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Bond election  
challengers  
seek injunction

## ■ PLYMOUTH-CANTON SCHOOLS

BY M.B. DILLON  
STAFF WRITER

Former state Rep. Jerry Vorva, attorney Stephen Boak and 10 others challenging Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' bond election say they'll go to court to force the district to hold a special mail election.

"My group has discussed the issues at hand, and will be seeking an injunction and a writ to cause the board of canvassers to do what we requested," said Vorva, a Realtor and third-year law student who formerly represented Plymouth in Lansing. "The next step is to go to circuit court seeking an injunction to stop them from selling bonds. We are also looking at a possible constitutional challenge."

Vorva's co-challengers include Plymouth City Manager Steven Walters, Plymouth Township treasurer Ron Edwards, and precinct representatives including Joan Washburn, Patricia Funke, Dolores Dalski, Marlene Carroll, Martin Pouget, Janelle Woodmagyar, Barbara Adkins and Brenda Katulski.

"Certainly, I think the law wasn't intended just to address defects in the equipment," said Boak, adding that he will file this week or next. "I think the intent of the legislation was that there not be a defect in the system. The system, to me, includes the human part of it, which is the education of the voter, the education of the poll workers, and making sure that everything is in place, such as the instruction signs within the booths themselves. My information is that those weren't always present. They were in some precincts, and not in others."

Legally, added Boak, "the school board had to request approval from the Secretary of State in order to hold that election with that equipment. The statute says the approval will be for one election only. I would venture to say that would be one of the grounds to set the entire election aside."

Plymouth-Canton Superintendent Charles Little said Tuesday that no one has informed him of a legal challenge. "Right now, there is nothing blocking us from proceeding. We've had certification by an inde-

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## Mega housing project on way



A plan to build more than 300 new homes in the Ford-Ridge-Saltz Road area has been approved by the planning commission and welcomed by neighbors - who will likely get city water and sewer as a side benefit.

BY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

Residents in rural Canton surprisingly welcomed three colonial-style housing developments planned for Ford Road between Ridge and Beck - just as long as they bring city water and sewer.

The planning commission on Monday gave tentative approval to the

222-acre Founders Wood preliminary planned development district (PDD) proposed by developer Richard Lewiston.

Lewiston called the plans for 303 homes his "most exciting in 30 years." It includes the Vintage Valley subdivision on the southeast corner of Ford and Ridge roads, north of Saltz; the Antique Forest subdivision, further east on Ford and north

of Saltz; and Southern Park, on the south side of Saltz.

All three housing developments will be connected by a pedestrian path system into the Cherry Hill Historic District with "interesting footbridges" over Fellows Creek and parts of the Rouge River, Lewiston said.

"New style lines for houses are planned to break the monotony of what we already have here, which is some of the finest housing around," he said.

The housing lines being developed over the next month include wing colonial and Georgian designs with

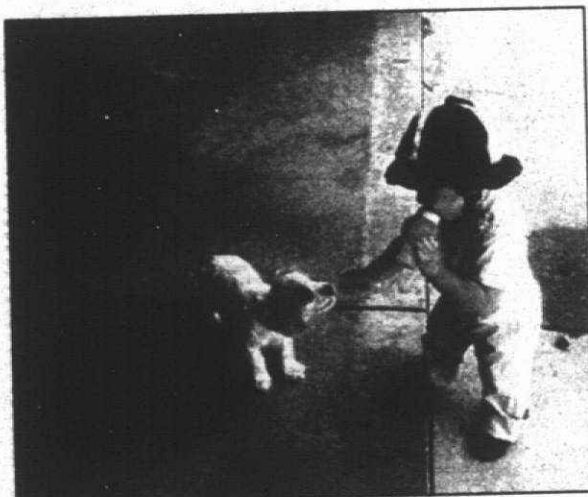
side facing garages.

Despite the plans that will cater to the rural flavor of the mostly agricultural area, residents were more concerned with water and sewer hook-up. Plans are to run the utility north on Beck to Saltz and west to Ridge.

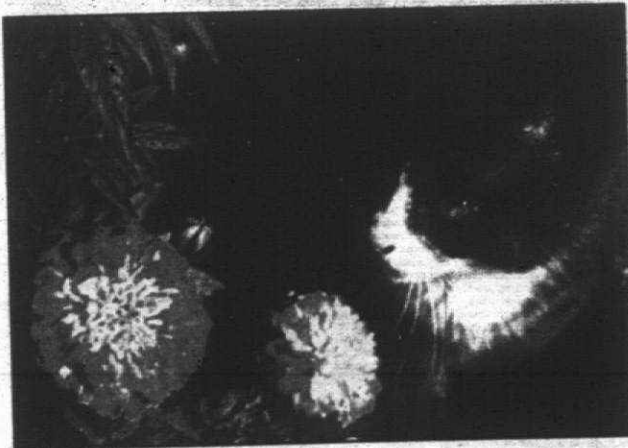
Resident Andy Haines collected signatures from 45 homeowners in the Beck and Saltz area - all but three - who are willing to give up 27 feet of easement for the installation of water and sewer lines.

"All you have to do is go east a

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**Photo winners:** Counterclockwise from top: first place, Vivian Van Vliet; second place, Cheryl Van Vliet; youth prize, Inge Baessler; and third place, Teresa Lousias.

Pets and kids—  
a winning  
combinationBY TEDD SCHNEIDER  
EDITOR

A Canton Township woman and her mother were awarded the top two prizes for separate entries in this year's Plymouth-Canton Civitan Color Photo Contest.

Cheryl Van Vliet of Canton won second place for "Isaac" a photograph of her mother's dog draped in a towel. "We have a cottage on the lake and we were trying to teach Isaac to swim," she said.

"He didn't like the water and when we dried him off he just popped his head out of the towel looking so regal."

Vivian Van Vliet's "Wet Nose," which depicts a small boy somewhat reluctantly sharing his ice cream with a dog, received the top prize. Vivian Van Vliet lives in Brighton.

Her mother's photo was actually taken about 10 years ago, Cheryl Van Vliet said.

The boy in the photo is Vivian Van Vliet's grandson, Nick, who was one at the time. "Nick was always sharing his food with Major. If he looks tentative it's because he was just starting to walk," Cheryl Van Vliet said.

The Van Vliet family has always had a casual interest in photography, mostly just taking family snapshots, she said.

First prize was \$100, along with free film processing and a 16-by-20-inch print from Quick Silver Photo and Imaging Center in Plymouth.

Other winners were Teresa Lousias of Dearborn, awarded third place for "Lost Kitten" and Inge Baessler of Farmington, who was named winner of the youth (18 or younger) prize for "Wind in the Face."

The third annual contest was a fundraiser for the club, which works on a variety of community service projects throughout the year.

The theme for this year's contest was "Best Friends," with submitted photographs showcasing family, friends and pets.

The competition is set up to encourage artistic efforts by amateurs, according to organizers. For example, mounting isn't required and framed prints aren't accepted.

The entry fee is only \$4 per print, or \$10 for three prints.

The youth category was new for this year's competition.

Judging 1997 entries were Jill Andra Young, owner of a local photography studio; and Inger Rasmussen, a Quick Silver employee and graduate of the University of Michigan fine arts program.

Current Civitan projects include "raising money for another service dog from Paws with a Cause for a disabled individual," said Barb Kobiela, club president.

The group has already placed one service dog in the area and hopes for two additional placements. Each placement costs \$8,500, including training for the dog and recipient, Kobiela said.

Census takers prepare  
for second go-aroundBY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

Some Canton homeowners may get another knock on their door from an enumerator canvassing their district for the township's mid-decade census - even if they've already provided information.

"Once a neighborhood is completed, there's a spot check of 40 houses per district," said Clerk Terry Bennett.

The spot check is mandated by the state for verification purposes. The homes are randomly chosen and will be visited by an employee of Information Management Consulting Inc. The Commerce Township-based firm was hired by Canton officials to conduct the mid-decade census.

The census workers will have identification cards.

The township could receive thousands more in state revenues if a 15-percent increase in population or 8,556 people are counted.

The census results also could affect the number of liquor licenses Canton has available. Its last liquor license was issued to Chili's restaur-

ant in February. Only one liquor license is allowed per 1,500 people.

All information on the mid-decade census must be submitted to the Michigan Secretary of State by June 1.

"Well over half of the enumeration districts have been counted. Some enumerators are still out there and others are just trying to get call-back cards back from their districts," said Bennett.

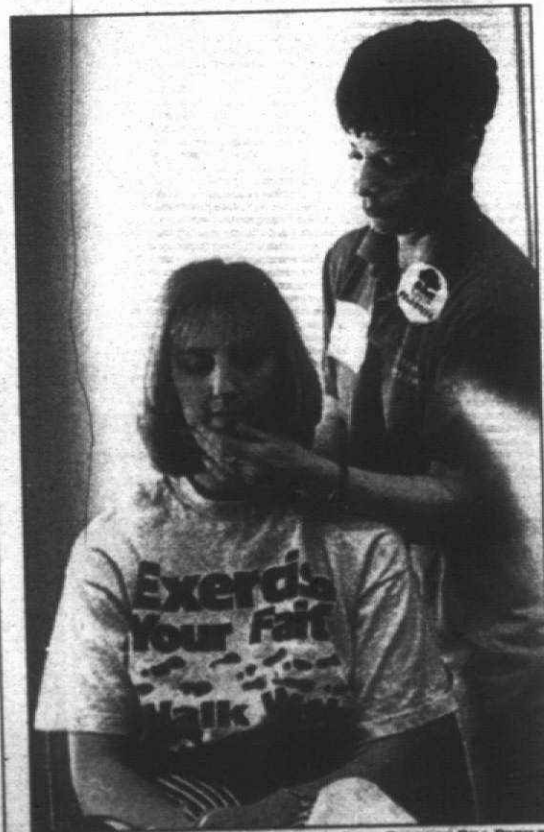
Two questions are being asked: the number and name of each household member and the number of pre-primary age children living in the home. Call-back cards are left for those not home.

"There are still a lot of call-back cards not returned," Bennett said. If residents haven't heard from a census worker or a call-back card hasn't been left at their door, they can call the township clerk's office at 397-1000.

In 1990, the census listed Canton as having a population of 57,040. The township would need to reach 65,596 to reach the 15 percent mark

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## Healthy touch



**At Project Health-O-Rama:** Ann Stachurski of Straight Chiropractic Clinic does massage therapy for Kim Jabbar at Canton's Summit on the Park during Sunday's Project Health-O-Rama. For a short story and more pictures from the first-ever local event, please turn to Page A4 in today's Observer.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRISLER



# Soccer complex may double with land buy

BY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

Canton's 39-acre soccer complex planned for the southwest corner of Proctor and Denton could double in size.

The township is looking to buy approximately 40 acres to the south of the proposed park from builders planning a 680-acre housing development. The original 39 acres was deeded to the township as part of the Central Park Planned Development District (PDD).

Steve Schaefer of Phoenix Land Development said discussions are ongoing with township officials for the abutting property west of Denton Road.

Large residential lots are planned for the acreage which the township is eyeing. The property was rezoned from agricultural to residential to accommodate the Central Park development.

Phoenix, The Selective Group and Robert Leighton Associates are working together on the PDD.

"Nothing is planned for that property until an agreement is reached with Selective - possibly baseball fields or more passive recreational land. There's a wooded area toward the river," said Dan Durack, director of Administrative Services.

The planning commission tentatively approved site plans for the soccer complex Monday, but did so with a condition that would change the location of a 377-spot parking lot at the southwest corner of the sports park if the township decided not to buy the additional 40 acres.

Planning commissioner Bob Wade said the parking lot was too close to the neighboring subdivision if homes were to be built there. He also questioned retention pond issues since designs had been previously approved for the Central Park PDD that included the 40 acres into the 680-acre plan.

The township would have to install its own storm water system if it wants to use the soccer fields prior to the Central Park development, said Community Planner Jeff Goulet.

Twelve soccer fields of three different sizes are planned. Seven of the larger fields are for children ages 14 and under, three are for children 10 and under and two for children under the age of 8.

Future phase include a team room and concession area. The fields could be ready for use by the fall of 1998.

Durack said it would make sense to buy park property in that area now since parkland is lacking in the rural portion of Canton. Property also is disappearing quickly to developers and becoming more costly, he said.

"If a deal's going to be made it's going to happen fairly quickly. Selective wants to go ahead with their plans and we want to go ahead with ours. I'd say a month or so," he said.

Durack said he didn't know how much money the township is offering for the 40 acres.

The Central Park PDD is Canton's largest single development acreage-wise to date. It stretches from Beck Road to just west of Denton between Cherry Hill and Geddes roads. It has taken developers nearly two years to get preliminary approval from the township for the PDD. Attached and detached condominiums and single family housing is planned.

A PDD allows developers flexibility in setback and lot size requirements in exchange for preserving certain areas benefiting the community. In addition to the 39 acres that is being dedicated for 12 soccer fields, Canton received 71 acres for a nine-hole extension to Pheasant Run Golf Course, 40 acres of preserved wetlands and 120 acres of other upland.

CapCo, which started as a task force in 1975, is composed of individuals and agencies collectively working together to prevent child abuse and neglect. They sponsor numerous child-abuse education and awareness programs in schools and communities throughout Wayne County each year.

Magic Ride is made for family fun. Every year, Silver Sounds Professional DJ adds to the festivities by playing toe-tapping tunes and giving away prizes to all who come by. This year, Marc Thomas & Max the Moose will entertain and inspire youngsters and their parents with a free concert at 11:30 a.m.

Kids will especially love "Something to Do" by Tickle the Earth, Inc., which promises an irresistible hands-on experience with "goop, flubber and clean mud."

"We are really trying to encourage parents with young children to participate so that the children can grow with this event," said Sandra Murphy, executive director of CapCo, which is located in Inkster.

Murphy is counting on the influx of new families this past year to boost the events participation. "We are hoping to raise \$10,000. In the past, it's been \$8,000 to \$15,000," she said.

Bike routes are 5, 15, 25, and 50 miles. If you're an average rider, plan on approximately one hour to ride 10 miles. If you're a couch potato on wheels for the first time, don't worry. A SAG vehicle travels along the route to take care of emergencies and breakdowns until 3 p.m.

Plan to do the event by foot? Great. Walking paths are well-suited for walkers, strollers and children on trikes.

All the bike routes are paved, country roads with low volumes of traffic in most areas. There are two rest stops with water and refreshments along the routes. The rest stops are staffed with nurses from Oakwood Healthcare Center-Canton. Also, the Oakwood health promotion van will be on-site in case of any medical needs.

Like most community events, Magic Ride/Magic Walk will have its celebrity riders. Demonstrating their pedal power at this year's event will be: Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton; Rep. Lynn Banks, R-Redford; Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor; Kathleen Keen-McCarthy, Plymouth Township Supervisor.

Marie Salvato, manager of Bruegger's Bagel Bakeries in Canton, who also is planning to ride, should be considered a celebrity for the day. Salvato is donating bagel sandwiches for participants and volunteers.

This is Bruegger's first year as a Magic Ride/Magic Walk sponsor. The cost for participating in Magic Ride/Magic Walk is minimal: \$10 without t-shirt and \$15 with t-shirt for registration before May 9; \$15 without t-shirt and \$20 with t-shirt for registration after May 9; \$40 family rate (4 members) for four registrations and four t-shirts before May 9; \$50 for family registration after May 9.

The Canton Community Foundation is one of the event's main sponsors.

"CapCo is the reason for the Canton Community Foundation's support of the event. We're helping kids. We're making a difference in children's lives," said Joan Noricks, director of the foundation.

Archway Cookies and Pepsi. Cost for all others, \$3.

■ 10:30 a.m. - Celebrity Ride. Community leaders show their support for families by participating.

■ 11:30 a.m. - Marc Thomas and Max the Moose concert. A family concert sponsored by Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan, Heritage Park Amphitheater. Bruegger's

■ 7:10-30 a.m. - Registration at Canton Recreation Center; rider/walker number given; away; water bottle giveaways from Jerry's Bicycle & Fitness of Plymouth.

■ 9 a.m. - Silver Sounds Professional DJ providing music and giveaways.

■ 10 a.m.-1 p.m. - Free lunch for all bikers and walkers by Bruegger's Bagel Bakeries,

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Anyone can ride or walk, but children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

For registration information, call (313) 721-5901.

■ 3 p.m. - SAG vehicle

■ 12:30-1:30 p.m. - "Something to Do" by Tickle the Earth Inc. Hands-on fun with "goop, flubber and clean mud" for children of all ages.

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short distance to Cobblestone. It's only a few hundred feet. We've been waiting a long time," Haines said. "Our wells are bad. The water table is bad."

Roy Nichols of Saltz Road said for the last 10 years he's had to haul water "just to get by."

"We see them circling us. We have water on both sides of us. The township doesn't seem to care about us lil' folks anymore. When our electricity goes out that means we have no water either," he said.

Russell Chiadow echoed Nichols' sentiments, saying the surrounding developments have blocked drainage ditches, leaving behind stagnant water on the front lawn of his home.

"The ditches use to be dredged by the township. The township use to take care of us, but now all the new people who move in they'll have water. I certainly think we're entitled to have water for the short way you have to go. We're willing to pay our fair share," he said.

Lewiston's developments, Cambridge and now Founders Woods PDD, are on both sides of

the residents who want water and sewer hook-up.

"Between the two developments you'll have water available... It will take a little bit of time, but we're going to try to serve as many as we can," he said.

Although construction isn't expected to begin on the housing until 1998, construction of the utility could begin this year if all

engineering designs are approved by Wayne County and the township, he said.

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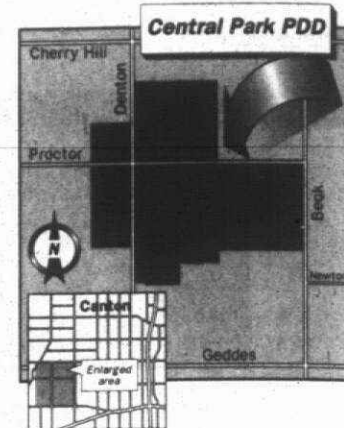
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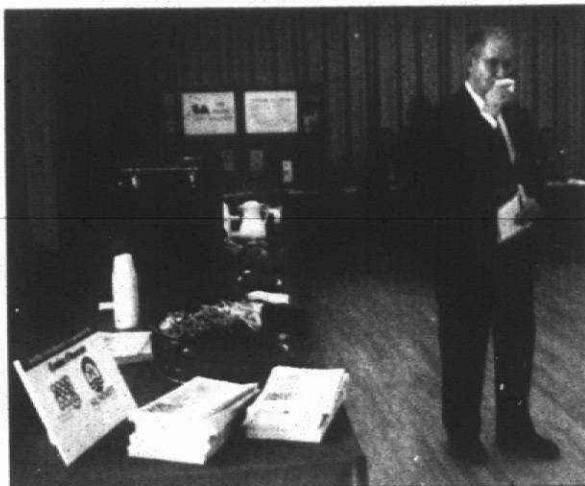
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Something for everyone: Don Knapp samples healthy snacks. Pictured below: Volunteers Nicki Wilson and Katie Magloci register Rosemarie Monte and Rudy Hatfield.



Getting a reading: Denise Doran, RN, takes June Merchant's blood pressure.



## Painless medicine

### Area residents take advantage of Project Health-O-Rama services

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That's one way to approach Project Health-O-Rama, which made its Canton debut Sunday at Summit on the Park.

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Additional services, such as a blood panel with 23 different tests, were available for a fee of about \$20. Participants could also purchase take-home test kits for colon cancer, HIV

and other diseases.

The area event is sponsored each spring by the United Health Organization, an arm of the United Way, and WXYZ-TV Channel 7 at more than 100 sites throughout southeastern Michigan.

The event typically draws senior citizens and people without employer-provided medical insurance, but is open to anyone over age 18.

While most of Sunday's participants were from Canton, some trekked more than 30 miles from Downriver communities such as Lincoln Park and River Rouge to take

advantage of the free and low-cost testing.

The Canton site was co-sponsored by the township, Canton Chamber of Commerce and Saint Joseph Mercy Health Systems.

The Canton Observer co-sponsored a Healthy Refreshments Table along with Summit Cuisine, Inc. and the Good Food Co.

In addition to the usual battery of tests, local participants were able to undergo massage therapy and discuss physical fitness with Kathy Fordell, who heads the Summit's fitness and personal training program.

## Radio station adds news

WSDP, 88.1 FM, has added a national news segment to its 5:30 p.m. newscast.

Newsfile at 5:30 p.m., is the Plymouth-Canton area's only source for community news on the radio dial. A portion of the 5:30 p.m. newscast will now be dedicated to national news. The station receives a national news feed from USA News Network.

"USA News Network is a very inexpensive news service that is delivered by fax machine. Most importantly, the quality is very

good," said Bill Keith, Station Manager.

"We decided to add national news because it gives WSDP a more solid and concrete news show. We hope to keep our listeners better informed," said Erin Walterscheid, News Director and Canton High School Senior.

WSDP was named 1997 Station of the Year by the Michigan Association of Educational Broadcasters.

## County taxes

### Plan seeks 60 percent vote for new millage

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

There's a movement afoot to make it harder to raise property taxes in Wayne County.

Wayne County commissioners may act this spring or summer on resolutions to place before voters two proposed charter amendments to require a two-thirds vote of the county commission to place any new county-wide millages on the ballot, and a 60 percent vote of the public to pass that same millage.

The Conference of Western Wayne, a consortium of community leaders from 18 cities and townships from western Wayne County, adopted a resolution Friday supporting the two proposals.

The CWW includes the cities of Belleville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romulus, Wayne and Westland, and the townships of Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Sumpter and

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas hopes it will bring some tax relief to the suburbs. Western Wayne communities voted against certain millages, yet they were still passed on a countywide basis. About 80 percent of those taxes were collected from the suburbs.

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The CWW members met at Dearborn Heights City Hall with Mike Duggan, assistant county executive, who said he hoped voters could be asked, possibly as early as this fall but probably not until 1998, to approve a proposal requiring 60 percent voter support for new millages. He acknowledged it will take "some work" and lobbying for support from the 15 commissioners to place it before voters.

"If this is something you want to do, I think it will take a significant lobbying effort," Duggan

said. Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, told CWW members he would support the CWW's proposal, even though he and Commissioners William O'Neil, D-Allen Park and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, had submitted to the commission in February a proposal to require a 12-vote backing of county commissioners to place a countywide tax issue on the ballot, and a 60 percent support from voters before the tax is considered approved.

That resolution has remained

under committee study.

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas, who chairs the CWW, preferred the 10-vote minimum and 60 percent figure because he and Duggan believed that had a better chance at success with the full commission.

Duggan said he hoped within 60 or 90 days the commission could act on the resolution.

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"We will have some tax relief for the suburbs," Thomas said.

McCotter suggested to the community leaders that they contact their county commissioner for support.

Duggan said if the proposal passed, it would be harder to raise taxes in Wayne County than in Michigan's 82 other counties.



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## Commission wants PCBs arrival at area landfill postponed

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County commissioners want to postpone the arrival of polychlorinated biphenyls at a landfill in Van Buren Township until a court decides on the legality of a Environmental Protection Agency approval of the landfill's license to accept PCBs.

The landfill issue is significant because it would make the Wayne Disposal landfill in western Wayne County the only site in the Midwest and one of only six in the United States that accepts PCBs.

Research have shown that

PCBs are carcinogens and can cause problems in development of children. Van Buren Township has filed a request for an injunction in federal court for a temporary restraining order on the PCB deliveries.

The issue has drawn reactions from all levels of government.

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor, whose district includes most of western Wayne County, said there is legislation proposed in Congress that would change how and where PCBs are disposed.

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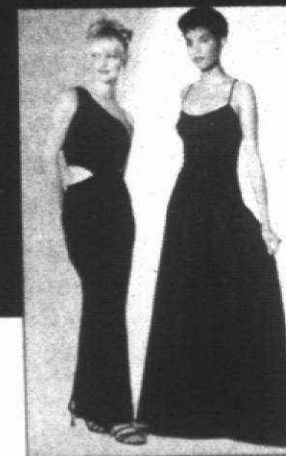
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## Writer chases white-collar crooks

By KIMBERLY A. MORTSON  
STAFF WRITER

Jack Bologna writes about fraud, embezzlement and theft. Not the author of mystery and crime novels like that of Elmore Leonard and Ann Rice but as an authority cautioning readers to the schemes and practices executed by white collar criminals.

"I write to portray the serious and light side of this business," said Bologna.

A profession, said Bologna, "that without some degree of accountability, leads to the successful misappropriation of funds from corporate employers in the accounting and securities industry."

Beginning in 1955, Bologna first became acquainted with the practice of corporate fraud as a criminal agent/investigator for the Internal Revenue Service which routed him to a number of big cities across the country including Nashville, New Orleans, Washington D.C. and Detroit.

Following a seasoned career with the IRS, Bologna was recruited by several other governmental agencies to research

and detect in-house embezzlement. He said typically an employer would suspect an employee or employees to be involved in illegal fraud or theft of company revenue.

"It was my job to investigate and determine the validity of those suspicions."

Bologna said 30-40 percent of the time the evidence wasn't strong enough to prove an employee was guilty of fraud, theft or embezzlement.

"Crooks aren't always dumb," said Bologna, "especially white collar criminals who tend to be better educated, artful fraudsters."

The Plymouth resident said improvements in computer technologies have only "complicated the corporate issue from the evidence standpoint."

"Technology helps criminals as much as it helps us," said Bologna.

A gradual transition from investigations to education led Bologna to a teaching position at Sienna Heights College where he remained until his retirement in early January. Over the last 40 years he has co-authored and independently written 10 books

and nearly 100 technical articles on fraud, embezzlement and theft in the accounting, internal auditing and corporate security industries.

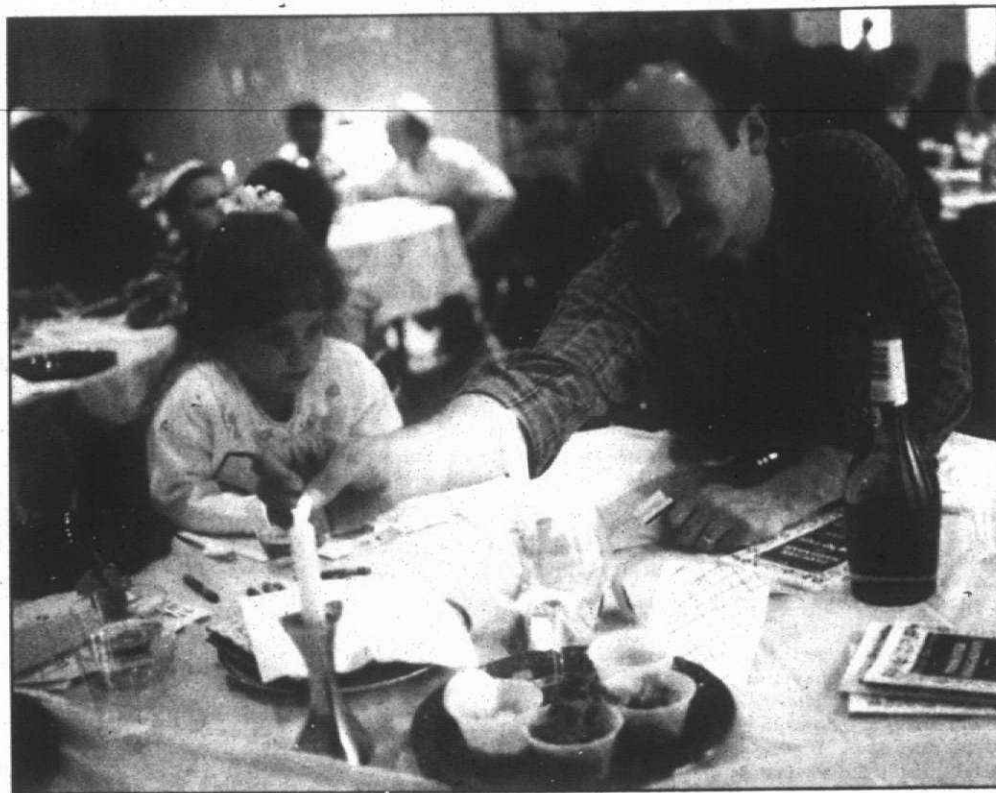
"I guess you're born into an interest in this," said Bologna. "I have enjoyed sharing some of my perspective and experiences and have been happy to contribute to the field. I write to be meaningful to other people, not myself."

Bologna, battling Parkinson's Disease at the age of 68, says he's changed his writing style over the last few years as age catches up to him.

"I need a fair amount of quiet to write," said Bologna. "I didn't used to though - with six kids in the house it wasn't easy to find peace."

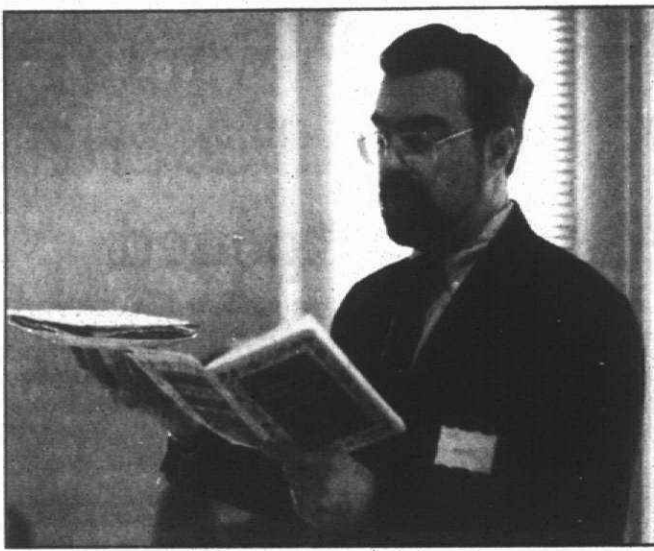
Parkinson's Disease, a degenerative illness that effects muscle rigidity, has taken only a marginal toll on Bologna's productivity. Currently working on his eleventh book regarding embezzlement he also authors two monthly newsletters, *Forensic Accounting Review*, financial fraud and *Computer Security Digest*, computer related fraud.

## Marking Passover



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Community seder: Barry Manning (above) lights the Passover candles at the beginning of Tuesday's seder for families of Congregation Bet Haverim. At right, Rabbi Peter Gluck reads from the Haggadah (Passover prayer book) and holds aloft a plate of matzah. The seder, which traditionally ushers in the Jewish holiday, was held at the Hanford Clubhouse in Canton.



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## State board split on adopting new mission statement

By TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

Clark Durant and Gary Wolfram will filibuster to keep the State Board of Education from adopting a new mission statement that focuses on students and the Michigan Constitution rather than God and parents.

And with the support of Sharon Wise, the three dissenting Republicans could do it. A two-thirds majority - six of the eight members - would have to support ending debate in order to bring a proposed new mission statement to a vote May 15.

"It removes the role of the parents. It removes the creator. It focuses on power and the board," said Durant, R-Grosse Pointe, who was board president until voters last November defeated two Republican incumbents.

"I resent your comments," replied Barbara Roberts Mason, D-Lansing, during the April 17 meeting. "I consider myself a very strong Christian with a belief in God," she said. "You believe this (new mission) will be making a mockery of America."

"The old one (written by Durant) was not clear, not concise and equates to a sermon. Our mission was clearly spelled out in the Michigan Constitution," Mason said.

The proposed new mission statement quotes Art. VIII Sec. 3 providing that "leadership and general supervision over all public education... is vested in a State Board of Education. It shall serve as the general planning and coordinating body for all public education, including higher education, and shall advise the Legislature" on finances.

It contains four references to students, one to parents and one to God.

### Why a mission?

"I didn't see why we needed a vision, philosophy and mission

statement," said Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester. "Our mission was clearly spelled out in the Michigan Constitution."

Beardmore recalled that the draft of Durant's 1995 mission statement didn't acknowledge the existence of public schools until she asked that it be inserted.

Durant admitted publicly that he had drafted his 1995 mission statement - with four references to God and four others to parents and family - at non-public meetings with individual board members. He introduced it during a "board business" section of the January 1995 meeting where there was no chance of public comment.

Durant's statement used a modified version of the Continental Congress' Northwest Ordinance of 1787, passed 50 years before Michigan became a state, on the need for "religion, morality and knowledge." It contained no other reference to the board's duties as spelled out in the Michigan Constitution of 1963.

Durant said he would propose a series of 10 amendments adding three references to God, one to families and one to "parents' rights," a buzz word for a multi-state religious movement to curb school officials' control over school curriculum.

Wolfram, a professor at the private Hillsdale College who has removed his two children from public schools, quoted a series of 18th and 19th Century British essayists on the need for religion. "Religion is an important, fundamental piece of education," he said. "Literature and science are not the solution."

### 'Pontificating'

New board member Herb Moyer, D-Temperance, who replaced one of Durant's supporters in the 1996 election, found both rival mission state-

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posed but efforts so far to get it moving have been "very frustrating, very disheartening."

"The TOSCA (Toxic Waste Disposal Law) is written in a way that prohibits local input on this kind of thing," Rivers said. "It's ridiculous. You can have a local

zoning board that can tell you not to paint your house pink, but that can't do anything when it comes to how, when and where PCBs can be disposed."

Also, current EPA regulations in effect forbid the U.S. from preventing foreign countries

from importing and landfilled at a landfill owned by Wayne Disposal until there has been judicial review. It also requests the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to reconsider the approval of the Wayne Disposal landfill.

Patterson's resolution was similar to one introduced by state Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, but Bennett's resolution was defeated on Wednesday by state senators.

Commissioners Patterson, Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Michelle Plawicki, D-Dearborn Heights, joined Democratic Detroit Commissioners Kenneth Cockrel Jr., Jewel Ware and Chairman Ricardo Solomon, along with Ed Boike, D-Taylor; Christopher Cavanagh, D-Grosse Pointe; Susan Hubbard, D-Dearborn; and William O'Neil, D-Allen Park, in supporting the resolution. Commissioner Bernard Parker, D-Detroit, opposed it.

Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, and Detroit Democrats Commissioners Robert Blackwell and Edna Bell were excused from the meeting. Commissioner George Cushingberry, D-Detroit, was absent.

Earlier the commissioners actually fell one vote short to suspend the rules to consider the item with nine supporting and two opposing the suspension. The commission acts to suspend procedural rules when items are considered emergencies. The EPA approved the permit on April 14 and Patterson wanted quick commission action.

Since commissioners also can act on items at the request of chairman Solomon, Patterson then asked Solomon to place the item on the agenda, and he agreed.

Patterson's resolution then

was approved.

David Rutledge, director of public relations for Environmental Quality Company, a firm that would use the landfill, said the approval process had two public hearings over a two-year process.

The approval allows construction projects in Wayne County access to a landfill without the added expense of shipping PCBs to California or New York.

"This facility offers the only place in Michigan (where PCBs) can be safely stored," Rutledge said. "To do so otherwise is to say, 'out of sight, out of mind.'"

Rutledge said all the issues have been investigated and commented on by the DEQ.

"I think this is an issue that no one wants in their backyard," said Parker. But Parker believed it ought to be discussed at a committee hearing where representatives from all sides could talk about the landfill.

"What happens when people don't want to develop? It stays in the ground," he said.

Rutledge said the landfill could accept PCBs from anywhere in the United States.

Patterson called the landfill issue a "serious and critically important issue."

"They (PCBs) are dangerous materials," Patterson said. "My resolution seeks a postponement, not a denial. My request is to allow the third branch to decide that the MDEQ has made the right decision."

"We're talking about a site that is within 800 yards of Belleville Lake, and a part of the lower Huron River watershed and the Great Lakes," Patterson's resolution also stated that high temperature incineration would eliminate the PCBs altogether, rather than storing them in a landfill.

Rutledge said there was "no

evidence of a negative impact" of residential values in Van Buren Township.

Cavanagh asked commissioners if they wondered why only six landfills in the country were accepting PCBs. Many other communities were bioremediating PCBs.

"It's almost an embarrassment, because everyone else is bioremediating it," Cavanagh said. "You should look at the rest of the country. We're not cleaning it up, we're just taking our trash and putting it someplace else."

Patterson's resolution actually was a similar one introduced by state Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, which was rejected by senators Wednesday. Bennett pleaded that Patterson had better success than he did the day before.

"A resolution would not have the force of law, but one can never know what is going on through the collective minds of the EPA," Bennett said.

Bennett had lobbied senators for support, particularly since many of them supported a Senate bill prohibiting the delivery of trash from Canada at these landfills. Bennett said he did not know why the Senate rejected his bill.

State Rep. Thomas Kelly, D-Wayne, was critical of Bennett.

"The Republican-controlled Senate solidly defeated the resolution through a voice vote therefore denying the public of seeing a recorded vote of where each Senator stands on this major environmental issue," said Kelly. "As a member of the majority party, Senator Bennett proved totally ineffective on this issue."

## CAPITOL CAPSULES

### Dollars for trees

Local governments and groups are in line for a series of \$200 state grants totaling \$36,040, the state Department of Natural Resources has announced.

The grants will be used for Arbor Day activities under DNR's urban and community forestry program.

"Arbor Day, April 25, is a time to celebrate trees and the importance in our lives," said state forester Gerald Thiede. "This year marks the 125th anniversary of National Arbor Day. These grants provide incentive and a little support to local schools and communities."

Among the recipients: Commerce Township; Clarkston - Independence Township Library; Lake Orion School District - Webber Nature Center; Oxford Public Library; Davison Area Parks and Recreation.

South Redford School District - Jane Addams Elementary, Cub Pack 435; Redford Township District Library; Plymouth Township.

### Big DNR cuts

Early retirements could cut the Department of Natural Resources payroll as much as 22 percent.

"It shouldn't be a question of cutting back," objected John Rebers, a member of Sierra Club's state executive committee. "We need to look toward better forestry management, protecting rivers during logging, stopping off-road vehicle damage and poaching. You need people to do that."

But Gov. John Engler's spokesman, John Truscott, said only employees not directly serving the public will be lost. "The DNR has traditionally been plagued by unresponsiveness to the public. This plan is going to cut middle management and free up the DNR for young people," said Truscott.

The early retirement program was pushed through the Legislature on nearly party-line votes late in December. Outgoing Rep. Lloyd (Pete) Weeks of Warren was the only Democrat to favor the bills. He has been appointed by Engler to the Natural Resources Commission.

### New bills

■ Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville - SB 411 restricting welfare benefits to new residents of Michigan. "New residents would only receive assistance at the same benefit level they previously received in another state for the first six months," Geake said. Benefits in Wayne County are \$459; in Illinois, \$377; Indiana, \$288; and Ohio, \$341.

■ Sen. Bill Bullard, R-Milford - limiting special assessments in townships and villages to the "taxable value" of property instead of the "state equalized value." The taxable value, under the voter-approved Proposal A of 1994, limits assessment growth to 5 percent a year or the rate of consumer price inflation. An attorney general's opinion allowed use of the SEV.

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## Local families needed to host foreign teens

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Levenbach serves as community coordinator for PAX, a non-profit foundation which provides a U.S. high school and homestay program for students from over 20 different countries including Sweden, Finland, Italy, Poland, Spain, Germany and Brazil. PAX students are between the ages of 15 and 18, speak English, have full insurance coverage and their own spending money.

PAX families are asked to provide students with meals, a place to sleep and study, and a warm supportive environment. Private rooms are not required.

and single parents, young couples, families with young children, retirees, as well as families with teenagers are encouraged to apply.

While hundreds of applications are flooding into the PAX office, here are three outstanding applicants that Lynne Levenbach has personally selected to try to place with local families:

Antti, a 17-year-old boy from Finland, is an active hockey player. He plays on a team that trains six times a week. He also plays baseball, sings in a choir, plays cello, saxophone and bass

guitar. His teacher describes him as "charming, with a great sense of humor and an open mind." He has studied English for five years.

Bart, a 16-year-old boy from Poland, enjoys swimming, guitar, acting and computers. He hopes to pursue a career as either an architect or construction engineer. He is very knowledgeable about Polish history and culture, and hopes to share this with his American family.

Amrei, a 16-year-old German girl, who plays piano, clarinet and saxophone. She would love to be a part of a high school

marching band which does not exist in Germany. Amrei also is very active in her Protestant church youth group in Germany. She has studied English for five years.

Most host families feel that they have gained more than they have given when they have hosted a PAX student for a school year. Families should consider opening up their homes to Antti, Bart, Amrei or hundreds of students who are waiting to be chosen by an American family.

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# Student achievement

## Board dissidents fear state intrusion

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

Raising student achievement is the top goal of the State Board of Education, but a dissident group fears the state is intruding too far into local and family matters.

The board voted 8-0 April 17 in support of 45 goals but split 5-3 on five others.

"We are of the same mindset in focusing on student achievement," said Barbara Roberts Mason, D-Lansing, part of the new majority.

"All fit under our constitutional mandate," added board president Kathleen Straus, D-Detroit.

Dissenting at length on five goals were Clark Durant, R-Grosse Pointe, Gary Wolfram, R-Hillsdale, and Sharon Wise, R-Owosso - all critics of public schools and advocates of charter schools.

What stuck in the minority's throats the hardest was goal 19: "Promote and seek funding for full-day, full-service schools," particularly because it smacked of expanded social programs that Straus advocates.

"You're sending the wrong message. It's not the board of education's responsibility to feed children," said Wolfram. "The

next thing will be serving dinner, then tucking them in bed."

"It will dissipate our focus," added Durant. "The core things aren't being done very well. It could be interpreted as an enormous explosion of governmental programs and money." Durant cited a program for pregnant teens in Detroit, taught by Eleanor Blum of Farmington Hills, as an example of what could be done during regular school hours.

"Added funding will be required," said Wise. "I see this as driving more parents into the work force to pay taxes for these programs."

Replied Straus: "It's not necessary to have new funding or even public funding."

New member Herb Moyer, D-Temperance, agreed that more state funding isn't required, citing United Fund programs in Monroe County to benefit children in the 3-5 p.m. after-school hours.

Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, who voted with four Democrats in the board's new pro-public school majority, said, "We know there are children who suffer from malnutrition and are fearful of their safety."

The dissidents also objected to:

■ Goal 34 - "Link state assessment tests with proposed national assessments." Said Wolfram, who once served as a congressional aide: "I've spent 14 months in the belly of the beast. If there's a national assessment, someone's going to write it," he said, implying it would be bureaucrats unfriendly to state standards.

■ Goal 42 - "Develop an administrator certification and recertification." There was no discussion. In general, the dissidents have supported loosening teacher and administrator certification.

■ Goal 47 - Support of the King-Chavez-Parks program "to achieve a greater diversity of students and faculty" by bringing minority high school students to university campuses for a day. Said Wolfram: "We don't need to segregate people into groups. All laws ought to apply to everyone."

■ Goal 48 - "Direct the reorganization of the Department of Education with a primary focus on student achievement." Wise objected that "it conflicts with the governor's executive order" trimming the State Board's powers.

The 45 goals adopted unanimously without discussion said

the State Board shall identify and promote successful teaching practices, remove barriers to student achievement, monitor public school academies (so-called "charter schools"), and request every school to adopt an improvement plan and a "family involvement plan."

The board also agreed on advocating a 15:1 pupil-teacher ratio for kindergarten through third grade, math and science programs, research on effective classroom practices, and standards for measuring career preparation programs.

At Durant's suggestion, the board spelled out a desire to work with corporations, foundations and individuals that want "to provide tutoring and mentoring of students" in reading and basic math.

In other business, the board routinely approved two new university programs:

■ University of Michigan-Dearborn - a new K-12 reading program for as an additional endorsement for elementary and secondary teachers. It would require 22 credit hours.

■ University of Detroit-Mercy - a new social studies program for elementary and secondary teachers. A major would comprise 36 credit hours; a minor, 24.

## Madonna offers class on Japanese culture

Madonna University will offer a course in Japanese culture during the spring/summer term.

Survey of Japan will be held on Mondays from 4 to 7 p.m., beginning May 5 through July 21. Students will be introduced to Japanese history, religion, culture, geography and social institutions.

The arts in particular will be examined, since they offer a record of Japanese culture and reflect how the Japanese have defined themselves and their vision of life.

The non-credit fee is \$285. Students earn 3.3 continuing education units.

Madonna University is located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia. Mail, fax and in-person registration for the course are being accepted now. The course is also available for undergraduate degree credit, even if you are not an admitted student at Madonna University.

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ments too wordy. Moyer opted for one paragraph that could be printed on the back of a business card, preferably the quotation from the Michigan Constitution.

"I believe in democracy, not theocracy," said Moyer, referring to Durant's and Wolfram's speeches as "convoluted pontificating." Moyer faulted Durant for failing to consult the Michigan Constitution in drafting his 1995 mission statement.

After the meeting, both Straus and Beardmore referred to Durant's threats to block a cutoff to debate as a "filibuster," a tactic

used until the 1960s by southern U.S. senators to block civil rights legislation.

"It's blackmail," added Wendy Wagenheim, who represents the American Civil Liberties Union. "They want to insert teaching religion in the public schools."

The State Board also postponed until May 15 a vote on a proposed "family involvement policy" advocating "strong connections between the home, school and the community as one means of reducing barriers to student achievement."

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pendent group, the Wayne County Board of Canvassers and the local board of canvassers as well. "People are still moving in. The bond was passed in March, and we are making our plans accordingly. I guess we will wait and see when and if this gets filed."

Little disagreed with Boak that the voting machines need to be approved by the state for each and every election. "That's not correct," he said. "These are machines certified by the Secretary of State in the past. This was the fifth time they've been used in Plymouth Township."

By a 96-vote margin on March 22, voters passed a \$79.7 million bond issue to build new schools and make districtwide improvements. Of the 12,091 residents who voted, 720 were "under voters" whose ballots were spoiled due to errors that occurred with the district's new touch-screen voting machines.

Last Tuesday, the Wayne County Board of Canvassers conducted a recount at challengers' request. Their tally came within one vote of the district's election night totals. The local Board of Canvassers then tested the computerized voting equipment and software for defects.

The canvassers - attorney Dennis Shrewsbury, Melissa McLaughlin and Herb Scott - "voted" on each of the machines, entering a predetermined number of yes, no, and under votes. On 16 of the machines, totals mirrored the votes they entered. On the two remaining machines, errors the canvassers made while "voting" resulted in inaccurate totals.

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Charles Little  
Plymouth-Canton superintendent

Finding that the machines functioned properly, the canvassers denied the special mail election request.

Vorva questioned several aspects of the election. "They held it in March, hoping all the senior citizens would be gone. They didn't send out absentee ballot requests to seniors like the township and city automatically do."

"How come the board of canvassers under voted?" asked Vorva. "If everything was fine, they were completely instructed and failed, what does that tell you?"

Vorva also questioned who paid for the attorney who advised canvassers before they denied the special election request. "Did Dennis Shrewsbury and the other people open up their wallets and pay, or did the school board?"

Said Little, "The canvassers needed to have counsel, and the school district had to pay for that." Canvassers themselves are chosen by political parties in a process "absolutely independent of the district," he added.

As for absentees, "I believe we follow the letter of the law. We have a standing list of absentee voters of more than 1,000. Practically anyone can get on that," said Little. "If you are on it, you receive a ballot."

The district's financial advisor,

Paul Stauder of Ann Arbor's Stauder, Barch & Associates of Ann Arbor, was asked how the challenge is likely to affect the bond project.

"From my standpoint it is simple," he said. "Communities do not typically proceed with a project until funding has been secured. You don't typically enter into contracts to proceed with work until funding has been secured."

The interest cost on the school district's bonds will be determined at the point that the bonds are sold, added Stauder. "The consequences of waiting to sell your bonds at a later date really can't be determined at this time."

Vorva says the intent of state election law is at issue. "If people are arguing about what words mean, a judge looks at the intent of the law. Clearly, if you look at that, you arrive at fundamental fairness in elections. Common sense cries out for that."

"I talked with people who went in to tuning the screen as if they were on a computer. They kept hitting things wondering what else the machine would do and ended up canceling their vote."

Little said the district will experience a "learning curve" and see under votes decrease as people become more familiar with the touch screens.

## PLYMOUTH-CANTON SCHOOL BRIEFS

### Plymouth-Canton students teach tutoring

Recently four students from Plymouth-Canton's Educational Park accompanied three teachers to the conference held for the Michigan Council of Teachers in English. Their mission was to present, to many teachers in the state, their successful tutorial Writing Center system.

Lisa Bloch, Emily Moran, Kim Reynolds and Jenny Single escorted instructors Jerry Thompson, Brian Read and Sue Welker to the annual spring conference held at Michigan State University, March 22.

Plymouth-Canton boasts of having the only student high school writing center in the state of Michigan and only one of the few in the United States.

The students presented to conference participants informing them of procedures used to develop and effectively implement a writing center. They introduced conference participants to the successful Plymouth-Canton Education Park center which maintains 20 tutors benefiting all of the students of the Park daily.

### Knowledge tournament hosted by East

Students from all grades at East Middle School will compete in a Knowledge Master Open April 18. It will begin at 3 p.m. and conclude at 5 p.m. in the school media center. The activity will provide students with an opportunity for academic competition using technology and working as a team of 6, 7, and 8 graders.

Organizing the activity are teachers Toni LeMaster, Jan Coratti and Nancy Bahr.

Salem senior named Presi-

### dential Scholar candidate

Salem senior, Brian Decker, son of Frederick and Mary Decker, has been named one of approximately 2,600 candidates in the 1997 Presidential Scholars Program. The candidates were selected from more than 2.6 million students expected to graduate from U.S. high schools in 1997.

Now in its 34th year, the Presidential Scholars Program is one of the highest honors bestowed upon graduating high school seniors. Scholars are selected on the basis of superior academic and artistic achievements, leadership qualities, strong character, and involvement in community and school activities.

At Salem, Decker is one of the top seniors to graduate this June. Final selection of the Scholars will be made by the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars, a group of some 30 prominent citizens appointed by President William Clinton. They will select one young man and one young woman from each state.

Announcements will be made in May and scholars will be invited to Washington D.C., for several days in late June to receive the Presidential Scholars medallion at a recognition ceremony.

### Scholar-Athlete award finalist announced

Announcements have come from the Michigan High School Athletic Association that out of 111 finalists chosen state-wide, Angkana Roy, a senior at Canton High School has been one of the finalists chosen for the Scholar-Athlete Award under the category of girls track.

To be eligible for the award, students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 (on a 4.0 scale) and have previously won a varsity letter in the sport in which they are applying. Students were also asked to show involvement in other school and community activities, submit two letters of recommendation and a 500-word essay on the importance of sportsmanship in educational athletics.

The finalists are vying for 24 \$1,000 scholarships, one in each sport in which the MHSAA sponsors a post-season tournament. A record of 2,636 applications were received from 497 schools.

### Hoben offers scholarship

PTO announced recently that they are releasing applications for a \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior. Scholarship application forms are available at the Guidance Offices of Salem and Canton. The scholarship is made available to assist in furthering the student's education (trade or vocation school as well as college or university). Applicants must have attended Hoben Elementary from its founding or for six years. Applications are due by April 18, and may be turned into the Guidance Office.

Delta Kappa Gamma offers scholarship  
Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Gamma Gamma Chapter is offering college scholarships of \$750 to \$1,000 to students planning to major in education at a Michigan Institute.

Students may pick up an application at the Guidance Offices at Salem and Canton High Schools until April 18. The scholarships are to promote the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

## Symphony concert Friday

Swing into spring with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and the Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band at their annual Pops Concert, Caribbean Cruise, 6 p.m. Friday, April 25, at the Fox Hills Country Club on 8769 N. Territorial Road in Plymouth.

"This is the first time in this area," said Hugh Borde, maestro of the Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band, "that a symphony orchestra and a steel band have joined together. We will have the audience join us in dancing to the Calypso. It will be fun for everyone."

The Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band, an amazing group of performers from Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, plays a repertoire of music that ranges from classical to rock and roll...on oil drums. The group has astounded audiences, not only because of its oil drums, but because of the unbelievable fidelity and artistic accomplishments with which they render each concert.

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Tickets for the Caribbean dinner and concert are \$45 for adults, senior citizens and college students, and \$25 for children. For tickets or more information, please call the Plymouth Symphony office at (313) 451-2112.

# Madonna's 'golden class' grads set high goals

Madonna University celebrates this year's 50th commencement with the highest graduating class of the institution.

Of the more than 770 graduates, 607 will receive a bachelor's degree, 131 will receive a master's degree and the remainder an associate degree or certificate.

The golden anniversary commencement will be held on Saturday, May 3 at 10:30 a.m. in Calihan Hall at the University of Detroit Mercy, Detroit.

Here are profiles of some local May graduates from Madonna University.

### Rodney Keener

Rodney Keener of Livonia plans to continue at Madonna University to pursue a sociology degree. On May 3, he will be graduating with a bachelor of arts in history. He hopes to attend law school and eventually pursue a doctorate in history.

"I have always been proactive and by studying history, I feel I learn about humanity," Keener said.

Keener has participated in several leadership conferences including the 1996 Governor's College Student Leadership Forum and the Michigan Consortium on Substance Abuse Education. He was president of the student government association and is planning to continue as president for the 1997-98 academic year.

Keener also is a member of Project Earth. "I get involved because the skills I am gaining today will make me more effective in the future. I feel just by getting involved, I have learned more about myself and doors to opportunities have opened," said Keener.

A strong believer in child advocacy, he was responsible for organizing Madonna University's first participation in the Right to Life March in Washington D.C.

Through fund-raisers, Keener was able to reduce the cost of attending the event and increase student participation from three, who attended the first march, to 17, who participated in the last march. He served as chairperson for the planning and logistics committee of the 1997 Livonia Parent Fair and holds a job at the MACAW lab on campus.

### Angela Moloney

Angela Moloney of Livonia has definite aspirations, having just returned from a retreat in the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee.

"I want to open my own wilderness retreat center. I think many of God's revelations occur through His creations," said Moloney.

An active member of Madonna University, she has participated in numerous retreats and volunteered her time to several organizations including Project Earth, Campus Ministry, Kappa Gamma Pi, a National Catholic Honor Society, and Student Government.

"My time at Madonna University has been a strong combination of learning along with experience. It has been excellent preparation for my future but I

know there is still so much more to learn," said Moloney. Graduating with high honors, she will receive a bachelor of arts in pastoral ministry. He plans after graduation include pursuing a master's degree in theology at Washington Theological Union in Washington D.C.

### Sandra Newsome

After six years of schooling, Sandra Newsome's children are "excited to have mom back."

"This will be my first free summer in five years," she said. A mother of three children, Newsome is a Livonia resident who will graduate with highest honors and will receive a bachelor of arts degree in Spanish.

Prior to attending Madonna University, she served as a medical analyst for 12 years, but teaching was always in the back of her mind.

"I had always wanted to be a teacher but I didn't have the opportunity earlier in life. In 1991 I decided it was now or never."

Newsome plans to start substitute teaching in the fall after spending the summer with her children. Her goal is to teach Spanish at the elementary level.

"I believe the sooner the language is taught, the easier it is to learn. In Europe children are bilingual and I do not see why children in the U.S. can't be too," Newsome said.

At Madonna University, she participated in Kappa Delta Pi, the teaching honor society, and volunteered after school during her student teaching, with at-risk students in technology at Garden City.

"During my student teaching at Garden City I was working 60 hours a week," said Newsome.

Newsome credits her husband and parents for their strong support in helping her accomplish her goal. Through one of her classes, she learned about Miguel De Unamuno, a famous writer and philosopher, who said: "It is in the quest of searching for knowledge that gives life meaning."

"I want to focus on that quest," said Newsome.

### Sheryl Zajechowski

Sheryl Zajechowski of Livonia will graduate with highest honors and receive a bachelor of arts in journalism and public relations.

"Ever since high school I have wanted to work in book publishing," Zajechowski said.

A graduate of St. Agatha High School in Redford Township, Zajechowski began as a full-time student at Madonna University in 1993. She received several four-year scholarships including the presidential scholarship, the Catholic Student Award and the Byrd Scholarship.

Besides excelling in ac-

demics, she was very active in the Student Ambassador Club, the International Association of Business Communicators and Campus Ministry.

"I don't now if I would have got as involved if I had attended a large school. I think it was easier to find a niche here at Madonna," said Zajechowski.

In addition to her activities, she is a co-op student at Ford Motor Co. For her future, she plans to attend the Publishing Institute at the University of Denver in July 1997, a four-week program on book publishing.

### Molly Malpass

Molly Malpass of Plymouth will graduate with high honors and receive a bachelor's degree in social work.

"I had heard about Madonna University from a friend who went here," Malpass said. "When I came to visit the school, the financial aid office was very supportive and helpful. I think Madonna is good for the working individual with children," she said.

Malpass is a divorced mother of two sons.

"My kids have been very supportive and are excited to see me graduate. My oldest son brags to his friends."

While at Madonna University, she was the president of Phi Beta Gamma, the National

Honor Society for Social Work, and an active member of the Social Work Club.

She plans to attend Wayne State for a master's degree in social work. Her goal is to open a therapeutic day care center for children. "I really feel I got a solid education at Madonna and am confident about going on."

### Joe Kelley

Joe Kelley of Westland will graduate with honors and receive a bachelor of science in criminal justice.

"When reading stories about graduates and all they accomplished, I always thought they can do it but I can't. Now I am graduating and with a good GPA. I want those who think they cannot do it, to know they can."

Kelley plans to continue working at the Plymouth Police Department as a public safety dispatcher and is applying to the University of Detroit Mercy for a master's degree in criminal justice. His goal is to work in the FBI.

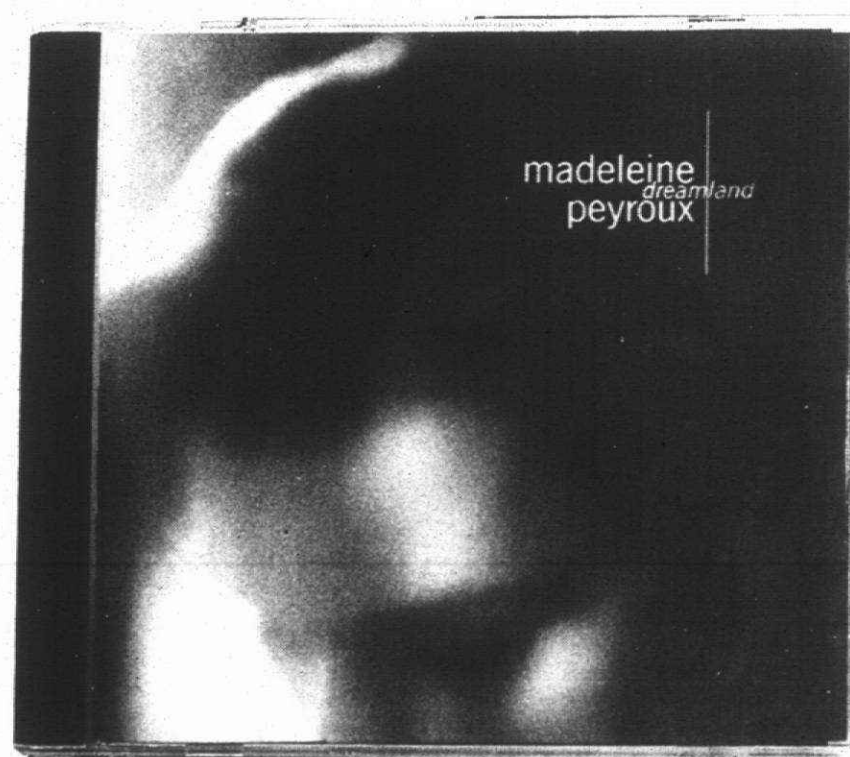
Besides working approximately 32 hours a week at the Plymouth Police Department and attending school full-time, Kelley also was a volunteer for student life.

"I think it is very important to get involved with the school. I am sad to leave, but I can always come back and visit."

# Madeleine Peyroux's Dreamland.

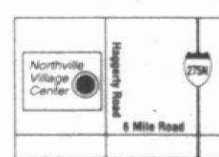
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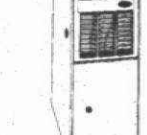
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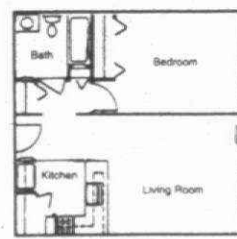
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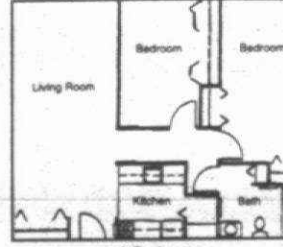
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# OBITUARIES

## RICHARD W. KELCH

Funeral services for Richard W. Kelch, 55, of Plymouth were Friday, April 18, at Brown Funeral Home in Flint, with the Rev. Frederick Brunson officiating, assisting the Rev. Dennis Church and the Rev. Rod Reinhart. Burial was in Flint Memorial Park.

He was born on July 11, 1941, in Flint and died Monday, April 14, at home. He had lived in Plymouth for many years. He was a member of St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Detroit, and was founder of the Wings P.W.A. program and co-founder of the Annual People Who Care Christmas Celebration. He was president of Integrity, Detroit for 10 years and a member of the Plymouth Poets, an active member of the Triangle Foundation and a member of Affirmations.

He was involved in AA and had organized AA and NA meetings for people living with AIDS. He was a published poet, active in the Community Concert Series at Wayne State University, treasurer and vestry member of Detroit's Emmanuel Episcopal Church. He was a graduate of

Flint St. Mary Catholic School and he received his nursing degree from Mott Community College. He was employed as a nurse in the Fairweather Psychiatric Program at Northville State Hospital. He was the recipient of the Spirit of Detroit Award and a received a citation from the City Council of Detroit for his years of community service.

He is survived by his brother, George Kelch of Flint; sisters, Lynne Price of Flint and Tina Klop of Mattawan; numerous nieces, nephews, and great nieces; his friend and life companion, the Rev. Rod Reinhart; many dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Margaret Kelch.

## MARIAN J. LEONARD

Funeral services for Marian J. Leonard, 80, of Canton were held Wednesday, April 23, at The McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel. The Rev. Jerry Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran Church of Canton officiated.

She was born Oct. 25, 1916, in Jackson and died Friday, April 18, at the Venoy Continuing

Care in Wayne. She is survived by her daughter, Marlene Moeller of Canton; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Leonard.

## RAYMOND J. KARAS SR.

A funeral Mass service for Raymond J. Karas Sr., 67, was held Saturday, April 19, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton. The Rev. Robert Ciso officiated, with burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

He was born Aug. 3, 1929, in Detroit and died Tuesday, April 15, at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. He was a cutter/grinder for General Motors Hydr-Matic/powertrain.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret D.; daughter, Deborah Ann Taylor of Brighton; sons, Raymond Karas Jr. of Plymouth, and Gary Karas of Plymouth; sisters, Dorothy Jazowski of Eastpointe and Geraldine Bloem of Oklahoma; brother, Arthur Kara of Detroit; seven grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made as Mass offering or to the American Heart Association, Clinton Valley Region, P.O. Box 721129, Berkeley, Mich. 48072.

Funeral services for Shirley A. Walker, 39, of Wayne were held in John N. Santeau & Son Funeral Home with burial in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. The Rev. John Yapreznas officiated.

Miss Walker, who died Wednesday, April 9, in Ann Arbor, was born in Detroit. She did residential child care.

She is survived by her mother, Carolyn Walker, and Bill "Pops" Hawkins of Canton; brothers, Nick and Mark; sister Linda Radcliffe; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her brother, David, and father, Buford Walker.

She was born March 14, 1906, and died Friday, April 18, in Nightingale West Nursing Home. She was a receptionist in the automotive industry.

She is survived by her daughter, Donna Welch; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild; many nieces and nephews.

## WALFRED TAPPER

Funeral services for Walfred Tapper, 81, of Livonia, were Wednesday April 23, at Fred Wood Funeral Home in Livonia. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

He was born in Nisula, Mich., and died Saturday, April 19. He was in the Army in World War II. He worked as a machine repairman for a manufacturing company.

He is survived by his daughter, Judith Meiselbach of Canton; sons, David Tapper, Thomas Tapper, Denis Tapper, and Timothy Tapper; 13 grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Mich. 48154.

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## BESSIE (BETTY) CATHERINE ROBERTS

Funeral services for Bessie (Betty) Catherine Roberts, 91, were Monday, April 21, at the Neely-Turowski Funeral Home in Livonia. The Rev. Donald Purkey officiated with burial in Kilmartin Cemetery in Ontario, Canada.

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## All that Jazz



**Music Maker:** The Schoolcraft college Jazz Ensemble, SCool Jazz, performed recently in the area. Shown is Canton resident, Ryan Fisher. Other Canton residents in the group include Dawn Turner, Bill Chefan and Rocky Barra.

# State grants will promote wildlife preservation, education

School children will learn about nature first-hand and 20 acres of prairie will be revitalized thanks to state grants

announced by Rep. Deborah Whyman.

Tonda Elementary School in Canton and the Lakeplain

Prairie are the beneficiaries. The money is provided through the Nongame Wildlife Fund checkoff on the state income tax form.

"Though many people use the checkoff box, I think many wonder if they are really helping," said Whyman, R-Canton Town-

ship. "It is exciting and rewarding to see a program like the Nongame Wildlife Fund cause positive change in our local communities."

At Tonda Elementary, students and teachers plan to create a natural laboratory alongside the Fellows Creek.

The \$3,800 grant will pay for an observation platform, nature trail and gardens that the students can use to study wildlife and learn about nature.

"Students at Tonda are receiving an excellent opportunity for learning with this project," Why-

man said. Officials will burn the Lakeplain Prairie in Sumpter Township, renewing 20 acres of land while providing training for local firefighters. The Sumpter Township Fire Department is using the \$4,000 grant to conduct the burn, which is necessary for the prairie to survive.

"Burning off prairie grass is necessary," Whyman said. "Combining a required activity with a training exercise is a brilliant idea and explains why it was chosen."

# Crime up slightly in Plymouth

## By M.B. DILLON

STAFF WRITER

Major crimes in Plymouth increased slightly in 1996, according to recently-released statistics. Total index crimes - including assault; arson; burglary; criminal sexual conduct; homicide; larceny; motor vehicle theft; and robbery - were up from a total of 365 incidents in 1995 to 384 in 1996.

"We had a slight increase in motor vehicle thefts, and we did have a few robberies that made our crime rate go up a little bit," said Plymouth Police Chief Robert Scoggins. "We appeared to have more aggravated assaults in 1996 versus 1995."

"Overall, we have been on the low end of a trend. 1995 was a good year for us."

Again this past year, there were no murders in Plymouth. The number of solved cases is on an upward trend.

"We reorganized the agency and have made a concentrated effort on being more thorough in investigating," said the chief. "We've added more investigators and sent them to the best possible training we could. We have excellent investigators who are cracking cases." A significant change in 1996 involved the department's use of radar to nab speeding drivers.

"We started directing officers to run more radar based on citizen complaints," particularly in

school zones on Sheldon Road, said Scoggins. "We still have selective enforcement there." Drunken driving arrests dropped from 174 in 1995 to 149 last year. Asked whether motorists are getting the message, Scoggins said, "that could be the case. Our officers have a tremendous commitment to taking drunk drivers off the streets."

The number of accidents increased last year. "We did have streetscape going on, and a lot of the streets were torn up. People were avoiding those areas, which could explain why the basic number of accidents was up."

Disorderly conduct citations increased from 199 to 226. "In the downtown area, we've had a problem with skateboarders and disorderly conduct," said the chief. "Because of the manpower situation, we've had to become creative with our coverage. It's why we went with the foot patrol. We're trying to use cruising funds to cover that. We will look at the potential of bringing on more people, which certainly will help us in putting more manpower down there."

"The fact that we do thorough investigating will allow us to focus on even these more minor matters," the chief added.

"The biggest concern is to be able to respond to emergency calls," Scoggins said. "At all times, we have two manned

patrol cars, which is why we have a very fast response time - at least in the two-minute range."

Larcenies from vehicles were up. "There was a rash of that throughout the community and the county," said Scoggins.

Citations of minors in possession of liquor increased from four in 1995 to 12 last year, reflective of the department's zero-tolerance policy. "We take a real serious approach to alcohol-and juvenile-related issues," he said.

While drug possession arrests were down, in no way are police complacent. It could be that people "are more clever in terms of not being caught," said Scoggins. "From all indicators, there is a drug problem not only in our community, but throughout the country. People need to start paying close attention to that. The DARE program is not enough; it takes a concentrated effort of parents, and the community as a whole to address this issue. It's a never-ending battle."

"You don't know how big the problem is, or how effective we have been, but we certainly are committed to doing everything we can to eliminate it," Scoggins said.

The total number of calls and incidents in 1996 was 15,221; up from 11,635 in 1995.

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**Women's Health Series at Canton's Summit on the Park**

Tuesday, April 29 Register by April 25

**Breast Cancer Detection: What's New, What's Tried and True**

Radiologist Joanne Barbour Walker, MD, and Beverly Mascarello, RN, McAuley Breast Care, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

A woman has a one in eight chance of developing breast cancer in her lifetime. This discussion will cover the importance of mammography, ultrasound and breast self-examination in the early detection of breast cancer. Also learn about some of the newest technology being used and currently under development to detect breast cancer.

Wednesday, May 14 Register by May 9

**Understanding Depression: Myths vs. Reality**

Psychologist Laura Gold, PhD, McAuley Mental Health Services, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

Depression touches each of us at some point in our lives, yet we're often afraid to even acknowledge or talk about it, let alone seek help. This program is for you if you, a family member, friend or coworker may be depressed. The symptoms and causes of depression, the influence of hormones on our moods, treatment options and self-help techniques will be discussed.

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## On stage Theater backers face long odds

The Observer doesn't discourage continued efforts to establish and build a new performing arts center in Canton. Live theater, music and other productions would certainly benefit the community and region. Such a facility — coupled with existing organizations like Canton Project Arts and Friends of the Canton Public Library — will further Canton's image as a local culture center.

But those pushing the theater idea need to adopt a realistic approach. Major public funding, at least at this point, doesn't appear likely. And the track record for similar, private projects in southeastern Michigan isn't exactly encouraging.

Next Tuesday, the township board will discuss a cost analysis by Plante & Moran for a proposed theater on township property as well as a study looking at the possibility of a joint project with Plymouth-Canton Community Schools proposed for the high school campus area at Joy and Beck roads.

The Plante & Moran report estimates the current cost of a 600-seat theater at \$5 million if property already owned by the township (in the civic center) is used. Buying land suitable for a 20,000-square-foot building and adjacent parking would add \$300,000. A larger, 1,200-seat auditorium — which would be necessary if operators want to attract professional shows and establish a regional performing arts center — would cost \$13.7 million, according to the study.

The township would be hard-pressed to find that kind of money and even if it were avail-

able other priorities — especially local road improvements — are more pressing. Instead, any theater project will have to rely on a combination of private contributions and possibly state funding or grants.

If you follow Lansing and Washington, though, you know that arts organizations have been struggling to maintain current funding levels, much less win additional money for new projects. While major corporations can and do fund local arts projects, winning such commitment requires a major expenditure of time and effort. It won't be enough just to offer a corporate sponsor its name on the marquee; there will have to be evidence that a theater is a viable, long-term entity.

In recent years, two entrepreneurs failed in separate efforts to stage live shows at the former Mai Kai Theater in Livonia; and the Birmingham Theatre was converted back to a movie house. Theater supporters should ask themselves if there is a market for what they seek to build — or is Canton already served adequately by the professional theaters in metro Detroit and Ann Arbor, as well as the rich history of community theater not only locally, but in nearby communities such as Plymouth, Redford and Farmington Hills.

Any attempt to build a performing arts center in Canton will have to be well-planned and extremely organized. Even then, given the current climate, success may be more of a long shot than supporters are willing to concede.

## Saving Earth begins at home

It's spring and it may not be your fancy, but many people's thoughts turn to cleaning and yard work.

If you do get ambitious enough to clean up your house and work in your yard, keep in mind your efforts should also be Earth-friendly.

Earth Day is in April and that's a good time to remember that our actions can affect the environment, including the Rouge River.

We live in the Rouge River watershed, an area of land that is drained by the Rouge River system.

It is one of the most publicly accessible rivers in the state, and the Rouge River also affects the water quality of the lower 20 miles of the Detroit River and Lake Erie.

Many past sources of pollution have been brought under control, but the Rouge River remains polluted because of storm water runoff, the excess water that flows over land during and after a rainfall or snow melt.

We contribute to pollution in the Rouge in many ways including by overfertilizing our lawns, washing and performing maintenance on cars in our driveways and improperly disposing of leftover paint and chemicals.

A goal of the federally funded Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project is to educate the public on how to be Rouge Friendly.

Here are some things the experts say to keep in mind when cleaning and working in and outside your home:

- Keep fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides off paved surfaces and out of drainage paths.
- Direct polluted wash water away from streets and storm drains. Wash your car on your lawn, or better — go to a car wash.

- Only repair your vehicle in an area where leaks and spills cannot flow toward storm drains, or better — take it to a mechanic.
- Clean up animal waste before it rains. Throw it in the trash or flush it down your toilet.

- Do not use your hose as a broom. Do not wash or sweep debris, spilled or leaked materials into storm drains.
- Properly dispose of household hazardous waste and use nontoxic alternatives when possible.

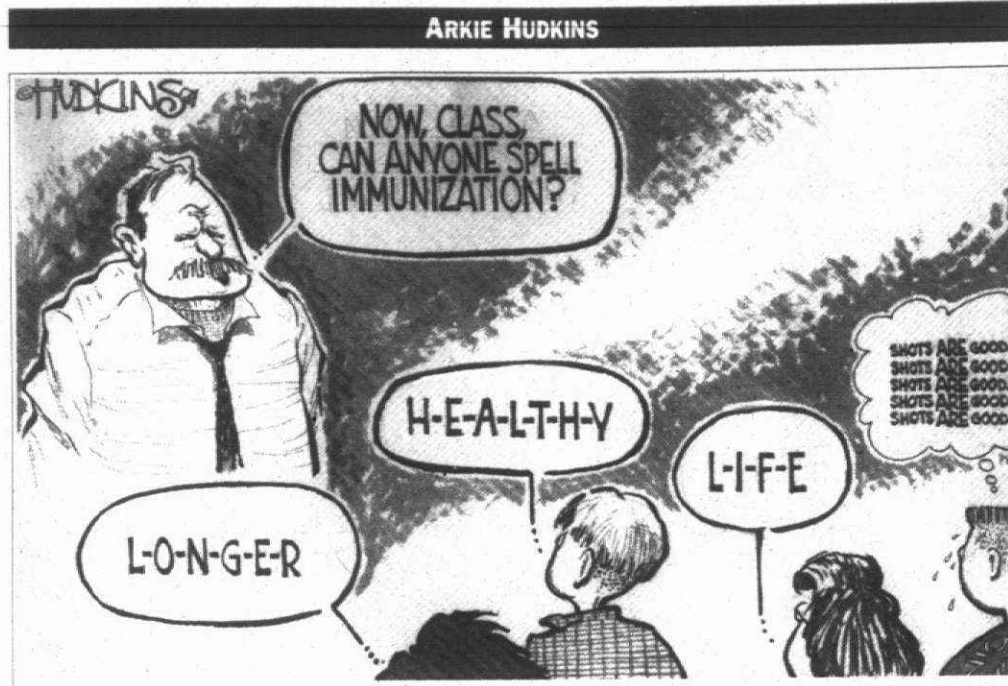
- Compost rather than bag grass clippings and other yard debris.
- Find out about hazardous waste drop-off centers and special hazardous waste collection days. If your community doesn't have one call and request one.

- Keep in mind that household hazardous wastes include oven cleaner, toilet-bowl cleaner, old medicines, batteries, floor-care products, nail polish and remover, oil-based paint, paint thinner, primer and varnish, wood preservatives and stains and some adhesives and glues.

Other ways to help the environment are to become involved in cleanup activities in your community, including the Rouge Rescue in June.

On Saturday morning, June 7, volunteers will work to clear debris from the Rouge. It will be held at many local sites including in Livonia, at the Holiday Nature Preserve in Westland and Lola Valley Park in Redford.

For more information on how you can help the Rouge, call the Rouge Hotline at (313) 961-0730. For information on the Rouge Rescue, call the Friends of the Rouge at (313) 961-4050.



### LETTERS

#### Votes should be counted

After reading the letters regarding the school district bond issue of March 22, 1997, I am compelled to respond, starting with the facts, as follows:

5,733 voters said yes to the bond issue. 5,637 voters said no to the bond issue. 716 voters went to the polls to cast ballots that did not count (four additional under votes were attributed to absentee ballots).

Dr. Little is quoted as saying that the 720 lost ballots would not have changed the outcome of the election. He is also quoted as stating, in the precincts where there was a lot of under voting, it probably would have given OUR voters more of a margin. If, in fact, this is a direct quote — Shame on You, Dr. Little! Every registered voter is one of OUR voters, based on their residency in this community. OUR voters are not determined based on their position on an issue put before us and whether or not it agrees with your position. These statements can go a long way toward feeding the divisiveness in this community. Good relations with members of the public are not fostered by these comments.

The letter written by Susan Kopinski in the April 9 issue of The Community Crier is further evidence of the divisiveness that can rule our community if we allow it. Ms. Kopinski says she has no problem with a recount, but is disturbed with who is asking for the recount and the motives of Roland Thomas, in particular. Ms. Kopinski says Mr. Thomas lied because he publicly announced at the board meeting that he would not challenge the election results, then asserts that he and his buddies believe that they should be running things, not our own community of people.

Again, Mr. Thomas and his buddies are members of our own community of people and we need to ask if Mr. Thomas is challenging the outcome because of the 716 lost votes.

It appears evident that emotions rule over logic. Mr. Thomas devoted a great deal of time and energy to this community as a member of the school board. All community members should be grateful to him and his family for the sacrifices they made for the good of this community. I personally do not believe that Mr. Thomas is requesting a revote because he and his buddies want to run things. As an election worker for Plymouth Township, I too am deeply concerned about the 716 lost votes.

How these 716 people voted is not the issue. The fact that these people took the time to go to the polls and cast votes that did not count is the real issue. We, as a community, need to focus on this fact. While it is possible the 716 votes could have changed the outcome of the election, speculating will not accomplish the desired result. Instead, we need to ascertain

why 716 ballots were not valid. The concern about divisiveness in our community on the part of the school board and the Citizens Election Committee make a revote absolutely essential.

Ms. Kopinski, you say you are tired and angry because you believe people are pitting Plymouth against Canton. I too am angry that 716 votes did not count and that people who have worked very hard for this community are being criticized and questioned about their motives.

It is fair to say that each person who went to the polls or voted absentee shares your concern for our children. Their participation in the decision-making process is to be applauded. A recount will not accomplish what is needed to put this issue to rest, because it will not make the 716 lost ballots count. In the interest of our community, our future and our children, it is my strong recommendation that a revote be pursued. This is the only way to ensure that voters have been heard, regardless of the outcome. I am willing to help in any way necessary to make this a reality.

Obviously, it is very difficult to generate voter interest in the issues we face as a community. Dr. Little, 716 of OUR voters have been silenced. Let us not be guilty of minimizing the input and concerns of these 716 members of the Plymouth-Canton community.

Sandy Groth  
Plymouth

#### Fix the roads now

An open letter to our state representatives:

Please fix our roads. Please do not raise the gasoline tax.

As soon as the tax is raised all stores, restaurants, and businesses will raise the price of their goods and services. Their answer to "Why?" will be "The gas tax forced us." They will most likely raise their prices higher than the gas tax, just to make sure they profit.

Instead, pay for the road improvements with money Gov. John Engler and his "yes men" saved us with the so-called 21 tax cuts. Or pay for it with the millions of dollars from the Lotto. Few believe this money goes to education and many realize it is soaked up by the general fund.

Middle-income Michiganders have taken a beating from Mr. Engler and a gas tax increase would be just another hit.

Brian R. Kolka  
Canton

#### Teaching discipline

My name is Ken Smith and I'm a teacher in the district and have taught at Canton High School for 22 years. We have a very fine high school. I also feel that this board of education has done a great job helping establish and keep the district on a good path of educational goals. The community has shown its support by passing the bond issue. Plymouth-Canton also has a very dedicated and professional staff.

The annual Plymouth-Canton Educational Park report states all the outstanding things that go on at the Park, and it is true. It points out academics — how we offer 326 course offerings, how learning is enhanced by lots of hands-on experiences, and points out all the great extracurricular and athletic programs.

The only concern I have for the Park is in the lack of supervision and discipline. I have served on the Student Responsibility Committee for many years. This committee has recommended many changes to help students gain more responsibility. One of the goals for the School Improvement/NCA Committee is "students will take responsibility for appropriate personal and social behavior." I feel we are not working hard enough on this goal. We are not doing enough to help students become responsible. I feel there is a real lack of discipline. Discipline comes from the Latin word which means "to teach." We do not teach discipline. We allow students to learn bad behaviors. Students are allowed to miss classes. They are allowed to skip classes by staying in the halls, going to the library, staying outside the building and leaving campus without consequences. The staff allows the infractions of these rules. We also allow vulgar language, verbal abuse, severe classroom disruptions, inappropriate dress, loitering and undue familiarity. How do we do this? By not punishing and teaching students that there are consequences for misbehavior. We also do this by not informing parents so they can help with these concerns.

I feel we must start helping students learn how to modify their behaviors. We must provide better supervision and discipline. We must follow the pre-established rules and consequences for misbehavior. We never administer consequences immediately and monitor proper behavior frequently. We must enforce classroom rules consistently. And lastly, we must make sure the discipline fits the behavior without harshness.

It would be my pleasure to show this board what is really happening at the Park. Please come ... I'll give you a personal tour and show you these concerns. Our parents and students deserve better.

Ken Smith, teacher  
Canton High School

#### Questions motives

I am responding to the article on the front page of this newspaper on April 3. I am upset by Jerry Vorva's inflammatory remarks about Dr. Little and the election results. Why is Mr. Vorva putting words in Dr. Little's mouth? Why did he call Little greedy? Little will continue to receive a paycheck with or without the new high school. So how does supporting the bond make him greedy?

I question Vorva's motives for his remarks. If Mr. Vorva has concerns about the voting equipment or suspects fraud, there are steps to take to check the facts. Let's find a solution to the voting equipment problem and stop attacking something that will benefit the entire community. The quality of the school system directly affects property values (I thought this was common knowledge with the Realtor set). It saddens me to think of my two kids stuffed into the current high school. I'm also saddened by the feeling of unrest felt by my peers and myself. What to do if the bond fails, private schools, move out? Will my home hold its value?

Vorva talks of Dr. Little's actions sending a message. How about this message: Follow directions; take care with the task at hand; accept responsibility for the consequences of your actions.

What about the 10,000-plus voters who did just that? The directions I received when I voted at East Middle School were very clear. I just had to take a little time and think about what I was doing. Why not expect the people of Plymouth and Canton to take special care with their individual right to vote?

So, Mr. Vorva, what is your motive? Name recognition? I recognize your name, I lived here when you were a cop.

Elaine M. Joris  
Plymouth

#### 721 votes do count

I've never had a complaint about the Plymouth-Canton School District and the way they are educating.

Four years ago, we moved to Canton, mainly for the school system, since we had a child who was about to enter kindergarten. We only

looked at homes in areas with a well-balanced educational system and we chose Canton. I can only give praise to my son's school (Tonda Elementary) and its faculty. I've been very happy with the Plymouth-Canton School System, until now!

Regarding the school bond issue of the March 22, 1997, special election, how can Dr. Charles Little, superintendent of our schools, say that 721 votes "would not have changed the outcome of the election?" I thought Dr. Little, and the position he holds, is there to teach our children that change can occur, with hard and HONEST effort.

Simple math tells us that 721 is greater than 96. The 6 percent spoiled votes are more than 1 percent of the deciding votes. The math that I was brought up on, taught me that it could make a difference in the outcome. Is this the type of math that our children are now receiving? Also, doesn't this send a negative message to students about our voting system when that large number of "under" (or don't count) votes "would not have changed the outcome of the election?"

What's the sense of the students learning how our voting system works, and what it represents, let alone why would they ever want to vote? I'm very glad that our governmental elections are not run this callously.

Regardless of how you voted, nobody can claim a victory here. The schools may become bright and shiny, but they will never get rid of the tarnish this election has brought to the reputation of our school board. The schools may be better supplied, there may be more of them, and improvements to all of our schools, but since we have a school board that allows 721 (6 percent) voices go unheard, how can they be better? Never!

One can only wonder: if the millage would have lost by less than 1 percent, could the 6 percent change the outcome then?

One last thought, since there were mechanical errors and the margin of victory was small, why wasn't there a recount on the votes that do matter? Shame on those who think that I vote, let alone 721, "would not have changed the outcome of the election."

Bill Ballelli  
Canton

#### Don't split community

On March 22, 1997, our Plymouth-Canton community passed a bond proposal for our children and our community as a whole. This is

a great accomplishment that few Michigan school districts have been able to attain in recent years.

Many people from some of these other districts have asked me how we did it because they are in awe. I tell these people that we had a great team of dedicated people that worked hard and provided information and facts. Above all, the school district and the Citizens' Election Committee ran an open and honest campaign with ideas and concerns from our community. We stressed "Plymouth/Canton Community" because that's what our school district is. The Citizens' Election Committee is very proud of the campaign we ran and its results.

This brings me to what is happening now in terms of requests for a recount. I have no problem with a recount and believe citizens have every right to ask for one. However, what disturbs me is who is asking for the recount and what their motives are. Roland Thomas publicly announced at a school board meeting that he would not challenge the election and he lied because he has done just that along with his buddies that believe they should be running things, not our own community of people.

They are pitting Plymouth vs. Canton and I'm tired of it and angry. I have personally worked very hard to dispel this attitude for the past several months and find it to be immature and childish.

The people that want this recount have said that they believe the count will come out the same so I can only conclude that they will take their sore losing attitude to court and prolong the process.

This may not matter to these people because the majority of them do not have school-age children. It does, however, matter to the rest of us who have children who will suffer because of their potential actions.

These children will be from Canton, Plymouth, Northville and Salem, wherever our school district touches.

By delaying planning and construction, my own son may be a junior, not a sophomore, before we have three high schools. That makes it personal and I am very disturbed by how this may affect his education.

I am going to ask the people behind this effort to let it go after the recount. Our community does not need to go through this. But, most of all, all of our children have earned and deserve to have less crowding in their schools. Aren't the kids what it is all about?

Susan Kopinski  
Plymouth/Canton community

## Sharpshooting won't help school reform goal

Once an important policy initiative is launched, there always comes an uneasy period when sharpshooters come out of the woodwork. So it is just now with school reform — so vitally important, so long delayed, so slowly gaining momentum.

A consensus has been building over the past year or so that the best way to improve K-12 education in Michigan is to develop a set of tests that objectively assesses what students actually learn.

Made public district by district and building by building, the tests results can tell students and parents how their schools stack up. Results also will suggest to teachers and school officials what changes in teaching methods, textbooks and emphasis will best serve students in mastering the curriculum. Employers, too, will be interested in how prospective workers scored on the tests.

All this sounded perfectly reasonable up to last fall, when masses of students in Birmingham, Troy and a few other communities skipped the High School Proficiency Tests (HSPT). Some parents feared that scoring poorly would hurt their children in getting admitted to choice colleges, while some school officials supposedly told poor students to stay away so as not to pull down district averages.

Compounding the problem was the nomenclature adopted by the Legislature to characterize test scores on high school transcripts: "proficient," "novice" and "not yet novice," in descending order. Parents and students who had been getting good grades were particularly angered by the use of "novice" — "new, inexperienced," according to my dictionary — to characterize performance on the HSPT.

Then a major statewide daily newspaper, avid in search of readership, gave prominent play to a story on HSPT results under the screaming headline, "Half the Juniors in Michigan Fail Standardized Tests," thereby distorting both the results and the purposes of the tests.

Always alert to sharpshooting opportunities, various legislators got into the act.

Rep. Kirk Profit, a Democrat who represents communities in eastern Washtenaw County and usually knows better, introduced a bill to delay the next round of HSPTs. "It has become abundantly clear that the testing instruments being used in an effort to determine high school proficiency are failing as proper measurements of who is actually proficient," grumped Profit's press release.



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Republican state senators representing communities in Oakland County held a set of hearings, making sure along the way not to include Democratic lawmakers. Democratic Sens. Gary Peters and Ken DeBeaumont promptly held their own hearings.

So backers of serious school reform were plenty concerned when the State Board of Education held its monthly meeting last week. We should not have been concerned. The board and Art Ellis, superintendent of public instruction, acted with steadfast prudence.

Addressing concerns about nomenclature, the board voted to ask the Legislature to remove the School Code requirement that test results "novice" and "proficient" be placed on student transcripts. Instead, transcripts will show subjects in which students have earned state diploma endorsement.

The board also cautioned schools and parents not to skip the HSPT by exploiting the loophole of limited English and other disabilities. "Tell them to take the test," said Clark Durant, R-Grosse Pointe, summing up board opinion. "There should be no waivers at all," said Sharon Wise, R-Owosso.

And most importantly, everybody held firm on the main point of using tests as the instrument of school reform. Dr. Anne Hansen, a deputy superintendent, quoted a representative comment from a western Michigan district superintendent: "We cannot afford to lose this test. It's the most important single item in educational instruction reform."

Steady as she goes, Superintendent Ellis. Stay the course, State Board. Quit sharpshooting, legislators.

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Babies?



Edythe Parry



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Wayne Wiltale

We asked this  
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Robin's Nest in  
Old Village, Ply-  
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"I have six  
grandchildren.  
All my grandchil-  
dren want one."

"They're cute.  
They're adorable.  
I've got to get  
26 of them."

"My stepdaugh-  
ter got me  
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# Wayne County

## Variety highlights parks spring, summer schedule

The Wayne County Park System has released its spring and summer schedule of events:

■ **Walk Michigan**, a year-round fitness program organized to promote good health and to highlight the many recreation areas in Michigan. At each Walk Michigan event, participants can enter a drawing for a trip for two to Mackinac Island and the Governor's Annual Labor Day Bridge Walk. This program began April 10. Call the park office at 261-1990 for a current Walk Michigan schedule.

■ **Saturday and Sunday in the Park**, May 3 through Sept. 28, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Six miles of Hines Park (Hines Drive) will be closed every Saturday and Sunday for the public of all ages to run, walk, skate or cycle safely. This is an expansion of the former Saturdays in the Park. Hines Drive will be closed from the Warrendale Picnic Area (west of Outer Drive) to the Nankin Mills Area (Ann Arbor Trail). Parking is available at Warrendale, Merriman Hollow and Nankin Mills picnic areas.

■ **Fishing Derby**, Saturday, May 17, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Hines Park, Waterford Bend Area, Northville. All children ages 12 and under are welcome to have some fishing fun and win some prizes at the at the Wayne County Parks Fishing Derby. The Rouge River will be stocked with rainbow trout. A casting contest will also take place. All anglers need to bring their own equipment and bait.

This event is co-sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans of America - Plymouth Canton Chapter 528. For registration information, call the parks office.

■ **Concerts in the Park**, dates, locations and times to be announced. The sounds of jazz, country, top 40 and other types of music will be filling the air this summer. You can bring your picnic basket, or purchase your dinner from the concession trailer to this new series. Come and enjoy music in a perfect natural setting. Free admission.

■ **Children's "Evening Out" Series**. This new series, dates, locations and entertainment will be announced. Bring the kids and enjoy an "evening out" of

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children's concerts, storytelling, magicians and puppet shows. You can bring your picnic basket, or purchase your dinner from the concession trailer. Come and enjoy an entertaining evening with the family. Free admission.

■ **Rouge Rescue**, Saturday, June 7, Wayne County Parks and Metro Detroit. Put on waders and join the Friends of the Rouge in an area-wide effort to clean up the river. For sites and times, call (313) 961-4050.

■ **Friends of Wayne County Parks Pro-Am Celebrity Golf Classic**, Friday, June 6, Warren Valley Golf Course. Hook your three-some up with a local pro or celebrity for a day of great golf and fun on the links at Warren Valley. All proceeds benefit Wayne County Parks. \$100 per amateur includes lunch. Shotgun start 8 a.m. Best ball scramble.

■ **Detroit Senior Olympics**, June 30-July 3 on Belle Isle. Wayne County Park System, Detroit Recreation Department, and several other sponsors have teamed to present over a dozen exciting, competitive events for Detroit Area Seniors 50 years young and older. Call the park office for a registration form.

■ **Nursery School Olympics**, Saturday, June 21, 9 a.m. at Elizabeth Park, Trenton. Wayne County Parks is hosting this event for tomorrow's champions. Events include Marshmallow Shot-Put, Paper Plate Discus, Diaper Derby, Toddler Trot and more. Preschool children ages 3-5 and their parents are welcome. Co-sponsored by McDonald's, Michigan Recreation and Park Association and Trenton Parks and Recreation.

■ **Movies in the Park**, June 25, Nankin Mills Area, Westland; July 30, Elizabeth Park, Trenton; and Aug. 27, Bell Creek Park, Redford. Bring your chairs, blankets, picnic baskets (or purchase your dinner from our concession trailer) and enjoy

a family movie in the park with a giant video projection system in full color with concert stereo surround sound. Free admission. Movie titles will be announced.

■ **Mud Day**, Tuesday, July 8, 11 a.m. Hines Park, Nankin Mills Area, Westland. Combine 200 tons of topsoil and 20,000 gallons of water and you have created every 6-year-old's dream and every mother's nightmare. To top off the event, champions are crowned Mr. and Ms. Mud.

■ **Polka Fest**, July 12-13, Noon-9 p.m. Hines Park, Warrendale Area, Dearborn Heights. Dance enthusiasts will love dancing to the music of Big Daddy Lackowski and his La-Dee-Da's and other popular polka bands from the area. Ethnic dancers in authentic Polish costumes will perform Polish dances. Sample Polish food and relax on the banks of the Rouge River.

■ **Jazz on the River**, Aug. 16-17, 2 p.m. to dark. Elizabeth Park, Trenton. The sounds of cool jazz will fill the air at Elizabeth Park as local artists take the stage. Bring your blankets and chairs and get ready to tap your feet to the beat. The scenic Detroit River will provide a beautiful background for this musical extravaganza. Sponsored in cooperation with Trenton Parks and Recreation and corporate sponsors. Call the parks office for an entertainment schedule.

■ **Somewhere in Time**, Sunday, Sept. 14, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Elizabeth Park, Trenton. Antique auto displays, trolley rides, riverboat rides, musical entertainment and refreshments highlight the day. Additional programs include: nature and historical interpretive programs, canoe rentals, paddle boat rentals, and picnic shelters and areas for reservations.

For information on all events, call 261-1990.

## Madonna offers psychology workshops

Madonna University in Livonia will offer four psychology workshops during the spring/summer term.

The workshop "Thinking Like a Therapist" begins Friday, May 30, from 6 to 10 p.m. and continues Saturday, June 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The workshop explores stereotypes, found in popular lore and the movies, of therapists as nosy busybodies who read ridiculous meanings into the behaviors of people who are desperately looking for help.

Through the use of videotapes and written protocols from actual clinical cases, students become familiar with the systematic ways of thinking that therapists use to understand their clients and implement treatment.

"Psychological Issues in Child Abuse and Neglect" will be held on Saturday, June 14, and Saturday, June 21, from 9 a.m. to 3

p.m. The workshop examines why child abuse and neglect occur, who perpetrates such acts, the short- and long-term effects of child abuse, and the various treatment strategies employed with abuse children.

The workshop "The Psychology of Traumatic Experience" is scheduled for Friday, June 20, from 6 to 10 p.m. and Saturday, June 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. This course will explore current understandings of the immediate and long-term effects of trauma and address contemporary questions that arise in diagnosis and treatment, with special focus on repressed memory and the effects of the Holocaust. Videos and guest lectures will be presented.

The workshop "Understanding the Challenging Child: Introduction to Emotional Disorders in a Child" will be useful for anyone who has had contact with extremely challenging

children and wishes to understand them better. The workshop will be offered Friday, July 11, from 6 to 10 p.m. and Saturday, July 19, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Discussion will focus on disorders such as attention deficit, hyperactivity, depression, anxiety and conduct problems. Treatment approaches will be described and guest lectures will be presented.

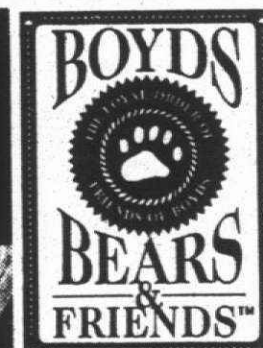
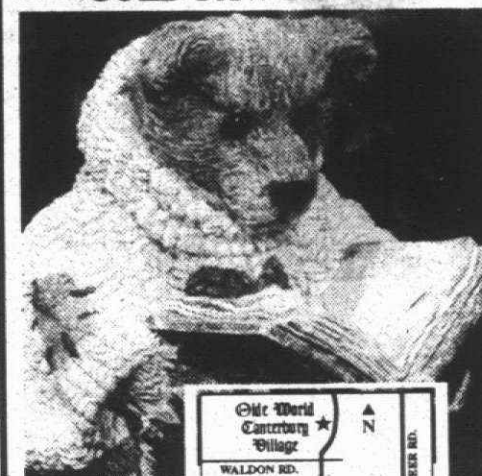
The non-credit fee for each of these workshops is \$95. Students earn 1.2 continuing education units for each workshop. Madonna University is located at 1-96 and Levan Road in Livonia. Mail, fax and in-person registration for workshops are being accepted now.

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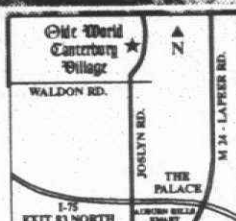
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# COMMUNITY LIFE

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## FAMILY ROOM



KAREN MEIER

## Neighborhoods and big things going on there

**"W**rite what you know." "Find the good in things." Those are the foundation on which this "Family Room" column has been built. Granted, that foundation is neither fancy nor complex, but then again, this "Room" isn't all that fancy or complex either.

As for this "Write what you know" part of the foundation, I've always done that. Letters, notes, reports, resumes, greeting cards, grocery lists, "Parent Comments" on my children's report cards, tax forms, the "Family Room." I write what I know.

And along the way, teachers, mentors and colleagues have advised doing just that - writing what I know. By doing that, the experts say, you'll bring honesty and integrity to your work. And vitality - there'll be a person behind those words.

Now, "finding the good in things" - that's advice given to me by my elders along the way: parents, preachers, priests, grandparents. It's the easier-said-than-done kind of advice, but it's good advice nevertheless.

Sometimes, though, writing what you know and finding good at the same time is very hard. This time it's impossible - because what I know of is so sad, so unfair and so utterly meaningless.

Someone close by, in the neighborhood, has just been diagnosed with a very serious illness. The news sent shock waves and anger storms down these tree-lined, quiet streets of ours. There is nothing good in this. There is no lesson here. What there is is helpless disbelief, especially considering the impeccably healthy lifestyle and young age of this neighbor, this friend who's been stricken.

### Neighbors shocked

My neighborhood has been shocked and angered. But little by little, we're moving away from these very normal, very human, yet useless reactions, and we're reaching out in tangible ways, bringing food and offering help. Yet we, in the neighborhood, can't help but rail at our powerlessness in the face of this.

Is there anything else we can do? Anything at all? We're only people, quite ordinary people, living side by side in a neighborhood. What else can we do?

In this neighborhood, as in most neighborhoods, we started out as strangers, but then evolved and became neighbors. Time passed, and neighbors, formerly "strangers," became friends. And that's a wonderful and common thing in a neighborhood. One thing though, once you get to "neighbor" status, you can never go back to "stranger" status. Maybe "former neighbor," but never again stranger. Once a neighbor, always a neighbor. There's no going back on that.

And there's no going back on being part of a neighborhood.

That word, "neighborhood." It's just a word. According to the dictionary, it's this: "A district considered in regard to its inhabitants or distinctive characteristics." That seems so cold, so detached, so unneighborly. There's so much more to it than that. It's bigger than that.

Remember the neighborhood you grew up in? Everything in our long-ago neighborhoods seemed big. The houses there and the yards are all remembered as big, gigantic, huge. But, of course, when you go back now, somehow things seem to have shrunk.

I see my children now noticing things here in our neighborhood they consider big and huge. Not just houses and yards, but things like the everyday comings and goings of the people up and down the street. Someone's new car. Someone else's rose trellis. The new puppy with the big paws. The baby in the stroller. Haircuts. Fire trucks. Grill smells. Garage sales. Roof repairs. Old bicycles. Red wagons. Christmas lights. Luminaries. Flags on front porches. Huge maple trees. UPS truck deliveries. Newly painted garage doors. Snowmen. Lemonade stands.

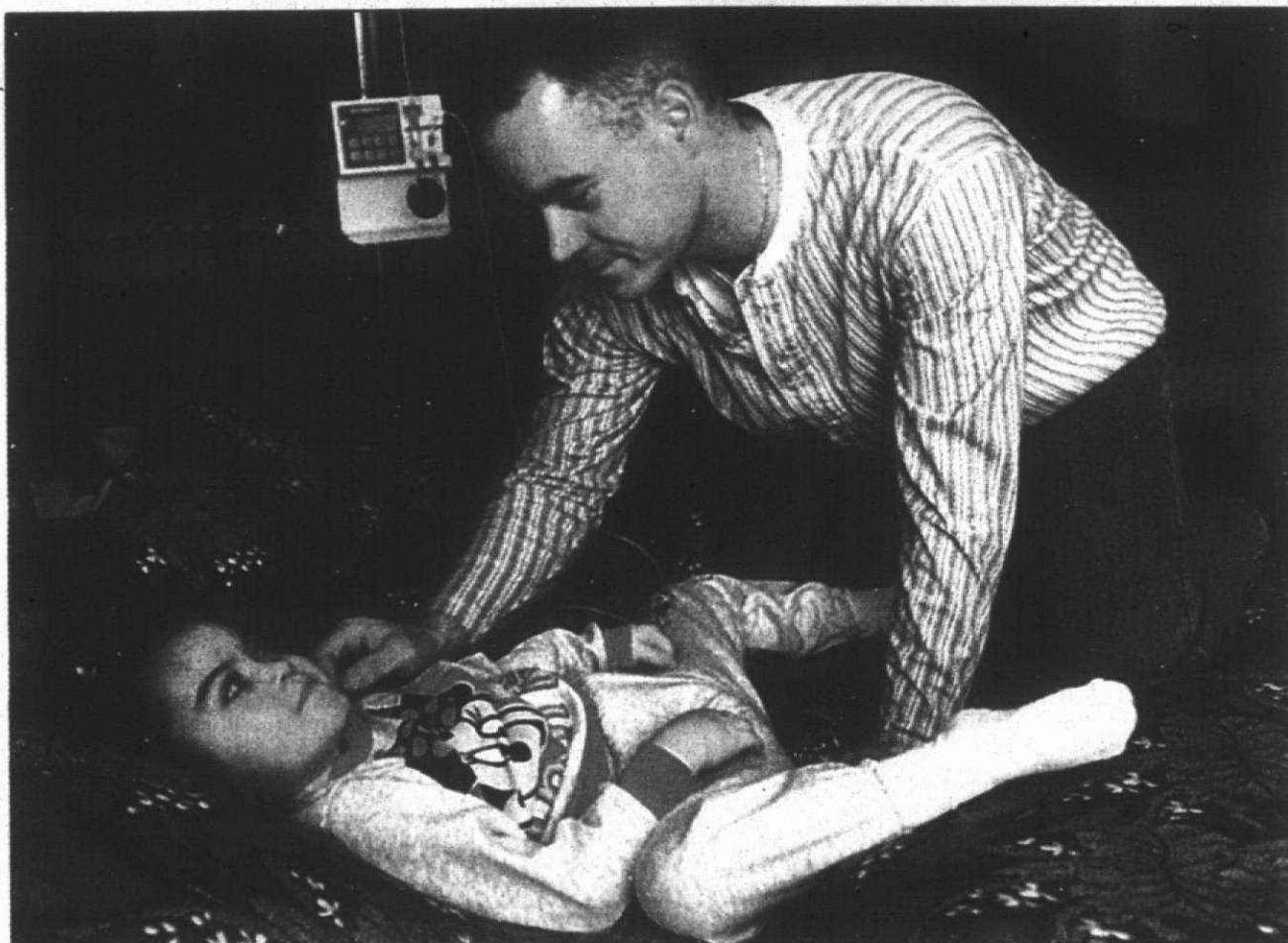
### The big things

These are the big things of the neighborhood as my children see it. But what are those things to us adults? Maybe a long time ago, when we were little, these things were huge and significant, but like those grand homes of our childhood, they've shrunk in size and importance.

But I've been wondering. The significance children put to little things, does that preclude understanding or seeing the "big things"? Yes, children see those little things and talk endlessly about them to best friends and Mom and Dad and brothers and sisters. But children, I've dis-

Please see FAMILY ROOM, B2

## Taking life one day at a time



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**Quality time:** When not working as a conductor for Conrail, Patrick Unger has time to spend with his daughter Peyton, 4, who is in the last stages of Batten disease, a neurological disease that also afflicts her brother, Patrick, 2.

# Batten takes toll on family



**Marcey and Patrick Unger are taking life one day at a time with their two children who have been diagnosed with Batten disease, which is slowly claiming their young lives.**

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Four-year-old Peyton Unger talks with her eyes. She responds to her parents, Marcey and Patrick Unger of Canton, by glancing at them or blinking her eyes.

Batten disease, marked by rapid brain deterioration, has stolen Peyton's ability to speak, walk or eat. She now has pneumonia, one of the last stages of the disease. Her 2-year-old brother Patrick Jr., or "Patty," also has Batten.

"You just know she's talking back to you just not with her mouth but with her eyes. She's a stinker," Marcey Unger said with a smile.

Peyton, with her big brown eyes and long dark lashes, is laying nearby on a blue futon cushion. Her hospice nurse comforts her as seizures persist.

Batten disease - named for the British pediatrician who first described it in 1903 - is a catch-all phrase for a group of neurological diseases known as neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis, according to Lance Johnson, executive director of the Batten Disease Support and Research Association in Columbus, Ohio.

There are four forms - infantile (Santavuori-Haltia disease), late infantile (Jansky-Bielschowsky

disease), juvenile (Spielmeier-Vogt disease) and adult (Kufs disease) - that are genetically separate. The adult form is the rarest while infantile is categorized as very rare, he said.

The National Organization for Rare Disorders estimates that in the United States Batten Disease occurs in approximately three in 100,000 births. Batten Disease is inherited as an autosomal recessive genetic trait, according to NORD literature. The condition does not appear unless a person inherits the same defective gene for the same trait from each parent.

If an individual receives one normal gene and one gene for the disease, the person will be a carrier for the disease, but usually will not show symptoms. The risk of transmitting the disease to the children of a couple, both of whom are carriers for a recessive disorder, is 25 percent. Fifty percent of their children risk being carriers of the disease, but generally will not show symptoms.

Researchers suspect that Batten Disease is caused by missing enzymes, resulting in the body's inability to break down substances such as fats, and their associated sugars and proteins in the normal way. Some of these fats, sugars,

and proteins then appear to form the lipopigments that accumulate in nerves as well as other tissues causing symptoms of this disorder, according to NORD literature.

"It's like when you're driving a car and the carbon builds up in the cylinder; eventually, the car won't run," said Dr. J. Alfred Rider, president of the Children's Brain Diseases Foundation in San Francisco.

Patients with Batten disease suffer from multiple seizures, the loss of vision, cognition, mobility, dexterity and speech, as well as the ability to eat. Peyton and Patrick still have their vision.

"The thing that separates the four primary forms of the disease are the age of onset and the length of life. They all basically have the same progression," said Johnson, whose daughter Lorena died of the juvenile form of the disease at age 22.

### A complex disease

Batten disease is one of the most complex diseases, because it causes such a downward decline. Children's developmental skills will peak and then decline.

"It's almost as if they unlearn what they learned in a reverse order," Johnson said.

Peyton, for example, would sit up, crawl and play with her brother in March 1996. Within a week, she lost all of that.

"She used to be able to walk at one time," Marcey said. "The only things she can do voluntarily are smile and laugh. Toward the end,



**One of this ...:** Marcey Unger organizes the medicines that have been prescribed to treat symptoms of the disease.

they get hyperexcitable. Peyton sometimes will laugh hysterically for no reason."

Other times Peyton will cry for no reason. She overreacts to any kind of stimulation.

"We can't take her too much in

Please see DISEASE, B2

# Christian band rocks without preaching

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

The Christian rock band All Star United is all about a rock 'n' roll show.

"We're not a traveling preaching show; we want anyone to come who wants to rock," said drummer Christian Crowe of his Nashville-based band's show Saturday, April 26, at Clarenceville United Methodist Church in Livonia.

That is reflected on All Star United's self-titled debut album released by Reunion Records in February. The Christian lifestyle is deeply embedded in a swirl of Brit pop influences. Vocal styles meshed with staccato keyboards similar to the band Blur are evident in the opening track "La La Land" and "Smash Hit."

Crowe says that that observation is dead-on. "As a band we only have one CD player in the van, but we're all into (English pop bands) Oasis, Radiohead, Menswear, Suede," he said. "The last two weeks we've been digging the Gene CD a lot. We also like Dodgy and Shed Seven."

As a matter of fact, the band members purchased tickets to a Blur show in Atlanta, Ga., from scalpers so they could give their idols a copy of their CD.



**In concert:** All Star United - Patrick McCallum (from left), Ian Eskelin, Christian Crowe, Gary Miller and one-time guitarist Brian Whitman since replaced by Dave Clo - Are ready to perform at Clarenceville United Methodist Church on April 26.

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## Disease from page B1

the sun," she said. "You know how when you're driving in a car and you go between the trees and the sunlight flashes between the trees? That will throw her into a big seizure."

Symptoms of the infantile form show up before age 1 and the patients usually live anywhere from 6-14 years. A positive diagnosis is made through a battery of tests including an MRI, blood tests and a biopsy that is examined under an electron microscope, Johnson explained.

There is no treatment for Batten disease except to give the patients medication for the symptoms. But there is hope, according to Rider.

"With the recent advances that came about in 1995, you can now make an absolute diagnosis of a person with the disease and find out who is a carrier of the dis-

ease," he said. "Work is proceeding to try and find out what enzyme this gene controls. In the future, it might be possible to replace the enzyme like you would with insulin and diabetes. It's not quite as hopeless as it was when we started our foundation in 1988."

Patrick, a Marine drill instructor, and Marcey, a Army military police officer, met in Okinawa in January 1992. They married in August of that year and Peyton arrived in November.

At eight months old, Peyton had her first seizure and was diagnosed as epileptic. Four months later, Peyton's seizures were repetitive. As Peyton grew sicker, Marcey Unger quit the military to take care of her. The couple left Japan and moved to South Carolina where Patrick served as a drill instructor.

He left the military when Patty had his first seizure at eight months old.

### Search for answers

The Ungers literally traveled up and down the East Coast, visiting hospitals that they hoped would diagnose their children.

"We have had so many different diagnoses; they were calling it Peyton and Patrick Unger Syndrome because they had no idea," Marcey said.

This past January, after almost five years of searching for an explanation, the Unger children were diagnosed with Batten. Doctors told the Ungers that Peyton wouldn't live past March so the couple is taking it day-by-day with Northville's Old Village School for handicapped children in January, so they could spend as much time with her as possible.

"She has good days and then she has bad days," Marcey said. "She smiles and still laughs and she's a daddy's girl big time."

Patrick is now a conductor for Conrail and is gone two days a week. Keeping busy helps keep his mind "off the ultimate with Peyton."

"It's probably hard on Marcey with me being gone, but it helps keep my mind busy instead of pondering about the worst," he said.

Patty attends Old Village School where he undergoes physical, speech and occupational therapy. He and his classmates play and go on field trips although Patty cannot walk or talk and has repetitive seizures.

"Yesterday they wrote me a note that said he played in the sandbox. He can sit up and play still," Marcey said as her enthusiasm fades. "It's hard on us

because our next-door neighbors have a 1-year-old and he's walking around and talking and Patrick can't do that. His legs don't work right so he has to wear braces."

Holding a photograph of Patty, Marcey said he knew that her next child would be born with Batten disease, she wouldn't have had any more children.

"The more children you have, the greater the chances are of them having Batten disease," she said. "When I got pregnant with Patrick, if I would have known (before) ... I'm not saying I would have gotten an abortion, I would have opted not to have any children after Peyton."

The Ungers admit that they are expecting the worst. One of the hardest things now for the one-income family is raising the funds needed for the children's funerals. Thanks to television

interviews and newspaper articles, the Ungers have been swamped with donations and offers to help out. Recently Builders Square in Canton held a bake sale to aid the Ungers.

Marcey appears strong and happy while discussing her children but admits that she, too, has bad days.

"Believe me, I break down; I go off the wall sometimes and cry and yell and scream and holler, but if I did that 24 hours a day I'd never get anything done," she said. "I'd never be able to take care of them the way they need to be taken care of."

The Ungers are in the process of setting up a trust fund. In the meantime, those who would like to make donations to the children's funeral fund can send them to the family at 8218 Honeytree Blvd., Canton 48187.

## Concert from page B1

To top off that Brit pop theme, "All Star United" was formed in London, England, by Mark Freegard who has worked with Manic Street Preachers and Ride.

"It was done at a studio where all these Brit bands record; he's totally tied in with all of them," Crowe said. "As it was being mixed, Ian [Eskelin, singer-songwriter/producer] went over there and at the studio on the first floor Boy George was working on a project."

All Star United - who range in age from 21 to 33 - worked with

Freegard for reasons other than his Brit pop credentials. The band members wanted a well-produced record.

"It bothers me when you listen to something and you can tell it's Christian rock 'n' roll in the first two measures because of the production and music quality," he said. "For so many years, Christian music was behind the mainstream for three or five years. We just want to be able to play to our peers regardless if they're Christian or not."

Crowe explained that Christian bands like his can share

their beliefs without saying "Jesus in every other song."

"The songs are written about our lives and the way we get through life; a large percentage of it is about our faith," he explained. "We're not so single-minded that we can't write a song about love, having a good time, or friendship."

"It's kind of limiting if that's all you can write about. All these Christian bands are doing that. We thought that it wouldn't hurt if we didn't. We'd rather be a U2 or any number of bands that have some kind of faith."

Although All Star United has only officially been a band since mid-1996, its members have played together for some time. Crowe played drums for Eskelin's techno-influenced solo project.

Realizing that taped background music wasn't the way to go, they slowly folded other musicians into the mix. Keyboardist Patrick McCallum, who had toured with Eskelin and the band Echoing Green, came on board in early 1995.

Bass player Gary Miller, formerly of the band Spin Cycle,

replaced original bass player Rob Wayner after "All Star United" was completed.

Guitarist Dave Clo took the place of original player Brian Whitman.

Apparently, it's a successful formula. All Star United has concerts booked through February 1998. Besides the United States, the band is scheduled to appear in England, Europe, Turkey, New Zealand and Australia.

"We're so excited; we totally want to do more of an international thing," Crowe said. "Even

if we're not as well known in the States, we want to sell a million records."

All Star United along with opening bands Fold Zandura and Kosmos Express perform on Saturday, April 26, at Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt (south of Eight Mile), Livonia

Doors open at 7:30 p.m. for the all-ages show. Tickets are \$6 in advance, \$8 at the door. For more information, call (313) 434-4359.

## Family Room from page B1

covered, see so much more. And they absorb it. Yes, the exciting, the good things of a neighborhood bubble to the surface with children. But the sad, the unexplainable, the "real world" parts of the neighborhood, although not talked about much, sink in.

It's a curious thing how children make a big deal out of the simplest stuff. The noisy street sweeper machine that comes by in the afternoon and scares a squirrel up a tree gets top billing during dinner time conversation. But the big things, for children, are different. The big things get absorbed, quietly absorbed. And the big things don't bubble up, in a soda pop sort of way. Instead,

they whisper their way out, in a bedtime prayer sort of way in the dark, quiet part of the night.

So instead of railing at our powerlessness and wondering how else we can do as a neighborhood, for our friend and neighbor, we can follow the children. We, too, can pray. God can't help but hear us.

If you have a question or comment for Karen Meier, a Plymouth resident, call her at 953-2047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or reach her at her E-mail address: FamilyRoom@worldnet.att.net.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

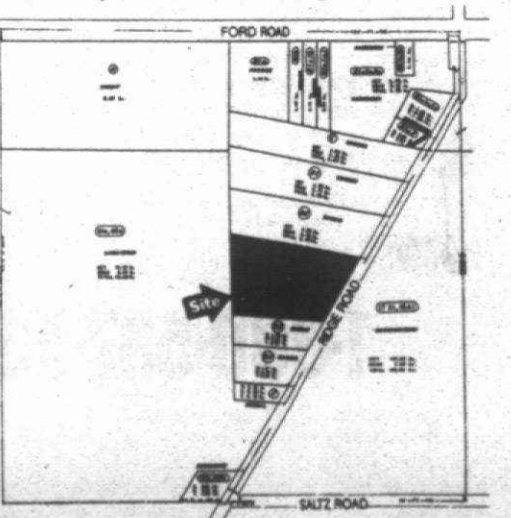
On May 12, 1997, at 3:00 p.m. in the third floor conference room, Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council will conduct a public hearing on the Canton Township Block Grant (CDBG) Program. All interested citizens are invited to attend and comment on a proposed amendment to the FY 1995 and FY 1996 CDBG Program. Proposed amendment to be discussed: Reprogram no more than \$15,000 from FY 1995 Harrison Drain Improvements to FY 1996 Recreation Building Renovation or FY 1996 construction contingency. No project will be created or canceled as a result of this action. Written comments or requests for information should be directed to: Gerald Martin, Development Specialist, Resource Development Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, (313) 397-5417.

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

### CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Monday, May 5, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road to consider a request for the following special land use as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance. CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 11.02B.3 FOR A RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION. Parcel no. 989 89 0011.000. Property is located on the west side of Ridge Road between Ford and Cherry Hill Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.



VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

### REAL ESTATE UPDATE by Chris Knight

### TAX DEDUCTIBLE HOME LOAN FEES

A question which is often asked about real estate sales is which home loan fees are deductible for income tax purposes. It is good to know the answer to this question before you sign on the dotted line. It may influence which loan you will choose. Loan fees for certain services are not itemized on your fee statement, but are grouped into a single category. The most obvious deductible fee is the loan fee paid to acquire a mortgage for a principle residence. The IRS recently ruled that the buyer could deduct the fee in the first year, even if the seller paid it! Other deductions include pro-rated property taxes and mortgage interest. On these items, the buyer may only deduct their share.

Most of the other closing costs are not deductible, however, you may add them to your home's adjusted cost basis when calculating appreciation. Among these costs are appraisal, attorney, and inspection fees, as well as title, recording and notary fees. Fire insurance fees are neither deductible nor do they figure into the cost basis. If you are not sure which fees are deductible, consult a professional tax advisor.

If there is a move in your future, Chris Knight is ready to serve you. Call Chris at Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate, 313-453-6800.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Charter Township of Canton will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk, first floor, 1150 Canton Center Road S., Canton, Michigan 48188, until 10:00 a.m., May 8, 1997 for the following:

REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS Bid specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. Canton Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

The Charter Township of Canton will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk, first floor, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, MI 48188, until 2:00 P.M., May 8, 1997 at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud for the following project:

CONSTRUCTION OF CANTON SOCCER COMPLEX Contract documents may be obtained at Bickert and Bickert Inc., 535 W. William, Suite 101, Ann Arbor MI, (313) 663-26221 on or after April 24, 1997. A nonrefundable plan deposit of \$30.00 shall be required, checks payable to the Charter Township of Canton.

Late bids will not be accepted. Canton Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Canton Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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### CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7272. For more information, call (313) 953-2132.

**LIVONIA FRANKLIN** The Livonia Franklin High School Vocal Music Department will have its all-day Music Fair 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3. There will be crafts, antiques and collectibles, flea market, car wash, clowns, children's fun and games and more. The Franklin choir, youth and adult bands,

jazz band and local popular groups also will perform throughout the day. Food and beverages also will be available. For more information, call (313) 4725-3688.

**MCADDEN-ROSS** The McAdden-Ross Museum will have a herb plant-craft sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 17, at the museum, 915 S. Brady, Dearborn. For more information, call 565-3000.

**TRI-CITY ELDERCARE** The Tri-City ElderCare Coalition is looking for crafters and demonstrators for its arts and crafts event slated for Saturday, June 7, at the Daniel E. Riney Hall, 139 E. Great Lakes, River Rouge. For more information, call

(313) 381-7380.

**LIVONIA YMCA** The Livonia Family YMCA is accepting applications from qualified crafters for one-day Mulberry Market Saturday, Nov. 1. For more information and for applications, call the Y at (313) 261-2161.

**SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE** Schoolcraft College is seeking unique crafters for its fall craft show Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 8-9. Crafters in all hand-made media are invited to apply for spaces in the juried show. Applications accompanied by photographs are required. For an application, call (313) 462-4417. Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

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ADA Coordinator  
Charter Township of Canton  
1150 S. Canton Center Road  
Canton, MI 48188  
(313) 397-5435

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CONSTRUCTION OF BARCHESTER PARK  
Contract documents may be obtained at Carlisle/Wortman Associates, 111 N. Main, Ann Arbor, MI (313) 662-2200 upon payment of \$25.00 non-refundable fee.

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TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Published April 24, 1997

**CITY OF PLYMOUTH**

**NOTICE TO CITY COMMISSION CANDIDATES**

Pursuant to the Local and State of Michigan Election Laws, all persons desiring to qualify as candidates in the City Primary Election of the City of Plymouth, to be held on Tuesday, August 5, 1997 for the offices of:

**CITY COMMISSIONER FOR THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH**

**FOUR VACANCIES (4)**  
(present terms to expire 1/97)

and hereby notified that "NOMINATING PETITIONS" for such offices are available at the Office of the City Clerk. Petitions must be filed with the Clerk or Deputy Clerk at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, not later than Tuesday, May 13, 1997 at 4:00 p.m.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC  
City Clerk

Published April 5, 13, 24 & May 1, 1997

### Martin-Krueger

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Martin of Northville announces the forthcoming marriage of his daughter, Erin Kathleen, to Scott Lawrence Krueger, the son of Lawrence Krueger and Suzanne Krueger, both of Plymouth.



A May wedding is planned.

A 1988 Ladywood High School graduate, the bride-to-be is a graduate of a bachelor of fine arts degree from Eastern Michigan University. She is employed as a graphic designer by Masco Corp.

Her fiancé, a 1990 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School, he earned a degree in international business from Eastern Michigan University. He is employed as a sales representative at the Hatteras Company.

### Piccone-Testani

Filippo and Charlesette Piccone of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Carla Genevieve, to Anthony Testani, the son of Vincenza and Pasquale Testani of Dearborn Heights.



as a financial analyst with American Axle Manufacturing in Detroit.

A July wedding is planned at St. Colette Catholic Church in Livonia.

### Bennett-Micallef

Robert and Marcia Bennett of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter Robin, to James Micallef, the son of Ronald and Mary Micallef of Dearborn Heights.



A June wedding is planned at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton.

### Percy-Whalen

Richard and Shirley Percy of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Valerie Joy, to Brian Leonard Whalen, the son of William and Diane Whalen of Livonia.



An August wedding is planned at the Pine Knob Mansion.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Western Michigan University. She is employed as a physical therapist at the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan.

Her fiancé is a 1994 graduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed as a physical therapist by Rehab West.

### Giles-Rosiewicz

Richard and Valerie Giles of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Anne, to Robert Joseph Rosiewicz, the son of Leonard and Margery Rosiewicz of Canton.



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The bride-to-be is a 1985 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and Eastern Michigan University. She is employed by Ford Motor Company as a telecommunications analyst.

A May wedding is planned in St. John Neumann Church in Canton.

### Shaw-Hegazi

Arthur Shaw and Lila Hegazi were married Aug. 18, 1996, at Pine Trace Golf Club of Rochester.



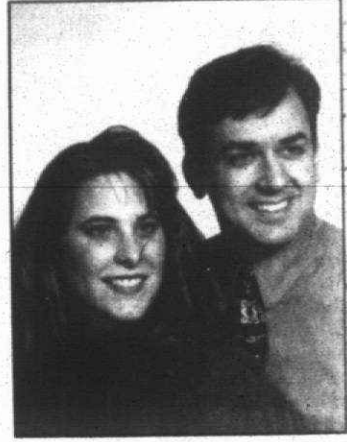
The bride is the daughter of Selma Hegazi of Plymouth and the late Yusef Hegazi. The groom is the son of Lottie Shaw of Sterling Heights and the late Arthur Shaw.

The bride is a sales executive with American Axle Systems. The groom is the owner of A.F. Shaw and Associates Realtors in Bloomfield Hills.

After a honeymoon in the French Polynesian Islands, the couple is making their home in Commerce Lake Township.

### Pilippo-Simonson

William and Susan Pilippo of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda Michelle, to Mark Conrad Simonson, the son of Edward and Rosemary Simonson of Carmel, Ind.



ment consulting firm in Ann Arbor.

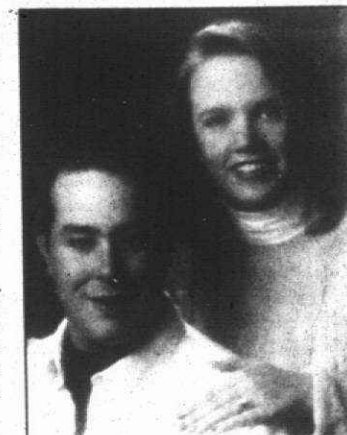
The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. She earned a bachelor of arts degree from Eastern Michigan University. She is working on a master of business administration degree at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor.

Her fiancé earned his bachelor's degree from Northern Illinois University and his master's degree in sociology from the University of Michigan.

The couple is employed at CFI Group, an international manage-

### Beatty-Micallef

Paul and Maureen Beatty of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter Michelle Lynn, to Randall Scott Micallef, the son of Emmanuel and Mary Micallef, also of Livonia.



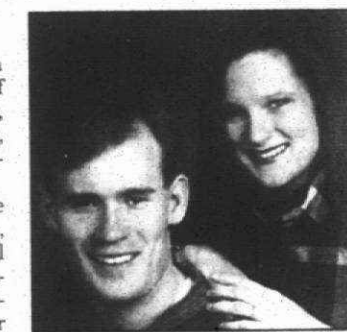
A June wedding is planned at Our Lady of Providence Church.

The bride-to-be will earn a bachelor's degree in social work from Eastern Michigan University this spring.

Her fiancé, an employee of Walled Lake Consolidated Schools, earned a bachelor of science degree in education from Western Michigan University in 1996.

### Bishop-Kneiding

Linda Bishop of Livonia announces the engagement of her daughter, Stephanie Grier, to Michael Andrew Kneiding, the son of Judy and James Kneiding of Livonia.



The bride-to-be, also the daughter of the late F.R. Bishop, is a 1991 graduate of Churchill High School and a 1995 graduate of Michigan State University. She is a kindergarten teacher in Dearborn Heights.

Her fiancé, a 1989 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School, is employed by Livonia Public Schools and R.J. Fuller Hard-

wood Floor Co. A June wedding is planned at First United Methodist Church of Farmington.

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# Green: People need a good laugh and more smileage

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Lila Green was appalled when she read in the "Book of Averages" that the typical American adult laughs 15 times a day, with the average 3- to 5-year-old child giggling about 250 times a day.

As a result, Green has vowed to add more "smileage" to the lives of her family and the people she meets. Her goal was to make Livonia Town Hall patrons do just that.

"We all need a good laugh, not only today, but every day of our lives. I believe so strongly in the value of humor and the benefits of humor," Green said. "What I

her jokes. I think that's fine. "I believe you can be cheerful, positive, light-hearted, optimistic, and funny without ever telling a joke."

She proved her point by asking audience members to raise their hands if they can remember and tell jokes very well. Five people raised their hands.

"That is a skill and a gift and you're blessed and very fortunate," Green told the audience.

Then she asked those who think they have a reasonably good sense of humor to raise their hands. The majority of the audience complied.

During her 45-minute talk, Green showed on an overhead

## 'Class' assignments

She conducted her lecture the same way she runs her humor classes at the University of Michigan. There was going to be a pop quiz and a paper due. Everyone was going to earn an A plus.

Green, an Ann Arbor resident, began her talk by explaining her qualifications for teaching such a course.

"My main qualification for speaking about humor is the fact that I have been a mother for 183 years," she said. "That's the combined ages of my five children. I had five children in eight years and I never would have survived without a healthy sense of humor."

The audience's second assignment was to ask someone sitting nearby what makes them laugh. During the allotted two minutes, the group laughed and smiled as they talked about friends, family members, entertainers and pets.

"It's almost impossible to talk about someone who makes you laugh or makes you smile without smiling yourself," said Green, the author of "Making Sense of Humor: How To Add Joy To Your Life." "Instantly, you all improved your face value. You look so much better when you smile."

"I assigned you the task of looking for humor. I believe you need to look for humor. Comedians don't necessarily live funnier lives than we do. They see the humor in everyday life."

For the final pop quiz, Green asked the group "What do you think of when you think of someone with a good sense of humor?" Patrons replied that people who make them laugh, are happy, have positive qualities and appreciate and initiate humor. They are those with a good sense of humor.

"To me," Green said, "the most desirable quality is someone who has the ability to laugh at themselves."

Green - a national seminar leader for the American College of Health Care Administrators, and a founding member of the American Association of Therapeutic Humor - travels the country speaking about humor.

## Value of humor

She fully understood the value of humor after she joined the staff at the University of Michigan Institute of Gerontology in the early 1970s.

"As part of my work I visited many nursing homes," she said. "Do you think there were opportunities for laughter 15 times a day in nursing homes in the early 1970s? Not really. I promised myself I was going to do something to change the pattern from grin and bear it to grin and share it."

Then, she said, "something really exciting happened." In 1979 and 1980, she was involved with a special research demonstration project that involved elderly people with Alzheimer's

disease who were housed at Chelsea Methodist Retirement Home.

"What intrigued me was that they (the patients) couldn't remember family members' names, but very often they could remember jokes, funny stories and songs," she explained. "It seems to me that the emotional memory of shared laughter is one of the last things to go with people with Alzheimer's disease."

Green ended her lecture giving the audience tips on how to be funnier.

"In medicine you do a medical history; in psychology, you take a psycho-social history. I encourage you to take a funny bone history," she said. "Think to yourself, 'Who makes me laugh or smile? When do I enjoy laughing? Where do I laugh the most? Where do I laugh the least? How do I feel about laughing? Think about looking and examining your own funny bone you hope to add more humor and a light touch in your life.'"

To order Green's book, call (800) 826-0529. It costs \$10 plus \$3 for shipping and handling.



Lila Green

## Livonia Town Hall sets '97-98 lineup

Tickets are on sale now for the 1997-98 Livonia Town Hall Lecture Series which kicks off Wednesday, Oct. 15, with former WJR radio host Jimmy Launce.

It continues Wednesday, Nov. 19, with Judy Knowles, a volunteer docent at the Detroit Institute of Arts, followed by Philip Mason, a distinguished professor of history at Wayne State University, on Jan. 21

and master gardener Janet Macnab on March 18. Next season, the lectures will move from Burton Manor to St. Mary's Cultural Center at 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia.

Patron tickets are \$50 with the person's name appearing in the program booklet, if the reservation is received prior to Sept. 30. Season tickets are \$40. Individual tickets may be

purchased at the door for \$15. Luncheon tickets, which include the lecture and the luncheon, are \$48 for the season. Reservation deadline is Oct. 8.

For more information about ticket sales or to volunteer, call Joyce Silkworth at (313) 421-4326. For more information about the luncheon tickets, call Emily Stankus at (313) 420-0383.

## NEW VOICES

**TERRY and KIMBERLY TACKETT** of Westland announce the birth of **CHRISTINA MARIE** Jan. 13 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She joins siblings Terry, Terra, Jessica and JoJo. Grandparents are Leona Tackett and Gayle Clark, both of Westland.

**LARRY and KIM MUNTIAN** of Redford announce the birth of **JESSICA LYNN** Jan. 31 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She has four sisters, Elise, 12, Krissy, 5, Ashley, 3, and Cayla, 1. Grandparents are Ely and Margaret Muntian of Livonia and Bonnie Bangay

of Redford. **JANICE and GEOFFREY SCHROCK** of Plainfield, Ill. announce the birth of **DANA LEE** February 25 in St. Edward's Hospital in Naperville, Ill. She has two sisters, Kelsi and Kara, and one brother, Dylan. Grandparents are Ken and Agnes Wheeler of Plymouth and Barbara Schrock of LaGrange, Ind. Great-grandmother is Florine Evans of Carmel, Ind.

**MARK and ROBYN SONNENBERG** of Wayne announce the birth of **JACOB MICHAEL** Jan. 15 at Oakwood Hospital of Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has two brothers, Justin and Christopher. Grandparents are Loraine Sonnenberg of Westland, Audrey and Richard Sonnenberg of Wayne and Barb and Joe Winnie of Troy.

**BRENDA and JOHN PLUMMER** of Garden City announce the birth of **HALEY BRIANNE** Jan. 31 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins siblings Megan, 9, and Trevor, 7, and Courtney, 6. Grandparents are Florence and Jim Plummer of Stevengate, England.

**BEN and DIANE PORRITT** of Plymouth announce the birth of **KAYLEIGH JOAN** April 4 at Providence Hospital, Southfield. She has a sister, Brianna Jill. Grandparents are Anna Porritt of Alto, Mich., and Douglas and Ann Harvey of Rockford.

**EBB and SANDY BAZNER** of Westland announce the birth of **SCOTT WILLIAM** Jan. 14 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a brother, Ryan, and a sister, Staci. Grandparents are William and Teresa Dudy of Wayne and Bob and Sophie Bazner of Canton.

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## ANNIVERSARIES

### Ontko

Thomas and Irene Ontko celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a family dinner and a special trip to be taken later this year.

The couple exchanged vows on April 19, 1947, at Holy Ghost Byzantine Catholic Church in Cleveland, Ohio. She is the former Irene Strauch.

The Ontkos have known each other since childhood. They met as the result of a friendship between their mothers. They encouraged their children to write to each other, when he entered the U.S. Army during World War II. They did so throughout the war and romance soon followed.

The Ontkos have resided in Garden City for 40 years. They have four children - Tom of Garden City, Gary of Livonia, Cindy of Westland and Renee McCall and husband Tom of Garden City. They have five grandchildren - Karri, Holly and Ryan Ontko and Tommy and Danny McCall.

He retired from the U.S.



Postal service 10 years ago after 42 years of service. A member of 138/198 Field Artillery Division, he also belongs to VFW Post 7546 in Dearborn Heights. She is a devoted homemaker.

They are members and long-time volunteers of Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church in Livonia. Their interests include reading, cooking, exercise and travel.

### Szumski

Joseph and Theresa Szumski of Garden City will renew their wedding vows at Mass and then enjoy an evening of dinner and dancing with family members and friends to mark their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple exchanged vows on June 7, 1947, at St. Francis Church in Detroit. She is the former Theresa Holewinski.

Forty-five-year residents of Garden City, they have five children - Kathy, Pamela, Deborah, Ron and Lisa - nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He worked for general motors while she was an employee of Garden City Hospital. They



enjoy bowling twice a week and are active at the Maplewood Center.

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**DAVID and DANYELLE HAGEMAN** of Redford announce the birth of **DAVID JOSEPH** Feb. 6 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins a sister, Samantha Lee, 3. Grandparents are Michael and Barbara Hageman of Redford and Richard and Cindy Pierce of Romulus.

**BRIAN and CATHY SMITH** of Livonia announce the birth of **BRIAN CHAPMAN JR.** Nov. 27 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He has two siblings, Adam, 4, and Dana, 3. Grandparents are Louis Carl and MaryAnn Frebes of Trenton and Elwin and Martha Smith of Dearborn.

**GREGORY and DOROTHY LENARD** of Westland announce the birth of **REBECCA IRENE** Feb. 5 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She has a sister, Caitlin Elizabeth Grandparents are Ernest and Barbara Lenard and Barbara Schrock, all of Westland, and Ronald Brusseau of Dearborn Heights.

**DAVE and CHRISTINE HICKSON** of Westland announce the birth of **DAVID LANGDON** Feb. 10 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He has a sister, Erica, 7, and a brother, Steven, 5. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hickson.

**JACK and SHANNON DAVID** of Tempe, Ariz., former-

ly of Garden City, announce the birth of **CHRISTIAN JACOB** Feb. 24 at Chandler Regional Hospital in Chandler. He has a sister, Erika, 5. Grandparents are Ron and Brigid McDonnell of Garden City and Farhat and Johana David of Tempe, Ariz.

**MATTHEW and HOLLIE THOMPSON** of Garden City announce the birth of **CASEY GENEVIEVE** Jan. 29 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She has a sister, Brooke Lynn, and a brother, Matthew John. Grandparents are Dennis and Barbara Billings of Westland and Jack and Mary Thompson of Garden City.

**GARY and KAREN CARTER** of Garden City announce the birth of **JACOB EDWARD** Jan. 30 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Ken and Mary Carter of Westland and Joyce Kipkar of Brooklyn, Mich.

**RENEE MACERI and ERIC ENGELBERT** announce the birth of **ALYSSA ANN ENGELBERT** Nov. 20 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Michael and Linda Maceri of Garden City, Joanne Engelbert of Clinton Township and Frank Engelbert of Belleville.

**JIM and JANET HEJKA** of Canton announce the birth of **JOSHUA RYAN** March 20 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are Jim and Connie Hejka of Westland, Betty Shepard of Glendale, Ariz.

**BILL and SHEILA COHAN** of Livonia announce the birth of **SHAWN MICHAEL** Feb. 18 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He has a sister, Melissa Taylor, 20. Grandparents are Larry and Peggy Cohan of Livonia and Ed and Greta Borowiak of Redford Township.

**JENNIFER LYNCH and LEONARD JUMISKO JR.** of Redford Township announce the birth of **THOMAS MARTIN JUMISKO** Feb. 19 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He has a brother and two sisters.

**HEATHER NICOLE GOSHEN** announces the birth of **MICHAEL AARON ALEXANDER TAPPER** Feb. 11 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Cheryl Tapper and Matthew Tapper of Garden City.

**DARRELL and DORIS REED** of Garden City announce the birth of **CECELIA ANN** Feb. 13 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a brother, Mitchell, 3. Grandparents are Robert and Dorothy Hoffman of Garden City and Corrine Reed of Harrogate, Tenn.

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## Door knocking breathes life into New Life Lutheran

BY SUSAN ROSIER  
STAFF WRITER

It's been a busy three years for the Rev. Ken Roberts of New Life Lutheran Church.

Since coming to the Plymouth and Canton area in April 1994, he has been knocking on doors — more than 4,500 in Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township — "fishing" for members for New Life, a mission church affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA).

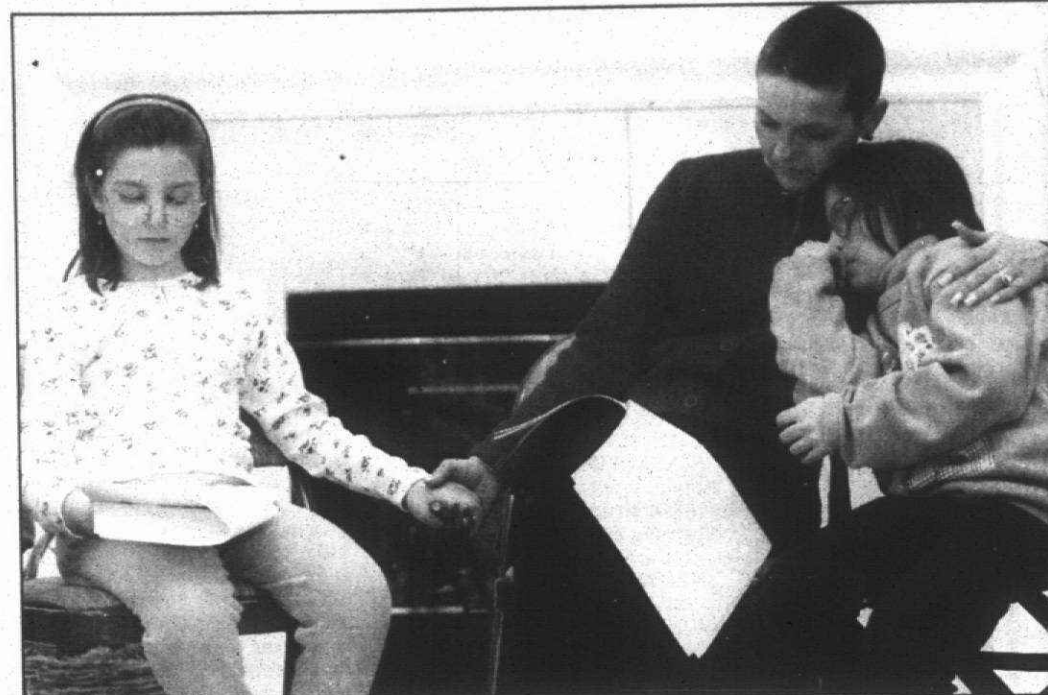
But it hasn't been easy. Shortly after he arrived and settled temporarily in an apartment in Northville Township, there was a fire. Smoke and water damaged most of his belongings. He was homeless and went to stay with friends in Farmington Hills until he could retrieve records and regroup.

Moving is typical for most clergy, but for Roberts and his wife, Marilyn, it became the norm. They moved 10 times in 2 1/2 years before finally moving into a new church parsonage in Plymouth Township last December.

Things have settled down, however, and New Life is putting down some strong roots. The fledgling mission church has come a long way since 12 people started meeting and holding services in homes in fall of 1994. The mission church held its first formal worship on Jan. 22, 1995 in the Masonic Temple in downtown Plymouth.

"We had 61 people and 7 inches of snow," said Roberts.

On Sunday, Roberts will be installed as pastor of the nearly 100-member congregation which draws most of its members from



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Prayer time: Sisters Amy Calchary, 9 (at left), and Wendy Calchary, 7, sit with Suzanne Boak (center), listening to the Rev. Ken Roberts deliver a sermon during a gathering in the church parsonage.

Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Northville, Livonia, Westland and a few from Washtenaw County.

"We're headed west — getting ready for the growth," said Roberts, who explained that the national church would like to see New Life become a regional church. "Regional is more than

1,000 members so we've a long way to go."

Roberts' strategy for "fishing" is a combination of direct mail, weekly advertising in area newspapers, door hangers, phone calls and social events.

He conducted 19 weddings in 1996 and several baptisms. "Many of our young families

are having children," said Roberts, who began his ministry at Calvary Lutheran Church in Detroit's eastside. "When new members bring in people that's the best way."

After serving in a commuter campus ministry in Columbus, Ohio, Roberts spent the next 14 years in publishing and training

other mission pastors in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was anxious to get back into organizing a congregation.

"At least by my last call I wanted to do it again. It's always been my dream to finish out my ministry starting a new church," said Roberts. "It's like leaving my thumb print. I've received so

much; this is one way to give back."

He admits, however, it is the "hardest thing I've ever done." "By its very nature a mission church is fragile," he said. "People come to New Life for many reasons. They want to make a

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## Church receives charter

New Life will be charted as an official congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA) at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 27, and the Rev. Ken Roberts will be installed as its first pastor.

A special ceremony of recognition and celebration is planned in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, between Newburgh and the I-275, Livonia. The service is open to the public.

Bishop J. Philip Wahl, of the ELCA Southeast Michigan Synod will officiate and the Rev. Rev. Jim Koehler, mission director, will deliver a greeting.

In addition, the first congregation council of New Life will be installed.

Liturgical music will highlight the service. Featured will be harpist/vocalist D.L. Turner. He will be joined by others on the organ, piano, keyboard, guitars and trumpet.

A reception will follow the 90-minute service.



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## CHURCH LUNCHEON

Newburg United Methodist Church will have an all-you-can-eat lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, April 24, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Cost will be \$3.50. There will be a variety of entrees, vegetables, potatoes, salads, desserts and beverages. For more information, call the church office at (313) 422-0149.

## RUMMAGE SALE

The First United Methodist Church in Garden City will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 26, at the church, 6643 Merriman Road, Garden City.

The First United Methodist Church of Wayne will have its annual spring rummage sale plus antiques and collectibles 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, April 25, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 26, at the church, 3739 Newberry St. Wayne. Saturday will be \$2.50 a bag day except in the Plus Room. For more information, call the church office at (313) 721-4801.

Aldersgate United Methodist Women will have their annual spring rummage sale 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 26, at the church, 10000 Beech Daly Road, Redford. White elephant, kitchen equipment, small appliances, toys and books will be sold in Wesley Hall. Clothing of all sizes will be sold in the Fellowship Hall, with special women's garments in the boutique. Proceeds will be used for church and district missionary projects.

Redford Baptist Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 26, at the church, 25295 Grand River at Seven Mile Road, Redford. Proceeds will benefit the church youth.

Newburg United Methodist Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 2, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 3, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. For more information, call the church office at (313) 422-0149.

**CONFIRMATION REUNION**  
As part of its 125th anniversary celebration, St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Livonia will host a Confirmation Reunion Sunday, April 27, at the church, 17810 Farmington Road, Livonia.

nia. Pastor emeritus Winfred Koelpin will be the guest speaker for the 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship services. His theme will be "Child-like Faith in an Adult World." A luncheon for those confirmed at St. Paul's will be held in the gymnasium following the service.

St. Paul's congregation has served the Livonia community since 1879. Since 1920, there have been 1,361 children and adults confirmed at the church.

**SPRING CONCERT**  
The Geneva Convention will present a spring concert at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 27, at Geneva Presbyterian Church, 5835 N. Sheldon Road, Canton. The program will include American folk songs, spirituals and contemporary Christian music. The concert is free of charge. For more information, call the church at (313) 459-0013.

**IN BERGE**  
Daniel Bergen along with his son and daughter, Nicholas and Alicia, will be in concert at 6 p.m. Sunday, April 27, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton.

Bergen has been in concert and church ministry for more than 20 years, singing and playing the piano in churches across the country. Nicholas, 15, plays the alto saxophone, and Alicia, 11, sings and plays the violin. A free will offering will be taken. For more information, call the church at (313) 455-0022.

**WEEKEND TO REMEMBER**  
Basketball Hall of Famer

Jerry Lucas will present "A Weekend to Remember" Sunday and Monday, April 27-28, at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road, Northville.

Now known as "Mr. Memory," Lucas will speak on "Family Relationships" at 8:30 and 11 a.m. and on "Ready, Set, believe" at 6 p.m. Sunday. He also will present "How to Remember Names and Faces" at 7 p.m. Monday.

The programs are free of charge and childcare will be available for all seminars. For more information about Lucas's visit, call the church at (810) 348-7600.

**TEAMKID**  
TeamKid, a club which blends activity with interactive learning, discipleship and Bible memory, meets 5:45-8 p.m. Sundays at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. TeamKid is for youngsters in first through sixth grades and provides practical, Biblical answers in a fun and interesting setting. This year's theme is "Running the Race" and focuses on character building traits, such as honesty, courage and self-control.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER**  
A charismatic prayer group meets at 6 p.m. Sundays in Patio Classroom 1 on the ground floor of the University Center at Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan, Livonia. For more information, call John at (313) 422-5611.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**  
The radio series, "What Is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Sundays of WQHB-AM 1400.

Topics include "What are Christian Science nurses?" on April 27, "What kind of person was Mary Baker Eddy really?" on May 4, "Media Coverage of Christian Science" on May 11, "Why don't Christian Scientists take medicine?" on May 18, "Is it possible to heal without medicine?" on May 25 and "Is Christian Science just a health therapy or does it deal with relationship, business and other problems?" on June 1.

The Christian Science Sentinel-Radio Edition" also can be heard at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. The conversational program discusses current public topics as well as shares healing through prayer from people all over the world.

**HISPANIC CHURCH**  
The Hispanic Pentecostal Church conducts worship services at 2 p.m. Sundays at 1075 Venoy Road, Garden City. The Rev. G. Diaz officiates. For more information, call (519) 973-8487.

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE**  
Men Who Make a Difference, a small group of Christian men dedicated to the biblical principles of building a "Godly man," meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The presentation, made possible through "Focus on the Family," will be open to men and

women of all faiths and denominations. For more information, call the church office at (313) 421-0472.

## FROM THE HEART

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church offers From the Heart Cancer Support Group at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month in Rooms B2 and 4 at the church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Family members, those with cancer and friends are invited to share, encourage and support one another in a loving, hopeful God-focused environment. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-1826.

## NEW BEGINNINGS

Rev. Chuck Sonquist will discuss "The Grief Process" when New Beginnings, a grief support group, meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 1, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. The program is for people suffering as a result of the death of a loved one. The group meets on Thursdays year-round and features speakers the first Thursday of the month. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (313) 380-7903 or Rosemary Kline at (313) 462-3770.

**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED**  
The Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will have its May Fellowship Day Friday, May 2, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. The day will start with continental breakfast

at 9:15 a.m. and will feature retired teacher Nancy Stoner speaking on "Growing Seeds in Prepared Soil." Cost will be \$2 and reservations must be made by April 28 by calling Norma Roberts at (313) 591-2127. Babysitting will be available by reservation, and participants should bring their love pillows.

## SPECIAL ADDRESS

The Rev. H. George Anderson, presiding bishop of the 5 million-member Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, will be the preacher at the Festival Eucharist at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 2, at Holy Family Catholic Church, Meadowbrook Road, north of 10 Mile Road in Novi. The worship service will highlight the 1997 Assembly of the Southeast Michigan Synod. Anderson will represent the voting members of the Southeast Michigan Synod on the "State of the ECLA" during their assembly being held at the Novi Hilton Hotel Friday and Saturday, May 2-3.

**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**  
Grace Baptist Church will have its 35th anniversary celebration and homecoming Sunday, May 4. The special day of services will begin at 10 a.m. with a Sunday School program for all ages. Morning worship will begin at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary and be followed by a family pot luck dinner in the fellowship hall. At 2:30 p.m., there will be a "singspiration" to enjoy a time of praise, thanksgiving and prayer. For information, call the church at (313) 425-6215.

## Alternatives to jail, counseling may deter batterers

While many domestic violence offenders undergo counseling or serve time in jail for their crimes, other forms of punishment may also be effective deterrents, says a University of Michigan researcher.

"I support the use of incarceration as a sanction," said Richard M. Tolman, U-M associate professor of social work. "However, while a great many batterers are arrested, in most jurisdictions few of them actually serve any jail time. Many are mandated to some type of batterer intervention program as a condition of sentencing or sometimes are sent to some form of treatment in the context of deferred prosecution."

In a chapter he wrote for the Sage Publications book "The Future of Intervention with Bat-

tered Women and Their Families," edited by J. Edleson and Z. Eisikovits, Tolman says that while incarceration may help deter batterers, it can be costly and may place a severe financial burden on a battered woman and her family.

"One of the main difficulties with traditional incarceration is the reluctance of judges to impose it as a sanction, however warranted," Tolman said. "Rather than argue against traditional incarceration, my purpose is to explore what else we might do instead of or in addition to traditional incarceration that might be effective in stopping violence against women by their male partners."

Such alternative sanctions, Tolman said, could include day reporting/incarceration centers,

weekend incarceration, electronic monitoring, intensive probation, community service and restitution.

Day reporting/incarceration centers typically require offenders to report at least three times per week and offer abuse-specific, as well as rehabilitative, programs such as literacy and job skills training, and alcohol and drug abuse prevention services, if needed.

Weekend incarceration or work-release programs have the advantage of not interrupting employment for those batterers with jobs on weekdays and also could provide rehabilitative programming, Tolman said.

"This sanction would have the advantage of giving a strong

deterrent message while allowing offenders to continue to work, and presumably, improve the probability of continued ongoing support to their families," he said.

Although not yet widely used, electronic monitoring of offenders not living with their victims might be another effective alternative, Tolman added. An electronic monitoring bracelet worn by an offender could warn a victim and police that the batterer is within a prohibited distance of the victim.

"This type of monitoring would be most appropriate for stalkers, offenders separated from victims, who have a high probability of harassment and recontact with the victim," Tolman said.

"Offenders who have previously violated conditions of orders for protection and other court sanctions and who display obsessive attachments and jealousy about their former partners would be prime candidates for electronic monitoring."

Tolman cautioned that if such technology is used, measures must be taken to ensure a victim's safety, including outreach to victims, access to victim services, and warning victims that such technology is not foolproof.

Another option is intensive probation, which can provide greater supervision and monitoring of offenders, compared with other forms of supervision. In addition, community service can be an attractive sanction

because it focuses on the provision of pro-social services as a consequence of anti-social behavior," he added.

Finally, monetary restitution as punishment "holds a perpetrator accountable for actions which can repair the material and emotional damage caused by his criminal actions," Tolman said. It provides needed resources to battered women and sends a strong message to an offender that his actions are wrong.

Restitution could take other forms, such as having an offender agree to limit contact with his victim and her friends and family, avoid places the victim frequents, and provide her with plenty of space away from him.

## Epilepsy Center holds Family Activity Day

The Epilepsy Center of Michigan has organized an Individual and Family Activity Day for Sunday, April 27, at Taylor Lanes in Taylor.

The day will allow singles, families and children facing epilepsy to meet and socialize.

The get-together will be 1:30-6 p.m. at the bowling center, 24800 Eureka Road, Taylor. Cost will be \$3 per person, with children under age 4 free.

The activity day will allow people dealing with epilepsy to exchange information and sup-

port as well as ease frustration, remove fear and stress, overcome feelings of isolation and just have fun. There will be bowling, a dinner presentation about epilepsy and small group discussions on the challenges of living with epilepsy.

For reservations, call Marsha Snively at (810) 351-2102, Ext. 231.

Epilepsy is a disorder of the brain characterized by a tendency to have recurrent seizures. More than 90,000 people in Michigan have the disorder.

## Cardinals Dinner benefits Catholic University

The president of Comerica Bank, Michael Monohan, and Msgr. Ricardo Bass, pastor of St. Joan of Arc Parish in St. Clair Shores, have been named co-chairs of The Catholic University of America's Cardinals Dinner, slated for Friday, June 6, at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Dearborn.

The annual fund-raising gala traditionally brings together and honors the U.S. cardinals for their support of CUA in Washington, D.C.

In addition to Cardinal Adam Maida of Detroit, six other cardinals who currently lead archdioceses in the U.S. are expected in Detroit for the dinner. Anthony Bevilacqua of Philadelphia, John O'Connor of New York, James Hickey of Washington, D.C., William Keeler of Baltimore, Bernard Law of Boston and Roger Mahoney of Los Angeles.

The Catholic University of

America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States. Funds raised by the black-tie dinner will provide financial assistance for CUA students.

For more information about the dinner, call (313) 237-5929 or (800) 616-9772.

"The dinner is an excellent opportunity for people from the Archdiocese of Detroit and throughout the Midwest to participate in an event that is of national importance to the Church," said Maida, this year's host cardinal. "I'm certain that Michael Monohan's prominence as a community leader will help bring together a wide range of individuals and organizations for this special occasion."

"In addition to helping talented young people, this prestigious gathering offers Catholics and, indeed, all members of the com-

munity, an opportunity to recognize the Catholic Church's contributions to the Detroit area and to celebrate their friendship with members of the Catholic faith," said Monohan, who is active in inter-religious affairs. President and chief operating officer of Comerica Bank since 1992 and president of Comerica, Inc. since 1993, Monohan is a recognized leader in business, civic and religious activities.

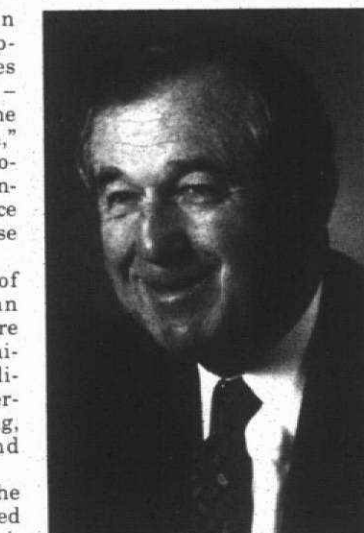
Bass received a licentiate in canon law from The Catholic University in 1983 and is a past president of the Canon Law Society of America. Prior to being appointed pastor of St. Joan of Arc Parish, he served as judicial vicar for the Archdiocese of Detroit. He also served as assistant professor of canon law at St. John's Provincial Seminary in Plymouth, Michigan.

"It is a privilege to be asked to

co-chair the eighth American Cardinals Dinner which supports educational opportunities for deserving women and men - lay, religious and clergy - at the Catholic University of America," said Bass. "The education provided me by the university continues to assist me in my service to the Church in the Archdiocese of Detroit."

The Catholic University of America educates more than 6,000 students annually in more than 60 fields, including architecture, arts and sciences, religious studies, music, social service, law, engineering, nursing, philosophy and library and information science.

It plays a unique role in the Catholic Church in the United States as the only American university with ecclesiastical faculties granting canonical degrees in theology, philosophy and



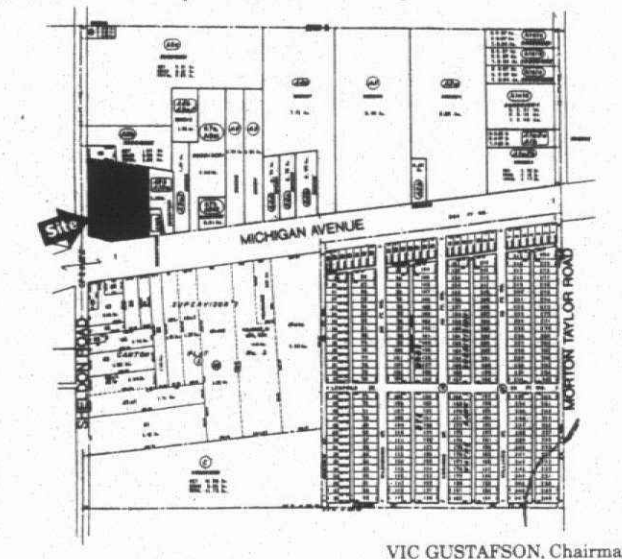
Michael Monohan  
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CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Monday, May 5, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road to consider a request for the following special land use as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance.

CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 11.02B.3 FOR A RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION. Parcel nos. 133 02 0053 000 and 133 02 0054 000. Property is located on the northeast corner of Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.



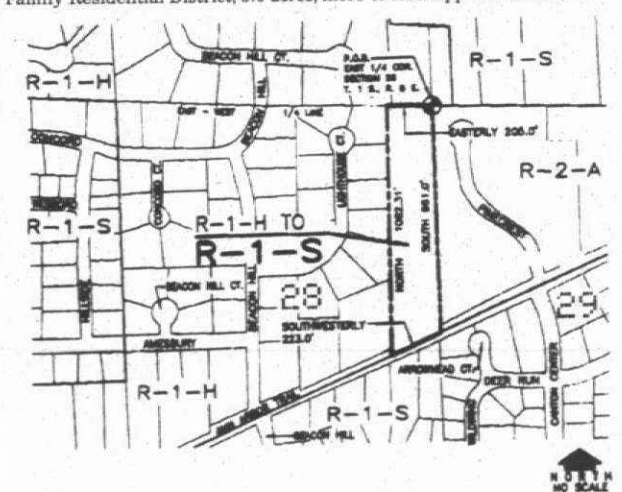
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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION

TO REZONE FROM: R-1-H, Single Family Residential  
TO REZONE TO: R-1-S, Single Family Residential  
DATE OF HEARING: May 21, 1997  
TIME OF HEARING: 7:30 p.m.  
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a petition to rezone the following described property from R-1-H, Single Family Residential District, to R-1-S, Single Family Residential District, 5.0 acres, more or less. Application #1452



**LEGAL DESCRIPTION** TAX IDENTIFICATION # 036-99-0024-000  
Land in the Township of Plymouth, County of Wayne, State of Michigan described as:  
All that part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, described as Beginning of the East 1/4 corner of Section 28 and proceeding thence South along the East line of said section 961.0 feet to the center line of Ann Arbor Trail; thence Southwesterly along said center line 223.0 feet, thence North 1062.31 feet to the East and West 1/4 line of Section 28, thence Easterly along said line 205.0 feet to the point of beginning.

**ORDINANCE NO. 83**  
AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 91  
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN  
ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON \_\_\_\_\_  
EFFECTIVE DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE IF FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the map, as printed, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Hall, Community Development Department, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting.

The application review, meeting and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone No. 453-3840, ext. 209.

At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend rezoning of the property to any use allowable under the provisions of the Plymouth Township Zoning Ordinance No. 83.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township Meetings, to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Phone number: (313) 453-3840, TDD users: 1-800-649-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

CAROL DAVIS, Secretary  
Planning Commission

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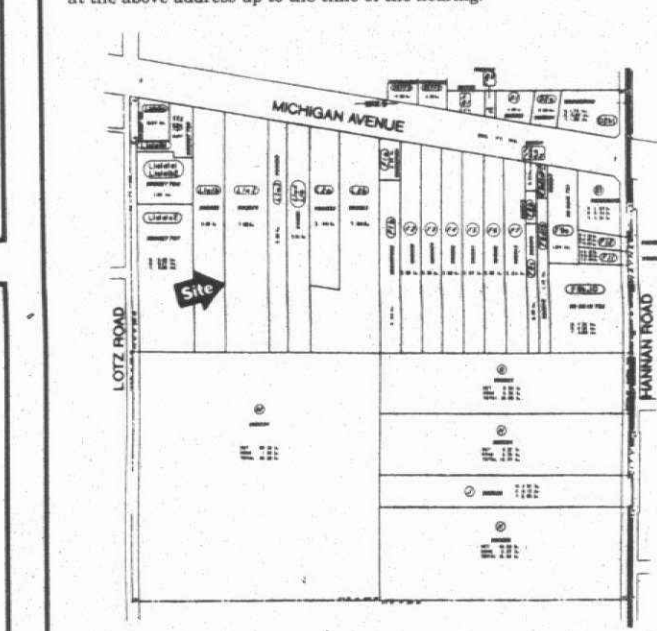
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PATRIARCA REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 141 99 0029 000 FROM LI-2, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, TO C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL. Property is located on the south side of Michigan Avenue between Lotz and Hannan Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.



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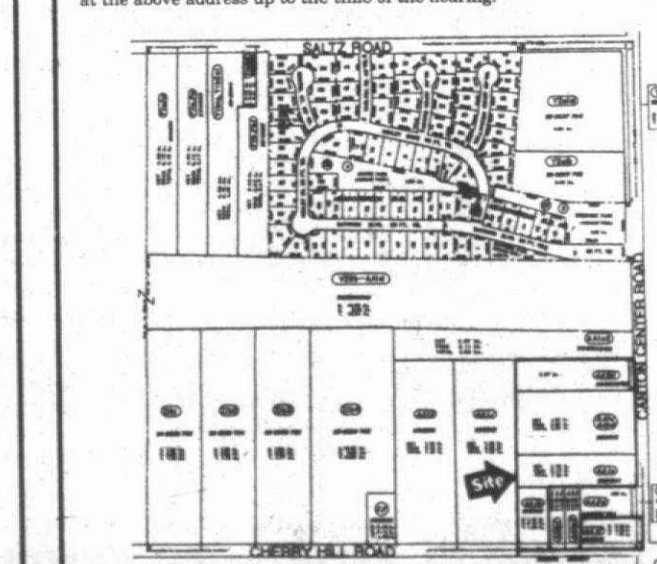
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WHITE/WHITEGALFANO/AMANN REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 064 99 0011 002 (part of), 064 99 0013 000, 064 99 0014 000, 064 99 0016 000 and 064 99 0018 000 FROM R-3, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, TO C-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL, 064 99 0012 701 FROM C-1, OFFICE, TO C-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL, and 064 99 0015 000 FROM C-1, VILLAGE SHOPPING, TO C-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL. Property is located north of Cherry Hill Road and west of Canton Center Road.

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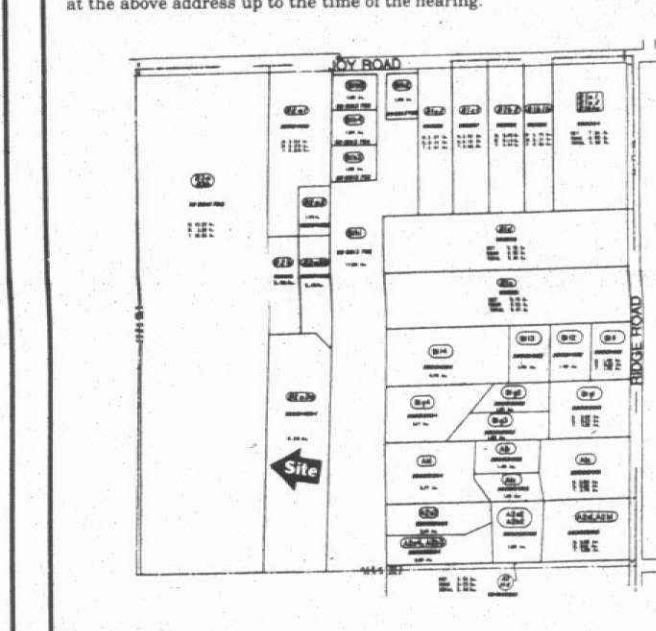
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LAKEHORE DEVELOPMENT/BROWN REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 021 99 0016 700 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL, TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the south side of Joy Road between Ridge and Napier Roads.

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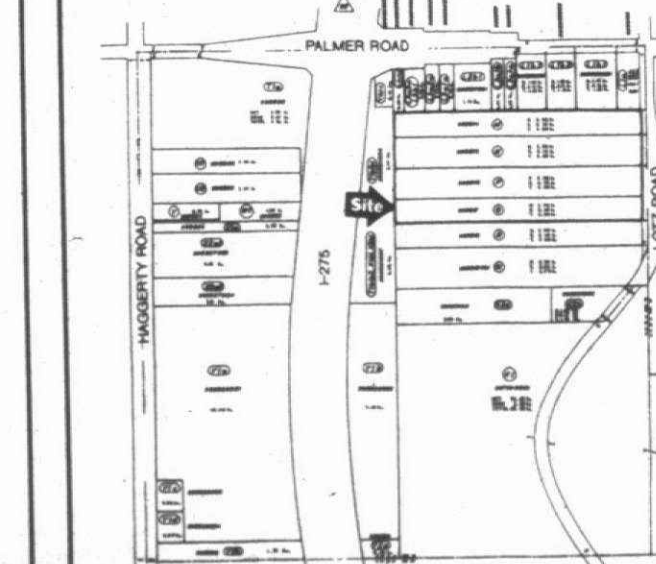
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ROSEASH REZONING - CONSIDER AMENDED REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 098 99 0014 000, 098 99 0015 000, 098 99 0016 000, 098 99 0017 000, 098 99 0018 000\* FROM R-2, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, TO R-3, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the west side of Lotz Road between Palmer Road and Michigan Avenue. (\*Request was amended from the February 3, 1997 hearing by adding two parcels.)

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**Sharing time:** Kevin Calchary (left) and Kathy Brown along with the other congregation members have bread, cherry soup and sandwiches for a pre-sermon meal at the home of the Rev. Ken Roberts.

## New Life from page B7

difference and be part of building a church.

"People's lives are so fragmented. They need the church as a respite. This is a small, caring, warm and friendly congregation."

The church is looking for a land to build a new church in far western Wayne County or Washtenaw County. In the meantime, the congregation worships in what was formerly the Plymouth Wesleyan church on Five Mile and Bradner roads in Northville Township.

In addition to a 10 a.m. Sunday worship service, New Life offers Bible study, adult and youth education and youth and adult choirs and a high school youth group.

"We're always developing new programs with more options for members," said Roberts. "In my preaching I am always challenging members. We can't compete

with a big church so for people who don't want big, New Life is an option."

New Life members agree.

Stephen and Suzanne Boak of Plymouth Township were looking for a church they could call their own when they met Roberts.

"I like the sense of building something from the very start ... Everyone's so friendly here and working toward a common goal," said Stephen, a Plymouth Township attorney.

Suzanne shares another story.

"Pastor and I met while we were campaigning (Steve was running for district judge in 1994)," she said. "When Steve lost the race, the very first call we received was from Pastor Roberts and we were touched. We could feel how much he cared."

"He can't get rid of me now."

The McGarrys of Canton

Township were looking for a change when they discovered New Life.

"And we like small," said Arlene McGarry.

Gus and Kathy Perry of Canton Township moved from Ohio to Michigan last summer and were looking for a church.

"We came from a small congregation in Ohio," Kathy said. "We called our former pastor and he told us there was a small mission church with about 50 members and we said that sounds like us."

"We called Pastor, came and we feel very welcome," said Gus.

Knowing most everybody in

church is important to young members too. The Calchary sisters, Amy, 9, and Wendy, 7 1/2, like knowing just about everyone in church because "it feels more like home."

The ELCA is the largest Lutheran sect in North America with about 5.2 million members and 11,000 congregations. Roberts describes the theology and worship as middle-of-the-road with an emphasis on openness and inclusion.

*For more information about New Life Sunday worship or weekly activities and events or the ELCA, call Roberts at (313) 459-8181.*

## Institute joins with Jacobson's on cancer screening

This year, Jacobson's stores have taken a heightened role in promoting awareness of breast cancer.

In conjunction with the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, Jacobson's is offering screening for breast cancer at its stores.

As part of a one-year program, the institute's mobile detection center is visiting Jacobson's stores on a rotating monthly basis.

Customers will receive a free mammogram, clinical breast exam and instruction in breast self-examination from trained professionals.

Upcoming visits include the Grosse Pointe store Friday, June 20, the Ann Arbor store on Friday, July 25, at the Rochester store on Friday Aug. 15, and the Birmingham store on Friday, Sept. 19.

After the screening, women will be offered a complimentary makeover at the cosmetics counter to congratulate them for

participating in the screening.

Jacobson's also is offering several prosthesis products and complimentary alterations on bathing suits for mastectomy survivors. The service will allow customers a choice of any suit sold at the store.

Among the products available are Amoena prosthesis pockets, which are designed to fit perfectly in any bathing suit and create a natural curved look. The pockets, available in the lingerie department, are \$6 per pair.

The pockets also allow women the option of using their own prosthesis or purchasing a new product available at Jacobson's, including the Amoena lightweight prosthesis shell that can be used in the water.

The "swim form" contains Velcro tabs that can be sewn into the bra of the swimsuit and attached to the permanent Velcro tab on the swim form. The shell is \$78.

Free alterations are available on all styles of bathing suits as a

customer service for those who purchase the Amoena prosthesis pockets.

For more information, call Jacobson's Laurel Park at (313) 591-7696.

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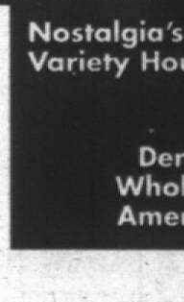
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# SPORTS

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THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 1997

## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Big finish

The greatest long-distance run of them all, last Monday's Boston Marathon, featured several local runners who completed the 26.2 miles road race.

Topping the Michigan finishers was Doug Kurtis, the long-time marathoner from Northville who placed 28th overall in 2:23.10.

The best among Plymouth/Canton male runners was Ron Klucsar Sr. of Canton (3:17.49). Next came Ulois Vitins of Canton (3:22.45); Paul Burnham of Plymouth (3:29.48); Rick Newsom of Canton (3:53.54); and Jack Hamilton of Canton (4:20.28).

Among the local women, there was Sheila Byrne of Canton (4:16.17).

### Salem's Koch signs

Erin Koch, a Plymouth Salem graduate, has signed to continue playing volleyball at Spring Arbor College.

Koch will have junior status; she played the last two years while attending Henry Ford Community College.

While at Salem, Koch earned all-Western Lakes Activities Association honors and was honorable mention all-state. At Henry Ford CC, Koch earned all-Region 12 honors and was twice named to the region's all-tournament team.

She holds the Hawks' school record for assists to kills.

"Erin is the right setter at the right time for our program," said Spring Arbor coach Steve Fleagle. "Her experience base from the highly-successful Henry Ford program will accelerate our progress. Erin is not only a very talented setter, but a great floor leader."

"We look for her to continue a record-setting level of performance at Spring Arbor College."

### Raven leads

Tom Raven served as the co-captain of Plymouth Canton's track team four years ago. Now, once again, he finds himself in that role again, this time at Albion College.

Raven isn't just a leader off the track. In a dual meet against Calvin College April 14 and again at the Saginaw Valley State Invitational last Saturday, Raven placed first in the discus.

### Women's golf league

A women's Friday morning golf league is forming at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton. Sponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, the league begins play May 2, with tee times starting at 9 a.m.

Cost is \$15 to register plus weekly greens fees. The season lasts for 16 weeks.

All ability levels are welcome; individual handicaps will be established. There are no residency requirements.

For more information, call (313) 397-5110.

### More recreation news

•Beginning golf lessons and clinics for women area scheduled for May 6-8 at Pheasant Run Golf Course.

The clinics and lessons will be taught by PGA professionals, with Dave Horstman serving as the main instructor. Included are three lessons in chipping, putting, sand shots, iron play, wood play and golf course management.

Cost is \$50 per person. There are no residency requirements. There will be two sets of classes on the dates above: 9:30-11:30 a.m. or 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Registration deadline is April 30. For further information, call the Canton Parks and Recreation office at (313) 397-5110.

•The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its annual Kids Fishing Derby Saturday, May 11 at Heritage Park.

The park's ponds will be stocked with rainbow trout. Prizes will be raffled off each hour.

The competition is open to Canton residents only; boys and girls 15-years-old and under. They must supply their own bait and equipment.

Entry fee is \$1, to be paid the day of the event. A fishing license will be provided at check-in.

Advanced registration is required, in person at the Parks and Rec offices, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton, or by calling (313) 397-5110.

•Adult tennis lessons are being offered by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services on the beginner and advanced levels, for six weeks starting April 28.

Beginners will meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Mondays (beginning April 28); advanced lessons will be from 8:30-9:30 p.m. on Wednesdays (beginning April 30).

All lessons will be at Griffin Community Park. Cost is \$30 for Canton residents, \$35 for non-residents, and is open to anyone 16 years of age or older.

Lessons will be conducted by Kristen Harrison, a certified pro, and her staff. For further information, call (313) 397-5110.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (313) 591-7279.

## Rocks win 2 Invites

April Showers were good to Plymouth Salem's girls track team.

That's the April Showers Relays, not rain type showers.

Salem scored 120 points Tuesday to easily outdistance runnerup and host Ypsilanti, which had 78.

Dearborn Edsel Ford was third with 44, Farmington Hills Mercy had 38, Detroit King 29, Ypsilanti Lincoln 21, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 18 and the Ypsilanti junior varsity scored 11.

Saturday, at the West Bloomfield Invitational, Salem's forces ripped Detroit Cass Tech by an 86-56 margin. Pontiac Central and Southfield finished tied for third with 34.

That's pretty good, to finish first and defeat a

### TRACK

perennial state power like Cass Tech," Salem Coach Mark Gregor said.

The Rocks had just one winner at West Bloomfield. Their shuttle hurdle relay team of Lisa Maul, Hannah Watts, Kristin Kosik, and Tiffany Reiber finished first with a clocking of 1:10.1.

Salem sprinkled in four first-place finishes and five seconds in taking Ypsilanti's April Showers.

The discus was taken by Tiffany Grubaugh and Angie Smith with a combined total of 113-

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## Late rally leads Canton to victory

Plymouth Canton rallied behind a superb pitching performance by Jason Mortiere, overcoming a two-run Livonia Churchill lead with seven runs over the last two innings in a 7-2 victory Monday at Churchill.

The win boosted the Chiefs' record to 4-5 overall, 1-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division.

Mortiere went all seven innings, allowing two runs on just three hits and four walks while striking out 11. John Ross was the loser for the Chargers.

Churchill struck first, getting a two-run double from Eric Lightle in the fourth inning. Canton, meanwhile, continued to "hit the ball pretty

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## Engulfed

## Stevenson's defenders keep Rocks all bottled up

BY C.J. RISAK  
SPORTS EDITOR

When it comes to deciding who will reign as the Western Lakes Activities Association girls soccer champ, only a handful of games usually matter.

The rest, history tells us, are icing. Because in the history of the WLAA, only five teams have truly contended for the title — three from the Western, two from the Lakes.

Two of those teams met Wednesday night. At stake: the Lakes Division berth in the WLAA title game.

As it turned out, only one team on the Lakes side can truly be counted among the elite — and that is Livonia Stevenson, which put on the pressure early and kept it up the entire game in thumping Plymouth Salem 3-0 at Stevenson.

The outcome provided a striking contrast in two programs that possess some similarities: Both teams are young and both are talented.

It's just that, at present, Stevenson has more youth and more talent.

"We're a better team now than we were against Novi, even than we were against Northville," said Salem coach Doug Landefeld, identifying the two other teams that have beaten Salem this season (the Rocks are 3-3-1 overall, all three losses by 3-0 scores).

And yet, Landefeld admits Stevenson is currently a superior side. "All over the field, they're good," he said of the Spartans. "They have total team speed and commitment. It's hard to figure them out."

The Rocks had all kinds of trouble sorting Stevenson out. But the Spartans didn't have a similar problem with Salem.

"All we did was basically match up Leah McGrath on Mia (Sarkesian) and Anne Fedrigo on Missy (Simons)," Stevenson coach Jim Kimble explained. "We knew if we stopped those two, we had a very good chance."

The Spartans responded as well to a game plan as any coach could hope for. Salem's Sarkesian and Simons, whom Landefeld had wanted to ignite the offense, were swallowed



Standoff: Salem's Janel Davis (dark jersey) battles Stevenson's Brianna Roy for control of the ball — something the Rocks did, without much success, all game long.

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## Bouncing right back Salem just may be even better

BY C.J. RISAK  
SPORTS EDITOR

Lose a player the stature of Xinning Li, one of the best prep tennis players in the state, and there will be a hole to fill.

Bill Nelson, in his second year coaching Plymouth Salem's boys team, faced that task going into this season. And yet, as difficult as it would seem, the Rocks are poised to post an even more impressive team record this season.

The reasons: More improvement, more depth, more talent.

The Rocks' problem a year ago was that while they had players the caliber of Li and Gabe Burnstein at No. 2 singles, the remainder of their lineup, particularly in doubles, wasn't quite good enough to challenge opponents in the Western Lakes

Activities Association.

Salem did tie with Farmington for third at the WLAA league meet last May, but that was mainly on the strength of Li and Burnstein, who won the No. 1 and No. 2 singles championships, respectively.

With Li gone, Burnstein — now a senior — moves up to No. 1 singles. He seems ready for the challenge: In '96, he lost just two matches, the last in the Class A regional final.

In Salem's first four dual meets this season, Burnstein has gone 4-0.

That's a good place to start for any team, but for the Rocks, it could mean they may mount a more serious challenge to league

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powers Northville and North Farmington, the league's No. 1 and No. 2 teams last season.

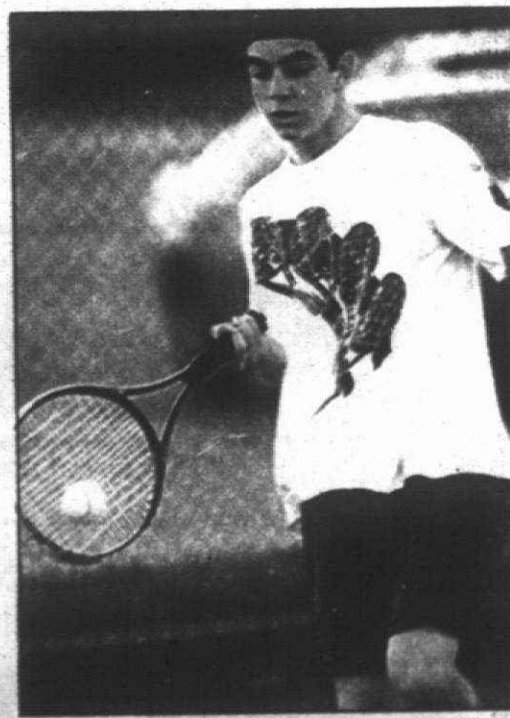
"The league does seem kind of balanced," said Nelson. "The powers seem to be Northville and North Farmington."

"I think we're going to do OK, but I haven't got that real grip on it yet. I had a good feeling going into last year with Li, but our doubles just didn't win for us."

Whether or not the Rocks can make the jump to serious challenger for the WLAA title will depend on how much, and how quickly, they develop.

So far, they've posted a 3-1 dual-meet record (including Monday's 5-3 victory over Walled Lake Western), their only loss coming last Friday to

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Moving up: Gabe Burnstein was the league's best No. 2 singles player a year ago; now he's Salem's No. 1.



## GIRLS GOLF

<b>LIVONIA CHURCHILL 228</b> PLYMOUTH CANTON 237 April 22 at Hilltop	Dual meet records: Stevenson, 4-0 overall (3-0 Western Lakes); Salem, 2-3 overall (0-1 Western Lakes).
Churchill scorers: Megan Vollick, 52; Ashley Johnson and Lauren Boucher, 55 each; Jenny McLaughlin, 62.	LIVONIA CHURCHILL 221 SOUTH LYON 221 April 21 at Fox Creek
Canton scorers: Alyson Young, 50 (medalist); Julie Ozkan, 61; Sandra Pavio, 62; Lindsay Miller, 64.	Churchill scorers: Stacy Loucks, 51; Megan Vollick and Julia McLaughlin, 56 each; Ashley Johnson, 57.
Churchill's dual meet record: 4-1 overall.	Medalist: Amanda Gardner (South Lyon), 48.
<b>LIVONIA STEVENSON 198</b> PLYMOUTH SALEM 198 (Stevenson wins tiebreaker) April 21 at Idyl Wild	SOUTH LYON INVITATIONAL April 19 at Kensington
Stevenson scorers: Kelly Kristy and Kristen Leaga, 48 each; Mandy Carlson and Julie Kosior, 51 each; Lisa Lapenta and Andrea D'Alessandro, 57 each.	TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 351.2; Brighton, 363.3; Novi, 365.4; South Lyon, 405.5; Northville, 408.6; Farmington, 444.7; Milford, 445.8; Livonia Franklin, 454.
Salem scorers: Katie Murinas, 43 (medalist); Katie Collins, 46; Jessica Hedges, 50; Julie Lucata, 59; Chrystal Kopacz, 60; Angela Jones, 66.	Stevenson players: (A team) Kelly Kristy, Mandy Carlson, Kristen Leaga, Carli Heppner, first place; (B team) Julie Kosior, Lisa Lapenta, Andrea D'Alessandro, Jill LeBlanc, fifth.

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## Rocks starting to put it together

## SOFTBALL

It hasn't been a great start for Plymouth Canton's softball team, but don't rule out a great finish. The Rocks, who have suffered setbacks due to deficiencies offensively and on the mound, have started to turn it around. They got a no-hitter from junior Shannon Coultas in beating Livonia Stevenson 11-5 Monday at Stevenson.

Together with a 2-1 tournament run at the Taylor Invitational last Saturday and a 17-13 triumph over Western Lakes Activities Association rival Westland John Glenn Friday at Salem, Salem's record climbed to 4-6 overall, 2-1 in the WLLA's Lakes Division.

Coultas' no-hit performance against the Spartans Monday particularly pleased Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "She pitched some last year, about one-third of our games," Southerland said of her junior ace. "She's improved a lot. She's a hard worker."

"We're starting to hit, we're coming together. This was a good confidence-builder for Shannon." It helps to have a bat like Stefanie Volpe's in the lineup. Volpe collected three hits, including a double, and two runs batted in against Stevenson. Maureen Buchanan added two hits and three RBI, and Amanda Sutton

was working and her change-up was very effective. She mixes her pitches very well." Tara Biro led Canton's attack with two hits (one a double) and two runs batted in. Elizabeth Elaner and Jillian Gross also had two hits apiece and one RBI.

Friday against John Glenn, Salem pounded out a win thanks to two home runs and two doubles by Volpe and a 24-hit attack. Hattie was the winning pitcher.

Los, Esper, Best, Schmalhurst and Sonntag had three hits each, with Maureen Buchanan and Karen Prosyk getting two apiece.

**Canton 6, Churchill 0:** If Plymouth Canton was going to suffer a letdown after last Friday's one-run loss to WLLA Western Division foe Livonia Franklin, it didn't show.

The Chiefs steamed through the Flint Carman Ainsworth Tournament Saturday, demolishing all three opponents, and on Monday blanked divisional foe — and defending WLLA champ — Churchill on just two hits.

Sophomore Gretchen Hudson was responsible for the win over the Chargers. She walked just one and struck out nine.

"Gretchen was pitching extremely well today," said Canton coach Jim Arnold. "Her rise

against visiting Walled Lake Western.

Jeannine Edwards added two markers, as the Rocks ended a two-game scoreless streak with emphatic Missy Simons, Jessica Buck, Brooke Schrupa, Lisa Bacynski and Kristen Kopinski added one goal apiece.

Merritt Walker was in goal for the shutout. Last Friday, the Rocks were blanked by Northville 3-0 at Salem. The Mustangs scored twice in the first half and, although the Rocks had their chances, they couldn't cash in.

On Wednesday, Salem and Livonia Churchill played to a scoreless tie at Salem in a match Rocks' coach Doug Landefeld called "evenly played."

## Canton's offense steamrolls 3 rivals in succession

Want to talk about consistency? Look at Plymouth Canton's soccer team. The Chiefs played three matches in a six-day span ending Monday, winning all three — and scoring six goals in each.

Only Westland John Glenn disrupted the close-to-perfect week. The Rockets scored a second-half goal, giving Canton a 6-1 victory Monday at Glenn.

The three victories made the Chiefs 4-0-1 overall, 3-0-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, and 1-0 in the WLLA's Western Division.

In the win over Glenn, Lisa Reissenweber knocked in three goals to lead the assault. Jenny Parviainen, Robin Devos and

Kelly Connell, Emily Stachura and Knight, Jennell Cobor had two assists; Lukasik and Haymer split time in goal once again.

**Last Wednesday (April 16):** Canton had equal success against North Farmington, rolling to a 6-0 triumph at Canton.

Marzolf led the attack with two goals and an assist, with Lisa Tomasso getting a goal, and an assist and Cobor, Knight and Leebon adding a goal apiece. Haymer was in the net.

Canton led 5-0 at the half. **Salem 11, W.L. Western 0:** Mia Sarkesian awoke Plymouth Salem's slumbering offense by driving home four goals Monday

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## Streak of uncertainty continues for Madonna

## BASEBALL

This Madonna University baseball team is certainly capable of anything.

In a three-day span beginning last Friday, the Fighting Crusaders beat and tied a good NCAA Division II team in Wayne State, 3-1 and 13-13 (the latter suspended by darkness); beat Indiana Tech two out of three times, 7-3 and 1-0 (losing 8-4); and got ripped by a very good Ohio Dominican team, 11-5.

That gave them a 3-2-1 record for the three days, the last two as hosts of the Madonna University Baseball Tournament. They have a 13-20-1 mark overall.

It all seems typical. As stated earlier, there's just no telling.

Start at the beginning: last Friday against Wayne State at Madonna Park. The Crusaders got a superb pitching

performance from Tim Holland in the opener; he stopped the Tartars with one run on five hits and one walk through 6 1/3 innings, striking out five.

Jason Carter came in in the seventh to get the final two outs and earn a save. Madonna had just eight hits in the game, but one was a two-run home run by Daryl Rocho in the third.

The second game, a 13-13 tie, was everything the first game wasn't: all offense, not much pitching. Madonna used six pitchers, but only the last Dan Podym, from Plymouth, who tossed two scoreless, hitless innings) and starter

Mitch Jabczynski (four innings, one run on four hits and three walks) were effective.

Three Crusaders hit homers in the game. Dan Taylor led the parade with two hits, including a homer, and four RBI; Jeff Gutt (from Redford Catholic Central) had two hits, one a homer, and three RBI; and Bob Hamp had a home run and two RBI.

Rocho, Aaron Shrewsbury and Eric Marcotte (Plymouth Canton) also had two hits apiece for Madonna.

On Saturday, the Crusaders played Indiana Tech twice at Madonna Park, splitting the pair. In the 8-4 first-game loss, starter Craig Benedict (Plymouth Canton) was hit hard, surrendering seven runs (five earned) on 11 hits and three walks in 5 1/3 innings.

In Sunday's second game, a 3-1 loss to Indiana-Purdue in which Madonna managed just two hits, VanDoorn gave up two earned runs on nine hits and two walks, striking out three, to take the loss (she's 5-5).

The Crusaders finished the tournament against the same team it started it against, only

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The lone bright spot for the Crusaders: Christy Riopelle's solo home run in the fifth.

The offense was missing again

hits and four walks, fanning eight.

Madonna closed out its weekend with a game against Ohio Dominican, a team that had beaten Madonna four-straight games earlier this season.

Sunday's win made it five. Jeff Warholik started and was effective for his three innings, giving up just one run on one hit. But Dominican struck for three runs in the fourth and five more in the sixth off Tim Holland and Mark Serrra.

Gutt paced the Crusaders' 10-hit offense with two hits, including his seventh homer of the season, and two RBI. Rocho and Marcotte also had two hits apiece, and Taylor had a hit and an RBI.

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## Lady Crusaders open tournament with 3 wins, close it with 3 losses

## SOFTBALL

Agatha, put them into position to win, but Xavier tied it at 5-5 with a three-run fifth.

Madonna got a run in the sixth to recapture the lead and added an insurance run in the seventh. Jamie Vickers and Vicki Malkowski each had two hits and a run batted in, and Dawn Shaffer had one hit and an RBI.

Shanna Price was the winning pitcher, allowing four earned runs on eight hits and three walks, with three strikeouts.

In their 11-10 win over Mount Mercy, the Crusaders blew a 9-0 lead, then rallied for two runs in the bottom of the seventh to get the victory.

Angie VanDoorn was the winning pitcher, giving up four earned runs on seven hits and three walks, with six strikeouts.

Madonna's five errors led to six Mount Morris runs.

Baxter again paced the Crusader offense with three hits, including a double and a triple, and five RBI. Malkowski had

two hits and two RBI, Shawna Greene got two hits and an RBI, Stephanie Dye collected a hit and two RBI, and Jamie Heins socked a solo home run.

Price pitched led to tournament win No. 3 for Madonna, which was decided by the international tie-breaker rule in eight innings (a runner placed at second base at the start of the inning for each team). The senior stopped St. Francis (Ind.) with one run on six hits and no walks, striking out one.

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WLLA foe Livonia Churchill by a 6-2 margin. The Rocks were without senior Rob Willoughby, who plays with Jason Gourley, another senior, at No. 2 doubles.

In the three meets they've played together in, they are 3-0.

Doubles is the best indicator of where this team has improved the most. Gourley and Willoughby were Salem's No. 1 doubles pair last season; this season they dropped to No. 2, with juniors James Boomis and Corey Krabil, last season's No. 2, replacing them.

The result: better outcomes for both. Boomis and Krabil are 3-1 thus far this season.

"They worked on their game a long time over the winter," said Nelson.

Of course, he could have said much the same for the rest of his lineup. Competition — there are more than 30 players competing for Salem's varsity and junior varsity teams — has led to improvement.

For the No. 3 doubles team of senior Nick Wojnar and junior Adam Covington, it's just a matter of time, according to Nelson. "He's going to do OK for us," said Nelson.

Chen's story is much the same. "He hardly knew what end of the rack to hold last year," Nelson said. Chen, too, is 1-3 this season.

Niemiec is in his fourth year on the varsity; the first three were at doubles, last year at No. 2. He's 2-2 in his current singles role. "He's going to do OK for us," said Nelson.

Which, when you come right down to it, is what the Rocks hope to get at all positions, throughout their lineup.

**Canton 4, John Glenn 4:** On Monday at Westland John Glenn, Plymouth Canton battled the Rockets to a standstill.

The result left the Chiefs with a 1-2-1 dual-meet record, all in WLLA play. John Glenn is 4-2-2 overall.

Canton won once in singles play, with Vinnie Ikeh defeating Deepak Dashairya 6-4, 6-3 at No. 2.

In doubles, the Chiefs won at No. 1, with Bryan Harris-Caldwell and Matt Arley beating Joe Mifsud 6-3, 6-3; at No. 2, with Andrew Oleskowicz and Richie Ikeh topping Don Godbey and Dave Fowler 1-6, 7-5, 6-1; and at No. 4, with Scott Mincher and Chris Houdek besting Dave Kovacs and Dave Stephens 6-2, 6-1.

Salem hosts North Farmington at 4 p.m. today and Canton plays at Farmington at 4 p.m. today.

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feet.

In the 4x800, Ellen Stemmer, Nicole Bolton, Evelyn Rahhal and Kristie Giddings teamed for a winning time of 9:49.9 while in the 4x400 relay, the Rocks' Katie Bonner, Ruth Viforeanu, Sara Vida and Giddings captured first place with a 4:14.3.

The sprint medley went to Salem's Viforeanu, Candace Lynette, Joan Marquet and Bonner in 1:55.4. Giddings, Stemmer, Rahhal and Bolton combined to win the distance medley relay in 13:21.7.

Second places went to Salem's Kosik and Angie Silmon in the high jump (10-1) and Jessica Ash and Angie Smith for their 67-8 in the shot put.

Runnerup in the shuttle hurdle, with a 1:08.4, were Maul, Watts, Valerie Brown and Tiffany Reiber while the 3,200 medley relay team of Erin Lang, Becky Phalen, Kathy Jost and Vanessa Bodnar were runners-up with a 10:49.7.

Second in the mixed medley, with a time of 4:36.3, were the quintet of Ann Marie Ver-cruyse, Shannon Will, Rachel Thompson, Melanie Mester and Erin Kelly.

Salem's throwers 4x200 team of Ash, Smith, Kelly Yeager and Wendy Lenhardt were second (2:07.0) while the 3x3 100 hurdle relay team of Maul, Watts and Reiber was also second (1:41.8).

Fourth-place finishes went to Silmon and Alesha Marquez in the long jump (29-11 1/2), Rachel Jones, Alesha Marquez, Viforeanu and Bonner in the 4x200 (1:53.1) and Jones, Lynette, Alesha Marquez plus Silmon in the 4x100 (53.1).

At West Bloomfield last Saturday, Maul was second in the 300 hurdles (48-1) and Silmon was second in the long jump (16-6).

Maul took third in the 100 hurdles (16:2) while Kosik was runner-up in the high jump (4-11), Ash took second in the shot put (34-5 1/2) and Bolton captured second in the 3,200 (11:50.7).

Salem's sprint medley relay team was third (4:29.4).

On April 17, Salem journeyed to Walled Lake Central and swamped the host team, 120-8.

Bonner reached a personal best of 2:26.7 in winning the 800 while Jones reached her person best with a 12.9 in the 100. Jones also won the 200 in 28.0, and Maul was first in the 100 (16.1) and 300 (50.1) hurdles.

Other winners: Kosik in the high jump (15-2); Ash in the shot put (35-11); Grubashin in the discus (108-11); Bolton in the 1,600 (1:05.3); and Rachel Moraitis in the 3,200 (13:08.09).

Salem had good relay squads, too. In the 3,200, Lang, Moraitis, Melanie Mester and Kelly won in 11:05.5; Giddings, Marj Dis-brow, Viforeanu and Bonner were first in 1:55.9 in the 800 relay; Jones, Candace Lynette, Alesha Marquez and Silmon combined to take the 400 in 54.0; and Bolton, Stemmer, Rahhal and Jost were best in the 1,600 in 4:25.9.

**Plymouth Canton girls**

The task confronting Plymouth Canton's girls track team has crystallized.

For the Chiefs to win a fourth-

consecutive Western Lakes Activities Association title, they will have to overcome an impressive Livonia Stevenson squad.

At last Saturday's Lady Chiefs Relays, which Canton hosted, Stevenson showed just how imposing a force it was, totaling 77 points to win the 15-team meet. Brighton was second with 65 1/3 points and Canton was third with 56, one better than fourth-place Westland John Glenn.

Other team results: Dearborn Edsel Ford, fifth (41 1/3); Farmington Hills Mercy, sixth (34); St. John's, seventh (20); Dearborn, eighth (14); Adrian, ninth (13); Livonia Churchill, 10th (nine); Plymouth Salem, 11th (eight); Farmington, 12th (seven); Milford, 13th (3 1/2); Wayne Memorial, 14th (two); Livonia Ladywood, 15th (one).

"I think this was the most competitive Lady Chiefs' Relays we've had," said Canton coach George Przygodski. "And the biggest, I think Livonia Stevenson ran a real fine meet."

The Spartans came away with five first-place finishes out of 13 events. Glenn won another four, with Mercy getting two and Brighton and Dearborn one apiece.

The Chiefs' best performances were seconds in the 400-meter relay, from Alina Boyden, Tiffany Williams, Doris Igwe and Nkechi Okwumabua (52.8); and in the sprint medley relay, from Janeen Allen, Okwumabua, Boyden and Natalie Wood (3:08.0).

They also had four thirds, from Igwe, Crystal Alderman, Amy Sonnanstine and Nancy Hoffmann in the 300 hurdles relay (3:27.5); from Okwumabua, Kim Robertson and Igwe in the long jump relay (43-feet, 4 1/2-inches combined); from Marisa Kovach, Erin Stabb and Kim Theeke in the high jump relay (14-4); and from Wood, Boyden, Williams and Hoffman in the 800 relay (1:53.1).

Salem split its team, to compete in the West Bloomfield Relays as well as the Lady Chiefs' Relays.

Stevenson's victory in the 3,200 relay, from Danielle Harris, Kelly McNeelane, Andrea Parker and Kelly Travis, was in a meet-record 10:05.7.

**Plymouth Canton boys**

At last Saturday's Elks Relays, Plymouth Canton's boys track team finished eighth out of 12 teams with 13 1/2 points. Plymouth Salem was seventh with 18 points.

The Chiefs had five teams finish in the top five in their events, including their distance medley quartet of Jon Page, Byron Miller, Jerry Reynolds and Shaun Moore, who were second (11:23.2).

Taking thirds were Canton's 1,600 relay team of Bill Iler, Eric Larsen, Page and Miller (3:37.7) and its long jump relay of Larsen, Miller and Jason Meagrow, who tied for third (55-feet, 11 3/4-inches).

Dave Koshizawa, Kwaku Dankwa, Larsen and Larry Anderson combined for a fourth in the 800 relay (1:35.0), and Mike Dziedzic, Bryan Kulczyk, B.J. Page and Jeff Soash finished fifth in the high hurdles shuttle relay.

In the first game, a four-run Chief comeback in the bottom of the fifth allowed them to take a 10-7 lead. But it didn't last; the River Rats pushed across five runs in the top of the sixth.

Joe Cortellini, the third of three Canton pitchers, absorbed the loss. He gave up four earned runs on three hits and three walks in two innings.

Cortellini chipped in offensively by slugging a three-run double in Canton's four-run first inning, one of his two hits. Kwiatkowski had three hits, including a solo home run in the third, and two RBI. Noonan had two hits and scored twice; and Copenhaver had one hit and three RBI.

"I was pleased with our offense, but we didn't play well defensively and we had trouble throwing strikes again," said Dickey.

Canton pitchers walked nine batters and committed six errors.

**Salem 7, Stevenson 5:** Livonia Stevenson may have thought it was getting an easy out Monday when they opted to intentionally walk Plymouth Salem's Ryan Rumberger to face Alec Ras.

Ras foiled Stevenson's strategy as he ripped a three-run home run, which proved to be the key blow in Salem's victory over the visiting Spartans.

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hard, but right at people," said coach Scott Dickey.

That changed in the sixth. Ray Horton and Nate Copenhaver opened the inning singles; Pat Noonan followed with a run-scoring double.

After Dave Kwiatkowski grounded into a fielder's choice, leaving runners at first and third, Jeff Opalinski singled in a run. Neil Wildfong followed with an infield single, then stole second base — which set the stage for Pat Van Hull, who came through with a two-run single, making it 4-2.

In the seventh, Noonan doubled in another run and Opalinski doubled in two more.

Opalinski finished with three hits, including two doubles, and three runs batted in. Noonan, Van Hull and Copenhaver each had two hits and two RBI.

Last weekend, Canton split a double-header against visiting Ann Arbor Huron, losing the opener 12-10 and winning the second game 1-0.

Mike Roark was the mound star in the second game. The junior right-hander tossed a three-hitter, walking eight and striking out one.

Canton's errorless defense also played a significant role, according to Dickey.

The Chiefs scored the game's only run in the first inning on a Wildfong single, a sacrifice by Copenhaver and a single by Noonan, scoring Wildfong. Wildfong finished with two hits for Canton.

In the first game, a four-run Chief comeback in the bottom of the fifth allowed them to take a 10-7 lead. But it didn't last; the River Rats pushed across five runs in the top of the sixth.

Joe Cortellini, the third of three Canton pitchers, absorbed the loss. He gave up four earned runs on three hits and three walks in two innings.

Cortellini chipped in offensively by slugging a three-run double in Canton's four-run first inning, one of his two hits. Kwiatkowski had three hits, including a solo home run in the third, and two RBI. Noonan had two hits and scored twice; and Copenhaver had one hit and three RBI.

"I was pleased with our offense, but we didn't play well defensively and we had trouble throwing strikes again," said Dickey.

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## WEEKEND

**VEGAS NIGHT**

St. Thomas A'Becket Catholic Church in Canton will hold "Vegas Night" from 6 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday, April 26, at 555 S. Lilley Road, in Canton. Black Jack, Detroit Craps, Big Six, Beat the Dealer, Refreshments served, max \$500 winnings. Proceeds to benefit the building fund.

**SINGLES DANCE**

West Side Singles Friday night dances are held every Friday at the Burton Manor, Schoolcraft Road, West of Inkster Road, in Livonia. Admission is \$5. Early bird special \$3 before 8:30 p.m. Ages 21 and older welcome. Music by professional D.J. top 40 current hits. Dressy attire (no jeans). 981-0909.

**BETTER HOMES AND FAMILIES**

Canton Community Church will begin a series on "Better Homes and Families" on Sundays. Topics include: April 27 - Passing Code: Raising Children Who Make the Grade. Services are held 10:30 a.m. in the Little Theater at Plymouth-Canton High School, located on the corner of Canton Center and Joy roads Sundays. Nursery and children's programs provided. Information, 455-6022.

**STAMP SHOW**

The West Suburban Stamp Club is sponsoring the 28th annual "Plymouth Show" Saturday and Sunday, April 26-27. The show will be held at Central Middle School at Church and Main street in downtown Plymouth. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. The club is offering a set of two covers honoring the Detroit Lions. Each cover will have a color cachet and a special football theme cancel. These covers continue the cacheted cover series honoring Detroit sports teams. Previous years honored the Detroit Tigers, Pistons and Red Wings. Collectors can purchase the set of covers at the show or by mail at a cost of \$4 per pair. To order by mail send a check or money order, plus a No. 10 stamped self-addressed envelope to the WSSC, c/o Hal Williams, Box 700049, Plymouth, Mich. 48170. Admission and parking are free.

**DANCE**

The Westside Silver Star Stepper Dance will be held 7 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe Road, in Wayne. Fred Coogan will begin his workshop at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7, and seniors 60 and over will be \$5. For information, call Carol at 313-459-5836.

**BEANIE BABY SWAP SHOW**

The Beanie Baby Swap Show will be open to the public from 12 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, May 4, at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

525 Farmer Street, in Plymouth. Table fee is \$35 for 6' table - limit to the first 50 paid contracts received. Admission is \$5 for adults and kids 12 & up. \$3 for 6-11 year olds. Under 6 free.

**BANJO CONVENTION**

The Great Lakes International Banjo Convention will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 24, 25, & 26, at Holiday Inn Fairlane, 5801 Southfield Service Dr. at Ford Road, in Dearborn. Jam sessions, sing-a-longs, Four-String Banjo clubs, smaller groups and fantastic individual performers. Different program each night. Tickets or more information, Bill Jackson at (313) 282-6635 or (810) 651-6269.

## AROUND TOWN

**PLYMOUTH POST OFFICE**

**OPEN HOUSE**

The Plymouth Post Office will host an open house for all customers from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 24, when employees will be available to answer questions and give tours at all three locations: 47526 Clipper, 44895 Helm Court (new automated equipment), and 860 Penniman. Call 451-6310 (ask for Barbara) for further information.

**LYW FUNDRAISER**

The League of Women Voters is holding its annual Used Book Sale at the Wonderland Mall near Montgomery Ward in Livonia on Thursday, April 24, through Sunday, April 27. The hours are: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, April 25 & 26; Noon-5 p.m. Sunday, April 27.

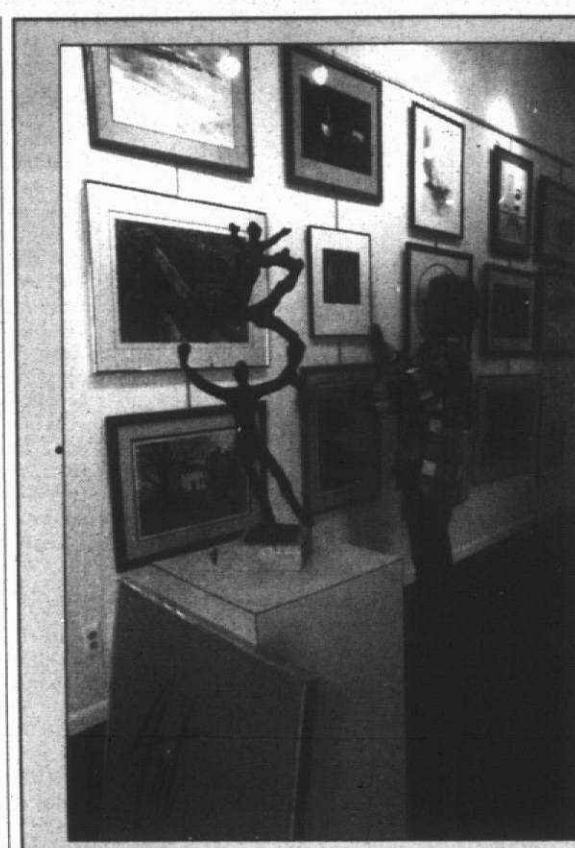
The prices are: hard covers \$1, paperback \$0.50, romance novels \$0.25, Sunday bag sale \$4, and special books are individually priced. Old music records and cassettes are being sold.

**WATERCOLOR EXHIBIT**

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will feature the work of the late Plymouth architect, Erick Carne, at its first art exhibition at the newly remodeled Arts Center, 774 N. Sheldon Road at Junction of the Great Lakes, as this unique watercolor exhibit is entitled, will run through May 8. Viewing times are 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. These paintings are part of a soon to be published book, "Shorelines of the Great Lakes," which has been lovingly brought to fruition by his wife, Pat. A sample of this tribute to the Great Lakes can be seen at the exhibition and orders may be placed to purchase a copy. Many of the watercolors will also be available for sale.

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**Gallery**

**Renting: The Plymouth Community Arts Council's Art Rental Gallery is open for business. You may rent artwork, \$6 per month per painting and small works for \$2. Paintings may be kept for two months at a time and then returned for a new selection. The gallery, 774 N. Sheldon Road at Junction, is open 9 a.m.-9 p.m. every Wednesday. For more information, call the PCAC, 416-4278.**

**QUEST STORYTELLER**

Peggy Heiney, a retired elementary school teacher from Bird School, is telling stories at the Plymouth District Library from 10-10:45 a.m. the first Saturday of each month. No registration is required. The library is temporarily located at 705 S. Main Street.

**OPEN ENROLLMENT**

St. Michael's Christian School at 7000 N. Sheldon Road, in Canton has open enrollment for preschool age 3 & 4, kindergarten to grade 5. Low teacher-student ratio, Christian values. Open enrollment for 1997-98 school term has begun, for opening availability and registration information call 459-9270.

**ART RENTAL GALLERY**

The Art Rental Gallery has reopened at the newly remodeled Plymouth Community Arts Council building at 774 N. Sheldon at Junction in Plymouth. The Gallery has a large selection of traditional and contemporary art work available for rent. For just \$6 per month, your home or business could have a whole new look. The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. every Wednesday. Call the PCAC at 416-4278 for more information.

**Heritage Park Ponds** will be stocked with rainbow trout. Prizes will be raffled off each hour. You may pre-register for one hour time period only. \$1 per child to be paid on day of the event. Boys and girls ages 15 and under. Each participant is responsible for his/her own equipment and bait and will receive a fishing license at check-in. Arrive early, check-in ends ten minutes after each schedule hour. Advanced registration is required in person or by phone. Registration continues through Thursday, May 1. Canton residents only. Call 397-5110.

**RUMMAGE/BAKE SALE**

The American Legion-Beasley-Zalesny Post 112 in Plymouth Township will have a rummage/bake sale 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 3 & 4, at the Oddfellows Hall on Elizabeth at Ann Arbor Trail. The money from the sale will be donated to needy veterans and youth programs. For information call (313) 422-8534 or (313) 459-7324.

**PCAC**

The Plymouth Community Arts Council Calendar of events coming up are as follows:

- **Art Rental Gallery** - Open 9 a.m.-noon Monday-Friday, and 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Wednesdays.
- **Art Exhibit** - Erick Carne "Shorelines of the Great Lakes" April 20-May 8 (call for hours).
- **PCAC Children's Choir, Concert** - 7 p.m. Friday, May 2, tickets \$4 at the door.
- **Student Art Exhibit** - Winners and honorable mention of the Isbister/Rotary collection competition - May 19-June 13.
- **Whistle Stop Players** - Parent committee "Fun Raiser" The Wackiest (Tackiest) Wedding this Spring, tickets \$40 per person to raise money for the theater lighting and curtains - 7-10 p.m. Saturday, May 10.
- **PCAC Spring Super Yard Sale** - 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, May 29 & 30. Donations (except clothing) accepted May 27.
- **PCAC 1st Annual - Road Rally** - to purchase lighted sign - 6:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, May 31. \$25 per person.

**PRESCRIPTION PROGRAM**

MEPPS-Michigan Emergency Pharmaceutical Program for area seniors offers a one-month supply of prescription drugs available twice a year if you qualify. They are available afternoons by appointment at Plymouth Township Hall by the Clerk's office. By appointment only. Call 455-7526.

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## CAMPUS NOTES

### DEAN'S LIST

Twelve Canton residents were recently named to the dean's list at Western Michigan University. They are Christine Anderson, daughter of David and Donna Anderson; Cheryl Benko, daughter of Edward and Lynn Benko; Christopher Bignell, son of Michael and Carol Bignell; Jason Danelo, son of Richard and Rebecca Danelo; Matthew Marchewka; Michelle Marchewka; Michelle Pilotto, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Pilotto; Molly Schmidt, daughter of Paula Schmidt; Tara Schuler, daughter of Eugene and Barbara Schuler; Joshua Tolbert; Jennifer Warnke, daughter of John and Kay Warnke; and Mark Westmeier, son of Richard and Dolores Westmeier.

Seven Plymouth residents were recently named to the dean's list at Western Michigan University. They were: Christine Nielsen, daughter of Albert and Ellen Nielsen; Mark O'Keefe, son of Richard and Sharon O'Keefe; Karen Springsteen, daughter of Roger and Juliane Springsteen; Emily Strand, daughter of William and Virginia Strand; Kristan Waszczuk, daughter of G.S. Waszczuk; Laura Waszczuk, daughter of George and Dona Waszczuk and Alexander Wright, son of Michael and Nancy Ann Wright.

Mark Warmbier was recently named to the dean's list at Calvin College. Warmbier graduated from Plymouth Christian Academy.

The following students from Canton have earned a spot recently on the dean's list at Schoolcraft College: Mahdi A. Abdulbaki, Kimberly Marie Adler, Michelle Renee Amble, Tina Sami Amers, Daniel Russell Antieva, Henry L. Bahrou, Gretchen Marie Baish, Eric Jeffrey Bales, Lorien Marie Bandy, Khalid Yaser Beidas, Ericka M.

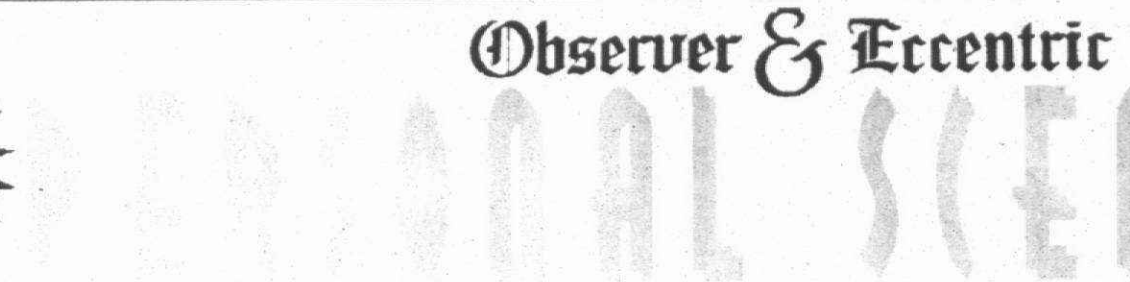
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James Paul McDonald, David R. Mefford, Leslie Paige Moore, Heather Christine Mueller, Kevin Frederick Mueller, Jennifer Anne Nagy, Ryan

Matthew Nunez, Jennifer Lynn Orleman, Shannon Renee Ostrowski, Marilyn Joyce Paravantes, Janet Louise Paskiewicz, Vilay Ravjibhai Patel, Frances Ozell Pennington, Ristenka Pnarova, Jennifer Marie Rice, Kara Lyn Ring, Steven H. Rosenberg, Amanda Therese Rugenski, Monica Samojedny, Melissa Anne Santoro, Cynthia Nicole Schubert, Timothy Michael Schultz, Lisa Renee Shepherd, Andrea K. Sherman, Theodore W. Sherman, Lisa Claudette Shoemaker, Arifa Sidique, Brandon Kelly Smith, Jaclen Ann Marie Stanton, Mark Thomas Stelmasek, Scott Whitney Stevens, Thomas Mark Taylor, Michael Thompson, Sara H. White, Laurence Oear Williams, Kelly Jean Wilson, Harriet A. Woody and Andrew James York.



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# Metropark case turns into 3-year court dispute

BY TIM RICHARD  
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Kensington Metropark's 1994 Fourth of July fireworks have turned into three years of courtroom pyrotechnics for Robert E. Gilmore II, now 29, of Brighton.

Gilmore faces:

■ An Oakland Circuit Court appearance on a charge of felonious assault on a park ranger after a Court of Appeals panel on March 25 reinstated the case at the prosecutor's request.

■ Frustration that the prosecutor refuses to charge park ranger Jeffrey Shade with assault and malicious destruction of property, for bashing in the windshield of Gilmore's vehicle.

■ The task of suing Shade and the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, which operates the 13 metroparks, in U.S. District Court for deprivation of his constitutional rights, a case set for trial in June.

"His life is on hold," said Allan Motzny, the Waterford attorney handling his cases. Motzny said Gilmore is now engaged to the woman who was in date for the fireworks, but they are delaying wedding plans until the cases are cleared up.

## Friendly witness

Just what happened after the July 4, 1994 fireworks display is in dispute. Gilmore drove his Range Rover from the boat launch area. Rangers Shade and Michael Grant were directing traffic and signaled him to travel west, but Gilmore drove east.

The rangers' version is that Shade moved in front of Gilmore's vehicle, but Gilmore refused to stop; Shade wound up on the hood of the vehicle and shattered the windshield with his flashlight. The rangers issued Gilmore a citation.

Attorney Motzny said Gilmore actually did stop but that Shade was uninjured and was able to continue directing traffic. Only after Gilmore complained about Shade to the prosecutor did the metropark seek felony charges against Gilmore.

On July 5, Brian Tingley, who had witnessed the incident from his father's car, gave Kensington officials his description, essentially supporting Gilmore.

As the Court of Appeals opinion summed it up, Tingley, who did not know Gilmore, said Gilmore did attempt to turn right; that the ranger hit

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Gilmore's headlight and yelled "you can't go this way"; and that Gilmore attempted to pull off the road. Tingley said he was bothered that the ranger claimed Gilmore was running him over.

Despite Tingley's testimony at a pre-trial exam, Gilmore was bound over to circuit court. There, Gilmore moved to have Circuit Judge Francis X. O'Brien dismiss the charge based on Tingley's testimony and Shade's alleged lack of credibility. O'Brien didn't, but he dismissed the case on another point — the prosecutor's action.

At this point, the legal fireworks get heavy.

## Double appeal

Gilmore's attorney, Motzny, asked the prosecutor for "copies of any statements or other docu-

ments" showing why the prosecutor refused to charge ranger Shade. O'Brien issued the order. Prosecutor Richard Thompson refused to comply.

So Judge O'Brien dismissed the charge against Gilmore. Oakland's prosecutor, who went to the appellate courts more than any other in the state, went to the Court of Appeals. The legal issue was whether the defense lawyer could use "discovery" against the prosecutor's papers.

No, said the panel composed of Judges Stephen J. Markman, Peter O'Connell and Daniel J. Kelly in 11 single-spaced pages. Using a U.S. Supreme Court rule in a 1947 case, the appeals panel found the prosecutor's papers were a "common-law work product privilege" that

need not be released to the defense. "Not even the most liberal of discovery theories can justify unwarranted inquiries into the files and mental impressions of an attorney," the U.S. Supreme Court said.

(Motzny was able to see the prosecutor's file in the judge's chamber but is under a Court of Appeals gag order not to reveal the contents. The Court of Appeals formally disapproved of O'Brien's action.)

Besides, said the Court of Appeals, Gilmore "has not shown a 'substantial need' for the document. Whether Ranger Shade was prosecuted for the incident at Kensington Park is not relevant to whether defendant feloniously assaulted him with his Range Rover."

Gilmore filed his own appeal, saying he was denied a speedy trial because his case hadn't been heard by Feb. 1, 1996. The Court of Appeals disagreed because, given Oakland's clogged dockets, he had agreed to some of the delays, and besides, he wasn't waiting in jail.

## Back on docket

It's possible the new Oakland prosecutor could say "enough" and drop the charge against Gilmore, but that appears unlikely. "It's back on the docket," said assistant prosecutor J. Benjamin Dolan, who won the case in the Court of Appeals.

"I intend to try for a retrial, or a plea," said Jerry Gleason, the assistant prosecutor in charge of the trial court-level work. "It's a big case." Gleason said he will meet with Motzny soon.

"We haven't made a decision (on whether to go to trial or offer a plea)," said Motzny. "It's his (Gilmore's) call, based on my advice."

Meanwhile, he said, Gilmore's life is on hold.

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# Decorative tiles can fit any room



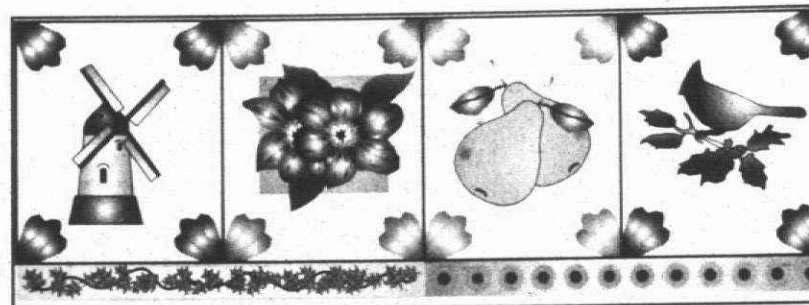
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Tiles are often neglected in the design world. They are available in such diverse ways that we must explore all of the possibilities.

I have favorite ways to use tiles that are fun, interesting, practical and decorative. They are wonderful as

counter tops, back-splashes, table tops, trivets and fireplace surrounds and hearths, to name only a few ways.

I leave it to the reader to visit such places as Beaver Industries, or Virginia Tile on Grand River and Drake to gain knowledge of what is out there. I also recommend Pewabic Industries on East Jefferson for mesmerizing handmade examples. You can even commission an artisan at Pewabic to make your own



special version.

There will be a one-day Antique and Contemporary Tile Fair Sunday, Aug. 17, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Building. Place that on your list of things to do. A visit to the Allen House in Birmingham when it has its House and Garden Show will be another exposure.

Tiles come in floral designs, many multicolored. They are also available with scenes, animals or ships. The tin-glazed Delft coloring is blue on the

ground color (usually a grayish white) or sepia. (See illustration.)

A special way to use tiles is as a fireplace surround. There are countless styles, both antique and new, all with charm and charisma. Sometimes the antique tiles are slightly chipped or cracked, which doesn't detract from their beauty.

If used as the fireproof (necessary) surround of the fireplace opening, the hearth also has to be considered. To keep the illusion of antiquity I suggest further tiles. If you can secure some with

a cracked look, so much the better. Don't use a marble hearth.

I have often used decorative tiles as the backsplash of the kitchen sink with great success; much more effective than wallpaper. Take care that the grout color is neutral. Tiles are also significant as table tops. You can edge the table with a handsome wood molding, or even a stainless steel banding.

I haven't mentioned some large scale fruit patterns that are festive in coloration. They add fun to a kitchen or dining area. Vegetables are also available. Tiles in relief are useful; there are many forms of these to be explored. Don't forget glazed and unglazed clay tiles, in many shapes.

Naomi Stone Levy, a Franklin resident, is an interior designer. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1897. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

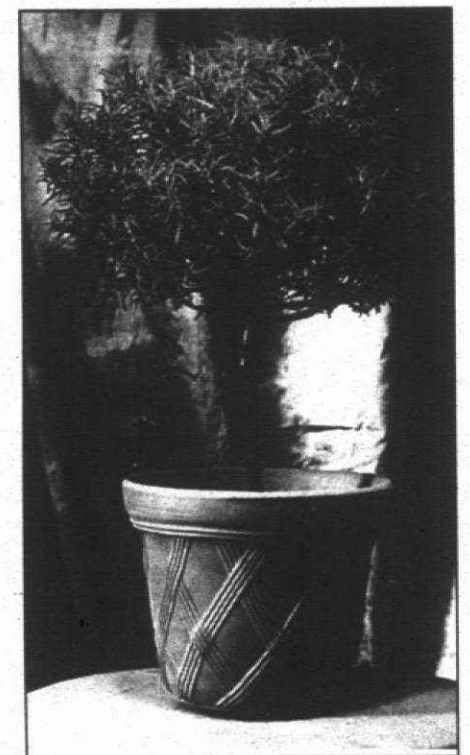


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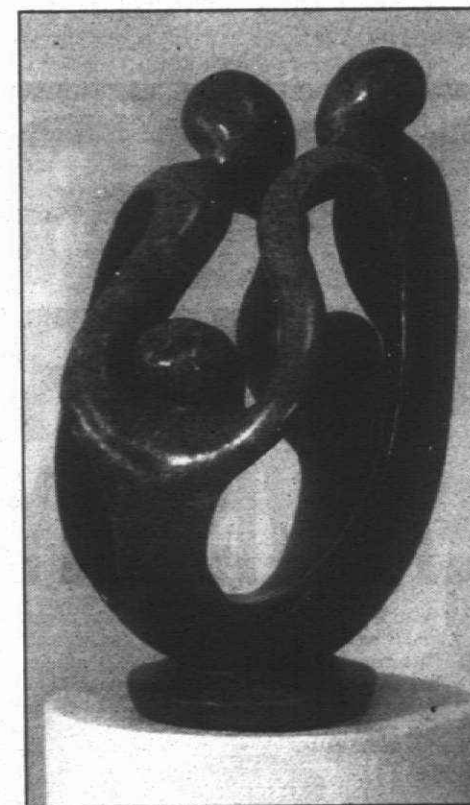
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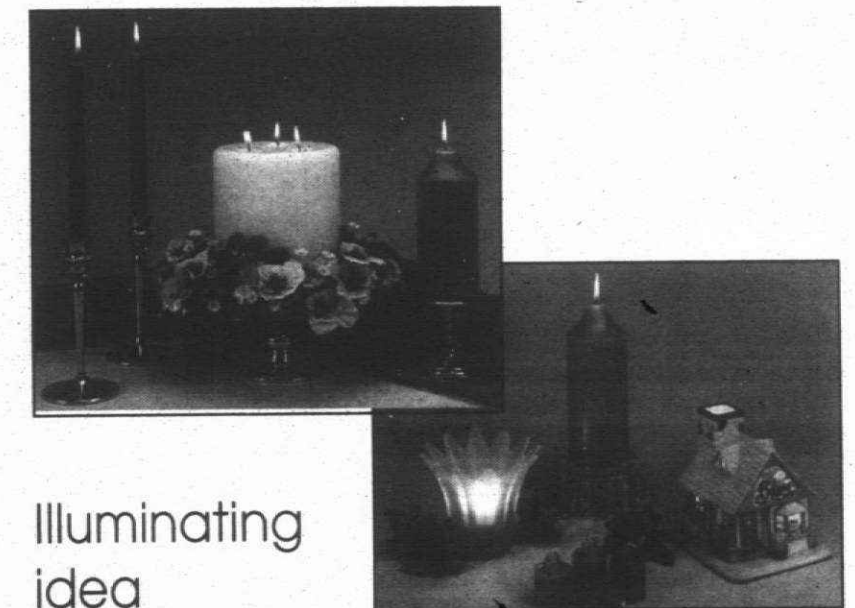
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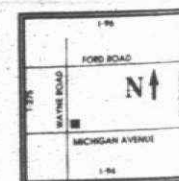
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Karen Cutler Davis, guest editor, begins with the history (they are native to South Africa) and clearly explains how to read a seed packet and what all the information means.

Other writers give excellent information about growing (from seeds and seedlings) in various ways and how to combat pests and diseases. Garden writ-

ers (all tomato growers) throughout the country list their favorites.

Included is a long list of cultivars and sources. The book takes on a special flavor with yummy-sounding recipes.

"A Year of Roses," Stephen Scanniello (Henry Holt, \$25), is a must for true rosarians and wannabes.

Scanniello is the internationally renowned rosarian of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden's Cranford Rose Garden and shares his expertise in a straightforward, no-nonsense style. There are no color photos, just good, practical advice arranged monthly. Scanniello explains how to execute the not-so-glamorous as well as pleasant chores and the necessity of them, with a schedule that can be easily followed and adapted to any section of the country.

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Vignettes about several successful gardeners such as Thomas Jefferson, Claude Monet, Alan Chadwick and oth-

ers are included - pioneers in new ideas and practices that help us to be good stewards of the earth.

Amplly illustrated, all subjects of gardening are covered. About half of the book is devoted to an encyclopedia of garden plants.

"The Gardener's Guide to Growing Ivies," Peter Rose (Timber Press, \$29.95), is the definitive guide. Rose details the history of ivies and describes the many leaf shapes, colors, growth habits and other characteristics of the many species available. He advises to learn the species of a particular plant and then the variety or clone.

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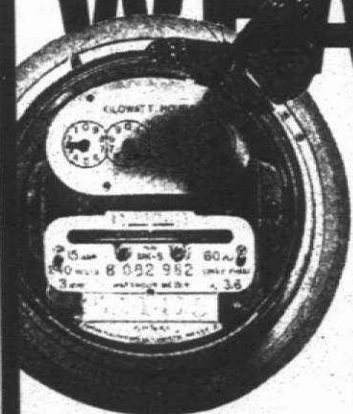
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The shine on your marble is brought out by sanding with increasingly finer grit up to No. 8000 grit in some cases.

Most problems with marble can be



traced to three categories: traffic, cleaning products and/or cleaning methods. Traffic problems can be solved by the use of rugs at entrances, removal of footwear before coming in from the outside, or changing entrances into the home. Cleaning products that are neutral-based, especially those formulated for marble, will help protect and restore marble that has not had its finish damaged. Cleaning methods and procedures can also create a problem. This includes cleaning too much, using waxes and

cleaning agents that leave residues and water with high mineral contents. Since marble varies somewhat, you should check with a professional marble care representative for the right product and maintenance program for your floor. Marble maintenance problems are usually easy to rectify.

What can you do to restore the marble's luster? First, a marble surface that has been ground and repolished has a richer look than most new marble. This holds especially true on floors. (Floors that are ground after installation are flatter and more uniform, and the shine seems deeper and richer). One point to remember is that no matter how bad your marble looks, it is still far less expensive to refinish than to tear out the existing marble and replace it with a new floor. The appearance of all stone and terrazzo floors can be improved with refinishing. In some cases, when the tiles are set, lippage (unevenness) can occur and the refinishing process actually grinds the tiles flat with one another.

Although most stains can be removed, it is a time-consuming process, often taking days or weeks. Prevention is the key here. See a spill - wipe it up. The longer it sits the more damage it can do. A 10-cent coaster under your glass or a foot pad under the metal table leg can save you an expensive repair. Preventive maintenance is essentially the key to a bright, beautiful and long-lasting marble floor or counter top. The use of a proactive care system that incorporates an impregnator (for maximum stain protection and dirt repulsion), a conditioner (for protection against wear), a cleaner (to keep the luster) and periodic professional care can keep your stone floor looking beautiful always.

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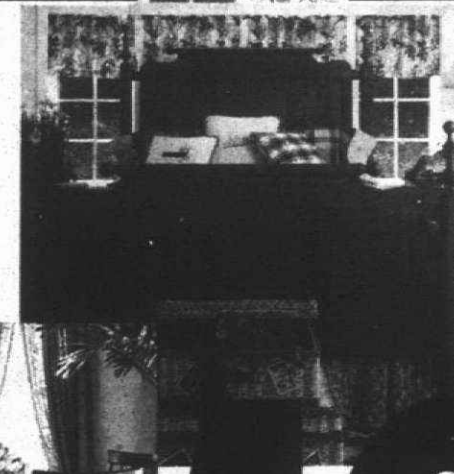
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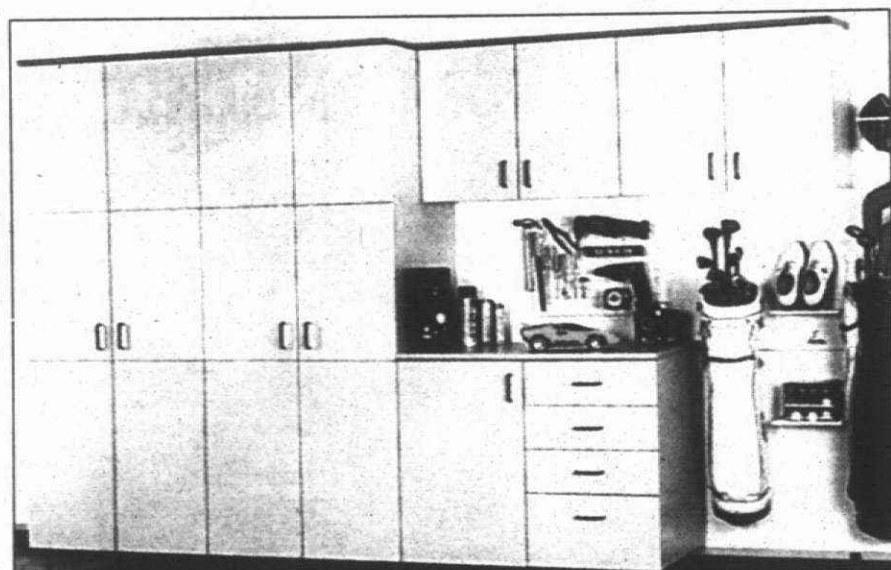
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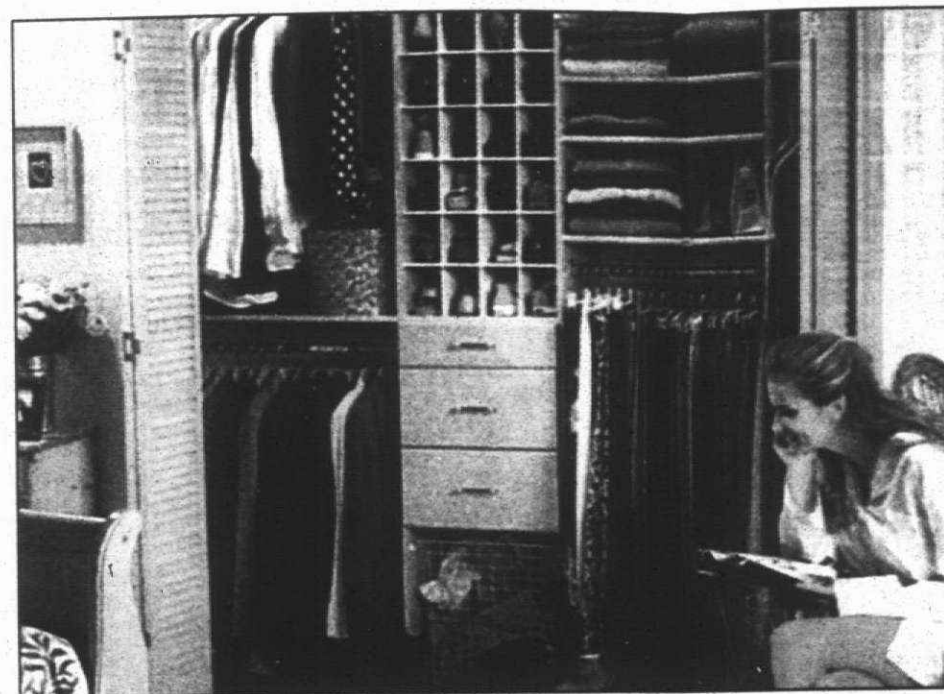
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**Gleaming garage:** California Closets in West Bloomfield and Troy offers storage units for the garage as well as for inside the home.



**A place for everything:** Being organized gives you more time for yourself. California Closets storage aids, shown here and at right, help you put space planning to use.

**Clutter control:** Cleaning around the home shouldn't be restricted to spring. "De-cluttering," as consultant Ann Savell says, should be done on a regular basis. Cleaning expert Don Aslett, who was at the Home Improvement Show in Novi recently, has tips to make housework go faster and better.



# Tips, techniques help with spring cleaning chores

BY MARY KLEMIC  
At Home Editor

If spring cleaning or regular housework are dirty words for you in more ways than one, take heart.

A few tips can help make it easier for you to clean the inside of your residence any time. And spring cleaning should include a look around the outside of the house as well, to spot damage problems early and fix them before they get bigger.

If your papers and other materials seem to be piling up and out of control, don't be discouraged. Getting organized is possible for everyone.

"I would say no one is hopeless," said Dorothy Lehmkuhl of Organizing Techniques in Bloomfield Township. "The problem is that traditional organizing techniques do not work for a great number of people, so they need to learn different organizing methods."

For example, many people like to have papers spread out before them, she said.

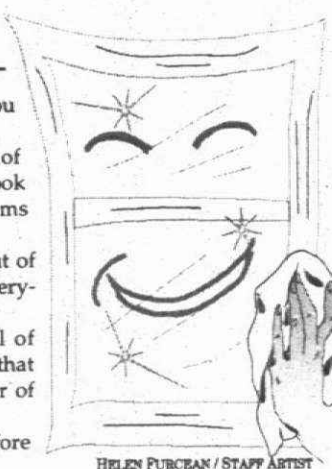
"They (think) out of sight, out of mind... They want to reach out and touch something."

Literature sorters can help, providing a cubbyhole system for having things in front of you, Lehmkuhl suggested.

Lehmkuhl got the inspiration for her business in 1981. She does one-on-one consulting; helping clients set up filing systems for businesses, homes or home offices. Lehmkuhl is co-author of the best-seller "Organizing for the Creative Person" (Crown Publishers), for which she recently sold the rights for a Chinese edition. The book is in a British edition.

Ann Savell's Savell Inc. of Bloomfield Hills helps with space planning and organization. "De-cluttering" is best done on a regular basis so accumulations don't build up "to an alarming level," she recommended.

"Decide what your style of cleaning is and stick with it," Savell said. "Many of us just want to get a job done and will stick with an area or task until it is totally completed, no matter how long it takes. Others do best if they take things in small



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segments.

"Simplifying and organizing activities require a lot of decision making and my clients have usually found that limiting the time spent means that they are sharp and able to make good decisions as to what to keep, mend, repair, donate or toss."

Being organized is beneficial in many ways, including helping your lifestyle.

"Who wants to spend a bunch of time looking for that one black shoe when you could be having another cup of coffee or reading the newspaper?" said Joe Gregart, sales manager of California Closets at 3160 Haggerty in West Bloomfield.

"It's a general feeling of well being when you're organized."

Storage space is always among the top five considerations of home buyers, Gregart said. So a house featuring 12 feet of closet space has an advantage over an identical house with six feet of closet space.

A current trend in storage is to turn whole rooms into dressing rooms, Gregart said.

"It's not just the six feet of closet any more."

California Closets, a member of the National Association of Professional Organizers, also has a showroom at Somerset North at Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy. Besides closets, the business offers such storage aids as shelf dividers, hangers, racks, shoe cubbies and hutch units with drawers. It works around the house, including closets and the pantry, garage and home office.

Customers may choose closet units in maple, cherry, white, almond or pickled oak. It takes about one week to 10 days from first consultation to design and installation - installation takes four hours at most.

## Coming clean

Still don't feel like tackling dirt and grime? Don't throw in the towel - cut it up.

That's just one suggestion from cleaning expert Don Aslett, who gave a lively presentation at the Home Improvement Show at the Novi Expo Center earlier this month.



Aslett is the author of "Clean in a Minute," "Is There Life After Housework?" and "Clutter's Last Stand," among other books. He waved brushes, cloths, imitation stains and even a small model toilet about during his rapid-fire, humorous delivery at Novi that cleared up myths and mysteries about housework.

A terry cloth towel makes a great cleaning cloth, Aslett said. Cut the towel into 18 by 18 inch squares. Hem the edges of each square and fold it over once, then sew down the long side to form a tube. Fold this twice to fit your hand. It can be refolded and turned inside out as you clean with it, giving you 16 fresh sides with which to work.

Aslett demonstrated how to clean the bathroom in 3-1/2 minutes, the best way to vacuum, and how to clean a window quickly (using a squeegee and adding "a snort of Joy" to water that is at room temperature).

Vinegar and bleach aren't cleaners, Aslett said. Vinegar rinses, and bleach strips color.

"You know why people like vinegar?" he said. "It squeaks."

Aslett recommends attacking stains while they're fresh. Among other tips, his spot removal chart says to keep these items on hand to tackle fresh spills on a carpet: neutral detergent such as Joy or Dawn, clear household ammonia, white vinegar, dry spotter or dry cleaning sol-

vent, paint thinner, hydrogen peroxide for bleaching, denatured or isopropyl alcohol, a supply of white terry cloths and a spotting brush.

## Outside

Springtime is time to take inventory of what needs repair after the winter.

"There's a lot of painting, sweeping; a lot of people are fixing their bricks and chimney," said Keith Paul, president of the Home Advantage Referral Service of Livonia, which offers free referral of screened and monitored contractors for remodeling and home services.

Ice building up inside chimneys and between bricks damages the mortar as it expands. Winter weather can also damage decks and porches, and loosen and crack steps. Waterproofing should be on the checklist too.

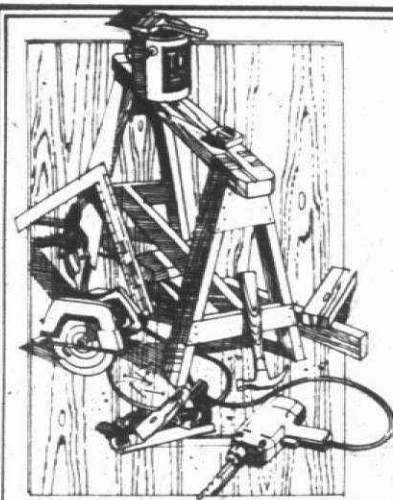
"Take out the time to check all areas of the house," Paul said. "Check for ice damage, check the gutters."

## On the cover

**Kid closets:** Organization helps tackle any household chore. These storage units from California Closets make it easy to put things away.







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## Baby-sitting help is now in the bag



LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

It's Saturday night. You and your spouse have theater tickets and dinner reservations at the hot new restaurant in town. You have a new outfit, a new 'do and a new baby sitter you hired on referral from a neighbor. Your idea of a relaxing, stress-free evening is slowly going down the drain.

It's Saturday night. You're an outgoing 15-year-old who just received a call from your social director - your best friend - who clues you in to the party of the century. But you can't go. You promised to baby-sit the new neighbors' 4- and 8-year-old children whom you have never met. Help! You fictitiously dream about sneaking the youngsters into the party. Then you think to yourself, "This job better pay well."

As a parent or baby sitter, what can you do to put each other's mind at ease? Have no fear. The baby sitter's bag is here.

Whether you are the parent creating it or the baby sitter providing it, the bag serves the same purpose: to hold the prized necessities a caregiver will need to supervise and entertain his or her

charges.

A good time for parents to create a Baby Sitter's Bag is just prior to the day a new sitter is scheduled to come over. The idea behind the bag is to fill it with the essentials your baby sitter will need to build a pleasant relationship with the children in his or her care, whether it be in the family's home, outside or on the go.

"My boys like to play house," said Kathy Sommers of Canton, the mother of 2-year-old Ryan and 3-year-old Jordan. "I would definitely throw sheets in the bag so they could make a house."

"I wouldn't forget first aid items, including syrup of ipecac. Neighbors' telephone numbers are important in the event of an emergency."

"If my baby sitter takes the boys outside, it would be a good idea to include a blanket in the bag for picnics or snacking."

As the caregiver, anytime is a good time to create a Baby Sitter's Bag. Pack items you can carry with you, especially if the bag is something you have to take along while transporting youngsters.

"I'd pack some of my favorite storybooks and videotapes in the bag, especially for those bad-weather days that

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The latter half of the book profiles more than 285 species, how to use them in the landscape and growing instructions.

### Inspiring

Although the following book isn't about gardening, it is a beautiful pictorial accounting of Detroit. "Greater Detroit, Renewing the Dream," Mort Crim and Susan VanDeryt (Towery Publishing, \$44.95), will inspire the reader to take another good look at this city and see the beauty of it.

It is an inspiring book, full of statistics and what makes the city "tick" and "keep on ticking." Detroit was founded by Antoine de la Mothe Cadillac in 1701. Crim relates the ever-changing history of Detroit and reports its renaissance.

The social fabric of the city is detailed, and you will recognize areas of the

metropolitan area such as buildings, the river, Eastern Market (there you will find flowers), all the various groups of people living in neighborhoods and their ethnic diversity. Interesting information about the corporations, businesses, professional groups and community service organizations that made the book possible adds depth.

Many of the photographers are native Detroiters or have ties to the city and its suburbs. Local artists include Roger Bickel of Bingham Farms, Balthazar Korab of Troy, Beth Singer of Franklin and Jim Frenak of Rochester Hills.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

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# Center adds interior design major

The Center for Creative Studies-College of Art and Design in Detroit announces the addition of interior design to the list of majors at the college.

Interior design joins crafts, fine arts, graphic communication, industrial design and photography as a department within the college.

The goal of the department is to train students to become professional interior designers by providing a quality education that is based largely on emphasizing

industry accepted professional standards.

The interior design department will have four concentrations: residential design, contract design, furniture design and exhibit and museum design.

Residential design will focus on teaching students how to plan and design esthetically pleasing interior spaces in homes and living areas. Contract design will concentrate on the design of interior spaces for institutions

such as factories, offices, hospitals, retail stores and hotels.

Furniture design will concentrate on how to design production and one-of-a-kind furniture for all living and working areas.

Exhibit and museum design will focus on space planning, taking into consideration traffic patterns, lighting and information design as they apply to cultural, artistic, product, craft, historic and anthropological exhibits.

Each individual discipline within the department will stress the teaching of human factors, color, lighting and materials.

The establishment of an interior design department is intended to strengthen the offerings in the various design fields at CCS.

In the past, the college has offered interior design classes through the

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keep us inside," said Jen Shorland of Oxford. "I'd also pack pictures of myself and my family so the kids could see what my family looks like."

"When I cared for a fourth grade boy, I brought my baseball mitt along. It broke the ice... and the typically silence barrier kids that age tend to give their baby sitter."

"I think my general rule of thumb is to ask myself how I can win a child over to want to hang out with me, particularly the older kids. It's real important to pack the right age-appropriate items to help build a rapport."

## On hand

A Baby Sitter's Bag is something you can store in your entry closet or laundry room. Each time your baby sitter comes over, you can pull it out and place it in an convenient location or leave it as is so it is easily accessible when it is needed.

To create your own Baby Sitter's Bag for your caregiver, start with an extra duffel bag or backpack you might have stored away in your closet or buy one at a local mall for sporting goods store.

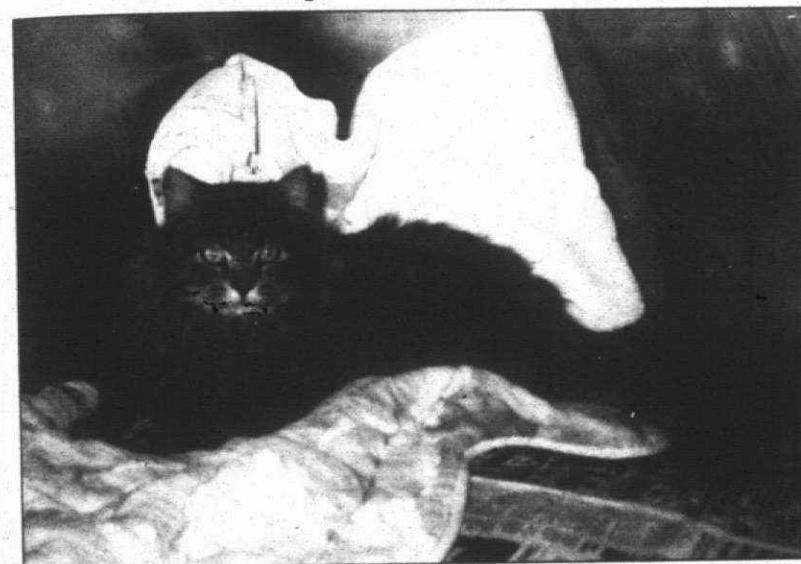
Consider packing the following: a secure first aid kit (remember to keep topical ointments out of reach of small hands), a flashlight, a Baby Sitter's Book (filled with numbers where you can typically be reached, emergency numbers,

locations of fire extinguishers and the fuse box, a daily breakdown of the child's mealtimes and bedtime, special instructions and, if appropriate, a signed medical treatment release letter giving your caregiver or family member permission to have your child treated in the event of a medical emergency if you cannot be reached), your child's favorite pre-packaged snacks, playing cards, flashcards, books, a family-oriented movie or a home video (if the child feels more secure seeing Mom and Dad while they are away), favorite recipes (make sure you have the ingredients in stock), a music or story cassette, a miniature family photo album and portable arts and crafts.

Make assembling a Baby Sitter's Bag a family activity if your children are old enough to understand its purpose. In addition to participating in a fun activity with you, your child will have something to look forward to doing when the baby sitter comes again.

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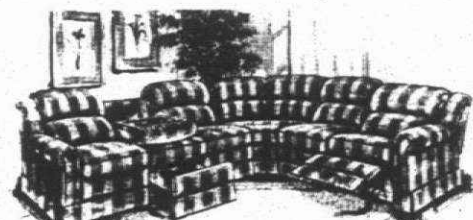
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# Know this about 'point-and-shoot'



MONTE NAGLER

Most of my photography columns deal with cameras where the photographer has control over aperture, shutter speed, depth-of-field, etc. With interchangeable lenses and a full range of accessories, you might call these "photographer-take-charge" cameras.

Well, for those of you who may not want to take charge and who want a simpler, easier to operate camera, consider the "point and shoot."

Point-and-shoot cameras can give you excellent results if you follow some simple guidelines and put a little thought into your shots.

To begin with, always hold your camera steady, tuck in your elbows and gently squeeze the shutter. Point-and-shoot

cameras don't have a very fast shutter speed so it's important to get it steady.

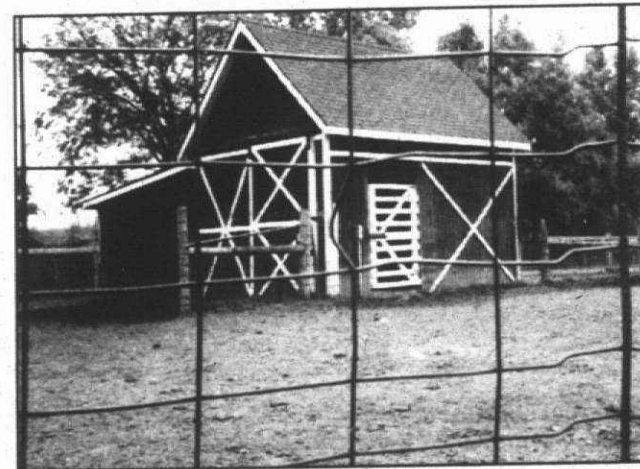
Remember with point-and-shoot cameras, you're not looking through the picture-taking lens, so make sure your fingers are out of the way! This goes for camera straps too, and if your camera has a lens cap, make sure it has been removed.

All metering is done automatically on point-and-shoot cameras. So, for proper exposure, place more ground in the viewfinder so you won't underexpose.

If you want to darken the sky and clouds for a more dramatic effect, then place more sky in the viewfinder. The brighter sky will "call" for less exposure and a darker picture will result.

Many point-and-shoots have flash that function when needed so it's easy to get proper exposure.

Another nice feature of point-and-shoot cameras is auto-load, auto-wind and auto-rewind after your last shot. You really can't go wrong.



**Barn stance:** Point-and-shoot cameras with wide-angle lenses will provide lots of depth-of-field, as shown in Monte Nagler's shot of a barn.

Using good compositional rules applies to point-and-shoot cameras just as much as to larger, more professional cameras.

For example, use framing techniques such as overhanging tree branches and lead-in lines such as a winding river or weathered fence. Use the "thirds" rule of subject placement so that the subject isn't smack in the middle of the

viewfinder.

Remember that point-and-shoot cameras use small apertures so your pictures will almost always be sharp from front to back.

And, of course, like any camera, use vertical or horizontal formats depending on which best fits the subject.

Be creative with point-and-shoot cameras. With some thought, planning and an understanding of your camera's features, you can add many memorable shots to your photo album.

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Include observational drawings from actual things or scenes around you. Include finished drawings with a full range of light, dark and gray values. Quality is more important than quantity - a portfolio with 10 exceptional works of art is better than one with 20 inconsistent or incomplete ones. Submit slides or photographs of large or three-dimensional pieces instead of actual art.

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# Birthday treats are not always cake



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

My birthday is just around the corner, it's a tough corner for me this year, I'm headed over the hump of that mid-number 5 and now that I'm going to be 6... it's closer to the next BIG number. My very cryptic message will make sense to many of my female readership.

Some birthdays have been real milestones for all sorts of reasons, either age or celebration. Two of my favorites birthdays (having nothing to do with milestones) included a very elaborate mystery surprise party hatched by one of my dearest friends (and two others that jumped on the band wagon), and a lobster dinner that I wound up preparing myself, planned by my husband, and executed by my son who put on a very heavy phony French accent and formal 'waiters' attire.

My mystery surprise party began with Betty meeting me in a parking lot, I assumed we were having dinner (just the two of us) at a restaurant that uses that parking lot. There in the lot was parked a huge stretch limo - jokingly, I said to her "now that's how we should be traveling." She laughed, looked at me, and said "we are, go get in." At that point I was totally clueless as to what she was up to. I thought this was just a birthday dinner for two girlfriends. Wrong - she handed me a gift wrapped box and told me to open up envelope No. 1. In poetry prose was a riddle that I had to make some sense of - we were off to Somerset Mall. That's where all the real fun began. In the large box were many small boxes, each with a clue - each clue pertained to a specific loca-

tion in the mall and a hint as to who would be waiting for me, if I could find them.

My reason for sharing this with you, is to get you thinking of how differently, you can plan or celebrate a birthday. Certainly it doesn't have to be this elaborate, but creativity is the key here.

Sometimes a wonderful dessert is the perfect birthday treat, other times, it needn't be a sweet at all. Not everyone likes thick rich butter-cream frosting over chocolate or vanilla batter. I personally have a passion for Crème Brûlée, other people are nutty about nuts, some are pie-crazed, and others go for a real breadly desserts like European Bobka.

Here are some fabulous desserts perfect for that special birthday treat, or served anytime.

## RUGELACH

Yield: 16 pieces

Dough Ingredients:

4 ounces butter

4 ounces cream cheese or Neufchâtel

1 tablespoon sugar

1/4 cups flour

Filling Ingredients:

1/2 cup lemon curd or jam of your choice

1/4 cup sugar

1 tablespoon cinnamon

1/2 cup finely chopped nuts (any type)

1/3 cup dried fruit (of your choice),

chopped small or currants left whole

Powdered confectioners' sugar for dusting

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.

Butter or grease one baking sheet (the kind used for making cookies)

Using a mixer, beat the butter and cream

cheese together until they are well mixed and creamy. Add the sugar and vanilla - beat until well blended with the cream cheese mixture.

As the mixer is running, slowly add the flour to the mixing bowl, just until it's blended. Remove the dough from the mixer bowl, place on a flat floured surface and knead briefly (only a matter of seconds). Divide the dough into two equal portions - refrigerate for one half hour to chill the dough.

Remove one section of dough from the refrigerator, roll out the dough into a circle approximately 1/8 inch thickness. Remove second dough section from the refrigerator and repeat the process of making another circle.

Spread jam or lemon curd on both circles. Mix together the 1/4 cup of sugar and the cinnamon, sprinkle over the dough circles. Sprinkle the chopped nuts on top.

Cut the dough circles into 4 equal quarters. Cut each quarter into 2 wedge sections. Roll up each wedge, starting at the wide edge, to make crescent shapes. Place each crescent on the greased baking sheet. Bake in the oven until the rugelach is lightly browned, approximately 20 minutes.

Remove baked rugelach from the baking sheets and let cool on wire racks. Sift with confectioners' sugar.

## CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER BROWNIES

Rich and delicious, these brownies are always a hit - a nice departure for a Birthday treat. Top one with a candle, and you've done it.

1 cup plus 1 tablespoon flour

1/4 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

3/4 cup unsalted butter

3 ounces unsweetened chocolate, finely chopped

3 eggs

1 1/3 cups firmly packed dark brown sugar

1 1/2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract

3/4 cup chunky peanut butter (you can use smooth if you prefer)

1/4 cup sugar

1/4 teaspoon cinnamon

6 tablespoons heavy cream, or half & half

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

Grease a 9x13x2-inch oven-proof pan. In small bowl, sift the 1 cup of flour, baking powder and salt. Set aside the dry ingredients.

In a saucepan, melt the butter and chocolate over low heat, carefully stirring, so it doesn't burn - continue to stir until the mixture is smooth. Remove the chocolate mixture from the heat source - set aside.

In a large mixing bowl, whisk or beat eggs, dark brown sugar and vanilla. Stir in melted chocolate mixture. Gradually add flour mixture, stirring between additions, until all mixed and well combined.

In a mixer bowl, combine peanut butter, sugar, cinnamon, cream (or half & half), and the one remaining tablespoon of flour. This mixture will be stiff in texture. Drop spoonfuls of peanut butter mixture over the brownie mixture. With a metal spatula, or knife, drag the spatula or knife through the peanut butter mixture - marbleizing the 2 mixtures. Bake in a preheated oven for approximately 25 minutes or until top is firm to the touch. Remove the completed brownies from the heat - let cool completely before attempting to cut into squares or rectangles.

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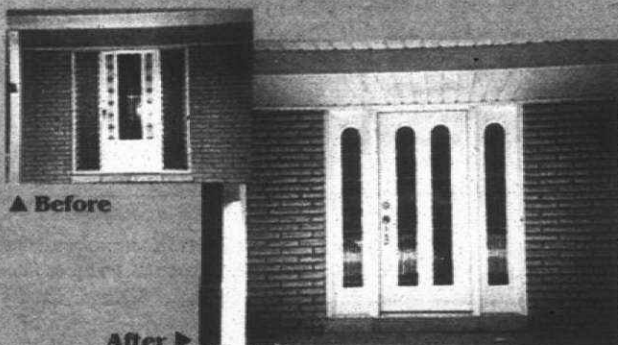
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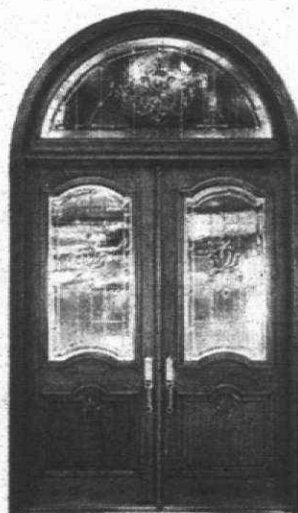


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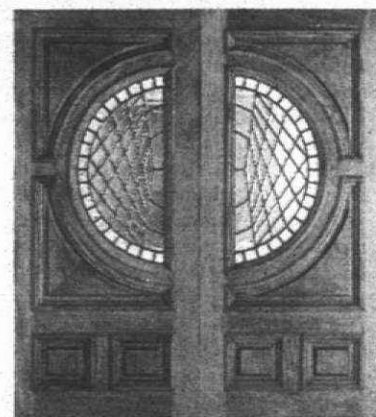
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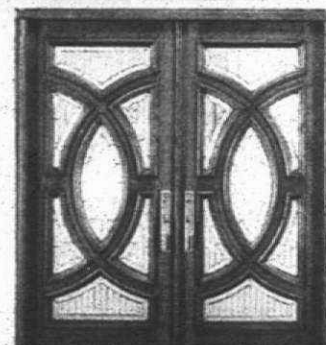
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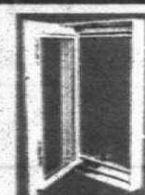
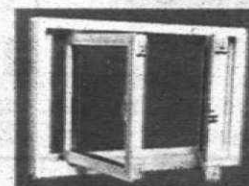
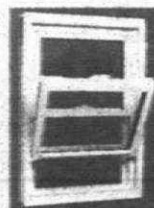


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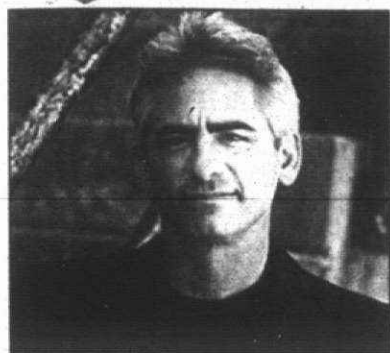
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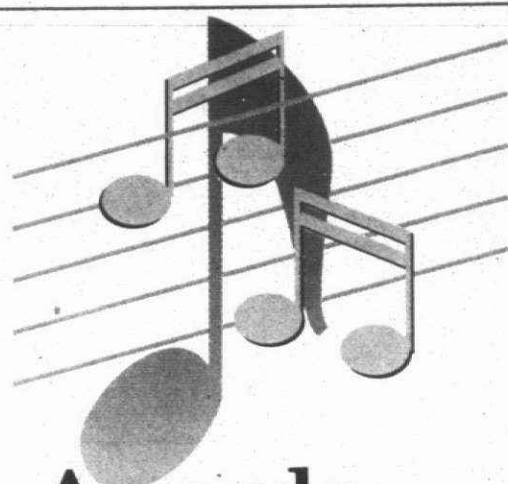


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## Awards showcase Motor City musicians

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Local entertainers will get their chance in the spotlight 7-9:30 p.m. Friday when close to 20 awards are handed out during the Detroit Music Awards at the State Theatre in Detroit.

The funk/blues outfit Howling Diablos and the rock band Red September lead the pack with five nominations. They are followed by roots rock singer Jill Jack, country band The Forbes Brothers, and blues player Gary Rasmussen, all of whom earned four nominations.

Twenty awards will be given during the award ceremony with the remaining 40 awards presented at a private event pre-party at the State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave.

The Howling Diablos and The Forbes Brothers will perform during the 2 1/2-hour event along with Sponge, the Howling Diablos, Martha Reeves, Straight Ahead, Kid Rock, Mudpuppy, Sister Seed, Jan Krist and Jill Jack, and Peter's Rock Mass Choir.

Mike Watts, executive director of the Plymouth-based Motor City Music Awards Foundation Inc., is excited about Reeves's performance.

"She's not performing much these days because she's been touring with 'Ain't Misbehavin'." We put her together with the Chisel Bros., one of the top bands in town. She said she's going to do one of the great Motown songs probably 'Dancing in the Street.' We asked (horn players) Bugs Beddow and Steve Trudell to fill out the horn section," he explained.

The duo recruited baritone sax player Beans Bowles, trumpeters Rayse Biggs and Maurice Davis, and alto sax players Ernie Rodgers and George Benson to round out the all-star horn section.

The event will be emceed by Michael Moore, author of "Downsize This," producer of "Roger and Me," and host of "TV Nation."

Distinguished Achievement awards will be given to Glenn Frey, Iggy Pop and The Stooges, the Ann

### Detroit Music Award Nominees

**ROCK/POP**  
**Outstanding National Rock/Pop Album:** Charm Farm "Perver," Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise "Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise," Sponge "Wax Ecstatic," The Suicide Machines "Destruction by

Definition," and The Verve Pipe "Villains."  
**Outstanding National Rock/Pop Single:** Charm Farm "Superstar," Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise "California," Sponge "Wax Ecstatic," Sponge "Have You Seen Mary," and The Verve

Pipe "Photograph."  
**Outstanding Local Rock/Pop Recording:** Howling Diablos "Live," Robb Roy "Uh, Oh, Here Comes Bob," Solid Frog "Pepper Spray," Twitch "At Last," Vudu Hippies "Trampoline."

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Performing: Sponge, who is nominated for Outstanding National Rock/Pop Album for "Wax Ecstatic," and Outstanding National Rock/Pop Single for the title track, and "Have You Seen Mary," will perform during the Detroit Music Awards ceremony.

Arbor Blues and Jazz Festival, and Chuck Forbes.

"Glenn Frey will absolutely be there," Watts said. "He's very excited and honored that the people here in Detroit remember him being from here."

Iggy Pop is not expected to attend the award ceremony.

Immediately following the event, radio station CIMX-FM (88.7) and the Metro Times will host an after party from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. featuring performances by Hoarse, Speedball, Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise, Dodge Main (Wayne Kramer, Scott Morgan, Dennis Thompson, Gary Rasmussen), Getaway Cruiser and the Motor Dolls.

Tickets are still available at all Ticketmaster outlets for the event. They cost \$7 in advance or \$10 at the door for general admission. Special seating is available for \$15 or \$25. All proceeds will benefit the Midwest AIDS Prevention Project (MAPP), a non-profit agency providing HIV/AIDS prevention education programs.

For more information, contact the Motor City Music Awards Foundation, Inc., at (313) 459-6969, the State Theatre in Detroit (313) 961-5451, Ticketmaster at (810) 645-6666 or via the web site at <http://www.metroguide.com/motorcity/>.

The 1997 Detroit Music Awards marks the first collaboration between the Metro Times Detroit Music Awards and the Motor City

Music Awards Foundation Inc., who have held separate events in the past.

"Most of the people on both sides thought it would be in the best interest to have one award show even though each had its own personality," Watts explained. "That was the natural progression in realizing it would be best to have one big show."

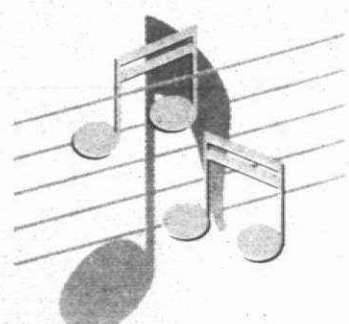
A showcase and a series of seminars will be held in conjunction with the event. The Rev. Wright Time, Daddy Stitch, The Schugars, InDrama, Pantookas, and the Parka Kings will perform at 9 tonight at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, as part of the Detroit Music Awards showcase. Tickets are \$6. For more information, call (810) 544-3030.

A panel of music industry folks - Ted Nugent's manager Doug Banker, WDRQ DJ Lisa Lisa, The Romantics and MOG producer and manager Joel Martin, Vanguard Studios owner Mike Powell, and Martha Reeves will discuss their experiences during a "Music Matters" seminar at 1 p.m. Saturday at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, 651 E. Jefferson, Detroit. The registration fee is \$10. For more information, call (313) 730-SONG or (313) 832-0483. Topics include "Taking it to the Streets," "What's the Deal," "Strategies for Success," and "War Stories" at the event hosted by the Detroit Musicians Alliance.



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Up for two awards: Singer Brian Vander Ark's band The Verve Pipe is nominated for two awards at this year's Detroit Music Awards - Outstanding National Rock/Pop Album for "Villains," and Outstanding National Rock/Pop Single for "Photograph."



### THEATER

## Visit 'The World of Sholom Aleichem' with JET

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

"The World of Sholom Aleichem"  
When: Previews 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, April 30 and May 1; 8 p.m. Saturday, May 3, 2 p.m. Sunday, May 4; opening night 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 4; performances continue 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sundays through June 1. Additional matinee 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 7.  
Where: Aaron DeRoy Theatre, 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield.  
Tickets: Range from \$13 to \$23, call (810) 788-2900.

"Tradition!" Tevye demands in "Fiddler on the Roof," but his daughters have ideas of their own. Is there room in the new world for the old?

"Part of our mission is to celebrate our heritage," said Evelyn Orbach about "The World of Sholom Aleichem" by Arnold Perl opening for previews April 30 at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre in the Jewish Community Center.

"This is the first we've done about that time and place," said Orbach who is JET's artistic director, and co-directing the show with Rivi Yaron who has directed shows in Israel. "This play, based on stories by Sholom Aleichem and I.L. Peretz, is a piece of Eastern European culture we've never done, but general audiences are very familiar with the stories," said

Orbach

Anyone who has watched and loved "Fiddler on the Roof," will recognize the setting - a "shtetl" - little village in Eastern Europe where Jews lived happily, but in poverty. "Fiddler" is based on Aleichem's stories about Tevye the dairyman.

"I am Jewish and come from Israel, but these are stories we would like to forget," said Yaron.

"Bontche Schweig," by Peretz, one of the stories in the show, is about a man - the poorest of poor, who has almost no education, never complained, or spoke bitterly against god or man even though he never had enough of life's necessities. He arrives in heaven, and is offered anything he desires. "Could I have a piece of bread and butter he asks?"

"She saw it as noble," said Yaron commenting on Orbach's interpretation. "I was irritated by this guy's

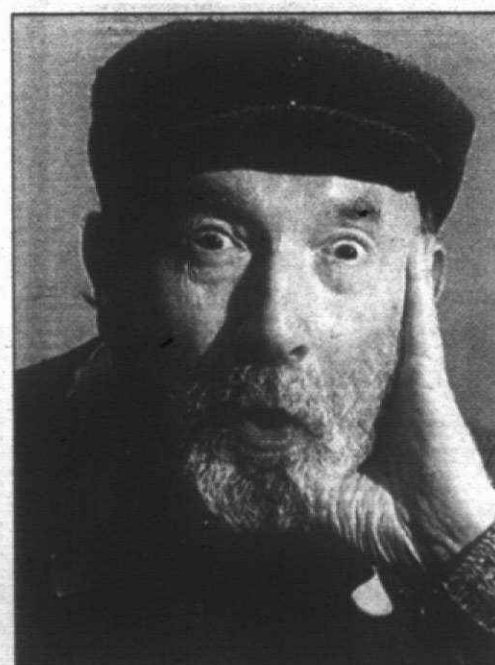
stupidity. It's not something to admire."

But soon, she came to see things from Orbach's perspective - "there are more things in life than achieving and being the first."

Translated from Yiddish Sholom Aleichem's name means - "peace be with you."

"It's an authentic greeting," said Orbach - "there should be peace. Aleichem was a humorist who wrote about poverty and deprivation, but affectionately. Peretz was very concerned about the plight of the Jews who lived in abject poverty and suffered from anti-Semitism. The Russian Revolution was brewing, both writers believed in the underdog."

Aleichem's "The High School" is about a Jewish couple in czarist Russia suffering heartaches and



Leading role: Sol Frieder leads an ensemble cast in Jewish Ensemble Theatre's production of "The World of Sholom Aleichem."

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This first time collaborative concert on the eve of National Dance Week, features the award-winning "Forbidden," choreographed by Renee Grammatico, and performed by the Michigan Classic Ballet Company. The company will also perform "Swan Lake Pas De Six," restaged by Michigan Classic Ballet artistic director Mary C. Geiger and Joanne Danto, and "Les Patineurs." Interlochen Arts Academy Dance Ensemble will perform "Shadows of Eventide," choreographed by resident artistic director, Michael Tevlin, and "Swing Sing," an upbeat jazzy piece of Janet Gray.

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**Ballet:**  
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**Outstanding Local Rock/Pop Individual, Duo, or Group:** Broken Toys, Fathers of the Id, Howling Diablos, Motor Dolls, Red September, and Robb Roy.

**Outstanding Local Metal Individual, Duo or Group:** Elephant Ear, Forge, Red Tree, Speedball, Wig.

**Outstanding Local Alternative/Modern Rock Individual, Duo or Group:** Caelum Blue, Incubables, Robb Roy, She's So Huge, Solid Frog.

**Outstanding Local Rock Bassist:** Rich DeCiantis (She's So Huge), Dana Forrester (Motor Dolls), Frank Greenhalgh (Red September), Glen Olds (various), Gary Rasmussen (various).

**Outstanding Local Rock Drummer:** Paul Brown (Red September), Greg Mastin (Forge), Monica Reynolds (Motor Dolls), Ron Tippen (She's So Huge).

**Outstanding Rock Guitarist:** Bruce Bryson (Trains Can't Stop), Michael Katon (Michael Katon Band), Michael Kudreiko (Robb Roy), Peter Schorn (Red September), Jay Waggoner.

**Outstanding Rock Keyboardist:** Chris Codish, Dan Denton, Tim Diaz, Matt Martinez.

**Outstanding Rock Vocalist:** Aaron Greene (Forge), Asta Jurgitis (Hope Orchestra), Jill Jack, Chris McCall (Thunderbark Choir), Debbie Toscano (Spat).

**Outstanding New Group or Performer Deserving Wider Recognition:** Brilliant, Jill Jack, The Schuppers, World of Hurt.

**Outstanding Local R&B Individual, Duo or Group:** Blue Spirit Tribe, Chisel Bros., Fathers of the Id, Howling Diablos, Michael Katon Band.

**Outstanding Local Hip-Hop/Rap Individual, Duo or Group:** Eaham, Harm's Way, Insane Clown Posse (ICP), Kid Rock, The Impaler.

**Outstanding Local Industrial/Techno Recording:** Forge "Decloaking," HAL "Audiophile," Heavy Water Factory "Fluid and Meat," Mental Landscape "Psychic Protection," Skinhorse "Heavy Beats, Deep Grooves."

**Outstanding Local Industrial Individual, Duo or Group:** Cyber Trybe, Forge, Heavy Water Factory, Mental Landscape, Skinhorse.

**Outstanding Local Techno Individual, Duo or Group:** Eddie Foulkes, Ritchie Hawtin, Rob Hood, Jim Stone.

**Outstanding Jazz Recording:** Sean Blackman and John Arnold "Self Portrait," Tim Bowman "Love Peace and Joy," David McMurray "Show," Rodney Whitaker "Children of the Light."

**Outstanding Jazz Ensemble:** Blue Dog, INO/UNO, Straight Ahead, Alexander Zonjic.

**Outstanding Jazz Bassist:** Kevin Chown, Bill Hogenhop, Paul Keller, Glen Olds, Tony Suh.

**Outstanding Jazz Guitarist:** Mikhal Caldwell, Eric Gustafson, Rick Mighal.

**Outstanding Jazz Brass Player:** Marcus Belgrave, Aliba King, Frank Tybon.

**Outstanding Jazz Reed Player:** Chris Carmody, James Carter, David McMurray, Marty Montgomery, Skeeter Shelton.

**Outstanding Jazz Percussionist/Drummer:** Bill Cairo, Kito Pardo, Tom Pillars.

**Outstanding Jazz Composer:** Faruq Z. Bey, Jeax Couvade, Darin Scott.

**Outstanding Jazz Vocalist:** Marvin Belton, Sheila Landis, Niamsa Shamborguer.

**Outstanding World Music Individual, Duo or Group:** Black Market, Immigrant Suns, Immunity, Waka Jawaka.

**Outstanding Reggae Individual, Duo or Group:** Black Market, Immunity, Night Flight, The Process, World Power.

**Outstanding Acoustic/Folk Recording:** Ernie Douglas "Table for One," Lisa Hunter "Solid Ground," Jan Krist "Curious," Jere Stormer "Available Space."

**Outstanding Acoustic Music Individual, Duo or Group:** Ernie Douglas, Priscilla Ederle, Sister Seed, The Ludlites, The Motes.

**Outstanding Acoustic Musician:** Brenden Balint, Sean Blackman, Ernie Douglas, Gary Rasmussen, Jere Stormer.

**Outstanding Acoustic Vocalist:** Susan Calloway, Ernie Douglas, Lisa Newbert, Bobby Lewis.

**New Group or Performer Deserving Wider Recognition:** Pete "Big Dog" Fetters, Lisa Hunter, Dan Lewis, Passenger to Nowhere.

**Outstanding Folk Individual, Duo or Group:** Terry Gonda, Jan Krist, Passenger to Nowhere, The Ludlites.

**Outstanding Blues Recording:** Johnny Bassett and The Blues Insurgents "I Gave My Life to the Blues," Howling Diablos "Live," Mudpuppy "Mudpuppy."

**Outstanding Blues Ensemble:** Johnny Bassett and The Blues Insurgents, Blue Suit Band, Howling Diablos, Michael Katon Band, Mudpuppy.

**Outstanding Blues Musician:** Jim McCarty, Motor City Josh, Robert Noll, Gary Rasmussen, Tony Suh.

**Outstanding Blues Vocalist:** Theronetta Davis, Mimi Harris, Robert Noll, Paul Randolph.

**New Group or Performer Deserving Wider Recognition:** Buster Blues Band, Chris Codish, Gary Sweat, Lightning Creole, Gary Rasmussen.

**Outstanding Country Individual, Duo or Group:** Forbes Brothers, Rodeo Drive, Shotgun Willie, The Fontanelles, The Volebeats.

**Outstanding Country Musician:** Anita Cochran, Dennis Forbes, Dave Turner.

**Outstanding Country Vocalist:** Dennis Forbes, Scott Forbes, Jill Jack.

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## Schubert to make rare appearance at Lyric Chamber Ensemble concert

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
 STAFF WRITER

If hell froze over when the '70s pop band the Eagles reunited, The Lyric Chamber Ensemble is attempting to turn the cooled waves of perdition into a small glacier.

Apparently, the Southfield-based chamber group has persuaded Franz Schubert to suspend his eternal surfing in the wake of the Hale-Bopp comet. The prolific classical composer from Vienna will descend into the body of local actor Jeff Nahan for a dissertation on his life and music as part of this Sunday's concert at Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills.

"Mr. Schubert Lives Upstairs" celebrates the composer's 200th birthday. The Chamber will per-

**What:** "Mr. Schubert Lives Upstairs," a celebration of the 200th anniversary of Franz Schubert's birthday by The Lyric Chamber Ensemble.  
**When:** 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 27.  
**Where:** Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills, at 14 Mile and Telegraph roads.  
**Tickets:** \$15, adults; \$15, students, senior citizens; \$5, ages 16 and under; (810) 357-1111.

Moment Musicaux for piano. "Schubert is a very accessible composer," said Fedora Horowitz, the Chamber's artistic director. "His melodies stick with you, almost like 'pop' tunes."

Nahan's portrayal introduces

the difference between watching football on TV or going to a live game where you know some of the players personally. It's easier to become involved," said Horowitz.

As most students of classical music history know, the promiscuous Schubert could never be accused of being dispassionate or uninvolved. Before his untimely death at 31, Schubert had become the undisputed master of German art song. He composed more than 700 pieces, including piano sonatas and chamber music. During his life, Schubert appeared self-effacing and in awe of the age's musical genius Ludwig Beethoven, who died less than two years before him.

Of course, that was long before virtual reality and The Lyric Chamber Ensemble's summons

via Nahan was nearly complete. For unknown reasons, Nahan was reportedly calling for maid service and strudel.

This week, Nahan/Schubert spent a few moments with the O&E to discuss the upcoming appearance and concert.

O&E: You haven't been around to hear your music performed in years. Are you nervous about The Lyric Chamber Ensemble concert this Sunday?

Schubert: As long as they feed the patrons good strudel, it'll be fine. We know the music is good, isn't it?

O&E: You admired Beethoven, but you never met him. What was his influence?

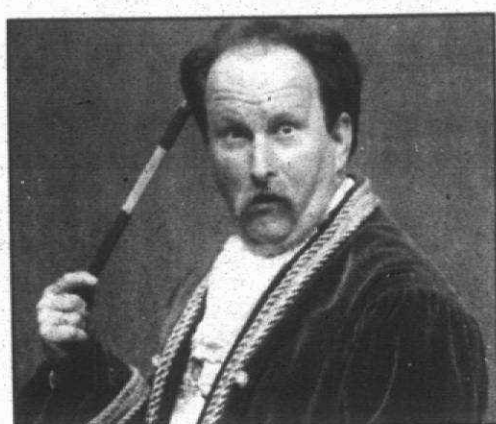
Schubert: His total commitment. He had a vision to create in sound what he felt in his heart. A gift from the Gods - they told me so themselves.

O&E: Yet you served as a pallbearer at Beethoven's funeral.

Schubert: I took up the rear.

O&E: What were some of the challenges you faced as a composer?

Schubert: I was torn between writing music that would sell and my serious music. They



STAFF PHOTO BY LAWRENCE R. MCKEE

**Music celebration:** Local actor Jeff Nahan offers insight, humor and humanity in the role of Schubert.

wanted cleverness. They wanted music that sounded like what they knew. But I wanted something much deeper. I wrote some operas. The critics assailed me. I was looking for intimate and intricate themes. I wanted to expand the realm of music to reflect the dimensions of the human heart.

O&E: Have you composed recently on an ethereal plane?

Schubert: I've taken up the

triangle. Life is much less complicated. Around her, music is played constantly. Oh, those incessant bells.

O&E: Does it surprise you that your music has lasted 200 years after your birth?

Schubert: I only wished I would've known that my work would receive this kind of appreciation. Had I lived longer, who knows, maybe I would've gotten therapy.

## Boston Ballet dancer to conduct workshops

The Livonia Civic Ballet Company will host a two-day dance workshop with guest teacher Peter Pawlyshyn of the Boston Ballet Company from 5 p.m. Saturday, April 26 and 1-4 p.m. Sunday, April 27 at Miss Jean's Dance Arts, 15619 Farmington Road in Livonia.

The workshops features ballet

pointe and character dance classes for advanced and intermediate level dancers as well as a master character class for teachers.

Cost is \$30 for one class, two for \$45, three for \$65. Preregistration required due to limited class sizes. For more information or to register, call (313) 427-9103.

Pawlyshyn, who studied Ukrainian dance in New York, trained in Kiev, Ukraine at the Pavlo Virsky Folk Dance Studio.

He toured with the Rusalka Ukrainian Dance Ensemble as a dancer, instructor and artistic director for 10 years. Pawlyshyn's ballet training was with the Royal Winnipeg Ballet.

## Couple struggles to keep vows in 'I Do! I Do!'

First Theater Guild of Birmingham presents "I Do! I Do!" 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 25-26, Knox Auditorium, First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, 1669 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Tickets: \$8, adults; \$5, students and senior citizens; (810) 557-6183.

BY JON KATZ  
 SPECIAL WRITER

In 1960, composer Tom Jones and lyricist Harvey Schmidt presented a small, off-Broadway show about a young couple in love. When the millennium comes around, their little show - "The Fantasticks" - will likely still be around, continuing as the world's longest-running musical.

In 1966, Jones and Schmidt presented another musical, with another young couple in love. This one was even smaller - one man, one woman - and opened on Broadway. Had it starred anyone but the legendary Mary Martin and Robert Preston, "I Do! I Do!" may have closed on

opening night.

First Theater Guild's Diane Schacterle and John F. Spears, as Agnes and Michael, navigate through 50 years of marriage's calm and troubled waters, beginning at the turn of the century.

Unfortunately, no attempts are made to costume the actors for the period. Schacterle and Spears never convey in style or appearance that they're almost a quarter-century older by the end of Act 1.

The "mini-vaudeville turns" in that first act include the nervous wedding night, the birth of their first child, prior to which the labor pains outside hers; Michael's brief extra-marital fling; a dueling musical list of pet peeves; and Michael's proclamation that "It's a well-known fact. Men over 40 go to town. Women go to pot."

It's no surprise, then, that the act ends with the couple agreeing in song that "The Honeymoon's Over."

Act 2 takes us through the

## 'Secret Garden' blossoms with talent

The Plymouth Theatre Guild presents "The Secret Garden" 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, April 25-26 and May 2-3, and 6 p.m. Sunday, April 27 at the Water Tower Theatre, 41001 West Seven Mile Road in Northville. Tickets are \$11 in advance, \$12 at the door; (810) 349-7110.

BY SUE SUCHYTA  
 SPECIAL WRITER

The hauntingly beautiful music of "The Secret Garden" filled the Water Tower Theatre last Friday night as the Plymouth Theatre Guild closed its 50th anniversary season.

Director James Morisi, a professional singer, actor and vocal coach, cast the show's leads with a strong array of vocal talent.

"The Secret Garden" is the story of Mary Lennox, a young girl at the turn of 20th century who is the sole survivor of a cholera epidemic in a British compound in colonial India. She is sent to England to live with her mother's brother-in-law, a brooding man who has never come to terms with the death of

his wife or his frail son's illness. Severe spring sickness help Mary begin her own healing process. When Mary discovers her late aunt's garden, it becomes the key to her renewal. The magic of the garden subsequently works its healing magic on others, restoring lives and creating a new family.

Michelle Rae is outstanding as Lily, the ghost of Mary's uncle's wife. Her voice is exquisite, and her stage presence superb. She contributes greatly to the show's success.

Rebecca Wagner, the teen who played Mary Lennox opening night, also turned in a strong performance from both a vocal and dramatic perspective. She captured the anger and vulnerability of the frightened orphan with finesse and polish.

Allison Soranno as Martha, the maid who takes Mary under her wing, sang beautifully and turned in a consistently strong performance. Randy Polega's incredibly flexible set is another

star of the show. Built on a 360 degree rotating platform with pull out wings, the set rapidly rotated between different rooms in the mansion and three progressively different versions of the garden.

The stage crew portrayed remarkable skill and talent pulling off the rapid scene changes. Some of the supporting actors, while strong vocally, were weak from an acting standpoint. Morisi must attach more importance to acting ability when casting roles.

The lighting was dreadful; many actors were left in the dark or the shadows, while a bright, floor-level light was obviously blinding when Mary opened the door to the secret garden at the end of the first act. The lighting did not do the wonderful set justice.

The acoustics in the Water Tower Theatre, a cinder block auditorium, are less than ideal, and allows the orchestra to overpower the vocals at times.

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disappointments as they try to enroll their son in a school which bars Jews.

"A Tale of Chelm" also by Aleichem, is about a community inhabited only by fools. "It's delightfully whimsical tale," said Orbach. "These are a bunch of sweet, funny stories."

Each story is introduced by a book peddler who reads to the audience from a book setting up the scene. "I needed someone who would be a good actor, but

who had feelings for this kind of literature," said Orbach. "That man, who has a twinkle in his eye, is Sol Frieder."

"I like coming here," said Frieder who lives in New York, and has appeared on Broadway, TV and in movies. This is his sixth show at JET since 1990.

"There's less and less Yiddish theater, which is pitiful because the stories are beautiful," he said. "The Tale of Chelm is about an imaginary town, but it's fun."

The stories may inspire young people to read these authors."

Frieder has played many roles. His favorite was King Lear. He was also in three Woody Allen movies - "Love and Death," "Crimes and Misdemeanors," and "Midsummer Sex Comedy."

"I played Diane Keaton's husband in 'Love and Death,' and had myself killed for her," he joked. "I haven't heard from her lately."

Frieder admired the way Allen

works. "He would set up the shot, and then went into the scene, I was very impressed."

He also enjoys working with Orbach. "She's a name," he said. "She pushes me, and we work well together, and exchange ideas. I think it will be a good show, the material is good."

Rehearsals begin with a Yiddish lesson, most of the people in the cast aren't Jewish.

"For Jewish people the play will be nostalgic. I'm interested in what non-Jewish people think about it," said Yaron. "It's an opportunity to relax, take time out, and look at your life in a different way. These people have different ways of dealing with life and conflict. In the shtetl everyone lived closed together, they were involved in each other's lives and had compassion for each other. The stories are about human values, it's not something we invented."

Like the fiddler in "Fiddler in the Roof," music will play a part in this production. Matt Pitt, lead clarinetist for Artie Shaw and Glenn Miller, who has had his own band for many years, will create a score of Klezmer music for the production.

"He'll be a character in the shtetl on stage, and set the mood," said Orbach. "We really want to create the shtetl for the audience, we want them to feel like they've been there."

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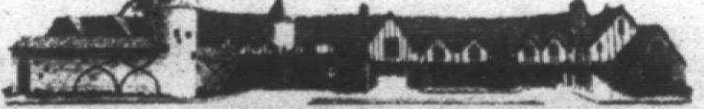
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MOVIES

'Eight Heads in a Duffel Bag' is better left unopened



JOHN MONAGHAN

TICKETS PLEASE  
"Pulp Fiction" firmly divided the planet into two types of moviegoers: those who thought that the head getting blown away in the back seat was outrageously funny. And those who could not believe that anything would laugh at something so gruesome.

The former is definitely the intended audience for "Eight Heads in a Duffel Bag," a dismal new black comedy starring Joe Pesci.

I can imagine that some people will actually find it charming, but I wouldn't want them to be the ones to pick me up should I ever get stranded with a flat tire.

The title item belong to Tommy Spinelli (Pesci), who

must deliver the goods to a mob boss who wants proof that his assigned hits have been carried out. Not only is Tommy forced to check the bulky bag on the airplane, but he gets it mixed up with an identical one belonging to a medical student.

Meanwhile, the student, Chris (Andy Comeau) is on a Mexican vacation with his girlfriend and her family. When he discovers the contents, he embarks on a series of predictable slapstick situations that only the presence of George Hamilton and Dyan Cannon (as the parents) could make worse.

Even better than the special effect heads are the miracles that plastic surgery has done on these two actors, who look much the same as they did traipsing through some Neil Simon bedroom farce 20 years ago. They play their roles with dinner theater enthusiasm, especially Cannon's hysterical screams and

faints as she encounters another of the noggins.

Andy Comeau, formerly on TV's "Saved by the Bell," is yet another young actor who captures the look, but not comic timing, of Tom Hanks' likable everyguy. Few sparks fly between him and Kristy Swanson as the bewildered girlfriend.

Joe Pesci fares worst of all. Though a clever character actor, he suffers from the same typecasting that plagued Peter Lorre through much of his career. He can't shake those earlier psychotic roles, specifically in Scorsese's "Goodfellas" and "Casino," which branded him as a hot-headed mafioso.

He could play the part in his sleep and ironically it's a dream sequence that's the most interesting part of the movie. Dismembered heads perform "Mr. Sandman" a capella as

headless torsos break through the walls and attack the gangster in his bed.

It's a pretty sad state of affairs when the best performance comes from David Spade, as one of two college roommates that Tommy tortures for information. They make a late-night trip to the university's cryogenics lab to replace some missing heads as if they're hopping in a convenience store.

"Eight Heads in a Duffel Bag" is a one-joke movie that even the most perverse fans of the genre should find tiring. The only upside to this mess is the thought that it may finally signal an end to dark-suited hitmen in the murkiest of black comedies.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.



COMEDY: Joe Pesci stars as mob boss Tommy Spinelli in "8 Heads in A Duffel Bag."

SCREEN SCENE

**Detroit Film Theatre** Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call (313) 833-2323 for information. (\$5; \$4 students)

**"Mon Homme"** (France - 1996). April 25-27 (call for showtimes). Veteran director Bertrand Blier tells a sexually explicit story of Marie, a prostitute who enjoys every aspect of her work, and her new acquaintance, a homeless man who will change the rules of her independent life forever.

**"Madagascar Skin"** (England-1995). 7 p.m. April 28. An edgy and surreal tale of the relationship between a young gay man and an older, heterosexual man. From Chris Newby, the director of "Anchoress."

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Now is the time for hot comedian Chris Rock

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

As the first comedian to release an album on DreamWorks Records, Chris Rock would have seemingly met co-owner Steven Spielberg. Rock is quick to point out otherwise.

"It's an honor to be on DreamWorks and to work with (co-owner) Michael Ostin and that whole crew. But everyone says 'You're on DreamWorks, you've met Spielberg.' I haven't. I met (co-owner) Jeffrey Katzenberg but I don't think he knew who I was. He did it well though. He did it like a pro," said a sleepy-sounding Rock via telephone from his New Jersey hotel room.

On April 8, Rock released his second comedy CD "Roll With The New," which touches on a variety of subjects - "Purple Rain: The Musical" starring 2 Live Crew's Luther Campbell, and Steven Urkel, a record store clerk who confuses O.J. with the O.Jays; the trend of R&B/rap artists to sing about their record labels; the worst phone sex call; and Rock's favorite joke. "Roll With The New" mixes rap and R&B parodies with highlights from his HBO special "Bring the Pain."

The album, produced by De La Soul's Paul "Prince Paul" Houston, took two months to finish.

"We were working around the clock. It was ridiculous," Rock said.

His favorite sketches on the CD change every day. He likes the "Cheap Pete" skit about a guy trying to bargain with a used car salesman for a \$5,000 Audi, and the "Press Conference" skit where O.J. and Ike Turner

discuss spouse abuse through the use of excerpts from rap songs by Def Jam artists, N.W.A., and Too Short.

"Bring the Pain" was recorded in part in May 1996 before a live audience at the Takoma Theater in Washington, D.C., which brings on jokes about Mayor Marion Barry.

"Washington, D.C. Home of the Million Man March. Had all the positive black leaders there - (Louis) Farrakhan, Jesse (Jackson), Marion Barry. Marion Barry at the Million Man March... You know what that means? Even at our finest hour we had a crack head on stage. How the hell did Marion Barry get his job back? He smoked crack and got his job back. If you get caught smoking crack at McDonald's, they're not going to trust you around the Happy Meals," Rock says on his CD.

Rock brings his comedy act to the Fox Theatre in Detroit on Friday, April 25, with special guest Mario Joyner. He said that very little of his show is based on his CD.

"Stand up has got to be new stuff. No one wants a sing-along stand-up show. You start at O.J. and work your way to the bottom," he said.

The Brooklyn-born comedian worked in New York comedy clubs until landing a spot on HBO's "Uptown Comedy Express" in 1987. His career skyrocketed when he joined the cast of "Saturday Night Live," on which he appeared from 1990-1992, and created the militant black activist Nat X.

Rock - who starred in "Beverly Hills Cop II," "New Jack City," "Boomerang," and "Panther" -

hooked up with "In Living Color" for one season. In 1993 he released the rap spoof "CB4: The Movie" which featured him as actor and writer. His 1994 HBO special "Chris Rock Big - Jokes" earned him a CableACE Award for Best Comedy Special.

Now is the time for Rock, however. He appears in commercials for AT&T's 1-800-COLLECT, and as the voice of the marionette Little Penny Hardaway for Nike.

He's also working on a book based on his stand-up routines. "When it rains it pours. I got better. That had a lot to do with it," Rock said with a laugh about his comedic skills.

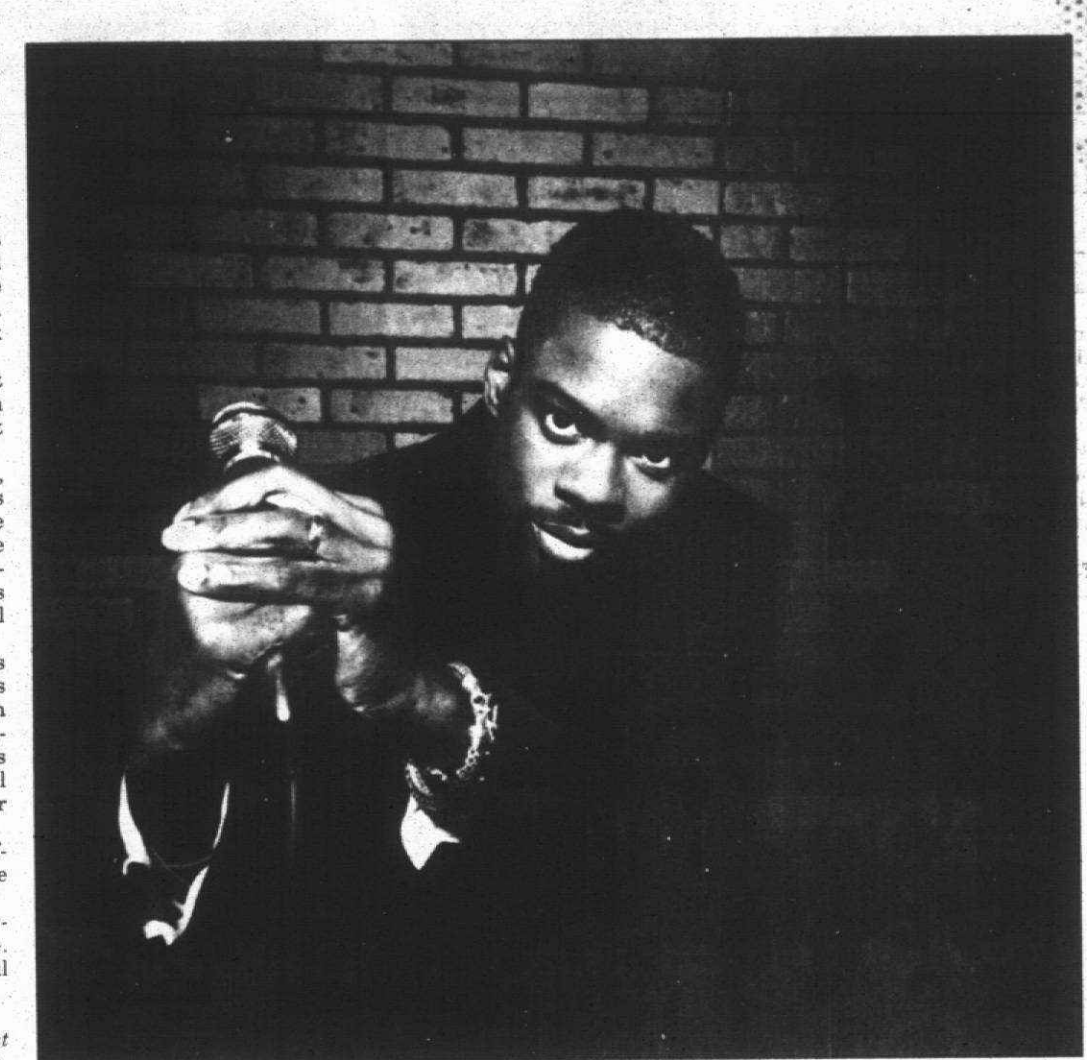
"Once I did my HBO special, people just started calling. It was very shocking. I really like the album. I'm proud of that. But the most gratifying thing was hosting 'Saturday Night Live.' It was like going back to your school and you get to be principal."

Once his tour is over, Rock is going to return to his HBO series "The Chris Rock Show" which features musical guests and comedy bits. Upcoming guests include Johnny Cochran, soul singer D'Angelo, and R&B singer Erykah Badu.

Of all the projects he's shuffling, Rock is most comfortable with his stand-up career.

"Stand-up is the most gratifying and the most immediate. Plus you just don't have to deal with that many people."

Chris Rock with special guest Mario Joyner perform at 8 p.m. Friday, April 25, at the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are \$25 in advance for the all-ages show. For more information, call (313) 983-6611 or (810) 433-1515.



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Ben Folds Five has fine songs but can they move a piano



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Since its inception in 1993, the members of Ben Folds Five have become expert piano movers.

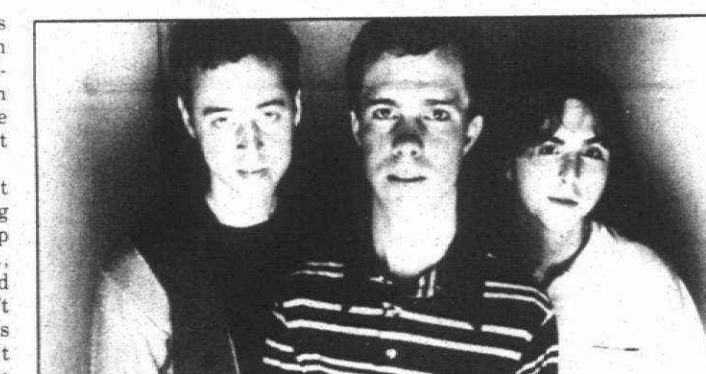
The hardest part of forming a band made up of a pianist, bassist, and drummer wasn't

trying to convince club owners that it's marketable music. It was how to get the piano in the club.

"We had a reputation as a really good musical band, and on a real immediate level they were satisfied," said bassist Robert Sledge via telephone from a club called Sneakers in San Antonio.

"It was all about moving the piano at first. I thought the songs were great and I never played that hard in my life. All of a sudden it was whether we could move the piano into the club. I said, 'Of course we can. We're professional piano movers. Not only do we not want any help, we don't need any help.'"

Ben Folds Five carries its piano into St. Andrew's Hall on Friday, April 25, to perform songs from its latest album "Whatever and Ever Amen" (Sony 550), and its debut album "Ben Folds Five" (Caroline).



Piano pop: Ben Folds Five - from left, drummer Darren Jessee, pianist Ben Folds, and bassist Robert Sledge.

"Whatever and Ever Amen" was recorded in a 16-track studio in lead singer/pianist Ben Folds's Chapel Hill, N.C., home. His father was overseeing the construction of the studio as the band recorded.

"We would just set up in the living room and play with workers coming and going," Folds has said. "That really took any 'professional' edge off and left us free to just make music."

Sledge said the reason for recording at home was more of a maturity issue.

"Maybe we're not grown up enough to deal with the outside world. We couldn't fly to Monte Carlo and bring serious engineers. The thing about it was we sort of felt so exploited for a year. We toured and met new people. We felt kind of like a promotion machine," Sledge explained.

"There's two to three months

in your year when you feel creative and then you spend the rest of the year selling yourself. We didn't want to deal with anybody else."

Ben Folds Five used producer Caleb Southern with whom the band worked on its self-titled 1995 debut album. The first video for "Battle of Who Could Care Less" is directed by Norwood Cheek, a friend from Chapel Hill.

"Whatever and Ever Amen" opens with the effervescent "One Angry Dwarf and 200 Solemn Foes," a "revenge anthem" aimed at bullies. Lyrically acerbic "Song for the Dumped" is based on a friend's relationship with Jesse's relationships. Folds compares the first single "Battle of Who Could Care Less" to the notion that the more you care about something the less it cares about you.

"Battle of Who Could Care Less" is Ben Folds Five's first major success. The band's debut album was critically acclaimed

but heard by few.

"We did get some airplay. It was a little bit of a sympathy airplay. On this tour, I've met with a whole host of programmers. A lot of them have told me, 'We really wanted to play your band but you guys got voted out.'"

Sledge explained that he's kind of happy that success has come with the band's second album.

"If you have a really good thing on your freshman outing, you're going to think it's a fluke. (But) when your next thing starts going OK, you feel better about yourself. You're actually legitimate."

In some ways Sledge predicted his band's success. Five years ago Sledge was getting tired of catering to self-indulgent guitar players. He was watching a Jon Spencer Blues Explosion video and thinking to himself that there's no way he could compete with all those bands.

"I really wished that keyboards would make a comeback.

I don't feel like a prophet. I felt stifled by guitar players. They had all these rock quotas they had to fill."

The change, he felt, made sense.

Ben Folds Five with special guest Komeda perform Friday, April 25, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for the all-ages show. Tickets are \$8.50 in advance. For more information, call (313) 961-MELT.

**Misc:** The Verve Pipe's appearance on David Letterman has been moved. The East Lansing band will perform tonight on the show.

If you have a question or comment for Christina Fuoco, you can write to her in care of The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, or you can leave her a message at (313) 953-2047, mailbox No. 2130, or via e-mail at CFuoco@aol.com.

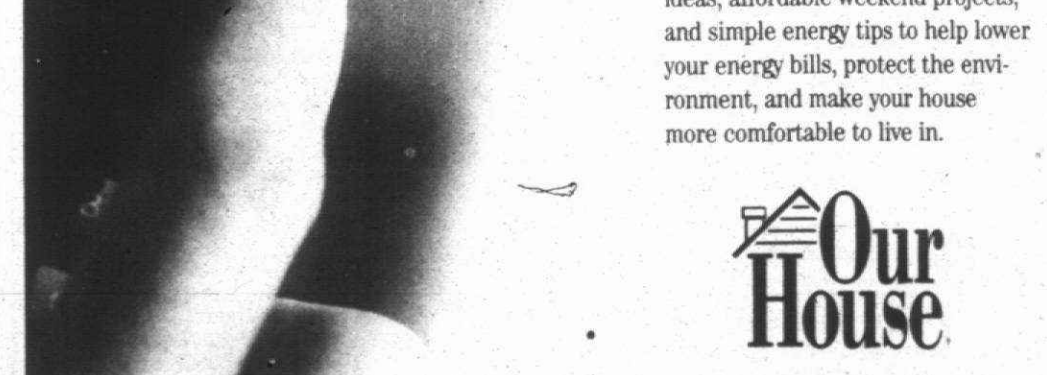
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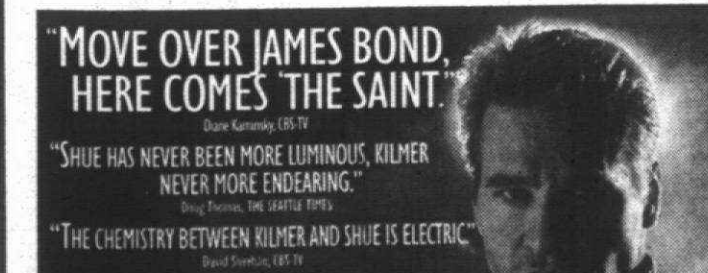
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## DINING

## Colangelo's offers traditional fare at reasonable prices

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD  
SPECIAL WRITERS

Words such as fusion, retro and collision describing newer restaurant food trends don't cross the lips of Ernie Colangelo. As owner of Colangelo's in Pontiac and the recently-opened Colangelo's Italian Chop House in Livonia, he speaks about authentic Italian food with traditional recipes, deeply-rooted in his family's restaurant tradition, at reasonable prices. "Buon Appetito," he says.

Colangelo's mother was a Larco (this family restaurant is in Troy) and his father was part-owner and chef at Lelli's, which stands as an Italian eating tradition in Detroit to this day. Ernie's restaurant career began at age 12 as busboy at Larco's (then located on Six Mile Road in Detroit). From his father, he learned every aspect of the restaurant business. Pontiac Colangelo's opened in Spring 1996 and it was the plan to open another restaurant, "but not as soon as we did," he noted.

"We'd considered a second location opening in late summer or autumn 1997. When the owner of America Inn in Livonia, the former eatery at the location of the new Colangelo's Italian Chop House, wanted to sell, I couldn't pass up the opportunity. The area is supportive of the trattoria-style ambiance we've created in the Livonia restaurant and in the second week after we opened in March, we doubled the business that we normally do in Pontiac."

Ernie's son Mark Allen Colangelo, informally called "Mac," is the director of operations at the Livonia location.



Specialty dish: Mark Colangelo and head chef, Mel Harris in the dining room of Colangelo's in Livonia. The dish is the Veal Sampler.

And thus we have the next generation carrying on family-owned Italian restaurant traditions at Larco's, Lelli's and Colangelo's.

Corporate chef, 29-year-old Sam Sharkas, in charge of day-to-day cooking in Pontiac, credits yet another of southeast Michigan's Italian restaurants,

Andiamo's, for helping him learn the art of preparing authentic Italian cuisine.

"I worked under Aldo Ottaviani at Andiamo's," Sharkas said. "I learned to butcher at Lelli's and that's where I met Ernie Colangelo. But I've also worked at Larco's. I learned something special at

each place. I've woven these experiences to enhance what I consider my own style."

Diners can taste the Sharkas style by choosing any one of the following chicken (pollo) recipes created by Sam. Pollo alla Paglia Efeno \$13 is chicken tenders, green and white house-made linguine, tossed with arti-

chokes, tomatoes and pine nuts in a basil sauce. Pollo da Vinci di Fettucine \$13 showcases sautéed chicken tenders with garlic, artichokes and onions in a cream sauce. Rollatini di Petto di Pollo alla Spiedini \$14 is chicken breast stuffed with mozzarella cheese and tomatoes with Sicilian bread crumbs.

Sharkas trained executive chef Melvin Harris, who heads the kitchen in Livonia. "Other people started with me when Melvin did," Sharkas said. "They didn't last, but Melvin wanted to learn and he's great because he knows not to take shortcuts with made-to-order dishes, the only way we do things at Colangelo's." The extensive menu is the same at both locations.

Bloomfield Hills resident Chuck Uzelac, owner of Uzelac Art Gallery in Pontiac, likes to eat at the bar when he's alone. He chooses a table when he's not.

"I have this menu memorized because I eat here so often," he said. "Vitello Lombata (16-ounce marinated prime loin veal chop \$24) is my favorite. For home-made pasta it's Fettucine Alfredo (\$11). In appetizers, I prefer Gamberi de Colangelo (breaded shrimp with garlic in a white wine lemon sauce \$7) and Crespelle de Florentine (thin crepes filled with ricotta cheese, spinach and prosciutto, served with a mornay sauce \$7). I don't like spinach, but I love this dish."

## Livonia location

Altering the name to Colanangelo's Italian Chop House in Livonia was deliberate.

"I want people to know that we serve the best steaks around," Ernie said. "I believe our Filetto

## Colangelo's

Where: (Two locations)  
■ 2 North Saginaw, (corner of Pike St. and Saginaw), Pontiac, (810) 334-2275

■ 15800 Middlebelt (between Five and Six Mile), Livonia, (313) 522-5600.

## Hours:

■ Pontiac — lunch Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dinner services starts 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Restaurant closes Tuesday through Thursday at 10 p.m.; Friday at 11 p.m.; Saturday at midnight; and Sunday at 8 p.m.

■ Livonia — open Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 4-11 p.m.; Sunday 2-8 p.m.

Menu: Extensive made-to-order authentic Italian dishes and house-made pastas.

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di Manzo (8-ounce broiled filet mignon) with zip sauce that comes complete with pasta, salad or soup, fresh vegetables and a basket of fresh Italian bread is a real value at \$19."

There are more connections than may immediately meet the eye in talking about Colangelo's. The family name Sharkas may ring a bell.

Louai Sharkas, chef Sam's older brother, is executive chef at Birmingham's Townsend Hotel. Their younger brother Lee will be the executive chef for the new Andiamo's at Maple and Telegraph, scheduled to open about June 1.

## RESTAURANT SPECIALS

Restaurant Specials features theme dinners, menu changes, and restaurant openings. Send news items to: Keely Wygonik, Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

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With a new enlarged bar area, game room and over 16 new TV monitors set to your favorite golf or sports event, Bogey's should prove to be the newest great meeting spot. Bogey's huge lake-front deck is open for sunny day relaxing, entertainment is offered Fridays and Saturdays beginning at 9 p.m. Folk balladeer Shawn Riley is currently appearing.

The menu features burgers, pizza, deli sandwiches, and dinner entrees including barbecue ribs. Bogey's is open seven days a week 11 a.m. for lunch through last call at 2 a.m.

## New theme

Norman's Eton Street Station, 245 S. Eton, Birmingham, Birmingham becomes "Big Rock Chop & Brew House" when it reopens this summer.

The new name and concept for the train station turned restaurant were announced April 15 at a ground breaking for the 1,950-square-foot brew house to be built next to the restaurant.

"We reviewed many ideas and many concepts before making our decision about the new

theme," said Norman LePage, who owns the restaurant with Bonnie LePage, his wife. "We are truly excited about the opportunity to present quality steaks and chops, as well as our own micro brewed beer, in a fun, upbeat setting unlike any other in this area. We will focus on a variety of interesting, distinctive beers, made under the direction of an official brewmeister. Our team is anxious to begin the

brewing process which should start in June."

The new restaurant, which offers a taste of the old Northwest, will "definitely be more masculine with the feel of a mountain lodge," said LePage. The upstairs portion of the restaurant will have a separate theme, a focus on premium beverages, a smoker-friendly atmosphere with built-in humidor and tableside food service.

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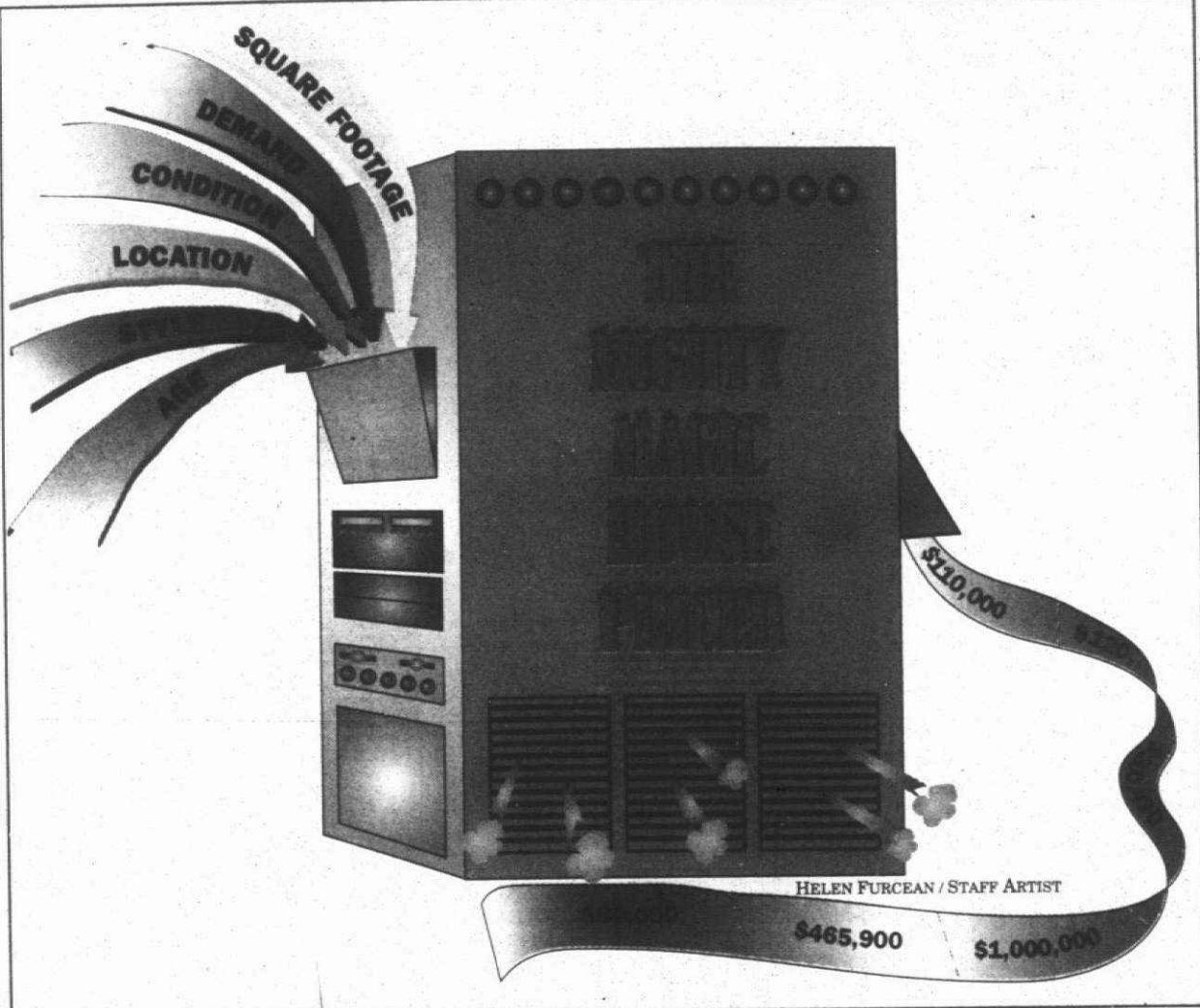
**A.** The issue in this case is whether your execution and presumable recording of the quit claim deed amounted to a valid conveyance giving your cousin a joint interest in the property.

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In this case, your cousin would be required by the court to offer rebuttal evidence to counter the presumption. Obviously, you should try to work this out with your cousin as soon as is possible. Otherwise, you may have a cloud on your title of your property, which would be unfortunate for both parties.

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## Comparable home sales ordain prices of houses

By DOUG FUNKE  
STAFF WRITER

What's a house worth?

A seller may list a house at a specific price, said Chuck D. Apligian, a Realtor with RE/MAX West in Livonia, but buyers ultimately rule the roost and drive sales.

Not every seller understands that, but professionals like Apligian and Latif Muhaimeen, a Realtor with Han-nett, Wilson & Whitehouse in Bloom-field Hills, know the score.

"Look at sales rather than listings," Muhaimeen said. "People can ask what they want. What the market will bear is what they get."

"The buyer sets the market by paying what they feel is a reasonable dollar for the house," Apligian said. "The market can change the first, second, third or fourth quarter by demand and (mortgage) interest rates. The other variable would be the employment situation."

"High employment, low interest rates and strong demand from the buying public will create up demand for sellers," he said.

Sellers arrive at an asking price through comparable sales studies, said Virginia Tipton, a Realtor and office manager at Red Carpet Keim Will Tipton in Garden City.

"We run the computer in the square mile where the occupant's home is," she said. "We look at like sales. We compare square footage. You try to comp ... to style and architecture, year of construction."

Tipton generally checks back for the past year, sometimes 18 months if there aren't many sales for a particular

area.

But the like-sales study is just the beginning. Not all houses of similar style in the same subdivision constructed by the same builder in the same year are worth the same amount of money.

"Things that enter in are maintenance and updates," Tipton said. "How new are components - roof, furnace, air conditioning, water heater?"

Sellers can upgrade - or reduce - the asking price, again, depending on what comparables reveal. Sharp buyers who do their homework on comparables will do just that.

"I always tell the seller what they should list at," Tipton said. "You like to keep it at the average, but many times, if you keep it at the average, you don't get the listing."

"You sometimes take the high listing, tell them what you hope it will sell for and hope they'll be realistic when offers come in," Tipton said.

"Sometimes, owners are a little unrealistic," she added. "Everyone seems to be pricing high nowadays because listings are at a premium."

Apligian doesn't have a problem nudging the asking price up a bit - "as much as 5 percent to test the waters" - by averaging the last four or five comparable sales in the sub.

But if there's no action within two weeks, adjust downward, he said.

"Be fair. Be reasonable," Apligian advised.

And trust your Realtor.

"I recommended a seller to take an offer (less than listing), they didn't and ended up selling for \$2,000 less than a previous offer 45 days later," Apligian recalled. "They talked to some other

people ... were given some advice."

"Many people have opinions about real estate. Not all are accurate. Either you sold too low or paid too much. It makes it difficult," he said.

Apligian believes that assessment figures on file at city and town halls are a bit lower than actual market values.

"I have rarely come across houses in Oakland and Wayne counties whose assessed value is what market value is," he said. "I think SEVs are closer to 80-85 percent. Assessments are going to be a year behind. The market can move 10 percent in a year."

"Look at facts. Facts speak for themselves. You have proof in front of you with comparables," Apligian said.

Sellers sometimes want to be compensated for all the physical labor they put in a house when they set a price.

"The fact you broke your back doing this or that doesn't matter when you compare to a house down the street," Tipton said.

Several elements - buyer contingencies, what purchasers may want included as part of the sale, closing date - figure into the decision to accept a purchase offer that's a little below asking price, said Mary M. Arlinghaus, a Realtor with Cranbrook Associates in Bloomfield Hills.

"Generally, if you price a house correctly at the beginning, the final offer will be close, within a couple percentage points," Arlinghaus said.

"I think sellers have made a determination ahead of time where they want to be and what they will consider," she said. "Emotion plays a role, too. Sometimes, if they meet the buyer and establish some rapport, it may help swing a deal."



**Job growth**  
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last 4 quarters  
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major factor in  
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## Clean up your credit before you seek a loan

### MORTGAGE SHOPPING



DAVID C.  
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While this column typically focuses on mortgage services from the view of the consumer, let's take a different angle. Today, in the second half of my column, I'll discuss how consumers can clean up problems appearing on their credit report as a necessary step in obtaining a mortgage. But first, let's focus on Realtor services. Consumers should know that if their Realtor has a strong, established relationship with a mortgage banker he trusts, that relationship can benefit the consumer, too.

One top-quality mortgage bank, Republic Bancorp Inc., is a Michigan-based bank holding company that has made residential mortgage lending its primary business. It is one of the top 35 mortgage lenders in the United States and is one I would gladly refer both to consumers and Realtors because of the caring attitude, which shows in every transaction.

Republic's success in the field of mortgage banking can be summed up in one word, "Realtor," as they have always focused on the Realtor. The company believes that the Realtor has the most influence on this client's mortgage lending options. By providing outstanding service to the real estate community, Republic has thrived. Its business philosophy is simple: Deliver services over and above the expectations of customers and Realtors with top-notch service.

The company was founded by George B. Smith, a licensed real estate broker for the past 40 years and now chairman of the company. Smith has a high regard for real estate salespeople and the tremendous pressure they experience in the real estate transaction. He has always believed that a Realtor's best friend is a highly trained, well-capitalized mortgage lender.

Each April, the company hosts Realtor Appreciation Month. It provides sales collateral material to its Realtors and holds appreciation luncheons and receptions honoring the real estate industry and its sales professionals. This program has been in place for 12 years.

Over the years, many mortgage lenders have given up on seeking business directly from Realtors. They have chosen to circumvent the Realtor by going directly to the consumer. And many consumers are directly shopping for mortgages, which is one of the reasons this column got started. Republic, however, has never forgotten the benefits of working with professional real estate sales people, both for themselves and for home buyers.

**How to clean up credit problems appearing on your credit report**

**Who to contact:** If your account with a lender is not up-to-date, contact the company or individual who granted you credit. A payment record is kept of

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## Commercial real estate is expanding

Real estate consultants from across the country who focus on the commercial sector foresee an expansionary path for the next several years.

In a recent membership survey, 84 percent of Counselors of Real Estate (CRE) respondents categorized the current real estate cycle as in an expansion mode or getting better and that it would stay on that track for the rest of 1997.

Only 15 percent indicated that the cycle is trending water or getting worse.

Fifty-nine percent of the CREs said that real estate should compete well with other investment capital this year. Sixty percent also cited U.S. stocks and 52 percent global investment as asset classes with high potential.

"The U.S. economy has clearly been a

powerful ally to real estate in the mid-1990s," said Hugh Kelly, senior vice president and national director of the research group of Landauer Associates.

"Our national investment in new technology has stimulated growth and caused real estate demand to surge in the office, industrial and hotel sectors," he said.

Industrial properties ranked highest in development attractiveness by 50 percent of CREs, followed by apartments, 46 percent, suburban offices, 45 percent, and hotels, 34 percent.

Sixty percent of CREs ranked industrials highest in investment attractiveness for 1997, followed by suburban office, 54 percent and apartments, 52 percent.

Industrials ranked highest among CREs, 60 percent, for sales potential

this year, followed by apartments, 56 percent, and suburban office markets, 55 percent.

Central business district office buildings showed high investment potential in the Southwest, Southeast and Midwest. Sales of CBD office building also will fare best in those sections of the country.

The Counselors of Real Estate, established in 1953, includes members of prominent real estate firms, financial, legal and accounting firms, government and academia.

Local members include Byron W. Trerice Jr. and James E. Mawson, Trerice Tosto; Russell J. Chambers, Dean Appraisal; Raymond V. Bologna, Terzo & Bologna; and Jerome L. Reiss, Reiss Co.



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each payment you make, and you are rated. These ratings are reported periodically to a credit-reporting agency by the company or individual.

Why contact should be made: Most important, you should promptly resolve any errors on your credit report because bad data may hinder you from getting additional credit you need or want later on. Here are some ideas for clearing a less-than-perfect record.

Delinquent accounts must be brought current. Once brought up to date, accounts must be kept in good standing.

For accounts listed for collection, arrangements must be made with the company to pay the debt off and return the loan to good standing.

If a court-ordered judgment has been taken against you, you must pay off the debt in full before you can apply for certain mortgage loans, including FHA loans.

If you have filed for bankruptcy, you may be cleared, but additional credit may be harder to get. To get an FHA mortgage loan after bankruptcy, you must wait 24 months after the discharge date of a Chapter 7 filing and 12 months for a Chapter 11 filing.

When you have no credit history: Use records of your utility payments or rental payments to show that you have consistently paid your obligations on time. Or you can open up a low-interest credit card for gasoline or other small purchases and pay the balance off each month. Another possibility is opening a charge account at a store you frequent, using that account to pay.

David Mully has been researching mortgage lenders for more than 10 years. He shares his most recent findings every week in this column. Any feedback from homeowners about their experiences with mortgage lenders is welcome. Readers may contact him at 1-800-521-0026 Ext. 227 or fax him at 810-669-6875.

You can access Mully's previous Mortgage Shopping articles on-line at <http://www.observer.com/realstate/mully/archives.html>

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If you will be staying in your new home only a few years, there may be a substantial interest savings with an adjustable rate mortgage. If you plan to stay forever, and rates are low (as they are right now), a fixed-rate loan could provide the long-term security of lower payments.

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## FAIR HOUSING SEMINAR

The Apartment Association of Michigan's Property Management Council hosts a fair housing seminar 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, at Kingsley Inn, 1475 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Topics include history of the civil rights law, current national and local laws and penalties. Cost is \$20 for building industry, apartment and property

management association members, \$40 for non-members. To register, call (810) 737-4477.

## BUILDER'S LICENSE

Builder's Training Services offers a 16-hour training program to prepare for the state builder's license exam 6-10 p.m. May 12, 14, 19 and 21 at the

Livonia Elks Club, 31117 Plymouth Road one block east of Merriman.

The class also will be presented 6-10 p.m. May 6, 8, 13 and 15 at the Olney Troy Elks Club, 1451 E. Big Beaver east of Rochester Road.

Cost, which includes a training manual and carpentry textbook, is \$245. To register, call (810) 436-9610.

## Enhancing your home's curb appeal

BY ELIZABETH LANE SPECIAL WRITER

As a friend of mine in real estate once told me, "First impressions are important, and the appearance of a home's front entrance creates something known as curb appeal."

Good advice. And while fixing cracked driveways and weed-infested lawns is a step in the right direction, installing solid forged brass decorative hardware on your home's front entrance is an even better way of enhancing a home's curb appeal and increasing its resale value.

For some suggestions, I've turned to the experts at Baldwin Hardware Corporation, the leading manufacturer of solid brass decorative hardware.

Since solid forged brass is considerably stronger than conventional casting, it is excellent for exterior hardware, and the hot forging process also allows for a jewel-like finish and greater depth of color. The Lifetime Finish from Baldwin helps keep brass hardware beautiful, ensuring against tarnishing, flaking, pitting or discoloration for the life of the product.

Door Hardware: Select brass styles that complement your

home's architecture. Installing solid brass hinges on all exterior doors ensures a continuity of design, and special finish hinge designs can add flare. Use Grade 1 leadbolts for the maximum in home security.

Door Knockers: Replace that old, rusty mailbox at the end of the driveway with a shiny, new brass letterbox plate in your front door. They are available in letter and magazine sizes and can be installed on a variety of doors including wood, metal or glass.

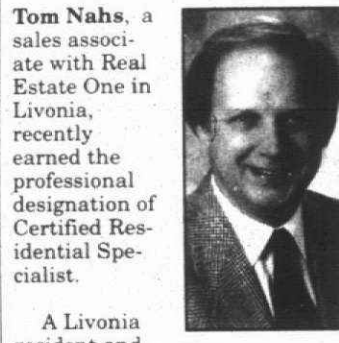
Name Plates: To further beautify your home's exterior, consider a brass name plate engraved with your family's last name. Name plates can be engraved in various styles to match your home's look and feel.

House Numbers: Adding solid brass house numbers on the home helps authorities identify your home quickly in emergencies. Select numbers large enough for easy reading.

For more information on solid brass decorative hardware, consumers can call Baldwin, toll-free, at 1-800-566-1986.



Diane D'Agostino



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## HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

Due to a computer changeover at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, we are unable to publish the most recent home sales from Wayne County. We will resume publication of the home sales information as soon as possible.

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## Hobbs+Black promotes 5

Hobbs+Black Architects has promoted one staff member to the position of vice president, another to senior associate and three more to associate.

Jarrell Debrohun has been elevated to vice president.

An 11-year veteran with Hobbs+Black, Debrohun has specialized in the design of large retail facilities.

His project responsibilities range from preliminary planning through construction administration.

Debrohun attended the University of Cincinnati.

Kevin Kerschbaum, AIA, has been named senior associate. He joined Hobbs+Black in 1993 and has served as a project architect in the firm's health care studio.

Kerschbaum is responsible for facilitating day-to-day project operations including architectural/engineering production, specifications preparation and estimating/scheduling.

Humitz, RA, has served as a project architect at Hobbs+Black for three years. He also received as



Kenneth Perkins



Mark Humitz



Sarah Jaslow



Douglas Anderson

He received a bachelor of architecture degree from Lawrence Technological University.

Kenneth Perkins, Mark Humitz and Sarah (Jaz) Jaslow have been promoted to the position of associate.

Perkins, RA, joined the firm in 1988. He's served as both a project manager and project architect. He received a master of architecture degree from the University of Michigan.

Jaslow, in charge of project administration for the retail studio, has been with the firm for five years. She has a bachelor of fine arts degree from Stephens College.

Also, Douglas Anderson, PE, has joined Hobbs+Black as a mechanical engineering supervisor.

Anderson graduated from Purdue University with a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering and operated his own engineering firm before joining Hobbs+Black.

## Grubb & Ellis/Axiom names employees to new positions

Grubb & Ellis/Axiom, a commercial real estate brokerage firm with metro Detroit headquarters in Southfield, announces several appointments.

Gary G. Ainsworth, vice president of the Axiom management division, will administer management services of three million square feet over several properties in the metro area.

Ainsworth, a Novi resident, brings 22 years experience, most recently as director of commercial property management for Institutional Realty Management.

Michael D. Giraud, broker, will head up a newly-opened office in downtown Ann Arbor. Prior to joining Grubb & Ellis/Axiom, Giraud, an Ann Arbor resident, worked at Michigan Commercial Group.

David E. Demarest, who has a background in acquisitions and marketing, joins the firm as an industrial broker.

Most recently, Demarest, a Plymouth resident, worked for a family-owned business, C&D Machinery, brokering industrial machinery transactions.

William R. Hines, hired as a retail specialist, will represent clients in the evaluation and acquisition of

new site locations and development opportunities.

Hines lives in Troy and previous spent six years with NBD Bank in the property management and corporate real estate departments.

Francine M. Holmstrom joins Grubb & Ellis/Axiom as manager of business operations. She lives in Northville and previously served as operations controller for Dearborn Systems Services in Southfield.

Robbie S. Sherman of West Bloomfield will be responsible for all advertising and promotional materials as marketing director.

## Michigan gives \$10 million for housing to 70 nonprofit organizations in state

Seventy nonprofit organizations and local governments have received nearly \$10 million from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) for local housing needs.

Approximately 100 groups applied for the grants, which were awarded through MSHDA's Community Development Launch program. Funds were allocated on a regional basis and applications were reviewed based on the need within each region.

Grant winners will use the funds for construction or rehabilitation of houses for home purchase or rental, down payment assistance, emergency repairs, replacement housing, infrastructure improvements tied to MSHDA-funded projects and homeless assistance.

In Wayne County, grants were awarded to All Saints Housing, Inc., \$82,500; Genesis Community Development, \$55,000; City of Hamtramck, \$177,000; City of Melvindale/Economic Dev., \$59,400; and New Hope Community Development, \$266,750.

Also in Wayne County, Operation Get Down received \$71,500; Simon House, \$20,097; Southwest Alliance for Neighborhood, \$103,180; We

Care Non-Profit Housing Inc., \$38,500; and Youth Living Centers, Inc., \$154,000.

In Oakland County, Pontiac Neighborhood Housing was awarded \$55,000.

"These grants are typical of the innovative ways in which MSHDA is supporting local initiatives," said Gov. John Engler. "Rather than being based on state-designed grant models, the Launch program provides greater flexibility and responsiveness to local housing needs."

Instead of awarding grants on a program-by-program basis as MSHDA traditionally has done, the Launch program finances projects that are most responsive to local housing needs as proposed by organizations and communities capable of effectively administering the resources, according to the Authority.

"The funds are allocated regionally and MSHDA works in partnership with local organizations to help them identify the best ways to address housing needs," said Kathleen M. Wilbur, Department of Consumer and Industry Services director and MSHDA board member.

"This program provides the most effective allocation

of scarce government resources on a statewide basis," Wilbur said.

According to MSHDA executive director James L. Logue III, the Launch program was the outcome of a reorganization of MSHDA's Community Development division.

The division went from being organized by program to being organized geographically, with the state being served by three-regional teams of MSHDA specialists.

"We feel Launch is a significant step in helping more people become self-sufficient," Logue said. "This new grant process will allow us to better serve











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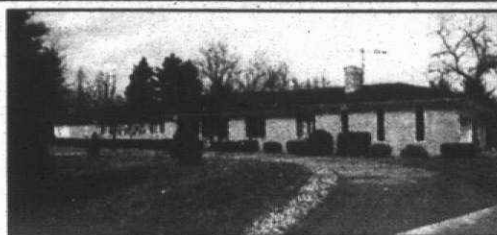
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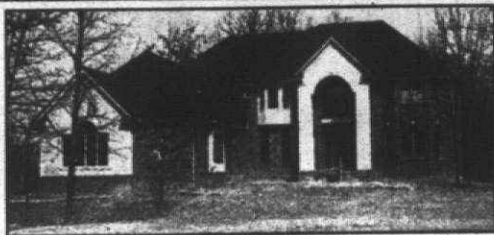
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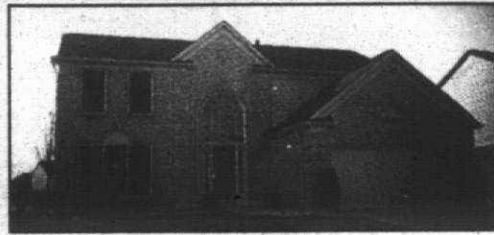
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**VALUE INCREASE.** This new sub is selling fast! The "Empress", four bedroom Colonial, 2700 sq. ft., master suite with jetted tub and tray ceilings. Available late April.

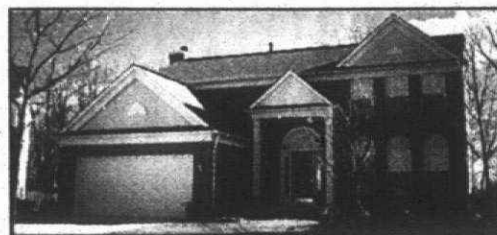
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## CANTON

**FABULOUS LOCATION** backing to commons. Newer Colonial, neutral decor w/contemporary theme, kitchen w/white bay cabinets, family room w/gas fireplace. Master w/bath, basement, A/C. Paver patio.

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**PARK LIKE SETTING!** Pulte Colonial w/neutral decor. Living room and dining room w/French doors. Kitchen w/light oak cabinets. Family room w/fireplace, C/A sprinklers.

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## HAMBURG

**1989 COLONIAL** with view of Strawberry Lake. Three bedroom, gas fireplace, open floor plan. Oak kitchen, 7 lake access, landscaped and multi-tiered deck, boat dock privileges.

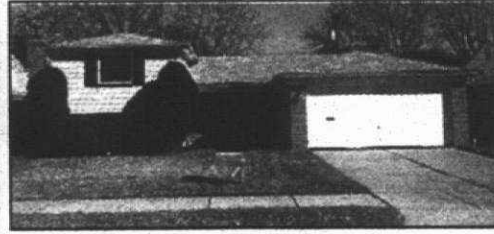
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**1994 Colonial.** Formal living room and dining room for your entertainment needs. Large kitchen w/island and breakfast area. Family room w/fireplace, 3 ample bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths.

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**3 BEDROOM SHARP, SPACIOUS** Contemporary tri-level in Kimberly Oaks sub features some hardwood floors, central A/C, family room with fireplace, fenced yard. One year home warranty.

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## WESTLAND

**FABULOUS 4 BEDROOM** - 2.5 bath almost new Colonial. Large master suite, family room, w/fireplace, cathedral ceilings, 3 skylights, dual staircase, extra large deck, landscaped, fenced.

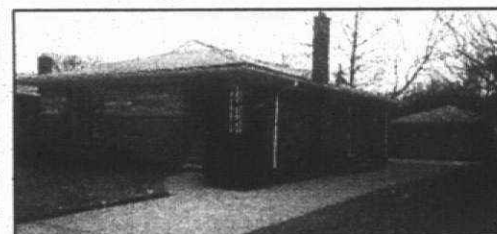
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**DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY.** To buy a three bedroom brick and vinyl Bungalow in Canton, on two acres. Remodeled kitchen and bath. First floor laundry. New all through. Heated and A/C garage.

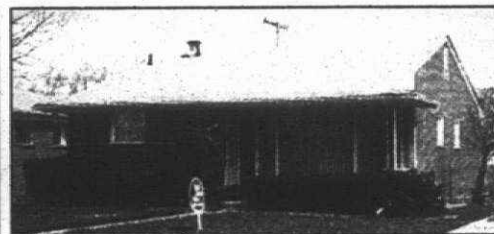
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## REDFORD

**THREE BEDROOM BRICK RANCH** - with C/A, 1 1/2 baths and full basement. Two car garage. You will enjoy the convenience this home offers. South Redford Schools. Close to X-Ways.

\$110,000 (D135) 313-326-2000



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**MOVE-IN CONDITION.** 3 bedroom brick Ranch in north Dearborn Heights. Natural fireplace, finished basement, remodeled kitchen, and garage.

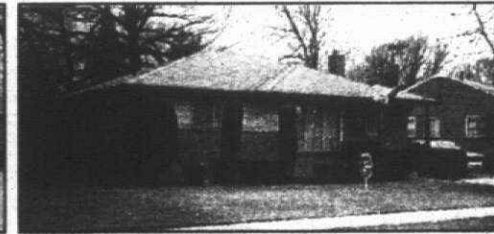
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## REDFORD

**ALMOST NEW!** 3 bedroom brick Ranch in great neighborhood. Large country kitchen w/walk-in pantry, neutral decor, full, partial finished basement, large rear deck, open floor plan.

\$105,000 (MER) 810-348-6430



## REDFORD

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\$105,000 (D25263) 313-261-0700



## LIVONIA SCHOOLS

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**GREAT STARTER HOME!** Desirable Van Buren Estates. 4 bedroom, brick Ranch. New furnace w/A/C, hot water heater and carpeting. Seller is including all appliances as well.

\$91,500 (23J11000) 313-455-7000



## REDFORD

**TOO NEW FOR DETAILS!** Just listed South Redford brick Ranch on quiet street. Two car garage, partially finished basement, remodeled bath.

\$89,900 (H9647) 313-261-0700



## REDFORD

**ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS!** Brick ranch in Redford. Updated kitchen, baths, roof and most mechanicals. finished basement with 1/2 bath, 2 car wired garage.

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## REDFORD

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\$208,000 (HOL) 810-348-6430



## WESTLAND

**THIS THREE BEDROOM RANCH** is in mint condition. 1 1/2 baths, finished basement. Updates include: windows, carpet, kitchen floor, large Florida room. All appliances.

\$129,900 (T342) 313-326-2000



## WESTLAND

**CONTEMPORARY B-LEVEL!** 3 bedrooms, open floor plan, recessed lighting, plant shelves, cathedral ceilings, C/A, humidifier. All appliances, sprinkler system, 2 car attached garage.

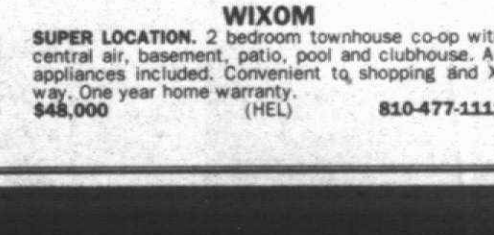
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## WESTLAND

**GREAT 3 BEDROOM BUNGALOW.** Master suite w/walk-in closet and half bath, newer furnace and C/A, home is in move-in condition, fenced yard, great neighborhood.

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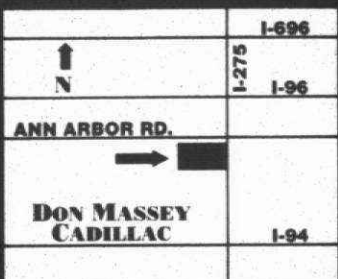
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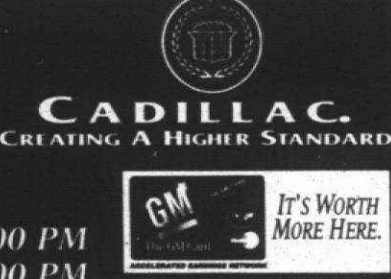
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SABLE 1996 GS Wagon, automatic, air, V6, power windows/locks, cruise, tilt, 3rd seat, built in car phone, only 10,000 miles. \$15,799. DEMMER FORD (313) 721-2600

SABLE LS 1995 4 door, auto, air, moonroof, leather, 3.8 liter, A.B.S., digital dash, keyless entry. Loaded. \$11,995. DEMMER FORD (313) 721-2600

SABLE 1996 "LS" (5), 4 door, automatic, air, tilt, power windows, leather interior, abs brakes. From \$14,596. DEMMER FORD (313) 721-2600

SABLE 1994 LS, 30,000 miles, mint! Full power, keyless entry, female driver. \$11,100/best. 313-432-9824

SABLE LS 1992 One owner, 44,500 miles, very good condition. \$11,988. (810) 998-6710

SABLE 1992 LS - 1 owner, rust proofed, leather loaded, very good condition. \$5,750. (810) 932-8479

SABLE 1992 LS Wagon - loaded, low miles, 3rd seat, excellent, must see. \$9,700/best. 313-455-1985

SABLE 1995 "LTS", 4 door, emerald green with tan leather, automatic, air, 3.8 liter, moonroof, keyless entry, A.B.S. brakes, chrome wheels, all the toys! Low miles. \$13,795. DEMMER FORD (313) 721-2600

SABLE 1988, 2nd owner, V6, automatic, air, power windows/locks, new tires, \$1850. (313) 425-7223

SABLE 1993 - Runs/Looks/Drives As New! 20,000 hwy. miles per yr., leather driver, \$6800/best. (313) 207-1854

SABLE WAGON 1993 LS, 3.8 V-6, loaded, 3rd seat, 1 owner. Excellent condition! \$9450. (810) 698-3079

TOPAZ 1987 GS - 4 door, automatic, cruise, cassette, well maintained, runs great. \$11,650. 313-953-2644

TOPAZ 1989 53,000 miles. Clean, dependable. New tires/muffler. \$3,600. (810) 655-1178

TRACER 1991 - 4 door, automatic, air, am/fm/cassette, Clean, 65,000 miles. \$4300/best. (810) 546-4392

TRACER 1992 - runs good, clean, am/fm cassette, power locks, 75,000 miles. \$4600. (810) 433-5484

**862 Nissan**

ALTIMA 1994 GXE, air, power locks, new brakes & tires. Well maintained. Clean! \$9499/best. (313) 394-0334

**866 Plymouth**

ACCLAIM 1994 auto, air, cassette, Gold package 68,000 mi. excellent cond. \$5895. 810-650-2851 Rochester

BREEZE 1996, automatic, air, power steering/brakes, AM/FM stereo, rear window defrost, 6 to choose from. \$11,988. THE BIG STORE CAMPBELL DODGE 538-1508

NEON 1995 highline - automatic, am/fm cassette, high mileage. \$4300. (810) 478-6328

SUNDANCE 1992 - Automatic, am/fm cassette, air, cruise, Well-maintained. \$4100. 313-728-8889

SUNDANCE - 1991 4dr hatchback, new tires, 51,000 + miles. A Great Car! \$4200. (313) 535-2462

SUNDANCE 1993, 34,000 miles, air, stereo tape, automatic, 2 door hatch, excellent, \$5,300. (313) 533-8054

SUNDANCE 1987 - 61,000 miles, 4 cylinder, automatic, cruise. Runs good. \$2200. (313) 462-3647

SUNDANCE - 1989 5 speed, sunroof, cruise, solid body. 102,000 miles. \$2500. (810) 477-1832

**868 Pontiac**

BONNEVILLE 1988, LE, loaded, 85,000 miles, great shape. \$3500. (810) 740-8686

BONNEVILLE 1991 LE - maroon, 158,000 mi. excellent body, well maintained. \$3500. 810-661-0605

BONNEVILLE 1989 SE - All power, 64,000 miles, no rust, 1 owner. Sharp! \$5500/best. 313-261-1019

BONNEVILLE 1989 SE - Excellent condition. All options. \$3750. 810-476-5407

BONNEVILLE 1992, SE, fully loaded, all options, low miles, 1 year warranty, \$149 down. \$161 mo. No co-signer needed. Start your credit with this one. OAC. 313-455-5566

BONNEVILLE 1994 SE, Loaded, clean, like new & well maintained. \$11,500. (810) 778-0495

BONNEVILLE 1992 SE, white, loaded, 62,000 miles, 1 owner, immaculate. \$8,900. 810-540-7946

BONNEVILLE 1995 SLE/DK Green, leather, non-smoker, power, 21,000 miles. \$17,800. (313) 722-5967

BONNEVILLE 1990 SSE Gray w/gray leather, 165,000 hwy miles. Reliable. \$5500. (810) 745-9572

FIRO 1985 GT, V-6, 4 speed, loaded, \$2890 or best offer. (313) 425-3725

FIREBIRD 1987, 6 cylinder, red, 66,000 miles, original owner, loaded. Excellent! \$3700. (810) 646-0197

FIREBIRD 1994, Formula V8, red, excellent, 20,000 miles, loaded, 6 speed. \$13,900. 810-471-0518

FIREBIRD 1995 Formula - black, V6, automatic, 1-top, CD, leather, 6700 mi. warranty. \$17,500. 810-363-2411

FIREBIRD 1995 - red, 1-top, automatic, loaded, 14,500 miles, like new. \$14,500. 810-879-7392

FIREBIRD 1996 White, V6, 5 speed, Alarm, CD with equalizer, Loaded. \$14,500. (810) 524-1107

GRAND AM 1992 - 4 door, Excellent Condition. Well maintained. No rust. Loaded. Low miles. Must Sell. Inherited a Car. \*\*\*\*\* SOLD

GRAND AM 1987 - good condition, maroon, gray interior, power options. \$1800/best. 313-397-0938

GRAND AM 1994 - GT, Loaded, low miles. Very clean! Alarm. \$11,000. Best Offer. (810) 360-9480

GRAND AM 1995 GT, purple, mint, 37,000 miles, automatic, 2 door. \$11,900. (810) 344-4178

GRAND AM 1994 SE - 6 cylinder, loaded, 2 door, 47,000 miles. Excellent! \$9500/best. (313) 464-7191

GRAND AM 1995 - SE, 2 door, maroon, V6, automatic, loaded, 32,700 miles. \$8500. (313) 522-1654

GRAND AM 1996 SE - 4 door, 21,000 mi. cassette, ABS, power locks. \$16,000/best. (810) 775-7110

GRAND AM SE 1993, many options, new tires, excellent condition. \$7200. (313) 420-2848

GRAND AM 1995 SE, V6 auto, 4 door, loaded, warranty, garaged, GM exec. Mint. \$11,000. 810-336-4586

GRAND AM 1996 SE - White, loaded, low miles. Priced to sell at \$14,900. (313) 278-6397

GRAND AM 1993, V6, GT, automatic, 4 door, loaded, very good condition. \$7200. (810) 548-2083

GRAND PRIX 1995 B4U, all white, all power, moon roof, CD, 24,000 miles. \$14,400. (313) 595-0785

GRAND PRIX LE 1990, V6, 4 door, red, only 29,200 miles, excellent, aluminum wheels. \$6300. 810-642-7479

GRAND PRIX 1994 SE coupe, loaded, 43,000 miles, power sunroof, teal, gold rims, immaculate. 1 owner. \$10,600. Eve 810-553-8196

GRAND PRIX 1992 SE - 2 door, blue, V6, all power. 69,000 miles. Sharp. \$6500. (313) 981-2953

**868 Pontiac**

GRAND PRIX SE 1992, 4 door, Loaded, 1 owner. 91,000 miles. Excellent. \$6,500. (810) 641-7012

GRAND PRIZ 1996 SE coupe, Loaded, CD, moonroof, cell phone, extended warranty. 28,000 miles. \$14,500/best. (810) 683-1993

PONTIAC 2000, 1987 - LE, 4 door, V8, 78,000 miles, Runs great! \$1900. (810) 651-5079

SUNFIRE 1995 - 2 door, loaded, 48,000 miles. New brakes. Raspberries. \$9,000. (313) 266-7204

TRANS AM 1995 - Loaded, Glass top, automatic, 5000 1 owner miles. \$6NT, \$18,855. 810-682-7201

**870 Saturn**

SATURN 1992 SC2, low engine miles, loaded, leather. \$8300/best. 810-478-9108. Pgs: 810-617-9063

SATURN 1991 SL1, 4 door, 5 speed, air conditioning, solid car. \$3900. (810) 315-3032

SATURN 1992 SL2 - loaded, rebuilt at 60,000 miles, 122,000 hwy miles. \$6,000/best. (313) 268-0815

SATURN SL1, 1994, Manual transmission, cassette, air, 32,000 miles. Clean. \$7,800. (810) 684-9042

SC 2 1993, 5 speed, air, cassette, ABS, new warranty engine, excellent. 97,500 miles. \$4750. 810-685-6069

SL2 1995, Blue/black Tan leather 5 speed. Loaded. Spoiler. 26,000 miles. \$10,500. (810) 547-6448

SL2 - 1994 loaded, Blue/Black, tan leather, sunroof, spoiler. Aluminum wheels. 5 speed. Excellent condition. female, non-smoker. 45,000 miles. \$8900/best. 810-656-1937

SL2 1993 5 speed, air, ABS, CD, power windows, cruise, 59,000 miles. \$8800. Page: 313-958-2433

SL1 1992 - stick, power steering/brakes/locks. Cruise, air, very clean. \$6500/best. 313-563-4420

**872 Toyota**

CAMRY 1996 LE, automatic, air, 7,000 actual miles. \$16,640. 313-455-8740

FOX HILLS Chrysler-Plymouth-Jeep-Eagle 313-455-8740

COROLLA 1989 DX, dark blue, 4 door, good condition, \$3900. Days: 810-358-6402. Eves: 313-537-6105

SUPRA, 1988, automatic, 75,000 miles, no rust. Targa roof, loaded, like new. \$6,750. 810-349-4041

**874 Volkswagen**

Cabriolet 1990 Convertible - Mint, loaded, records, 5 speed, air, garaged. \$6795/best. 810-229-5354

JETTA 1988 GLI, loaded, custom, excellent condition, power everything, fast. \$3,000. (810) 661-8293

JETTA 1992 GL - red, immaculate, 55,000 mi. 5 speed, 4 door, air, sunroof, extended warranty. \$7,500. (810) 541-3287

JETTA 1991 GLI, 5 speed, Excellent! No rust. Air, new brakes/tires/exhaust. Must sell! 313-418-0828

PASSAT 1991 GL - Excellent condition. 55,000 actual miles. New tires. Must see! Page: 810-670-1792

PASSAT 1994 GLX - Loaded, super clean, VRS. \$11,999. (313) 937-8039

VW JETTA 1984, 40 mpg, diesel, good shape. \$750. (810) 227-2370

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MERCUY 1987 - Sable Loaded, 70,000 miles, Clean. Runs. Great! \$2,500. 313-844-8537