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## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Facing off:** The Plymouth Whalers play host to the Owen Sound Platers in an Ontario Hockey League game 6:30 p.m. Sunday at Compuware Arena, Beck Road north of M-14. Call 453-8400 for ticket information.

### MONDAY

**Vaccinations:** St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer an Infant and Child Immunization Program 5:30-8 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B, near the south entrance off Levan Road. Cost is \$5 per child no matter how many immunizations are given. For more information, call (313) 655-2922 or toll-free at 1-800-494-1650.

### TUESDAY

**Local government:** The Canton Board of Trustees holds its regular meeting 7 p.m. at the administration building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Among the agenda items is a possible vote to sell 20 acres of township-owned property along Haggerty Road to a private developer for construction of a sports and entertainment complex.

**Roller fun:** Skatin' Station II holds open skating 1-4 p.m. Admission is \$4.25. Skate rental is \$2.

### WEDNESDAY

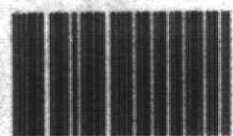
**Think spring:** Put your garden on the Canton Garden Club's itinerary for its inaugural Garden Walk. Send photos of your garden to: Donna McDonald, 7530 Chichester, Canton 48187. For more information about the new club, call (313) 455-8446.

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## DDA cautious on project funds



Members of Canton's Downtown Development Authority and township officials want assurances on the developer's finances before deciding whether to help pay for the proposed mega-project at Ford Road and I-275.

BY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

Members of Canton's Downtown Development Authority want to see financial statements from Burton-Katzman Development Company before giving \$3.2 million in public assistance to the mega-development planned for the Ford Road district.

The developers also are expected to go to the township board for an additional \$1 million.

The 124-acre project at the southeast corner of Ford and I-275 will include a 14-to-20 theater cinema, two to three hotels, three restaurants, a strip mall

and 240-unit apartment complex.

The \$3.2 million in public funds would be used to begin construction on interior roads and a waterway management system. The other \$1 million would drag water-sewer utilities to the site.

The DDA would go out for bonds to secure the \$3.2 million.

"We don't have assurances the project is going in. We'd be falling back on the good faith of our taxpayers if it doesn't go through," said DDA chair Ralph Shufeldt.

However, taxpayers may not know if Burton-Katzman and partners Phoenix

Land Development have the financial backing to get the project off the ground.

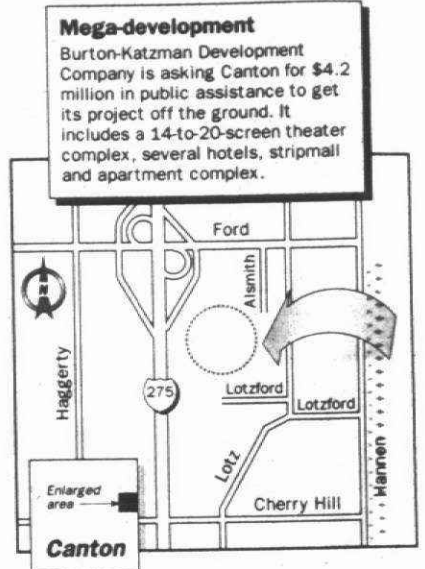
Developer Peter Burton said he doesn't object to submitting the documents to the DDA board, but doesn't want to do it in a public forum. It could jeopardize their negotiations, he said.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack said the DDA board will seek attorney advice on how to do so without violating the state Open Meetings Act. It was suggested that the board meet in subcommittees so that a quorum is not present.

Yack said he wasn't sure if that would be violating the spirit of the Open Meetings Act.

"I'm in favor of the project, but we need to know why we should do this. We can't just open the checkbook. You

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### 'Old-fashioned' science wins out at Fiegel



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

**Experimenting:** Some of the fifth-grade science fair participants at Fiegel Elementary (front) Brittney Theissen (left), Kevin O'Brien, (rear from left to right) Kacee Roberts, Kyle Muliolis, Karen Yiu, Jon Smart.

## Looking for fair conclusions

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

In the futuristic world of computers, students at Fiegel Elementary find the old-fashioned science fair still lives on.

Approximately 55 students participated in the fair, teaching them to hypothesize, experiment and come up with conclusions.

"You need to have a foundation before you can go into the computer age and get into the technical side of it," said Carla Borsos, one of three fifth-grade teachers at Fiegel (along with Erin Wenrick and Lynne Cowell) who put on the science fair. "The students put the whole experiment together from beginning to end ... starting with a question and hypothesis, and following with discoveries,

evidence and a conclusion."

In her experiment, Kacee Roberts of Canton wanted to know which color apple has more juice.

"I've always wanted to know that, since I eat apples a lot," said Kacee. "I used a cutter to core the apples, put the pieces in a juicer, then poured it into a measuring cup. Yel-

Please see SCIENCE FAIR, A3

## Township law would mandate repairs

### HOME INSPECTIONS

BY VALERIE OLANDER  
STAFF WRITER

Canton residents may be required to have a home inspection upon sale of their property. Repairs would be mandated before the sale was finalized.

The controversial recommendation is just one of numerous proposals suggested by a 15-member Neighborhood Improvement Committee. The committee was assembled in October at the request of township Supervisor Tom Yack.

Other proposals unveiled by the committee at a Tuesday township board study session included enhancing the township's tree program so that every house in Canton has a tree in front of it and developing a database of subdivision roads and sidewalks that need repair.

"After going through other communities I went through Canton neighborhoods and was a little embarrassed," said committee member Michelle Hall.

Homes that needed repair in other cities, such as Livonia and Dearborn, don't look as bad as Canton's because trees blocked the homes from view, she said.

"A lot of it is because we don't have old growth trees lining our streets and a lot has to do with their homes being built of brick. Ours are aluminum sid-

Please see HOME INSPECTIONS, A6

## Charges still possible in fatal accident

Canton police are in a holding pattern as the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office considers whether to charge a 19-year-old man for drunken driving under the state's zero tolerance law in a fatal accident Feb. 4.

Detective Bill Keppen said the accident investigation team has completed its report and submitted the findings to the prosecutor's office.

It could take several months before a decision is made, he said.

Leona Deluca-Ilardi, 65, was struck and killed by a 1995 Pontiac Grand Am as she walked across Lilley Road, north of the traffic light at Cherry Hill. Her grandson, 6, was standing at the curb when the accident happened.

A witness claimed the traffic light had just changed green for the driver of the Grand Am when the pedestrian was hit in the middle of Lilley Road.

The 19-year-old Canton man was not ticketed for causing the fatal traffic accident, although he was arrested at the scene after police conducted a Breathalyzer test that revealed his bodily alcohol content (BAC) was higher than .02 percent.

Since 1994 a zero tolerance law makes it illegal for anyone under the age of 21 to have a BAC of .02. Anyone over 21 would be considered legally drunk with a BAC of .10.

### A special quilt for First Step



STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARRISSE

**Team effort:** Trina Bergman (left) of First Step looks at the quilt put together by members of the Plymouth Piece Makers Guild. The individual blocks were made using artwork contributed by abused children at the Canton shelter and the fully-stitched quilt was presented back to First Step Thursday. Piece Makers on hand for the presentation were (from right) Dollie Lieberman, Ken Taddia, Maggie Van Hoeck and Virginia Carnes.



CANTON CONNECTION

Health-O-Rama

Volunteers are needed to staff Canton's Health-O-Rama event on Saturday, April 25 at Summit on the Park. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and offers area residents the chance to obtain free and low-cost testing and health-related services. Volunteers will help for registration, medical stations, setting up and taking down equipment, refreshments and in other areas. No medical experience is necessary. Volunteers will be scheduled in three-hour shifts and a brief training session will be provided before each shift. Lunch will also be provided. Call Kathleen Salla, Canton volunteer coordinator, for more information at 397-6450.

Dispatchers upgraded

The people who take 911 calls in Canton are now EMD certified. That means Public Safety Service Officers are better equipped to handle emergency calls and can give a wider variety of life-saving instructions over the phone, before EMTs are dispatched to the location. To earn certification, each officer completed a two-day training course that included information on answering and screening 911 calls, giving pre-arrival emergency instructions and recognizing the appropriate emergency response. Dispatchers were already providing much of the information but a new law requires certification. Canton dispatch personnel answer about 4,000 emergency calls each year.

New business

Mail Boxes Etc., 43311 Joy Road, will celebrate its grand opening on Thursday, March 5. Ribbon cutting festivities will be held at 4:30 p.m. and will be attended by Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canton community officials. The Chamber invites members of the business and residential communities to join in the celebration and welcome this new addition to the Canton community. Owner Gail Berry will be offering special discounts through the end of March. In addition, a grand prize drawing for a 27-inch color television will take place on March 5. First- and second-place prizes for the drawing include one full year of mailbox service and 10 hours of free computer use. For more information call Gail Berry or William McDonald at 455-1313, or stop the store located in the Coventry Commons Plaza.



Speaking: Civil War buffs, friends and admirers of Dr. Weldon Petz (at podium) gathered to hear him speak about the Lincoln collection at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Lincoln celebration draws Civil War buffs to museum

By Kevin Brown, Staff Writer

Even Civil War documentary filmmaker Ken Burns was in on the celebration. In a letter to Dan LeBlond, president of the Plymouth Historical Museum, Burns congratulated the community for obtaining the Abraham Lincoln Collection of Dr. Weldon Petz. Museum Director Beth Stewart read the letter in ceremonies at the museum Feb. 15 to mark the collection's acquisition. That sparked applause from about 150 on hand for the event. Folks were able to tour the museum and view the "Images of Lincoln" exhibit featuring pieces from Petz's collection. They also crowded into the lower level meeting room to hear Petz talk about his collection, now the property of the Plymouth Museum. He recounted the story of the collection's most notable item — the plaster mold of Lincoln's face, taken by sculptor Leonard Volk and cast in bronze. Lincoln had to sit motionless for an hour while the plaster hardened, breathing through quill-like tubes. When the time was up, he followed the artist's direction to slowly push the cast forward off his face, with his thumbs. "As Lincoln looked at the mask, great tears came to his eyes," Petz said. "All the hair on his right temple was imbedded in the cast." Petz held for all to see one of only six copies of the only known photo of Lincoln smiling. "Lincoln would never show his teeth. He said they were kind of brown and backward-looking," Petz recalled. Four days later, Lincoln was assassinated. Lincoln visited Michigan only once, staying overnight in Kalamazoo in 1856, Petz said. Opening his remarks, Petz told the audience, "I couldn't be more pleased that it (this collection) is going to be here. "A fella from CBS News asked me how come Plymouth?" Petz said he chose the Plymouth museum because it "is a center for education in districts around it." Petz added he didn't want students researching the collection's archival materials to have to go through the bureaucracy of a university. Among those viewing the exhibit were Rick and Mary Jane Larson of Livonia. "She's a Lincoln nut," Rick Larson said of wife Mary Jane, who said she liked the photos and the life mask. "He was president at the most crucial time," her husband said. "He held it together," Mary Jane Larson added.

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Court ruling paves way for bingo license

By Ken Abramczyk, Staff Writer

The Metro Wayne Democratic Club can continue to hold their bingos in Westland after all. The organization can conduct its games after Wayne County Circuit Judge James Rashid ordered the Bureau of State Lottery Wednesday to issue bingo licenses to a group of Democrats that use the games to raise money. Rashid ruled the plaintiffs and the public will "suffer irreparable injury, loss or damage" if licenses were not issued by March 1. "The public interest will be served by the issuance of this order, since it enforces the will of the people as expressed in the referendum," Rashid wrote in his ruling. Rashid referred to Michigan voters rejection of Proposal A in November 1996, which would have made political bingos illegal. That ballot proposal struck down a statutory ban on political bingos passed by a Republican-controlled Legislature in 1994. Rashid's ruling dismisses claims by state officials that Michigan law excludes political organizations from operating bingos. The 16th Congressional District Democratic Committee, the Metro Wayne Democratic Club and Cliff Johnson, the club's president, were among plaintiffs who sued the state Lottery Bureau and Lottery Commissioner Bill Martin earlier this month, claiming bingo licenses were denied for political reasons. Johnson called the license denial for his group "nothing but harassment."

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"It's not just political bingos, it's about politics and power," Johnson said. Johnson said Friday he was told that morning the Bureau of Lottery was issuing a license to the Metro Wayne Democratic Club. Johnson said the group's fundraising efforts do not just go to the Democratic Party and candidates, but to other organizations in the city of Wayne, such as Little League baseball, scholarships and city food drives for needy families. Johnson didn't believe any appeal would be successful, if one was filed. "I don't think any court will go against a vote of the people," Johnson said. The club conducts bingo once a week at the Joy Manor in Westland. Mark Brewer, chair of the

Michigan Democratic Party, said Rashid sent two messages to the public. "One, your voting privileges and desires will be upheld by the courts; and two, the governor cannot create or do away with laws just to accommodate his partisan efforts." On Thursday, the state House of Representatives passed two resolutions reinforcing Rashid's order, urging the Lottery Bureau halt its efforts to disqualify political bingo fund-raisers. "Political bingo is a grass-roots fund-raising tool that brings working people into the political process," said state Rep. Lynn Owen, D-Monroe, one of the bill sponsors. "It allows people who don't have the dollars to attend big ticket fund-raisers to support candidates for office."

Beard, Patterson oppose Katz for airport appointment

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Senate OKs bill to house prisoners in other states

By Tim Richard, Staff Writer

Michigan could more easily house its prisoners in other states under a bill that cleared the state Senate after hot partisan debate. The Republican majority on Feb. 18 shot down an amendment by Democrat Gary Peters, of Bloomfield Township, to require the Department of Corrections to "exhaust all alternatives" before sending Michigan criminals to other states. "Just transferring is an expensive solution," said Peters, a former stockbroker who enjoys using Republican slogans to support Democratic ideas. "This does not limit the options of Michigan voters." The House bill is sponsored by Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, in- stead. MDOC. It demands good business practices. If it's cheaper to send a prisoner out of state, you can go ahead and do it." But the bill's sponsor, Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, insisted. Please see PRISONERS, A7

Advertisement for Lina's Bridal. It features a photo of a bride in a white gown and a smaller photo of a woman. The text reads: 'Lina's BRIDAL presents Eve of Milady SPRING, 1998'. Below that, it lists the store's hours: 'Fri., Feb. 27 • 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sat., Feb. 28 • 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun., March 1 • Noon-5 p.m. (Sunday by appointment only)'. It also includes a phone number: '734-455-1100'. The bottom part of the ad features a testimonial about 'THE VALUE OF A GOOD SMILE' and mentions 'LIVONIA VILLAGE DENTAL' with a phone number '(248) 478-2110'.

Advertisement for VisionPro Eyecare. It features a photo of a woman's face. The text says 'GRAND OPENING Sale 40% OFF ALL FRAMES'. Below that, it lists 'Best Selection of Designer Frames In The Plymouth/Canton Area' and includes several bullet points: 'Thorough un Rushed eye exams', 'Contact Lenses, all types', 'Evening & Saturday appointments', 'Most insurances accepted (VSP, BCBS, GM, Ford Davisvision & others)', 'Free Warranty on frames', 'Children's package'. At the bottom, it says 'VisionPro Eyecare' and '7237 N. Canton Center Road (at Warren, in the Westbrook Plaza) • Canton'. It also lists 'Dr. Christopher A. Burgess' and 'Dr. Daniel G. Irwin' with the phone number '734-416-5005'.

Advertisement for Eastern Michigan University's online courses. It features a photo of a computer monitor and keyboard. The text says 'From Brighton, Michigan, to Brighton, England, Eastern Michigan University's on-line courses bring the classroom to you.' Below that, it lists a website 'www.netclasses.emich.edu' and a table of courses. The table has three columns: 'Number', 'Credits', and 'Title'. The courses listed are: 'BEDU 201 3 Microcomputers for Business Applications', 'COSC 136 3 Computers for the Non-Specialist', 'CTAT 336 3 Electronic Media Law', 'CTAR 151 3 African American Theatre', 'EDMD 378 2 Intro to Educational Media and Technology for Classroom Teachers', 'IDE 179 3 Orientation to Interior Design', and 'EDTC 680 2 World Wide Web'. At the bottom, it says 'Register Now! Non-credit also available. Classes beginning in March 1998.' and provides a phone number '800/777-3521' and an email address 'continuing.education@emich.edu'. It also includes the Eastern Michigan University logo and the tagline 'The Learning Edge'.

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DDA from page A1

need to open your finances to us. We need to know if you're going to be making \$20 million or breaking even," said DDA board member Dave Khoury.

Several landowners backed out of the deal with developers. Approximately 90 percent have signed on, said project manager Chuck DiMaggio.

An appeal is being made to the EPA in Chicago, said Burton. A decision is expected by May 2. DiMaggio said the apartment complex can be scaled down to 100 units to preserve some of the wetland area.

Home inspections from page A1

ing since that was big in the 1970s. Other neighborhoods also don't have mailboxes along the streets. Of course, there's nothing we could do about that because of federal regulations in the '60s or '70s.

The issue of home maintenance brought up the subject of inspections, which was opposed several years ago by members of Canton's Homeowners Advisory Committee.

Under the proposal, homeowners could pick a private inspector from a township-approved list, rather than use its own ordinance officers, which was the contention of the homeowners advisory committee.

Private property inspectors will look at any major problem like heating and plumbing and they do it 10 times better. A private property inspector might climb on the roof where a city inspector would just look on the roof," he said.

NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN ADOPTED PROGRAM FOR USE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR 1998

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON SPECIAL JOINT BOARD OF TRUSTEES PROCEEDINGS A Special Joint Meeting of the Boards of Trustees of Canton, Plymouth, Salem, Superior, Van Buren and Ypsilanti Townships was held Thursday, February 12, 1998 at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton Superior, Michigan.

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not support him, because she believed he did not have the education, training and experience for the job.

Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit, said he was confident Katz in supporting the new director. "I think he'll do a good job, and I think this discussion will encourage him to do a good job," Solomon said.

Katz will earn \$112,576 as director of airports, the same salary he earned as chief of staff.

Prisoners from page A5

ed the measure was "a common sense and public safety" bill. "We must not take any option off the table in keeping prisoners locked up."

Democrat George Z. Hart of Dearborn said sending inmates to other states would place them further from their families and retard their rehabilitation, increasing the chances that the inmates will turn to crime once released.

Democrat Jim Berryman's amendment to prohibit married inmates from being sent to other states was defeated.

Alliance for gifted plans state meeting

The Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education will hold its annual conference Thursday-Saturday, April 23-25 in the Somerset Inn, Troy.

Other speakers include: Joseph Renucci of the University of Connecticut on "The Schoolwide Enrichment Model: A Comprehensive Plan for Developing Gifts and Talents."

Problem Based Learning. Jim Webb, co-chair for SENG, will discuss "Guided Discussion Groups for Parents Using the SENG Model."

Latin group offers student scholarships

The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) Council 11070 is offering scholarships, ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 to Hispanic students who are already enrolled or plan to attend accredited colleges or universities.

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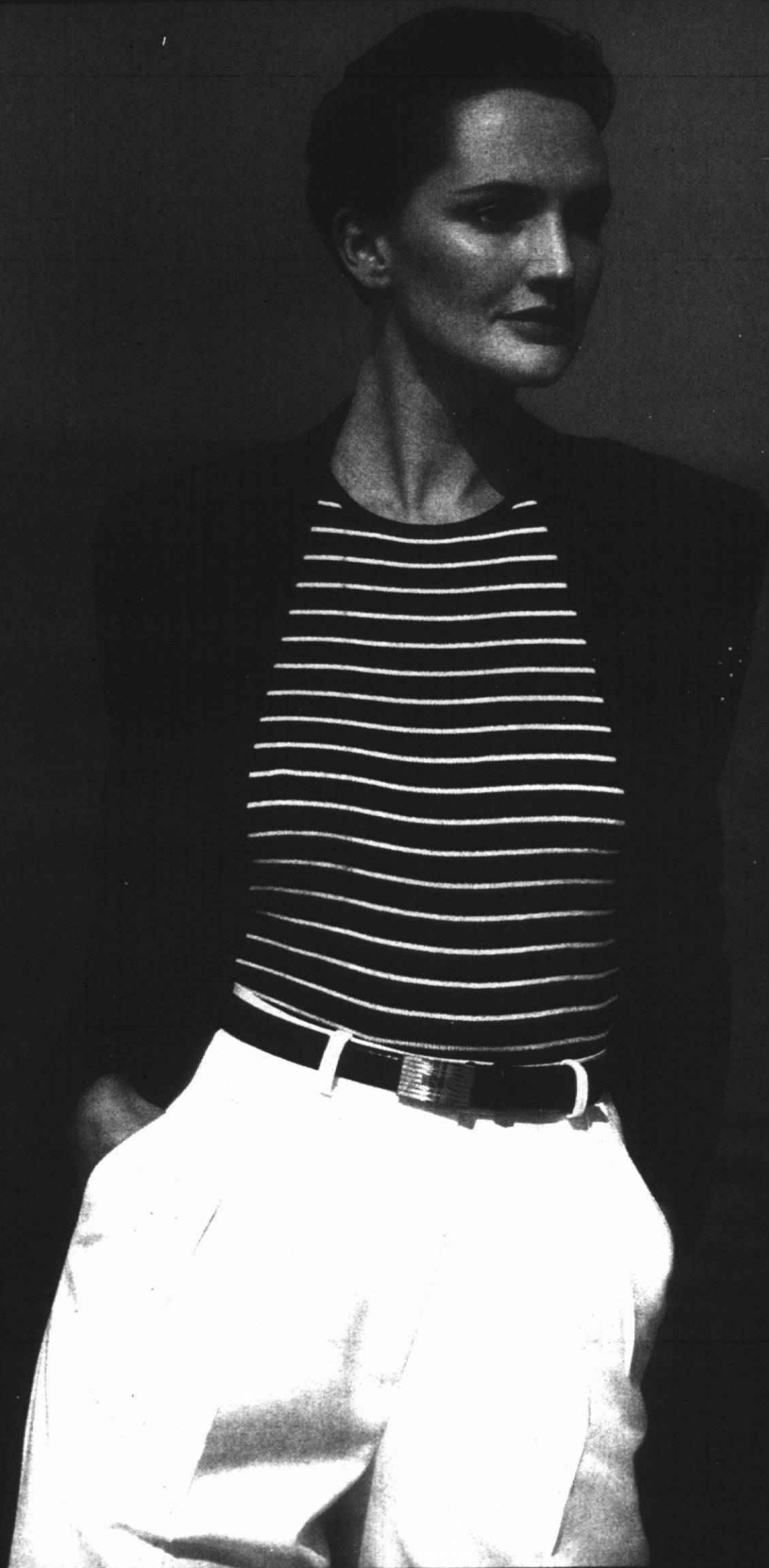
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**R**ainy, unpredictable cold weather calls for hearty soups, stews and bread, and enjoying the brown ale I made last fall. Micro-brewed brown ale has a nice roasty and nutty flavor. It has the appearance of being hearty, but won't overpower soups and stews. Try it with sausage and venison too.

Here are two of my favorite winter dishes - a dense chewy black bread and French-style Country Cassoulet. Serve them with a Crown Ale.

If you'd like the taste of homemade without the fuss, a good local choice is Kings Crown Brown from Kings Brewery, 895 Oakland Ave., Pontiac, (248) 745-5900.

So grab some ale, invite some friends over, and enjoy.

**BLACK STOUT RYE**

- 1 cup Young's Oatmeal Stout (heated to 90°F)
- 1 package yeast
- 4 tablespoons melted butter
- 1 egg plus 1 egg white
- 1/4 cup honey plus 1 tablespoon
- 1 1/2 tablespoons caraway seeds
- 2 tablespoons cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups dark rye flour
- 1 1/2 to 2 cups bread flour
- Egg wash: Combine 1 egg and 1 tablespoon warm honey

Combine beer, melted butter, yeast and 1 cup rye flour, mix well and let sit 15 minutes.

In mixer or food processor, combine (beer, butter, yeast, rye flour mixture) with all of the remaining ingredients, except bread flour, and mix well.

Add bread flour 1/2 cup at a time until a nice elastic consistency is achieved and dough pulls away from sides of bowl. You may not need all 2 cups of the bread flour. Form into round loaf, or place in a greased loaf pan. Brush with egg wash and let rise in a warm draft-free place for 45 minutes.

Bake at 350°F for 30 to 40 minutes until crust is hard and loaf sounds hollow when tapped with a spoon.

*Chef's note:* Look for Young's Oatmeal Stout at any good beer and wine or liquor outlet such as Merchant of Vino.

**CASSOULET**

- 1 pound double smoked slab bacon diced
  - 1 tablespoon olive oil
  - 1/2 cup flour
  - 6 chicken legs
  - 1 large Spanish onion medium dice
  - 8 cloves garlic, minced
  - 2 carrots, diced
  - 2 parsnips, diced
  - 1 pound white button mushrooms
  - 1/2 ounce dried Porcini mushrooms
  - 1 pound smoked pork sausage, sliced (kielbasa will work fine)
  - 1 pound Italian sausage cut into 3-inch pieces
  - 3/4 pound smoked ham, diced
  - 1 pound dried Navy beans (soaked overnight in water to cover 3-inches over beans)
  - 1 1/2 quarts beef stock
  - 1 cup brown ale
  - 1 teaspoon cracked black pepper
  - 1 tablespoon fresh thyme
  - 1 tablespoon fresh rosemary
  - 6 ounce can tomato paste dissolved in beef stock
  - 2 cups seasoned bread crumbs
- Soak Porcini mushrooms in 2 1/2 cups hot water until rehydrated.
- Cook beans until half done (about 25 minutes) in fresh water, drain and set

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

What to watch for in Taste next week:

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- Eating Better Sensibly

# CHICKEN PAPRIKASH

A FAMILY FAVORITE FOR 100 YEARS

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Lots of people make chicken paprikash, but not like Beverly Hinsch of Livonia.

Her recipe has been in the family for 100 years. "I remember watching my Hungarian grandmother making it most Sundays for dinner," wrote Hinsch in response to our Jan. 25 request for a recipe to share. "I have made some changes to accommodate today's healthier lifestyle, but the taste is the same. Everyone that has ever eaten it has asked for the recipe."

A commercial sales secretary for Carrier Great Lakes, the Livonia-based Midwest distributor of Carrier HVAC (heating, ventilation and air condition) equipment, Hinsch, like a lot of us, doesn't always feel like cooking when she comes home.

"I go into a cooking frenzy on Sundays," she said. "I'll make a pot roast, or low-fat chicken paprikash. We love leftovers."

Since she tries to cook in advance, weekday dinners are a snap. Hinsch reheats the main dish, makes a vegetable, and tosses a salad. The packaged caesar salad is one her favorites.

She cooks about five times a week. Friday is "date night" when she and her husband, Jim, go out to dinner. On Sundays Jim will often grill fish - salmon, mahimahi, or halibut.

Like a lot of people, they've reduced the fat in their diet for the sake of good health but still enjoy their favorite foods.

"When my grandma made chicken paprikash she used a whole chicken," said Hinsch. "She'd fry it in a skillet with Crisco and wouldn't drain the fat. She used real sour cream."

Hinsch uses boneless chicken thighs or skinless, boneless chicken breasts, and light or no fat sour cream instead. She coats a nonstick pan with cooking spray or a little bit of Canola oil before browning the chicken and drains the fat before adding the remaining ingredients.

Her grandparents emigrated to the United States separately from Hungary in 1903.

"Grandpa was 23 and grandma was 16," recalled Hinsch. "They met in New Jersey, eventually married and moved to northwest Detroit. Grandpa died young at 56, but Daisy Air Rifle in Plymouth. She rented a room in a private house and walked to work. She was a wonderful cook and baker."

"My parents often brought her to stay at our home on weekends. Her apple strudel and apricot and nut rolls were to die for. I have never been able to duplicate them. My favorite dish was her chicken paprikash, which she made every Sunday that she visited with us. It is still my favorite dish - I could honestly eat it at least once a week. Grandma lived to be a vigorous 90 years old."

Hinsch and her husband, an executive with



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

**Family favorite:** Beverly Hinsch presents Chicken Paprikash with dumplings. Created by her grandmother, it's one of Beverly's favorite dishes, and a recipe she enjoys sharing.

Akzo Nobel in Troy, will be married 40 years this August. They moved to Livonia in 1961 and have four grown children - Kathryn, Debra, Jim and Bob, and two grandchildren.

Brenda Seeman of Garden City shared her Mexican stew recipe. "I've given away many copies of this recipe," she wrote. "It's quick, easy, very filling and delicious. Even the most fussy eaters like it, even children. If you don't happen to be on a diet, you may use hamburger in place of the turkey, regular V-8 in place of low sodium, regular canned tomatoes and Cheddar cheese. When our large family gets together we double the recipe, toss a large salad and serve big hot loaves of store bought French or Italian bread."

Gwen Krestel of Farmington Hills shared her creamy chicken and cheese enchilada recipe.

"It's my favorite recipe because everyone always loves it and asks for the recipe," she wrote.

Lots of readers also asked for Auntie Flo's Fruit Salad recipe, which my pal Peggy Vautaw Peck shared in our Nov. 23 issue.

Peggy and I worked on the Tower Tribune together at Fordson High School.

Everybody's got a great Recipe to Share - what's yours? I'd love to hear from you. Send, fax or e-mail your recipe to share, with a daytime phone number to me - Keely Wygonik, Taste Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, fax (734) 591-7279 or e-mail hgallagher@oe.homecomm.net

We'll pick one recipe to feature in Taste on the fourth Sunday of month, and share a few of our favorites. The person picked for our feature will be photographed for the article, and receive an apron and cookbook.

Get out your neighbors, and call friends, family members and neighbors, we're anxious to receive more Recipes to Share.

See recipes inside.

## Pastries mirror award-winning chef's art

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Like a kaleidoscope, Kris Jablonski of Redford wants to make pastries that reflect the changing patterns of our lives - seasons, weddings, birthdays and graduations.

In six months the award-winning pastry chef plans to open Kaleidoscope Confections and Pastries, a gourmet pastry shop specializing in French-style wedding cakes and pastries.

On Feb. 1 he won Best of Show, The "Masterpiece Award" and the Patisserie Award for best utilization of chocolate in a recipe contest held during the Ninth Annual Chocolate Party at Michigan State University's Kellogg Center in Lansing to benefit the care of the collections of the MSU Museum.

His chocolate hazelnut mousse torte, which he called "Taking Flight" was a work of art. He was invited to attend the Pastry Chef of the Year Competition in New York at the end of March.

A graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts Program, Jablonski was a teacher's assistant/pastry chef at the William D. Vocational Center in Westland, and head finisher at the Townsend Hotel Bakery in Birmingham.

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ham. At the Townsend Hotel he was responsible for providing pastries for the hotel, bakery, wholesale accounts and wedding cakes.

"I'm at the point in my career where I need to utilize my strengths. Competing in contests is one way of getting recognition at the national level," he said. "Competitions challenge me to put myself out in the industry. In the food industry you're competing against yourself and setting out to do your best work."

Jablonski wants to create pastries that are natural, and use the very best products available.

"There are going to be brides out there who want something different," said Jablonski. "They may want to showcase their own style with an innovative cake that's different from anything else out there. My style is more abstract and contemporary."

Jablonski also wants to work with the seasons instead of against them by using only the best products.

"I want to work with flavors that are in season - pears and apples in the fall,



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

strawberries and raspberries in the summer," he said. "Tropical fruits are coming in now - passion fruit, mangoes, kiwifruit. They have the best flavor."

Jablonski plans to locate his bakery in Plymouth or Livonia. He's in the process of designing the interior and ordering equipment.

Hot food cooking and pastries are

**Award-winning presentation:** Kris Jablonski with his chocolate hazelnut mousse torte, which won first prize in a chocolate recipe contest.

artistic mediums, and Jablonski views himself as an artist.

"I start a meal with breads, rolls and muffins, and end a meal with desserts having passionate flavors," said Jablonski. "You can take a theme such as tropical summer breezes and express it with pastries by using the

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## OBITUARIES

## THELMA A. MITCHELL

Services for Thelma A. Mitchell, 86, of Farmington, formerly of Wayne and Plymouth, were Feb. 20 at St. Simon & Jude Catholic Church in Westland with the Rev. Gerry Bechard officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Survivors include her husband, Daniel T. Mitchell; one brother, Charles D. Lents; one sister, Betty Zimmerman; and many nieces, nephews and friends throughout the country.

## VIVIAN J. EVANS

Services for Vivian J. Evans, 85, of Cedar Grove, N.J., formerly of Plymouth, were on Feb. 18 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Evans was born May 7, 1912, in Plymouth. She died Feb. 15 in Cedar Grove, N.J.

Mrs. Evans retired in 1969 from Schoolcraft College, where she was secretary to the assistant dean of admissions. She

moved from Plymouth to Indian River in 1969 and in 1985 she moved to Cedar Grove, N.J. Prior to this she had spent all of her life in Plymouth. She was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth Township. She was a member of the Plymouth Elks Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gar Evans, and one son, Kenneth Evans.

Survivors include her son, Keith (Eileen) Evans of West Orange, N.J.; and three grandchildren, Jennifer Evans, Jessica

## Evans and Kim Evans.

## PHYLLIS RUTH LOISELLE

Services for Phyllis Ruth Loisel, 74, of Belleair Beach were on Feb. 26 at the Church of Isles Congregational in Indian Rocks Beach, Fla.

She was born in Detroit. She died Feb. 17 at her home.

Mrs. Loisel came to the Belleair area 27 years ago from Lakeland, Mich. She was a member of the Church of Isles Congregational. She was co-owner of Jerry's Bicycle Stores



Phyllis Loisel

United Methodist Women, all of Plymouth.

and Livonia Schwinn Bicycle and Fitness Center. She was a member of the Plymouth O.E.S. Chapter, and a former member of First United Methodist Church and

Survivors include her husband, Gerard J.; three sons, Ronald G. Loisel of Plymouth, Lawrence K. Loisel of Garden City, Daniel G. Loisel of Northville; one daughter, Valerie P. Scofield of Livonia; four sisters, Lamay Hojnacki of Seminole, Joann Wright of Rockaway Beach, N.Y., June Graham of Decker, Mich., Marilyn Kennedy of Milan, Mich.; and 13 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Church of the Isles Choir Fund.

# Largest telethon devoted to pets set for March 15

In addition to being the auto capital of the world and the home of the Stanley Cup champions, the Detroit area can lay claim to having the largest telethon devoted exclusively to pets.

The Michigan Humane Society PETelethon raised \$302,000 for area animal shelters last year, much more than its nearest rivals, Houston (\$210,000) and Dallas (\$160,000).

"Detroit is clearly the leading PETelethon market," said David Rosenthal, general manager of Heinz Pet Products, which sponsors the TV fund-raisers nationwide. According to Rosenthal, the Detroit PETelethon owes much of its success to the efforts of local business executive Jack Berry, the president and founder of the Livonia-based Pet Supplies "Plus" chain. There is also a Pet Supplies "Plus" store on Ford Road in Canton.

Rosenthal believes that Berry's support will also help the Michigan Humane Society raise record funds during this year's PETelethon, which airs on UPN Channel 50, noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 15.

"Jack Berry has thrown himself and his stores 100 percent into making the PETelethon a success," he said. "Aside from his generous financial support, he and his staff have volunteered their time and efforts to do all of the things that are necessary to carrying out a first-rate telethon."

For Berry, supporting a pet-related telethon makes sense, given the nature of his business.

From the time that he started Pet Supplies "Plus" as a single neighborhood pet shop in 1988, Berry told himself that his company's charitable activities would revolve around helping animals. "We depend on dogs, cats and other pets for our business, so it seems only right that we help animals in need," Berry said.

Although Berry has sponsored many animal charity events, the Michigan Humane Society PETelethon is the most spectacular by far.

He and the program's organizers were expecting to raise \$150,000 from last year's PETelethon, the first ever held in Detroit. Instead, they more than doubled this amount. "The phones were still ringing off the hook with people making donations when we had to leave the TV studios last year," said Berry. To keep this from happening again, telethon organizers have added an extra hour to this year's program.

The 1998 Michigan Humane Society PETelethon will be hosted by Channel 50 news anchors Amyre Makupson and David Scott. Celebrity guests appearing on the program will include WNIC radio's morning host Jim Harper, WJR reporter Michael

## Play-by-play Whalers voice heard on WSDP

Pete Krupsky, the play-by-play voice of the Plymouth Whalers, joined WSDP announcer Nick Gismondi on the Friday, Feb. 13, Compuware Ambassadors game against the Gaylord Grizzlies. Pregame started at 6:15 p.m.

Krupsky has been with the Whalers since 1990. He began his broadcasting career following high school teams for a local cable channel. His Whalers broadcasts can be heard on WSDS 1480AM.

WSDP began broadcasting the Compuware Ambassadors this year, Nick Gismondi, WSDP's Play-by-Play announcer said, "I'm excited to work with Pete. His knowledge and experience will only help our broadcasts."

Barr, and UPN 50's Kristin Smith, Harry Hairston and Jim Madaus.

Veterinarians and trainers from the Michigan Humane Society will be on hand to offer advice and tips for pet owners. Anyone interested in adopting a pet should turn on the PETelethon between noon and 5 p.m. Sunday, March 15, to see a menagerie of friendly dogs and cats available from Michigan Humane Society shelters.

For many viewers, one of the highlights of the PETelethon will be the finals of the Michigan Humane Society's "Smartest Pet in Detroit" contest. The three finalists from the area-wide smart pet search will be featured on the program, showing off their impressive tricks.

Pet Supplies "Plus" gift certificates of \$500 for first prize, \$200 for second prize and \$100 for third prize will be awarded. Fourth- through tenth-place fin-

ishers will receive a year's supply of Nature's Recipe Premium Dog Food, or a year's supply of 9-Lives cat food.

It's not too late to enter your dog and cat in the Smartest Pet in Detroit contest if you have a four-footed Einstein. All you have to do is drop off a short (two minutes or less) VHS video tape of your pet at the nearest pet Supplies "Plus" store. The tape should show your pet doing tricks, or otherwise demonstrat-

ing why he or she is the smartest animal around. All tapes must be dropped off by 5 p.m. Sunday, March 8.

Be sure to mark your name and phone number on the tape you submit. Tapes become the property of the Michigan Humane Society and cannot be returned. But anyone who drops off a tape will receive valuable money-saving coupons for a variety of pet products.

Although the celebrity appear-

ances and Smart Pet tricks on the PETelethon provide viewers with a lot of fun, the number one goal of the program is to raise money. "The Michigan Humane Society takes in over 50,000 animals a year at its shelters," said Berry.

"Looking after these animals requires a tremendous financial commitment. The PETelethon provides every pet owner with a chance to help out."

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An interactive health education center will open in

the building in early 1999.

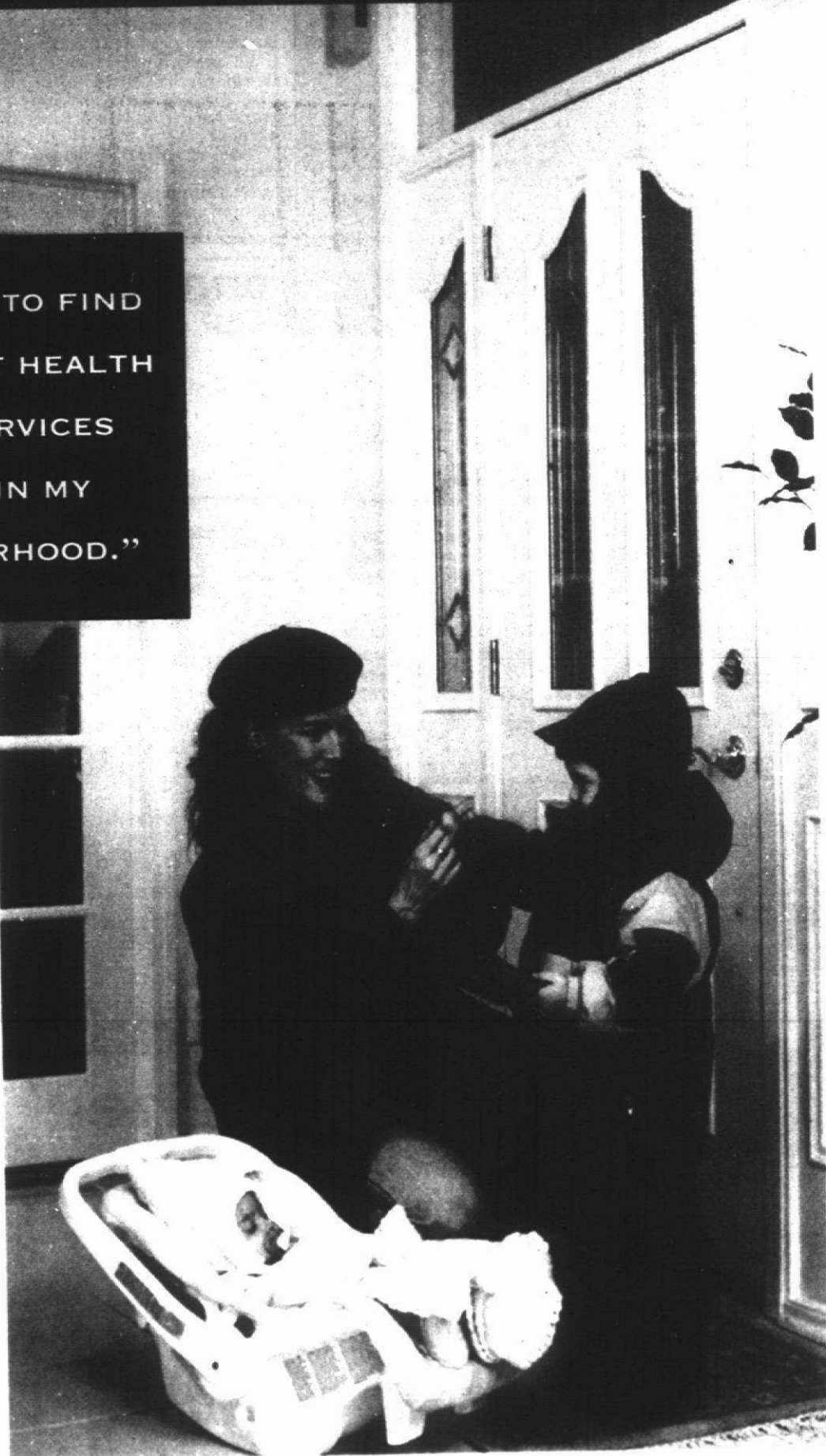
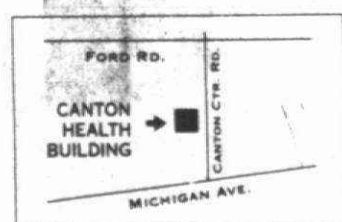
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## ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

### Arts scholarship triumphs over disabilities

While volunteering to create art with disabled children and adults at the Very Special Arts Festival over the last three years I've had the opportunity to observe Jack Olds working in the wings as a member of the Southeast Region Committee of Very Special Arts Michigan.

Olds, a Livonia artist and volunteer extraordinaire, strongly believes in the Very Special Arts mission of providing programs for people with disabilities to grow, to whatever degree possible, through the arts.

It puts a smile on your face to work with these children and adults, and I'm sure Olds feels the same way I do.

Always the arts advocate, Olds for several years encouraged me to serve on the Southeast Region Committee. In June, my schedule finally permitted me to join five other members working to produce the annual festival, and award grants to groups such as JARC in Southfield. So, it's especially satisfying to be involved with honoring Olds by awarding a scholarship in his name. The winner of the first Jack Olds Scholarship to an adult performing or visual artist will be presented at the Very Special Arts Festival Friday-Saturday, May 1-2 at Wonderland Mall in Livonia.

#### Jack Olds Scholarship Competition

**What:** The Southeast Region Committee of Very Special Arts Michigan will award a scholarship of up to \$500 to a disabled individual, age 18 and older, to further their creative talent in the visual, performing or literary arts.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must reside in southeastern Michigan (Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe, Livingston, Lenawee or Jackson counties).

**Deadline:** March 16. For an application or more information, call Cyndy Babcock (248) 543-9158.

Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs). "I hope it's going to enable someone to accomplish what they wouldn't have been able to do before."

Jack Olds embodies the heart of the Very Special Arts philosophy.

"Very Special Arts is important because it presents an opportunity for people with disabilities to express themselves in creative ways that are personally satisfying," said Olds, "and to enable the public to realize the innate gift and pride of accomplishment in all of us."

The Southeast Region Committee of Very Special Arts began thinking about awarding a scholarship in Olds' name more than two years ago. This is the first scholarship to be given to an individual. Until now only groups have been awarded funds to operate arts programs.

#### Spirit

"Jack epitomizes the spirit of Very Special Arts," said Millie Stachowski, who will be honored as Very Special Arts Teacher of the Year in Grand Rapids March 4. "Supporting other artists is what Jack is all about."

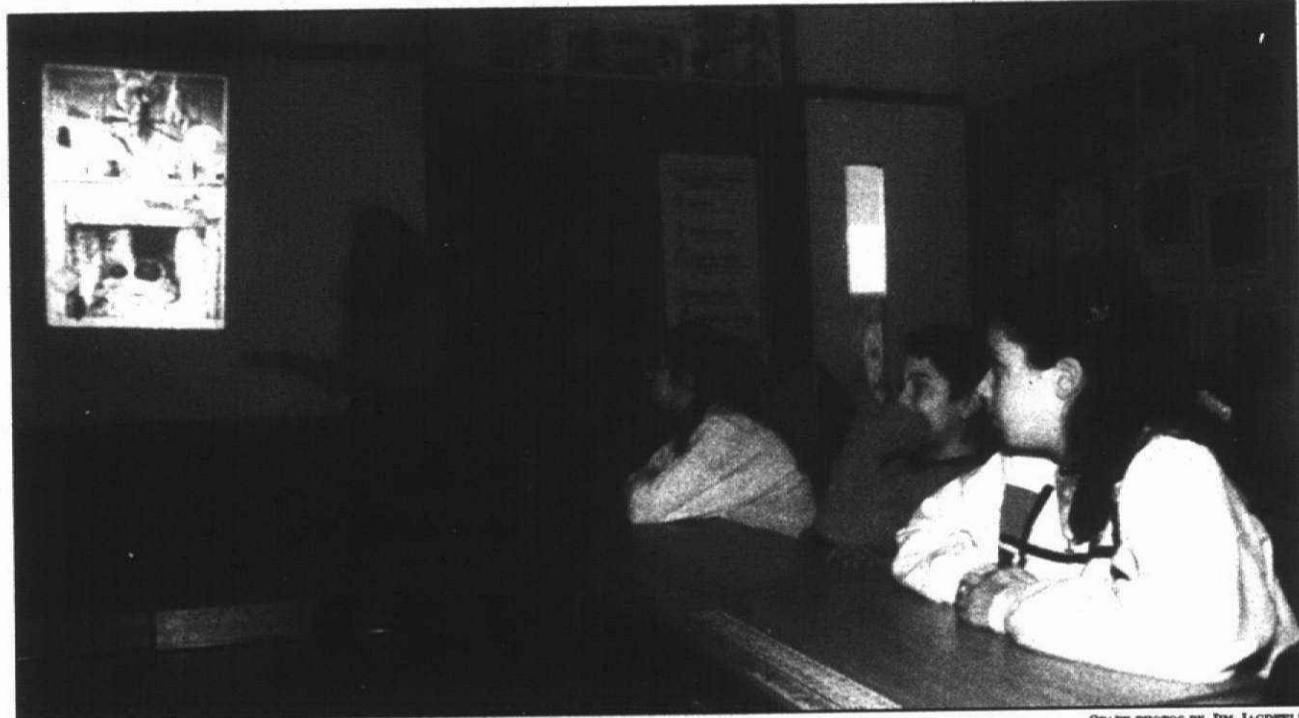
Olds spearheaded and coordinated the first Very Special Arts Michigan touring art exhibit created by children with disabilities. One of the venues it was displayed at was Urban Park-Detroit Art Center in Trapper's Alley in Greektown. This year's exhibit will be on display at the festival in May.

"Jack quietly works behind the scenes," said Jody Conradi-Stark, president of the Southeast Region Committee. "He's such a man of integrity, so caring and humble. You get the sense of how much he cares about people. He truly believes in the importance of the arts for persons of every ability and the power of the arts to transform."

Connie Lott, a fellow committee member and executive director of the

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## Art programs take learning out of books



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Volunteering answers: (Above photo) Jenna Larabell (right), Damon Trestain and Amanda Willyard were eager to answer questions about art during a DIA program which encourages students to observe and develop critical thinking skills. (Top photo) Sharon Herman, a docent for the Detroit Institute of Arts, leads a discussion about American art at Cass Elementary School in Livonia.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Janet Friedman's students toured the Detroit Institute of Arts on Feb. 10 without leaving Cass Elementary School in Livonia. The sixth graders' electric response to the Art to the Schools program, presented by docent Sharon Herman, could be felt even at the back of the room.

Friedman began inviting the museum into her classroom more than 15 years ago. The presentation enriches student understanding of the place of art and humanities in society. The docents usually precede an annual visit by students to "see the real thing."

"They need to see history in other ways than a book," said Friedman, a 30-year veteran of teaching. "They have to see it through the eyes of other people and hear it from someone else as well."

A heartening moment early in the presentation occurred when Herman, a West Bloomfield resident, asked how many students had visited the DIA. All 19 hands went up. Although students receive only 50 minutes of art a week at Cass, Friedman supplements the class with DIA presentations by local volunteers in the Livonia Public Schools' Mas-

terworks program. A similar program run by the Plymouth Community Arts Council exists in Plymouth Canton Schools.

"Art to the Schools starts in fourth grade because they're developing listening and sitting still skills, and stops at sixth grade, because we want teachers to bring them to the museum to see the real art work," said Herman, who once a week takes the free program to schools in Garden City, Bloomfield Hills, Rochester, Birmingham and Clarkston.

Depending on the length of class time, docents speak from 45 minutes to one hour using the "Visual Thinking" approach which encourages students to observe and develop critical thinking skills. After writing terms such as narrative, mosaic, portrait, sculpture, Herman illustrated each with slides of art works in the DIA's permanent collection. The terms landscape and sculpture came easy to the sixth graders.

"I want you to do the work," said Herman. "I want to encourage you to start thinking about works of art in different ways, not just paintings and sculpture."

Using a bronze sculpture of a freed slave, a mosaic created at the DIA by Romare Bearden in 1986 for the 100th anniversary of the museum, and a silver tea pot crafted by Paul Revere, Herman

created a slice of "American Life" which relayed this country's history from the 1700s to 1986. Greg Goddard admired William Merritt Chase's still life of eel, stingray and octopus from the late 19th century.

"It looks so realistic," said Goddard. Students were impressed by the art works. When asked at the end of the presentation for their thoughts, Goddard replied, "I learned the different ways you can make paintings and sculpture and that you can put whatever you feel like into them."

Laura Skrobot, who had painted a portrait of her mother in art class said, "I thought it was great. I learned you can tell a story without words."

Lynsey Coran was amazed, "there's so many different kinds of art."

In the 1996-97 school year, Art to the Schools docents gave 905 talks at 302 schools bringing art to 25,385 fourth, fifth and sixth graders in 71 communities. Docents receive 10 months of intensive art history studies at the museum before stepping into their first classroom. Herman, an interior designer, always loved art even before taking the training six years ago.

"It's not only a chance for me to go into

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**Art to the Schools:** Organized by the Detroit Institute of Arts in 1961, this program sends docents into tri-county area schools. The free 45-minute to one hour session enriches student understanding of the place of art and humanities in society. Each class gets a chance to win a drawing for a trip to the DIA and each child receives a card for one free admission. For more information, or to volunteer, call (313) 833-9178.

**Masterworks:** Sponsored by the PTA, this program was designed after the nationwide "Picture Lady" presentations. For information about volunteering, call Livonia Public Schools community relations specialist Mary Pat Benoit (734) 532-9112.

**Art Volunteer Program:** The Plymouth Community Arts Council takes art and sculpture reproductions, and culture units into 15 elementary schools in the Plymouth Canton district. To learn more about volunteering, call (734) 416-4ART.

## MUSIC

### Cabaret Concert

**What:** The Livonia Symphony Orchestra performs a variety of selections ranging from "Don Giovanni" to light classics and Elvis tunes at its annual benefit concert.

**When:** 7 p.m. Friday, March 6.

**Where:** Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.  
**Cost:** Tickets are \$25, and available at the Livonia Civic Center Library Gift Shop or by calling (734) 421-1111/464-2741.

## The 'King' returns to sing with symphony

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Elvis is alive and singing with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra.

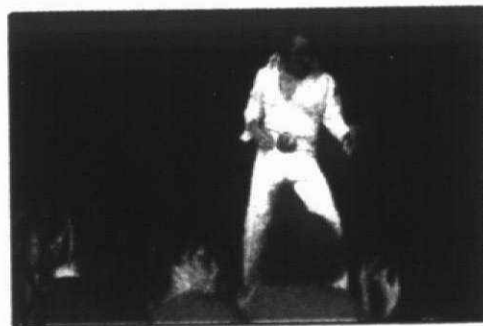
OK, Kelly Boesl is not really Elvis Presley, and he actually won't be performing with the orchestra, but between their segments in a benefit concert and all-out celebration on March 6, Boesl will rock the house with Elvis tunes such as "Don't Be Cruel," "Teddy Bear" and "Suspicious Minds."

The orchestra and conductor Volodymyr Schesniuk invite you to join them for this festive evening, cabaret style.

"We're characterizing it as our 25th anniversary party, so we'll have champagne on all the tables," said Bob Bennett, Livonia Symphony president.

This is Boesl's first performance with an orchestra. A used car salesman by day, the Waterford resident puts on his jumpsuit evenings and weekends to become a hunk of "Burning Love" at clubs and senior centers around town.

"In 1963, me and my uncle went to see 'Viva,



Elvis sighting: Kelly Boesl is "All Shook Up" about performing at the Livonia Symphony Orchestra's March 6 concert.

Las Vegas" and I've been an Elvis fan ever since," said the 41-year-old singer. "Later, I won first place at a talent show impersonating Elvis and I've been on my way ever since."

Board member Rose Kachnowski first saw Boesl perform as Elvis at a 50th anniversary

celebration for Madonna University.

"I, of course, grew up in the Elvis era and saw him in person," said Kachnowski. "We asked Kelly to perform just for the fun of it. The cabaret is fun. We want to make sure everybody has fun. We'll have a smattering of music from light classic to show tunes and pop."

Joining Boesl on the guest roster is soprano Liz Mihalo and baritone Sachal Vasandani singing something a little "heavier," a duet from "Don Giovanni." Mihalo, a freshman at the University of Michigan School of Music, will make her debut as a soloist with a symphony orchestra although she's soloed with the Catholic Central Jazz Band. Mihalo is a graduate of Mercy High School in Farmington Hills



Liz Mihalo

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General Cinema, Regal, United Artists, Starline, etc. Listings for various theaters and movies like 'The Godfather Part II', 'The Untouchables', 'The Godfather Part III'.

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Geisha Girl: McCullough created this woodcut print titled 'A Dance in the Garden.'

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Arbor. In addition tours will be given 7 p.m. Thursdays and 2 p.m. Saturdays. There will also be tours in French on noon Thursdays, March 5, 12.

This is a ticketed exhibition, advance tickets strongly recommended. Tickets are \$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, call (800) 585-3737.

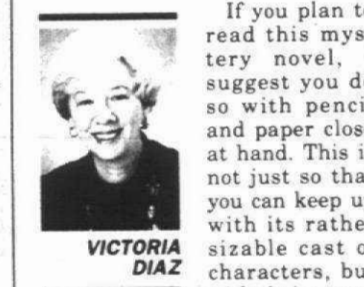
Madonna University features the work of its graduating seniors in a two-part art exhibit. The public is invited to attend the free events.

The first show, opening with a reception 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27, spotlights Deborah Lesques of Redford; Brandi Parenti, Westland; Tanya Proctor, Farmington Hills, and Carol Bateman-Shepherson, Westland.

The exhibit consists of various forms of art including commercial, art history pieces, portraits, and print making and will be held in the Exhibit Gallery on the second floor of the Library Wing on campus, 36600 Schoolcraft (I-96) at Levon, Livonia.

Mystery weaves complex plot

An Unfortunate Prairie Occurrence By Jamie Harrison (Hyperion, \$22.95)



VICTORIA DIAZ

If you plan to read this mystery novel, I suggest you do so with pencil and paper close at hand. This is not just a novel that you can keep up with its rather sizable cast of characters, but with their many, highly serpentine interrelationships.

Cherish Littmann is a resident of Bloomfield Township. She is a private tutor with Una Duorin and Associates. You can leave her a message from a touch-tone phone at (313) 953-2047, mailbox number 1893. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

CLASSICAL GUITAR CONCERT

Schoolcraft College's music department presents guitarist Stephen Aron noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25 in the Forum Recital Hall on campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

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Due to the popularity of "Monet at Vetheuil: The Turning Point," the University of Michigan Museum of Art has enhanced its schedule of exhibition tours.

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BOOK HAPPENINGS

- BARNES & NOBLE (NORTHVILLE) Mystery Book Club discusses Margaret Laurence's 'Hearts and Bones.' 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24; Laurie Palazzo reads from her new book 'The Spider Trampoline.' 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25; Oprah Book Club discusses Toni Morrison's 'Paradise.' 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26 at the bookstore, Six Mile and Haggerty Road, Northville.

Disney ON ICE HERCULES CROSSWORD. Includes a crossword puzzle grid and clues. Clues include: 1. MULTI-HEADED MENACE, 2. FLYING FRIEND, 3. HERC'S TRAINER, 4. HOME OF ZEUS, 6. RULER OF THE UNDERWORLD, 7. OPPOSITE OF MORTAL, 8. ONE-EYED MONSTER.

The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association A Citizen Supported Art Center presents The 17th Annual Michigan Fine Arts Competition. Juror: Larry Rivers. Opening Reception and Awards Presentation Friday, March 6, 1998 at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association.



TRAVEL

Clinic helps travelers deal with dangerous world

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Susan Knoll says that when she lectures on travel her colleagues at Farmington's Botsford Hospital chuckle.

"I'm the most conservative person in the world," said Knoll, of Botsford's Department of Infectious Disease. "I give lectures on travel and I cannot imagine anyone going anywhere. It's an 'exciting' world out there."

Perhaps Knoll of Farmington can be forgiven her provincialism. She's an expert on what dangers lurk when people travel. She advises international travelers through Botsford's "Passport to Health: International Travel Health Program."

Opened in September of 1996, Passport to Health prepares the international traveler for the many health hazards they might encounter, especially in third world countries.

"The program is designed to prepare, inform and immunize travelers going overseas, especially to Africa, South America and Asia," Knoll said.

The Passport to Health program focuses on three aspects for travelers:

- pre-trip planning
- counseling that covers precautions and immunizations
- a post-trip follow-up visit that can include medical tests and treatment if necessary.

"We pride ourselves on providing quick care. A lot of programs you have to wait weeks," Knoll said. "But you have to call enough in advance to make the immunizations effective."

Knoll recommends calling within one month of a trip. The process includes doing a past medical history, a study of medications and making recommendations specific to the areas they're visiting. Immunizations often have to be spaced out to avoid unfavorable drug interaction and to save patients from discomfort.

"We have a lot of travelers going to Asia, Africa and South America," Knoll said. "We give recommendations on food and beverages, precautions people should take when they're there."

In addition to the ubiquitous "traveler's diarrhea," other health concerns include malaria, Hepatitis A and B, dysentery and even such rare but serious diseases as yellow fever and ebola.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Travel doctor: Dr. Susan Knoll of Botsford Hospital's Passport to Health advises that it can be a dangerous world out there.

Eating and drinking in a foreign country is a major source of problems for travelers because sanitary regulations are not as stringent in other parts of the world. Knoll warns against drinking the water or eating fresh fruits unless a traveler peels it (see the list of travel do's and don'ts).

Knoll said malaria is widespread. The degree and extent varies from country to country. She said big cities and higher elevations usually present less of a problem. But she advises travelers on what medicines to take, how to dress and advises using mosquito netting when sleeping.

Recently the Hepatitis Foundation has been running a regular ad in the New York Times warning against the prevalence

of Hepatitis A and urging travelers to get protection.

"We can protect against it very well," Knoll said. "Formerly, immunizations only protected for six months or so, now they protect for life."

Another problem for travelers is that most company insurance programs do not cover illness outside of the United States. Passport to Health advises travelers to purchase a rider to their insurance or a short term special travelers insurance policy.

In addition to warning against the dangers of drinking the water in foreign countries, Knoll also warns about swimming in foreign waters.

"Snorkeling and scuba diving are usually done in ocean water and are not a big problem, but shallow river waters are often

used to defecate and throw wastes," she said.

She also warns against swimming in still or stagnant water.

But disease is not the only problem. Knoll said the number one killer for foreign travelers is automobile accidents and the clinic provides precautions on driving as well. It also updates travelers on the political conditions in the country they are visiting.

Many area companies, especially the auto companies, are making use of travel clinics to advise their employees who will be stationed in foreign countries for up to several years.

"We also get many church mission groups. They contact other travel clinics and use us because of the price," Knoll said.

Passport to Health  
Trip Tips:

■ Before you leave check your insurance policy to make sure you're covered. If you aren't covered consider purchasing a short-term health insurance policy designed for travelers.

■ It you're traveling with pre-existing medical problems, it's a good idea not only to carry a letter from your physician describing your condition but a list of prescription medicines you take (with their generic names). Wear a medical alert bracelet if you have allergies or unique medical problems.

■ Always travel with your prescriptions in their original, labeled containers and always keep them with you.

■ Keep your doctor's fax number handy.

■ To make sure you're not violating the drug laws in the countries in which you're traveling, check the country's embassy or consulate before leaving the United States.

■ Food do's and don'ts: Do only drink beverages made with boiled water (such as tea and coffee); canned or bottled carbonated beverages, such as bottled water and soft drinks; and beer and wine. Do listen when folks say, "Don't drink the water," - and remember that includes ice. Do drink from a beverage can or bottle before you drink from a container that may have been contaminated. Always

wipe clean wet cans or bottles before drinking from them.

Don't brush your teeth with tap water.

Don't eat salads (or any uncooked vegetable), milk or milk product (such as cheese) or fruit peeled by someone other than you. Eat only cooked food that is still hot and fruit you peeled yourself. Also avoid undercooked and raw meat, fish and shellfish. Remember, all raw foods should be viewed as possibly contaminated.

Don't bring back perishable seafood from a trip.

■ Avoid swimming in contaminated water. Only pools that contain chlorinated water are safe. Avoid stagnant water. Freshwater streams may be contaminated and contain the snail hosts of schistosomiasis; or warm dirty water may contain fatal primary amoebic meningoencephalitis.

■ In some urban areas, such as Mexico City, air pollution can be quite severe and even dangerous for the elderly and/or persons with pre-existing conditions such as high blood pressure, respiratory anemia or cardiac conditions. Also, high altitudes can cause altitude sickness.

■ Avoid the sun and pack plenty of sunscreen and/or sun blocker.

■ Sometimes an infection (viral, bacterial or parasitic) or a disease (for example, malaria) contracted abroad may not manifest itself for weeks, even months, after returning from international travel. See your doctor at the first signs of an illness.

Passport to Health provides its clients with a computer printout of recommendations, immunization records and updates on their destination.

Knoll said that when she completed training as a medical technician in microbiology in Erie, Pa., she decided to pursue her interest in medical school and did graduate work in infectious diseases.

While doing residency at Botsford Hospital, she met her husband, Darrell Vlachos, an emer-

gency room physician at the hospital. They have three children, ages 1, 4 and 6.

Knoll admits that her pre-trip lectures can be frightening.

"One physician had a huge trip planned. He came in and I told him all I knew. Next thing, he changed his travel plans. I think he ended up going to Grand Cayman," she said.

But if you do decide to go and you become sick, Knoll said, "Come back and we'll take care of you."

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World Cup slalom racing will be held at the 36th Annual Nub's Nob Open in Harbor Springs Saturday, March 14. The Mardi Gras Spring Fling will be held at the Nob on Saturday, March 21. For more information, call 1-800-SKI-NUBS.

**CARNIVAL & CRAZY DAYS WEEKEND**  
Boyer Mountain's Carnival, March 21-22, features live bands, a costume party and a Wet n' wild Slush Cup on Sunday. For information, call 1-800-GO-BOYNE.

**BLUEBIRD FESTIVAL**  
The 14th annual Bluebird Festival & Wildlife Art Show is 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 14, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 15, on the campus of Jackson Community College, 2111 Emmons Road, Jackson. The fun includes guided walks to the bluebird habitat, art, food, storytellers and speakers. The festival is sponsored by the Dahlem Environmental Education Center, a nonprofit organization affiliated with Jackson Community College.

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Strong swim

Kyle Petroskey, a freshmen from Plymouth Salem attending the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., proved a major find for the Cadets' swim team.

Petroskey won the 1,650-yard freestyle at the Patriot League Swim Championships in 16:04.59. He also placed third in the 500 free (4:38.93) and took eighth in the 400 individual medley (4:18.08).

Petroskey's strong performance — his times in the 1,650 and 500 free were qualifiers for the Junior Nationals — enabled Army to win the league championship. Next up: The Cadets host the Eastern Seaboard Championship next month.

### Best in nation

The University of Michigan women's track foursome of Lisa Ouellet, Adrienne Hunter, Sarah Hamilton and Katie McGregor finished first in the distance medley relay at the Canon Classic Feb. 13-14 in Indianapolis.

The Lady Wolverines out-performed such track powers as Arkansas and Stanford as they turned in the fastest time for the distance medley in the nation this season.

Hamilton, a Plymouth Salem graduate, ran the 800-meters in 2:09.6. She has a personal season best time of 2:09.32 in the event, an NCAA meet provisional qualifier.

### Nagano stars coming

The best in Olympic figure skating, both past and present, will be coming to Detroit's Joe Louis Arena in Champions on Ice May 2.

Included in the cast of stars, from this year's Olympics, are: gold medalist Tara Lipinski, silver medalist Michelle Kwan and bronze medalist Lu Chen for the ladies; gold medalist Iliia Kulik, silver medalist Elvis Stojko and bronze medalist Philippe Cudrillo for the men; gold medalists Oksana Kazakova and Artur Dimitriev and silver medalists Mandy Woetzel and Ingo Steuer in pairs; and gold medalists Pasha Grishuk and Evgeny Platov in dance.

Past skating champions include Todd Eldredge, Oksana Baiul, Victor Petrenko, Rudy Galindo, and Elizabeth Punsalan and Jerod Swallow.

Tickets will be \$55, \$40 \$30, and will go on sale at 10 a.m. Monday at JLA, Fox Theatre Box Offices and all Ticketmaster locations.

For further information, call (313) 983-6606.

### AAU boys hoops

Boys AAU basketball tryouts for ages 13-and-under will be from 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, and Thursday, March 5, at East Middle School in Plymouth.

Participants must be born on or after Sept. 1, 1984. Players who are seventh-graders and born on or after Sept. 1, 1983, are also eligible.

For more information, call Bob de Bear at (313) 459-0543.

### Adult softball

Informational meetings for the upcoming Canton Parks and Recreation-sponsored adult softball season are set for Saturday, Feb. 28 at the Summit on the Park Community Center, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

The men's meeting will be at 10 a.m.; the women's will follow at 10:30 a.m., with the co-ed meeting at 11 a.m. Topics to be discussed are league registration fees and dates, schedules, residency rules and league set-up.

For further information, call (734) 397-5110.

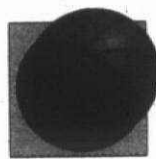
### Football tryouts

The Wayne County Twisters football organization will have a pro-style combine for all those interested in playing football at the semi-pro level. Candidates must be at least 18 years old and in excellent physical condition.

Cost is \$20, payable at the time of the tryout. There will be two tryouts: 2 p.m. Feb. 28 and 2 p.m. March 7, both at the Wayne-Westland YMCA, located at 827 S. Wayne in Westland.

To pre-register, call any of the following numbers: (734) 981-7141; (313) 359-3457; (313) 513-8204.

## Late rally not enough to save Chiefs



STAFF WRITER

**Plymouth Canton never actually figured to be able to threaten twice-beaten Farmington Harrison Friday. But the Chiefs threw a scare into the heavy favorites before finally absorbing a**

BY NEAL ZIPSER

Tournaments are often won by the hottest team entering the tournament, and if that's the case, Farmington Hills Harrison has to like its chances.

The Hawks won their eight straight game Tuesday and locked up the Western Division title in the Western Lakes Activities Association, by holding off

visiting Plymouth Canton 63-55.

Harrison, improved to 15-2 overall and 9-2 in the WLAA — good for a second place tie with Westland John Glenn, and one game behind Plymouth Salem.

The Hawks will be the second seed entering the WLAA tournament and will host Walled Lake Central Friday.

"Winning the division for the second year in a row means a lot, especially

considering we lost our first division game of the season (to Livonia Churchill)," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said. "I think the title would mean more if we played everyone in the division twice, home and away, but we'll still get another trophy for our case."

"People are talking about John Glenn being the hot team, but I think we have the momentum. I like the way we're playing."

Harrison controlled much of the game against the Chiefs (6-11 overall, 4-7 in the WLAA), who are experiencing an uncharacteristic down year. The Hawks built their biggest lead at 54-29

with 6:58 remaining and it appeared to be over.

But with Harrison's second string in the game, the Chiefs went on a 18-2 run over the next five minutes. Leading the charge was junior guard Joe Cortellini, who scored 11 straight points.

After nailing a jumper, Cortellini hit a three-pointer and was fouled. His free throw cut the deficit to 56-47 with 1:55 remaining.

Teachman put his starters back in the game and senior forward Jared Hopkins got the momentum back for Harrison with two layups. But Cortelli-

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## Rocks wreck Canton's hopes

BY C.J. RISAK  
SPORTS EDITOR

It was a typical Plymouth Canton-vs.-Plymouth Salem volleyball match last Wednesday, with Canton giving it a valiant effort but coming up short.

Salem, after all, has been nearly impossible to beat — and not just by Canton, but by everyone in the Western Lakes Activities Association, and not just this year, but in the last half-dozen.

The Rocks' 15-7, 15-6 triumph over Canton Wednesday at Canton made them 10-0 in the WLAA, 38-5-1 overall, with Monday's match at home against Walled Lake Central to decide both the conference and Lakes Division title.

And Canton travels to Walled Lake Western Monday for a match that could decide the Western Division crown.



Counterforce: Stephanie Chefan was one of Canton's few sizable answers to Salem — until she was injured.

"It was hotly-contested," said Salem co-coach Allie Suffety. "We really played well at the beginning of the games, then gave up some points late."

"Having a big match like this late in the season is fortunate for us. It gets us ready for the conference tournament Saturday (at Farmington Harrison and Farmington)."

But while emotions may have been running high, the Rocks were clearly superior on the floor, particularly when Canton lost setter Angie Germain and middle hitter Stephanie Chefan to injuries in the second game.

Germain suffered an injured knee and is out for the season. Chefan was not hurt as badly; she returned against Salem.

If those injury woes weren't enough, last Thursday senior captain Amy Plagens reinjured the knee that had sidelined her earlier this season and will be lost for the year.

And yet, Canton coach Cynthia Chefan was encouraged. "It was an exciting game," she said. "Really, the biggest thing they had on us is height. And there's not much you can do about that."

That showed in the first game. Salem jumped out to a 7-0 lead, but the Chiefs eventually trimmed that to 9-7, before the Rocks closed out the game.

The second game was much the same. Canton did get the first point and led 2-1, but Salem followed by scoring six-in-a-row. Again, the Chiefs cut into that deficit, narrowing it to 9-6, but that's where their comeback stalled.

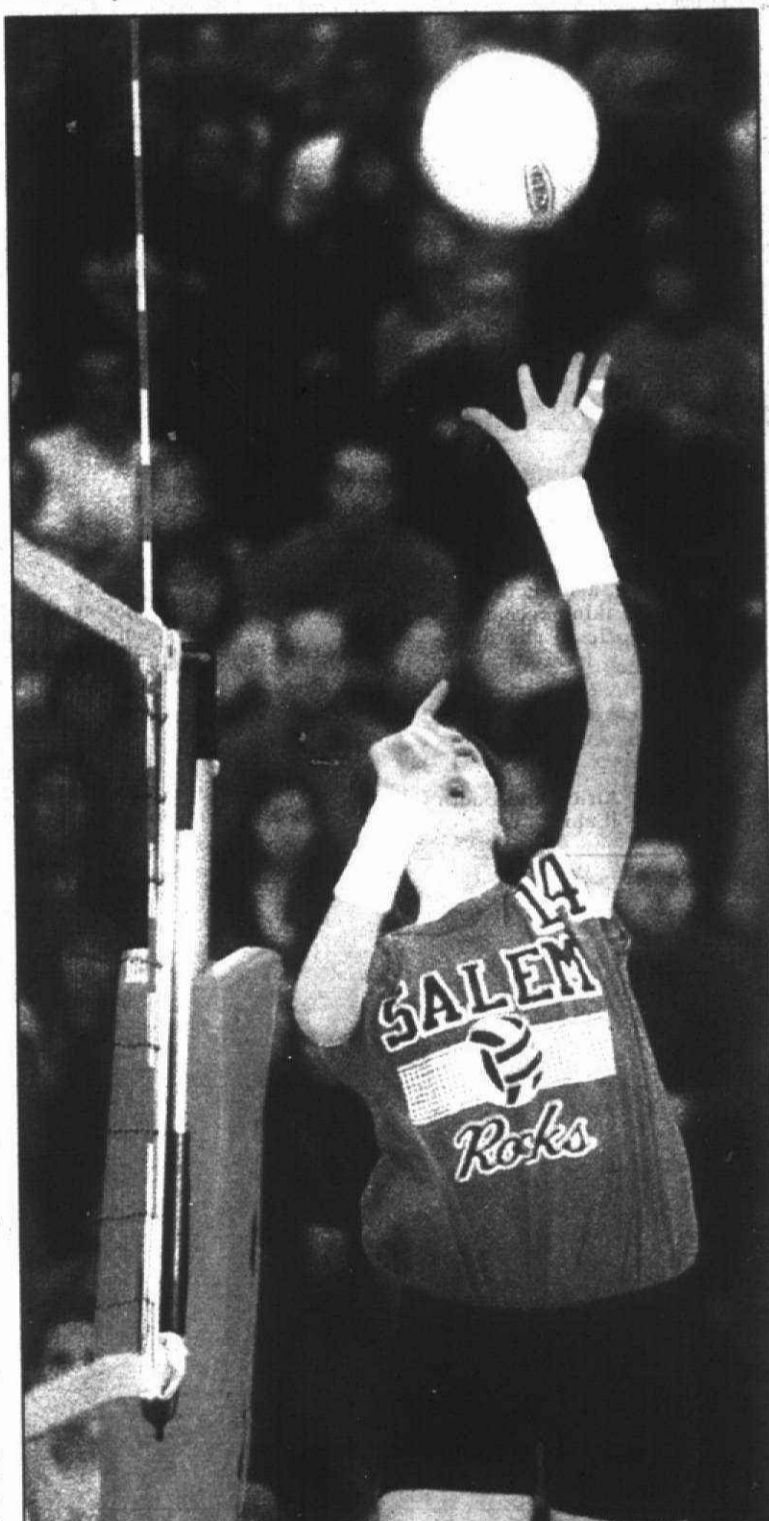
The loss left Canton with a 6-4 WLAA record.

"Brian (Gilles, Salem's other co-coach) and I both had this thought," said Suffety. "That we believe this is the best team we've had and it's not (Canton's) best."

Again, senior middle hitter Amanda Abraham — who has pushed her play to another level in the last few weeks — was a major factor. She collected 14 kills, four digs, four solo blocks and two block assists.

"She was dominant," said Suffety.

Please see VOLLEYBALL, D2



STAFF PHOTOS BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Tough at the net: Andrea Pruett was one — of several — reasons Salem took command against Canton. The Rocks have a lot of players with a lot of size, like Pruett.

## Next stop: regionals Salem hauls in a district crown

BY C.J. RISAK  
SPORTS EDITOR

At last, this monkey's been ejected.

Plymouth Salem is in the midst of its best wrestling season since the early '90s, and the Rocks wanted no slip-ups in the state team district tournament this time.

Two of those slips came at the hands of Wayne Memorial the past two years. Last Wednesday at Salem, the Rocks met injury-plagued Plymouth Canton in the state team district's first round and won easily, 69-9.

That set up the rematch Salem wanted — against nemesis Wayne Memorial, for the district crown. There would be no disappointment for the Rocks this time; they made certain of that by thumping the Zebras 54-15.

The win puts Salem into the state team regionals hosted by Walled Lake Western Wednesday. The Rocks go against Adrian in their regional semifinal; the winner then meets the winner of the Western-Brighton meet for the region championship.

"It's been hiding from us," said Salem coach Ron Krueger of the elusive district title. "I'll tell you what, it was satisfying (beating Wayne). And Wayne was tough, in all the matches. They were just a little weaker than they have been in the upper weights."

Not counting a deliberate void at heavyweight of the Wayne meet, when Salem's victory was already assured, the Rocks lost just four events in the two meets.

Salem winners against Wayne by pin were: at 125-pounds, Josh Henderson over Justin Beseler in 5:04; at 140, Dan Hamblin over Ken Raupp in 1:59; at 160, Mike Popeney over Jason Quinn in 1:40; at 171, Anwar Crutchfield over Kurt Spann in 1:30; and at 189, Teono Wilson over Dave Bell in 1:50.

The Rocks who won on decisions were: Rob Ash, 12-4 over Paul Goyt at 103; John Mervyn, 13-3 over Mike Kassabri at 112; Sam Boyd, 6-4 over Jason Sienko at 135; James Greene, 9-3 over Keith Britt at 145; and Kevin VonHolton, 13-1 over James Wallace at 215.

Justin Bruner was a Salem winner on a void at 130.

Canton had two winners against Salem: John Pockock edged Bruner 12-10 at 130, and John-Peter Demisick pinned Popeney in 48 at 171.

Ten of the remaining 11 matches were won by Salem on pins: at 103, Ash over Kyle Pitt in 1:48; at 112, Mervyn over Steve Bernaci in :50; at 119, Dan Morgan over Jason Farnsworth in :48; at 125, Henderson over Renee Allen in :39; at 135, Boyd over

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

On top: Salem's James Greene (right), wrestling once at 145 and once at 152, won both his team district matches Wednesday, helping the Rocks advance to the state regional team tournament.







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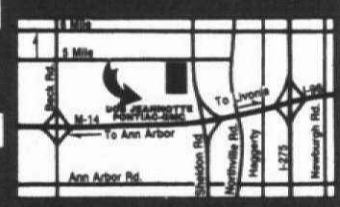
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