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## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Whalers:** The Plymouth Whalers host the Windsor Spitfires Sunday evening in an Ontario Hockey League Game at Compuware Sports Arena, Beck Road north of M-14. Game time is 6:30 p.m. Call the box office, 453-8400.

### MONDAY

**Ice and steel:** Today is the final day for viewing ice sculptures as part of the 16th annual International Ice Sculpture Spectacular in downtown Plymouth. It's also your last chance to check out the new cars – and a few wild concept vehicles for tomorrow's drivers – at the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Center in downtown Detroit.

### WEDNESDAY

**Creative paperwork:** Check out the intricate Japanese art form at Madonna University's origami exhibit. The exhibit, in the library on Madonna's Livonia campus, will continue through Jan. 30 during regular library hours. Call (734) 432-5711 for information.

### SATURDAY

**Learn CPR:** The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees are offering an adult CPR training class at 1 p.m. The class is free and open to the public. It will be held at the Plymouth Township annex (the old Friendly's building), on the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. For reservations or information call (734) 453-8407.

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## Schools plan for survival



Decreased enrollment will bring fewer state dollars to the Plymouth-Canton School District, which is planning for a rocky road ahead.

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The survival of the Plymouth-Canton School District could be dependent on the return of yearlong classes, schools in industrial parks, or maybe even making some elementary facilities schools of choice.

Those were some of the preliminary ideas expressed Tuesday night, as the district plans an all-out campaign to involve residents in the future planning of the schools to avoid a course of self-destruction.

Superintendent Charles Little said the district is in a "go-out-of-business course, and we need to find a way to curb it before it's too late."

Little, in a presentation which will also be given to parents, civic and business leaders over the next three months, said times have changed and the district needs to attract more students to keep from being left behind.

"What doesn't count is all those houses, developments, subdivisions, porches, garages, swimming pools and fences that used to broaden our financial shoulders," said Little. "What

does count is young people, that's how we get our money."

Little and school board President Mark Horvath spoke of Proposal A, which limits annual property tax increases to the rate of inflation, with a 5-percent cap.

"We spend a lot of time talking about how bad Proposal A has been for us," said Horvath. "It doesn't reward districts for growing their housing business, it rewards them for growing kids. It doesn't do any good to complain about it, but to fix it."

And the way for that to happen, according to the school board, is to tap into the resources of the district.

"We need to be on the front edge of the wave, and to do that we're going to need some ideas," Horvath told the audience. "We won't be able to come up with all the ideas, so we need to go to the people. We (the school board) would be terribly arrogant if we thought we could come up with the best ideas."

Little noted that school districts are operating with competitive rules that

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## Schools pick site in south Canton

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Tuesday night voted to spend approximately \$714,000 for property to build a new school in southwest Canton.

The property, located on the northwest corner of Cherry Hill and Beck roads, is in an area previously targeted by the district for a new elementary school.

"In the bond project, this was the target area," said Superintendent Charles Little. "One way we felt the bond proposal would be supported is if we targeted a specific area, and that was southwest Canton. I think it's a terrific location because the population growth is going right past there."

The district wants to build the new

school in a residential setting, and began negotiations some time ago with the property owner, Eleanor Wiles.

The parcel is approximately 17 acres, and will cost the district \$42,000 an acre, according to Little.

Little said the district "will purchase the property regardless of the bond issue lawsuit results."

The comment is in reference to a lawsuit filed by Plymouth resident Jerry Vorva, who claims the \$79.6 million in bonds voters approved for school improvements last March isn't valid. The district has had to hold up the sale of bonds while the matter is in litigation.

If the district wins the bond issue battle with Vorva, the general fund will be reimbursed with money from

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STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CANNIGIE

**Green thumb:** It's all in a day's work at Keller & Stein, pictured here (from left to right) Albert Sneath, Glen Patton and Carol Gonella

## Florist marks 100 years

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER  
STAFF WRITER

Sometimes you're born into the family business, knowing almost from childhood that one day you'll assume the proprietor's mantle. Others migrate there, somewhat reluctantly, after striking out on their own.

That's Clark Keller. Keller represents the third generation of ownership at Keller & Stein, the Michigan Avenue florist and greenhouse that is marking its 100th

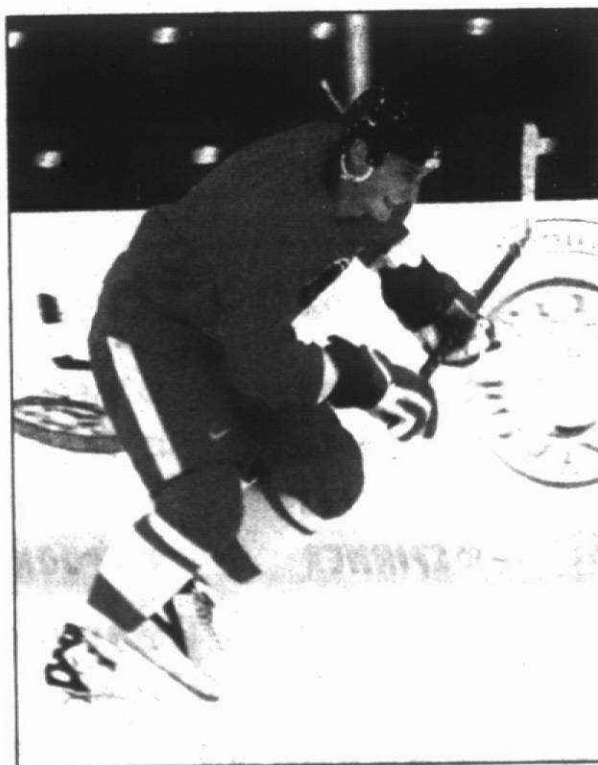
anniversary this year.

It didn't start out that way for Keller, 62, who studied chemistry and biology at the University of Michigan and went to work for a chemical company out of college. Helping out on weekends or around the holidays at the main store – then on Detroit's west side – was the extent of Keller's involvement.

But then his employer changed hands and offered him a job out of state. "I decided I really didn't like

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## Whaler watching Fedorov skates into town for practice



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BREKLER

**On ice:** Sergei Fedorov joined the Plymouth Whalers for an hourlong practice.

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Sergei Fedorov joined the Plymouth Whalers in an hourlong practice Wednesday at Compuware Sports Arena.

"He didn't embarrass me too bad," said Whalers defenseman Troy Smith, smiling.

"I got to play on a line with him," said Whalers left wing Andrew Taylor. "I tried to give him the puck all the time."

A salary dispute with the Detroit Red Wings has resulted in Fedorov holding out this season. His future with the team is in question, and a trade could be a solution to the standoff.

Wearing some old red and white Red Wing hockey pants, flashy Nike skates and a red Plymouth Whalers practice jersey, Fedorov took the ice at about 3 p.m.

After joining in some stretches, it was time for skating drills and simulated rushes up the ice with the puck, alone and with

offensive line mates.

"He looks a little tired," commented Ken Haneline of Canton, who when he heard Fedorov would be practicing at the arena got his son, Kirk, out of West Middle School and headed over.

Father and son were on hand for a Red Wings game last year when Fedorov scored five goals – the last in overtime – to win the game.

But as the practice progressed, Fedorov's well-known speed on skates was returning. "He's picking up a step," Haneline said, smiling.

Kevin Niemiec of Canton, who works as the Whalers mascot, said, "He's definitely a step above the rest."

"This could be the last time you ever see him in Detroit, you don't know."

"He really enjoyed himself," said Greg Stefan, Whalers assistant coach and former Red Wings goalie.

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## Arbor Drugs to anchor new center

BY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

Another Arbor Drugs store is being built at the northeast corner of Palmer and Haggerty, east of Canton Commons apartments.

Site plan approval was given to the development Tuesday by the Canton Board of Trustees. An architect for the project said construction is expected to begin in early spring.

The nearly four-acre site will have four separate buildings, the largest of which will be the 11,000-square-foot Arbor store. The remaining three buildings will amount to 14,040 square feet of retail space.

Municipal Services Director Aaron Machnik said the Palmer Crossing Shopping Center is the best example of the township's attempt to prevent unattractive strip mall developments.

Architect Mike Boggio said the buildings are designed with dormers and arches to give a look "very residential in character."

"The buildings are all bricks, there is no back to the buildings so to speak," said Boggio.

A masonry wall will separate the retail center from Canton Commons. Entrances will be located on Palmer

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## Florist from page A1

working for someone else. I wanted to be my own boss," Keller said.

So into the family business he plunged, following the same path as his dad, Carl, who left a job at Ford Motor Co. to take over a Depression-wracked floral business that had grown to two stores. Carl Keller worked so hard to rebuild the business he sometimes "slept here, so he could get right back to it the next morning," his son said.

The original store was opened by Charles Keller, Clark's grandfather, across from the Woodmere Cemetery on Fort Street.

Today, Northville resident Keller is glad for his own change of heart.

"I guess I knew I would eventually end up back in the business," Keller said. "There's just something very uplifting about it. Every day I come to work in a wonderful place, where living things and nature are the focus."

He's reminded of the environment every time he returns from vacation takes his first breath of the deliciously scented air, Keller added.

A fourth generation, in the person of daughter Christine

and son-in-law Glenn Patton of Plymouth, is ready to guide Keller & Stein into the next century.

The florist and greenhouse has been in Canton since 1984, when the Keller family purchased the former Stein's florist on Michigan, just east of Lilley. They expanded the property in 1991, just about doubling its size and creating an entrance off Lilley, which proved lucky last summer when major road work disrupted life for many Michigan Avenue businesses.

Keller & Stein employs about 35 full- and part-time staffers. The full-service greenhouse and florist handles weddings, funerals and commercial accounts stretching from Garden City into Washtenaw County. But casual, walk-in flower sales still account for the bulk of its business, said Glenn Patton.

Automated watering and climate control systems, as well as overnight delivery services, have had a positive impact on the greenhouse business, Patton said. But he noted that greenhouse manager Gerhard Heyer, a 39-year employee, still does much of the planting and watering by hand.

"Every pot dries differently,"



The Keller crew: Clark Keller, grandson of the founder, his daughter, Christine Patton, and son-in-law Glenn Patton take a break.

Patton said. Keller said the biggest change he's seen is the saturation of sources for flowers in metro Detroit. Not just traditional florists, but supermarkets and specialty stores are now in the flower business. "It's becoming like an American version of European flower markets," he said.

Keller & Stein will survive by offering quality and freshness that can't be matched, he said.

Not that every idea he tries works. A flower concession at Metro Airport several years ago

was a flop, he said. "I thought business travelers especially would jump at the chance to bring home fresh flowers after a trip." But slow sales — and the high rent for an airport location — doomed the effort.

Keller & Stein is also active with the Canton Chamber of Commerce and last month hosted a holiday reception that drew 150 guests. Clark Keller and other employees dressed in 19th century garb, likely the kind of working clothes that his grandfather wore to the Fort Street store in 1898.

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the bond issue. If Vorva wins and blocks the bond issue, school officials say the district has enough money to pay for the land through the capital improvement budget.

The deal is subject to results of soil samples to make certain the property is environmentally

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weren't in existence before Proposal A.

"Among them are per-pupil funding," said Little. "If we are going to have any more millages, they will have to be countywide. Ask yourself this question, would you share a millage with Northville, Detroit or Grosse Pointe?"

"We want to be the bulldozer, be out in front, the tidal wave," added Little. "Some places will be consumed because they stay in the background. We want to position ourselves so we prosper, we're the leaders, so that we are not consumed."

Horvath noted Plymouth-Canton schools aren't the only game in town anymore.

"We still want to be public education, but we've got to stop waiting for the money," said Horvath. "This is a business and we have to run it that way."

And, Little is convinced there's an effort to eliminate school districts.

"It's clear to me there's an effort to eliminate public education," he said. "There are groups out there trying to get a piece of state funding that's earmarked each year for education."

Board member Roland Thomas said "this is not a small problem financially, and we know that. It grows year after year."

Board member Carrie Blamer noted "education is always in a crisis, and we have to find a proactive way to deal with it."

sound. "We still believe we can have the school ready to open in the fall of 1999," said Little.

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Thomas, who was elected to his first stint on the board with a platform to end what was then year-round schooling, now says that may be an option to cutting costs.

"We may have to take a look at year-round schools," Thomas told the audience. "In some ways it can save costs, but there are increases in others. We need to evaluate it."

Board member John Farrow believes another idea may be "to open schools in industrial parks with day care centers, where the customers are. Many neighborhoods are empty at 11 a.m. most days."

Little even suggested schools of choice.

"We could pinpoint elementary schools in the south that might have some room for enrollment and make them schools of choice," said Little. "We could gain some revenue from students willing to come into the district where we don't meet capacity."

Little noted that salaries, electricity, gasoline, costs of repairs to buses and furniture and book costs are all increasing.

"Those costs are going up greater than what we are funded," said Little. "I'm determined to be on the front edge of this."

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# Plymouth on Ice

## Annual festival carves niche for neighbors



Chainsaw Massacre: Jim Bur, a Canton resident and professional ice carver, works on Channel 2's entry in the celebrity ice carving contest.

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

"Scream 2" may rule theaters. But the Plymouth chainsaw massacre of ice blocks has its own appeal.

That was evidenced by the swarms of visitors returning downtown this week. And with the weather for carving and viewing nearly perfect, record crowds were expected through today and the close of the 16th Annual Plymouth International Ice Spectacular on Monday.

Added to the usual representation of winged horses and birds were a growing number of corporate logos etched in ice — and near perfect weather for ice carvers and spectators.

"Typically we get a day that's too sunny or a little bit too warm," said Paul Sincok, municipal services director. "But the way it's being predicted now it's going to be perfect for the entire run."

High temperatures in the low 30s and in the low 20s were expected to continue through Monday, the National Weather Service reported.

To deal with weekend crowds, Sincok said municipal services had four traffic control plans using barricades, to avoid gridlock.

"They're usually in place about an hour or two until we thin things out," Sincok said.

For Canton residents who want to avoid hassle, Sincok suggested avoiding downtown and using Sheldon, Mill or Ann Arbor Road if traveling by car.

Events today include the individual professional carving competition from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., individual amateur competition from 9 a.m. to noon, two-man student team competition from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Collegiate Qualifier Team event from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Events are in Kellogg Park, The Gathering just north of the park, or the lower level of the Central Parking Deck off of Harvey south of Pennington.

Parking is available in the deck's upper level, and in the municipal lot west of Forest and south of Ann Arbor



Ice spectators: Linda and Jerry Schaffer and granddaughter Jillian Leutscher enjoy the ice carvings.

Trail. Among featured events taking place during the festival was the Celebrity Charity Carving Competition at The Gathering.

Among the participants at the 5:30 p.m. Thursday event were Dan Miller, TV Fox 2 sportscaster, who broadcast live from The Gathering as interested spectators looked on.

Miller, like some other celebrity carvers, opted to carve his company logo, assisted by a professional carver.

Plymouth dentist Tom Morse and carving partner Jennifer Hoenke, Miss Michigan, looked on as their assistant, professional carver J.R. Lorentz, outlined a winged horse on their ice block.

Lorentz then trimmed away portions of the sculpture with a chainsaw. Hoenke, wearing her Miss Michigan tiara, said, "I'm going to use the chisel, it'll be safer."

"I'm rooting for them all," explained one of the judges, Plymouth Mayor Don

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Dislike.

Soon, Hoenke was handed a torch, to apply a clear, finished look to the sculpture.

Across the ice, celebrity carving competition veteran Judy Coy of WJR-AM was expertly chainsawing her block of ice.

While chiseling, she explained, "I'm going to show two seasons. I'll have Old Man Winter with the wind blowing on one side and the sun and a sailboat on the other side."

Coy, the event winner, was asked what her favorite tool was. "The chainsaw," she said, smiling.

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## Condominiums to sprout at former Crimboli site

BY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

Property used by Crimboli Nursery to grow trees and shrubs is set to become a 120-unit condominium called the Preserves on Fellow Creek.

Township officials gave site plan approval to the project located at the southeast corner of Palmer and Lotz on Tuesday.

Supervisor Tom Yack called the development one that is "sensitive to the natural amenities."

The retail center for Crimboli's is on Ford Road, west of Beck and reportedly will remain in operation for seasonal sales.

Owner Dennis Crimboli did not return phone calls.

The condominiums — expected to be sold for \$140,000 to \$160,000 — will be built on the easternmost 19 acres of the

nearly 30-acre site. The remaining 10 acres will be dedicated to open space.

The property is unique due to the past use by Crimboli's. Besides from being heavily wooded with trees and shrubs, the Fellows Creek runs north and south through it. The property also borders the Fellows Creek Golf Course to its south and west.

"This is a very pretty piece of property. (The developer) was careful as to where the drives were located and preserved as much of the natural elements as possible," said trustee Melissa McLaughlin, also a liaison to the planning commission.

"There was a microscopic approach to how they planned this particular piece of property."

According to the site plans, the buildings are located along a

■ There was a microscopic approach to how they planned this particular piece of property.

Melissa McLaughlin  
-trustee

loop road with several divided road sections. Some of the islands were planned to preserve existing vegetation. All units are two-story with two-car garages. Units on the west side will have walk-out basements with decks overlooking the Fellows Creek floodplain. The units are 1,500 to 1,700 square feet in size.

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### A school board salute

For the last nine years, Michigan has recognized school board members for their efforts by

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Each year, over 4,200 locally-elected citizens make decisions on a total education budget of \$12 billion that affect Michigan's 1.7 million K-12 students. They do this with few perks, receive little fanfare, and face many challenges.

Members of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools board are: Mark Horvath, Michael Maloney, Carrie Blamer, Susan Davis, Roland Thomas, John Farrow and Elizabeth Givens.

Gov. John Engler said that this year's celebration "reflects the efforts of thousands of men and women whose actions and decisions help to shape the education and future lives of the next generation."

Although we honor school board members in January, their contributions reflect a year-round effort, the governor said. "They contribute hundreds of hours in school-related meetings, set priorities for school budgets and speak out for the best interests of all children. Their tireless efforts play a significant role in the continuing success of students in the work place."

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"I think it's a big thrill for all the guys," Smith added. "He's just so fast, so quick. He takes just two strides and he's skating at full speed."

Plymouth Whalers players, ages 16-20, are among the most talented in the Ontario Hockey League. Several will make it to the National Hockey League.

But Fedorov, a recent NHL Most Valuable Player, showed some advanced skills that caused fans and players to smile in appreciation.

Passes that typically arrive on a player's stick with a "thwack" came to Fedorov noiselessly, as he turned his

stick blade ever so slightly to catch the puck.

The Whalers goalies were able to stop a few Fedorov shots here and there - but not the ones fired deftly into high or low corners of the net, or pucks that jumped off his stick after a barely detectable flick of the wrists.

"To have Sergei Fedorov out here with kids that are dreaming of playing in the NHL, it's a great experience for them," Greg Stefan - Whalers assistant coach

the arena twice to skate, but this was his first time participating in a practice.

"He just wants to get a little bit into shape," Darovitz said, adding Fedorov would likely join more practices.

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and Haggerty roads.

A representative from the Century Farms Homeowners Association objected to the shopping center in December when the site plan received recommended approval from the planning commission.

Bob Whiteaker of the association's board of directors said it

was the wrong location for shopping center because the speed limit on Palmer is 45 mph and there is a downgrade going to the site, which would ultimately create traffic concerns.

Century Farms Homeowners fought a Planned Unit Development at the northwest corner of Palmer and Haggerty, across from the planned Palmer Cross-

ing Shopping Center. They were successful in getting a residential development instead. The Bayberry condominiums are currently under construction.

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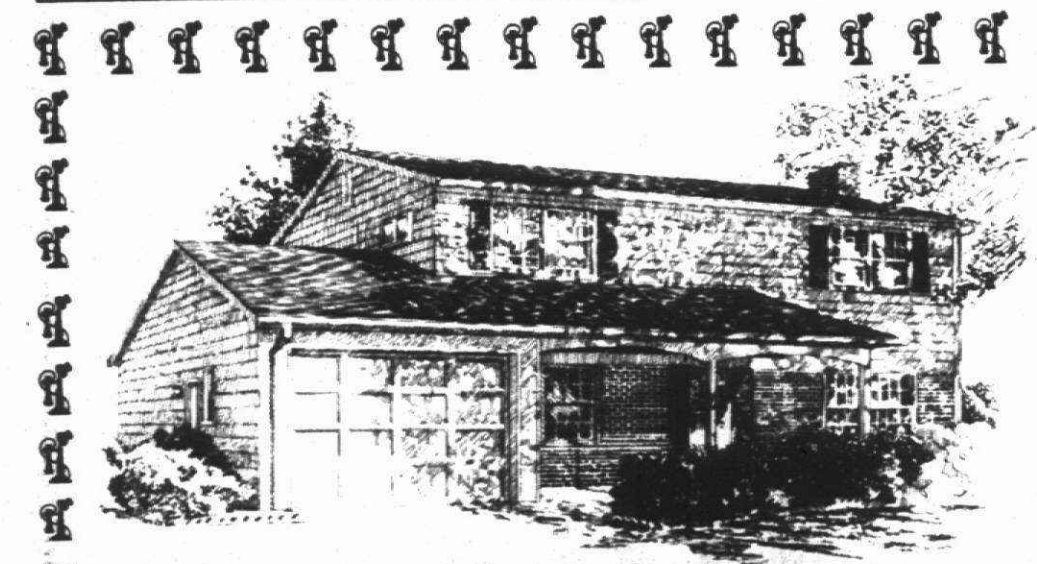
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# Magic show slated for East

By JOANNE MALISZEWSKI  
STAFF WRITER

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Brendan is guaranteed to entertain with a series of silk scarves tricks, as well as magic with a guillotine - he'll ask someone to place their hand in it - a suspension and asking someone to put their head in a box while he puts a blade through it.

By no means will this be Brendan's first magic show. He's performed at other schools, as well as at Domino Farms.

All proceeds from the show will go toward paying off the new sound system.

Advanced ticket sales are \$5 per person. Tickets at the door are \$6. Tickets are on sale during lunch at the school, as well as by calling 416-4955-455-9804.

Guests will see magicians Brendan, the Derringers, Jeff Scott, Doug Dean, Jack Hartley,

# OBITUARIES

## JENNIE SAMBRONE

Services for Jennie Sambrone, 88, of Northville (formerly of Plymouth) were held on Jan. 16 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. Stanley Tokarski officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Mrs. Sambrone was born on Feb. 5, 1909 in Detroit and died on Jan. 13 in Northville. She owned and operated the Andrine Hotel and Bar in Plymouth. The Andrine was a family-owned bar for 50 years. She came to the Plymouth community in 1927 from Detroit.

She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville. She loved her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren. She loved watching her "soaps" and doing puzzles at Allen Terrace with her friends. She also enjoyed going to the race track and playing cards.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Andrew, and son, Vito. Her survivors include her son, Paul (Antoinette) Sambrone of Plymouth; one daughter, Anna Christensen of Redford; three sisters, Lorette Bommarito of Prudenville, Neva Banks of California, Katherine Pellerenti of Roseville; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

## EDWARD W. LALLY

Edward W. Lally, 91, of Canton died on Jan. 12 in Wayne. Local arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton.

He was born on Oct. 9, 1906 in Detroit. Mr. Lally was a mechanic for an automotive company.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Agnes T. His survivors include his two nephews, William L. (Elizabeth) Styles, and Robert E. (Nettie) Styles.

CLARENCE CRAWFORD  
Services were held for Clarence Crawford, 95, of Van Buren on Jan. 15, at the UH Funeral Home with the Rev. Wade Byrd officiating the service. Burial was at Martin Cemetery in Bimble, Ky.

He was born on Feb. 13, 1902, and died on Jan. 14 in Van Buren. He was a machine operator for the automotive industry.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Ramona; one brother, Andrew; and one sister, Estil. His survivors include his wife, Carrie Crawford; four sons, Maurice C. Donald A., Thomas J., Walter; three daughters, Roberta Messer of Canton, Corinne Smith, Estil Ray; two sisters, Helen Snyder, Hiatha Payne; 19 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

MARIE TERRY  
Services were held for Marie Terry, 76, of Northville, on Jan.

## 16 at the First United Methodist Church in Northville with the Dr. Douglas W. Vernon officiating the service. Burial was at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. Local arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home in Northville.

She was born on Nov. 12, 1921 in Lansing. She died on Jan. 13 in Northville. She was a retired library secretary from Plymouth Schools. She moved to Northville in 1952. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Northville. She was also a member of United Methodist Women and the Sixth Gate Cloggers.

Her survivors include her two daughters, Carole S. Kobe of Paw Paw, Kristine M. Fralicy of Kalamazoo; one sister, Hattie Bills of Lansing; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to The Church of Angela Hospice.

THELMA DELENE HOFF  
A funeral mass will be held for Thelma Delene Hoff, 75, of Farmington Hills at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at Metropolitan Seventh Day Adventist Church in Plymouth with pastor Frank Haynes officiating the service. Burial will be held at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Local arrangements were made by the Heeny-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington.

She was born on March 6, 1922 in Boonville, Ind. She died on Jan. 14 at Vencor Hospital in Lincoln Park. Her survivors include her three sons, Gary (Marsha) Hoff, Robert (Brenda) Hoff, Duane (Patricia) Hoff; three daughters, Carol Power, Janis (Ray) Osler, Diane (Don) Terry; 16 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

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# SMART millage

## Commissioners want more information from transit staff

By KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Before county commissioners support a Wayne County millage proposal expected to be on the ballot in August, they want to hear from leaders of the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation and Detroit Department of Transportation.

Commissioner Bernard Parker, D-Detroit introduced a resolution of support Thursday. Parker's resolution calls for SMART to add a "sufficient number of routes" to accommodate displaced riders who formerly rode with D-DOT. D-DOT was expected to discontinue some bus routes.

Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, wondered if commissioners should "interfere with this situation." Commissioners Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, and William O'Neil, D-Allen Park, wanted more information before they consider support or rejection of a resolution.

Commissioner Edna Bell, D-Detroit, suggested the resolution be sent to committee and that leaders from SMART and D-DOT should be invited to appear before committee members.

The matter is expected to be discussed at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22 at the meeting of the commission's Committee on Roads, Airports and Public Services.

Cockrel appointed  
As expected, Kimberly Cockrel

was appointed Thursday by Wayne County commissioners to fill the commission seat formerly held by her husband.

Cockrel was appointed after assuring commissioners she would not run for election this year for the same seat.

Kenneth Cockrel Jr. resigned to serve on the Detroit City Council after he won election in that seat in November. In his resignation letter, he asked that his wife Kimberly serve as his replacement through the end of the term, which is Dec. 31, 1998.

Kim Cockrel thanked her family and commissioners for an opportunity to serve the 5th District in Detroit. She is a lifelong resident of southwest Detroit.

"It is a very vibrant, important and crucial part of our city," the new commissioner said.

The former commissioner thanked his former colleagues. Cockrel said he wanted to recommend someone who would not have the advantage as an incumbent in this year's election.

"My constituents wanted a level playing field. I wanted to put in someone who won't seek re-election," Cockrel said.

Wayne County commission seats are up for election in November. The filing deadline is May 12.

Representation wanted  
Commissioners also approved an ordinance directing the Wayne County executive to appoint at least one county commissioner to the Detroit-Wayne

County Community Mental Health Board despite opposing opinions that it was not "legally enforceable."

Edward Ewell, Wayne County corporation counsel, told the commissioners the ordinance was not legally enforceable. Ben Washburn, the commission's legal counsel, said the ordinance may not be enforceable, but it also was not illegal, either.

"You could have a stalemate where the vacancy is never filled," Washburn said.

Commissioner Parker, who introduced the ordinance, believed the commission would send a strong message.

All the commissioners supported the ordinance except McCotter and Patterson.

Cloning condemned  
Commissioner Patterson also introduced a resolution supporting bans on human cloning, which commissioners unanimously supported.

The resolution calls for all governing bodies to impose all appropriate restrictions, and bans offered and proposed by state Rep. Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti, and state Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, or at least a year ban as proposed by President Clinton.

"This will send a strong message to the state Legislature that we're going on record against (cloning)," Patterson said. Patterson questioned the morality of people who would clone humans and questioned the ethics of those who would support cloning.

Local host families needed  
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# Municipal consortium votes to join medical control group

By KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

The Conference of Western Wayne soon will be sending a representative to join a medical control authority as a voting member.

Members of the CWW, a legislative consortium of 18 communities in western Wayne County, decided Friday to join the Health Emergency Medical Services board of trustees and purchase one voting seat on that board.

They also chose Wayne Mayor Ken Warfield to serve in that capacity.

The CWW is a consortium of elected officials from the cities of Belleville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romu-

lus, Wayne and Westland and the townships of Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Sumpter and Van Buren.

In November, CWW subcommittee members decided to join the HEMS because they believed that the delivery of pre-hospital care was an issue of regional importance.

"The committee further believes that local government would be best served by a voting seat," said Marsha Bianconi, CWW's executive director.

HEMS offered to adjust rates for the CWW since the membership will only last five months. The rate was prorated for each community, and the total was adjusted

from \$21,571 to \$8,988.

The Western Wayne County Fire Department Mutual Aid Association, a group of fire department representatives, also will receive a "non-voting" representative on HEMS.

HEMS, a nonprofit organization since 1980, delivers pre-hospital care in western Wayne County. It operates the EMS ambulance to hospital radio system with 13 hospitals, offers medical disaster medical assistance team, and information and resource services. System participants include hospitals and Wayne County Health Department working with local government providers, health centers, private ambulance services, physicians, nurses and EMS personnel.

# S'craft to honor outstanding alum

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# State to appeal Redford man's gun case

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

State lawyers are continuing to fight two major losses in the Court of Appeals.

Fred Mager, Redford Township resident who won a gun records case against Michigan State Police, said last week the state has applied for re-hearing before the Court of Appeals.

That court, in a 3-0 decision Dec. 15, said he is entitled, under the Freedom of Information Act, to the state's list of people whose pistols have passed local police safety checks.

"I haven't got my hands on it yet. By the time I get it, it's too late for the election," said Mager, who is unhappy about the delay.

Mager wants the list in order to build up political support for a less restrictive pistol licensing bill sponsored by Rep. Alan Cropsey, R-DeWitt. State police argued that giving up the list was "an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy."

In another case, state attorney

**The state Court of Appeals, in a 3-0 decision last month, said Fred Mager of Redford Township is entitled, under the Freedom of Information Act, to the state's list of people whose pistols have passed local police safety checks. He wants the list in order to build up political support for a less restrictive pistol licensing bill.**

general Frank Kelley announced his office will go to the state Supreme Court to seek reversal of a boat launch decision against the Department of Natural Resources.

"It's likely an appeal will be filed. We have until Tuesday," said Kelley's spokesman, Chris DeWitt.

A Court of Appeals panel ruled late in December that DNR's plan to develop a public boat launch on Burt Lake had to pass muster on Burt Township's zoning ordinance. The appellate court upheld a Cheboygan Circuit Court's injunction blocking further development of the launch site.

The appellate court ruled 2-1 that some agencies — such as Corrections and public universities — are immune from local zoning laws while others — such as State Police and DNR — must meet local requirements.

DNR contends its constitutional mandate to guard natural resources and provide public recreation takes precedence over township and city regulations. The property is zoned R-1 residential.

If the Supreme Court takes the case, it will be under pressure to rule before Sept. 30, when DNR's funding for the launch runs out. Burt Lake, at 16,700 acres, is one of Michi-

gan's largest. Located west of I-75 and south of the Mackinac Bridge, Burt has one state launch at the state park at the southeast end of the lake. DNR has options on two lots at the northwest end, about 10 miles away.

Meanwhile, developers and environmentalists are awaiting a Supreme Court decision in a major wetlands case stemming from Waterford Township in Oakland County.

DNR blocked K & K Construction from developing 28 acres of a 55-acre parcel on M-59. A Court of Appeals panel upheld a lower court's award of \$5.9 million in lost property value and interest to K & K.

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Supporting DNR were the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Michigan Municipal League, Michigan Townships Association and many non-governmental environmental groups.

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Beta carotene is important for good vision, helps keep the body's cells healthy, and may protect against certain cancers, heart disease, strokes and cataracts. Vitamin A has often been referred to as the anti-infective vitamin. It does not attack the infective organism, but may keep your resistance pumped up to fight off infection.

Carrots contain lots of soluble fiber, which can help lower blood cholesterol, are low in calories, approximately 40 for a medium to large carrot and a good source of potassium.

Since vitamin A is stable in heat, carrots retain their nutrients when cooked. It is interesting to note that before the 16th century, wild carrots were used by Greeks and Romans for "medicinal" purposes.

Most children like carrots because the sugar content is high. This sugar flavor becomes more pronounced when carrots are cooked. Only beets have more natural sugar than carrots. The sugar lies in the outer layers so don't cut carrots deeply when peeling.

### Storage tips

Carrots are available year-round, and Michigan and California are major producers. Do not store carrots



with apples, pears or other fruits that produce ethylene gas as they ripen.

This natural gas makes carrots limp and unattractive.

Look for firm, smooth, evenly

shaped carrots that have a very orange color. The deeper the orange color of the carrot, the more vitamin A it contains. Avoid any that are flabby, shriveled, rough or cracked. If you buy fresh carrots that still have the greens attached, remove them right after purchasing. The greens can drain moisture away from carrots and make them limp and rubbery.

Carrots keep well in the refrigerator for a few weeks. When you are ready to use carrots, scrub them clean with a vegetable brush to remove any soil bacteria. Wash carrots that say "pre-washed" on the package just to make sure they are bacteria-free.

### Flavor enhancers

Curry powder, cumin, dill, caraway seeds, dried coriander and mustard seeds enhance the flavor of carrots. Lemon juice can be squeezed on cooked carrots, or add a little honey and orange juice to make a glaze.

Mix grated carrots with peanut butter or cream cheese for a sandwich, or spread on crackers. To stretch meatloaf add shredded carrots. Your meatloaf will be juicier and more flavorful.

Health experts recommend eating five fruits and vegetables a day. A serving of carrots is 1/2 cup, not much when you think about it. Serving raw carrots for snacks is a good way to help you get your - Five A Day.

If you have difficulty chewing carrots, blanch them until slightly softened. After blanching the carrots will be a beautiful bright color, the nutrients will still be there, and the carrots will be easy to chew.

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## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Banish winter blahs
- Winter Freeze Chili Cookoff winners



QUAKER OATS

**Weeknight quick:** Easy Italian Mini Meatloaf Supper pairs mini meatloaves topped with seasoned tomatoes, shredded cheese and an easy-to-make pasta.

# Meatloaf

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
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As winter blankets us with quiet and cold, simple, comforting foods are the ones we crave. And since there are always leftovers, meatloaf's a good choice for this blustery season of unexpected storms.

Melanie Barnard knows "Everyone Loves Meatloaf," and her newly published cookbook contains "more than 100 recipes for Loaves and Fixins'" (HarperPerennial, \$14.95, hardcover).

"It's the easiest thing to make, and not a lot can go wrong," said Barnard from her home in Connecticut. "It's the essence of home, and kids like it."

In her cookbook, Barnard introduces readers to a variety of "loaves" with recipes for poultry, seafood and vegetarian loaves. There are also recipes for loaves made with sausage, lamb, venison and smoked ham, and suggestions for flavorful sauces.

Once relegated to diners and school cafeterias, meatloaf has become very hip. Besides the meatloaf you grew up with, Barnard shows how seasonings can make a world of difference with such preparations as Swedish Meatloaf, Argentinean Steakloaf, Thai Beef and Brown Rice Loaf and Jamaican Jerk Chicken Loaf.

No matter what it's made of, meatloaf is one of those stick-to-your-ribs foods whose memory stays

with you. Like oatmeal, most meatloaf recipes have a story.

"My grandparents were summertime nomads," said Barnard. "Because I was the oldest, I got to travel with them in the summer. Once we drove from Pennsylvania where I lived to Colorado. This was before Holiday Inns, and we stopped at truck stops to eat. Grandma could spot a good one by counting the number of trucks parked there. A ten-truck stop was winner."

"I quickly learned the thing to order was meatloaf, mostly because it came with gravy and mashed potatoes, which were high on my favorite food list."

Meatloaf is often our first introduction to home cooking. Barnard learned how to make meatloaf from her maternal grandmother. I learned how to make meatloaf in seventh grade home economics class and was surprised it tasted so good. My mom's a fine cook, but meatloaf isn't one of her specialties. Her meatloaf was dry, even smothered with ketchup, and definitely not something I looked forward to. Meatloaf was the first recipe I shared with her.

"A lot of people treat meatloaf

like the kitchen sink," said Barnard. "But you can't throw everything into it. Good meatloaf is only as good as the ingredients you use. Don't over mix it, and don't overcook, but you don't want to undercook it either. Use your hands to mix meatloaf until everything is blended, and an instant read thermometer to check if it's done."

No matter what your meatloaf is made of they share these components - a main protein, a starch, a binder, and seasonings.

### Main protein

For the juiciest basic meatloaf, Barnard recommends using only fresh, not previously frozen meat. For basic meatloaf she favors a blend of 3/4 pound lean ground beef chuck and about 6 ounces each of lean ground pork and veal. If you're making a poultry loaf, she suggests using a blend of skinless white and dark meat.

### Starch

"Starch is what gives the characteristic juicy and slightly soft texture to a loaf, acting as a sponge to absorb and retain the flavorful juices," said Barnard. You can use

fresh or dried bread crumbs, cracker crumbs, oatmeal, rice or pasta. Use bread crumbs in combination with other starches for an interesting texture.

Her choice for most meatloaves is fresh bread crumbs. "I like the bread to be firm and slightly dry," she said. "For a loaf with 1-1/2 pounds of main protein, approximately 1 cup of fresh crumbs is right."

### Binder

Eggs are the glue that holds meatloaf together. For most loaves Barnard said 2 eggs will do, but it can be reduced to 1 if you're using milk or yogurt. To reduce cholesterol 2 egg whites or 1/4 cup of cholesterol-free egg substitute can be used in place of each egg in a recipe.

### Seasonings

"I like to use fresh herbs," said Barnard, "but good-quality dried herbs are better than limp, over-the-hill fresh herbs." She reminds readers that spices don't have an indefinite shelf life, will lose potency over time and should be replaced after a year.

For baking, Barnard prefers a metal pan over glass because it "seems to promote more browning," and hence more crust. Let meatloaf rest 5 to 10 minutes before removing from pan for easier slicing.

See recipes inside.



# Value wines come from Italy's northeast

## Wine Picks

■ **Picks of the Pack:** 1995 S. Anderson Merlot, Stags Leap District \$28; 1994 Beringer Knights Valley Alluvium Red Table Wine \$25; and 1994 Chateau St. Jean Cinq Cepages \$24.

■ **Best buy syrahs:** 1995 Richemont \$8; and 1995 McDowell \$16.

■ **Critics of California chardonnay** say they taste alike. Don't believe them and try: 1996 Chateau Souverain Barrel-fermented \$13; 1996 Beringer \$15; 1996 Pine Ridge Knollside \$18; 1996 S. Anderson, Carneros \$23.

■ **Classy merlots:** 1995 Clos du Bois \$17; 1995 Fetzer Barrel Select \$14; 1994 Lockwood Reserve \$24; 1994 Hogue Genesis Merlot \$21; 1995 Ballentine \$19; 1995 Pine Ridge Crimson Creek \$35; 1995 Schaefer \$30.

■ **Mellow sangioveses:** 1990 Castello di Gabbiano Chianti Classico Riserva (Italy) \$23; 1995 Atlas Peak Sangiovese \$16; 1995 Iron Horse Sangiovese \$20; 1994 Marchese Antinori Chianti Classico Riserva \$33.

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Some wine regions get all the hype. If you've heard of California wine, then you know there's a Napa Valley. It's much the same in Italy. Much attention is given to the Piedmont and Tuscany. It's not that it's undeserved, but there's much more.

Since 1772, the Boscaini family has made wine in Italy's Verona region with one simple concept in mind: good wine comes from good vineyards. Faithful to this principle, and aided today by modern grapegrowing and winemaking technology, Boscaini wines represent quality and value from Italy's northeast.

Fifth generation Dario Boscaini is current family representative. He has a degree in agricultural science with a specialization in grapegrowing. For more than 20 years, he directed the School of Viticulture in Valpolicella. With his technical assistants, he identified microzones in the Veneto and

Trentino Alto Adige regions with uniform climatic and soil conditions where wine has identifiable characteristics and unique personality.

From the original vineyard and winery in the hills of Torbe in Valpolicella, over the past two decades, the Boscaini family has acquired vineyards in the five best microzones. All wines are made from indigenous grapes, unfamiliar to most, but are either single vineyard or microzone. Grape names are not the important element here, so we're skipping them in favor of emphasizing the producer's name, Boscaini, and the microzone, both of utmost importance.

From the Alto Adige comes 1996 Boscaini Castel Firmiano Pinot Grigio \$16. Pinot grigio is the "hottest" white grape variety from Italy today. It pairs handsomely with seafood or can stand on its own as an aperitif. The Boscaini version, originates from vineyard soils rich in white marble stones from the

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**Italian winery:** The cellars at Boscaini in Italy's Verona region. The Boscaini family has made wine in this region since 1772.

# Marvelous meatloaf great for dinner

# Prepare whole fish for a new year feast

See related story on Taste front.

## CLASSIC MEATLOAF

1 1/2 pounds lean ground beef or turkey  
3/4 cup oats (quick or old-fashioned)  
3/4 cup finely chopped onion  
1/2 cup ketchup  
1 egg, lightly beaten  
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce or soy sauce  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon black pepper

Heat oven to 350°F. Combine all ingredients in large bowl; mix lightly but thoroughly. Shape meatloaf mixture into 10 by 6-inch loaf on rack of broiler pan.

Bake 50 to 55 minutes or until meatloaf is to medium doneness (160°F for beef, 170°F for turkey). Let stand 5 minutes before slicing. Cover and refrigerate leftovers promptly and use within 2 days, or wrap airtight and freeze up to 3 months. Yield 6 to 8 servings.

Recipe from Quaker Oats

## EASY ITALIAN MINI MEATLOAF

SUPPER

Ingredients for Classic Meat-

loaf (recipe above)

1 1/2 cups (6 ounces) shredded, reduced-fat Italian cheese blend, divided

2 teaspoons dried Italian seasoning, divided

1/2 package (8 ounces) rotini pasta

1 package (16 ounces) frozen Italian vegetable blend

2 to 3 teaspoons olive oil or margarine

Salt and pepper, to taste

1 can (14 1/2 ounces) Italian seasoned diced tomatoes

Heat oven to 350°F. To Classic

Meatloaf ingredients, add 1 cup

cheese and 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning; mix lightly but thoroughly.

Press approximately 1/3 cup meatloaf mixture into each of 12 medium muffin cups.

Bake 15 to 20 minutes or until centers are no longer pink.

While meat loaves bake, prepare

pasta according to package directions, adding vegetables during

last 6 minutes of cooking. Drain

well; toss with olive oil, remaining

1 teaspoon Italian seasoning, salt

and pepper.

Spoon tomatoes into microwave-

safe bowl; microwave covered on

HIGH until heated through.

Remove meat loaves from muffin

pans; top with tomatoes and

remaining 1/2 cup cheese. Serve

with pasta. Yield 6 servings.

Recipe from Quaker Oats.

## KID'S FAVORITE MEATLOAF

1 tablespoon vegetable oil

1 onion, chopped

1 celery rib, chopped

1 1/2 pounds "meatloaf mix"

of ground chuck, pork and

veal (Cookbook author

Melanie Barnard suggests

3/4 pound lean beef

chuck, and about 6 ounces

each of lean ground pork

and veal)

2 cups lightly crushed plain

cornflakes cereal

1 3/4 cups (10-ounce pack-

age) thawed frozen peas

and carrots

1/4 cup chopped parsley

2 tablespoons Worcestershire

sauce

1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

2 eggs

1/4 cup ketchup

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.

In a large skillet, heat the oil and

cook the onion and celery over

medium-low heat, stirring often,

until softened, about 5 minutes.

In a large mixing bowl, use your

hands to gently but thoroughly

combine the meat, cornflakes, peas

and carrots, parsley, Worcestershire

sauce, mustard and eggs.

In a 13 by 9-inch baking pan,

shape the meat into a 9 by 5-inch

loaf, or pat it into a 9 by 5-inch

loaf pan, smoothing the top.

Spread the top with ketchup. Bake

until the meatloaf is firm with a

richly browned top, and a meat

thermometer inserted into the center

of the loaf registers 155

degrees, about 1 hour.

Let the meatloaf stand in the

pan for 10 minutes before slicing.

Serves 6.

Recipe from: "Everybody Loves

Meatloaf: More than 100 Recipes

for Loaves and Fixins" by

Melanie Barnard, (HarperPern-

ial, Oct. 1997; \$14.95).

## WHITE BEAN AND SPAGHETTI

SQUARES

Crust

3 1/2 to 4 cups cooked

spaghetti (about 1/2

pound uncooked)

1/2 cup milk

1 egg

1/4 cup grated Romano

cheese

Filling

2 tablespoons olive oil

1 large onion, chopped

1 small red bell pepper,

chopped

1 small yellow bell pepper,

chopped

2 cloves garlic, minced

2 tablespoons chopped fresh

oregano or 2 teaspoons

dried

1/4 cup chopped fresh basil

1/2 cup milk

3 eggs

1 can (1 pound) white beans,

rinsed and drained

1 can (14 1/2 ounces) Ital-

ian-style stewed tomatoes

with juice

2 cups (8 ounces) grated

mozzarella cheese

To make the crust: Coat a

shallow 3-quart baking pan with

nonstick olive oil spray. If the

pasta is cold, reheat it in a

microwave oven, then place it in

the prepared pan. Add the milk,

egg, and Romano cheese, mixing

well. Spread the mixture to cover

the bottom and about 1 inch up

the sides of the prepared pan. Set

aside. Preheat the oven to 375

degrees.

To make the filling: In a large

skillet, heat the oil and cook the

onion and red and yellow peppers

over medium heat, stirring occa-

sionally, until the vegetables are

just softened, about 4 minutes.

Add the garlic, oregano, and basil,

and cook 1 minute more. In a

small bowl, whisk the milk with

the eggs to blend. Stir the egg mix-

ture and beans into the cooked

vegetables in the skillet. Spoon the

filling into the prepared spaghetti

"crust." Spread the tomatoes over

the top, then sprinkle with the

cheese.

Cover with aluminum foil and

bake for 15 minutes. Uncover and

bake until the filling is set and the

cheese is melted and bubbly, 20 to

25 minutes more. (The recipe can

be assembled up to 8 hours ahead

and refrigerated. Increase the cov-

ered baking time by 10 minutes,

then uncover and continue to bake

as directed.)

Let stand for 10 minutes before

cutting into squares to serve.

Serves 6-8.

Recipe from: "Everybody Loves

Meatloaf: More than 100 Recipes

for Loaves and Fixins" by

Melanie Barnard, (HarperPern-

ial, Oct. 1997; \$14.95).

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Carrots can be microwaved. Cook them in a minimum amount of water until tender, but not mushy. Cook longer if you are going to puree the carrots to add to a cake, cookies, bread or cream soup.

For a little snack, served hot or cold, carrots are certainly more than just for cake, or sticks on a relish tray.

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Here's a carrot recipe from The "American Medical Association Family Health Cookbook: Good Food That's Good for You (Pocket Books/Janis A. Donaud and

Associates, Inc.; November 1997; \$30).

## LEMON AND HONEY-GLAZED BABY CARROTS

1 1/2 pounds baby carrots

2/3 cup dry white wine, apple

juice, or white grape juice

1 1/2 tablespoons honey

2 teaspoons butter

1/2 teaspoon salt, plus additional

to taste

2 strips lemon peel

2 tablespoons lemon juice

Freshly ground black pepper

to taste

In a large nonstick skillet, com-

bine the carrots, wine, honey, but-

ter, salt, and lemon peel. Add

enough water to barely cover the

carrots. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat to medium, and simmer uncovered, stirring occasionally, until the carrots are tender and most of the liquid has evaporated, about 15 minutes.

Add more water if necessary to prevent scorching. If any liquid remains, raise the heat and boil it until it cooks down to make a syrupy glaze.

Discard the lemon peel. Sprinkle the lemon juice over the carrots and stir. Add salt and pepper to taste and serve.

Makes 4 side dish servings. Per serving: About 117 calories, 20 calories from fat, 2g total fat, 1g saturated fat, 5mg cholesterol, 347mg sodium, 25g total carbs, 4g fiber, 2g protein.

In a large nonstick skillet, combine the carrots, wine, honey, butter, salt, and lemon peel. Add enough water to barely cover the

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Dolomites. With attractive pear aromas, it comes across bright, fresh, crisp and elegantly balanced.

The 1995 Boscaini Bardolino Le Canne, Classico Superiore \$11 strikingly drives home the microzone benefit with its bounty of red fruits, soft, appealing mouthfeel and luxurious finish. It is interesting to note that on the wine label, the microzone Le Canne is printed above the producer's name. That's how important Boscaini considers the microzone concept. Pair it with pastas, light meats, chicken, swordfish, tuna or salmon.

A new-age Valpolicella is represented by 1995 San Ciriaco \$15, the first release of this wine.

Traditionally, Valpolicella has been made as a field blend of three grape varieties. Field blends are a mix of grapes grown in the same vineyard, harvested at the same time and fermented as a mix.

The nature of grape ripening is such that, in reality, all three grape varieties do not reach peak ripeness at the same time.

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To enhance and distinguish the overall wine, Boscaini has added a fourth grape variety (croatina) to the blend, one that no other producer in Valpolicella uses.

The label depicts a window of the Villa of San Ciriaco. The fruit-driven wine is laden with the aromas and juicy flavors of red plums, dark cherries and pine.

"This is my favorite wine," Dario Boscaini said. "I like it with fish, meats, pasta or egg dishes — just about everything."

A wine reflecting the best and most complex qualities of Valpolicella is Boscaini's signature wine 1993 Santo Stefano, Vino di Ripasso \$16. Vino di Ripasso refers to a winemaking technique whereby the wine is fermented a second time.

The ancient Ripasso system was rediscovered and patented by the Boscainis. Only Dario's branch of the family is permitted

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Headliner, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.

If you didn't have a good time on New Year's Eve, try again on Wednesday, Jan. 28. It's the eve of the Chinese New Year, when dragons will dance in the streets of many cities to welcome the year of the Tiger. According to Chinese astrology, tigers are brave, energetic, independent and fearless, which means we can expect an exciting year.

Chinese New Year celebrations usually last 10 days. The rituals observed during this time are full of symbols including many foods. Associated with good luck and prosperity, often because of how it looks or how its name sounds. For instance, as the dragons dance for the parades, people throw rice to represent abundance.

Golden spring rolls are significant because they resemble bars of gold, and plump dumplings filled with pork and cabbage called jiao-ze, are eaten because they look like coins. Tangerines and kumquats are important because their golden color also represents wealth and money. Using fruit with the leaves still attached is preferred, symbolizing unity and the family staying together in the New Year.

Although the Chinese do not usually serve dessert at the end of a meal, New Year celebrations usually include delicacies such as Eight Treasure Rice. Made with sticky glutinous rice, it is eaten to insure the coming year will bring sweet memories.

Whenever possible, Chinese New Year feasts include a whole fish, encouraging abundance and symbolizing completeness. Cooking a whole fish seems intimidating, but it's actually quite easy.

Any number of fish varieties can be cooked this way, including sea bass, red snapper, and sea trout. Of course, you can always flaunt tradition and use filets; the dish will be just as delicious.

Try to make the sauce from scratch with fermented black

beans which are available in Asian markets and some grocery stores. Since the sauce is homemade, the flavor is much better than black bean sauce sold in a jar.

Don't worry about buying too many beans, since they keep a long time, enabling you to prepare black bean sauce as often as you wish. That's good to know, since the sauce is just as good with chicken, shrimp, tofu and vegetables as it is with fish.

## STEAMED FISH WITH BLACK BEAN SAUCE

1 fish (1 1/2 pounds, sea bass, sea trout or red snapper), gutted, or 2 large filets, about 1 pound total

1 tablespoon dry sherry

## LOCAL CELEBRATIONS

These local Chinese restaurants will be hosting New Year celebrations. Reservations are essential.

■ Hunan Palace, 38259 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, (248) 473-3939; 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, 10-course dinner, dragon dance, martial art demonstration, \$45 per person.

■ Mon Jin Lau, 1515 E. Maple Road (at Stephenson) Troy, (248) 689-2332, 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26, cost \$89 per person, includes dinner, entertainment.

■ Shangri-La, 6407 Orchard Lake Road (at Maple in Orchard Mall), West Bloomfield, (248) 626-8585; 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, special dinner, entertainment, \$30 per person, you can arrange for a table of 10.

■ New Peking Restaurant, 29105 Ford Road, Garden City, (313) 425-2230. Chinese New Year Party, 12 course dinner, prizes and entertainment, 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Jan. 26-29. Cost \$28 per person, (\$10 non-refundable deposit).

1/2 cup Black Bean Sauce (see recipe below)

1 teaspoon roasted sesame oil

Wash and dry the fish. Place it on an oval platter that fits into a turkey roaster. Pour 2 inches of water into the roasting pan. Place a high rack or 2 empty tuna fish cans, tops and bottoms removed, into the pan to serve as a rack.

Set the platter with the fish into the roaster. Pour the sherry over the fish. Cover the roaster. Bring the water to a boil over high heat and steam the fish 10-15 minutes. Cooking time varies, but the fish is done when it is just opaque by the bone (or in the center, for filets).

Place a wok or heavy skillet over high heat until it is very hot. 1-2 minutes. Pour the juices from the fish which have collected in the platter into the pan and bring to a boil. Cook until they are reduced by half. Mix in the bean sauce.

When it boils, in 1-2 minutes, add the sesame oil. Pour the sauce over the fish and serve immediately.

## BLACK BEAN SAUCE

1 tablespoon peanut oil

2 tablespoons fermented

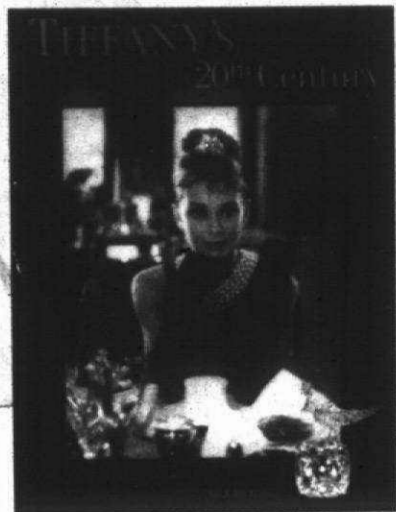
black beans, minced

1 teaspoon minced fresh ginger

1 teaspoon minced garlic

1/4 cup scallions, cut into 1/4-inch rounds

## SHOPPING CENTERED



## New items hit marketplace

**Book defines American beaux art:** Tiffany & Co. design director John Loring just introduced his eighth book of American style and design, available at Tiffany & Co. in the Somerset Collection South in Troy. "Tiffany's 20th Century: A Portrait of American Style," \$60, traces Tiffany's progress and influence on American society and style over the last 100 years.



John Loring

The book proceeds from the Renaissance Revival of the early 1900s to the floral masterpieces of Art Nouveau and the streamlined designs of American Art Deco; from the mid-century triumphs of renowned jewelry designer Jean Schlumberger to the masterworks by Elsa Peretti and Paloma Picasso.

There are more than 300 photographs in the book including Tiffany's prize-winning displays at world expositions in Paris 1900, San Francisco in 1915, and New York in 1939. It revises the works of Paulding Farnham whose designs won more medals at international expositions than any other American designer.

The story of this century's reeling progress and change involves a cast of characters from Louis Comfort Tiffany to Tiffany design directors Van Day Truex and John Loring, and trend setters like Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Babe Paley, Diana Vreeland and Audrey Hepburn who immortalized the store in the 1961 film classic "Breakfast at Tiffany's."

**Mini magic:** Rita Camera associate Joel Waldbott at Somerset North in Troy, said keeping the Canon Elph in stock is almost impossible — everybody wants one because it's easy to use and fits in your shirt pocket.

The \$299 stainless steel, Advanced Photo System camera, is no bigger than a pack of cigarettes and produces three print sizes — 4x6, 4x7 or panoramic.

Other features include active/passive autofocus, drop-in loading, no negatives (index prints are provided) and digital readiness for direct to computer film scanning. The Elph Jr. (an even smaller version) is \$219.95.

**Think spring:** Romantic, feminine clothes will be in store for spring. Watch for ruffles, pleats, bouquets of floral designs. This classic look is from the Worth Collection, New York, 212-223-3757.

## Adding a website may build business

**Contemplating a site on the Internet to increase your sales? A few local retailers discuss the pros and cons.**

BY BARE PERT TEMPLETON  
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Large, bold, bright blue letters dot the screen as cyberspace customers visiting the Internet site for Travelers World in West Bloomfield are invited to peruse a catalog of the latest designer bags.

Luggage by Andiamo, Kipling handbags and Hartman briefcases are among the many products computer users can eyeball before ordering at [www.travelersworld.com](http://www.travelersworld.com).

Bruce Welford, owner of the specialty luggage shop, established the Travelers World's Internet site in 1995. Welford estimates his shop's annual sales have increased about three percent with anywhere from two to five orders coming in via E-mail each week.

"I pay for the service once a year. It's about \$700 and that cost is based on the amount of space you are taking up on the system. I have about 10 pages out there now," he explained. "The Yellow Pages are way more outrageous than that," he added noting that advertising in the Yellow Pages costs him \$300 to \$400 a month.

"The cost is part of what's so attractive about this," he said. "I have filled orders for customers in Hong Kong, England and quite a few Asian countries."

"It certainly has been worth it and we've made a profit based on the expenses we put into it," Welford said.

One downtown Birmingham retailer, who declined

to be identified, recently dropped his store's Internet site after just eight months claiming too many problems with credit card customers.

"We found too much fraudulence in sales on the Internet and just couldn't afford to take those losses," he said.

The fraud came about when customers would make credit card purchases via the store's web site, receive the shipment of the desired product but claim they never made the purchase when the bill came due.

"We got stuck arguing with the credit card company and being totally ignored by the customer who made the purchase so we just got out of it," explained the disappointed retailer.

So far Welford hasn't experienced any payment problems unless he counts a few misunderstandings customers have presented when they didn't recall their luggage came from Travelers World.

"Our name sometimes prompts some people to question the charges because they think of a travel business but as far as denying shipments, we have UPS to track that so we don't see any problems there," he said.

Right now Welford processes all of the Internet generated orders himself, but he is anxious to look into automating his site.

"We're pretty archaic at this point," he said. "I usually answer the E-mail or end up calling the customer to process the orders, but I want to do some research and upgrade things."

When Welford decides to make his web site more high tech he will most likely call U.S. Web Corporation. The Southfield-based marketing firm created the pages for his original venture onto the Internet.

U.S. Web partner Jeff Dworkin said the company, which opened in 1995, boasts over 200 clients. Designing web pages makes up 90 percent of the firm's business and about 10 percent of those clients are local retailers.



"We meet with the clients to find out what they want to portray and although we actually set it up, they provide the graphics and help us find a look and a feel for their site," said Dworkin.

"After two or three meetings, depending on the business, we'll have a demo to present to them."

Marmel Gifts and Toys in Farmington Hills, Viviano Flowers in St. Clair Shores and City Slicker Shoes in Detroit are on the list of U.S. Web clients. Dworkin stresses that a majority of the firms work in upgrading the existing sites of business owners and isn't limited to those seeking to establish new internet sites.

"I really think these guys are just first rate," said Welford. "They always get back to you right away and they did a nice job getting me set up."

"I think soon everybody that's in business is going to be doing this and I found the outlay of expense to have the site is nothing compared to the rewards you get."

## Super Bowl parties call for the latest treats

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO  
RETAIL EDITOR

Super Bowl parties are more than beer and Bavarian pretzels... or maybe not.

When the Green Bay Packers meet the Denver Broncos at 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, friends and families will gather around their big screen TVs ready to cheer and jeer.

If you're the host, no doubt you're pulling out your favorite dip and chili recipes, and checking to make sure you've got plenty of Pilsner glasses.

But to "do the bowl" in style, the malls and mainstreets have some unique products worth a look — or a smile.

"No Super Bowl is complete without His and Hers remote controls," insisted Chris Keck of the Sharper Image (locations at Somerset Collection South and Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi). "She can click away from the game during commercial breaks and he can click back when he thinks it's about time for a replay, \$29.95 each — in pin, and blue."

Keck also suggested viewing the big game from the comfort of "the quad roller get-away chair with power recline."

"Hey, it's on sale now from \$2,795 to \$2,495," he said. "You just touch a button and the back reclines electronically as the footrest rises. Inner rollers simulate a total Shiatsu massage — kneading movements stretch and relax muscles up and down your back."

Many Hallmark stores have the "Bad Call Sponges" for sale. "You throw them at the television when you become frustrated by what's happening on the screen," said one sales associate.

Lynn Jones of Williams Sonoma (with stores at Laurel Park Place, Livonia; Twelve Oaks, Novi; and Somerset



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**Super Bowl snacks:** Load your buffet table with beverages and snacks ready to serve from your neighborhood deli — this collection is from The Celler Collection, a division of Merchant of Vino/Whole Foods, 254 West Maple in downtown Birmingham.

Collection North, Troy) suggests loading up on the Vidalia Onion Bloody Mary Mix, \$6 a bottle; bean dips, \$4.50 a jar; and salsaes from \$5.75.

"We have Cajun and Bavarian pretzels by the bag for \$3.50 and all kinds of Pilsner glasses from \$3.50," she said.

Folks contemplating a big screen TV purchase will find a top-of-the-line

Sony with a 61-inch screen going for \$2,279 at Best Buy, according to sales associate Antwan Steele of the Westland store.

But forget any big screen purchases made solely to view the Super Bowl. Best Buy charges a restocking fee on any television purchased and returned in January, at 15-percent of the pur-

chase price. The fee is abolished in February.

The best-dressed Super Bowl fans will arrive at the party wearing jerseys and caps in their favorite team's colors. The JC Penney stores are reporting brisk sales of Green Bay Packers sweat shirts...

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Audiology Department, 1:30 p.m. across from Westland Center, 35337 West Warren. (313) 467-5100.

**SATURDAY, JAN. 24**  
**Breakfast with Arthur**  
Nordstrom hosts a morning with Arthur the Aardvark, 8 a.m. which includes breakfast, face painting, live entertainment and photos with the star. \$10 per person. Reservations required.

**Somerset Collection North.**  
**Big Beaver/Coolidge, Troy.**  
(248) 816-5100, ext. 1690.

**Martial arts demonstration**  
Members of the Karate for Kids and American Taekwondo Association in Canton demonstrate techniques 2:30-4:30 p.m.

**Drawings for prizes like lessons, uniforms and equipment.**  
**Livonia Mall, Seven Mile/Middlebelt.**  
(248) 476-1160.

**Ladies Day out**  
Westland Center invites Super Bowl "widows" to come to the mall for an afternoon. Chance to register for a \$500 shopping spree. An appearance by Linda

Lee of WYCD-99 FM Country radio 3-5 p.m. in East Court. Coupons for merchandise discounts at entrances.

**Westland Center, Wayne/Warren.**  
(313) 425-5001.

**Sew-In**  
Haberman's Fabrics hosts a complimentary afternoon of sewing, refreshments and socializing from noon to 5 p.m. Guests should bring in projects to work on, plus teacher Linda Hedden offers tips on such topics as putting in an invisible zipper. Also shop offers many sewing classes through the spring. Call for fees and schedule.

**117 West Fourth, Royal Oak.**  
(248) 541-0010.

**Fun at Border's**  
Border's Books in Birmingham hosts an Ode to Scotland's poet Robert Burns with a birthday bash from 1-3 p.m. The Mask Puppet Theater offers a performance for children from 3-4 p.m.

**34300 Woodward Ave. Birmingham.**  
(248) 203-0005.

**TUESDAY, JAN. 27**  
**Auction for charity**  
Princess Di Beanie Babies donated by Gabriela's of Plymouth, will be auctioned off on the air by WJL's Mitch Albom from 3-6 p.m. today.

**(313) 875-4476. Or 1-800-859-0957.**

## Where can I find?

(248) 901-2555

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise in the marketplace. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement) please call Where Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message, and you should see your input in the following Sunday's column.

### What we found:

•A silver Christmas tree and revolving color wheel for Sally. Also KLS Electronic on Schoolcraft in Livonia sells the color wheel.

•Bottom Better Diaper rash cream can be found at Lytle Pharmacy in downtown Rochester or Meijer's in Canton.

•Video transfer box is sold at ABC Warehouse and Adray Appliance in Dearborn.

•The recording of Little Drummer Boy by Bing Crosby and David Bowie is on a CD "Edge of Christmas." OGLIO records is the producer.

•The game Tric Trax is made in Sweden by Brjo Company. It can be ordered through Muriel Doll House in Plymouth.

•A brown haired Barbie for Linda of Troy was spotted at J.C. Penney, Summit Place mall in Waterford.

•Jill Sanders cologne for women is sold at Saks Fifth Avenue at Somerset Collection South. Try there also for the men's cologne.

•Karen has offered a suggestion to Myron: her grandmother taught her to darn socks by using a burned out light bulb. Stretch sock over light bulb and darn. Or try Greenfield Village or Huckleberry Railroad, they have them on display and might sell them. Or try the Royal Oak market on Sundays, one of the booths might have them.

•We found two people who can crochet a sombrero for a Tabasco bottle!

•The person who wanted the A&P dishes please call, Candy has a set.

•Found mens denim bib overalls in J.C. Penney's Big & Tall catalog.

### We're still looking for:

•A store that sells Christmas card address and record books for Mickey.

•Men's one- or two-piece pajamas with a seat for Carol of Westland.

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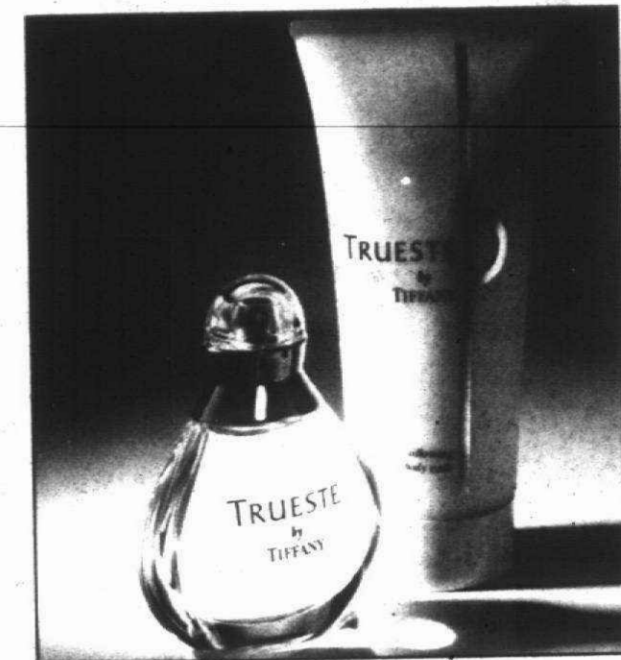
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—Compiled by Sandy Jarackas

## New fragrance



At Tiffany's: Trueste perfume and body lotion will be available in March from the jeweler in Somerset Collection South, Troy, from \$25.

## Jacobson's offers a trend forecast for '98

The New Year promises to be a trend-setting year in fashion and home entertaining, according to Beverly Rice, senior vice president of fashion and merchandising strategy for Jacobson's 24 stores.

•Beauty trends — Focus on an overall healthier complexion with vitamin-rich moisturizers and creams. Watch for La Prairie cellular defense shield, Estee Lauder and Lancome products rich in Vitamin A, C and E. Skin brightening systems will also be a focus.

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Harmony House at both Oakland and Tel-Twelve Malls, as Harmony House builds free-standing stores in Clarkston and Troy.

The former Home Quarters store at Telegraph and Square Lake is being renovated to reopen as a Costco Warehouse, one of five new stores opening in metro-Detroit — two are set for Livonia, one for Roseville and one for Madison Heights. Those familiar with the company, say shoppers will find them similar to Sam's Club Warehouse, a division of Wal-Mart.

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lage Mall last summer and a complete renovation was undertaken to create another Chinese restaurant at the site, The Gourmet Garden. The Rochester Hills mall is the fifth location for the family-owned restaurant chain. Others are located in East Lansing, Ann Arbor, Ohio and Massachusetts. Window seats contribute to the restaurant's light, airy feel. There are more than 40 chef specials.

Nicole Miller gowns arrive

Nicole Miller has released her spring bridal party collection with 23 different styles, sizes 2-16, in a range of spring colors — pink, champagne, ice green, taupe, ivory, navy platinum and black. The Nicole Miller boutique is in the Somerset Collection South, Troy. For more details call (248) 649-8816.

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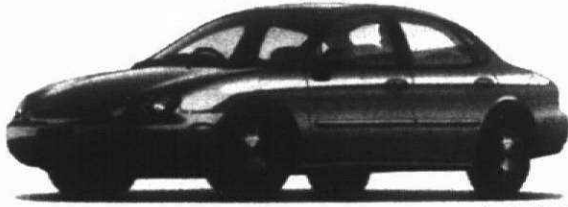


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## ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

### Retired teacher now has time for painting

**E**ver wondered what happened to your high school art teacher? Chances are she's still painting. When Barbara Demgen retired in 1992 after 27 years of teaching art in the Livonia Public Schools, she did so with the intention of spending more time painting.

Nearly six years later, Demgen is having a one-woman show at the Livonia Civic Center Fine Arts Gallery. From sheep in the pastures at Maybury Park to an eight-foot Oriental screen consisting of four panels, the exhibition illustrates the Livonia artist's versatility.

Demgen will donate half of the proceeds from the sale of paintings (after a 30 percent commission) to the Wayne State University Medical School in memory of her sister-in-law who died last summer from bone cancer. The Livonia Arts Commission takes a 30 percent commission from all art works exhibited and sold in the gallery.

Demgen taught gifted visual arts students in the Creative and Performing Arts Program at Churchill High School before retiring. Does she miss teaching? Oh

sure, but not enough to devote less time to painting (or her son Matthew).

#### Resolution

She's made a resolution to become serious about marketing her work this year. In years past, she exhibited in Art in the Garden at the University of Michigan's

**What:** An exhibit of mixed media paintings by Livonia artist Barbara Demgen.

**Where:** Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile Road (east of Farmington Road).

**When:** Through Friday, Jan. 30. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday; until 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

Matthaei Botanical Gardens; Our Town, Birmingham, and Art on the Pointe, Grosse Pointe. Last year, she exhibited in shows in West Bloomfield and on Lake St. Clair. She was represented by Atrium Gallery in Northville until the business was sold in November.

"I'm searching for a gallery, but also looking to get into fairs," said Demgen. "For me, it's always a show, a competition, but it's fun as long as you're in the field."

Forget avant garde and abstract painting, they're not her style. Demgen finds most of her customers would rather live with a landscape, floral, or one of her house portraits. In fact, her last commission was for an oil painting of trees with trunks so close a visitor to the forest could reach out and touch them.

"Because I have so much more time to paint, I'm getting into more structured pieces," said Demgen. "I love working in watercolor, but still work with oil because it feels like margarine. Oils feel so good going on the canvas."

#### Background

Demgen began painting seriously in the mid-1960s. She credits her classical art training at Wayne State University and Marygrove College for the technical expertise.

"Lighting makes such a difference and as an artist you have to keep experimenting with different tools," said Demgen. "But one of the most

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**Racing the wind:** Barbara Demgen painted this 30 by 34-inch watercolor after a trip to Bar Harbor, Maine.

## Exhibition documents 'Turning Point'

# Monet

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Since the announcement by the University of Michigan Museum of Art nearly a year ago, art enthusiasts from Birmingham to Plymouth have anxiously awaited the Monet exhibition, which explores the French Impressionist's work around the year 1880 (see accompanying story).

For the first time since leaving his studio in Vetheuil more than a century ago, 12 paintings by Monet are reunited for an exhibition at the museum Jan. 25 to March 15.

Organized by the University of Michigan Museum of Art, "Monet at Vetheuil: The Turning Point" features paintings not shown at the Art Institute of Chicago in 1995, and four oils never exhibited in North America. The landscapes, still life and a portrait of his wife, Camille, add a new dimension to a relatively unstudied period of Monet's life and work in Vetheuil.

#### Turbulent times

This small village on the Seine is where Monet's life reached a critical point because of his wife's illness and death, negative criticism of his work, isolation from friends and the art scene in Paris and financial problems which forced the Monet family to share a household with supporter Ernest Hoschede, his wife and six children.

A haunting portrait of Camille from the Musée d'Orsay, Paris, was painted shortly after her death in September of 1879. Monet detached himself from the situation in order to record the changing colors in his wife's face.

On loan from 10 museums, including ones in Madrid, Paris, New Zealand, Toronto and the Metropolitan in New York City, the paintings travel to the Minneapolis Institute of Arts and the Dallas Museum of Art after Ann Arbor.

"I think the exhibition will come up with a whole different side of Monet," said museum interim director Carole McNamara who curated the exhibition with Annette Dixon, museum curator of Western Art. "This was such a rich experience even for someone who thinks they know everything there is to know about Monet. This most familiar of painters will be in his most unfamiliar mode. You'll see paintings you have never seen. You will never look at Monet again in the same way."

The three years Monet spent at Vetheuil (1878-1881) were filled with conflict. A leading artist in the painting revolution known as Impressionism, Monet suffered from depression. As he was about to turn 40, he wrote to his friend and patron de Bellio that there was no hope left because he'd painted nothing worthy to show at an upcoming Impressionists exhibition. The depression was to haunt him periodically throughout the rest of his life.

In 1994, using the museum's painting of the Debacle to focus on Monet's years in Vetheuil, McNamara and Dixon began contacting museums around the world in search of paintings from this period.

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**Turning Point:** "La Debacle a Vetheuil" from Museo Thyssen-Bornemisza in Madrid, one of four paintings depicting the devastating winter thaw of the Seine in 1880.



**Haunting portrait:** Monet recorded the changing colors in his wife Camille's face shortly after her death in September of 1879.

#### Monet at Vetheuil: The Turning Point

**What:** For the first time since leaving his studio more than a century ago, the paintings of French Impressionist Claude Monet come together in an exhibition of works created during the most turbulent period of his life.

**When:** Jan. 25 to March 15. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday, until 9 p.m. Thursday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Docent-led tours 7 p.m. Thursdays, and 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

**Where:** University of Michigan Museum of Art, 525 South State Street at South University, Ann Arbor, (734) 764-0395.

**Cost:** \$6 adults; \$3 for non-U-M students, U-M faculty and staff, and senior citizens; free to Museum Friends, U-M students, and children under age 12. Advance tickets are recommended, call (800) 585-3737.

**Related activities:** Monet and the Cultural and Social Milieu of Impressionism, an interdisciplinary symposium 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, in Angell Hall, Auditorium A. North of Here, a dance performance inspired by Monet's winter landscapes at Vetheuil and created by Jessica Fogel and her students in the University Dance Company, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 5-7, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, at the Power Center. For tickets call (734) 764-0450.

A Taste of Monet dinner theater featuring Monet's favorite recipes followed by a multimedia theater presentation written especially for the occasion by Chicago playwright Frances Sebastian 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, at the Michigan League, 911 North University. This dramatic portrait of Monet is based on his letters and enhanced with music and slides showing his works. Tickets are \$40 and seating is limited. For reservations, call (734) 647-7463.

### Art lovers gather for tours

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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With one week to go before the opening of the Monet exhibition at the University of Michigan Museum of Art, excitement continues to build. Docent-led group tours are already filled. Museum interim director Carole McNamara is not sure whether more tours will be added. It depends on demand and if there are enough docents to volunteer their time.

While it's too late to train docents, the museum is in need of volunteers for the Monet exhibition. If you have some spare time, call Diane Sepac, (734) 763-7618.

Former University of Michigan museum administrator Janet Torno took part in the planning stages of the Monet exhibit, begun in 1994. As executive director of the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, Torno is planning a tour for members. She thinks it's important for student painters to view the works as a body representing a critical time in Monet's life.

"It will really be important to the students to see how the paintings relate and how his style evolved," said Torno. "I think, it will be important to see them hung together. And for a painter, there's no substitute for seeing the real object rather than in books."

French teacher Marilyn Kohen booked a tour in October for her seventh and eighth grade students at East Middle School in Bloomfield Hills. She plans to make a day of it. Students will eat at the crepe restaurant Cafe Zola so Kohen can include studies of Emile Zola along with Monet in her lesson plans.

"I'm interested in Impressionism, and have visited several of the museums in Europe, and thought if I could share any of this with my students it will make Monet more than words in a book, and an exhibition like this doesn't come around that often," said Kohen, a West Bloomfield resident.

Before the tour, students will view a video about Monet and one Kohen took herself during a trip to his Giverny gardens.

"Besides being a cultural experience, I'm using it in their use of adjectives," said Kohen. "When we return from the exhibit, the students will choose a painting and then describe it."

Carol Wold is coordinating a tour for senior citizens from

Please see TOURS, C2

## CLASSICAL MUSIC

### New DSO chief marks time while planning future

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
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The most interesting hypothetical question facing Louis Spisto, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's incoming executive director, is: If he took the Pacific Symphony from small-to-big-time, then where will he take the DSO?

It might take two years to get an answer.

When Spisto, 41, comes to Detroit to take charge of one of the top orchestras in the United States in March, he'll be following the course



Louis Spisto

set by his predecessor, Mark Volpe, who left the DSO in August to become managing director of the Boston Symphony. Spisto will arrive to find things neatly in place, including the DSO's 1998-99 concert schedule, planned tours of Europe and Japan, a range of community outreach programs and the finishing phases of the \$80-million Orchestra Place project.

The intangible look of the DSO, however, may soon be distinctively different.

"We need to shape the image of the orchestra, bring it up to date," said Spisto, credited with transforming the formerly "small time" Pacific Symphony into the third largest in California.

#### Building relationships

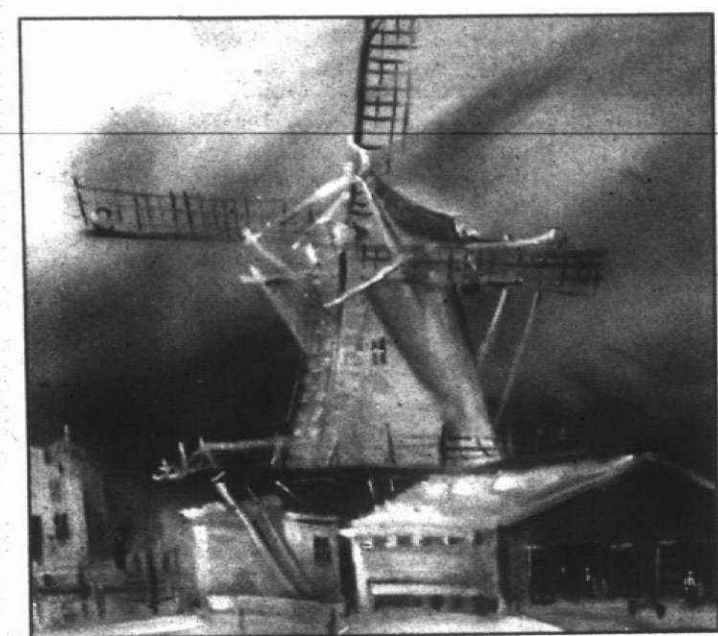
In the long run, the DSO may reflect Spisto's defining personal

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**Changes ahead:** Spisto will oversee the completion of Orchestra Place and an expanded program schedule.

## Expressions from page C1



Artistic expression: Barbara Demgen painted this windmill from black and white photographs taken in the 1960s in Europe.

important things I learned at Wayne and Marygrove was how important the basics are. You have to know how to draw first before you start on the seven-foot canvases."

Demgen paints wherever and whenever possible. She still takes her Arches watercolor pad to create vibrant still life during 14-year-old son Matthew's tennis lessons at the YMCA. A French Cafe, rendered in Expressionist style, captures a bed & breakfast in Saugatuck.

"I love painting on site," said Demgen. "Trips up north sitting on the dunes painting is heaven to me."

Animals seem to be her strong suit. Watercolor and gouache paintings of pheasants and pintail ducks were done in the 1970s when Demgen was entering duck stamp competitions. A recent acrylic painting of a "Jaguar" takes an eye-to-eye view of a magnificent cat. The yellow and green irises seem almost to mesmerize the viewer. Demgen installs a personality in her animals, people and birds. Even the animals on the carousel at Greenfield Village seem to take on a life of their own.

Linda Ann Chomin is an arts reporter for the Observer & Eccentric! Newspapers. If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call her at (313) 953-2145.

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The final 12 were selected to present an overall picture of this turbulent time in Monet's life.

Four of the "La De Bac" (The Breakup of the Ice) paintings (which all have the same name) from New Zealand, Madrid, the University of Michigan Museum of Art, and Switzerland are included to illustrate Monet's early attempts at using a serial approach.

"We wanted to highlight the Debacle series and the sub-groups within this series," said Dixon. "This period hasn't been studied that much. It turns his life around. He's experimenting with the light and atmosphere here at Vetheuil for the late 1880s serial paintings. For anyone as dedicated a landscape painter as Monet, the Debacle or anything with that kind of impact, an artist would be anxious to record."

"La Debacle," the version owned by the University of Michigan Museum of Art, depicts the ice-filled Seine as cold and treacherous. According to records, 1879 was the coldest winter ever recorded in the

region with the temperature falling to 13 below zero. A sudden thaw at the end of December, sent a torrent of ice and snow rushing through Vetheuil and Lavacourt, toppling trees and wreaking havoc as the river made its way toward Paris.

Painting on an easel on ice and snow-covered banks, Monet sketched the works on site and finished them later in the studio. "The Seine at Lavacourt" is the largest painting in the exhibit and done when Monet was trying to get back into the Salon," said McNamara.

While painting "La Debacle" (the version on loan from the Kunstmuseum in Switzerland) Monet wrote to friends and told them that conditions were changing so fast that he couldn't paint on site, McNamara said.

Dixon and McNamara visited Vetheuil and Paris last spring to research archives for insight to this period of Monet's life, and for background to write essays for the catalog, which examines the historical and biographical

events surrounding the Vetheuil paintings.

Charles Stuckey, Monet scholar and curator of the Monet exhibit at the Art Institute of Chicago in 1995, also wrote one of the catalog's essays. But Dixon and McNamara are looking forward to returning to Vetheuil as guides for a tour, "From Delacroix to Monet," in France May 16-24. The deadline for reserving a place on the trip is Jan. 30. Highlights include walking tours of sites where Monet painted and special exhibits at Musee des Beaux-Arts in Rouen and Grand Palais, Paris in honor of the bicentennial of Delacroix's birth.

"The trip was necessary to put us in touch with scholars and the town," said McNamara. "Vetheuil is still a little town across the river and fairly unchanged, unlike Giverny which has become a tourist trap and Argenteuil, swallowed by a heavily industrialized city," said McNamara. "The letters are very important because they reveal how Monet feels. We also took a look at accounts of the Debacle

in Paris, where barges were being crushed against the piers, to show how the press in Paris portrayed this."

One of the most memorable experiences took place while researching Monet's account books where he recorded sold paintings with titles as simple as "Summer Landscape."

"That was wonderful to hold his ledgers and have access to rare articles and exhibition catalogs," said McNamara. "That was really a treasured moment. You feel like you're moving inside his brain."

The stories behind the paintings such as "Vetheuil in the Fog" from the Musée Marmottan in Paris illuminate Monet not only as a painter but as a man.

"It's one of the sketchiest paintings," said Dixon. "Monet offered it to opera star Jean Baptiste Faure, he refused to purchase it, years later Faure said it again and wanted to purchase it but Monet wouldn't sell it to him. It became one of his favorite paintings and never left Monet's hands during his lifetime."

personal enrichment," said Herman. "We're all involved with the art world, studying it. The thirst for Monet is insatiable, and the fact that these pieces haven't been shown together before is the reason we want to see the exhibition."

Jennifer Tobin, executive director of the Detroit Community Arts Council "can't wait" to see the exhibition.

"I think, it's a fabulous opportunity to have the exhibit this close to us," said Tobin.

Sharon Herman, a Detroit Institute of the Arts docent for the Art to the Schools Program, will join a group of friends, also Arts to the Schools docents, for a trip to the Monet exhibition. Herman booked the tour two weeks ago. Several of the docents saw the Chicago exhibit in 1995.

"We go to the art galleries and special museum exhibitions whenever we can for our own

absorb more and it's going to be so wonderful having seen the haystacks and the lilies in Chicago."

Accepting new members until Jan. 19. Performing Bach's Magnificient and Testament of Freedom by Randall Thompson for May 3 concert. Leonard L. Riccio conductor. No auditions. Rehearsals: 7:30-9:15 p.m. Mondays. St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren, Canton.

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## THEATER

## TRAVEL

# Death in the Afternoon is not a pretty sight

BY JOHN REDDY  
STAFF WRITER

The Sunday Madrid siesta is over. Life returns slowly to the streets. We tourists from Oakland County gather in the long shadow of our hotel, eyeing anxiously the taxis that queue up in the narrow street. The cab drivers watch us furtively, knowing their fares are headed to Madrid's stadium to see the bull-fights.

Outside the stadium, the brilliant afternoon sun welcomes us, carving shadows in flora, stone, concrete and all things that face west.

The price of seats in the stadium sun will be less than those in the shade.

Many in the group remain disturbingly uncertain about this event, succumbing to the argument that one cannot tell friends they visited Spain and did not see a bullfight. Still, a sense of festive excitement grows as tour buses and taxis fight for curb space. Foreigners from around the world alight with cameras, belt packs and hats of all type.

Our group entered the Spanish culture at Barcelona, where the architecture of Antoni Gaudi embraced nature's design, and Pablo Picasso as a youth produced works not much unlike art students anywhere; and where the French influence defined the Catalan culture.

We would later go south, through the cities of Toledo and Cordoba with the treasured paintings of El Greco and the often bloody cultural commingling of Islamic, Christian and Jewish history. We would see Granada where King Ferdinand

and Queen Isabella lived after they forced the Moors from the El Alhambra and the Iberian Peninsula. We would walk the beaches and harbors at Marbella, witnessing how the Arab influence reappears in the Spanish culture in the form of lavish yachts, homes and automobiles. There would be Gibraltar, Seville, called the most Spanish of all Spanish cities, the shrine at Fatima in Portugal, coastal villages and, finally, Lisbon.

Despite all the sidewalk cafes, the stimulating museums and cathedrals, the endless rolling hills of olive trees, Flamenco dancers and Fado singers, the event today would provoke for me and others in our group the most compelling post trip memories.

Ernest Hemingway has shaped our expectations and actors like Tyrone Power, who in the movie "Blood and Sand" would be idolized for flamboyance and bravery. This is to be man against the bull.

The opening pageantry is colorful, but small by comparison even with half-time shows at high school football games. Horses parade amid trumpet fanfare. Finely embroidered in football-style pants and waist jackets, toreros (they don't call them matadors anymore because the word means killers) strut before the VIP boxes with great flair.

Finally, the shiny-coated black bull rushes onto the sandy stadium floor, pausing, starting this way, then that - bewildered. He is the first of six that face a torero's killing sword this afternoon, I'm following the action through my telescope lens.

Four men emerge from behind



**Toreros:** A bull weakened by a picador's staves faces the taunts of toreros and banderillos.

their thick, wooden protective fences to join another riding a horse draped with huge, thick protective padding.

They wave their pink capes (it is the motion, not the color that attracts the color-blind bulls) and the bull charges. His horns wrestle violently with the padded horse. The mounted picador stabs a huge pole-like pick into the back of the bull at the base of the neck, urging his horse forward to add power to the poking and twisting of the pick. The clashing creates sounds and grunts that speak of great strength. The capes continue the distraction, confusing their prey as the horseman again and again thrusts the pick into the animal's shoulder. The bull now wears a collar of flowing blood and no longer lifts his head high.

Banderilleros taunt the weakening bull, gracefully plunging their staves near the picador's wounds.

I aim my telephoto lens instinctively to the right, shooting, then to the left, recording the expressions on the faces of my fellow travelers and others in the stands that are absorbed by action in the ring.

Now comes the principal torero. His graceful steps and sweeping red cape give life to

bullfighting posters. The bloodied bull remains a formidable opponent. But charge after charge into the elusive cape begins to tire the weakening bull, which at times staggers to its front knees. The bloody collar grows larger.

It is now that the torero receives a very long sword from an attendant. The drama builds as the yellow spangled matador aims his long sword at the spot on the bull's neck where the blade must enter to sever the spinal cord and aorta.

The bull claws the sand with one hoof, signaling his death charge. The sword misses its mark. A chorus of roaring gasps engulfs the stadium as the torero is tossed into the air. His lies curled in the sand as the bull seeks revenge. The four attendants rush from hiding to draw the black warrior away. The pink capes snap wildly. The matador pulls himself slowly from the sand, recomposes, arches his back in an arm-waving salute to the crowd and takes another sword.

This time the matador's aim is precise. The huge animal drops instantly, to be dragged from the ring by a team of horses as the groundskeepers refresh the bull-ring with rakes.

Some of the group leaves.



PHOTOS BY JOHN REDDY

**Charge:** The principal torero waves his large red cape at the wounded but still dangerous bull.

Nearby, Japanese tourists file out. The second event provokes more vigorous stabbing of the animal by the mounted torero. The kill is quick. I leave with other from our group. Disillusioned by the shattering of a myth. It is not man against bull. It is men and crippling thrusts of

a huge pick against the bull.

The sun is lower and the air bears a chill.

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## Rooting for the bull

In reporting this story my cultural bias may show through. Certainly the Hemingway influence, the film portrayals such as "Blood and Sand" set the context for my experiences.

A traveling companion, Joe Tunac of Troy, may have a more balanced view. "I grew up in the Philippines," he said. "When I was 12, I raised roosters for cock fights. I used to rub elbows with the big guys. I used to tie the razor-sharp blades to the cocks' legs and let them fight."

"I went back five years ago and couldn't stand it. Yet I know it is part of the culture. Maybe it's the result of modern

civilization, feeling the value of life. Even in Spain I sensed we were experiencing something in another culture."

He said, "I was curious to see what Hemingway wrote about. I thought it was this cultural thing. It's one on one. But it's a bunch of guys attacking one bull."

"But when I was in Ronda, I had different thoughts," he added. "I went down into the bullring," the oldest in Spain. "I tried to imagine myself facing a bull. At that time I felt utterly vulnerable."

"But when the torero in Spain got tossed, I said to myself, 'Way to go, bull!'"

John Reddy



DRAWING BY JOHN REDDY

**Elegance:** The flamenco dancers of Spain show the style and grace of Spanish culture.

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The Winter Companion Fare promotion is also available on

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### DRIVING TIPS

AAA Michigan has released some driving tips to start the New Year off safely:

■ Don't tailgate. Tailgating is the number one cause of most rear-end crashes, representing 13 percent of all crashes in Michigan. AAA recommends striving for a "safety buffer" of at least four seconds between you and the vehicle ahead, with an extended following distance in inclement weather.

■ Use your signals when stop-

ping or turning. Signaling is not only courteous, it's the law.

■ Use your horn to warn, not to punish. Your horn is a safety device, not a weapon to punish other drivers.

■ Observe posted speed limits. One a 30-mile trip, driving five miles over the speed limit saves less than three minutes.

■ Apologize if you make a driving error. If your driving mistake involves others, offer an "I'm sorry" gesture. In a recent AAA survey, the favorite driver's apology sign is the "tap on the head," as in "What was I thinking?"

■ Don't drive drowsy. If you doze off while driving, you have lost control of your vehicle.

■ Don't run red lights. Ignoring a red light is not worth the increased risk of injury and fines just to save an extra second. The law in Michigan for amber lights

is, "Stop before entering the intersection. If you cannot stop safely, do not speed up, but drive cautiously through the intersection."

■ Pull over for emergency vehicles. If you block an emergency vehicle, you are interfering in a crisis. When you hear approaching sirens or see flashing lights, the law requires you to "yield the right of way and pull as close to the right edge of the road as possible, clear of an intersection and stop until the emergency vehicle has passed."

■ Give pedestrians the right of way.

■ Share the road safely with bike riders. Bicyclists are not out of place on the roadway, they are part of the traffic and share the road with motorists.

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Platter hits stride

It was an effort that made her return for a fifth year seem worthwhile. Unfortunately, it didn't change the outcome of the game.

Cyndi Platter, a Plymouth Salem graduate, posted season and career highs for points scored and rebounds Thursday night. Unfortunately, her Oakland University women's basketball team didn't benefit from her performance; the Lady Pioneers lost, 83-71, at Hillsdale College.

Platter, a fifth-year senior who red-shirted last year after suffering a serious knee injury, connected on 5-of-10 floor shots (including 1-of-2 three-pointers) and 7-of-8 free throws to score 18 points. She also grabbed 12 rebounds in 32 minutes of action.

For the season, Platter is averaging 7.9 points and 4.1 rebounds. She has started every game for OU, which slipped to 12-3.

### Track standouts

University of Michigan's women's indoor track season opened at home Jan. 10 with the Michigan Open, and a pair of local products turned in superb performances.

In the 600-meter run, sophomore Sarah Hamilton (from Plymouth Salem HS) led a parade of Wolverines to the finish, placing first in 1:33.36.

Taking second in the 600 was sophomore Olive Ikeh (Plymouth Canton HS) in 1:35.47. Ikeh also posted Michigan's second fastest time in the 55-meter hurdles (8.48).

### Gymnastics hopeful

The men's gymnastics season opened for University of Michigan last Saturday, and one of those hoping to make an early impression for the Wolverines was sophomore Jesse Coleman (Plymouth Canton HS).

Coleman will no doubt get his chances. He figures to compete in two events Michigan is hoping to improve upon — pommel horse, which U-M coach Kurt Golder is already calling the Wolverines' most improved event, and high bar, which has been termed the team's biggest challenge.

The Wolverines opened Saturday in Chicago at the Windy City Invitational. This Saturday they host Penn State and Iowa in a Big Ten double-dual meet.

### Precision skaters

The Plymouth Figure Skating Club will be the host when the 1998 USFSA Midwestern Precision Team Sectional Championship comes on Feb. 6-8 at Computware Arena in Plymouth.

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Of the U.S.'s three geographical sections, the Midwestern is the largest. Some 145 teams and 3,000 skaters are expected to compete.

Precision team skating is expected to become an Olympic event in 2002, magnifying the importance of such championships.

### Soccer sign-up

The city of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be conducting registration for spring youth soccer throughout January, from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Parks and Rec offices, located in the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer.

All registrants must have birth certificates. Cost is \$40 for city of Plymouth residents and \$60 for non-residents.

For more information, call (313) 455-6820.

### LHA needs coaches

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# Rocks wreck Harrison hopes, 66-51



BY DAN O'MEARA  
STAFF WRITER

The timing of it made Bob Brodie a happy coach. In an important, early-season game Friday, he saw what he believed to be the real Plymouth Salem boys basketball team.

So did Farmington Harrison, which saw its perfect record tarnished with its first loss after visiting Salem did

everything right and ran off with a 66-51 victory.

The Rocks, who have won six consecutive games since dropping their first two, are 6-2 overall and 2-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. The Hawks are 6-1 and 1-1.

"We played like we're capable of playing," Brodie said. "I knew if we did that we'd be OK. But I didn't know who

would show up — and we did!" "We beat a quality ballclub tonight. Harrison has some seasoned veterans and quality players. We were just better tonight."

Senior Jeff McKian dropped in a game-high 25 points to lead Salem. The Rocks found him open on the baseline for a lot of short, uncontested jumpers.

McKian scored 12 points in the second quarter as the Rocks extended a 13-10 lead to 33-22 at halftime.

He had another 13 in the second half, including six in the fourth quarter as Salem finished off Harrison with a 20-13 point advantage.

"Coach always tells us to bump

shoulders coming off the screen, and I was losing the defender that way," McKian said. "After awhile I felt I just wouldn't miss, so I kept shooting."

"We saw the potential we had in the summer. We had a slow start in the first two games and have really picked it up. We're looking better and better, but we still have to improve."

Besides running the Salem offense effectively at the point, senior guard Andy Power scored 11 points, including three three-point baskets.

He had two in the second quarter to help the Rocks extend a 19-13 lead to 29-15, which Harrison coach Mike

Please see SALEM HOOP, D3

# Salem speeds past Canton

BY C.J. RISAK  
SPORTS EDITOR

The arrow was pointed in the proper direction for both Plymouth Salem's and Plymouth Canton's swimmers in their annual dual meet last Thursday.

There was really never any doubt who would emerge with the victory. Salem is the five-time defending Western Lakes Activities Association champion, with a sixth title within sight. Canton, on the other hand, is retooling.

Which made the final outcome predictable: a 118-68 Salem victory in a meet swam at Canton.

"We actually tried not to make this a big meet to our kids," said Canton coach Kyle Lott. "But it's hard to talk them out of it, you know, Canton vs. Salem. To be honest, we're just not in the same league with the Salem kids yet."

Not many teams are. Rocks' coach Chuck Olson approached the meet much the same way as his counterpart did, especially with the task confronting him.

Canton was the second difficult dual meet for Salem in three days, and the second of three difficult challenges facing the Rocks. On Saturday, Salem hosted what has to be one of the premier invitational of the season when Ann Arbor Pioneer, Birmingham Groves, Birmingham Seaholm, Livonia Stevenson and Canton all invaded its pool for the Rock Invitational.

By week's end, all but Canton could be ranked among the state's top 10 teams.

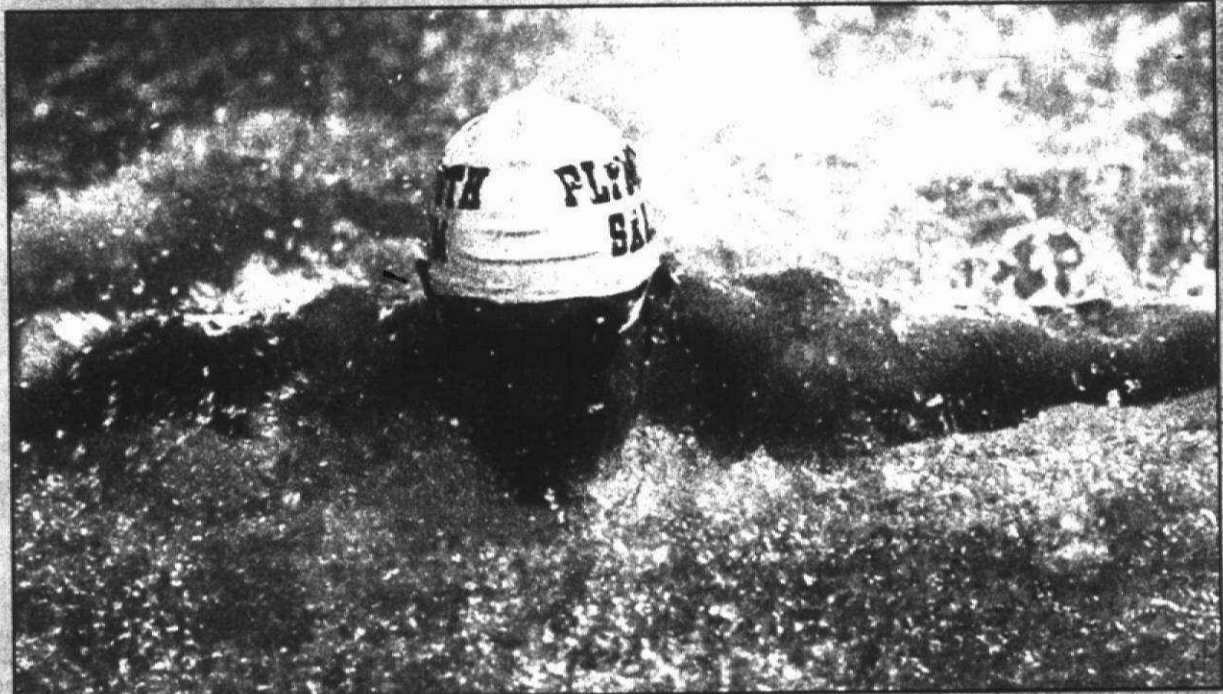
When Salem swam a bit lethargically in their dual-meet win over Ann Arbor Huron last Tuesday, Olson was a bit concerned. The Rocks showed more determination against Canton, however, lifting his confidence for Saturday's meet.

"I knew we'd swim better Thursday," said Olson. "For one thing, we're more accustomed to swimming meets on Thursdays."

"Basically, we swam really well."

In two events in particular, the Rocks sparked. Nick Corden trimmed four seconds off the time he clocked last Tuesday against Huron in the 100-yard backstroke, going 56.17 to get the win and better the state qualifying standard.

Corden also won the 200 individual medley (2:07.49), and he teamed with Jason Rebarchik, Tim Buchanan



A pair of winners: Salem's Brent Mellis (above) made his first competition this season in the 100-yard butterfly a solid one, taking first place. And Matt Heiss (below) was one of two Canton swimmers to collect a victory, his coming in the 100 breaststroke.

and Andrew Locke to capture top honors in the 200 medley relay in 1:43.04, also bettering the state cut time.

Other individual-event winners for the Rocks were Brent Mellis in the 100 butterfly (58.38), an event he swam for the first time this season; Locke in the 50 free (22.97); Buchanan in the 100 free (50.03); Brian Mertens in the 500 free (5:03.06); and Chris Cameron in the diving with a season's best 223.00 points.

Rebarchik, Locke, Dan Jones and Mellis teamed in winning the 200 free relay (1:34.40), and Mellis, Locke, Buchanan and Corden were winners in the 400 free relay (3:23.72).

Canton had two winners: Jason Mussion in the 200 free (1:53.35), an event in which he just touched out Mellis (1:53.37); and Matt Heiss in the 100 breaststroke (1:07.23).

The Chiefs did manage some solid second-place clockings, such as Kurtis Hornick in both the 50 free (23.36) and 500 free (5:09.05); John Theisen in the 100 fly (1:00.47); Aaron Reeder in the 100 back (58.74); Justin Allen, Heiss, Theisen and Hornick in the

200 medley relay (1:44.82); John Cook, Chad Williams, Andy Schmidt and Mussion in the 200 free relay (1:38.47); and Hornick, Cook, Reeder and Mussion in the 400 free relay (3:34.18).

The win pushed Salem's record to 3-0; Canton is 0-3.

"I thought we swam pretty well," said Lott. "There were no real surprises, all of our guys swam well, but our 'B' kids were the ones who swam real well. They're all battling for spots on our conference meet team."

Perhaps the biggest positive to come out of the meet, in Lott's estimation, was that Canton's times were "actually faster than the times we



swam in this meet last year. I thought that was kind of interesting."

"This is a hard-working team, a great group of kids."

Olson would say the same about his Rocks. The difference: Salem ranks among the state's best teams, with state qualifying times already clocked in several events.

# Don't count us out! Cortellini lifts Chiefs over Falcons

BY SCOTT DANIEL  
STAFF WRITER

Who says a good little man can't beat a good big man?

Plymouth Canton's Joe Cortellini outdueled Trevor Gaines by scoring 27 points to lead the Chiefs to a 56-52, home-court upset of Farmington Friday night.

It was a career-high for the 5-foot-11 junior guard. According to coach Dan Young, the victory couldn't have come at a better time for Canton (2-6).

"That was big for our team," he said. "We feel very good about it."

Gaines, a 6-6 center bound for the University of Vermont, poured in 25 for the Falcons (5-2). Coach Denny Mikel was proud of the senior's effort but disappointed with the loss.

"I thought we could come in here and win," he said. "I thought this was the year we'd do it."

Farmington missed its chance early in the third quarter.

The Falcons trailed 29-25 at halftime. But a 10-0 run, which included four Matt Orr points, put Farmington up 35-29 at the 4:30 mark of the third quarter.

## BASKETBALL

Canton refused to fold, however.

A basket by Nathan Rau cut the visitors' lead to four points. Cortellini then nailed one of his four three-pointers to make it a 35-34 game with 2:08 remaining in the period.

The Chiefs took the lead back on another Cortellini hoop and pulled ahead 41-37 by the end of the quarter.

Poor ball handling hurt Farmington, according to Mikel.

"When we had the lead, we didn't protect the ball," he said. "We also didn't have good shot selection. Those things let them back in the game."

Young said it was a matter of his team not panicking after falling behind on Farmington's run.

"We just stayed calm," he added. "We knew we had prepared well and worked hard in practice. Things just went our way."

Canton stayed in front the rest of the game. But it

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## WRESTLING

# Salem topples league champion

For Plymouth Salem and Livonia Stevenson, Thursday's dual meet between the two Western Lakes Activities Association wrestling powers was very likely the biggest of the season.

And Salem emerged with a 45-23 victory over the visiting, and defending league champion, Spartans.

"It's good that we have a team where we can have our lower weight kids get beat and our middle and upper weight kids can come through, or our upper weight kids get beat and our lower weight kids come through," Salem coach Ron Krueger said. "We've got a pretty balanced team."

This time, it was the higher weights that needed to come through if the Rocks were to get the victory. Three voids were costly for Stevenson, to be sure, especially after the Spartans had won the first three matches to build a 9-0 lead.

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# Chiefs score big on Rockets

Strong all-around performances by Liz Fitzgerald, Marcie Emerick and Amy Driscoll led Plymouth Canton to a 133-05 127-45 dual-meet gymnastics victory over Western Lakes Activities Association for Westland John Glenn Wednesday at Canton.

The score was the Chiefs' best of the season and a mere fraction off their best dual-meet mark of last season (133.075). Canton is 5-2 overall, 1-1 in the WLAA.

Fitzgerald and Emerick finished one-two in the all-around, with Driscoll tying for fourth. Fitzgerald won both the uneven parallel bars (8.55) and floor exercise (9.2),

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placed second in the vault (8.7) and tied for third in the balance beam (8.2) to score 34.65 in the all-around.

Which was just ahead of Emerick's 34.6 total. Emerick won the vault (9.1) and beam (8.55), took third in the floor (8.8) and was fourth in the bars (8.15).

Driscoll scored 32.55 in the all-around to tie Glenn's Jessica Beach. Driscoll's best

placing was a second in the bars (8.5); she also had a fourth in the floor (8.35) and tied for fourth in the vault (8.15). Nicole Vaagenes added a fifth in the beam (7.9) and a sixth in the vault (8.05).

For the Rockets, Stephanie Thompson and Beach were the leaders. Thompson was third in the all-around (33.1), placing second in the beam (8.3), third in the bars (8.4) and tying for fourth in the vault (8.15). Beach was second in floor (8.9) and tying for third in the beam (8.2).

Canton hosts Northville at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

# Salem opens WLAA season with a victory

This is getting — well, almost scary.

Livonia Franklin was supposed to be one of the better volleyball teams in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division. But last Thursday's league opener, Plymouth Salem opened why it has been one of the league's powerhouse throughout the '90s.

The Rocks never allowed Franklin to establish itself, handing the Patriots a 15-2, 15-4 setback. Salem improved to 14-4 overall, 1-0 in the WLAA. Franklin is 6-3 overall, 0-1 in the WLAA.

"We played well and we just didn't let them in the game at all," said Salem co-coach Allie Suffity. "I think Franklin is a good team, but we're just a very good team right now. We're staying very focused."

"We're not having any let-downs, no mental lapses," Amanda Abraham led

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Salem's balanced attack with six kills, three service aces, one solo block and one block assist. Jenny Trutt had four kills and 11 digs, and Kelly Street contributed three kills.

"We've got such a balanced attack, it's really helping us," said Suffity. "We're forcing the offense. And as long as we keep moving our feet and playing defense, we'll be all right."

Salem plays at Northville at 6:30 p.m. Monday.

**Agape still unbeaten**

Canton Agape Christian Academy ran its volleyball record to 8-0 with a 15-12, 15-6 victory over host Pontiac Greater Light and Life Academy Friday.

Senior Kelly Mullen's 12 kills paced the Wolverines.

Agape hosts Cornerstone College Thursday.

# Dead-eye

## McKelvey's shooting keys Ocelots' win over Hawks

### SC BASKETBALL

Chuck Person of the San Antonio Spurs calls himself "The Rifleman," but he may have been one-upped Wednesday night by Schoolcraft College's Derek McKelvey.

The 6-foot-3 freshman guard from Adrian pumped in eight 3-pointers en route to a 30-point night to lead Schoolcraft College to an 89-75 men's basketball win at Henry Ford in a battle for first place in the Eastern Conference of Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

McKelvey's shooting exhibition was of the "Dirty Harry" variety. Kevin Melson, a 6-foot-6 forward, also scored 30 including five dunks as Schoolcraft improved to 16-3 overall and 5-0 in the conference.

Point-guard Pete Males (Garden City) played a steady floor game, contributing 15 points.

Forward Emeka Okonkwo added nine points before fouling out late in the game.

Dan Gomez, a 6-foot-10 center, chipped in with 11 rebounds and six blocked shots.

Henry Ford, coached by former Garden City West standout Gary Nustad, dropped to 8-6 and 3-1.

Four Hawks scored in double figures: Jason Skoczylas (16), Cy Baker (14), Kris Landers (13) and Togar Walker (12).

# Clutch free throws carry Lady Crusaders to a win

## MADONNA HOOP

After a hard fall in the first half sent her to the bench, Mary Murray re-entered Thursday's game against Spring Arbor in the second half, eventually converting two clutch free throws with 53 seconds left to give Madonna University's women's basketball team a 77-76 home-court victory.

The win pushed the Lady Crusaders record to 11-6 overall, 2-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Spring Arbor fell to 9-8 overall, 1-1 in the WHAC.

Prior to Murray's free throws, Madonna's fate was almost entirely in the hands of junior guard Katie Cushman. And able hands they were; Cushman nailed two three-pointers and two free throws in a span of 2:23 to allow the Crusaders to overcome a 70-67 Cougar lead with 4:38 left.

Cushman's second triple, with 1:46 left, put Madonna up 76-74. But Spring Arbor countered with a basket by Lisa Watt eight seconds later, putting the Cougars ahead by one and setting up Murray's late heroics.

Cushman finished with a team-best 22 points, making four three-pointers. Chris Dietrich added 16 points, Dawn Pelc contributed 13 points, a team-high nine rebounds and four steals, and Angie Negri chipped in with four assists and five steals. Murray totaled

Spring Arbor 90, Madonna 87 (men): The Fighting Crusaders were outshot and outrebounced Wednesday in Spring Arbor as they lost their 13th-straight game. Madonna is 1-17 overall, 0-3 in the WHAC.

John-Mark Branch's 16 points and three steals led the Crusaders. Mark Hayes added 15 points and Mark Mitchell collected 10 points and seven rebounds.

Spring Arbor, 12-9 overall and 1-1 in the WHAC, got 21 points and three assists from Jason Elder; 19 points and nine boards from Jeremy Patterson; and 14 points, five assists and four steals from John Moffitt.

Madonna made 22-of-60 free shots (36.3 percent) to Spring Arbor's 30-of-45 (66.7 percent), was outrebounded 46-33, and committed 27 turnovers to 20 for the Cougars.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
Monday, Jan. 19  
Cornerstone at Canton Agape, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Jan. 20  
Luth. East at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.  
Luth. West at Luth. North, 7 p.m.  
Franklin at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
Howell at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Harrison at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.  
Dearborn at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Taylor Truman, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.  
Thurston at G. Carlson, 7 p.m.  
Milford at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 23  
Belleville at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Southgate at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Crestwood, 7 p.m.  
Ann Arbor at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
Salem at Farmington, 7 p.m.  
Harrison at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.  
Franklin at Canton, 7:30 p.m.  
N. Farm. at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.  
Brother Rice at Borgess, 7:30 p.m.  
Notre Dame at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.  
Mt. Carmel at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m.  
Roeper at PLY. Christian, 7:30 p.m.

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**  
Monday, Jan. 19  
Cornerstone at Agape, 4:30 p.m.  
Grass Lake at PLY. Christian, 7 p.m.  
St. Alphonsus at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.  
N. Farmington at Churchill, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.  
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Canton, 7 p.m.  
Harrison at Farmington, 7 p.m.  
Fordson at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Allen Park, 7 p.m.  
Thurston at Dearborn, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Jan. 20  
Huron Valley vs. Fairlane  
at Livonia St. Paul's, 6 p.m.  
Mercy at Ladywood, 7 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Luth. East, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, Jan. 21  
Churchill at Harrison, 6:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
Canton at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at Salem, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Western at N. Farm., 7 p.m.  
Allen Park at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Ypsilanti, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Fordson, 7 p.m.  
Thurston at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Jan. 22  
Huron Valley vs. Warren Zee  
at Livonia St. Paul's, 6 p.m.  
St. Agatha at Benedictine, 7 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 23  
W. Wayne at Agape, 5:30 p.m.

**ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE**  
Sunday, Jan. 18  
Ply. Whalers vs. Windsor  
at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m.  
Thursday, Jan. 22  
Ply. Whalers at Windsor, 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 23  
Ply. Whalers at London, 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 24  
Ply. Whalers vs. London  
at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
Wednesday, Jan. 21  
Siena Heights at Madonna, 7:30 p.m.  
Oakland CC at Henry Ford, 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 24  
Flint Mott at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.  
Madonna at O.L. St. Mary's, 3 p.m.

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
Thursday, Jan. 22  
Madonna at Siena Heights, 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 23  
(UM-Dearborn Classics)  
Madonna vs. Central St., 6 p.m.  
UM-Dearborn vs. Indiana Tech, 8 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 24  
Flint Mott at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.  
(UM-Dearborn Classics)  
Madonna vs. Indiana Tech, 1 p.m.  
UM-Dearborn vs. Central St., 3 p.m.

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wasn't easy. Farmington pulled within two, 43-41, early in the fourth on a basket by Gaines in the low post. After a Cortellini hoop for Canton, Gaines brought it down to two again with a pair of free throws.

"Gaines is phenomenal," Young said. "We have a couple of guys on him at times, and he still went by us."

Every time Farmington got close in the fourth quarter, the Chiefs answered.

Dan McLean pushed the Canton lead back to four points with a pair of free throws with 49 seconds remaining in the game.

Freshman guard Matt Mikel swished a three-pointer from just right of the top of the key 52 seconds later. That made it a 53-52 game.

The Falcons could get no closer, however. Cortellini made a pair of free throws with 27 seconds left to put Canton ahead by three.

"He had a great night," Mikel said of Cortellini. "He almost beat us by himself."

A last second three-point attempt by Farmington was blocked by McLean, who closed the scoring by splitting a pair of free throws.

"I don't know if it was our best game of the year," Young said, "but it was our best finish of the year."

Besides Cortellini's 27 points, Rau had 12 for the Chiefs. Gaines was the only Falcon in double figures. Matt Mikel and Justin Milus had seven points each.

**Agape 69, Pont. Greater Light 59:** Four of Canton Agape Academy's players reached double figures in scoring Friday, and the Wolverines needed them all to dispose of visiting Pontiac Greater Light and Life Academy.

The win kept Agape atop the Metro Christian Conference at 3-0; the Wolves are 6-2 overall. Greater Light slipped to 2-1 in the MCC, 0-2 overall.

The difference, according to Agape coach Keith Amlenier, was the half-court trap defense his team went to to start the second half.

Steve Mecklenburg, who led Agape with 16 points, scored seven of those in the third period, leading the Wolves' 19-13 advantage. He also had three of his four steals in the quarter.

Jason Helton added 13 points, with Paul Amlenier getting 12 points and nine assists and Jere-

my Austin adding 10 points and nine rebounds.

Greater Light was led by Tom Hopewell's 22 points; James Martin added 13 and Duane Chappelaine scored 10.

**PCA 63, S'field Christy 61:** Senior guard Scott Carty nailed a short jump shot from the middle of the lane with two seconds remaining to push Plymouth Christian Academy past host Southfield Christian Friday.

The win allowed the Eagles to start their Michigan Independent Athletic Conference season with a victory; they are 7-1 overall. Southfield Christian is 3-4 overall, 0-1 in the MIAC.

Carty's shot also saved PCA from wasting a 24-7 lead it built after one quarter. The Eagles led 37-27 at the half, but Southfield Christian cut that to 52-48 after three quarters.

Carty finished with 13 points. Sophomore forward Derric Isensee's 22 points and 13 rebounds was best for PCA. Chris Brandon chipped in with 11 points and Nick Brandon had seven boards.

Kyle McAllister's 24 points was best for Southfield Christian.

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Teachman thought was a turning point in the game.

"They made open shots and we didn't; they got second shots and we didn't," Teachman said. "If that had been our best game and we lost like that, it would be real upsetting, but it wasn't."

"We thought we would play good D, but they broke us down with the second and third pass. And they made some good shots, too."

Salem junior Aaron Rykowski came off the bench to score all nine of his points in the second half, and senior Matt Mair scored all seven of his in the first half. Both players had one triple each as did McKian.

Senior guard Kareem Smart scored nine of his team-high 13 points in the second half for Harrison.

Junior Lemar Wilson tried to keep the Hawks close in the first half with eight of his 10 points, which included a pair of a triples.

The Rocks, who played a tight zone that kept Harrison from getting good looks in the post, held Harrison to four points. Junior Andrew Burt added eight and

senior Jared Hopkins six.

"We knew they were going to get after Derocher, because he had three (20-point) games in the past) against them," Teachman said.

"We knew they would D him and somebody else would have to step up and do it, and there was some rushing (of shots) going on there."

McKian's triple gave Salem a 43-30 lead in the third quarter, but Harrison scored eight of the last 11 to get within eight at the end, 46-38.

Rykowski started the fourth period with a three, and a McKian layup made it 59-42. The Rocks outscored the Hawks 18-7 to create a 19-point gap with less than 2 1/2 minutes remaining.

"Jeff is a good player; we call him Sly McKian," Brodie said. "He has good court sense. He's a very smart player and real smooth inside. He pump-fakes you and takes it to the glass."

"He gets that soft touch going once in awhile. He missed some easy ones early in the year, but he had it going tonight."

The Salem team that showed up Friday looked like the team

Brodie said he expected to see but didn't when the Rocks lost their first two games to Monroe and Ann Arbor Huron.

"We looked bad early in the year, and I thought 'Boy, this doesn't look like a veteran team,' but we did tonight," Brodie said. "We really came to play."

"All the seniors played as sophomores. They're real basketball junkies. They can see it in the way they play. They share the ball and it comes out of their hands real easily."

Salem made 27 of 61 field goals and six of eight free throws. Harrison was 20-of-54 from the field and 8-of-13 at the line.

"Our shot selection was a lot better," Brodie said. "We had three possessions early in the third quarter when we missed three in a row. But overall we shot the ball well."

"It's really early for this to be the game of the season," Teachman said, "so hopefully the Harrison players don't think it was."

"We said before the game 'Whoever loses is still going to win a lot of games.' But they were better than us in many facets of the game."

# CC crushes Pilots

## CC HOOPS

Redford Catholic Central freshman center Justin Ockerman could have thought he was back on the baseball diamond Friday night as his team nearly threw two shutout innings — oops, make that quarters — at Warren DeLaSalle.

The Shamrocks were ahead 13-2 after one period, 50-12 late in the third quarter and 69-22 with six minutes to play in a 66-45 Detroit Catholic League victory over the Pilots.

"That's pretty good against a good team," Catholic Central coach Rick Coratti said. "Defensively, we tipped a lot of passes."

Joe Jonna picked up the slack offensively by knocking home seven threes in nine attempts in a 29-point game. Jonna also had nine rebounds.

"Jonna played real well against them last year, too," Coratti said. He's played well against them for two years.

Once DeLaSalle got Young on the bench it resorted to an attack based on three-point shooting, passing up the opportunity to test the inexperienced center.

Pilots' center John Lamerato missed his first two free throws

and made his second pair to give DeLaSalle a 2-0 lead 1:58 into the game.

Rob Sparks responded with a three-pointer for the Shamrocks, though, and CC shut DeLaSalle out the rest of the quarter. The Pilots were also held scoreless the first 6:21 of the second half.

"I didn't expect that," Coratti said after his team improved to 5-2 and left DeLaSalle at 0-4. "I think we're getting better."

"The biggest sign is the improvement of the freshman kid. Down the road, he's going to be a factor. We're going to need him if Young gets in foul trouble."

Young played the third quarter and the first couple minutes of the fourth, ending with 10 rebounds and six points that included a crowd-pleasing jam. Don Slankster scored nine.

Robert Eiler paced DeLaSalle with 11 points and Nate Watson came off the bench to contribute nine in limited playing time.

CC will have the rest of the season to develop its game when Young gets double-teamed. That's going to happen sure as snow.

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The victory gives Salem a 6-0 overall record, while Stevenson drops to 6-2.

Stevenson's Joe Moreau (103 pounds), Katsuhiko Sueda (112) and Chris Goins (119) all won by decisions. Moreau beat Rob Ash, 12-3; Sueda defeated John Mervyn, 12-4; and Goins toppled Dan Morgan, 7-1.

But Salem's Justin Brunner (125) and Greg Petrovich (130) won the next two matches by decision to go up 12-9. The Spartans tied it at 12-12 when Mike Falcon (135) defeated Josh Hen-

derson, 6-2.

Stevenson then took an 18-12 advantage as senior Dan Seder (140) recorded his 100th career win with a pin of Sam Boyd in 3:38.

Salem, however, won the next three matches, two by pin and the other in the match of the night when James Greene edged Jeff Brach, 2-1 at 153.

At 145, Dan Hamblin pinned Amad Kharush (47), and at 160, Anwar Crutchfield rallied from a 4-1 deficit to pin Brian Barker in 2:44.

Stevenson's Mike Radley came through at 171 with a 6-5 win over Dave Popeney to cut the deficit to 27-21, but the Rocks clinched it with two more pins and a void.

Teono Wilson pinned Waleed Haddad (48) at 189, Kevin Van Holten pinned George Psoukaleas (112) at 215, and Charlie Hamblin won on a void at heavy-weight.

Salem travels to WLAA rival Westland John Glenn for a 7:30 p.m. dual meet Thursday.

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Henry Ford Medical Center - Fairlane will host a Jan. 28 headache support group meeting with Dr. Cara Rozell, D.O. and Lisa Norris R.N. addressing: "What's New in Migraine Treatment." The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the HF Medical Center (next to Fairlane Town Center Mall), 19401 Hubbard Drive, Dearborn. For more information, call Lisa Norris at (313) 876-3923.

### Healthy hearts

Save the date for the American Heart Association's "Keeping Young Hearts Healthy," a special day for educators and parents to learn how to keep their children's hearts healthy. Featuring Bryan "Goose" Finnerty, the Detroit Rockers; Keith Levick, Center for Childhood Weight Management; and Dr. Michael Epstein, Children's Hospital. Topics of discussion will include eating disorders, MEAP and health equal higher scores and tobacco prevention. The event will be held at the University of Detroit-Mercy Ward Conference Center, Wednesday, Feb. 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Continental breakfast and lunch provided free. Call (248) 557-9500, Ext. 539, for more information.

### Annual health fair

You can have a free vision test, discover out how much of your body is made of fat and learn much more at Health Yourself 1998, the annual Schoolcraft College health fair, Wednesday, Jan. 21 in the Waterman Center. Exhibits include a health risk appraisal, information on chiropractic treatment, mini massages, free visual tests and free body fat screenings. Visitors can also receive a HealthScreen screening including blood pressure, height and weight. For fees ranging from \$15 to \$25, a blood screening profile, prostate and ovarian cancer screening and peptic ulcer disease screening will be available. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads, just east of I-275.

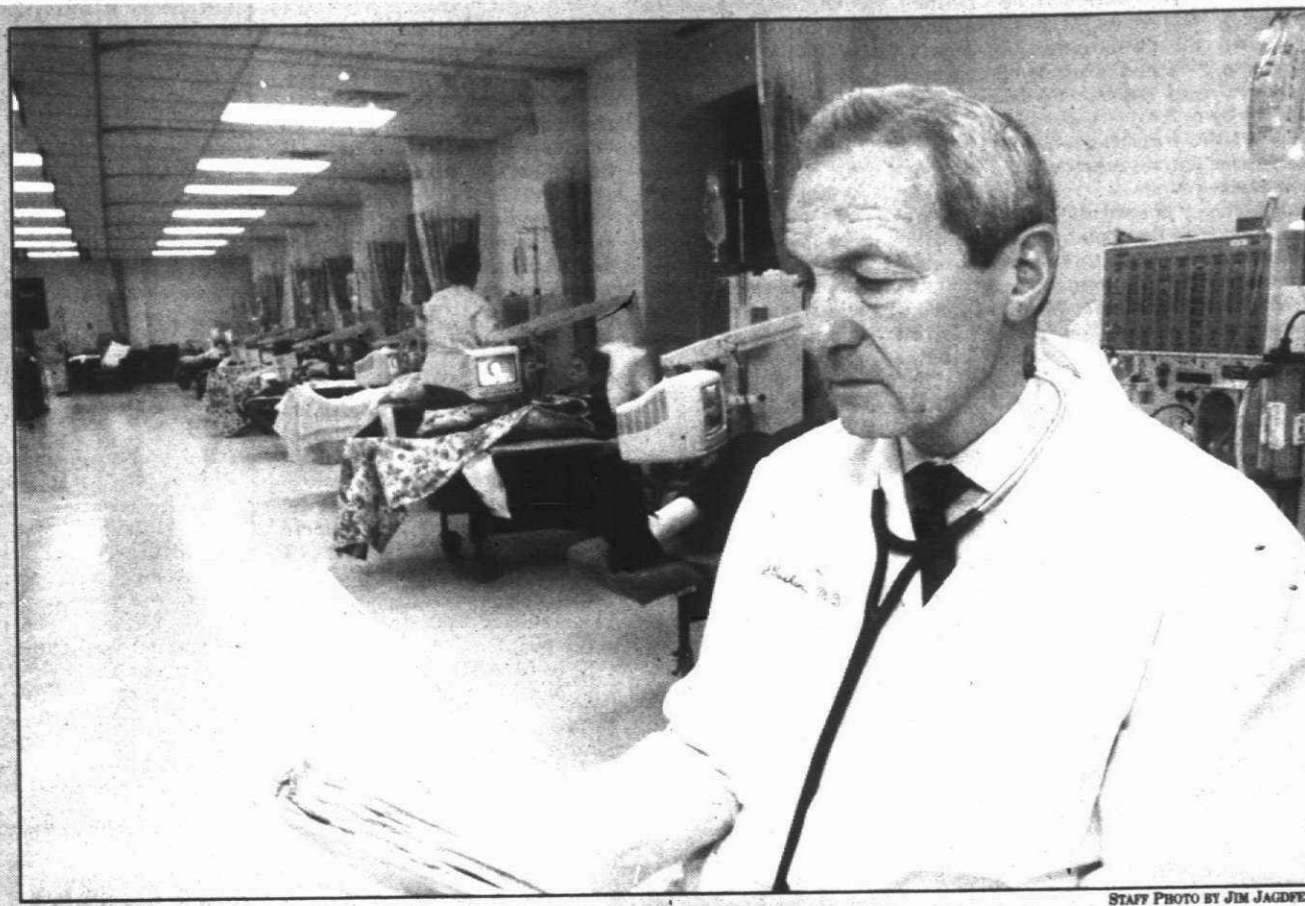
### Free exercise class

Learn the benefits and components of a safe exercise program. Providence Hospital and Medical Centers is offering a free exercise session from 6-7:30 p.m. on Jan. 26 at Mission Health Medical Center, at 37595 Seven Mile Road, at Newburgh in Livonia. Wear comfortable shoes and clothes. To register, call 1-800-968-5595.

### Red Cross blood drive

Schoolcraft College is sponsoring an American Red Cross Bloodmobile visit on Thursday, Feb. 5 from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Waterman Campus Center. Donors will receive a free bowl of soup, courtesy of Schoolcraft's College Food Service. Appointments may be scheduled by calling (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5050. Walk-in donors are welcome. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads, just east of I-275.

**Progressive program:** Dr. Sidney Baskin reads over patient information in the dialysis room of the Botsford Kidney Center in Livonia. The photograph shows only a fourth of the dialysis stations utilized by patients three times a week for several hours at a time. Baskin is hoping his Pre-ESRD program delays the need for chronic dialysis by up to 15 years for some eligible patients.



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# PREVENTION

## NEW PROGRAM HOPES TO DELAY DIALYSIS DEPENDENCE

By KIMBERLY A. MORRISON  
STAFF WRITER

Patrick, a 46-year-old Redford father of two (who asked that his last name be withheld) has chronic, irreversible kidney failure. Three days a week for nearly three hours he undergoes kidney dialysis—the mechanical separation of impurities from blood—a bodily function his kidneys can no longer perform.

"I regret not having taken better care of myself," said Patrick. "Dialysis keeps me going and I do it because I want to see my kids grow up but I wish I had kept my blood pressure under control and taken my medication more seriously. I'm paying for it now."

Diagnosed in his late 20s with hypertension, the Redford father says he irregularly took his prescriptions, didn't maintain a diet low in sodium and rarely did much of any physical activity.

"I would watch my boys play football, hockey and basketball but I never got off my duff and ran around with them. An increase in my weight didn't help my high blood pressure any," said Patrick.

As a result of years of neglect, Patrick was briefly hospitalized for abnormally high blood pressure which led to a diagnosis of End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)—described as "chronic, progressive and irreversible kidney failure characterized by the loss of at least 90 percent of kidney function."

A new program at the Botsford Kidney Center of Livonia aims to reduce the number of people requiring chronic dialysis with early screening, aggressive treatment and long-term follow up for patients who are candidates for ESRD as a result of diabetes or hypertension.

Under the direction of Sidney

Baskin, M.D., medical director of the Botsford Kidney Center, a new program was initiated six months ago in hopes of preventing or delaying progression of chronic kidney failure and the future need for chronic dialysis therapy.

"We want to have the opportunity to intervene early in the treatment of patients at high risk for chronic kidney failure. Recent medical research has shown that this approach may prevent delay the progression to End-Stage Renal Disease by as much as 10-15 years," said Baskin.

Baskin, who began his medical career in nephrology and hypertension completed a fellowship at the University of Michigan Hospital—Ann Arbor in 1961 and began a private practice the following year in the same field.

Today, after more than 40 years of patient care and research in nephrology, the branch of medicine dealing with the kidney, Baskin says he aspires to diminish the number of ESRD patients with an intensive program that focuses on early detection, diet, education, counseling and social service intervention.

"Some physicians fall into a pattern of seeing patients, biding their time with treatments and going along their merry way," said Baskin. "With the longevity I've had in this profession I began to see more and more patients with the same symptoms who were facing a future of chronic dialysis and almost all of them had high blood pressure or diabetes."

Baskin said he began to "feel it was a failure in the system" and could "not all be the patients' fault." Two clinical cases from his private practice weren't the catalyst, for the Pre-ESRD program, but a good illustration of the "frustration of failure and the potential for success" that serve as valid argument for Baskin's

opinion that "chronic dialysis can be delayed by up to 15 years with aggressive treatment and early detection."

In a brief summary, *Patient A* was first evaluated in 1965 with high blood pressure and normal renal functions. He was treated with anti-hypertensive therapy and in six months reported good blood pressure control. Over the next 30 years he was lost for long periods of time without medical supervision and failed to maintain a constant compliance of the necessary medications.

As a result, the patient currently receives chronic hemodialysis three times a week with borderline blood pressure control and faces potential long-term complications.

In comparison, *Patient B* was diagnosed in 1979 with hypertensive crisis, a blood pressure reading of 200/150 and Acute Renal Failure. The 42-year-old male was treated with acute hemodialysis for four weeks which returned kidney functions and he was weaned to oral medications.

Baskin, said it's of "great importance" to note that the man (*Patient B*) never misses an appointment and is "rigidly compliant regarding his anti-hypertensive medication."

Thanks to his compliance, today, the 60-year-old male continues oral medications and free of hemodialysis treatment unlike *Patient A*.

The Livonia physician says the two cases don't constitute a valid study but bring attention to the future benefits of obedience to medication, regular treatment, dietary instruction and long-term follow up care.

"Dialysis is old hat," said Baskin, "but I view this program as the next step in the progressive change of dialysis treatment."

Of the approximately 30 Pre-ESRD patients that Baskin sees at the Botsford Kidney Center, a high percent-

age have shown kidney function stabilization since mid-summer when the program was first launched.

Program members are required to actively participate in a partnership with their primary care physician and a team of individuals that include a dietitian, renal social worker, nephrologist and renal staff nurse.

Baskin said patients referred for this program through their primary care physicians, receive "state-of-the-art nephrology medical care, appropriate dietary instruction, social service intervention, educational materials, support program access and peer counseling."

Pre-ESRD programming also includes early screening opportunities, medical treatment and long-term follow up for patients with high blood pressure.

"I attribute our success to the way we do our work, the quality of the work and the referrals we receive from other clients," said Ruark, a Livonia resident.

Launched in the fall of 1995, New Horizon

Cleaning company doubles revenue. Tina Ruark, owner of the Livonia-based New Horizon Cleaning Company, recently announced the commercial cleaning company more than doubled their revenues from 1996 to 1997 by more than 2.5 percent over the previous year.

"I'm already projecting we're going to double last years income this year and we're well on our way," said Ruark. For more information regarding New Horizon Cleaning Company, call (734) 421-3361.

The intent of the Pre-ESRD program is to reach patients before they reach the point that they need hemodialysis.

Another benefit to reducing the number of persons on dialysis is the staggering costs associated with long-term renal care. Baskin estimates more than 250,000 people are currently on chronic dialysis in the U.S. at a cost greater than \$10 billion per year to the Medicare system which began reimbursing treatment for all ESRD patients in 1973.

"The economic significance of preventing or delaying the need for chronic dialysis is self-evident. However, the implications relative to the physical and emotional human toll are staggering," Baskin said.

The Botsford Kidney Center is located at 28425 W. Eight Mile Road in Livonia. For more information, call (248) 442-7901.

## Give the gift of life

This holiday season many of you went out to the shopping malls and toy stores on a mission to find the perfect gift which made that special child in your life smile. But there are many children in Michigan whose perfect gift could not be found in a store. The only wish of 2,400 Michigan residents is to receive a life saving organ transplant.

Unfortunately, there is a shortage of organs for those in need. You can help relieve this problem by becoming an organ donor. Just call 800-482-1455 to receive your free organ donor card. You also need to discuss your wishes to become an organ donor with your family. So this year, give a gift that is in the true spirit of the season - make the pledge to give the gift of hope.

According to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan more than 50,000 Americans are waiting for life-saving organ transplants, and nine to ten people each day die while waiting for a donor organ. If more organs were available, people in need would spend less time on the waiting list and more lives would be saved each day.

The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan is committed to ensuring that every American who needs a transplant receives one.

Items for Medical Briefs are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-Eccentric community. Items should be typed or lightly written and sent to:  
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## Customized startup pages

PC TALK



MIKE WENDLAND

The biggest problem with the Internet is its size. It is too big and the information it offers is overwhelming. What's needed is a Gatekeeper. What we have are personal agents - geek speak for Internet applications that allow us to customize the news and information we receive on our Web startup pages. There are dozens available, with more being released every day.

Two of the easiest to use come with Netscape Communicator and Internet Explorer. By default, when you open up each browser, it goes to the home page of either Netscape Communications or Microsoft.

Don't settle for blah. The solution is another start page. You do not have to settle for what they provide. You can choose to begin your Web sessions with any site you want.

Here's how to change the startup page, assuming you're working with the latest version (4.0) of either Netscape Communicator or Internet Explorer. Older versions work pretty much the same, though, so if you're still using version 3.0, you should be able to figure out my instructions.

In Communicator, go to Options, then General Preferences. Click on the Navigation tab. See where it says Startup? In that box is a place for a URL, or Internet address. Just type in the URL of whatever page you want to begin with, click OK and, next time you start Communicator, it will open with your new selection.

It's the same thing with Microsoft's Internet Explorer. Go to View, then Options and then click the Navigation tab. Type in the URL under the space for the

Start Page, click OK and you've got your own favorite start page, instead of Bill Gates' favorite.

But maybe you don't have a page you like that much but you would like something a bit more useful than the standard offerings served up by Communicator and Explorer. That's where these Personal Agents come into the picture.

Personal Agents allow you to customize your own start page with specific, personally-selected material. Once again, Communicator and Explorer are head-to-head in competing for you to choose their Personal Agent.

In Netscape, go to the home page ([www.netscape.com](http://www.netscape.com)) and look for a hyperlink to something called Powerstart. Click on it and you'll be led to a template. You fill in the things you want to see on your own start page. You can have a localized weather report, movie listings and start times for the theaters in your neighborhood, a stock ticker that scrolls across your screen listing only the companies you're interested in, and headline news and sports.

Be creative. You can even have your own to-do list pop up, as well as current information about your favorite stocks. Microsoft Explorer will let you do the same thing from the Microsoft network home page ([www.msn.com](http://www.msn.com)). Explorer uses your zip code to call up the movie schedule for what's playing in your neighborhood theater. It also has local TV listings and, my favorite, a direct link to the daily Dilbert comic strip.

You don't have to stick with just the so-called "Browser Big Two."

Just about every major presence on the Net these days is offering users the opportunity to customize their Web startup pages. CNN ([www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com)), MSNBC ([www.msnbc.com](http://www.msnbc.com)), Pointcast ([www.pointcast.com](http://www.pointcast.com))

and Lycos ([www.lycos.com](http://www.lycos.com)) are among the most popular.

Make pages personal

My current favorite is from Excite, which is known for its very fast and reliable search engine. But it also has a custom start page, called Excite Live! ([live.excite.com](http://live.excite.com)), and I think it is the slickest on the Net. It opens with a very easy to follow look at the top news headlines of the hour. The headlines are all hyperlinked. Click on the one, and you get the full story.

Excite Live! really shines when it comes to displaying business news and information, especially stock prices. Most of the other custom start pages limit you to only a few stocks and funds to monitor. Excite lets you fill in a virtual portfolio. It couldn't be simpler.

It all works with fill-in-the-blank forms. On screen instructions with check-boxes to click off permit you to display everything from high and low tides to the market's trading volume for the day. Excite Live! has numerous stocks or funds or indexes. You can choose to display just their current or closing prices, or you can enter in the number of shares you hold in each issue and when the program updates, it automatically totals and displays your portfolio value.

Because this is obviously highly personal information, I would not suggest entering in your shares and asking Excite Live! to display your portfolio value on the computer you access from work.

So... don't settle for a blah start-up screen. Personalize your pages.

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## BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

Marketplace features a glimpse of suburban business news and notes. Marketplace items should be submitted to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. The fax number is (313) 591-7279.

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Cleaning was established with a client base of approximately 15 commercial accounts (construction, office, remodeling jobs) managed by 10 employees.

Today, the company employs 20 staffers and two field supervisors who monitor more than 35 accounts on a daily basis to guarantee quality.

"I'm already projecting we're going to double last years income this year and we're well on our way," said Ruark.

For more information regarding New Horizon Cleaning Company, call (734) 421-3361.



Ruark

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## TUE, JAN. 20

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The membership annual dinner meeting of the League of Women Voters will meet from 6-9 p.m. at Mountain Jack's Restaurant in Schoolcraft and Merriman. The program will be to discuss and make recommendations to the national level in regards to current positions on national public policy issues. Call Paula Bowman, (734) 455-4726, for information.

ASQ MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Greater Detroit Section of the American Society for Quality will meet at the Sterling Inn (Van Dyke & 15 Mile in Sterling Heights) where Dr. Jeff Lowenthal will speak on "How to Become a Successful Entrepreneur." Fax your confirmation for the event to Greg Smith, (248) 352-2142. The program begins at 5:45 p.m. with registration and includes dinner and the main speaker who will lecture at 7:15 p.m.

NATIONAL ASSOC. CAREER WOMEN

The National Association of Career Women West Suburban Chapter continues to build a

strong networking environment by scheduling the 1998 session with both creative and dynamic programming. All meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For further information call Julie at 453-7272, Ext. 223. Programs include Jan. 20: Making the Tax Law Changes Work for You - (Jim Palazzolo, CPA).

## WED, JAN. 21

WIN-HELP/HTML HTML HELP

The Society for Technical Communication (STC) is a professional organization whose membership comes from all over Southeastern Michigan. It would like to invite any interested parties to attend the 6:30 program featuring Laurie Kanter of Teed who will speak on "Comparing Usability in WinHelp and HTML Help." The program will be at the Holiday Inn Livonia West, 17123 N. Laurel Park Drive in Livonia. Contact Ellen Burgett, (313) 913-3074 or e-mail [ellen\\_burgett@medstat.com](mailto:ellen_burgett@medstat.com)

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L. Business Network International will host a regular meeting of the Laurel Park Chapter from 7:30 a.m. at Richards Restaurant, Plymouth Road & Newburgh. For more information, call BNI regional offices at (734) 397-9939.

## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community.

## MON, JAN. 19

MEDICAL THERMOLOGY

Among non-invasive techniques, thermology, has been demonstrated to be the most reliable having little or no risk of complications. Attend SANT's Jan. 19 lecture when Dr. Philip Hoekstra will speak on medical thermology. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Sinnett Holistic Health Center in Livonia, located at 29200 Vassar in the Livonia Pavilion, Suite 140, across the street (Middlebelt) from Sears at Livonia Mall. Admission is \$5. For more information call, (313) 274-4971 or (313) 837-2647.

WOMEN'S RECOVERY GROUP. St. Mary Hospital in Livonia is establishing a Women's Recovery Group for recovering alcoholics. The group will be limited to seven women and will meet in the Center for Counseling Services on Mondays, beginning Jan. 19 from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

EATING DISORDER THERAPY. St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a 12-week intensive therapy group for people with eating disorders. The sessions will meet from 7:30-9 p.m. each Tuesday in the Center for Counseling Services. The group is limited to six adults. Most insurance accepted. For more information, call (734) 655-2441 or 800-494-1654.

LYME DISEASE SUPPORT. Lyme Disease Support Group of Western Wayne County will

## THUR, JAN. 22

SUBURBAN REPUBLICAN WOMEN. The monthly meeting of the Suburban Republican Women's Club will be held at Bobby's Country House, 35780 Five Mile Road, Livonia at 11 a.m. The speaker will be city assessor, Judy Nagy. The charge of \$11 includes lunch. For reservations please call (248) 471-5659 by Monday, Jan. 19.

FITTING IN FITNESS

The University of Michigan Alumni Association will host a workshop entitled "Fitting in Fitness For Busy Women." This workshop is designed to show participants how fitness and feeling good can fit into the rest of their lives. This workshop takes place from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at the Public Safety and Security Building Room 2043, 1239 Kipke in Ann Arbor (across from Crisler Arena). To register, contact Chanel DeGuzman at 800-847-4764.

INVESTMENT STRATEGIES. Rick Bloom, attorney and CPA, will address investment strategies at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road in Livonia. There is no registration fee and the public is welcome. The program will be hosted in the Livonia Library auditorium. For more information call (734) 466-2469.

Participants are required to have experienced at least one year of sobriety. Most insurance accepted. For more information, call the Center for Counseling Services at (734) 655-2441 or 800-494-1654.

meet at 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 3 Towne Square, Wayne. Everyone is welcome. For information, call (734) 326-3502.

FREE SPINAL SCREENINGS

A complimentary spinal analysis will be given using the Paraspinal EMG. It will provide a vivid illustration of one's back, showing problem areas and any nerve interference in the spine from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. 35600 Centre City Parkway. Call (734) 458-7100 to register.

SMART FOOD SHOPPING

Participants visit a supermarket to learn about food label reading, nutrition, food safety and the challenge of cooking for 1-2 people at the Kroger Westland from 10-11:30 a.m. Cost is free. Contact 800-543-WELL.

STROKE/ANEURYSM SUPPORT

For those who have had or have a cerebral aneurysm or stroke. Family members/friends welcome. Group will meet at Garden City Hospital for a presentation and to promote a sharing interaction free of charge. Call 458-4396. For more information call (734) 458-4396.

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## When hearing aids aren't enough

An increasing number of adults in the U.S. suffer from severe-to-profound hearing loss and obtain limited or no benefit from even the most powerful and sophisticated hearing aids. Cochlear implants are a proven medical option that may help these individuals better communicate and interact with others.

The public can learn about cochlear implants at a free seminar presented by Personalized Hearing Care and the Garden City Hospital Audiology Department at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 21 at MedMax in Westland.

"Cochlear Implants: When Hearing Aids Aren't Enough" features audiologist Paulette Daniels, M.A., CCC-A, of the Michigan Ear Institute. Daniels will explain how cochlear implants work, their benefits, what implant wearers can expect and who is a potential candidate for implantation.

Cochlear implants bypass damaged parts of the inner ear and electronically stimulate the hearing nerve to provide information about pitch, which is essential for understanding speech.

They have become increasingly sophisticated since first being introduced in France in 1957.

Today's cochlear implant system consists of internal components (a receiver and an electrode array) that are surgically implanted, and external components (microphone, speech processor and transmitting coil) that are worn by the individual.

Over the past 20 years, more than 17,000 adults and children around the world have received cochlear implants. While the procedure does not restore normal hearing, for some individuals it can provide the ability to hear medium to soft sounds and understand speech. An estimated 800,000 adults in the U.S. could benefit from today's cochlear implant technology.

This seminar is part of an ongoing series presented as a community service to promote better hearing care, familiarize the public with available hearing services, and provide information on common hearing concerns.

Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling MedMax at (734) 458-7100.

RECREATION

# Elk hunt proves to be great birthday

Richard Johnson presented his son Bill with a fantastic present for his 13th birthday — a trip to Atlanta for Michigan's annual elk hunt.

Richard drew an antlerless elk permit for the December hunt and allowed his son to tag along, "as sort of an early birthday present," explained the Canton resident.

"We had a fantastic time," Johnson said. "It was very exciting. I wish everyone could get a chance to go out. It's the thrill of a lifetime."

The hunt started on Dec. 9 and the Johnsons hooked up with locals Richard Sparks, Sr. and Jr., Jason Sparks and Mike Wright. After the first two days, Johnson was wondering if he was even going to see a cow (elk).

"We saw a lot of bulls the first couple of days, but no cows," he

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BILL PARKER

said. "I was wondering if we were going to get skunked."

"On the third day, after lunch, we located a pretty good sized herd with a couple of nice cows. We followed them for quite a while and I finally got a shot at a nice cow."

The three-year-old cow dressed out at 440 pounds and it took an ATV to drag her out of the woods.

"It was a thrill for both of us," added Richard. "Bill said he wants to apply as soon as he's old enough."

Hunters must be 14 to apply for an elk permit so young Bill won't have to wait long to apply. On the other hand, getting drawn for a permit is like hitting the lottery.

Upwards of 40,000 hunters apply annually for approximately 300 permits. Richard has applied for a Michigan elk permit every year since the hunt started in 1985.

## Button buck club

Oxford's Robert Collins received a rather infamous

award this year when he was presented with a plaque by Ted Novak.

Collins, Novak, Ed Spinazzola, Johann Klimach, Ken Hohnacki and Chuck Boike formed "The Button Buck Club" a few years ago when a couple of the founding members mistakenly shot button bucks during the firearms deer season.

Collins tagged a button buck last year which prompted Novak to make the award presentation. Guess what? Two days after the presentation Novak mistakenly shot a button buck.

"Next year's presentation may be even more vexatious," Collins said.

## Goose hunt

A veteran of 25 years of hunting — from the Louisiana bayous to tundra of New Foundland and all points between — Jim Janish has tagged deer, bear, moose, caribou and a wide variety of small game. But the Oakland Township hunter had never taken a Canada goose, until this past season that is.

Janish joined his friend Mike Damoth and four others waterfowlers on a corn-field goose hunt in Oakland County during the second phase of the regular season.

"We set up about four dozen oversized goose decoys and, using the available corn stalks, formed individual muskrat hutsches to hide in," Janish said. "These guys have got their technique down to a science. Dressed in full camo we laid face-up on the hutsches, covered ourselves with more stalks and patiently watched the horizon."

The team total was seven Canadas and one mallard duck for the six hunters. Yes, Janish broke his drought and bagged his very first Canada goose.

Anglers and hunters are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (810) 644-1314 or call Bill Parker evenings at (810) 901-2573.

## Outdoor Calendar

### OUTDOOR SHOWS

**OUTDOORAMA**  
Outdoorama '98 Sport and Travel show will take place Feb. 20-March 1, at the Novi Expo Center.

**SPORTFISHING EXPO**  
The 10th Annual Greater Detroit Sportfishing and Travel Expo will be March 5-8, at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

**METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS**  
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

**MICHIGAN FLY FISHING**  
The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

**FOUR SEASONS**  
The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

**FISHING BUDDYS**  
Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

**BASS ASSOCIATION**  
The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Dearborn Civic Center. Call (313) 676-2863 for more information.

### DATES

**GOOSE**  
The special late Canada goose season runs through Feb. 1 in southern Michigan. The boundaries for the late hunt have been changed this year and are now the same as those for the South Zone of the regular waterfowl season. The entire south zone is open during the late hunt with the exception of the five GMU's.

**RABBIT**  
Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

**TURKEY**  
Feb. 1 is the deadline to apply for a spring turkey permit.

### CLASSES

**FLY TYING**  
The Challenge Chapter of Trout Unlimited and Birmingham Continuing Education will offer a 10-week fly tying class beginning at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at Birmingham Seaholm High School. Call (248) 203-3800 to register and for more information.

### SHOOTING RANGES

**PONTIAC LAKE**  
Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

**ORTONVILLE RECREATION**  
Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours through Dec. 22 are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

### ARCHERY

**JUNIOR OLYMPICS**  
The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

**JUNIOR ARCHERS**  
A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

### METROPARKS

**METROPARK REQUIREMENTS**  
Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

**1998 PERMITS**  
The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

**CENTER ICE**  
Search for those crafty winter-savvy critters who tough it out during Michigan winters during this outdoor program, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday at Indian Springs.

**SLOPPING THE HOGS**  
Ages five and older can help feed the farm animals during this program, which begins at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Kensington Farm Center.

**ANIMAL TRACK T-SHIRTS**  
Learn about animal tracks in the outdoors then return inside and track up a t-shirt with animal tracks during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Indian Springs. A similar program begins at 2 p.m. at Kensington.

### OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

**COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS**  
Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

**RECYCLE CHRISTMAS TREES**  
Independence Oaks in Clarkston and Orion Oaks in Lake Orion will remain open for Christmas tree recycling through Jan. 25.

**TUNING YOUR TOT INTO WINTER**  
A nature program for children ages 3-6 including a hike, stories, snacks, crafts and more will be offered at 10 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 21 and 22 at Independence Oaks. The program will be offered again at 1 p.m. and at 2:45 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24.

**OWL PROWL**  
Learn about the different kinds of owls found in Michigan then take a hike to hear some resident owls during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at Independence Oaks.

### STATE PARKS

**STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS**  
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

**BIRD HIKE**  
Bring your binocular and enjoy a guided bird hike during this program, which begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at Maybury.

### OUTDOOR CLUBS

**SOLAR**  
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

# Single delivery system highlights GDBA

The Greater Detroit Bowling Association had its semi-annual meeting Jan. 12 at Sunnybrook Lanes as president Roland Snodgrass gave his report to the delegates from various leagues.

If your league was not represented, just remember next time that every member league is invited to attend and have its voice heard through its chosen delegate.

Executive Director Mark Martin followed with his report; Marlene Patterson, a field representative from Bowling Headquarters, made her presentation on the newly-created Single Delivery System and how it will help us locally.

John Davis Jr., chairman of the awards committee, gave his

report and was followed by Tom McKay, who is in charge of the finance committee. His report was also printed out, so every member would be able to see how the local portion of the annual dues are used to the benefit all local leagues.

Nominations were also taken for the position of fourth vice-president for the next election of officers in May.

Other committees that gave their reports were the tournament committee, the senior committee and the nominating committee.

The web site for the association was also announced. It is www.gdba.com and anyone online can get the latest up-to-date information on GDBA activities.

•There will be a new magazine to be distributed to all members called "Pin Action" starting this fall along with a new three-tiered membership fee, which will be test marketed here next

season. The GDBA ranks as the largest local association in the entire American Bowling Congress with over 70,000 members.

There are other local associations in this area such as the Wayne Westland Men's Bowling Association, which has about another 5,000 members.

The women bowlers have equally impressive numbers, and all of them combined provide great service to the bowling community with practically all of them working as unpaid volunteers.

It is the love of the sport and willingness to give something back to the game that makes up the organizations and the people who work so hard to make it a better bowling experience for all.

•While browsing the video rentals at Family Video in Westland, I came across this bowling instructional tape: "Score More" by Nelson Burton, Jr.

I rented it for a day — it was a free rental anyhow — and, even though it was produced about 10 years ago, it is still very timely as Burton explains how to find a strike line and fine tune the approach and delivery. He shows how to make spares and common splits and explains how to select your equipment.

Even though the equipment has changed a lot since this video was made, most of his tips are very useful and should help the viewer to improve on certain facets of the game.

There are many other excellent videos around that are worth watching. Most are aimed at the intermediate bowlers who need to improve their basic skills in order to get more out of bowling.

Most video rental outlets in this area carry a few good bowling videos. It is well worth the time to look and learn.

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#### Cloverlanes (Livonia)

Ford Motor Men: Larry Frank, 276/705; Don Wood, 653; Cal Collins, 696; Roger Moore, 259; Wayne Walters, 250; Jack Considine, 661.

Sunday Nite Mixed: Andre Duvall, 300/730; Greg Smith, 300.

#### Wonderland Lanes (Livonia)

Nite Owls: Alan Biasutto, 245/691; Mike Piontek, 681; Dennis DiLorenzo, 268/676; Curt Grangood, 669; Ken Hawk, 650.

Wonderland Classic: Steve Pencola, 289-279/816; Mitch Jabczynski, 268-268/763; Bryan Macek, 269/762; John Kohler, 289/748; Rick Patton, 723; Rich Trullard, 300.

Thurs Nite Wonders: Sandy Pierzchala, 244/575; Pam Hinzman, 223-213/609; Cheryl Dabrowski, 211.

Kings & Queens: Steve Pencola, 269/761; Butch Risner, 279/729.

St. Sabina's Mixed: Mike Kane, 299/815; Mark Parise, 278/703; Kathy Osip, 241/586.

#### Mayflower Lanes (Redford)

Good Neighbors: Sherry Remus, 204.

Senior Men's Classic: Wil Suokas, 258-241-235/707; Bob Sherwood, 231-246/656; Jack Dahlstrom, 246-213-269/668; Phil Horowitz, 206-256/659; Jim Casteel, 228-234-

245/707; Howard Davis, 225-204-224/653.

Friday Seniors: Rich Zacheranic, 257/639; Tom McGlasson, 257/633; Ed Patrick, 256/619; Bob Lowers, 224/607; Angie Bertuca, 214/600.

Monday Seniors: George Kampoltowicz, 237-268/731; Walt Schlicker, 256-265/711; Marty Mardeusz, 268/677; Alvar Freden, 248/647; Alvin Thompson, 278/654.

#### Westland Bowl (Westland)

Fearsome Foursomz: Carol Engbreton, 231/641; Kathy Bates, 223/568; Louise Cordle, 212; Maureen Schwan, 212/588.

Sunday Rollers: Dave Hartford, 266; Ray Haan, 258; Gene Combs, 257; Michelle Kendall, 236; Kelly Hainley, 217; Sue Combs, 213.

K of C Friday Nite Men's: Marc Abdilla, 277-246/716; Gary Januszowski, 226.

Ten's Saturday Nite Mixed: Connie Rex, 236; Diane Harbarcuk, 221/567; Libby Erickson, 214.

Sunday Rollers: Ken Slusarczyk, 257; Joe Belanger, 256/693; Jim Underwood, 244; Kelly Hainley, 251/594; Christy Money, 259; Jenny Wojtowich, 214.

Sunday Night Mixed: Mary Spencer, 227; Tom Lamb, 267; Kevin Muto, 236-221; Dave Cheedie, 232.

Wayne-Westland Teachers: Lucy Stanley, 206/540; Jan Shenkel, 205; Ruth Ebach, 202/526.

Sunday Sleepers: Tom Johnson,

300; Steve Van Newkirk, 300; Robert Schepis, 279; Mike Giganti, 276.

Monday Morning Men's: Randy Kline, 256; Dick Bond, 258.

Coca Cola Majors: John Skope, 226/584; Andrew Copland, 222; Jeremy Kapla, 216/603; Christie Stillwagon, 188; Christy Jablonski, 177.

#### Garden Lanes (Garden City)

Sc. Linus Classic: Rick Borges, 268-267-239/774; Matt Dalley, 235-253-254/742; Mike Baldwin, 259-279/713; Tony Humphrey, 299-226/709; Jim Buzanowski, 209-221-279/709; Doug Ellison, 259-247/702.

#### Plaza Lanes (Plymouth)

Sheldon Road Men: Fred Leach, 253-258-202/713.

Plaza Men — Larry Minehart Jr., 208-278-223/709.

Keglers — Rog Burke, 298; Mark Beasley, 245-235-257/737.

Guys & Dolls — Dan Pydyn Sr., 268-242-259/769.

#### Super Bowl (Canton)

Saturday Nite Specials: Gary Riegel, 199-225-247/671; Val Suzio, 252/553 (117 pins over average).

#### Novi Bowl (Novi)

Westside Lutheran: Don Johnson, 665; Kevin Chambers, 643; Al Hunt, 629; Lynn Lewis; Craig Engel, 617.

#### Bol Aire Lanes (Farmington)

Temple Israel: Charles Federman, 267-221-224/712; Neil Lefton, 245-223/648; Keith West, 225-268/663; Richard Kirsch, 276/681; Bill Petek,

248.

Our Lady of Sorrows: Mike Desnoyer, 213-256/653; Bill Skibinski, 256-203-212/671; Rusty Lynch, 232-212-216/661; John Pitera, 267-262/679; Dale Grace, 235-232-228/695.

J.W.I. Wed.: Sherry Gittleman, 511; Cheryl Feldman, 505; Gayle Finn, 505.

Early Birds: Emma McKinnon, 207; Michigan Bell Men's: Bill Armstrong, 278-223/683; Jack Fischer, 235-222-204/661; Mike Winkel, 206-209-258/673; Ralph Mayers, 209-214/618; Keith Jones, 226-226-612.

#### Country Lanes (Farmington)

Sunday Goodtimers: Mark Silverstein, 253; Mike Kalt, 225; Larry Frommer, 218; Todd Wortinger, 217; Bill Vida, 213; Bob Kannon, 201 (51 pins over average).

#### Plum Hollow Lanes (Southfield)

WDBA: Katie Douglas, 257.

IBM: Derrick Moore, 268; Roy Anderson, 246/653; Leonard Davis, 246; Ellis Bates, 241; Vickie Lott, 234.

Night Train Express: Marlon Wilson, 300; Julius Kelly, 288; Harvey Reid, 288/741; Sabrina Jones, 247/602; Clare Dixon, 244; Doris Gipson, 244.

Plum Crazy Mixed: Chris Rush, 270/700; Chris Parrott, 265/676; Tony Faulkner, 264/706; Beth Rulon, 243; Tony Collins, 241/612; Janet Beam, 227/615.

# UM-Dearborn speaker series wets appetite

The shorter days of winter allow the naturalist more time to spend in front of the fire catching up on reading or designing a new look for the backyard.

Both of these pastimes will tantalize you until the weather breaks in spring.

One way to change the pace of this evening winter routine is to join others interested in the natural world too.

The Detroit Audubon Society

## NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

and the Natural Areas Department of the University of Michigan-Dearborn are sponsoring a speakers series at the U of M-Dearborn campus.

The first program, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, will be presented by Dorothy McLeer, who will chronicle how people perceived wolves through the years.

As the top predator, man has had a major impact on the survival of wolves where ever they live.

Michigan's wolves in the upper peninsula are now living with several wolves that have taken up residence in the western part of the peninsula. For a long time wolves were only found on Isle Royale in Lake Superior.

Today wolf populations are

thriving and surplus animals from Minnesota and Wisconsin are moving into the remote areas of the upper peninsula.

In order for a large predator to return to its position in the food chain, people must be educated about the biology of this animal and not rely on historical perceptions, often steeped in myth.

Robert Grese will be speaking at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, about landscaping with native plants. This approach to gardening is becoming more and more popular.

In fact, Grese will be speaking at a meeting on natural landscaping Saturday, Feb. 7 in Troy. He will be joined by two other speakers who will outline many of the considerations to converting your

yard to a native habitat.

Orin Gelderloos and Janet Macunovich will both add information about choosing plants adapted to the local climate and soil conditions; also, those plants that are hardy against insect pests and how to make your yard a vigorous natural sanctuary.

For registration information about the Troy landscaping seminar, call (248) 360-1712 or (248) 652-4004.

After attending these meetings, you can return home inspired, and in the evening begin to plan a trip to the Porcupine Mountains to listen for wolves and loons, or begin to search the seed catalogs for those hardy natives just right for the backyard.