henke (center) and Justin Klumper (right) measure timber while constructing Heritage Hideout, Canton's playscape. Helping out is Dave Forsman (left).

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI  
STAFF WRITER

Bill Coyle's daughter and his grandchildren have put in more than eight hours a day working to make the Canton Heritage Hideout a reality. "I can almost see it and the kids playing on it when it's done," said Coyle of West Bloomfield, who drove to Canton to help his daughter, Shannon Franke, and granddaughter Morgan, 5, and grandson, Jordan, 7. "The kids were waxing and soaping screws," Coyle said. "You can see the strong contributions here from everybody." Coyle and his family were among hundreds of volunteers who joined the playscape effort in Heritage Park. Changing weather, hard work and hordes of mosquitoes didn't deter the enthusiasm of volunteers or their determination to complete the 14,000-square-foot structure by Sunday.

"I built the slide," said Canton firefighter Jack Baker, who brought his family, including wife, Sheila, to work on the playscape. "My 5-year-old was putting soap on the nails." The first effort of the process included laying out the frames and routing wood for the playscape — on the first day of the project, also the hottest day of the year so far. "We need some help scrubbing some tires. Can you do that?" organizer Michelle Hall asked a boy who was signing up to help with his mother and brother. A simple reply followed: "Yeah." By Thursday afternoon, some organizers were concerned that the project would have to be scaled back in size if more volunteers didn't turn out. Organizers were thankful to those who spent days on the project, as well as for those who could take only a few hours from work to lend a hand. Volunteers also lauded all the businesses that donated materials or money to



Heritage Hideout: Robin Walsh does some work with the drill.

make the playscape a reality. The process, similar to an old-fashioned barn-raising, engulfed volunteers and organizers in camaraderie and enthusiasm — regardless of the age of the participants. Every volunteer was given a job, and no matter how small or large, skilled or unskilled, the jobs were equally important. Volunteers worked with architects from the Robert S. Leathers Co., who designed the playscape with the help of community kids. Not far from where the foundation of the playscape was under construction, kids busied themselves with their tasks. Members of Cub Scout Pack 854 from Miller Elementary School were delighted with their job of color coding nails with spray paint for use by the bigger volunteers. "We discussed it and they wanted to do it," said den leader Jacinta Larsen. "This is one of their den service projects." Dan Hall, project manager with Christman Company, which is building Summit on the Park community center, brought about 35-40 subcontractors to work on the playscape. "I talked to all the subcontractors. We have a lot of talented tradesmen. I was pretty happy I got the response that I did." Joan Noricks, executive director of the Canton Community Foundation, which lent its non-profit status to the playscape project, was manning her post every day from morning to until dinner. Her enthusiasm inspired many of the volunteers. "I just love this. I love the community spirit and building something the community can use." Noricks mentioned that many senior citizens came out to help. "They say they will be back. It is such a rewarding feeling."

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**THE Observer NEWSPAPERS**

**Helping out: Ryan Gubert soaps deck screws. It makes them easier to drive**

**Professionals: Members of Local 118 pose for a photo before getting down to work.**

# Musical production tells story of creation and faith

BY DIANE HANSON  
SPECIAL WRITER

A rainbow of colors, graceful dance and inspirational music were the tools that more than 100 parishioners at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton Township used to tell the story of creation and faith in the production, "Tales of Wonder," on Sunday, June 4.

Written by liturgical composer and songwriter Marty Haugen, "Tales of Wonder" moved the audience to participate as those playing the storytellers of old skillfully weaved together the account of creation, the suffering of Job and of mankind, the coming of Christ and the fire of the Holy Spirit, all culminating in glorious praise to God.

"It is almost like a spiritual experience. You get into it so much. It's not like you just sit there and watch. You are really participating in it,"

merous changes from the original production including the addition of a generous splash of color, interpretive dance, choreographed by Yvette Heide, and a major focus on the children.

Months in the making, the effort drew from the skills of young and old alike and involved individuals and families. Bernacki's daughter, Annie, 8, and son, Stephen, 12, are members of the youth choir.

The Jackson family of Canton has also made the production, which attracted an audience of about 800, into a family project. Choir member Candy Jackson has additionally made the costumes and embroidered colorful logos onto 70-some shirts. Husband Rod is in the choir and, along with son, Chris, helps to

# Police find marijuana, arrest teen

Listed below are some of the Canton police incidents reported during the past week.

**DRUG POSSESSION**  
A 16-year-old Canton youth was arrested for possession of marijuana June 3 as he met with a group of juveniles near Orhan. He had an open beer, a marijuana cigarette and a baggie containing 6.9 grams of marijuana, according to a police report.

**BREAKING AND ENTERING**  
A Stacy resident reported his house broken into June 1 and a \$30 jacket with \$70 cash stolen.

**LARCENY**  
A Canton resident reported her purse and contents stolen from her Ford Road residence June 4.

A Taylor resident reported his \$115 pager and a Visa credit card stolen while he was at a Michigan Avenue apartment June 4.

A Westland resident reported that two hubcaps were stolen from his 1992 Oldsmobile while it was parked on Ford Road June 4.

A \$200 stereo was stolen from a Carriage Cove residence June 2.

A \$900 TV and a \$200 VCR were stolen from a Geddes residence June 2.

A Sheldon Road resident reported his \$250 Dyno bike stolen June 2 while parked at K Mart.

A \$233 Motorola car phone was stolen from a 1995 Chevy Camaro parked on Cranberry June 2.

A \$500 car radio was stolen from a 1995 Chevy Cavalier parked on Adams June 2.

A Ranier resident reported his \$600 radio and \$50 speakers stolen June 3.

A \$300 bench was stolen from a Brookfield residence June 1.

A Sunlight resident reported his \$150 car phone stolen from his 1995 Jeep June 1.

A \$500 golf club set was stolen from a Carlton residence June 1.

**MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION**  
A Bartlett Street resident reported a large rock thrown through a window of his Grand Prix June 3.

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OBITUARIES

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MARY LOUISE DRITSAS Services for Mary Louise Dritsas, 68, of Canton were Wednesday, June 7, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, in Canton, with the Rev. George Charnley officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

JOHN (JACK) V. BARKUME Services for John (Jack) V. Barkume, 74, of Canton Township were Saturday, June 10, at The McCabe Funeral Home, Canton Chapel and St. Thomas A'Becket Catholic Church with the Rev. C. Richard Kelly officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

should be announced in about three weeks. "Current riders should not fret," Shufeldt said. "We will do everything we can to ensure that seniors and the handicapped have the transportation they deserve. I will make sure that this (new) program is a success."

55 and over and for people with disabilities. Destinations are within Canton, Wayne, Westland, Inkster and Garden City. The fares remain at \$1 per one-way ride. Hours will continue from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Child & Family Service handles trips requiring accessible vehicles. They also provide brokerage services, which includes eligibility determination, reservations, scheduling, dispatch, customer service, billing, monitoring, contracts and provides.

Under a state grant, Child & Family Service currently provides a separate service to Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor.

Canton joined other neighboring communities and opted out of the Wayne Transit Authority and a proposed dedicated .33 mill request for three years to finance the SMART transportation system, which helps support Nankin, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Belleville, Northville Township, Sumpter Township and Northville also opted out.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack immediately followed with the creation of a committee to study alternative transportation services, particularly in light of transportation needs among seniors and handicapped residents.

But the township board also decided to provide \$8,500-\$8,600 — equal to Canton's remaining share of municipal credits — to provide residents with service through June 30.

Trustees argued that the Nankin service is inadequate for residents who wish to go to Ann Arbor or other communities outside Nankin's five-community system. They also said the money put into Nankin by Canton was excessive considering the small ridership by township residents.

If Canton had stayed in the Wayne County Transit Authority and with the passage of the .33-mill, Nankin would have received double the municipal credits from Canton.

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Both Kwiecien and Unis said Red Wing items also draw more women customers, adding females by 50 percent of these items.

The young players are popular with younger women. Sergei Federov is more popular with young girls. Paul Coffey is more popular with mature women.

While Red Wings have been disappointed by first-round playoff exits in recent years, the team's playoff success this year seems to have erased doubts.

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Team spirit: Sales of Red Wing items at Bob Unis' Canton sports store The Old Ball Park are soaring, as the team makes a run for the Stanley Cup.

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House votes 3.4 percent hike for S'craft

By TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER On paper, Schoolcraft College's state aid increase of 3.4 percent looks like a big hike over the 2.8 percent recommended by Gov. John Engler.

The long debate was whether to shut down Highland Park Community College; the other 28 aren't in jeopardy. Schoolcraft's share: \$9.4 million, 3.4 percent above the current year. Total budget for the two-year college is about \$35 million.

For Schoolcraft that would mean limiting a tuition increase to \$1.25 a credit hour in the fall semester. Instead the board in April raised in-district tuition \$1

passed it on a second roll call, 73-25. Voting yes were Republicans Lyn Bankes of Redford, Jan Dolan of Farmington Hills, Gerald Law of Plymouth, James Ryan of Redford and Deborah Whyman of Canton; and Democrats Eileen DeHart of Westland and Tom Kelly of Wayne.

Dis dissenters, from both parties and all over the state, pleaded the case for Highland Park, one of the oldest two-year colleges in the state. The bill gives it \$6.2 million in phase-out money.

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SC hopes to improve SC student services

By RALPH R. ECHTINAW STAFF WRITER Schoolcraft College officials say a July 1 administrative reorganization is expected to improve the quality of student services and increase the number of academic scholarships available to students in the Livonia, Clarendonville, Garden City, Plymouth-Canton and Northville school districts.



Conway Jeffers



Jean Pike



John Tomey

less job in the administration, saving the college more than \$60,000, which is earmarked for the Trustee Scholarship Fund.

Board of Trustees Chairman Steve Ragan said it was the board's wish that student services be improved, but administrators crafted the plan. Ragan was careful, however, not to criticize Geil's performance.

Among the changes Jeffers wants is to permit students to register for classes in one visit to the campus.

Currently, applicants make three trips to Schoolcraft before beginning classes: First to apply, second to see a counselor, and third to register. "I think one trip is enough," Jeffers said.

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## Ashley Cheeks

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## Mental health budget battle turns partisan

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

State Sen. Robert Geake has a bitter partisan battle on his hands as he guided the Mental Health Department budget to a 22-12 victory.

Democrats in the June 6 debate riled the normally placid Geake, himself a child psychologist, by charging his \$1.6 billion budget sacrificed children and mental health workers to Gov. John Engler's tax cuts.

"This mental health budget continues the trend of downsizing state psychiatric facilities," said Geake, R-Northville. "As we purchase more beds from the private sector, we have less and less need for expensive state beds."

"I hear demagoguery on the other side of the aisle. It's not highly partisan. But after a \$20 million cut from the executive proposal (due to a predicted revenue shortage), this budget is still \$76 million over the current year."

Geake, chair of the Senate Appropriations subcommittee that deals with the Mental Health Department budget, said that a late amendment to staff hospitals at 95 percent of suggested standards wouldn't be a "real" cut.

Some cuts in bed capacity at Hawthorn Center, for the emotionally disturbed in Northville Township, and Fairlawn Center, a children's division of the Clinton Valley Center in Pontiac, were made to put them "more in line with anticipated census figure for 1996," according to a Senate Fiscal Agency analysis.

Voting yes were 20 Republicans and two outstate Democrats. Voting no were 11 Democrats and one Macomb County Republican.

All area senators voted with their parties except David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, who was absent.

Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith, D-Salem, challenged the GOP idea that private psychiatric care is as good as public. "We know the people they hire are underpaid."

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## Court case is 'ticking bomb' for schools

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

Michigan's Supreme Court deals in law, not economics. Its chief tool is the constitution, not actuarial tables.

And so the high court has an unusually thorny problem in the request of public schools to reconsider its April decision on health benefits for retirees from public schools.

The court's decision "will blow up the system and cause widespread devastation of K-12 educational programs," warned the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Essentially, the justices decided 4-2 that Gov. John Engler erred in the 1991 recession when he decided to preserve state funds by paying future public school retirees' health benefits on a cash basis instead of pre-funding them on an insurance basis.

But if Engler was wrong, the Supreme Court admitted, "we have no authority to order the governor or Legislature to appropriate funds" and denied the retirees a writ of mandamus.

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The case is called "Muskelman" for Ann Muskelman and seven other retirees. Engler is the first named defendant; others include the treasurer, budget director, auditor general, Public Schools Retirement Board and the Legislature itself.

The problem, as MASA's Justin King describes it, stems from Proposal A passed by voters in May of 1994. Proposal A puts most of the monetary burden of funding schools on the state. But it also reflects Engler's budgeting philosophy that there shouldn't be a line of line-item appropriations floating around. So the state shifted the burden of paying retirees' health benefits from itself to the 560 local school districts.

In 1991-94, said MASA's King, "Funds which had been set aside for paying insurance benefits of future retirees were instead used by the state to help pay the present expenses of Michigan's K-12 school system," an action King called "pragmatic and well-intentioned but legally erroneous."

It leaves local school districts holding the bag to make up for the lack of pre-payment of those benefits in 1991-96. "The cost of correcting past actions could reach \$1 billion for 1996-96," King said. Since state aid to public schools is \$8.3 billion, that \$1 billion obligation is "a bomb ticking which threatens funding for our schools."

**Pre-funding required**

Under one article of the 1963 Michigan Constitution, Engler as governor has power to cut spending when revenues fall short, with the approval of the House and Senate. Appropriations committees have a grant of legislative power to the governor. Every governor since the 1970s has used it, some several times.

But the constitution's financial article (Art. IX, Sec. 24) says: "The accrued financial benefits of each pension plan and retirement system (of state and local units) shall be a contractual obligation of the state. Financial benefits arising on account of service rendered in each fiscal year shall be funded during that year..."

Said Justice Patricia Boyle's majority opinion: "Michigan governmental units do not have the option, however, of not paying retirement benefits. Unlike highway construction or police protection, which a governmental unit can choose to restrict or not pay, it is impossible to receive less service from the pensioner. The pension is payment for work already completed, or deferred compensation."

It quoted the late Richard Vandusen, Birmingham lawyer and delegate to the 1961-2 Constitutional Convention: "It is designed to prevent cities in the future from using the funds which are put into a pension fund to take care of current service benefits for any other purpose."

Said Boyle: "But the Legislature (including the governor) does not have authority to fail to pre-fund a pension fund, even temporarily."

Concurring were Chief Justice James Brinkley and Justices Conrad Mallett Jr. and Michael Cavanagh.

Dissenting, Justice Dorothy Comstock Riley agreed the court can't mandate Engler and the Legislature to pre-fund benefits, but she disagreed on the nature of the benefits.

"It is my belief that health care benefits do not equal financial benefits," she wrote. "Retirees don't spend money when they receive health care benefits, so they don't receive a financial instrument" and no financial benefit. Riley's view, if it prevailed, would take the Legislature and the school districts off the pre-funding hook.

Justice Charles Levin concurred in her dissent. Justice Elizabeth Weaver joined the bench two months after oral arguments were heard and took no part in the decision.

Footnote: Boyle drafted her opinion Nov. 7, six days after the high court heard oral arguments. But the majority decision wasn't announced until April 25.

## S'craft candidates on school election ballot

Polls are open until 8 p.m. today for the annual school election. In addition to local candidates and millage questions, voters will choose four representatives for the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees.

Incumbents Mary Breen of Plymouth Township, Harry Greenleaf of Livonia and Steve Ragan of Plymouth are running for three six-year terms expiring June 30, 2001.

They are challenged by Brian Broderick of Plymouth, an attorney with Leikin & Ingber of Southfield.

Trustee Carol Strom of Livonia, who was appointed in February 1994 to fill a vacancy, is running unopposed for a two-year term expiring June 30, 1997.

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MALLS & MAINSTREETS

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Farmington welcomes many new shops



By LINDA ANN CHOMIN, STAFF WRITER

Business is booming once again in downtown Farmington. The retail district is witnessing a mini boom in everything from coffee shops to custom aquariums.

few and far between according to Chrystyna Nykorak, director of the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce membership committee.

like we will be opening an art gallery in the former Century 21 building. Nykorak said. Here's a retail wrap-up of the latest changes: The anjon gallery will open on Grand River in September according to Kelly Horrigan-Slajus, owner. The gallery will feature all types of art including the works of Thomas Pradaynki, Aldo Luango, Joyce Schanzman and Rae Bronzan. Horrigan-Slajus has worked in the art business on both coasts for the past 13 years. Craftique Craft & Antique Mall

opened on May 2 at 33300 Slocum, just east of Farmington Road in historic downtown Farmington. Owner Dennis Nagy of Livonia offers crafts and antiques from 250 area dealers under one roof. Craftique is billed as seven days a week, Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. John and Diane Kanyo opened Something Wood in April. Kanyo described the business on Grand River in the Village Mall, as "a

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LINDA BACHRACK

A Father's Day to delight dad

Sometimes Dads don't get all the credit they deserve. We appreciate their steadfast determination to provide for their families and their unfailing dedication to their yards and boats and golf games, but there are some Dads who deserve special recognition.

If you have an "Award Winning Dad," perhaps the following suggestions will help you to present him with the perfect gift for Father's Day. The envelope please.

Every block has its own self-appointed Neighborhood Grillmeister. The Dad who claims this title needs the best tools available to aid in his quest for barbecue excellence. Hats off to the chef who never fires up the pit without an extra-long wooden-handled grill brush (\$5.97), oversized tongs (\$4.97), a slanted sauce brush (\$1.57), bamboo

skewers (\$1.97), stainless steel salad tongs that make great brat-turners (\$3.97) and a wooden-handled spatula to flip the burgers (\$5.97). Present these accessories in a hand-blown terracotta hat that will hold his famous sauce or guacamole (\$43.97) — all from Wells Freight & Cargo, 820 S. Woodward in Birmingham.

If the Shady Acres Lawn-Of-The-Month award goes to your husband, surprise him with a Solar Mower, the world's earth-friendly lawn mower. Solar Mower has all the power of a five-horsepower gasoline engine without the fumes or noise. An accessory socket powers specially designed string trimmers, edgers and other garden tools. This puts an end to costly filters, messy oils, and frustrating fuel cords. This brand new, high-tech mower is available at Solar Power International, Inc., 2000 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Call 1-800-SOLAR 02 for more information.

Can't slow down

And the Need For Speed award goes to... Is your Dad into fast cars and high-octane fun? If so, he probably had a front row seat at the recent Detroit Grand Prix. To provide him with a lasting memory of that renowned race, give him the 1995 edition poster that captures the feel of being at the edge of the track. The bold colors and textures are reminiscent of classic 1930s art deco lithographs. See this local work-of-art at Frames Unlimited in Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Rochester Hills, Southfield and Troy (\$15).

What do you give the man whose evocative distinction is that of The Suede Host? Give him music that creates a mood. Hear Music in the Somerset Collection, Troy, releases Cafe Noir's "The Walts King" today. The folks at this innovative music store suggest that "Cafe Noir's" delicate gypsy melodies and debonair, Sinatra-meets-Chevalier vocal styles, will have your guests under your spell from the instant they cross the threshold. It's up to him to choose the wine and the flowers. CDs are \$15.99.

If Dad deserves the Coach Potato award, move him outdoors into the fresh air. His new favorite "recliner" might be a comfy quilted hammock (\$149) and stand (\$119) or a cypress porch swing (\$159) from Crosse & Blackwell in the Somerset Collection, Troy.

The award for patience has to go to the Dad who spends his entire vacation snapping family photos. If the guy who gets the Just Say Cheese trophy lives in your home, make his life a little simpler with Canon's Sure Shot A-1 camera, the world's smallest and lightest underwater point-and-shoot camera. Just tuck this little gem into the beach bag and you're set. It even floats. Find it at Century Camera, 3017 N. Woodward, Royal Oak, for \$199.95.

Happy Father's Day to all! Linda Bachrack is a Birmingham resident. You can leave her column (days at (313) 963-2047, mailbox 1888, or fax them in (810) 644-1314.

Candle store lights up

By SUSAN DEMAGGIO, STAFF WRITER

There comes a time in every life when it's time for a change, you reach a crossroads and you must choose a new path.

For designer Beverly Pierson of Pierson and Pierson Interiors in Birmingham, the revolution in the furniture and home design business forced her decision to close the service and dissolve her partnership. "I was burn out, tired. But I knew I had to do something else," she said with a knowing smile. "And I knew it had to be something I liked, something I believed in, something that would incorporate all the feelings I have for celebrating the spirit, making a home a cozy, warm, pleasant place to be."

Her new direction? Pierson and her daughters Rachael and Bridget, are the proud partners behind The Gypsy's Light, a candle shop at 256 S. Eton Street, in the former headquarters of her design firm. "We sell all kinds of candles, luminaries, incense and aromatherapy," she said while pouring visitors cups of tea. (The Gypsy's Light stocks The Republic of Tea line of exotic flavored teas.) Her cat, Shadow walks by and hops up on sofa in the center of the store for an afternoon nap. "I chose the name Gypsy's Light, because the word gypsy makes me think of wonderful color. The word light, of course, because I sell candles."

Pierson has succeeded in creating a shop with a cozy atmosphere. It's a place to linger, browse and chat. The bright color on the walls and ceiling drapery give the shop a warm glow and the candles lit throughout the premises show off the unique merchandise, flickering with friendliness. Open since November, The Gypsy's Light has become a destination store for the area.

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Thoroughly modern trio: Shadow poses on the lap of The Gypsy's Light owner Beverly Pierson pictured with partner/daughter Rachael. The shop sells candles and aromatherapy accessories.

Schostak Brothers at the reins to manage the Bloomfield Plaza

By SUSAN DEMAGGIO, STAFF WRITER

The Bloomfield Plaza at Maple and Telegraph is under new management through Schostak Brothers & Co. of Southfield, following the death of long-time manager Marie Primo.

Tim Grimsky, director of property management at Schostak, said the company won a bid to manage the upscale strip center just three weeks ago.

"We'll do what's necessary to keep up the center's market share and improve it," he said, reviewing all the elements of the project. "Right now we're analyzing sales figures and meeting the tenants. There are three stores vacant at the property right now, and I understand some deals are in the works. It's important to find the right merchants for these spots."

The Bloomfield Plaza is owned by a group of investors and was first built in 1961 to house a Wrigley's Supermarket at the north end (now Kroger's).

Long-time tenant Don Thomas of Don Thomas Sportshaus said he moved into the south end when it was added in 1963.

"It's a busy plaza," Thomas said. "We have very few problems here. Many of the tenants have been here a long time."

The mini mall at the plaza is a neighborhood service center that houses a vacuum cleaner-repair shop, a barberhop, a florist, a

Gallery Restaurant and a mail service. Sauces & Tosses relocated to Grand Rapids earlier this year. The Madeline Boutique, facing Telegraph, is also for lease after the owners chose to retire in April. Studio 330 is expanding to the store-front next door to add to its giftware and tabletop lines. Sweet Dreams is coming into the former Sander's location.

Other tenants at the center include Damman Hardware, Robert Mann Furn, Roz & Shern, Steve's Deli, Frames Unlimited, Michigan Chandelier, Gall's Office Supply, The Workout Company, Hannah Rose Boutique, Sav-On Drugstore, The Argyle Shop, Lois Gross Cleaners, D.O.C. Optique and Concourse Photo.

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All retail businesses in suburban Malls and Main Streets are invited to submit announcements of upcoming events and promotions for Added Attractions. The deadline is the Wednesday before publication on Monday. Send the facts to: Malls & Mainstreets, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 905 E. Maple, Birmingham, 48009. Or fax to: (810) 644-1314.

MONDAY, JUNE 12

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

KIDS CLUB STARTS Wednesday summer activities for children ages 2-12. Register at management office. Upcoming events include science exhibit, pony rides, puppets, craft day, movies and magic show. Today: A Summer Picnic, 2 p.m. stage near Crowley's. Games, refreshments, prizes and more. Livonia Mall, Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (810) 478-1166.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

INFORMAL MEETING See the latest fashions from Chico's modeled during lunch from noon to 2 p.m. Stage & Co. Orchard Lake/As. Maple, West Bloomfield. (810) 695-8622.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

HOMELESS BENEFIT Guys 'N' Gals hosts their sixth annual Zip Up The Homeless clothing drive today from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Trade in used jeans (clean without holes) for a new pair at 50 percent off. All jeans donated to a shelter in Pontiac. Last year over 500 pairs of jeans were collected. Additional clothing and bedding, small furniture etc. is also being collected. Orchard Mall, Orchard Lake/Maple, West Bloomfield. (810) 851-1260.

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ART EXHIBIT Works from "The Artistic Touch," a book about what motivates artists in all mediums by West Bloomfield art teacher Chris Urwin on display at Doubleday's Book Shop. Author and artists meet shoppers noon to 2 p.m. Somerset Collection, Big Beaver/Coolidge, Troy. (810) 949-0080.

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Redeem receipts for a free gift for dad with every \$15 mall purchase at table set up in center court. Beginning 10 a.m. Livonia Mall, Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (810) 476-1166.

DAD'S CARD

Jacobson's offers kids the materials and chance to make a Father's Card for dad, noon to 4 p.m. Children's Department. Laurel Park Place, Six Mile/Newburgh, Livonia. (313) 591-7900.

FATHER'S DAY EVENTS

Pontiac hosts highest tie contest with shoppers bringing in their roughest ties; Father's Day craft (1-4 p.m.); drawing for a Florida trip for dad; Tommy Hilfinger jump rope contest 12-4 p.m. with T-shirt prizes. Laurel Park Place, Six Mile/Newburgh, Livonia. (810) 953-7500.

KIDS ACTIVITY

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Candles

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"One of our best customers is a little nine-year-old who comes in to exchange the apple-cinnamon ornaments she makes for merchandise we have in store," Rachel said with a smile. "We turn around and display her creations like we do with the other artists who sell their candles and artwork at the Gypsy's Light."

All purchases — gifts or not — are elegantly wrapped because the Piersons' philosophy is "everyone is special."

Working with long-time friend and publicist Kathleen Sheridan, Pierson plans to host special evening events at the shop, patterned after the salons of Europe where people get together to discuss issues or the latest books they've read.

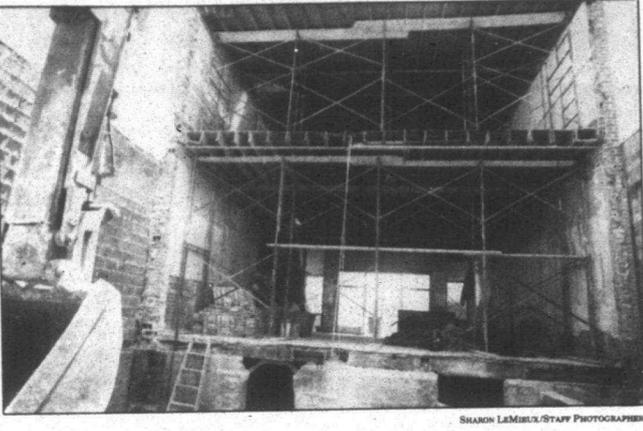
"Eventually, we'd like to open other Gypsy's Light stores in Royal Oak and Rochester," Rachel said. "But right now, we're concentrating on making our flagship store the best it can be."

The Gypsy's Light is next door to the Eton Square Market and across the street from Norman's Eton Street Station. It's open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursdays until 7 p.m. Sundays noon to 4 p.m.

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Future gallery: The old bank building (also known as the Century 21 building) on Grand River is being razed to make way for the anjon art gallery, set to open in September.

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BOOKPEOPLE LIQUIDATES

The Going Out of Business Sale at Bookpeople, the 21-year-old book store in the Orchard Mall in West Bloomfield is in its third week. Owners Rissa Winkelman and Sandy Nathanson said the shop's inventory has been reduced by 50 percent. They expect to close by the end of June. Winkelman said the business "hemorrhaged" less than a year after Barnes and Noble, and Borders Books opened superstores down the street.

"We anticipated some drop in sales when the competition arrived, but then we expected sales would level off," Winkelman said. "Instead, sales just kept dropping. And it didn't just happen to us, if that's any consolation. Independent book stores all over the country are going out of business."

The pair is considering opening a completely different enterprise in the same location in the fall, but plans are sketchy. "RECEIVES ACCREDITATION Katherine Ward-Darin, has earned professional accreditation as a Certified Leasing Specialist (CLS) from the International Council of Shopping Centers. She joined the Ramco-Gershenson Company in 1987. Her responsibilities include securing and retaining tenants for regional and community shopping centers as well as tenant coordination with the construction department."

Ward-Darin is a resident of Birmingham and a graduate of Western Michigan University. Ramco-Gershenson Inc. of Southfield, owns and manages Summit Place in Waterford and Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield, plus numerous other centers in Ohio, Wisconsin and Florida.

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country store." Items carried include tins, wire collectibles, country cookbooks, wooden children's toys, tables and chests with homey accents, and bird houses and feeders.

He also stocks yard decor like 6-foot working lighthouses and handcarved songbirds and duck decoys by David Geister of Garden City, and an anonymous Huntington Woods police officer.

The store is open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday noon to 4 p.m. "I'm a woodworker myself," said Kanyo, a Farmington Hills resident.

Waterworks Aquariums, also inside the Village Mall, specializes in setting up and servicing commercial and residential aquariums. Owner Nicholas Bakstelos of Farmington stocks salt water species, coral, and many other aquatic creatures. Bakstelos customizes aquariums in acrylic, glass or solid oak.

Stores hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, or by appointment the rest of the week.

Bedford Township resident Suzie Loiselle still expanded Suzanne's Bridal Gallery at 33316 Grand River in Farmington to include dresses for mothers of the bride on the second floor. Loiselle began her business one year ago selling bridal gowns and maid dresses. Her wide selection of gowns for all members of the wedding party come in sizes 6-26, priced from \$600 to \$2,000. The shop is open Monday and

Thursday until 8:30 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Cafe Gourmet opened a coffee house in March at 23310 Farmington Road south of Grand River. Owners Sam and Harry Kasht sell gourmet coffees, pastries and ice cream in a cozy space with seating for 40. The two Farmington Hills brothers are in the process of expanding their selection of food to include Coney Island hotdogs.

The Cafe Gourmet is open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Yellow Durban, should arrive in two weeks selling funky clothes, rock T-shirts and urbanwear in the old Huntington Cleaners building. The shop is owned by the Hosking Family with son Brad managing the business.

Judy Downey, director of the Farmington Downtown Development Authority, said she is thrilled over the bustling new businesses in the city.

"Shoppers should also take advantage of the Kids Series beginning June 14 which features a lineup of kid-centered activities every Wednesday through August 2 at 10:30 and noon in either the Civic Theater or a tent in the shopping center parking lot," she said. "The farmer's market is open every Saturday morning in the parking lot of the Village Commons until 2 p.m."

# Rouge Rescue a success despite mediocre turnout

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW  
STAFF WRITER

Despite lower than expected volunteer attendance, the 10th annual Rouge Rescue has been declared a success.

Organizers expected at least 3,000 volunteers at 30 sites for the cleanup Saturday, June 3, but got 2,000 to 2,500, said Jim Graham, the director of the Friends of the Rouge.

The worst case of absenteeism occurred at the Botsford Park site in Livonia where just two volunteers appeared.

"We've always had exceptional turnout," said organizer Sharon Sabat on the day of the cleanup. "We're just sitting here trying to figure out what went wrong."

Graham characterized the Livonia turnout as a "really strange occurrence," noting that Livonia usually has a good showing.

Other sites, however, drew great numbers. More than 400 volunteered to clear a two-mile stretch of the river in Westland near the corner of Warren and Newburgh, Graham said.

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Rouge Rescue organizer

A site in the city of Plymouth attracted 25 volunteers. Redford Township volunteers numbered 75. In Plymouth Township the Western Wayne County Conservation Association accumulated 13 volunteers.

In Farmington Hills there were more than 100 volunteers, and there were 150 in Southfield. "Southfield did their usual excellent job," Graham said. "That's an organizational masterpiece there."

There were no cleanup sites in Garden City or Canton Township.

Although fewer "non-natural" items are pulled from the river each year, Graham said, volunteers in Dearborn found at least two automobiles in the river. "It's a convenient place to put cars

that people don't want to have found," Graham said. "It's amazing some of the things people will put in the river."

In addition to cleaning the river, volunteers also planted trees, built and groomed wood-chip walking paths, stenciled storm drain inlets with a warning against dumping toxic materials like used motor oil, and built and placed nesting boxes for wood ducks, bluebirds, and brown bats.

Friends of the Rouge, a nonprofit community organization, was founded in 1986, and launched the first Rouge Rescue cleanup that year in 13 locations with about 1,500 volunteers.

"I think the river is flowing better today than it did a week ago," Graham said.



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**Tired:** Randy Christo of Farmington Hills was one of many volunteers who cleared debris from the Rouge River. Overall, volunteers numbered between 2,000 and 2,500. More than 3,000 had been expected.

# Camp creates confidence in art skills

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
SPECIAL WRITER

Turn summer into an exploration of the arts when D & M Art Studio, in cooperation with the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department, presents their fifth annual children's art camps beginning June 19.

The weeklong camps, this year focusing on "Art Menagerie from the Rain Forest," feature drawing, painting, cartooning, paper crafts, and wood painting.

The 11 art camp weeks for preschoolers (ages 3-6), students (ages 6-10) and teens (ages 11-16) will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. The camps close out the summer with a children's art exhibition on Aug. 27 open to the public.

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this year. Our special project is to build a rain forest using paper mache, carpet tubes and fabrics. We're also doing tribal masks," said Sharon Dillenbeck, D & M Art Studio owner.

"Because the theme is the rain forest we're going to have the kids paint clay pots with acrylic paints and a jungle theme."

A Studio Camp for multi-ages kicks off the camp June 19-23.

Regular camp begins the week of June 26.

"Studio camp teaching using a European method is real popular with the kids. The teens like working with the younger kids," said Dillenbeck.

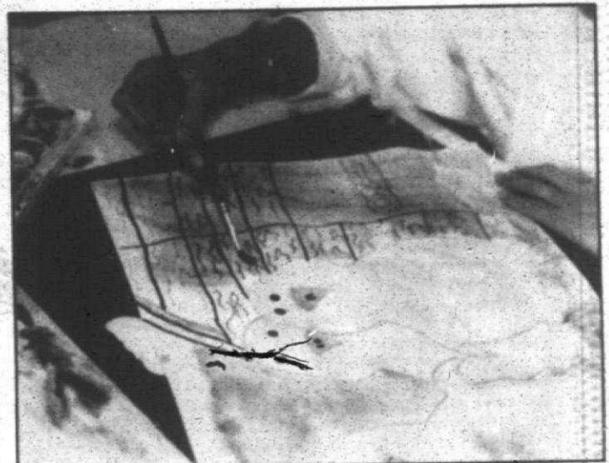
"As with all of our camps it isn't the end product that's important. It's how they got there. It's how they achieved what they did. What's unique about the

camps is, each has different subject matter, different interest levels. We have so many parents enrolling their kids in more than one session."

Last summer's camps culminated with a 300-piece children's art show, the largest-known kids art display in Michigan.

Prices for the camps range from \$55-\$105 per session. The cost includes all art materials and a jungle T-shirt. All registration can be made through D & M Studio through June 30 by calling (313) 453-3710 or dropping by 710 N. Mill in Plymouth's Old Village.

From July 1 through August register at the Plymouth Cultural Center or by calling (313) 455-6623.



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# TASTE

## TASTE BUDS



CHEF LARRY JANES

### Bathe foods in marinade to enhance their flavor

Now that the Janes Gang has a spiffy gas grill, we're finding ourselves on the back deck grilling during brisk fall evenings, a snowstorm, between rain showers and even more so on sunny days.

On Memorial Day weekend, yours truly visited friends in Lansing, and we got into a heated discussion over the benefits of marinating for tenderness.

#### Improving flavor

I distinctly remember reading somewhere that when it comes to cooking tougher cuts of meats on the grill, marinating does nothing to tenderize the meat.

Despite literally thousands of recipes that would have you believe they do, tests done by a major food magazine found that marinating meat, fish and poultry anywhere from 15 minutes to 24 hours made no discernible difference in tenderness. What they did find, however, was that marinating for several hours can greatly affect flavor.

All this talk about tenderizing came about because acids do break down the cell structure of protein. But according to Harold McGee, author of "On Food and Cooking," (Scribner's, copyright 1984) attempting to tenderize is "more like dissolving; it isn't a bad thing to do, but calling it tenderizing is stretching the truth."

McGee's study indicated that marinade doesn't penetrate more than a millimeter or so into the meat over a 24-hour period. "You're really just turning the surface proteins to mush" wrote McGee.

McGee claims we are tasting the strong flavors used in most marinades, even in fairly low concentrations. Further testing by "Cook's" magazine found that marinating meat and poultry for 15 minutes did not affect the flavor any more than brushing the food with a sauce during cooking.

And if that information isn't startling enough, additional testing indicated that after three hours of marinating, flavor was added to beef and lamb, but the taste of the marinade did nothing to affect the flavor of chicken.

Marinating overnight did wonders for the flavor of the chicken, but in that same period of time, an acidic marinade made with wine or vinegar overwhelmed the lamb. It turned the beef a purplish-brown color and camouflaged its taste.

On a recent trip to my favorite butcher shop I found a casserole of marinated chicken and shish-kebabs with a small sign indicating the chicken and kebabs were marinated in a "flavorizer" making the food "fork tender." When I politely pointed out that no liquid, short of pounding, can produce fork-tender meat or poultry, my butcher assured me that "I would be surprised" at what his flavorizer machine could accomplish. Well, I hate to say "I told you so" but ...I'll admit, the flavor was there, but its ability to tenderize? Hardly.

So what are common folk like you or I to do when looking for anything less than a rubber chicken?

#### Choice cuts

If you want tender beef or chicken, buy good meat or chicken. Jack Ubaldi, in his book "The Meat Book" (MacMillan, 1987) claims that when it comes to buying chicken, you need to know what kind of a chicken you want for your recipe.

Most of the chickens we buy at the grocers are called White Rocks. The smallest are squab broilers and the rest, averaging 2-3 pounds are dubbed "broilers." Needless to say, these are best broiled, fried, baked or roasted.

Roasters are 4-6 pounds and are best for roasting and braising. Any chicken more than 6 pounds, other than a capon, is best left for stewing or soup.

When it comes to choosing beef, there are more than seven grades, but Ubaldi says the first and most important grade should be the USDA stamp of approval.

The top-of-the-line beef is "prime," and less than 2 percent of beef make the "prime" cut. Supermarkets seldom carry prime, and you'll probably have to search out a "prime" butcher. The next grade is "choice," and it is usually best for grilling or roasting.

See Larry Janes' family-tested recipes inside. Chef Larry is a free-lance writer for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave a voice mail message for him dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then mailbox number 1886.

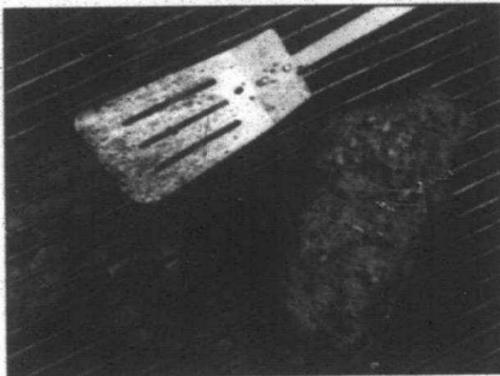
## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Rediscover great German white wines.
- Oakland Community College presents Culinary Classic.

## Dads really dig

# MEAT POTATOES



BY MARY RODRIGUE  
SPECIAL WRITER

Dads are still meat-and-potatoes kinds of guys.

We learned a lot what guys cook when we recently asked them to send a favorite recipe to us in exchange for tickets to the movie "Bye, Bye, Love."

More than 50 guys mailed or faxed their favorite recipe to us, and received passes to see the Twentieth Century Fox movie about divorced dads starring Randy Quaid and Paul Reiser.

Although there was an entry for summer pasta primavera featuring eggplant, roasted peppers and shitake mushrooms, dishes like grilled lamb chops, chili and hamburger casserole were more the norm.

One man's recipe for meatloaf? Make two meatloafs - one large pan, one small pan. When the small one burns, the big one is ready. Thanks for sharing that, Steven Mondrow of West Bloomfield.

Some guys went ethnic, like Haroune Alameddine, who submitted a recipe for hummus tahini dip and Tom Hadjimarkos' Greek breakfast bogatzta. Both these chefs live in Farmington Hills.

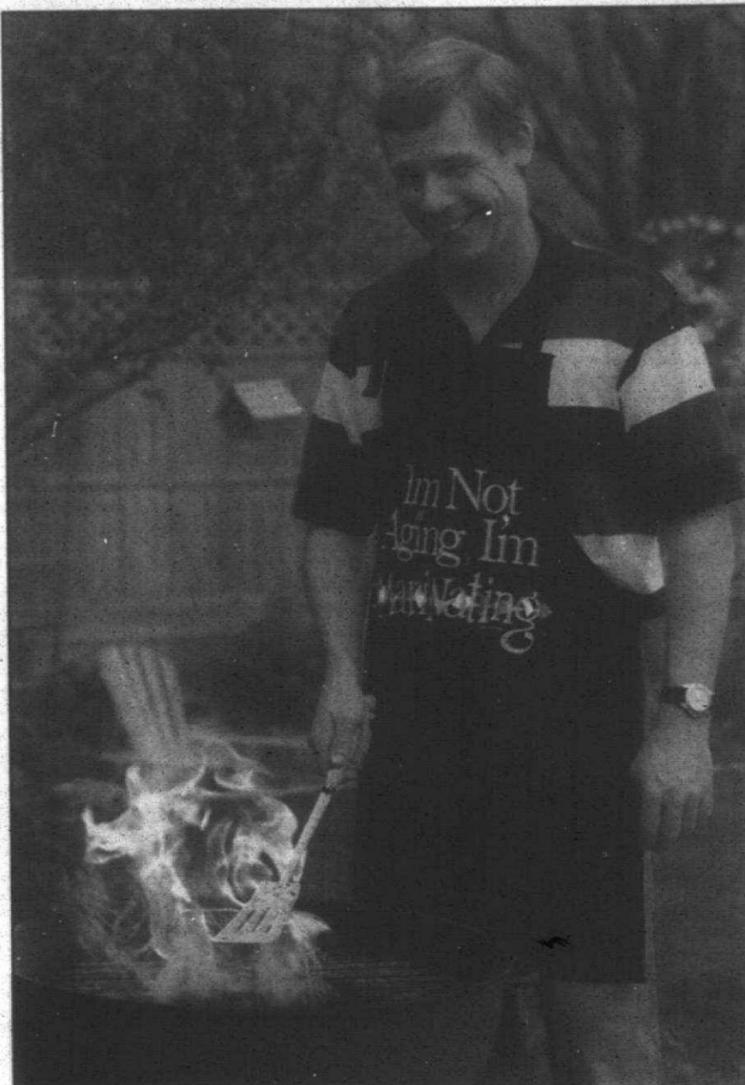
Men like big food. We had

recipes for a monster sandwich and monster cookies. And we believed Jerome Weingarden of Westland, who said he made his favorite dessert recipe, chocolate peanut butter swirls, often for his kids. The well-worn cardboard recipe he sent had the stains to prove it.

Here then is a sampling of what dads out there are cooking. David Kresky of Farmington likes to grill for his family, even in the winter.

"Cooking is a hobby," said Kresky, who prepares meals for his wife, Cyndy, and kids Chelsea, 11, and Chadwick, 10, both students at Flanders elementary. "Cyndy and the kids prefer chicken, but I like pork. We do a lot of roasts. Marinade is the important thing."

Kresky, owner of Final Design, an industrial process control company in Royal Oak, offered a recipe for one of his favorites,



SHARON LEMIEUX/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Grilling: David Kresky cooks Whiskey Peppercorn Steak, a family favorite.

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bourbon pepper steak.

In Redford, project engineer Dan Sly enjoys making dinner for his family a couple of times a week.

"My mom taught me to cook when I was little," he said. Now grandma is teaching his oldest child, Alexandra, 4, how to make muffins and cookies.

"I like to make chicken stir fry, and marinate pork chops in Italian dressing to cook on the grill," he said. "I usually don't follow many recipes. I taste test every-

thing." His wife, Wendy, and kids Alex,

4, Zachary, 3, and Jordon, 1, enjoy his meals.

He says the recipe he faxed us, for chicken squares, is a special treat he might prepare once a month.

Jerome Weingarden of Westland says women like men who cook. While he was dating his wife, Juanita, he cooked for her.

"I started cooking when I was about 19," he said. "Cooking is fun and it's relaxing."

"I can do desserts, and I do main courses like roast beef and steaks."

His advice to other men cooks? "Use the microwave. It's easier than the conventional oven."

Weingarden makes his chocolate peanut butter swirls with daughters Candace, 9, and Jennifer, 6, both students at Stottlmyer elementary in Westland.

See recipes inside.



## Son spoils family with his cooking

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Comforting smells of dinner in progress greet Susan and Howard Dubin of West Bloomfield when they walk in the door after working all day at Dubin Optometric Clinic in downtown Farmington. Their son, Matt who works at Alexander Hamilton Life in Farmington Hills, and attends Walsh College at night, follows close behind.

Son Art, a cook at Big Daddy's Parthenon, is in the kitchen preparing one of his specialties.

He works 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., and stops for groceries on the way home from work with his grandma, Clara Dubin.

"Then he comes home and makes marvelous dinners," said Susan, adding that all of her friends are jealous.

"His joy is making dinner," said Susan about her son Art. "He loves to wait on people. He's the ultimate host."

For special days, like Father's Day, Art spoils his family by preparing a feast that includes roast turkey with homemade stuffing, his famous green beans seasoned with Hoisin sauce, soy sauce and dill, acorn squash baked with honey, and salad.

"I love to make soup," said Art who doesn't use a recipe when he cooks. "Nothing ever tastes the same thing twice at our house," said Susan. "His stuffing recipe was modified from a family recipe."

Cooking comes naturally to Art

who is an autistic savant. "Long before it was fashionable we bought a microwave oven so he could do things and not get hurt," said Susan. "He's been cooking since he was 7. I've always loved to cook, and Art helped me."

To fine tune his cooking skills, Arthur attended the Eton Academy in Birmingham, and studied culinary arts at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. During the summer he attended camp, and when he got older, started helping in the kitchen. He worked at the camp for seven summers.

Arthur, who is very slim, keeps his family healthy by preparing dishes made with natural ingredients, and in-season fruits and vegetables. They eat very little red meat, preferring fish and chicken instead. "We're not freezer, cook ahead people," said Susan.

Arthur is also generous, and cares about other people. "You can't come to my house without getting something to eat," said Susan. And after Arthur finished carving and serving the turkey, he took the carcass over to a neighbor's house so she could make soup.

See recipes inside. Look for Super Supper on the second Monday of the month in Taste. Send recipes for consideration in this feature to: Keely Wygonik, Taste/Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.



JOHN STORMEYARD

Royal feast: Howard Dubin (center) gets treated royally on Father's Day by his son Art, who is carving turkey, and wife Susan.

# Fire up your grill for shrimp or mushrooms

See related story on Taste front.

**CHILLED GRILLED SHRIMP IN A CHILE MARINADE**

1/4 cup peanut oil  
2 tablespoons lime juice  
1 tablespoon lime zest  
4 cloves garlic, chopped fine  
1 teaspoon hot garlic chile oil

24 medium shrimps about 1 pound unshelled

Whisk oil, lime juice, zest, chile paste and a pinch of salt in a glass bowl. If using wooden skewers to grill, soak the skewers in water for 30 minutes.

Thread shrimp on skewers and brush with marinade, reserve remaining marinade. (Can cover and

refrigerate overnight.) Heat the grill and place the skewers on an oiled grill rack and cook, turning once, until shrimp are opaque, about 2 minutes. Cool slightly.

Peel and devein shrimps. Add shrimps to remaining marinade. Marinate 45 minutes. Drain, arrange shrimp on a bed of greens and toss with a small amount of addi-

tional marinade. Arrange on a plate and serve. Serves 4.

**GRILLED PORTABELLO MUSHROOMS WITH BALSAMIC MARINADE**

4 portabello mushrooms, stems removed  
1/4 cup olive oil

2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar  
1 clove garlic, minced fine

Place the portabello mushrooms on a lightly oiled grill rack. Place over medium coals and grill, cap side up for 10 minutes.

Turn portabellos over to expose their ribbed underside. Combine

oil, balsamic vinegar and garlic and whisk until combined.

Brush the balsamic vinaigrette over the ribbed underside of the portabellos generously. Cover and cook for 5 minutes. Repeat. Remove from grill and serve. Serves 4.

*Chef's secret: If you've never had portabellos before, after cooking, they taste just like steak!*

# Bread stuffing, seasoned green beans are sure to please

See related Super Supper on Taste front.

**BREAD STUFFING**

1 loaf Challah or onion bread  
6 onion rolls  
2 ounces (about 1/4 cup) margarine

1 medium onion  
3 stalks celery, chopped  
3 carrots, chopped  
1/4 bunch fresh parsley  
1 1/2 cartons Egg Beaters  
2 1/4 canned Chicken broth (unseasoned or fresh) or onion soup mix with water

2 teaspoons sage  
1 tablespoon garlic, chopped  
Fresh cracked black pepper to taste

Cube bread and rolls. Place in very large mixing bowl. Melt margarine and add onion, celery and carrots.

Saute until tender. Add to cubed bread. Add remaining ingredients. Adjust moisture. Mix well. Place in greased casserole dish. Bake in preheated 350 degree F oven for 1 hour or until desired doneness. If no crust is desired, cover loosely with foil while baking. Serves 8.

**SEASONED GREEN BEANS**

1 medium onion, chopped  
1/4 cup Canola oil  
2 pounds fresh green beans  
1/2 cup water  
2 tablespoons light soy sauce  
2 tablespoons Hoisin sauce

2 tablespoons fresh dill  
Fresh ground black pepper to taste

Saute onion until brown. Add beans. Toss to taste. Add remaining ingredients and cook over heat, until desired doneness. Serves 8.

*Recipes from Art Dubin.*

# Dads share some favorite recipes

See related story on Taste front.

**WHISKEY PEPPERCORN STEAK**

1 New York strip steak, 1/4-inch thick  
Marinade  
1/4 cup olive oil  
2 tablespoons steak sauce  
1 teaspoon Tabasco sauce  
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
4 cloves garlic, chopped  
2 tablespoons coarsely chopped black peppercorns

Combine sauce ingredients in saucepan, heat continuously, stirring until honey no longer sticks to pan.

Grill steak over medium coals for seven minutes on each side. Cover with sauce.

*Recipe from David Kresky.*

2 tablespoons chopped onion  
8 ounce can crescent rolls  
1/4 cup crushed croutons

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Mix cream cheese and 2 tablespoons melted margarine in mixing bowl. Add chicken, salt, pepper, milk, onion and mix thoroughly.

**CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER SWIRLS**

1 cup Skippy peanut butter  
1/2 cup powdered sugar  
1/4 cup shredded or flaked coconut  
1/2 cup light corn syrup  
2 cups Cheerios cereal  
1 package (5.75 ounces) milk chocolate chips  
2 tablespoons water

Mix peanut butter, powdered sugar, coconut and corn syrup in medium bowl. Stir in cereal. Shape mixture into 1 1/2-inch balls, flatten slightly. Heat chocolate chips and water in a saucepan over medium heat, stirring constantly until melted. Cool. Dip tops of balls into chocolate. Place on waxed paper lined cookie sheet. Refrigerate until firm, about 30 minutes. Makes about 2 dozen cookies.

# COOKING CALENDAR

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**Classes**

**FUNDAMENTALS OF WINE** - ordering, serving and pairing with food, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Summer whites, sample an array of white wines from many areas, learn how to match food and wine to grape varieties, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, \$19. Summer Pinch Desserts, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, \$16. Classes taught at the Community House, 380 South Bates, Birmingham. (810) 644-5632

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Guest artist: The Jack Brokensha Quartet will be performing Sunday, June 18 at a special Father's Day brunch at the Bostford Inn in Farmington.

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Send or call for reservations by June 14. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Bostford Inn is at 28000 Grand River, just north of Eight Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

beef, shrimp and dessert will be served. Tickets for this SEMJA fund-raiser are \$25 per person with reserved seating at tables for eight. Call (810) 474-2720 or (810) 437-9468. To order tickets by mail, make check payable to SEMJA and send to: SEMJA, 20457 Maplewood, Livonia, MI 48152. Tickets may be purchased by the table or individually.

# Make cookies for Dad's Day dessert

Reinforcing children's self-esteem through an exploration of family heritage can make this Father's Day go beyond the funny card and new necktie. And when the concept is carried out in the form of delicious dessert cookies to top off a meal of his favorite dishes, the result is sure to be a hit.

An American holiday, Father's Day is traditionally observed on the third Sunday of June. The custom was started on June 10, 1919, by Mrs. John Bruce Dodd, who wanted to honor her own father. The Ministerial Association of Washington, D.C., sponsored the original celebration, and the participants were asked to wear a red rose to honor their living fathers or a white rose to commemorate a deceased father.

The hodge-podge of cultural heritages in America makes the celebration of Father's Day an ideal time to examine the family's background, and tracing family history will create a celebration that is fun for the whole family.

Here are some recipes from the Crisco Kitchens to try.

**FAMILY TREE COOKIES**

1 1/2 cups firmly packed light brown sugar  
1/2 cup Crisco Stick or 1/2 cup Crisco all-vegetable shortening  
1 tablespoon water  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
2 eggs  
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup unweatened baking cocoa  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 cups (12 ounce package) miniature semi-sweet chocolate chips

1 cup light corn syrup or regular pancake syrup  
1 tablespoon vanilla  
3 cups all-purpose flour (plus 4 tablespoons divided)  
1/4 teaspoon baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1/2 teaspoon salt

2 cups confectioners' sugar  
3-5 tablespoons water  
Food coloring

Combine sugar and shortening in large bowl. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer until blended.

**SUGAR SHELD COOKIES**

1 1/4 cups granulated sugar  
1 Butter Flavor Crisco Stick or 1 cup Butter Flavor Crisco all-vegetable shortening  
2 eggs  
1/4 cup light corn syrup or regular pancake syrup  
1 tablespoon vanilla  
3 cups all-purpose flour (plus 4 tablespoons divided)  
1/4 teaspoon baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1/2 teaspoon salt

2 cups confectioners' sugar  
3-5 tablespoons water  
Food coloring

Combine sugar and shortening in large bowl. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer until blended.

**PEANUT BUTTER HANDPRINT COOKIES**

1 1/4 cups firmly packed light brown sugar  
1/2 cup creamy peanut butter

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Combine brown sugar, shortening, water and vanilla in large bowl. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer until blended.



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MONDAY, JUNE 12, 1995

## CANTON SPORTS SCENE

### PCA standouts

The end of the school year is here, and a number of Plymouth Christian Academy student-athletes have been singled out for their achievements.

First, on the baseball field of play, the Eagles' Chris McCoy, a senior, was selected to the all-Michigan Independent Athletic Conference second team for baseball. Three other Eagles were honorable mention selections: James Speier, a junior; Dan Zahn, a sophomore; and John Isensee, a freshman.

In addition, several Eagles were named to the various MIAC all-academic teams.

In boys soccer, there were Matt Smith, Daniel Gullede, James Neil, John Pugno and Art Partain; in girls basketball, there were Amy Jefferies, Karin Reed, Sarah Sumner and Lisa Erickson; in boys cross country, there were Ryan Jefferies and Daniel Marlow; in boys basketball, there were Jeremy Hsia and James Neil; in volleyball, there were Karin Reed, Katie Martin, Amy Jefferies, Sarah Sumner, Kelly McNally and Kelly Hamlin; in baseball, there were Rich Porter, John Pugno and Chris Brandon; in softball, there were Amanda Clark, Lisa Erickson, Kim Rinzema, Karin Reed, Katie Martin and Shruti Nandan; and in boys and girls track, there were Amy Jefferies, Jill Barnett, Daniel Marlow, Elisa Moore, Heidi Yonkman, Ryan Jefferies and Matt Smith.

### Close finish

Dolly Vettese, of Plymouth, came within a stroke of first place at Wednesday's Women's Metropolitan Golf Association weekly tournament at Wolverine Golf Course in Mount Clemens.

Unfortunately, so did a couple of others. Vettese tied Vicki Vanbecelaere and Sally Smith for second place in the second flight, each shooting a 96. The winner of the flight was Louise Baldino with a 95.

### Soccer champs

The Canton Lightning, an under-11 boys select division team in the Western Suburban Soccer League, finished first with a 7-1 record. The Lightning outscored their opponents 26-4.

Team members were Jeffrey Bennett, Jai Bili-moria, Daniel Boylan, David Daigneau, Erik Durance, Ryan Foley, Kirk Hecksel, Nicholas Houdek, Brent Kwiatkowski, Daniel Longpre, Randy Palis, Jason Priebe, Aaron Schmidt, Kevin Schopieray, Matthew Strabbing, Ben Wielchowski and Jamie Zdrodowski. Coaches for the Lightning are Watson Zdrodowski, Leroy Schopieray and Mike Longpre.

### Soccer sign-up

The Plymouth Lightning, an under-17 girls premier soccer team affiliated with the Little Caesars Premier Soccer League, will host tryouts for girls whose birth date is on or before Aug. 1, 1978.

The tryouts will be at 6 p.m. July 22-23 at Pioneer Middle School. Players are asked to bring water, a light and dark colored shirt, and a ball each night.

Call coach Gerry Deren at 462-3608 for further details.

### Linebackers Club to meet

The Plymouth Salem Football Linebackers Club will host a general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Salem High School cafeteria.

All interested patrons of Salem football and parents with boys interested in playing football for Salem next fall are asked to attend. Topics under discussion will be upcoming events.

### Rec activities

The Canton Parks and Recreation Service is sponsoring its second annual Race Day in the Park Saturday, July 15, at Heritage Park. Included in the agenda is the 17th annual five-mile run, a half-mile fun run for kids and the five-kilometer (3.1 miles) walk.

Cost for the five-mile run and 5-K walk \$10 (\$12 after July 13). The half-mile fun run is \$2. Plaques and special prizes will be awarded. Call 397-5110 for further details.

This is the final chance to sign up for sand volleyball leagues. Play in the men's league (two-man teams) starts next Monday; play in the coed league (four-person teams) begins Sunday. Both are at Heritage Park.

Cost for men's teams is \$45 (four player limit); for coed teams, it's \$48. Price includes T-shirts for all participants and awards to the top teams. There are no residency requirements. Call 397-5110 for more information.

The 15th annual Father's Day three-person "scrambles" golf tournament will get under way at 11 a.m. Sunday at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton. Cost for the three-person teams is \$94; awards will be presented to the top three teams, longest drive and closest-to-the-pin. The scrambles-style tournament is open to all golfers. Call 397-5110 for details.

## Salem tumbles in title game

To beat Salem, an opponent needed to control one very important factor: The Rocks explosive forwards, Mari Hoff and Kelly Lukasik. Seaholm proved to be the team capable of doing it.

By C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER



Throughout its state tournament run, Plymouth Salem had made a habit of giving opponents a bit of rope, then hanging them.

Birmingham Seaholm didn't give their foes anything — the Maples just hung them.

At Saturday's Class A state soccer final, held at the Salem-Canton field, neither team was able to extend their particular dominance. But there's little doubt Seaholm dominated, controlling the midfield throughout the game and keeping the Rocks' attack bottled up for most of it.

The result was Seaholm's first-ever state championship, by a 4-2 margin.

The player whose name will be most closely associated with this championship will be the Maples' Lindsay Michelotti, a freshman forward who collected three of her team's goals.

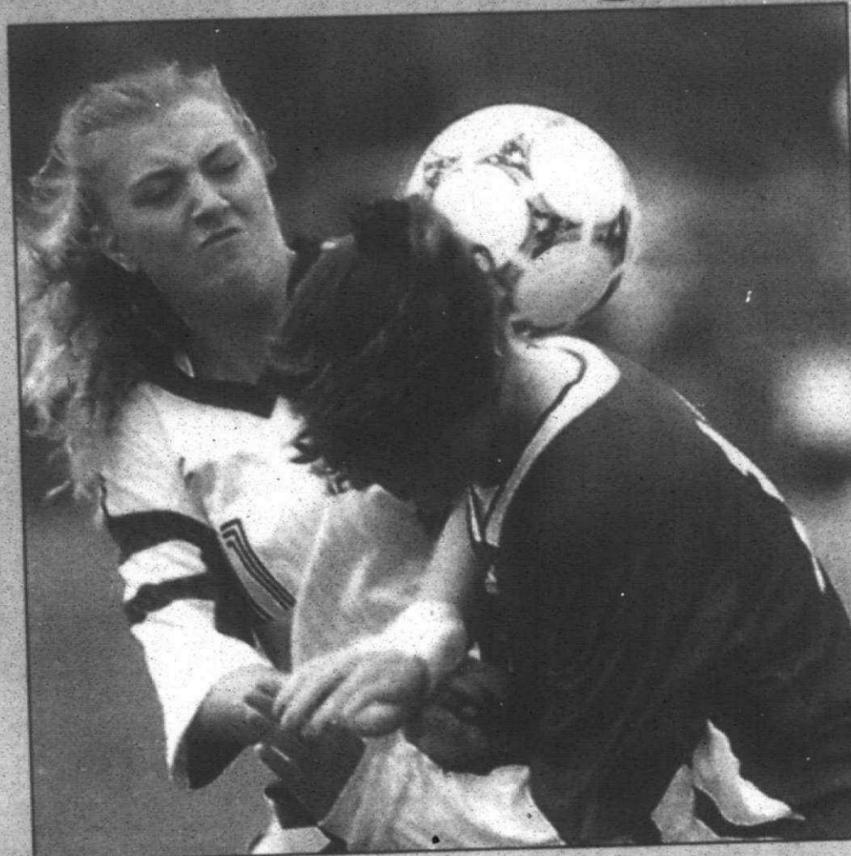
Ironically, her play early in the match concerned her coach, Ken Hammond. He pulled her out of the game to "get her refocused once more. She's a young player, a freshman."

After that, she hardly played like it.

The officials took away any hope of Seaholm prolonging its defensive mastery early in the game. In the first six state tournament matches, the Maples posted five shutouts — allowing a single goal in their district opening victory over Birmingham Marian.

After just 7:46, their shutout string ended when Meredith McMahon was called for a hand ball inside the penalty area. Salem's Kelly Lukasik converted the penalty kick, and Salem — for one of the few times in the state tournament

See SOCCER, 3C



DAN DEAN/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A struggle: Salem's Kelly Lukasik (in white) discovered how rough it would be against Seaholm in several mixups like this.

### To the limit



Tough pitching: Canton, behind the exceptional pitching of Jackie Nicastri (above), pushed Belleville to its final at-bat before bowing out.

## Regional crown goes to Rocks

By RICHARD L. SHOOK  
STAFF WRITER

Tradition is hard to beat — as tough to defeat as a good baseball team.

Plymouth Salem has both factors in its favor: a good baseball team with a great tradition.

Just how good will be determined in the next few days as the Rocks, 25-7, start their quest for a third state championship Tuesday in a quarter-final game against Redford Catholic Central (24-8) at Milan Middle School.

Salem reached the MHSAA baseball tournament quarterfinals for the fourth time with a 12-0 mercy trouncing of Ann Arbor Huron in the regional semifinals Saturday at Novi, followed by a breezy 10-1 romp over Jackson in the wrap-up game.

"I feel really fortunate this has happened in my first year as head coach," said the caretaker of Salem's tradition, Dale Rumberger. "We've won seven of our last nine district championships and we're proud that people expect us to win."

"Sometimes people expect a lot, their expectations are high. And sometimes it's hard for kids to accept that responsibility and come through. But our kids do."

The Rocks' first game was really

over before it started. Salem lined up behind the right-field fence to loosen up while watching the final innings of Jackson's 12-11 comeback win over Walled Lake Western. The message was clear: Salem is here.

And Ann Arbor Huron got the message when it took the field for warm-ups. Salem quietly and confidently moved out of its dugout, nearly obliv-

See BASEBALL, 3C



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Out at second: Kaz Kurisu makes the toss to first after getting Jackson's Ben Lasky at second. Salem's defense sparked in both regional wins.

## All-Area boys track team races to win

By BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Lutheran High Westland's Mike Unger couldn't ask for a better season from his boys track team.

The Warriors' coach watched his team win just about everything in sight, going undefeated in dual meets (13-0 record), along with titles at the Ram Relays, the 16-team Monroe-Jefferson Invitational and Metro Conference championship (third in a row).

Lutheran Westland also captured its first-ever Class C regional title. For his efforts, Unger has been named 1995 Observerland Coach of the Year.

"We have about 50 kids on the

team and that's about one-third of the boys in our school," said Unger, who has been head coach eight years and athletic director for nine. "We go around, ask, and then encourage them to come out as freshmen. But we basically let them do whatever they want."

"Anybody who has ever come here has never really run track before." Unger, a native Detroit, ran football at Detroit Lutheran West High. He spent two years at Henry Ford Community College before moving to Concordia Teachers College (Seward, Neb.) where he was a distance runner. Unger holds a master's degree in education from Wayne State.

"We didn't really try to win the regional, but it just happened that way," Unger said. "Our main goal was

to get as many people as we could to the state meet."

Area coaches gathered recently in a meeting to select the top three performers in each event. This year's team is led by Redford Union standout Tom Kessel, who finished second in the 800-meter run at the state Class A meet.

Introducing the 1995 All-Area Boys Track Team:

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John Spelsky, Redford Catholic Central, shot puts in the Catholic League championships. Spelsky won the event with an area best toss of 51 feet, 8 inches. The junior was also individual champion at the Observerland and Oxford Relays, as well as Region 5-A and Operation-Friendship champ.



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### Neon making its mark with tough twentysomething crowd

Chrysler Corp. President Robert Lutz borrowed an adage from ex-Chairman Lee Iacocca to introduce the carmaker's first all-new subcompact since 1978: "If this car doesn't excite you, you had better check your pulse because you're dead."

Chrysler is aiming the "no sacrifices" 1995 Neon at the twentysomething crowd, betting value for the dollar is more important than the price tag.

To make a point, Lutz reminds: "Value is more important than price. Yugo proved that."

The new-for-'95 Dodge and Plymouth-badged Neons, which can go up to 125 mph at top speed, come with an \$8,975 price tag. But the carmaker's real goal is to penetrate the lucrative overseas market, so Chrysler-badged Neons are being exported to 18 European markets via the dealer's 18,000 European dealers.

Theodor R. Cunningham, executive vice president of sales and marketing, says Neon sales are booming. In April, a record 17,941 Neons were bought nationwide.

And last month in New York, Chrysler accepted the American Marketing Association's 1994 Grand Edison New Product Marketer of the Year award for innovative excellence for its work on the Neon and Chrysler Cirrus. The two cars won individual Gold Edison Best New

Product awards. The awards were established eight years ago to recognize American marketing excellence and innovation.

Hours after Lutz introduced the new cab-forward designed Neon to thousands of auto executives and journalists in Frankfurt, Germany, last year, he and Chairman Robert Eaton conducted what amounted to live fireside chats via satellite with U.S. journalists in eight major cities, including Detroit and Washington.

It marked the first time a member of the Big Three automakers had introduced a U.S.-made car abroad.

Eaton was candid about the importance of the Neon to Chrysler's future.

"It is important to make a

profit" with the Neon, said Eaton, who took over as Chrysler chairman when Iacocca retired. "We do not expect to lose money on this car."

"The Neon will dispel the myth that America can't build exciting cars," added Lutz, whose 700-member platform team brought the Neon to market in 31 months at a development cost of \$1.3 billion — about half what it cost to develop the Neon is being built in North America, it is designed for markets around the world.

"The Neon is a different kind of American small car. It will not be a car of sacrifices. It'll have performance, be environmentally responsible, fuel efficient, stylish ... a car

with personality and character. We want it to be a car people want to own, not a car they buy because that's all they can afford. It's a car that goes beyond expectations. It's more than just transportation."

Lutz expects a good response to the Neon in Europe. "Chrysler is showing a commitment to the European market," he said. "When we returned to Europe in 1987, some people said American carmakers couldn't innovate without a Japanese or European partner ... For too many years, American companies were behind the curve. But Chrysler wants to prove with the Neon that it's a whole new game."

Four-door Neons are made in Belvidere, Ill. Coupes are manufactured in Toluca, Mexico. Belvidere can make up to 300,000 Neons a year and Toluca another 75,000.

The 2,320-pound Neon offers a 2.0-liter, 16-valve, single overhead cam 4-cylinder engine and is available in 5-speed manual transaxle or 3-speed automatic transaxle. It comes equipped with dual front-seat air bags, available anti-lock brakes and an integrated child safety seat.

Lutz said the Neon's flashy look could make all the difference to the discerning buyer. "The young Germans I've met here are particularly taken with the two-door coupe," he said. "They really like the different headlight."

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Anne Fracassa is senior editor of Avanti NewsFeatures.

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Do you remember those times when you wanted to clear the frost from your windshield while the car was warming up? Imagine scraping your knuckles across that same frosted windshield, and you can understand the abuse your wiper blades sustained.

"Road film, dirt, salt, petroleum products and the additional pollution in the air all contribute to the deterioration of the rubber wiping edge of wiper blades," Reighart says.

Here are some wiper-blade tips from the experts at ANCO: • Windshields contaminated with waxes and oils will not allow windshield wipers to perform properly, causing poor visibility.

• Many types of windshield wipers actually will lift off the windshield at highway speeds. Use wipers designed with aerodynamic features to improve wiper performance at high speeds for clearer driving vision.

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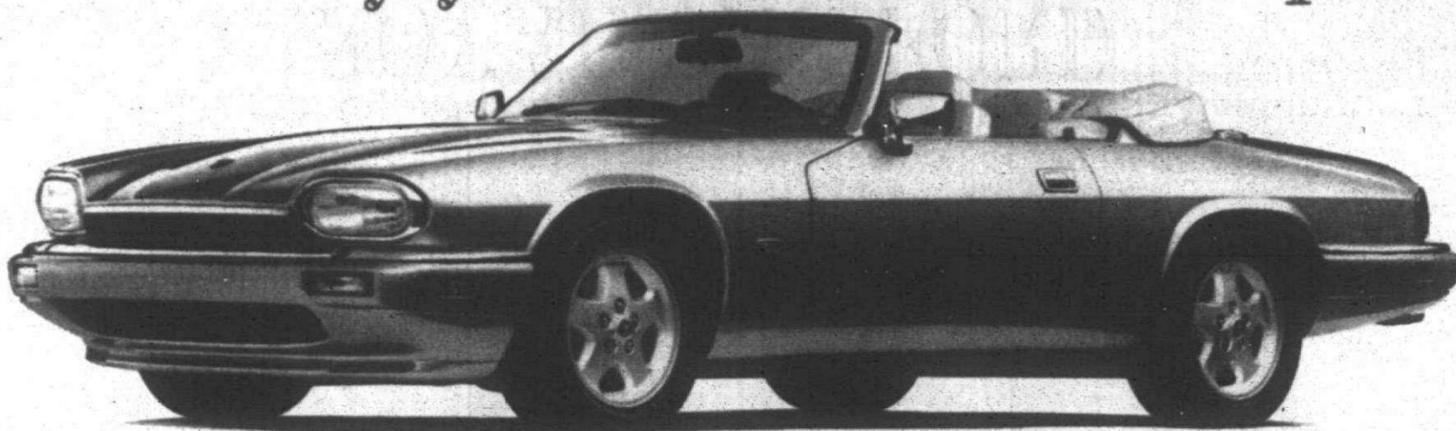
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