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## IN THE PAPER TODAY



**Paying tribute:** A Memorial Day ceremony honoring Canton soldiers who died in action and an area parade were among the ways local people marked Monday's holiday. /A3

## ENTERTAINMENT

**Theater:** Spend an evening in "Camelot" with the St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild in the outdoor theater on the Cranbrook grounds. /E1

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## Scholarship Ball pays off for 48 area graduates

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI  
STAFF WRITER

Forty-eight Plymouth and Canton seniors from seven schools are smiling - not only about graduating - because they are now the recipients of merit awards and scholarships, thanks to the Plymouth Woman's Club and community contributors.

The event is sponsored by The Woman's Club of Plymouth and supported by the Plymouth Manor and the Observer.

"Our first scholarship awards dinner (in 1983) was actually a ball," K.C. Mueller, chair of the scholarship ball committee, told guests and students at The Woman's Club of Plymouth Invitational Scholarship Awards Dinner May 20. "It was under suspicion. Was this undercover for a debutante ball?"

At first, only women applied for the merit awards and scholarships. But as the annual event grew in popularity, more men joined in and walked away winners.

Scholarships are donated by area corporations and individuals. Merit awards are of lesser amounts. Both are awarded to students based on academics and community and school involvement.

"In the community, we really need to be involved," said Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen-McCarthy and Woman's Club member. "You are active, committed and involved young people."

Plymouth Mayor Pro Tem John Vos offered his opinion: "We also honor the parents who with urgency supported their students, these graduating seniors, so they can achieve the results that will be apparent tonight."

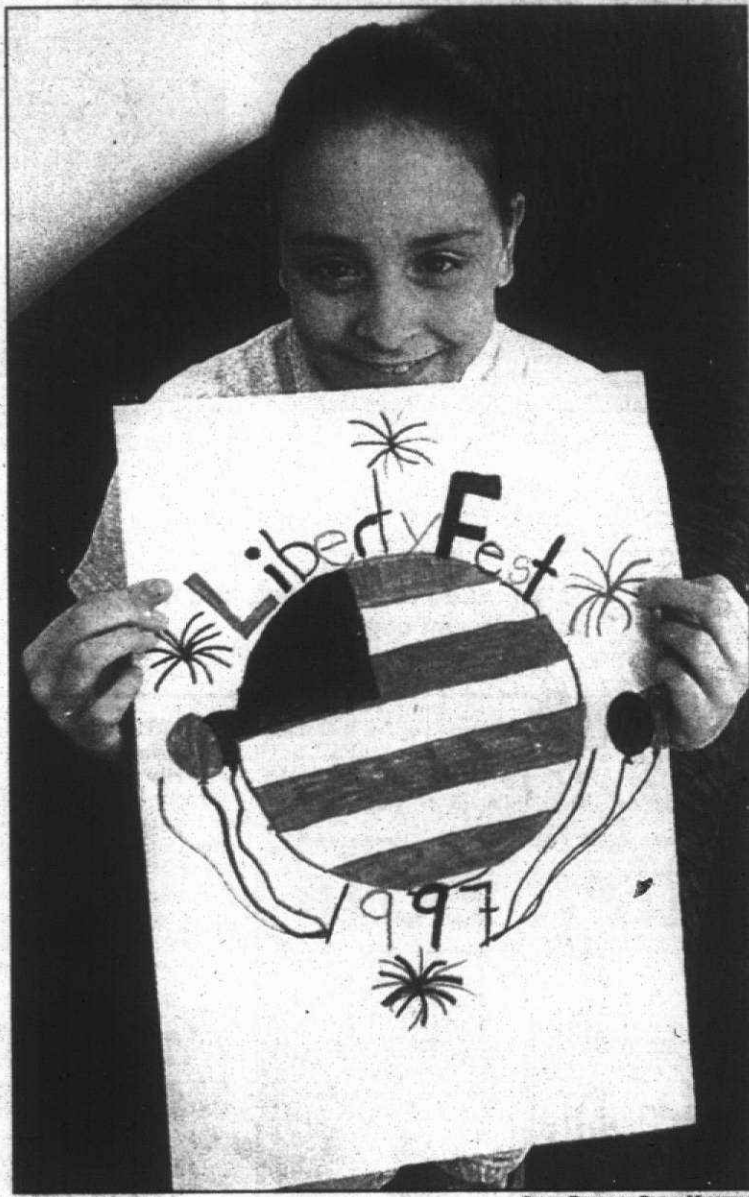
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Charles Little recognized the winning students' abilities to set goals and follow them.

"A profound and deep congratulations. You have mastered the work of young people in the 1990s and that's schoolwork," he said. "You had clear goals. As young people you have already identified the things that are important in your life."

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## Festive logo

**Contest winner:** Trisha Bruening has created the design for the 1997 Liberty Fest logo. Trisha's logo will appear on T-shirts during the festival, June 19-22 in Heritage Park. The Allen School fifth-grader will receive a \$100 Savings Bond, a Liberty Fest Perks Packet and a family invitation to the fireworks show at Pheasant Run for her winning effort.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

## Standard tests irk candidates

■ Do Plymouth-Canton students - and the district - really benefit by taking the MEAP, High School Proficiency and other standardized tests? Candidates in the June 9 school board election have different views.



BY M.B. DILLON  
STAFF WRITER

Carol Bollman, Suzanne Derohem and Roland Thomas have differing views on standardized testing and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' curriculum. Vying for a four-year

seat on the board of education in the June 9 election, the candidates discussed the subject in recent interviews with the Observer.

The three were asked about the Michigan Educational Assessment Program, or MEAP test, and the High School Proficiency Test.

Said Bollman: "Who are we testing? Should we test kids or the teachers? If a third-grader can't read, how do we teach them again?"

"We don't teach grammar, vocabulary or phonics - unless you are lucky enough to have a Bentley teacher who believes you teach it in addition to sight reading. We don't have a curriculum that is consistent."

Bollman said she's not opposed to standardized testing, however "fourth-grade teachers are forced to spend far too much time giving the test. Teaching kids how to pass the test doesn't teach them how to learn."

"The same thing with the proficiency test. We

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## Four sex assault victims knew attackers

BY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

Four sexual assaults were reported to Canton Police last week, two of which involved children. The assaults were not related, police said.

All four cases do have one common link: the alleged attacker was an acquaintance of the victim. As of Tuesday no arrests have been made, although police are continuing their

investigations.

A freshman at Plymouth-Salem High School told a school guidance counselor that she was raped by a fellow 17-year-old student, police said. The alleged assault occurred at the girl's home in southeast Canton on May 19.

The 17-year-old boy admitted to assaulting the girl - and other girls in a similar manner, police said.

The girl claims she told him six or

seven times to stop while he had her pinned to the floor. The boy claims he didn't have her pinned down, but "she may have been so scared she might not have been able to move," the police report said.

There also were conflicting accounts as to whether the sexual assault included penetration.

In the other attack involving a minor, the victim was a four-year-old boy who was visiting a neigh-

bor's house in the northern portion of Canton.

A 12-year-old boy who lives at the residence offered to play with the young boy in his bedroom while the victim's mother was at the house May 20.

The mother noticed the boy's pants were undone when he left the older boy's room. Police officers questioning the four-year-old were

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## A class job: New condo is old school

BY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

A piece of Canton's history has been preserved by a developer who expects to put the old Hough School - now a three-bedroom vintage home - on the market very soon.

Mel Belovicz originally planned to demolish the dilapidated school, built in 1890, and use the property at Warren Avenue and Old Haggerty for an expanded Copper Creek condominium complex.

It didn't take much urging from the township for Belovicz to decide to salvage the turn-of-the-century structure to accent what he touts as condominiums that will bring Canton's housing stock into the year 2000.

The 2,000-square-foot one-room schoolhouse received several additions over the years, but the latest restored the once-decaying building into a desir-

able home that will sell for between \$185,000-\$190,000, he said. It now serves as the sales office for the neighboring 72 condominium units and will be included in the association.

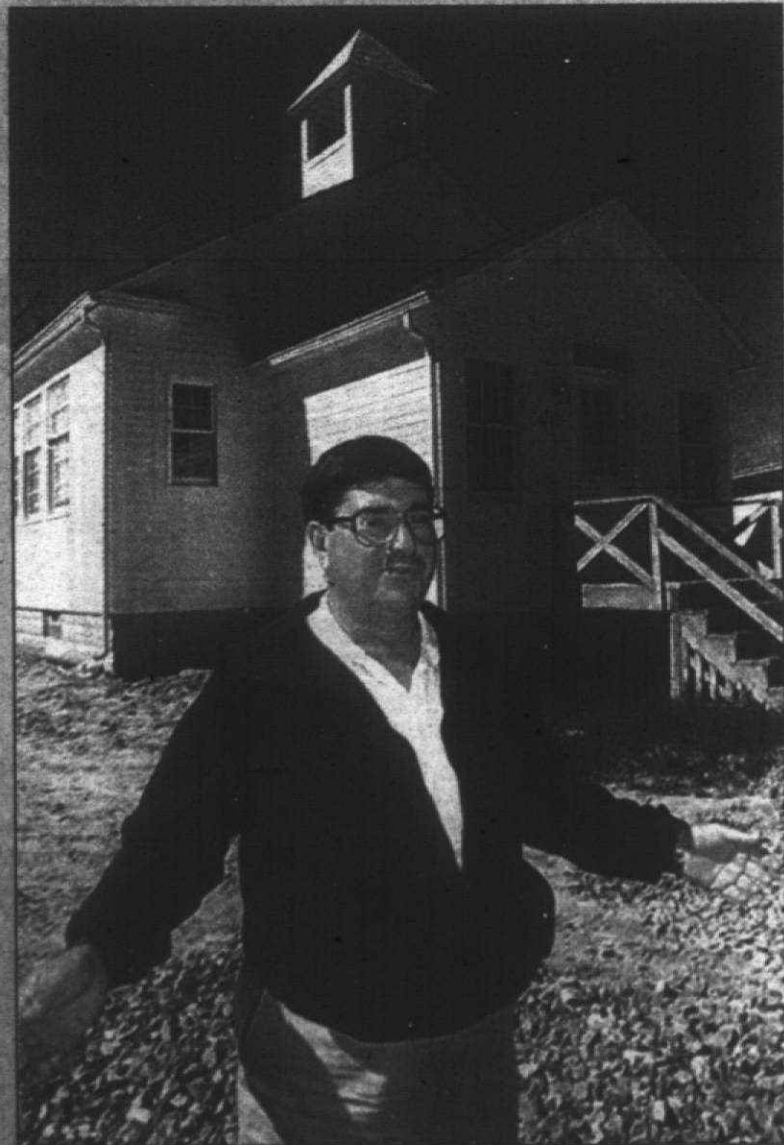
"We stripped it completely and compared it to the pictures of the school over the years. We restored it to what it looked like in the '50s," said Belovicz.

The front half of Hough School is built of a beam structure. Three hand-hewn trusses approximately 10 to 12 inches thick run across the length of the building.

"No nails were used at all. You can still see where the pegs were holding it together," said Belovicz, pointing to one of the hefty beams running along the width of the basement in the new home.

The back half of the building was added in the 1930s and is

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STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BERGLER

**Conversion:** Developer Mel Belovicz shows off the former Hough School, now a home up for sale in the Copper Creek condominium complex at Warren and Old Haggerty. The newly expanded complex (above, left) includes a pond.

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made of stick construction. Belovitz, who said he spent \$100,000 renovating the school, rebuilt the bell cupola that was missing. Old photographs provided by the Historical Commission were used to replace the feature.

"There's a lot of history associated with schooling in Canton. The first one was a log cabin by the creek. When it was destroyed by fire this one was built in 1890 across the street," said Melissa McLaughlin, a member of the Historic Commission and township Board of Trustees.

A formal lease dated Jan. 5, 1835, deeded the Hough family log house to Canton and Nankin (Westland) School District No. 7, the first school district in Canton, said McLaughlin.

The new home also has a two-car detached garage that emphasizes the architecture of Hough School. A deck is planned for the west of the home nearest the garage.

"This is fabulous that we have these people who are preserving some of our landmarks. I think it's the proper thing to do because it's a total waste of resources to tear it down," McLaughlin said.

Other historical buildings being preserved by developers include the Hanford House on Ridge Road and the Franklin farmhouse on Palmer Road, which is part of the Franklin Palmer subdivision.

"(Renovating Hough School) was the best thing for everybody. It's good for me because its No. 73 for the condo association. It's good for the person who lives in a home that is a 100-year-old historical landmark and for the township. The township will be happy because someone will be living in it and it can collect taxes," he said.

Belovitz added, "You can't turn everything into a museum."



**New look:** The kitchen and dining room (now being used as a sales office) of the renovated Hough School, now part of the Copper Creek condominiums.

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have a three-year curriculum to teach kids to pass the proficiency test because we don't want poor scores reported in the newspaper. Unfortunately, high school kids are coming out with no vocabulary. They don't know how to use a dictionary. And they can't write because we don't teach how to diagram a sentence."

Bollman said "the MEAP doesn't tell you why children are performing the way they are, or how to change the process of teaching. If parents want to know how a kid is doing, all they have to do is talk to the teacher."

According to Dershem, "there needs to be some type of testing

## 'We need to step back and ask: What is it schools can control?'

-Roland Thomas

test. That's OK; it's teaching them something, but I don't necessarily think that is the way we should have to teach our kids. I've gone over and over this, trying to figure out a better way to do this."

Commenting on the teaching of phonics versus whole language, Dershem said, "I think we should be teaching the same style in every school. We should have a structured curriculum and a set of goals to be reached by the end of the year, so that at any given time, a given class of students is not going to be different."

Dershem said MEAP scores can't be compared year to year because they reflect the performances of different students.

"I'm impressed with the reading program at Bentley," Dershem said. "In first and second grade the focus was reading." She also is gratified to know second-graders are learning simple fractions.

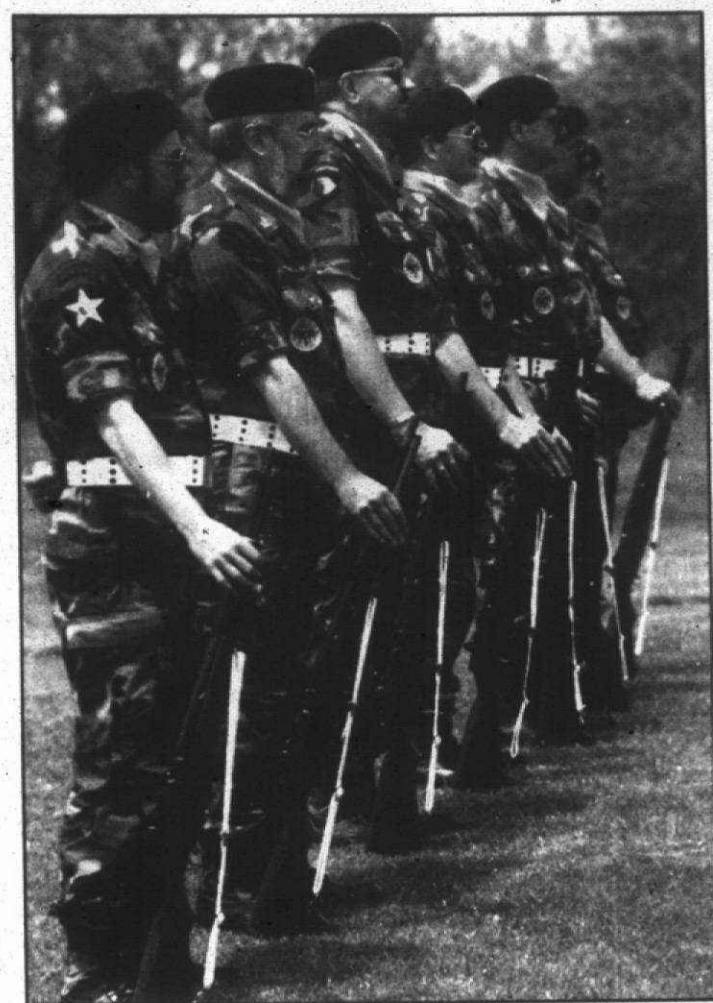
Dershem said she has no opinion on the proficiency test. "I'm not qualified to comment on it," she said.

Thomas said standardized tests primarily reflect socioeconomic status. "That doesn't mean there aren't exceptions," he said.

"Education is complex, with the home, teachers, parents and the school all playing roles. We need to step back and ask 'What is it schools can control?'"

"While I think you can coach, the knowledge a child needs is much broader than what is on the test. We don't spend enough time in elementary school on the arts," said Thomas. "There is so much for children to learn. We need to focus on things that are important for their lifelong journey."

## Salute: Members of the Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans Chapter 528 in a solemn moment during Monday's ceremony



**Setting the beat:** The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band rounds the corner of Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail.

# Memorial Day

## Community turns out for ceremonies

The Plymouth Memorial Day Parade on Monday featured bands, color guards, speakers and some poignant tributes to those killed in battle defending the United States.

There were separate Memorial Day Ceremonies in Canton, where the Canton VFW Post and Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans Chapter 528 placed flags honoring 250 local soldiers killed in action.

The local Vietnam veterans group was also the parade sponsor. This year, grand kids and young children of veterans were encouraged to join them in the parade.

On hand to perform were the Plymouth Educational Park band and the East Middle School band.

After stopping at the newly created Veterans Memorial Park near Central Middle School, the parade ended at the war memorials now at Kellogg



**Honoring war dead:** Donald Rochefort of VFW Post 6967 places a flower at the memorial behind the Canton administration building.

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told the older boy gave him a "wooley." The youngster described a "wooley" as being an act of sodomy.

A 33-year-old woman also told police she wanted to prosecute her brother-in-law for sexually assaulting her on May 18. She told police she was afraid to fight back because he physically assaulted her sister on several occasions resulting in black eyes and broken bones.

The fourth attack involved a 22-year-old Livonia woman who met an old acquaintance at a Michigan Avenue bar. She was later sexually assaulted by him at a Canton apartment. The woman's account of the incident were sketchy because she was allegedly intoxicated at the time of the incident, police said.

Police were called to Annapolis Hospital Sunday morning where the woman filed the complaint after being treated.

"We're still trying to figure out if that happened in Canton," said Sgt. Ed Tanner.

All the incidents are under investigation, he said.

## Layoffs called temporary move

**WAYNE-WESTLAND SCHOOLS**

Nine Wayne-Westland teachers have received layoff notices for next school year, although officials said they expect to recall a majority of them.

The nine educators join three other teachers who have been laid off for one to two years, said Dan Slee, assistant superintendent of employee services.

The layoffs came as Wayne-Westland administration officials plan their staffing for the 1997-98 school year.

"By the beginning of the year, most of them could be recalled," Slee said. Some laid-off teachers could be recalled as other positions become vacant during the next few months, Slee said.

The layoffs are in response to a continuing enrollment decline in a district that once had well over 20,000 students. The last count of 14,678 was done on Feb. 14.

"The downward decline hasn't ceased as of yet," Superintendent Duane Moore said Monday, on the night the school board approved the layoffs.

Slee said the district is expected to employ 825 teachers for 1997-98, following the layoffs. That is a marked decline from the 1,000 teachers employed several years ago.

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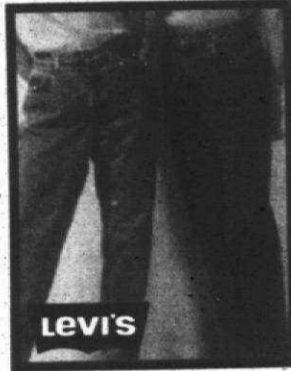


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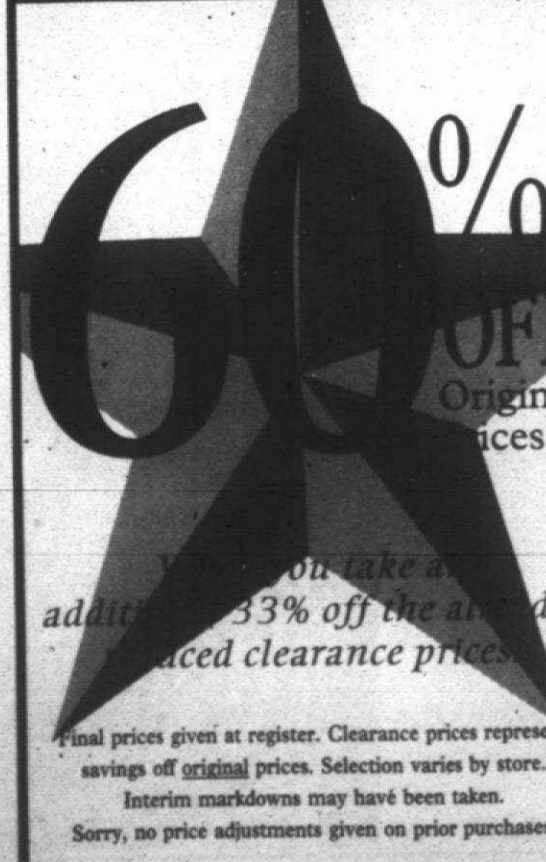


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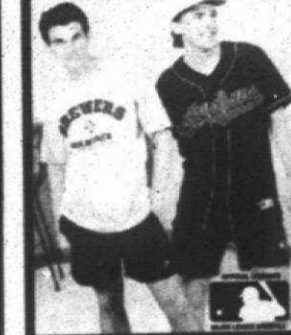
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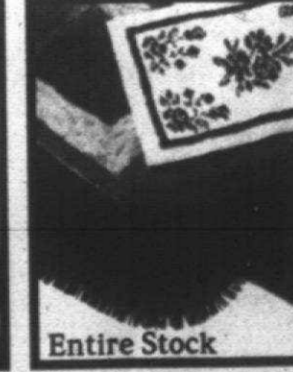
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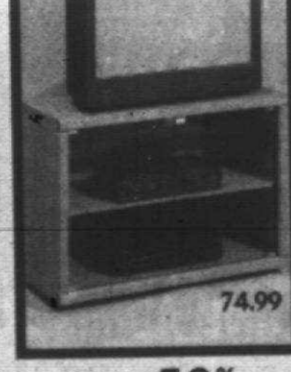
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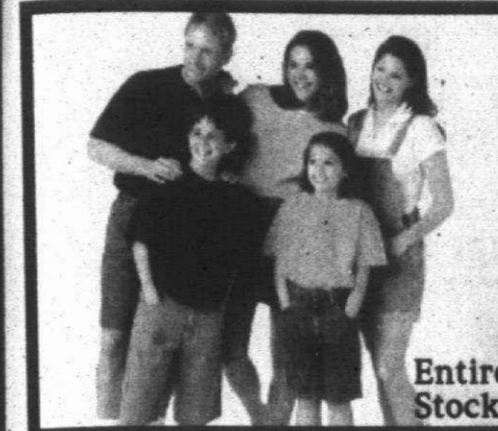


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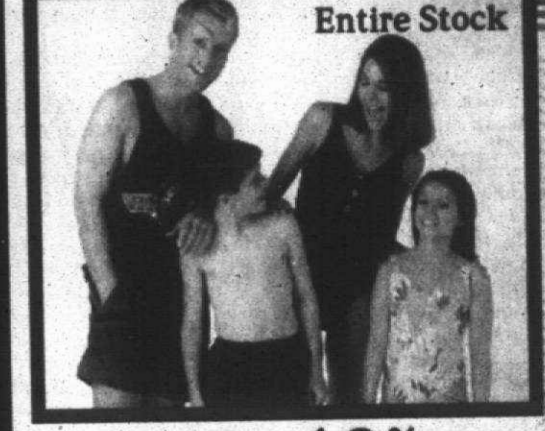
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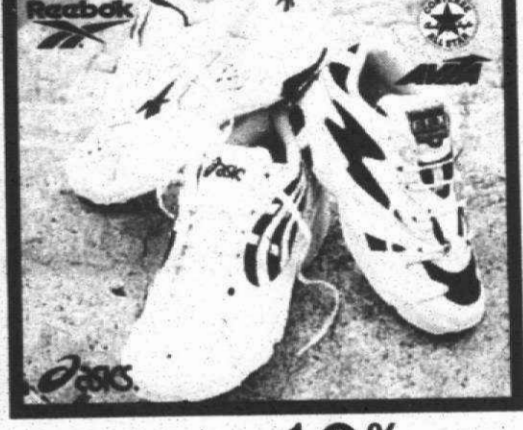
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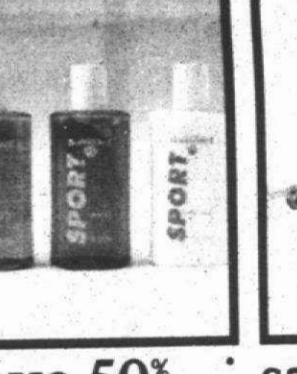
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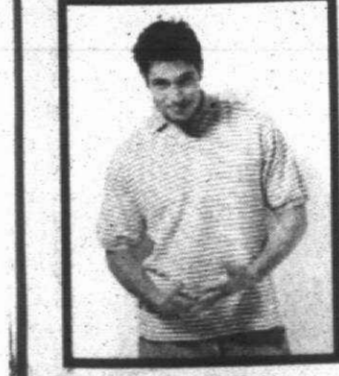
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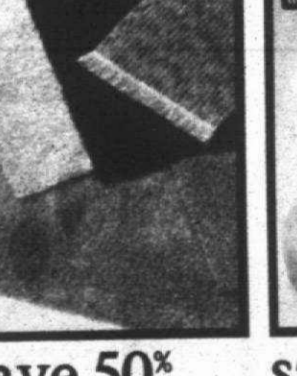
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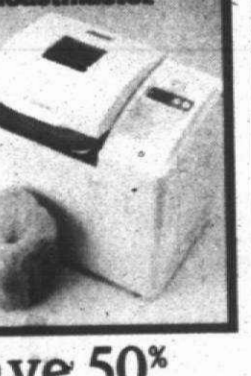
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People also can participate in a raffle and auction, including several rounds of golf at area and northern courses, a Buffalo Bills jersey signed by Chris Spielman, theater tickets and a 1997 Pontiac Grand Am for any golfer scoring a hole-in-one.

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## County establishes new hotline for environment

A new 24-hour hotline provides residents with phone access to the Wayne County Department of Environment.

The department consists of the air quality division, land resources division, division of public works, and watershed management division.

Should any resident have a question or a complaint regarding any service or problem in Wayne County relating to any of these divisions, or to report any illegal dumping activity, they should call 1-888-223-2363 and they will receive assistance.

The air quality division protects the air quality within the county and in turn protects the public health and welfare. Citizens with complaints about

odors or other observed emissions from industrial can obtain assistance here.

The division of public works maintains and operates drainage systems and wastewater management.

The land resources division protects Wayne County land resources through the prevention of land contamination, soil erosion control and solid waste management.

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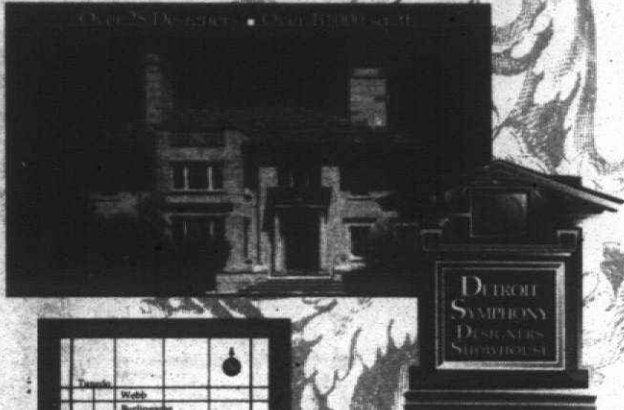
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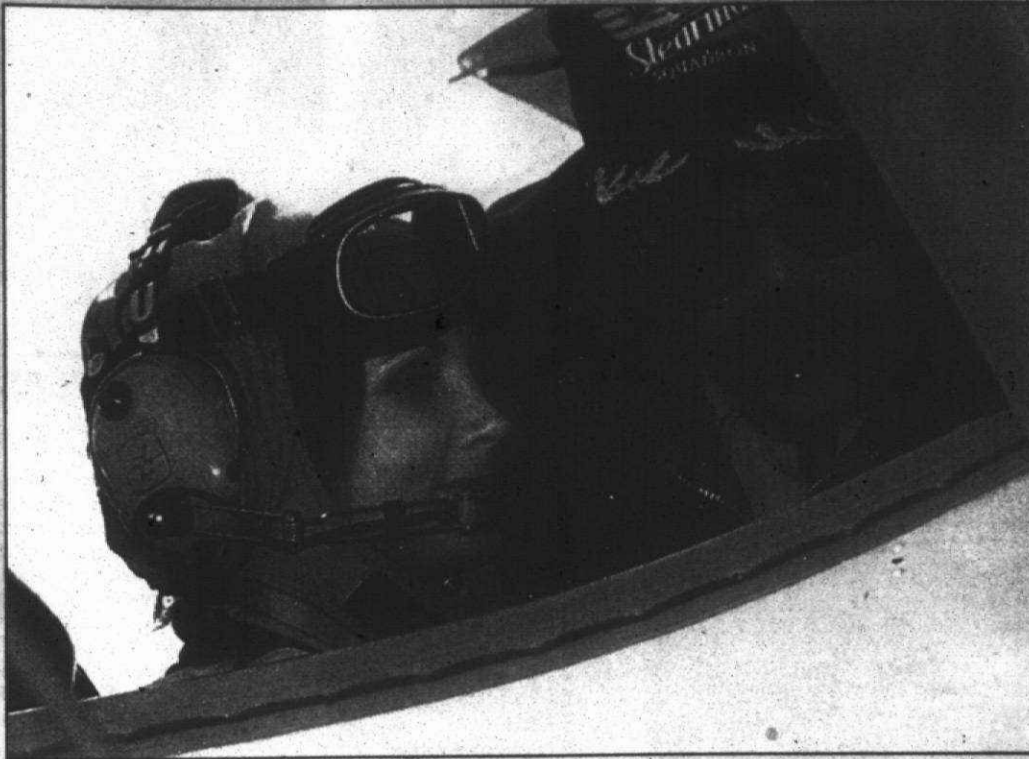


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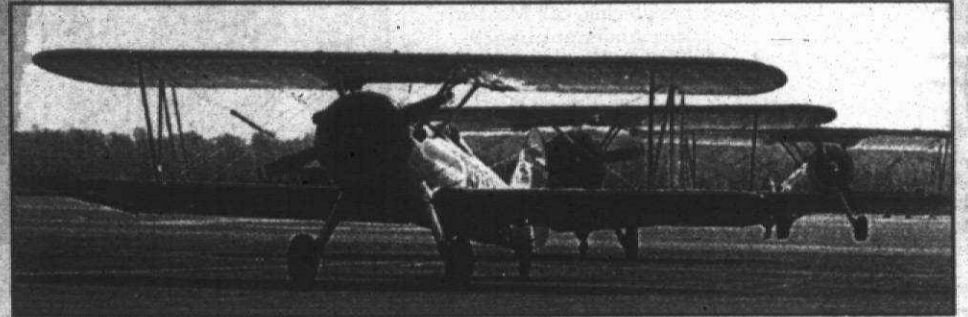
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WAYNE COUNTY AIR SHOW



**Safety tips:** (Left) Pilot, John Bowman instructs Graves on emergency procedures in the cockpit of the Red Baron. (Right) Staff artist, Tammie Graves approves of the ride.



**Formation:** (Above) The team of four Red Baron pilots return from their aerobatic flight. (Below) Bowman warns it's going windy.

## Squadron storms Willow Run

STORY BY STAFF WRITER TAMMIE GRAVES  
PHOTOS BY STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER SHARON LEMIEUX

No matter what my knees were doing, when the offer came to ride with the Red Baron Stearman Squadron - Four Ship Aerobatic Team, my mouth piped up "I'll do it!"

Aerial showmanship or "barnstorming" began prior to World War I but flourished in the 1920s when thousands of surplus military planes became available at bargain prices. Traveling across the countryside dozens of barnstorming pilots earned money by performing at fairs and taking adventurous passengers for rides.

Continuing the tradition, the Red Baron Squadron is flying for charity at the Wayne County Air Show this weekend with proceeds going to the American Cancer Society with the focus on children.

At 8:30 a.m. Wednesday morning I arrived at Willow Run Airport to preview the activities. Having been somewhat shaken on a simple Ferris wheel a few days earlier, I realized this could be trouble.

A tall, dark man came into the room wearing a Red Baron jumpsuit with the name John Bowman printed on his lapel. John is the lead pilot of the formation aerobatic team and has

*Wo-o-o doggie!*

flown for the Red Baron's since 1982. Although he has more than 10,500 hours flying time to his credit he confesses to a fear of falling off a ladder while cleaning his plane.

The four bi-planes were walked from the hanger and arranged in a row. John instructed me on how to get into the plane and carefully explained the procedure to follow in case of an emergency. Of course, I wasn't paying too much attention as he was strapping me into my parachute and headgear with earphones and microphone.

Through the headset John explained every movement as we were positioning for takeoff. The plane engine was loud and rumbled as we bounced down the runway.

We were in the air in a flash. The ride was a bit bumpy though John said it was a pretty decent day for flying. Having only a small windshield for protection, I was surprised to learn I didn't need my goggles. We were up in the air approximately 2,200 feet (aerobatics need to be performed at least 1,500 feet in the air).

Of the four bi-planes, John and I took the lead formation and it was difficult to see what the others were doing. John's voice came through my headset and said "Tammie, are you ready for a little aerobatics?" I said, "go for it!"

Having never flown in this type of plane, I barely knew what to expect. I'm not quite sure what we did but I saw the horizon line every which way and the G-forces gave me an instant facelift and pressed me backward into my seat. All I could do was laugh and yell "wo-o-o doggie!"

"You'll notice we don't talk to each other a whole lot up here," John said.

"Most of the communication is with head and hand signals. Sometimes I have both hands and feet on the controls and it's hard to give hand signals so I use my head to indicate a turn or when we're rolling out of a turn."

We did the "loop," "hammer-head turn," "barrel roll" and "quarter clover." Then indicating that we were heading for home, he did a sharp turn to the right and came in for a very smooth landing.

Unable to see in front of the plane, John shimmied back and forth along the runway to

gain a better view. It was over too soon.

The Red Baron Squadron is one of the many major attractions at the AirMichigan Wayne County Air Show this Saturday and Sunday at Willow Run Airport.

This is an event not to be missed.



**Steppin' out:** Tammie Graves steps out of the historic Red Baron after a 15 minute ride over Wayne County.



### Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the U.S. Air Force

- **When:** Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1
- **Where:** Willow Run Airport
- **Time:** Gates open at 9 a.m. Feature show at 11 a.m.

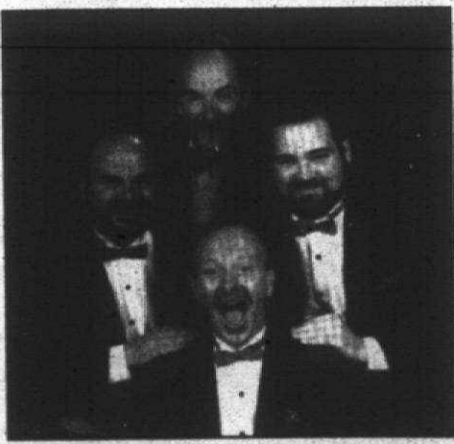
#### Major attractions:

- U.S. Navy Blue Angels - Jet Aerobatic Team
- U.S. Army Golden Knights - Precision Parachute Team
- U.S. Air Force A-10 "Warthog" Demonstration - "The Tank Killer"
- U.S. Navy F-14 Tomcat Demonstration - Star of the Movie "Top Gun"
- U.S. Air Force F-117 "Stealth" Nighthawk - Fly-By
- Red Baron Stearman Squadron - from the Nostalgic Barnstorming Era
- Sean D. Tucker - Solo Aerobatics with the 1-800-COLLECT Challenger II
- Julie Clark - MOPART T-34 Demonstration
- Kent Gordon - The Toyota AirSports Corolla Solo Aerobatics
- Jim Myrning - Super Club Comedy Act and Car Top Landing
- Chuck Lischer - Jane's Combat F-260 Solo Aerobatics
- Bob Bishop - BD-5 Freedom Jet, Solo Aerobatics
- Danny Clishman - Master of Ceremonies and Voice of the Air Show
- Military Jet Demonstrations and Fly-Bys
- Air Force, Army, Marine, Coast Guard and Navy Static Display Aircraft
- Yankee Air Force - WWII Historic Aircraft
- Michigan Helicopter Association - Helicopter Fly-Bys and Displays
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# Head of anti-tax group raps fuel tax hike plan

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

State budget makers got \$83 million of good news when the House Fiscal Agency reported a rosier-than-expected revenue picture.

The agency told lawmakers the state was \$1.2 billion below the limit of \$21.7 billion imposed by the 1978 Headlee amendment to the Michigan Constitution.

That failed to stop Bill McMaster, chair of the gadfly Michigan Taxpayers United, from blistering the "ambush plan" of top Republican officials to raise fuel taxes about \$200 million. "Any increase in gas(oline) taxes will have to be decided by taxpayers and not the governor or state legislators," McMaster said at a May 20 news conference in Pontiac.

He blistered Gov. John Engler, Oakland Executive L. Brooks Patterson and Brent Bair, managing director of the Oakland road commission, for seeking the fuel tax increase as part of what

the governor calls his "Build Michigan II" program.

But the HFA report, released two days later, said the applicable limit is \$21.7 billion, based on 9.49 percent of state total personal income of \$228.4 billion for the current fiscal year, while revenue is projected at \$20.4 billion.

For fiscal 1998, beginning Oct. 1, the limit will be \$22.6 billion, while actual taxes are projected to be \$1.4 billion less.

The HFA report came as legislators put together school aid, university and community college appropriations bills that are tens of millions higher than recommended in February by Engler's Department of Management and Budget.

In short:  
■ Baseline general fund revenues on May 22 were estimated at \$8.82 billion, or \$83 million higher than estimated last January.

■ School aid fund revenues are estimated at \$8.66 billion, or

\$68 million higher than the January estimate. The school aid fund consists of much of the 6 percent sales tax, lottery and other revenues dedicated to K-12 public schools.

Mitchell Bean, senior economist for HFA, forecast a rosy picture for the Michigan economy during the rest of 1997 but a slower growth rate in 1998. Highlights:

■ Personal income rose by 4.4 percent last year, will go up 5.4

percent this year, and taper off to 4.6 percent in 1998.

■ Unemployment, after hitting a low of 4.4 percent last month, will average 4.7 percent for the entire year and 4.8 percent in 1998.

■ Inflation, as measured by the Detroit consumer price index, will drop from last year's 2.7 percent to 2.6 percent this year and 2.5 percent in 1998.

Michigan's "rainy day fund," an accumulated surplus to be

used in times of recession, rose to \$1.15 billion for fiscal 1995-96 (which ended last Sept. 30). The fund will grow to \$1.23 billion this Sept. 30 and \$1.31 billion for fiscal 1997-8 (beginning Oct. 1).

The HFA forecaster assumed a federal budget deal between Congress and the Clinton Administration that will result in a balanced budget by 2002.

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T/TH	9:00 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 17	C. DeLuca
T/TH	5:55 P.M.	STEP	June 17	T. Barackman
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M/W	7:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 16	K. Treadwell-Smith
M/W	8:10 P.M.	STEP	June 16	K. Treadwell-Smith
T/TH	9:00 A.M.	Low/Hi Impact	June 17	T. Brandon

T/TH class will run for 1 1/2 hrs - Low/Hi Impact & Sculpt & Tone  
1 day per wk/\$48 2 days/\$65  
\*Babysitting available/\$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

Faith Lutheran Church (30000 5 Mile Rd., W. of Middlebelt) 10 weeks  
1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54 Unlimited/\$69  
\$3.00 F.F. adm. fee will be collected by the instructor the first day of class.  
\* W 9:15 A.M. Sculpt & Tone June 18 T. Brandon  
\*Babysitting available/\$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

**12-FARMINGTON**  
Piemontese (38500 W. Nine Mile Rd., E. of Haggerty) 10 weeks  
1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54 Unlimited/\$69  
\$3.00 F.F. adm. fee will be collected by the instructor the first day of class.  
\*\* \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step

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W/F	6:00 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 25	L. Cardity
M	8:20 A.M.	Low Impact	June 23	S. Kambouris
M/W	9:35 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 23	I. Lokar
M/W	6:30 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 23	H. Jones
W	8:20 A.M.	Aerobic Circuit/ Sculpt & Tone (alt. weeks)	June 25	S. Kambouris
T/TH	9:15 A.M.	STEP I	June 24	P. Kerwan
T/TH	6:30 P.M.	STEP II	June 24	L. Gignac
F	9:35 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 27	S. Brown
Sat	8:30 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 28	L. Burke

\*Babysitting \$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family  
Faith Covenant Church (14 Mile & Drake) 10 weeks  
(Call 810-661-9191 for more information)  
1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54 Unlimited/\$69  
\$3.00 F.F. adm. fee will be collected by the instructor the first day of class.  
\* M/F 9:20 A.M. Low/Hi Impact June 9 P. Carlson  
\* W 9:20 A.M. Sculpt & Tone June 11 M.B. Bloom  
1 day per wk/\$20 2 days/\$27 Unlimited/\$35

\$3.00 F.F. adm. fee will be collected by the instructor the first day of class.  
T/TH 7:00 P.M. Low/Hi Impact June 10 K. Roberts  
\*Babysitting \$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

SPONSORED BY: Farmington Hills Recreation Center  
Farmington Hills Activities Center  
(28600 11 Mile Rd., Gate 4 Door C) 10 weeks  
1 day per wk/\$43 2 days/\$57 Unlimited/\$72  
\*\* \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step

M/T/TH	9:30 A.M.	**Aerobic Rotation	June 9	J. Stec
M/W	7:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 9	S. Williams
T/TH	6:30 P.M.	Step II	June 10	P. Kerwan
Sat	9:00 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 14	K. Treadwell-Smith

\*Babysitting \$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family  
\*\*Classes alternate between aerobics & Sculpt & Tone-check with instructor for specifics.

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Please bring a mat or towel to class

1 day per wk/\$43	2 days/\$57	Unlimited/\$72
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\*\* \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step

M/W	9:05 A.M.	Low Impact	June 23	S. Brown
M/W	10:15 A.M.	STEP II	June 23	L. Gignac
M/W	6:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	June 23	L. Burke
M/W	7:10 P.M.	STEP II	June 23	B. Kabodian
F	9:05 A.M.	Sculpt & Tone	June 27	S. Flanagan

\*Babysitting \$1.50 per child  
Novi High School (10 Mile Rd., bet. Taft & Novi Rd.) 11 weeks  
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M/W/TH 7:00 P.M. Hi/Low Impact June 16 T. Snurka

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# COMMUNITY LIFE

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THURSDAY, MAY 29, 1997

## FAMILY ROOM



KAREN MEIER

### Poor little robin is gentle victor

Once upon a time, a week ago Wednesday, a schoolgirl walking past our house called out, "There's a sick bird over here, in the bushes, I think it's hurt or something, it's not moving."

Carmen, my 10-year-old, just minutes home from school herself, heard this cry for help. She burst out the door, ran across the street to the grassy boulevard where the other little girl stood. I saw the two talking, I saw their hands expressing concern and helplessness.

And then Carmen came running back home and asked if she could have the towel hanging in the bathroom. A cold May drizzle had begun to fall. I said, "OK." Away she dashed, with towel in hand.

Her older brother, Tony, and the three little ones looked on as she scooped the bird up, carefully, and brought it into our home. It was a robin, a quite fat and healthy looking robin except it was lying quite still on its side on the towel.

I'm not an ornithologist, I don't know from birds, but this, to me, did not look good at all. No matter. My children wanted things to be right for this creature. A small dose of comfort and care would help.

I choked back my skepticism as those five pairs of eyes met mine. A box was found and Carmen very gently laid the bird, still wrapped in the towel, inside the box.

I shook my head, it was a subtle shake, one that spoke of futility. Carmen saw it; I didn't mean for that to happen. She began crying. I told her we'd keep the bird dry and warm and safe, we'd put the box up high enough so our cat and the nosy, curious younger brothers wouldn't bother. And then she got ready for her gymnastics practice.

I took Carmen to her practice and returned home. While I was gone, Tony had set up a warming light over the bird box. I looked inside expecting to find the limp form of a near dead bird. Instead, I saw a robin standing up, on its own two feet and making a cheep noise.

I couldn't believe it, I called the little boys and Tony over and said, "Look! She's feeling much better! Look how she's standing there!" They

Please see FAMILY ROOM, B2

## Bit of relief

### RLS sufferers find support in new group

■ With the help of her second husband, Lillian Eory has found some relief from a motion disorder in her legs that has at times forced her to eat dinner standing up. Now, she hopes to help others with a new support group.

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

As she talks, Lillian Eory presses the palms of her hands into her thighs, moving them up and down in hard continuous strokes.

She's not certain if she does the hand movements out of need or out of habit, but it is a home remedy that seems to give her some relief from the twitchy, itchy feeling in her legs.

"I can feel it coming," she said. "I have to take my pills on time, so I don't get started, because if I don't, I'm in for a good 30-45 minutes of it until the pills take effect."

The Westland resident is among an estimated 3 million Americans diagnosed with Restless Legs Syndrome, a motion disorder characterized by uncomfortable sensations that usually occur in the calves, but can be felt anywhere from the thigh to the ankle.

Eory's first brush with RLS was at age 35, but it took 28 years and the help of her husband, Frank, before she found "the right kind of doctor" and some relief two years ago.

"I'd been going to a doctor all along, but when I married Frank seven years ago and he saw what I was going through, he decided we would find a doctor," Eory said. "I went to 12 doctors before I found the right kind. I went to chiropractors, neurologists, psychiatrists and endocrinologists until I final found what I needed, a neurologist specializing in motion disorders."

#### Lifelong condition

RLS was first described by Thomas Willis in 1685. A lifelong condition, it has no cure. Its cause is unknown, although it can run in families. Symptoms gradually worsen with age and are worse in the evening and at night, making sleep-onset insomnia its most disabling feature, according to the Minnesota-



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Which one when? Lillian Eory relies on a compartmentalized box to keep track of the different medications she takes for the Restless Legs Syndrome that she first developed 28 years ago. Compounding the RLS, is diabetes-induced neuropathy that is slowly killing the nerves in her legs.

based Restless Legs Syndrome Foundation.

While Eory uses words like itchy and twitchy, others describe the sensations as creeping, crawling, tingling, pulling and painful. The symptoms worsen during periods of relaxation and decreased activity, making riding in a car, watching a movie, going to dinner or sleeping difficult because of the irresistible urge to move the legs when the sensations occur. Eory has had to stand up in a restaurant to finish dinner, to play cards and even do crafts.

"Even taking a plane," she said. "I had an attack and it pushed me into a panic attack because I wanted to get off. I pushed my head into the

corner and cried, then I took two Tylenol 3s and fell asleep."

"If we went from here to Chicago, we'd have to stop a half dozen times; it was aggravating," added Frank. "But the frustrating part is that doctors don't understand; they would just give her a bunch of bull."

That was until they found Dr. Jay Garol, a neurologist specializing in motion disorders, at Henry Ford Hospital. With Garol's help, Eory has been able to manage her symptoms and get some sleep - "I slept from 11:30 to 6 a.m., my longest sleep for God knows how long."

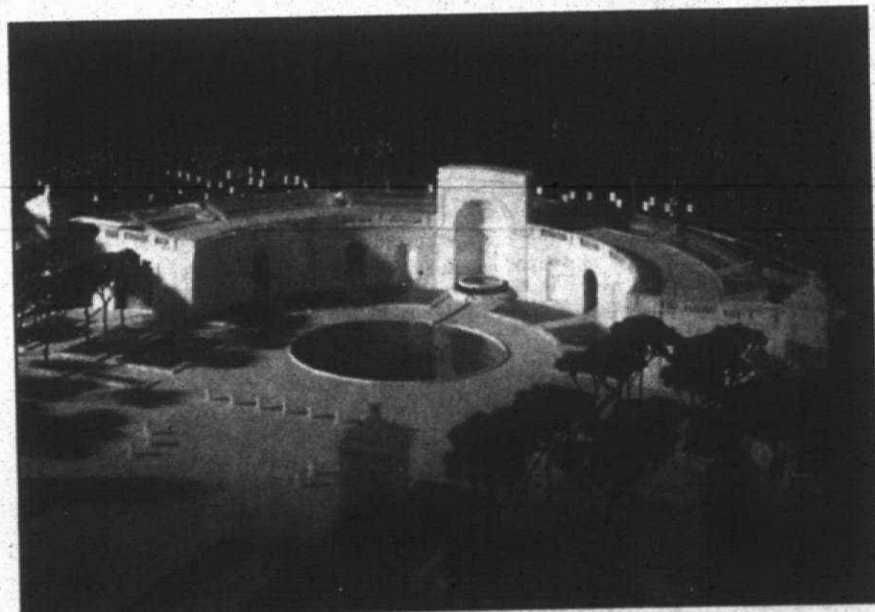
"I never got a whole night's sleep," Eory said. "I get four-five hours and then I'd get up and walk or do the

laundry. As long as I was on my feet, I was OK."

A combination of dopaminergic agents to reduce symptoms and nighttime leg movements, benzodiazepines to depress the central nervous system and allow her to sleep even through movements and sensation, and opioids to kill pain and relax have given her relief.

"My husband travels a lot with his work and with Dr. Garol's help, I can go with him now," she said. "I take my medication just before we leave and stay up all night so that I get in the car and fall asleep. The best trip was when I slept all the way to Chicago."

Please see SYNDROME, B2



New addition: The gateway to Arlington National Cemetery is being renovated as part of the construction of the new Women in Military Service for America Memorial in Washington, D.C.

### Washington's newest memorial honors women in military service

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

Like the E.F. Hutton advertisement, when Wilma Vaught spoke, Congress listens.

In 1986, the retired Air Force brigadier general went to Capitol Hill to ask for a lasting tribute for women veterans. Congress listened and came up with three different sites for the memorial. Two were unsuitable, but the third - the gateway to Arlington National Cemetery - was just right.

Eleven years later, women around the country are literally beating the bushes to get information on the estimated 1.8 million women who have served - and are serving - in the military since the Revolutionary War.

"It's fun; it's like throwing a rock in the pond," said Dorothy Dabe, fresh from working a booth at the Women's International Expo in Novi. "It's the way women have been passing the word around."

The Clawson resident is one of 82 women across the state who serve as field representatives for the

Women in Military Service for America Memorial. Across the country, field reps are helping to raise the money needed to construct and maintain the memorial and to find and encourage women veterans or their families to participate.

When completed, the memorial will be 272 feet wide, the largest memorial in Washington, D.C., dedicated to the military. Unlike the black granite walls of the Vietnam War Memorial or the towering statue of Abraham Lincoln in the Lincoln Memorial, the WIMSA memorial is a complex, using the cemetery's hemicycle wall, built in 1933, as its facade.

#### Education center

The memorial will house an education center with a display of uniforms, theater, chapel and Hall of Honor which will have a computerized registry of women who have served in the armed forces, past and current. The database will include

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NEW VOICES

**ERIC** and **BARBARA HAPPY** of Garden City announce the birth of **ALEXIS MARY** Feb. 24 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins three siblings, Maggie, Snowie and Skippy. Grandparents are Bob and Mary-Lou Happy of Dearborn Heights and Gerry and Leona Irwin of Kinde.

**CHAD** and **EMILY DAVIS** of Redford announce the birth of **MICHAEL CHAD** March 7 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Don and Barb Nelson of Rudyard and Danny Favis of Livonia.

**STEPHEN** and **JILL KLECZYNSKI** of Garden City and Westland announce the birth of **AMEE MAXINE** March 9 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She has two brothers and two sisters. Grandparents are Judy Harris of Westland, Lonnie Harris of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., and Pat Corlins of Garden City.

**DANIEL BAILEY** and **LOIS MOORE** of Westland announce the birth of **WESLEY WILLIAM** March 13 at the birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Leda Moore and Leonard Stark, both of Detroit.

**KEVIN** and **DEANNA MURPHY** of Garden City announce the birth of **GARRETT MICHAEL** March 11 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He has two sisters, Katelyn, 4 1/2, and Courtney, 3. Grandparents are Rick and Vicki Drazen of Garden City, Kathy Murphy of Westland and Edward and Patty Murphy of White Lake Township.

**DWAYNE CHILDRESS** and **LYNETTE TOWERS** of Garden City announce the birth of **SAVANAH HONEY CHILDRESS** March 21 at the Birthing Center of Garden City

Hospital. She has a brother Bradley Towers, 13. Grandparents are Gene and Darlene Childress of Wayne, Cliff and JoAnn Golden of Wayne and Dale and Sandy Grim of Port Charlotte, Fla.

**BOBBY CONNER** and **KATHRYN JORDAN** of Westland announce the birth of **JAMES RICHARD** March 20 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Bobby and Elizabeth Conner and Roy and Sue Jordan, all of Westland.

**PETER GILLIES** and **KIMBERLY CUBR** of Westland announce the birth of **TAYLOR**

**CLARA** March 13 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She has three sisters, Tabitha, 14, Jessica, 12 1/2, and Tia, 1. Grandparents are Donald and Louise Gillies of Satellite Beach, Fla., and Linda Holt of Canton.

**THOMAS** and **DeANNA DOYLE** of Canton announce the birth of **NICHOLAS AVERY** March 14 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He has a brother, Kyle Addison, 7, and a sister, Carolyn Anne, 3. Grandparents are Roe and Iona Martin of Orange City, Fla., Thomas and Beverly Doyle of Rose Hill,

Va., and Linda Irvin of Van Cleve, Ky.

**KARL** and **ANGELA JONES** of Dearborn announce the birth of **MEGAN ROSE** March 17 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She has a sister, Brittany Lee, 2. Grandparents are Rick and Linda Guest of Taylor and Leon Jones and Pat Ast of Canton.

**BRIAN LANGLEY** and **ANGELIQUE SHREVE** of Wayne announce the birth of **ALEXANDRIA NICOLE SHREVE** March 14 at the Birthing Center of Garden City

Hospital. She has a sister, Ashley Nicole, 4. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jackson of Taylor and Phillip Shreve of Wayne.

**MARK MARTIN** and **CHRISTINE WIGGINS** of Westland announce the birth of **DEVAN JAMES** March 18 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He has two brothers, Jordan, 6, and Ryan, 2 1/2. Grandparents are Colette Cronin of Westland, John Wiggins of Dearborn Heights and Kevin and Regina Corey of Detroit.

**RICHARD** and **SUSANA GRIFFIN** of Garden City


announce the birth of **DERRYK WYLIE** March 12 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Richard and Delores Griffin of Westland and Stan and Teresa Varga of Livonia.

**MICHAEL** and **KATHLEEN LONEY** of Westland announce the birth of **HAILEY GRACE** March 8 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She has two sisters, Danielle, 14, and Samantha, 10, and one brother, Michael Jr., 12. Grandparents are Donald Loney of Bradenton, Fla., and the late Grace Loney and Charles and Kathleen Hammell of Garden City.

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- From the beginning of I-275 to Telegraph Rd., Monroe County
- Telegraph Rd. to Newberg Rd., Monroe County
- Newberg Rd. to Northline Rd./I-94, Wayne County
- Northline Rd., I-94 to Five Mile Rd./I-96, Wayne County

Northbound traffic will be detoured as follows:

- Travel I-75 North to Exit 35 (US-24 Telegraph Connector) in Taylor
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For 24 hour information about MDOT detours and road closures call toll free **1 (800) 641-6368**.

## Hospice sponsors picnic

Widowed dads and children are invited to join other families whose lives have been affected by the death of their mother and wife, Sunday, June 1, at Rotary Park in Livonia.

The picnic will be 4-6:30 p.m. at the Park, Six Mile Road east of Farmington Road. It is sponsored by Arbor Hospice and Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church.

It will include special art activities for children to express feelings in a safe, non-threatening way and opportunities for dads to discuss the challenges of single parenting. Special groups will be formed for teenagers. Dads are welcome to attend even if their children can't.

Dinner will be provided. In case of inclement weather, the picnic will take place at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road at Six Mile Road.

Preregistration is necessary. To register or for more information, call Arbor Hospice Bereavement Department at (800) 783-5764. If possible, a \$20 per family donation will be accepted.

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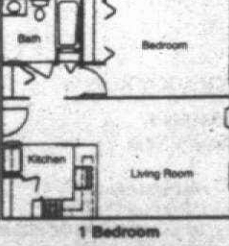


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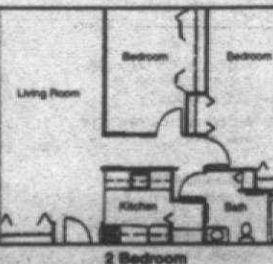
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TRACK RESULTS

OPERATION FRIENDSHIP BOYS TRACK MEET. Team standings: 1. Detroit Catholic Central, 73 points; 2. Detroit Northfield, 52; 3. Dearborn Division, 42; 4. U-D Jesuit, 34; 5. Warren DeLaSalle, 29; 6. Orchard Lake St. Mary, 26; 7. Detroit DeWain, 24; 8. Southgate Aquinas and Riverview, 20; 10. Detroit St. Martin, 15; 11. Detroit Henry Ford, 14; 12. Detroit Martin Luther King, 13; 13. Birmingham Brother Rice, 10; 14. Detroit Renaissance, 9; 15. (tie) Detroit Benedictine, Detroit Mumford, Detroit Cass Tech, 6; 18. Detroit Murray Wright, 4; 19. Redford Bishop Borgess, 2.

THE WEEK AHEAD

STATE TOURNAMENT DISTRICT BASEBALL DRAWS. CLASS A. REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL (Host) Saturday, May 31: Livonia Churchill vs. Livonia Stevenson, 10 a.m.; Redford Catholic Central vs. Plymouth Canton, noon. Championship final: Approximately 2 p.m. (Winner advances to the Ann Arbor Huron regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Monroe district champion.)

Big opening to bass season for local fishermen

Bass season opened Saturday and a couple local anglers wasted little time in finding a successful pattern. Southfield's Terry Sanders and Livonia's Byron McBride teamed with their partners to place second and third, respectively, Saturday in the 1997 Oakland Bass Master's Kent Lake Open. Sanders and his partner, Terry Abfalter of Howell, caught an eight-fish tournament limit which tipped the scale at 21.51 pounds, less than a half-pound short of the winning catch of 21.94 pounds, caught by Fred Malmquist (Milford) and Jim Indreica (Flint). For their success Sanders and Abfalter each received a plaque and they pocketed \$929.25 in cash, \$20 in Big Boy Cash and two Gander Mountain hats. Sanders also just missed big bass honors with his 5.16-pound largemouth. Fenton's Tom Holda had the big bass of the tournament, a 5.26-pound largemouth. McBride and his partner, Al Fazakas of Dearborn Heights, placed fourth with a catch of 17.54 pounds. They earned \$442.50 cash, \$20 in Big Boy Cash and two Gander Mountain hats. Despite cool rainy conditions throughout a major portion of the tournament, 40 two-man teams weighed fish out of the 75 teams entered in the tournament. The 40 successful teams combined to land 143 keepers which weighed a tournament-record 400.52 pounds. That's an average of 2.80 pounds per fish. Every fish weighed was alive and released back into the lake. The next event on the Oakland Bass Master's schedule will be the Orchard Lake Open on June 8. There is a 50-bait limit so prebaiting is advised. For more information contact Oakland Bass Masters at 838 N. Maple, Royal Oak, MI 48067 or call (248) 642-5254.

GIRLS BEST TRACK TIMES

Following is a list of Observerland best girls track times and distances. Fat updates to (313) 591-7279 or call (313) 953-2141. SHOT PUT: Jessica Ash (Salem) 37-10; Melissa Gratz (N. Farmington) 37-7; Shawna Fair (Mercy) 36-7 3/4; Danielle Wensing (Franklin) 35-9 3/4; Amanda Groy (Canton) 35-1 1/2; Kerstin Andrezewski (Harrison) 34-3 1/2; Angela Smith (Saalem) 34-3; Brandi Bernard (Canton) 34-2 1/2; Cecy Johnson (Mercy) 34-1 3/4; Tiffany Gubaugh (Saalem) 33-9.

BOYS BEST TRACK TIMES

Following is a list of Observerland best boys track times and measurements. Fat updates to (313) 591-7279 or call (313) 953-2141. SHOT PUT: Ron Pennington (Wayne) 54-6; Nick Shaeb (Harrison) 54-1; Dan Dominguez (Redford CC) 53-2 3/4; Mike Samples (John Glenn) 52-3 1/4; Matt Lawson (Franklin) 51-3 1/4; Brian Douglas (Redford CC) 50-7; Kirk Moudros (N. Farmington) 48-9 3/4; Chris Koss (Redford CC) 48-4; Kevin Keil (Canton) 45-8 3/4; Dave Hester (Saalem) 45-2 1/2.

ALL-WESTERN DIVISION. Pitchers: Kim Taylor, Jr., North Farmington; Charlie Avery, South Farmington; Catcher: Chuck Archambeau, Sr., Farmington. First base: Mike Allison, Sr., Livonia.

200-METER DASH: Mahogany Fletcher (Harrison) 12.4; Kana Adams (John Glenn) 12.7; Nichki Okumabau (Canton) 12.7; Angela Morris (Mercy) 12.7; Brianna Watson (Ladywood) 12.7; Monica Czerwinski (N. Farmington) 12.8; Rachel Jones (Saalem) 12.8; Jeannette Martus (Churchill) 12.8; Laura Clark (Lutheran Wald) 12.9; Jackie Fadon (Stevenson) 12.9.

SHOOTING SPORTS

Motor City Classic. The NASC Starcraft/Beretta Motor City Classic, a world-class shooting event for veteran and novice sporting clays shooters, will be held Saturday and Sunday, June 7-8, at the Bald Mountain Gun Range in Lake Orion. Competition in the 200-target main event will be held in classes AA, A, B, C, D, E and Ladies. The competition also includes a 200-target concurrent events in seniors, veterans, junior and sub-junior classes. A 100-target sportsman's event features competition in pump, semi-auto, and double-barrel classes. Call 1-800-224-4990 or (810) 814-9193 for more information.

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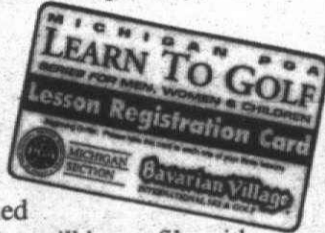
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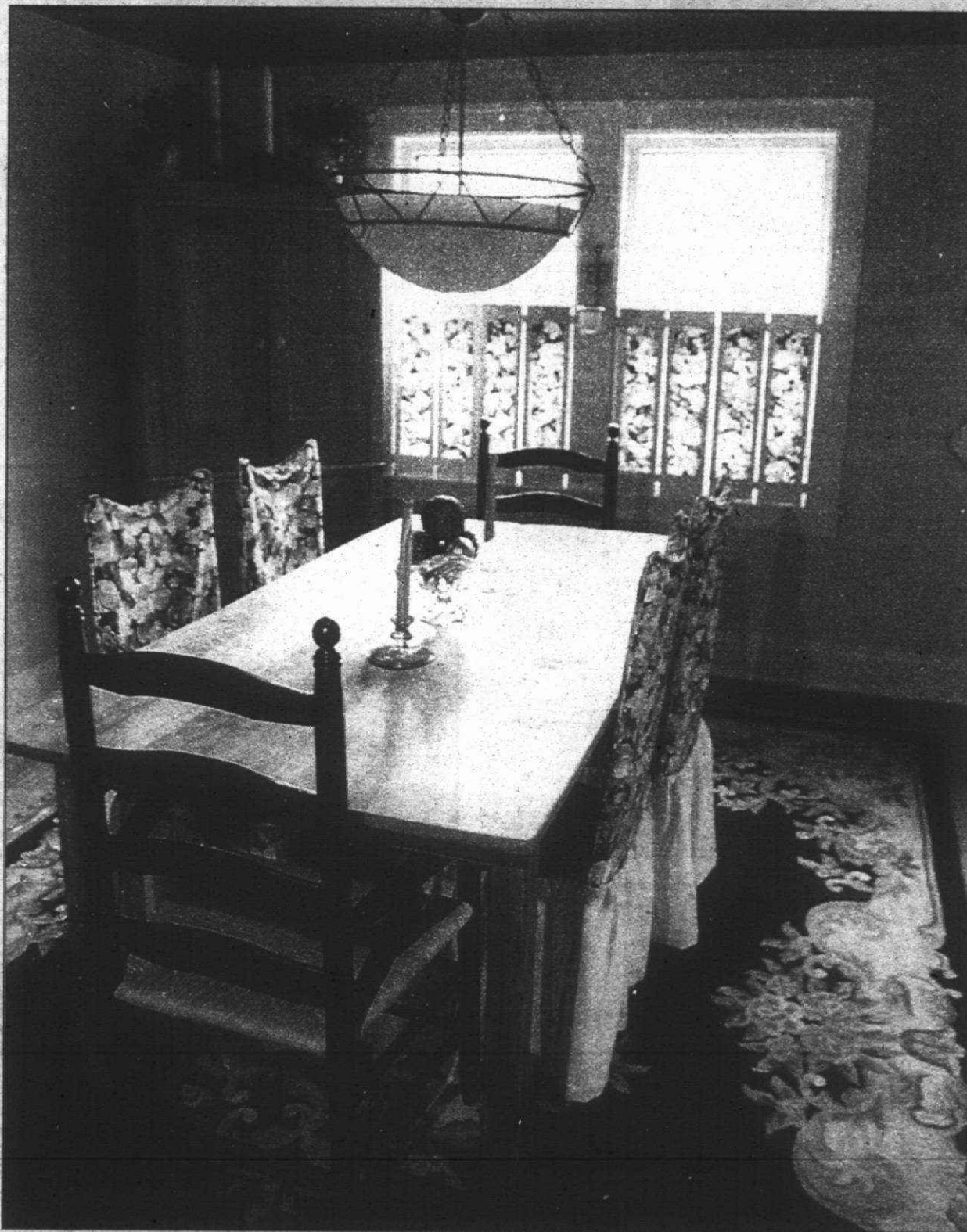


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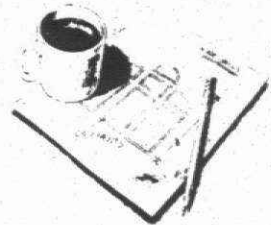
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## interior motives

# Knowledge aids design



NAOMI STONE LEVY

When writing this column, very early on, I stressed the need of knowledge - in every phase of design.

I reiterate that ever-important factor. Learning should be a continuing goal. It is the key that opens doors. Expose yourself to all the information you can garner, because you cannot buy good taste.

Acquiring this knowledge should be fascinating. I have never tired of pursuing it; whether through current or outdated magazines; whether through books on related subjects; whether visiting museums; or whether attending lectures by knowledgeable people.

Our local Detroit Institute of Arts has remarkable displays of interiors for your edification. You will love it! What you

learn will depend on how you relate to the objects, and how they relate to your needs.

Early American, Colonial, 17th century Spanish or English or German, and 18th century and 19th century and 20th century etc., etc. Endeavor to learn a little about each era. Your knowledge will pay off if you make fewer costly errors when assembling your interiors.

It is hoped, if you have retained an interior designer, he or she has also accumulated cultivated taste. If this sound pretentious I regret it, but too many of us aren't thoroughly educated.

There are many styles of furniture and accessories that are eclectic, and happily mix together. There are a few that don't.

As an example of "don'ts," the formality of Sheraton Fabrics wouldn't be tasteful with rough-hewn Early American. Fabrics offer their own diversity. Not esthetic would be the combination of satins and formal brocatelles with

rough-surfaced cotton burlap.

The history of each facet of interior design is part of the knowledge that should become your best friend. Furniture styles are a mere touching point. Do you know the difference between a 17th century Windsor chair and a 17th century French bergere? Who was Thomas Chippendale? Necessary information.

Acknowledging architectural detail is another element needed to execute an inordinate job. Crown moldings, dentils, columns and pilasters are a few of the items you should be able to recognize.

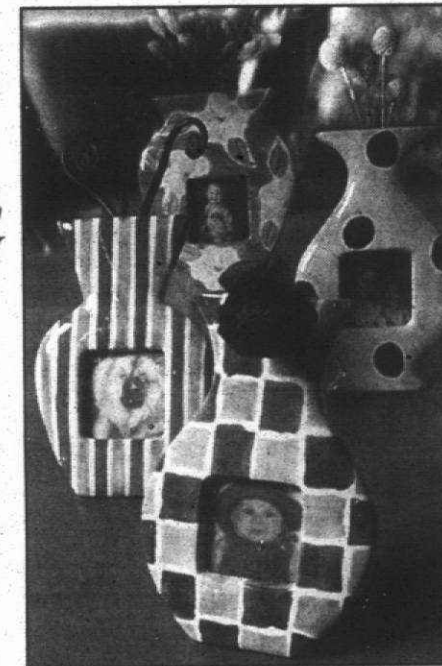
Execute your interior with accouterments that are harmonious with all of the foregoing. You will be so proud of the final outcome.

Naomi Stone Levy, a Franklin resident, is an interior designer and a former secretary of the American Society of Interior Designers. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1897.

## marketplace

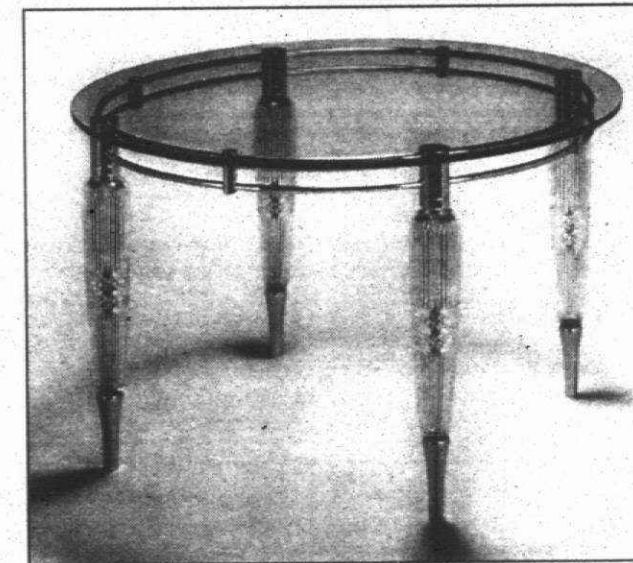
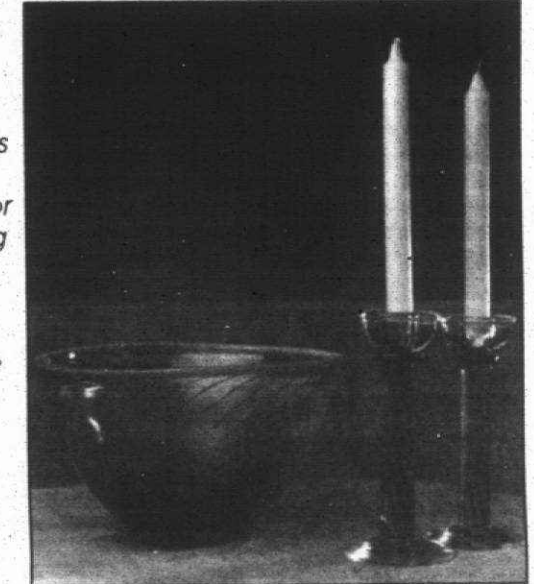
### Pictures in bloom

**Faces and vases:** Bloomers are unusual frames and vases all in one. They come in four different designs and cost \$20. Available at Hudson's.



### Zesty decor

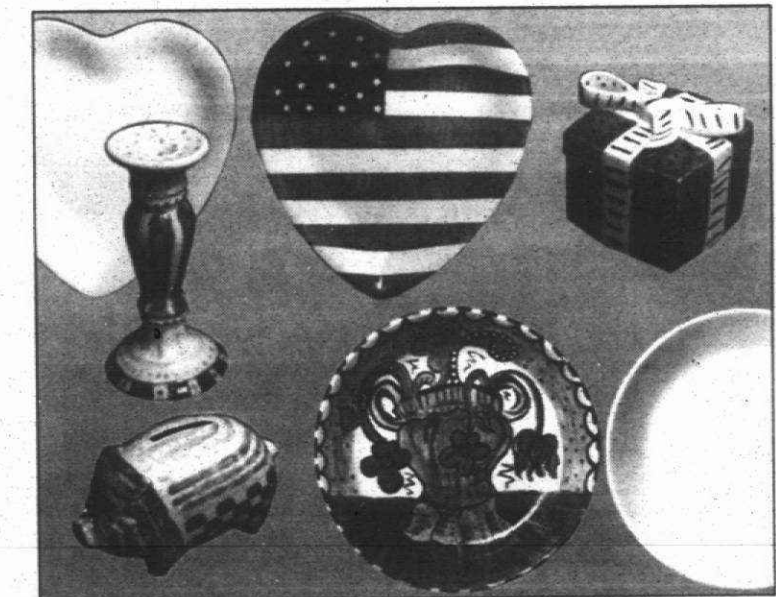
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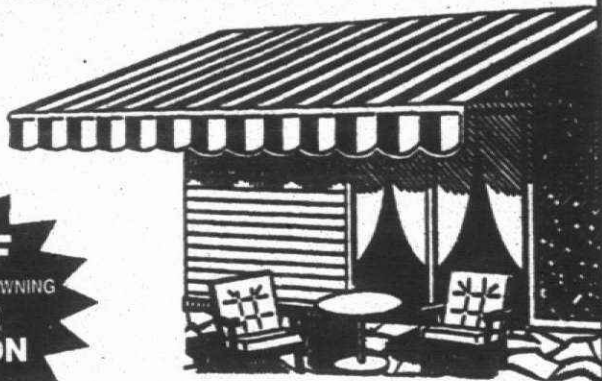
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## Write on: Books offer adventure



MARTY FIGLEY

This "Book Nook" column runs the gamut from personal gardening experiences and advice, specialty gardens and John Muir's nature writings.

"John Muir: Nature Writings" (The Library of America, \$35), should be on every bookshelf.

Muir (1838-1914) was instrumental in creating our national parks system and was a founder of the Sierra Club.

The book includes a collection of some of his best-loved compositions, beginning with "The Story of My Boyhood and Youth" in which he relates his young boyhood in Scotland, the family's move to America and his enthusiasm for the wilderness of nature.

In "My First Summer in the Sierra," he shares his experiences of being in central California, and in "The Mountains of California" his lyrical words evoke the beauty that he found there. "Stickeen," his most popular book, is the story of his Alaskan adventures while accompanied by a faithful dog.

Some of the essays that are included reveal highlights of his long, fascinating and varied career.

### Specialty gardens

"The Self-taught Gardener: Lessons From a Country Garden," Sydney Eddison (Viking, \$24.95), is a down-to-earth book for both novice and experienced gardeners. It is a no-nonsense approach to this popular activity and she makes it sound easy.

Eddison gives information (such as what deciduous means) and other advice she couldn't find in other books when she began gardening, and covers all aspects: tools, division, basic design, paths, winter interest, soils and more. She describes her 10 favorite plants for sun, shade and other situations and suggests companion plants to carry the garden through the season.

Eddison lives in Connecticut and writes from experience covering questions that gardeners (especially new ones) need to know and often don't know who to ask.

The small book "Catfish Ponds & Lily Pads: Creating and Enjoying a Family Pond," Louise Riotte (Storey, \$12.95), tells all about the subject and the Riotte family experiences.

Even though you don't have the land on which to build a pond, the recipes that are included may make it worthwhile.

Recipes for catfish, turtle soup and fried frogs legs may not be in your repertoire. Hearty Fish and Vegetable Chowder, Southwestern Style Baked Beans, and Baked Trout will make your family ask for more.

Riotte's book is both witty and fun to read, but it also includes practical information about the subject, pond construction, plants, fish and wildlife, maintenance, and the pluses that the pond brings.

"Japanese Gardening in Small Spaces," Isa Yoshikawa (Joie/Japan Publications, distributed by Kodansha America Inc., \$28), is the definitive book for those who want an authentic Japanese garden.

The author explains the principles behind each style of garden, how to place the stones, water basins, lanterns and accents to best interpret the designs. He also discusses the use of trees and shrubs, stones and gravel.

The directions for constructing a kinkakuji-gaki (bamboo fence) are very complete, with excellent illustrations. Line drawings of detailed explanations will result in an authentic garden of which the owner can boast.

### Family values

"Landscaping Makes Cents: Smart Investments That Increase Your Property Value," Frederick Campbell and Richard Dube (Storey, \$16.95), is an invaluable guide.

The authors explain in great detail about the value of landscaping, perceived and real. If you are planning to improve your property, buy or sell, this book is an important tool that will help in many decisions.

"Green Fun: Plant as Play," Marianne Haug Gjersvik (Firefly, \$7.95 soft, \$19.95 hard), is the perfect book for youngsters as summer vacation begins.

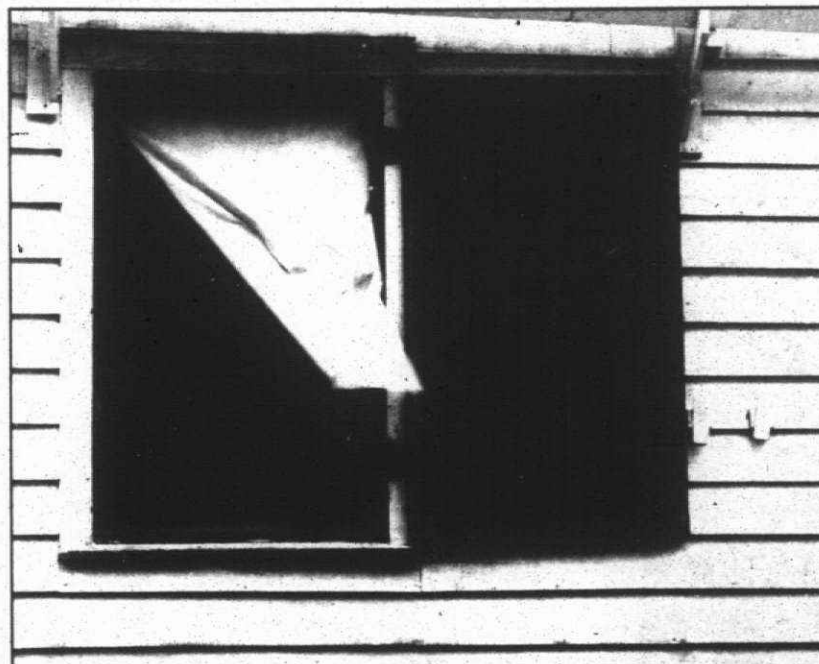
The author shares how to make playthings with leaves, flowers and weeds, using just your hands. No other equipment or supplies are required.

Color photos of each project illustrate just what to do. Tuck this into a picnic basket and enjoy the experience!

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.



focus on photography



**Special touch:** Texture itself is an important ingredient in this photograph. Monte Nagler took this interesting picture in Baton Rouge, La.

## Develop a feel for texture in photos



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Late afternoon or early morning light will produce a skimming light that will produce needed texture that will give your shot important impact. An overhead sun will minimize texture, making your photo appear too flat.

In landscape photography, tune in closely to how texture can relate to composition. Rivers, roads, fences, etc. will break the scene into distinct textured shapes so that the areas created build into an integrated design pattern.

In the city, textures are everywhere. The granular pattern of a street or the irregularities of a wall of bricks are both

rich in texture. Even an old junkyard contains a multitude of shapes and textures that will produce exciting results.

Remember that with city scenes, just as in landscapes, directional lighting is necessary to bring out strong textures.

Enjoy photographing food? If so, you know that skillful lighting is a must. A sliced cabbage, the skin of an orange or the crust of a loaf of bread all require proper directional lighting to enhance surface textures.

When photographing your pet, always try to use side or back lighting. By doing so, you'll obtain maximum detail in the animal's fur and get separation from the background, too.

Another interesting texture to explore is human skin. Strong side or back lighting will bring out weathered wrinkles in the face of an old sailor while soft frontal lighting will show the sleek, smooth skin found on the face of a beautiful model.

Don't forget, texture itself can be made the main subject.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873.

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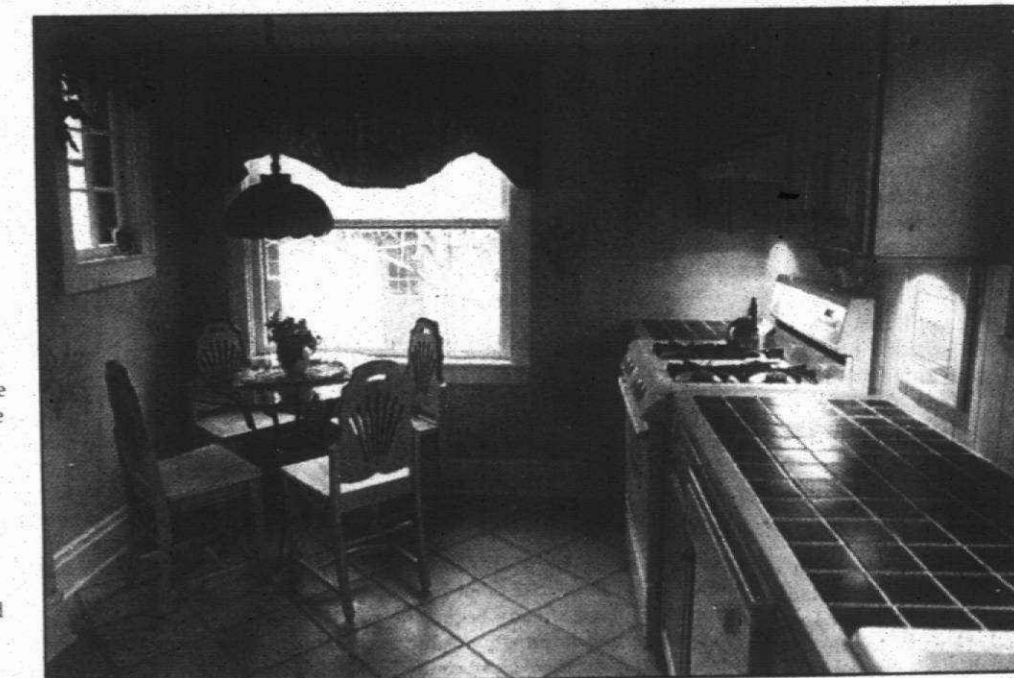
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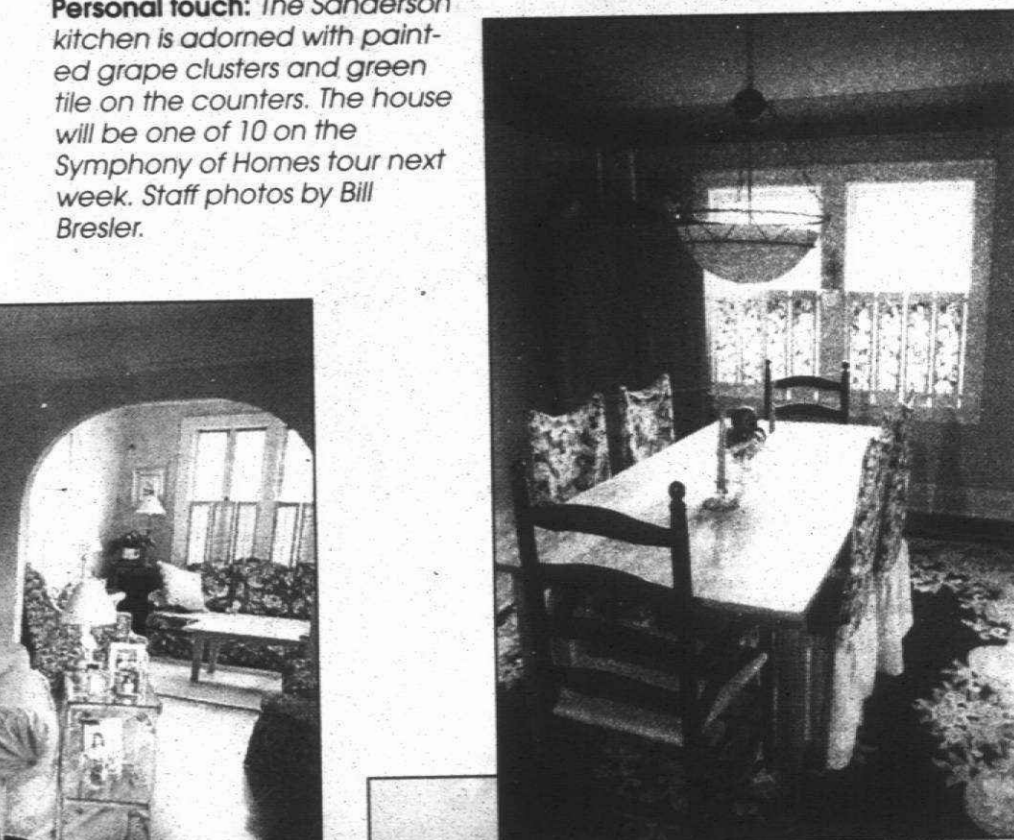
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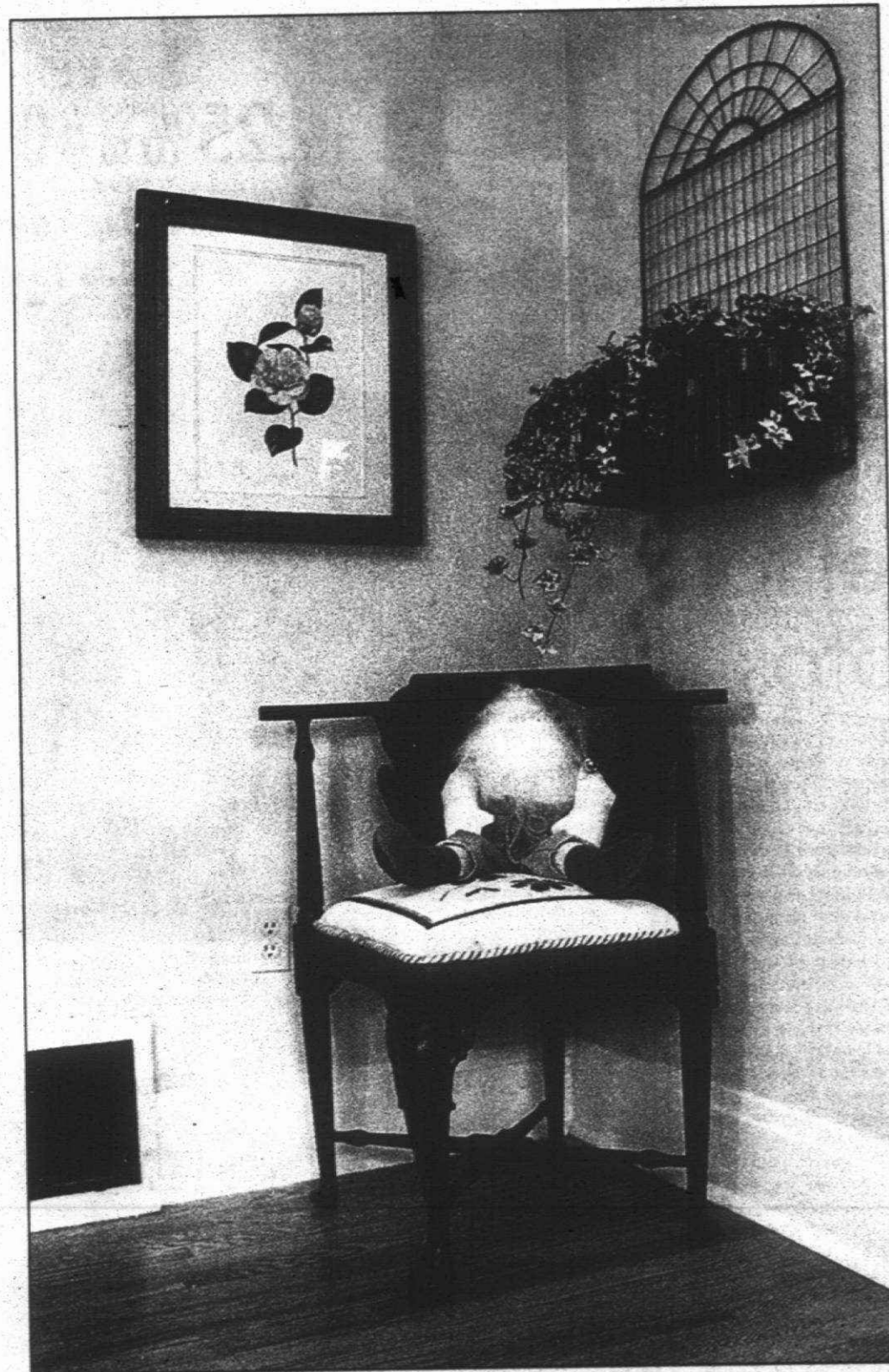
# House given special treatment



**Personal touch:** The Sanderson kitchen is adorned with painted grape clusters and green tile on the counters. The house will be one of 10 on the Symphony of Homes tour next week. Staff photos by Bill Bresler.



**On the cover:** Serving up style: Fabric in the shutters in the Sanderson dining room matches that of the slipcovers. Staff photo by Bill Bresler.



BY MARY KLEMIC  
At Home Editor

"If these walls could talk..." the expression goes.

You could say the walls, treated with luscious colors and fabulous faux finishes, almost sing in the Mark and Lisa Sanderson home in Plymouth.

The house is one of 10 in the Plymouth-Canton-Northville area that will be featured on the Symphony of Homes tour sponsored by the Plymouth Symphony League. The tour will take place 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, June 6, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 7.

Each house on the tour has something unusual to offer, such as historical value, creative decorating or beautiful gardens.

In the Sanderson residence, the walls often draw attention, Lisa Sanderson said.

"They're all different colors," she said.

The shades include soft gold and gentle peach. The hues - from a warm, appealing palette - and open, beckoning archways contribute to the welcoming flow between the rooms.

Lisa, who does faux finishes professionally, gave special treatment to various walls.

The house was built in 1927; Mark and Lisa think it is possibly a kit house as they discovered all of the boards in a room were numbered.

The couple has lived in the house for three years and did renovation work that brought out or enhanced its beauty. Leaded glass doors and cove ceilings are among its style.

"It's been a lot of fun," Mark said.

The work included removing the acoustic tiles from the living room

**A shade of difference:** The Sandersons' Plymouth home is adorned in such hues as soft gold on the walls (at left). The living room (at right) features a cove ceiling, and wood floors with a natural finish.

ceiling. The living room features a brick fireplace, a large armoire and a rose sofa on an area rug; the walls have a European distressed plaster finish. As elsewhere in the house, the wood floor has a natural finish. Raised designs form a border around the arched outside the adjoining sun room.

"The sun room is where we hang out," Lisa said.

Walls in the sun room have a Venetian plaster finish, a touch of Old World charm.

The walls in the dining room had been covered with dark paper. The Sandersons removed the wallpaper and painted the walls sage.

Shutters along the bottom of the windows bear floral fabric that matches the backs of the slipcovers Lisa made for the chairs. The slipcovers also have off-white skirts.

The kitchen, which the couple enlarged, includes a fan on the white wood ceiling and green tiles on the counter space. Painted bunches of grapes accent one wall.

Lisa Sanderson has decorated rooms in three showhouses in the last three years, including this year's Detroit

Symphony Designers Showhouse in the Boston-Edison District of Detroit. Her work may be seen in the breakfast room there.

For the first time in the Symphony of Homes tour, a boutique will be at one of the houses. It will feature items from The Velvet Plum, Traditions, Friends, Debbie Malek, Carolyn Still and more. Station 885 will be there with beverages, light lunch food and desserts available for purchase.

Many area businesses - including Sideways, Ribar Florist, The Velvet Plum, The Ritz Carlton, Heidis, Emerald City and Jewel - have donated raffle prizes, floral arrangements and other details. Local musicians will perform in the houses.

Pre-sale tickets are \$15 and available at Frameworks, Beitner Jewelers, The Velvet Plum, Friends and Coldwell-Schweitzer Realtors. Tickets will be available four days at any of the houses for \$18.

For more information, call (313) 207-0666 between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.





appliance doctor

# Columnist takes on small appliances



JOE GAGNON

I had lunch the other day with Bill Damman and he was asking what I'm going to do with my life once I retire from Carmack Appliance. I informed him that I wanted to write a book about a certain school principal I know and that I'd like to devote the rest of my time to expanding my radio show to other parts of the country.

He asked if the money was good at my current position with WJR Radio and if I was pleased with what I was doing. I replied, "I work for the best radio station in this country and they pay me much more than I'm deserving. I enjoy helping consumers become more aware and saving a lot of money, and I

constantly want to reach more people."

You know how it feels to do something good for someone else, well, imagine how it must feel to do it for several hundred thousand people. Now, you can understand the happiness that I feel.

Bill's conversation went a lot further until he brought up a good point. "Why don't you become a total appliance expert by expanding into the field of small appliances like irons, toasters, breadmakers etc.? Imagine how many people you will be able to help with your knowledge."

Well, folks, he didn't have to say more because at that point he had me hooked. I have already begun the process of getting information from manufacturers about their products and how they are made etc. I am asking that they send me a new product that I can tear apart and put back together. I will not pay for these products but I will donate

them to someone needy in their name, provided it still works once I'm done taking it apart. I will interview these manufacturers on why their product is worthy of mention and we as consumers will gain information that makes us better shoppers.

Now, let's get into the unwritten which many of you can already figure out. I'm not shy to say what's on my mind because the end result is helping consumers. Damman Hardware stores sell a lot of small appliances and it would benefit them greatly to have this writer as a spokesperson for their 18 stores. I personally would be pleased to play that role and it might even help the producers of such products to advertise, especially if the show was syndicated. I'm certain that Damman's would become a major advertiser on WJR Radio and therefore the station would benefit as well. This great newspaper that you're reading today would also

benefit from more advertising and more readers.

All in all, everybody would share in the talents of the Big and Small Appliance Doctor. More important than all of the above, the essence of everything I do, you the consumer would benefit most.

Sometimes we all need a wake up call to remind us or awaken us on a given subject. You may thank Bill Damman for hitting me on the head and starting me on this new venture. I will return the example to other business people already associated with me on radio.

Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president of Carmack Appliances in Garden City and does a weekly radio program on WJR-AM. He is author of "First Aid from the Appliance Doctor," available at area bookstores.

## home and garden calendar

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### HOME

■ Miniature Makers' Workshop, 4515 N. Woodward in Royal Oak, offers a variety of classes. Sue Jaques of Farmington will teach a class on weaving a wicker chair Saturday, May 31. Call (810) 549-0633.

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■ The Detroit Historical Society plans a Sunday Stroll of the Boston-Edison Historic District 2 p.m. June 1. Tour guide Mike Bauer, president of the Boston-Edison Historic District Association, will highlight the homes of many

famous Detroiters and identify the various architectural styles represented in the neighborhood. The district is composed of 900 single-family homes, most built between 1904 and 1922. The stroll lasts two to three hours, rain or shine. Wear walking shoes. The meeting place and parking instructions will be on the ticket, which is available at the society office, 5401 Woodward in Detroit. Tickets aren't sold on the day of the stroll. Fee is \$4 for DHS members, \$8 for non-members. The stroll accommodates a limited number, so get your reservation in soon. Call (313) 833-1405.

■ The Symphony of Homes tour, sponsored by the Plymouth Symphony League, will take place 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, June 6, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 7. Ten residences in the Plymouth-Canton-Northville area will be featured. A boutique will be open at one of the houses, with items from The Velvet Plum, Traditions, Friends, Debbie Malek, Carolyn Still and more. Station 885 will be there selling beverages, light lunch foods and desserts. Raffle prizes will be available. Area musicians will perform in the houses. Pre-sale tickets are \$15 and available at Frameworks,

Beitner Jewelers, The Velvet Plum, Friends and Coldwell-Schweitzer Realtors. Tickets will be available for \$18 Friday and Saturday at any of the houses. For more information, call (313) 207-0666 between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.

■ Colleen Dodt, author of "The Essential Oils Book," will present "Aromatherapy Introduction" 2-4 p.m. Saturday, June 7, at the Southfield Public

Library, in the Southfield Civic Center at 26000 Evergreen. Pre-registration is required; call (810) 948-0470. Admission is \$5 at the door. In addition to her work as an herbalist, aromatherapy consultant and lecturer, Dodt is owner of Herbal

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ston and Independence Township, will take place noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 8. Reservations are \$22 per person (tax-deductible), which includes a tour of all five houses and lunch at Mesquite Creek. The luncheon will be secured for all advance reservations. Walk-in reservations will be available 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Washington and Main streets. A shuttle service will transport all participants to the houses. The premiere showing of the houses for patrons will be 6:30-9 p.m. Saturday, June 7, followed by a champagne

reception and silent and live auctions at a private castle. Patron reservations are \$65 per person. For reservations, call (810) 625-3330 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. You may also make reservations by mailing checks to Clarkston SCAMP, 6590 Middle Lake Road, Clarkston 48346; your check is your receipt and will hold your reservation for the day you select. The tour is sponsored by the North Oakland SCAMP Funding Corporation, a non-profit organization whose sole purpose is funding Clarkston

SCAMP, a summer day camp for children and young adults with special needs. The 1997 Detroit Symphony Designers Showhouse, a historic home and gardens at 892 W. Boston Blvd. in Detroit's Boston-Edison District decorated by area interior designers, is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday through June 8. Tickets are \$15 each at the door, \$12 each for groups of 15 or more. The showhouse is a project of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall Volunteer Council to benefit DSOH. Call (313) 962-1000, Ext. 285.

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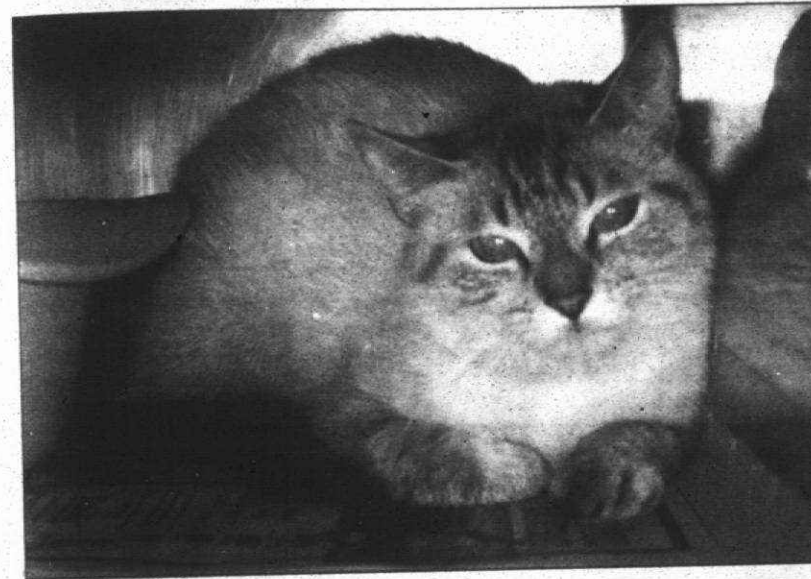
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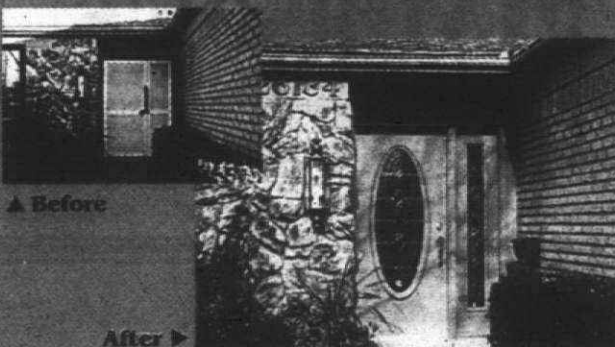
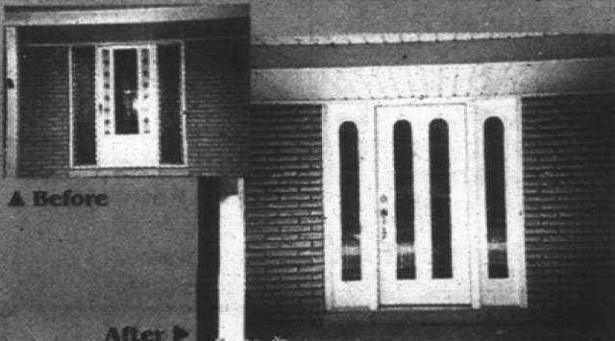
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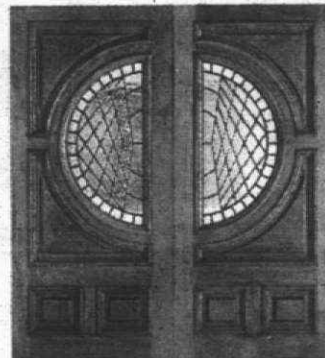


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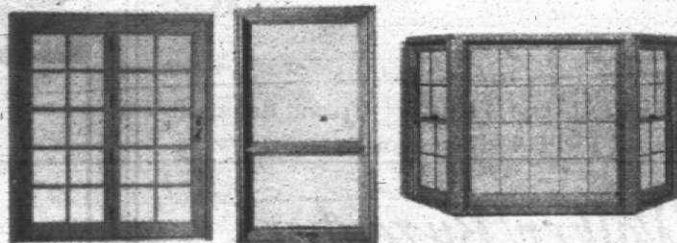
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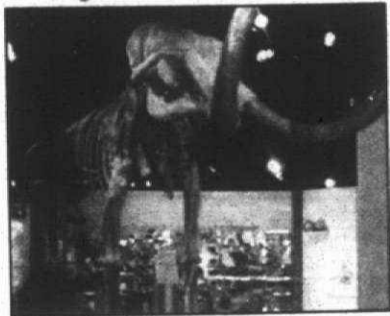
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FRIDAY



Gwen (Jeanne Tripplehorn, right) and Debbie (Jennifer Aniston) are life-long friends in the romantic comedy "Til There Was You" opening today at metro Detroit movie theaters.

SATURDAY

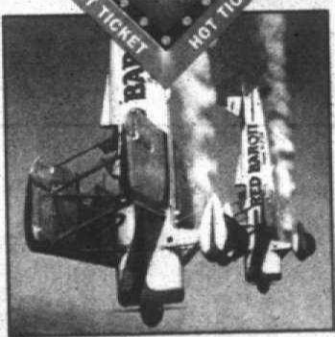


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Enchanting romance: Richard Hartle (left to right) as King Arthur, Jan Casai, (Guinevere), Ed Guest, (Pellinore), and Chris Steinmayer (Lancelot) in a scene from the St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild production of "Camelot."

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SPEND AN EVENING IN 'Camelot'

BY JULIE YOLLES  
SPECIAL WRITER

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It seems that his majesty King Arthur has temporarily moved his monarchy, Camelot, to a very enchanting, prime piece of real estate - the Greek Theatre in Bloomfield Hills. Located at 400 Lone Pine Road, behind St. Dunstan's Playhouse on the grounds of Cranbrook Educational Community, the 600-seat Greek Theatre has been the site of St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild's summer show for 59 of St. D's 65 seasons.

One of only six outdoor amphitheatres of its type in the country, the Greek Theatre will be home to Alan Jay Lerner's and Frederick Loewe's musical "Camelot" when it opens May 30 for a five-performance run. Directed by Birmingham resident and 28-year St. D's member Nancy Brassert, "Camelot" reunites several cast and crew members from another Lerner and Loewe musical

that Brassert also directed at the Greek Theatre in 1991, "My Fair Lady." Among those are Birmingham residents Richard Hartle as King Arthur and Edgar A. Guest III as Arthur's trusted advisor Pellinore; and Bloomfield Hills resident Marlene Loucks as music director.

"Camelot" pits chivalry against deceit and revenge when King Arthur's bride Guinevere (played by St. D's newcomer Jan Casai of Bloomfield Hills) falls in love with Lancelot (Chris Steinmayer of Bloomfield), a knight of the Round Table. Their affair is exposed by Arthur's illegitimate son, Mordred (John Marshall of Pleasant Ridge) who attempts to dishonor King Arthur and overthrow the throne. That "one brief shining moment" is shattered forever.

"Camelot" is a show of dreams and hopes and human frailty," said Brassert, who worked very closely with set designer Bob Rausch of Lathrup Village to ensure an authentic backdrop to the musical, which Brassert has set between 1250 and 1300 A.D.

"I think it's a show that displays forgiveness and tolerances for human mistakes. Look at this day and age. There's so much nastiness going on," adds Brassert, who's directed five outdoor shows for the Greek Theatre and worked on more than 80 sets in her 20 years as chair of the Set Production Committee.

"There's a feeling of com-

passion between Lancelot, Guinevere and King Arthur. Arthur loves Lancelot as a son. He also loves Guinevere and doesn't want revenge on them. He wants them to be safe. But, at the same time, Arthur knows that his Round Table fell apart because of Guinevere and Lancelot. So he's forced to go to war because of tradition."

Now, you can't exactly go to war without the proper gear. And it's just so hard to find comfortable armor these days. So, St. D's Wardrobe Mistress and "Camelot's" costume designer Roz Basherian of Bloomfield Hills took a very 1990s approach to a very medieval problem: She surfed the net. Her detective work uncovered that there was a way to knit chain mail, a flexible armor made of linked metal circles. Ultimately, Basherian was led to Tobin Lakes Studios, a theatrical supplies distributor, in Brighton.

"I commandeered my mother to follow the directions in the kit and knit a chain mail set out of cord to see if it would work" says Basherian about the costume dilemma ably solved by her 82-year-old mother, Margaret Melikian, a St. D's season subscriber and former professional dressmaker. Basherian wanted her mother to knit with the nylon cord because Basherian felt cord would be more realistic looking than yarn. "Then, I ran an ad in St. D's newsletter: 'Join the chain mail gang. Chain mail knitters wanted.'"

That led Basherian to a knitters group within Birmingham Area Seniors Coordinating Council), including one 90-year-old nimble fingered woman. Four BASCC members and several St. D's volunteers produced 12 sets of chain mail. With six pounds of white cord per hood and tunic set - that's 36,864 feet of cord for all the costumes - the knitted chain mail was then spray painted with a black matte finish and finally shaded with silver metallic paint to create a genuine armor effect. In addition to their hoods and tunics, Arthur, Lancelot and Pellinore wear knitted chain mail leggings.

"The biggest challenge when costuming a show is to bring about a look that's in synch with the director. I'm very fortunate that Nancy (Brassert) and I were on the same wavelength," says Basherian, whose art history and research librarian background proved very helpful on the project.

"Nancy kept asking 'How are you going to do this?'" Basherian laughs. "But, actually, it turned out to be the easiest thing because the kit worked and I had so much help. The knitters were so enthusiastic, and the guys love wearing the stuff."

"The most interesting aspect of creating the chain mail was bringing to life something that's supposed to be centuries old, but using modern means to accomplish the task."

Original Lancelot returns to star in 'Man of La Mancha'

Robert Goulet who made his debut as Lancelot in the 1960 original production of "Camelot," stars in "Man of La Mancha," opening for a three-weekend engagement June 3-22 at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit.

The show by Dale Wasserman and songwriters Mitch Leigh and Joe Darion opened on Broadway in 1965 and became one of the biggest hits in New York history. It played in New York for seven years and won five Tony Awards.

The story of Don Quixote is told by its author Miguel de Cervantes to prisoners in a dungeon during the Spanish Inquisition. It is a tale of a man striving to pursue the dream of his attaining his ideal - "The Impossible Dream." The show captures the bold spirit and gallant absurdity of its hero Don Quixote.

Goulet received a Tony nomination for his role in "Camelot," and a Tony Award for best actor in the musical "The Happy Time." He returned to the musical "Camelot" in the role of King Arthur which played at the Fisher Theatre during its national tour in 1992.

In "Man of La Mancha," Goulet becomes the ultimate idealist, the deluded Don Quixote de la Mancha who, with his faithful squire, Sancho Panza, crisscrosses the Spanish countryside in pursuit of "The Impossible Dream."

"Man of La Mancha," opens 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, and closes Sunday, June 22. Performances 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays; 7:30 p.m. Sundays; and 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Tickets range from \$22-\$52; Friday and Saturday evening performances \$26-\$58, call (810) 645-6666, or (313) 872-1000 for information.

Frank Provenzano, Observer & Eccentric arts reporter, was scheduled to interview Robert Goulet on May 28 after we went to press. Look for his story in the June 5 edition of Entertainment.



Noble: Playing the part of Lancelot is Chris Steinmayer of Bloomfield Hills.

"Camelot"

Where: Outdoors in the Greek Theatre behind St. Dunstan's Playhouse on the grounds of Cranbrook Educational Community, 400 Lone Pine Road, (between Woodward and Lahser), Bloomfield Hills.

When: 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 30-31 and Thursday-Saturday, June 5-7.

Tickets: General admission tickets \$15; Students and seniors, \$12. Call (810) 644-0527.

THEATER

Actors stage tribute to written word

"Authors on Stage"

When: 8 p.m. Friday, May 30

Where: Village Players of Birmingham auditorium at Chestnut and Hunter in Birmingham

Tickets: \$25, admission; \$50 sponsor; \$100 patron; \$150 benefactor; (810) 646-0658.

Authors will greet audience at an afterglow following the performance.

By FRANK PROVENZANO  
STAFF WRITER

Peter Spivak recalled the setting 25 years ago in London's Brompton Square, an unforgettable night of camaraderie and spontaneity. He and his friends traveling abroad, including writer Joyce Carol Oates, placed stereo speakers in their second-flat window, then went to the square where they danced into the early morning hours.

As told by Spivak, a retired Wayne County Circuit Court judge, it's as if they stood alongside the bohemian ghosts of Hemingway and Fitzgerald, bullfighters and

Jay Gatsby.

On Friday, Spivak and 28 other members of Village Players of Birmingham will conjure up the literary worlds of writers living and past in the fourth annual "Authors on Stage."

The two-act dramatic presentation includes works of several American literary legends along with contemporary Michigan writers Loren Estleman, Elmore Leonard, Mitch Albom, Jim Harrison, Jane Smiley and Oates, both of whom taught at the University of Michigan.

Village Players is a community theater

group that includes 270 members from the metro area. The production is cosponsored by the Cranbrook Writers Guild, a group founded in 1966 by the former head of the English department at Cranbrook and Henry Booth. The Guild holds an annual writer's conference for college-age students along with workshops throughout the year.

"From childhood, my best friends were always my books," said Spivak. "There might be some people who believe the 'written word' doesn't have passion in it."



Rehearsing: Village Players of Birmingham director Bob Carington (center) with Gertrude Fox (left) and Del Moore.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Seminar focuses on 'Thinking Like a Film Director'

BY JOHN MONAGHAN

Martin Scorsese, Quentin Tarantino, Francis Coppola, Steven Spielberg. Most people know their names, but surprisingly few understand what they really do day-to-day as film directors.

'Directors are consummate collaborators. So they need to know how to prepare a screenplay for shooting, block and stage action, direct actors, and how to redirect through editing.'

Jim Pasternak
Directing teacher

all stages of production through lectures, demonstrations, and film screenings." Pasternak said.

Participants will instead have the opportunity to role play in situations with actors, screenwriters, and others involved in the making of any movie.

collaborators," he said. "So they need to know how to prepare a screenplay for shooting, block and stage action, direct actors, and how to redirect through editing."

Pasternak has been involved in several aspects of film production. As a writer, he adapted the French comedy "Cousin, Cousine" into the American "Cousins," starring Ted Danson and Isabella Rossellini.

Burden" with John Travolta and Harry Belafonte.

The seminar is sponsored by Hollywood Literary Retreat, which brings a taste of tinseltown to the Detroit area on an almost monthly basis.

"Thinking Like a Film Director"

When: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, June 7-8.

Where: Kingsley Hotel and Suites, 1475 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

Cost: \$275; \$225 for Detroit Film Coalition and college students.

is attractive for people from all walks of life, with no prior experience other than a love of movies.

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Spivak, who regularly stayed up until 3 a.m. reading literary works during his tenure as a judge, obviously thinks otherwise.

"If there's a theme, it'd be that all of the material is from top-quality writers," said Frank Angelo of the Guild, a former associate executive editor at the Detroit Free Press.

Collectively, the staged reading of 24 famous anecdotes, essays, short stories and passages from novels have been worked into a well-paced format of moving spotlights and different tempo dramatic presentations.

sets out to capture the magic, mystery and drama of stories written for the page, not the stage. That's hardly a simple task.

"In theater, you can't try people's patience," said Bob Carington, director and co-producer of the play, "The work must communicate the first time. There aren't many second chances with audiences. We've sharpened our delivery over the past four years."

Carington likens "Authors on Stage" to a series of one-act radio plays whereby the drama is built through implication and imaginative storytelling.

"Exposing your work to a (live) audience gives you a different perspective. You're introduced to things that weren't there before," said Eastman, a local bestselling

author who is currently on a Midwest book-signing tour for his latest release, "Never Street."

Having the authors in attendance offers a rare opportunity to explore the original intent of the piece, said Del Moore, past president and a regular cast member in many of Village Players' comedic plays.

According to Carington, the "Authors on Stage" production is the "most relaxed" of the season, which typically includes five plays open to the public, and three shows presented exclusively to members.

After three years of playing to a half-filled theater, Village Players and the Guild expect a sell-out in their 200-seat playhouse for Friday's performance.

For Village Players, Friday's performance will have a touch of nostalgia. Days after the event, the roof and walls of the theater will come crumbling down.

Part of the proceeds from "Authors on Stage" will pay off the \$500,000 reconstruction cost of the playhouse. To date, Village Players has raised nearly half of the total. Meanwhile, the Guild has earmarked proceeds for its annual writer's conference held in August.

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SINGLES CALENDAR Singles Calendar listings for various groups including Singles in Knox Hall, Singles Parent Group, and various church singles events.

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MOVIES

Ooh! Ahh! 'Lost World' will please dino-crazy fans



JOHN MONAGHAN

Like its dinosaurs, Steven Spielberg's "The Lost World" is a brilliantly engineered, lumbering monster that eventually gets out of control. It preys on dinosaur moviegoers who will inevitably make it the biggest attraction of the summer.

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Table listing movie showtimes and theaters across various locations like General Cinemas, Showcase Dearborn, Star Theatres, etc.

that bear its name (1925 and 1960), just with better special effects. Spielberg even gives a nod to Godzilla when a group of Japanese men run, point and scream when the monster hits the San Diego suburbs.

SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.



Comedy: Judy Davis with Geoffrey Rush in a scene from Peter Duncan's "Children of the Revolution," now playing at the Main.

Main Art Theatre 118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 542-0180 for information and showtimes.

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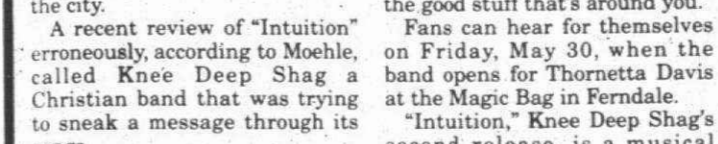
Large advertisement for the movie 'Trial and Error' featuring Michael Richards and Jeff Daniels. Includes quote: 'THE VERDICT IS IN... HILARIOUS!' and 'TRIAL AND ERROR IS INSPIRED LUNACY!'.

'Intuition' tells band to go with harmonies, songwriting



CHRISTINA FUOCO

The Kalamazoo-based funk-inflected soul band Knee Deep Shag just can't get a break. "It's really strange. It just seems like whenever we turn around something really bad is happening. It kind of helps us bond together and know that it's going to be a really rocky road," said drummer Jeff Moehle.

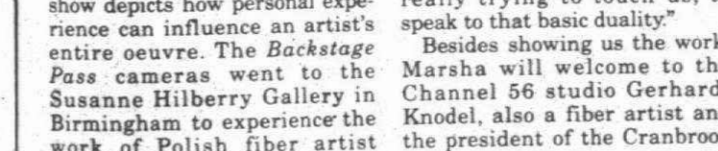


New album: Knee Deep Shag - from left, bassist/vocalist Troy Stansberry, guitarist/vocalist/percussionist Phillip Barry, vocalist/percussionist Matt Gross, and drummer/vocalist Jeff Moehle, formerly of Troy.

angst-filled. There isn't many negative vibes. It's focusing on the good stuff that's around you." Fans can hear for themselves on Friday, May 30, when the band opens for Thornetta Davis at the Magic Bag in Ferndale.

Fiber artist shows art's healing power

In the infamous "Artists Are Nuts Caveat," I hypothesized that, assuming the artist's role in society is to give us new perspectives on the reality in which we're immersed, the easiest way for them to routinely incise reality would be to maintain a sort of controlled loopiness.



joesci danny glover

Advertisement for the movie 'Gone with the Wind' featuring Joe Pesci and Danny Glover. Includes quote: 'til there was you'.

Magdalena Abakanowicz. Magdalena has been exhibited all over the world and, according to Backstage Pass art correspondent Marsha Miro, is considered one of the great sculptors working today.

Academy of Art. He knows Magdalena from a series of guest lectures she gave at Cranbrook a few years back, so he's in a unique position to lend both academic and personal insights into her work.



"DELIGHTFULLY CHARMING" - Star Tribune

Advertisement for a performance or show featuring a woman's face and the text 'til there was you'.

STREET SCENE

"It's really hard for us when an audience isn't with us. I think that's probably hard for anybody. At our shows, once we play a couple of songs and people are up and dancing it's fun on both sides."

Knee Deep Shag opens for Thornetta Davis at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 31, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets are \$6 in advance for the 18 and older show.

It's riding the wave of the popularity of its single "The Freshmen," The Verve Pipe will appear on "The Tonight Show

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Advertisement for the movie 'Addicted to Love' featuring Meg Ryan and Matthew Broderick. Includes quote: 'A ROMANCE THAT'S FULL OF SURPRISES.'

Table listing movie showtimes and theaters like AMC Laurel Park, AMC Old Orchard, etc.

Large advertisement for the movie 'The Lost World: Jurassic Park' featuring a dinosaur and the text 'SOMETHING HAS SURVIVED'.

Table listing movie showtimes and theaters for Friday, May 30.

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DINING

# New owners give historic mill breath of fresh air

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD  
SPECIAL WRITERS

Paint Creek Cider Mill has long been a late summer and early autumn destination for lovers of fresh cider. Now, this historic mill, built in 1835, has been given new life by restaurant owner Ray Nicholson and his wife, Mary. Under the management of Norman and Bonnie LePage and after extensive renovations, Paint Creek has reopened its restaurant for year-round dining in a scenic "Up North" atmosphere. There's non-smoking only seating for 100 indoors and smoking permitted for about 60 on the deck with its creek view.

The Nicholson's explained that Paint Creek is one of the historical spots to which they brought their children when they were growing up only about a mile away. When the property came up for sale, they wanted to preserve it for their grandchildren and made the decision to purchase in 1996. Last November, the cider mill reopened with new equipment. Efforts then concentrated on the restaurant which had a soft opening mid-April. Despite this, locals have found the bar areas a place to meet friends after work and Oakland County foodies are filling up tables on weeknights and weekends.

"While the mailing address signals Rochester, Paint Creek Cider Mill Restaurant is technically located in Oakland Township," Ray Nicholson pointed out. "The Township is 36 square miles with a population of 10,200 and 3,800 homes. We own the only restaurant and the



Historic mill: Chef Jeff Baldwin (left) with Mary and Ray Nicholson in front of the newly renovated Paint Creek Cider Mill Restaurant.

community has received us well." While the menu is modern American, prominently displayed area historical artifacts have been worked into the "preservation" decor as a local history exhibit. A set of logging wheels beneath the sign in front of the mill were used to haul logs from area woods. Standing guard at the restaurant entrance is the wooden figure Chief Pontiac, in the same employ he had at Hedges Wigwam when it was located at 10 Mile and Woodward Avenue in Royal Oak.

The logo with brown trout

attracted to a May fly and the 300-gallon trout-stocked aquarium located inside the main entrance point out that Paint Creek is a significant area trout stream. Behind the aquarium, is a small English-style pub. On route to the airy dining room, Rochester Hills artist Jim Jeffries' murals depict more area history. Images of fly-fishing and a realistic-looking fly fisherman complete the greeting. Diners are offered either a view of the mill's working water wheel and its three waterfalls or the general feeling of being outdoors,

creekside in the woods at an upscale fishing lodge.

A bike rack out front signals welcome to walkers and bikers using the 10-mile long Paint Creek Trailway running alongside the property. Not only is their attire appropriate, but the menu reflects healthful choices for trail people.

An extensive menu is capably engineered by corporate chef Jeff Baldwin, Culinary Institute of America graduate and Commerce Township native, who

has been with the Nicholson-owned and LePage-managed restaurants for more than 10 years.

"I created the Pecan Trout (pecan herb-crusted boneless rainbow trout topped with apple brandy sauce) \$14 for this restaurant," he said. Broiled Planked White Fish \$13 and tender, tangy Beef Short Ribs \$10 are also Baldwin signatures.

Keeping an eye on diner preferences, Nicholson said the most popular starters are fried calamari, spicy chicken quesadilla and smoked rainbow trout. Paint Creek Apple Bounty Salad, a generous \$9 dinner salad is accompanied by marinated and grilled, tender chicken breast, sliced apples, Michigan sundried cherries and pecans topped with flavorful raspberry vinaigrette. Falling-off-the-bone Bar B Que'd Spare Ribs (half slab \$10 and full \$15); Baked Vegetarian Lasagna \$9 and Smoked Turkey Penne Pasta tossed with fresh basil, artichokes and roasted peppers topped with gorgonzola and Parmesan are also favorites. He's also noticing that many diners are opting for wine and the short but savvy list will be expanded.

But just as there's landmark preservation at Paint Creek Cider Mill Restaurant, there's family recipe history in the making. Ruth Carrick, Mary Nicholson's mother, has been honored with Grandma Ruth's Meat Pie \$9, melt-in-your-mouth tiny meat loaves in pastry and served with Ruth's tomato sauce. Daughter-in-law Kris Nicholson makes such tasty cole slaw that

**Paint Creek Cider Mill Restaurant**  
**Where:** 4480 Orion Road, Rochester (three miles north of downtown Rochester) (810) 651-8361.  
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you get to try her recipe as a side dish. "Family atmosphere is the driving force for all that goes on," Baldwin added.

Arleen Yerant of Bloomfield Hills and friend Paulette Addelia of Rochester sensed a family spirit as first-time diners. They had praises for the perfectly seasoned food, hot fresh rolls, fresh vegetable garnishes and the friendly, top-notch service. While both would like to see fresh flowers on the table, on a 10-point scale, Yerant said nine and Addelia gave it a perfect 10.

WHAT'S COOKING

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD  
SPECIAL WRITERS

OAKLAND GRILL TAKES OVER AMERICA ON WOODWARD

Birmingham's Townsend Hotel will have a change at the kitchen helm as its executive chef Louai Sharkas launches out on his own. After seven years at The Townsend's Rugby Grille and Gallery dining areas, Sharkas has developed a loyal following who will miss him after June 6. "I'm 34 years old now and it's time for me to branch out on my own," he said. Capitalized by partners who wish to remain silent, Sharkas is remodeling the former America restaurant at 4616 Woodward Avenue in Royal Oak and changing the name to Oakland Grill. Sharkas predicts the new sign will rise above Woodward in about three weeks. Planned opening is early to mid July. Chef Louai who always attaches the word "fun" to his cooking promises that diners at Oakland Grill will experience his style at moderate prices in a casual atmosphere.

More What's Cooking from Keely Wygonik - Observer & Eccentric Entertainment and Taste Editor.

CAFE CORTINA RECEIVES AWARD

Cafe Cortina, 30715 W. 10 Mile Road (between Middlebelt & Orchard Lake Road) Farmington Hills) (810) 474-3033 was among the 67 recipients of the Distinguished Restaurants of North American Award. Cafe Cortina joins previously recognized DiRoNa Award restaurants in Canada, Mexico and the United States bringing the total number of award recipients to 599. The DiRoNa awards program was launched in 1992.

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from reservation to departure, and includes quality of food and drink, decor and service.

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The Guide to DiRoNa Restaurants is for consumers seeking a distinguished dining experience anywhere in North America. It lists current DiRoNa Award recipients, with telephone

numbers, in alphabetical order by country, state, city and name. The Guide is available for \$4.95 through DRNA headquarters, 456 Washington Street, Monterey, Calif., 93940, or by calling (408) 649-6542.

**THE LARK**  
 The Television Food Network is featuring The Lark restaurant, 6430 Farmington Road (at

Maple), West Bloomfield, (810) 661-4466 in West Bloomfield 2 p.m. Thursday, May 29.

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Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes an answer key for previous puzzles.

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Large real estate advertisement for The Prudential Pickering Real Estate. Features a map of the area, contact information for various agents, and a list of services offered.

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YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE! Move in a hurry!
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CREATED TO ENJOY! Brand new
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Alluring Homes
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**SUPERIOR TOWNSHIP**  
**CAPE COD MASTERPIECE!** 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath Vaulted ceilings, abundance of glass. Dramatic two story foyer w/herringbone hardwood floor. Gourmet kit, luxurious master suite w/jacuzzi. Overlooks woods, 2 acres.  
**\$399,999** (23S0444) **313-455-7000**

**LIVONIA**  
**CASUAL ELEGANCE** This spotless 4 bedroom Colonial offers a Great room, 1st floor master suite, chefs kitchen, 2nd floor bridge, 1st floor plan, private park in yard!  
**\$309,900** (W18987) **313-261-0700**

**CANTON**  
**BUILDER'S MODEL!** Contemporary model with open floor plan, 2,750 sq. ft. Master suite w/2 walk-in closets. Custom kitchen w/extra large nook area. First floor laundry. Full basement.  
**\$298,900** (23N08192) **313-455-7000**

**PLYMOUTH**  
**CLASSIC COLONIAL!** 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath. Family room w/brick fireplace. Solid oak cabinets in kitchen w/doorwall leading to deck w/hot tub. Full finished basement. Central air & attic fan.  
**\$269,900** (23W09477) **313-455-7000**

**CANTON**  
**BACK TO COMMONS!** Fantastic Colonial in Fox Run sub. Huge master suite w/walk-in closet & large master bath & dressing area. Neutral decor. 2 story foyer. Enormous kitchen, full basement.  
**\$265,900** (23T47793) **313-455-7000**

**NOVI**  
**THIS ONE HAS IT ALL!** 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bath Colonial in excellent location w/large eat-in kitchen, 2.5 car garage. Great storage, plus much more.  
**\$254,900** (FOR) **248-348-6430**

**WIXOM**  
**NATURE CALLS** from your backyard - beautiful 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath Colonial backs to 300 acre nature preserve. Finish basement, open floor plan, great kitchen  
**\$239,994** (23H02400) **313-455-7000**

**PLYMOUTH**  
**LOCATION COUNTS.** Historically registered Home in the heart of Plymouth. 3 bedroom, 1.5 Bath w/many upgrades, including kitchen, central air. Electrical, Plumbing, roof shingles & hot water heater  
**\$181,900** (23M00391) **313-455-7000**

**NORTHVILLE**  
**IMMACULATE.** 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. Updates include kitchen, berber carpet, windows, 2 car garage, treed lot. 1/2 block to center of town. Move right in condition.  
**\$189,900** (HUT) **248-348-6430**

**WESTLAND**  
**COMFORT & CLASS!** Contemporary 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Ranch. Central air Neutral decor, skylight, cathedral ceilings. Large finished basement, beautifully landscaped. 2 car attached garage insulated drywalled.  
**\$151,000** (23B02041) **313-455-7000**

**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
**DON'T DREAM A DREAM "BUY ONE".** Contemporary condo has 2 bedrooms with walk-in closets, master bath with jacuzzi tub & shower, sky-lights, cathedral ceilings & 2 car garage.  
**\$149,900** (TAN) **248-477-1111**

**LIVONIA**  
**LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION!** Immaculate brick ranch with large living room, natural fireplace, Remodeled kitchen, Newer carpet.  
**\$148,711** (L29806) **313-261-0700**

**LIVONIA**  
**END THE SPACE RACE** 2295 sq. ft. of beautifully maintained home in a great area of Livonia. Four bedrooms, family room with natural fireplace, plus a recreation room.  
**\$144,900** (H14381) **313-261-0700**

**GARDEN CITY**  
**IMMACULATE.** 4 Bedroom brick Newer carpeting, windows and decorating. Large dining room, ample storage, 2.5 car garage with boat pad  
**\$126,900** (C31586) **313-261-0700**

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS**  
**STILL AFFORDABLE** Sharp Brick ranch with updates galore in Dearborn Heights Basement and Garage. Backs to field. New on market Won't last.  
**\$126,711** (C27255) **313-261-0700**

**WESTLAND**  
**THIS UNIQUE PROPERTY** can be yours. 3 bedroom 1.5 baths, fireplace, remodeled kitchen & baths. Basement w/workshop area. 2.5 car attached garage on a triple lot.  
**\$121,900** (P184) **313-326-2000**

**REDFORD**  
**BRICK RANCH.** Large living room-Natural fireplace, finished basement with additional natural fireplace, updated kitchen and a family room.  
**\$119,900** (J9408) **313-261-0700**

**GARDEN CITY**  
**LOVELY & IMMACULATE!** Three bedroom, Tri-level has new carpet, Newer furnace & windows. Beautiful Florida room Above Ground Pool, Home Warranty.  
**\$117,500** (J337) **313-326-2000**

**CANTON**  
**MOVE RIGHT IN!** This two bedroom Condo has many updates. Fireplace in living room. Skylights, New carpet and paint in 1995  
**\$103,000** (A186) **313-326-2000**

**GARDEN CITY**  
**THREE BEDROOM, 1.5 BATH,** brick & vinyl ranch. Full finished basement, newer windows, roof, furnace & central air, garage & Florida room  
**\$99,900** (610D) **313-326-2000**

**REDFORD**  
**SUMMER ENJOYMENT!** Gunite in-ground pool. Well maintained brick Ranch in a quiet Redford sub. Partially finished basement with Lav. and 2 car garage.  
**\$96,900** (S13022) **313-261-0700**

**WESTLAND**  
**LIVONIA SCHOOLS** Three bed room brick & Vinyl ranch. Remodeled Kitchen with oak cabinets. Remodeled bath with pedestal sink & tub enclosure. Full Finished basement. Family room with fireplace  
**\$96,900** (C742) **313-326-2000**

**CANTON**  
**CONTEMPORARY BEAUTY** situated on a private cul-de-sac awaits your arrival. Terrific kitchen with upgraded oak cabinets, island and large eating area. Cathedral ceiling in family room with fireplace.  
**\$169,900** (23003361) **313-455-7000**

**REDFORD**  
**HOMEY BRICK BUNGALOW** with 3 bedrooms, new roof, new steel entry doors & storms. Professional landscape sprinklers, nice screen porch and deck, central air and all appliances.  
**\$84,900** (WOR) **248-477-1111**

**VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP**  
**CUTE AND COZY** describes this well maintained home in Van Buren Estates subdivision. New vinyl windows & entry doors enhances this already adorable home. Home Warranty included  
**\$79,900** (23A49105) **313-455-7000**

**REDFORD**  
**BRICK RANCH!** 1000 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 1.5 baths, partially finished basement, 1.5 car detached garage, fenced yard, across the street from elementary school.  
**\$79,900** (NOR) **248-477-1111**

**REDFORD**  
**THE INSIDE STORY.** 3 bedroom, 1,400 sq. ft., family room, hardwood floors, updates: roof (tear off), copper plumbing, furnace, electrical. Home Warranty.  
**\$76,900** (D19464) **313-261-0700**

**DETROIT**  
**THIS IS IT!** 3 bedroom Cape Cod with library. Updates include vinyl windows, steel doors, heated Florida room, multi level deck, garden pond, 1 car garage  
**\$67,850** (fiv) **248-477-1111**

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**500 Help Wanted General**

**PANEL WIRES AND ELECTRICAL ASSEMBLERS**  
 Looking for skilled workers to assemble and wire control panels. Must be experienced in wiring and have a minimum of 5 years experience. Call us for an interview. We offer excellent benefits and a competitive salary. **SNELLING PERSONNEL SERVICES** 1555 Old Valley Road, #100, Lakewood, CO 80401. Fax: (303) 966-4543

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**QA INSPECTOR**  
 To perform inspection duties on finished goods. Must have a minimum of 2 years experience in a manufacturing environment. Call us for an interview. **SNELLING PERSONNEL SERVICES** 1555 Old Valley Road, #100, Lakewood, CO 80401. Fax: (303) 966-4543

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**QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER**  
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**SIDING INSTALLERS**  
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**SOCIAL WORKER**  
 To provide counseling and support services to clients. Must have a social work degree and a minimum of 2 years experience. **SNELLING PERSONNEL SERVICES** 1555 Old Valley Road, #100, Lakewood, CO 80401. Fax: (303) 966-4543

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**SECURITY OFFICERS**  
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**REAL ESTATE AGENTS**  
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**If you're looking for a summer job, place your free ad today.**

On Sunday, June 8, Thursday, June 12 and Sunday, June 15, we will publish free ads of a maximum 5 lines for students looking for employment.

Call (313) 591-0900 or (248) 644-1070 today and place your free five-line ads.

Explain what kind of job you're looking for and what experience you've had.

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Check our classified section on June 8, 12, and June 15 for that teen you need to work for this summer.

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