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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

Voter registration: Today's the last day to register to vote in the Aug. 4 primary election. Call 397-5367.

Local government: The planning commission meets at 7 p.m. in the administration office board room, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

WEDNESDAY

Tax proposal: A public information meeting is being held at 7 p.m. at Tonda Elementary School, 46501 Warren, regarding the local two mill tax proposal on the Aug. 4 primary ballot.

THURSDAY

Field Trip: Canton Parks and Recreation will be sponsoring a field trip to Rolling Hills Water Park. Must register by noon Wednesday to participate. Cost is \$7.50. Bring your own lunch.

Concert Series: Bring your blanket or lawn chair to Heritage Park for a 7:30 p.m. concert in the Park performance by Jetz.

SATURDAY

Marathon: Canton's first ever marathon, Race Day in the Park begins at 9 a.m. in Heritage Park.

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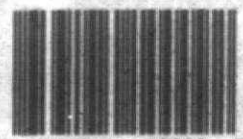
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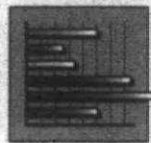
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Toys R Us warehouse to close



The New Jersey-based Toys R Us plans to close its distribution center on Haggerty Road in February 1998 to consolidate it with the company's Youngstown, Ohio, facility.

One of Canton's largest tax contributors is leaving town.

New Jersey-based Toys R Us will close its township distribution center on Haggerty Road in February of next year, according to company spokeswoman Rebecca Caruso.

"We will be consolidating it with our Youngstown, Ohio, facility," she said. Township Supervisor Tom Yack

doesn't believe the nearly 29-acre site just north of Warren Road will sit vacant for long. He said Toys R Us should be able to find a buyer for the 500,000-square-foot building in short order.

"I can't imagine it would take long to sell," Yack said. "It's a great location."

The distribution center supplied the company's Michigan stores. A total of

150 people will likely lose their jobs.

Caruso said Toys R Us may try to find displaced workers jobs at other company stores. Even if it doesn't, Yack said the closing won't dent the township's strong economy.

"I don't think it will have much of an impact from an employment standpoint," he said.

A portion of the mammoth building opened in June of 1988. Toys R Us began using the north end of the facility for office space at that time and then full certificate of occupancy was granted by the township in July of 1989.

As recently as 1996, Toys R Us was among Canton's top 10 principal tax-

payers. According to township records, the company ranked 10th that year with a total assessed value of nearly \$6.3 million.

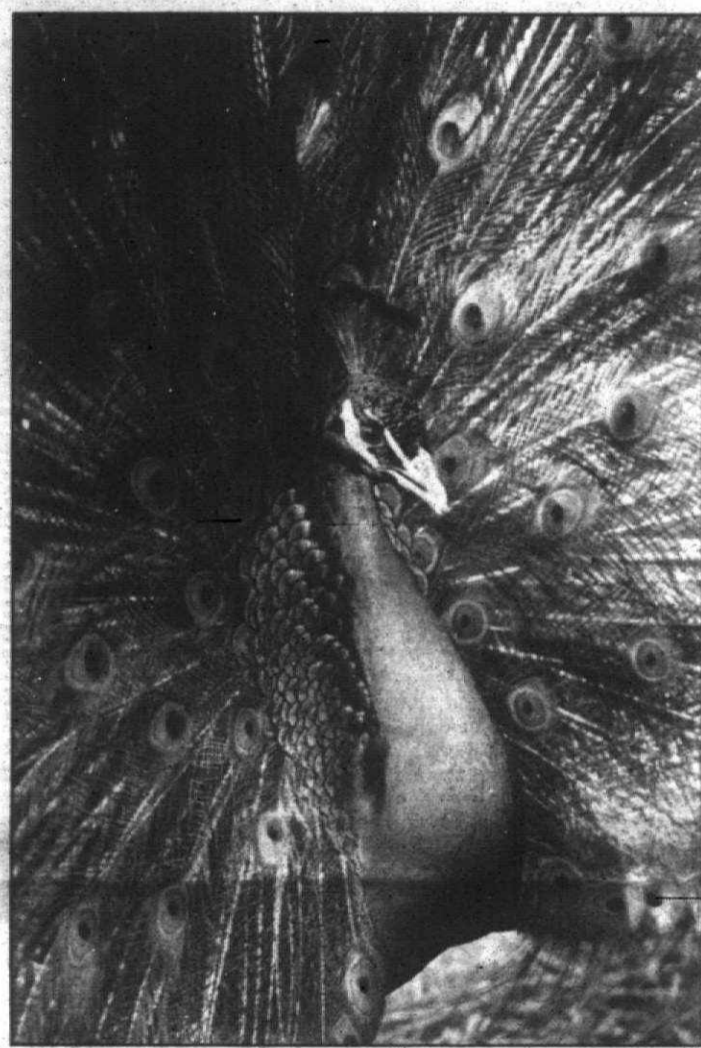
Last year, Toys R Us paid out just more than \$333,000 in actual taxes. About 93 percent of that came in the form of real or property tax.

The township was notified about a week ago of Toys R Us' plans to leave, Yack said. He isn't sad to see the company go.

"They haven't been the best of corporate citizens," he said.

Most of Toys R Us' squabbles with

Please see TOYS R US, A2



Fanning: This is one of Debra Christian's 21 peacocks that she raises on her family's home on Napier Road.

Fanfare

Peacocks strut their stuff in Plymouth

How do you get a peacock to show his feathers? "I'll get a female so he'll put his tail up for you," said peacock raiser Debra Christian. Christian, also a speech therapist and professional storyteller, raises 21 peacocks behind her family's home on Napier Road.

The peacocks attract people wanting to buy or sell them. A Northville theater group uses peacock feathers for costumes. A jeweler also buys feathers. The peacocks also attract the occasional wild peacock.

Then there was the time one of Christian's sons left a door to their home open, and two of her peacocks got in. "One came down the spiral staircase with their tail up. They got in the kitchen and got in the cookies," Christian said. "It's like having a little puppy, they follow me around."



Debra Christian

fowl include blue Swedish ducks. They like to follow visitors around the yard, looking for food. At least, that's what some of the

It takes 600 pounds of shell corn and turkey pellets a month — and don't forget the watermelons and heads of lettuce — to feed Christian's peacocks and her assortment of geese, ducks and other birds.

They include a striking multicolored golden pheasant with yellow head and red and blue patches on its body. Then there's "Grandpa Ed," a gray toulouse goose who stretches his neck, waddles and cautiously eyes visitors when they walk into the Christians' back yard. There are white peacocks and black shouldered peacocks. The water

They like to follow visitors around the yard, looking for food. At least, that's what some of the

Please see PEACOCKS, A2

Family rides out storm at park

When you go to Cedar Point amusement park, you expect to be tossed around and thrilled to death.

A Canton family certainly expected that from the roller coasters and the Witch's Wheel, but not from funnel clouds which formed near the park Tuesday.

"We saw some girls get off the Ferris wheel and start screaming," said Rosa

Guina, 39, of Canton. "I didn't think the ride was that scary, but when we looked at what they saw ... we ran for cover."

What those girls saw were funnel clouds, water spouts that looked dangerously like tornados.

"I grabbed the girls and we ran to the bathroom for cover," remembers Guina. "There were mothers in there who were

hysterical because they didn't know where their children were."

Her husband, Don, 42, said Cedar Point officials tried to get everyone out of the park.

"When you see a funnel cloud you naturally want to run for safety," said Don. "But the big question was, 'Which direction do we go?'"

Please see STORM, A2

Substitute teacher policy in works

Plymouth-Canton school officials hope they've come up with a plan to hire substitute teachers which will also avoid disruptions in the classroom when having to let them go.

The move comes on the heels of two situations this year where substitute teachers had to be let go, despite the pleas of teachers, parents and students. The subs were on the payroll the state-allowed maximum of 150 days, and anything over that would mean offering the teachers a contract.

At Allen Elementary, fourth-grade teacher Julie Jones taught through April before having to be let go. Her students pleaded and cried at a school board meeting, begging to keep their teacher.

At Plymouth Salem High School, a junior psychology class wanted the board to keep Cindy Haas, who had been with them for most of the year. They feared getting a new teacher who would grade them on their semester-long project with only a few weeks left in the semester.

In both cases, the school board decided they would not offer the subs a contract to stay beyond the 150 days. Both those classes ended up with a third teacher to finish out the final few weeks of the year.

Assistant Superintendent Errol Goldman said after meeting with a committee designed to find an answer to the problem, he's mapped out a strategy to keep from running into the same situations in coming years.

Please see POLICY, A2

Plymouth High grads to reunite

Howard Walker of Plymouth Township is a graduate of old Plymouth High School and remembers going to school like it was yesterday.

"I visited there a couple of years ago when Judge (Ron) Lowe taught during Law Day," remembers the 97-year-old Walker about his visit to what is now Central Middle School. "He introduced me, and they gave me a standing ovation."

Walker is one of hundreds of graduates who get together every couple of years to reminisce about their old Plymouth High School days.

"I probably won't get to go this year," he said. "I have arthritis in my feet. And besides, I'm so old nobody even remembers me anymore."

Not only did Walker graduate from the school in 1920, he taught sixth grade there 1922-24.

"I almost quit school because I didn't like lady teachers," said Walker. "But my mother said to give high school a

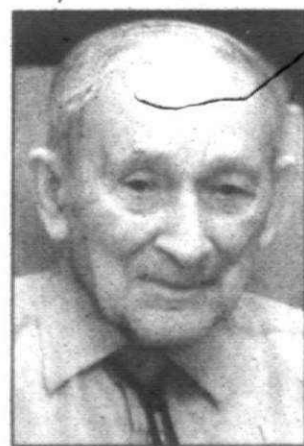


Reunion: Above, Irene Truesdell is a 1925 graduate of old Plymouth High School, now Central Middle School. At left, 97-year-old Howard Walker is the oldest-known living person to graduate from Plymouth High School.

chance, and I got a male teacher who encouraged me to graduate. I then became a teacher, making \$1,200 a year."

Walker is the oldest-known living person to attend Plymouth High School

Please see REUNION, A2



Two horses, dog die in Sheldon Road barn fire

Two horses and dogs lost their lives as the result of a barn fire in the 5000 block of Sheldon Road Tuesday.

Canton Police were called to the scene to assist firefighters. Upon arrival, one horse was found dead with the other horse and both dogs "suffering," according to reports.

Owners of the animals requested that they be destroyed at the scene. After gaining approval from police headquarters, the officer destroyed the animals with his duty weapon.

Embezzlement

Fireplace and Spa reported to Canton Police Monday that a former employee recently stole about \$4,000 worth of merchandise from its Ford Road shop.

A second employee discovered the theft, according to police reports. The employee noticed that a friend had ordered patio furniture from the store. He questioned the friend, who told him that he had made no such order.

After an investigation by the company, it was discovered that the former employee had made four bogus orders. Police reports indicated that the man added furniture and cooking grills to legitimate customer orders.

Customers weren't charged for the items, but the company order

COP CALLS

would show that the merchandise was delivered to them. Instead of delivering the items to the customer, the former employee took the merchandise himself.

The company confronted the employee about its findings. The man allegedly admitted to taking the items and was subsequently terminated by Fireplace and Spa in May.

The company is planning to prosecute.

Happy ending

A Canton woman reported finding two cellular phones in her yard to police on Sunday.

The 38-year-old said she and her husband went outside to do yard work when they discovered the phones. The couple then turned the phones over to police, reports said.

Upon investigation, it was discovered that both phones had recently been stolen from Canton residents. Police reports had been filed by both cell phone owners on June 28.

After a few phone calls to the phone companies and the owners, the phones were returned by Canton police.

MILITARY NEWS

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DEPLOYMENT

Navy Fireman Joseph D. Fournier is currently halfway through a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf aboard the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis. He is the son of Daniel G. and Ellen M. Fournier of Canton. The 1995 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School of Canton, joined the Navy in August 1997.

Marine Capt. Kerry J. Block, whose wife, Janet, is the daughter of Harold B. and Dorothy Palmer of Plymouth, is halfway through a six-month deployment

to the Western Pacific Ocean with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), embarked aboard the ships of the USS Belleau Wood Amphibious Ready Group (ARG). The 1982 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School of Livonia joined the Marine Corps in Oct. 1988. Block is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a BS degree.

DELAYED ENTRY PROGRAM

Adam J. Borchardt has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Westland. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year. Borchardt, a student at Plymouth Salem High School.

Former Whaler faces assault charge

A former Plymouth Whaler could face a day in court over a stick-swinging incident during an April 17 playoff game.

Former Whalers forward Jesse Boulerice, 19, could face assault charges if a warrant is approved by the Wayne County prosecutor.

Plymouth Township police Sgt. Jim Jarvis was to present information on the incident Thursday to the county prosecutor. The prosecutor will determine whether or not to charge Boulerice.

The stick-swinging resulted in facial injuries to Guelph Storm player Andrew Long, 19.

In investigating the incident, police said Boulerice - known as a feisty player with 170 penalty minutes in 53 games - was playing with a broken hand set in a cast.

During one shift, Boulerice was checked by Long into the boards behind a goal, and banged his head into the boards. There was a short pushing and shoving match.

The players separated. "Defendant Boulerice grabbed his hockey stick at the end of the handle and with both hands swung his stick at victim Long," according to the police report prepared for the prosecutor.

A videotape of the game shows the stick striking Long in the face. The player fell to the ice unconscious.

The report stated that Long, struck across the bridge of the nose, began bleeding profusely and went into convulsions. He suffered a broken nose, broken nasal cavity, broken cheekbone and had a cut from his nose to his lip requiring 20 stitches.

Long also had a blood spot on his brain.

Boulerice was ejected from the game. Ontario Hockey League Commissioner David Branch suspended Boulerice for one year.

Since the incident, Boulerice was drafted by the NHL Philadelphia Flyers, and assigned to the American Hockey League Philadelphia Phantoms.

According to the Plymouth Township police report, AHL President Dave Andrews said he would honor the OHL suspension, but limited the suspension "to 12 to 15 games."

"I called Jesse a couple days after the complaint was filed," Jarvis said. "He said that his player rep had retained an attorney for him."

"It's up to the Wayne county

prosecutor to determine and what to charge him with," Jarvis said.

Wayne County Deputy Chief Prosecutor Raymond Walsh, who has worked in the prosecutor's office 24 years, said an assault complaint involving competing athletes turns up only once every two or three years.

As the case had yet to be presented to him early Thursday, Walsh declined comment. Asked how long it might take to decide whether to file charges, he said, "A lot of that depends on the kind of case Sgt. Jarvis brings out to us."

Jarvis said he also talked to Long in recent weeks: "He said his face is still a little bit swollen. He said he's feeling OK, his rehabilitation program is going well."

CAMPUS NOTES

To submit your academic honor or graduation announcement to Campus Notes, send the material printed or typewritten to: Campus Notes, Plymouth-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main St., Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

ACCEPTED

Canton resident Patrick

McNutt recently was accepted by the Art Institute of Pittsburgh. McNutt plans to study graphic design at the institute. He is the son of Gary and Veda McNutt of Canton. He is a 1997 graduate of Catholic Central High School.

SPRING CEREMONY

Angelene D. Welton of Canton

was among 1,932 undergraduate students recognized for academic excellence at Southern Illinois University's Spring Honor's Day.

OPERATION BENTLEY

Novi High School junior Daniel Christopherson participated in Operation Bentley, a seven-day program of intensive

study of government held annually at Albion College.

The select group of 102 students from high schools across the state examined the political process of local and state government through simulation of government, guest lectures and classroom instruction.



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Arbor Health Building - 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail	July 7, 1998	10:00 AM, Community Room
	July 14, 1998	10:00 AM, Community Room
Mission Health Building 37595 W. 7 Mile Road	July 9, 1998	10:00 AM, Room A
	July 16, 1998	10:00 AM, Room A

— Refreshments will be served —

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NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN SUMMER TAXES

Summer taxes are due July 1, 1998 and payable through August 10, 1998, without penalty. Additional information appears on the reverse side of your tax statement. Payments can be made at City Hall during regular working hours, Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Treasurer's window. After hours, payments can be placed in the DROP BOX located in the City Hall lobby next to the Treasurer's office window. For your added convenience, First of America Bank, Plymouth office, will also accept tax payments through Monday, August 10, 1998. **MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CITY OF PLYMOUTH.**

TERESA CISCHKE, CMFA
City Treasurer

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REVISED CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS July 9, 1998

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning of Appeals **THURSDAY, JULY 9, 1998 AT 7:30 P.M.** The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call: Cisak, Demopoulos, Johnson, Redfern, Williams

Acceptance of Agenda

- Harbor Ford-39453, L.L.C., 2555 Telegraph Rd. Suite 450 Bloomfield Hill representing Ford Land Co., L.L.C. for property located at 39453 Ford Road. Appealing Article 26.00 Section 26.03. Schedule of Regulations requirements for commercial & Office districts. A request for interpretation or variance of rear yard setbacks in a commercial district. Parcel No. 71-049-99-0001-703.
- Nan C. Mustonen, 44117 Westminister Way Canton, MI 48187, for property located at same. Appealing Article 2.09, 26.02. Yard and Bulk regulations requirements for agricultural & residential districts. The request is for a rear yard setback variance to build a sun porch. Parcel No. 71-040-01-0980-000.
- Tom Brighton Bay, Inc, 30479 Salisbury, Farmington Hills, MI 48336 representing Ellen Patchin for property located at 2796 W. Woodmont Dr. Canton, MI 48188. Appealing Article 26.02 requirements for Agricultural & residential Districts, rear yard setback variance for Sun Room addition. Parcel No. 106-03-0151-000A.
- Thomas A. Ozeranic, Jr. 1160 Wildwood Lane, Canton, MI 48188 for property located at same. Appealing Article 26.02 requirements for Agricultural & residential Districts. The request is for a rear yard setback variance to build a deck. Parcel No. 71-094-05-0007-000.
- Peter Hauser, North American Sigma, representing Motel 6, for property located at 41216 Ford Rd. Appealing Ordinance 120, Section 11.1 Non-conforming signs. The request is for a variance to allow alteration of an existing sign representing a reduction in sign area. Parcel No. 047-99-0007-002.

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of June 11, 1998.

TERRY G. BENNETT
Clerk

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FOCUS ON WINE



RAY & ELEANOR HEALD

Serious wines, quirky labels scream 'fun'

Some wines are just plain fun. They're seriously crafted, but the label tells you something about the mindset of the producer. They scream "wine should be fun." And some really are. We need more of this.

Toad Hollow wines fill the fun bill. Because this holiday weekend formally ushers in the good and fun times of summer, if you've not discovered Toad Hollow - do it!

Toad Hollow's owner/partner Todd Williams is best known to his friends as "Dr. Toad." But these same friends also know that he's actor Robin Williams' brother. And now you know! The sense of humor is in the genes.

Toad Williams

You've probably seen Toad Williams. In the pool scene of "Mrs. Doubtfire," his brother's smash-hit

Wine Picks

■ **Best white wine of the summer:** 1997 Pine Ridge Chenin Blanc-Viognier \$11. This is a new wine for the Pine Ridge line-up. It raised the bar of its well-regarded Chenin Blanc to delicious new heights.

■ **Pick of the pack red:** 1995 Pine Ridge Andrus Reserve, Napa Valley \$90. We've not become chanting evangelists here, but Pine Ridge has been doing some dynamite things with wine. Sure, this wine is pricey, but have you priced a top flight Bordeaux from the '95 vintage? They're a lot higher and not nearly packed with as much fruit as this beauty from California!

■ **Near the end of the 18th century,** the British were very involved in India. The soldiers, seamen, merchants and administrators needed their beer, not as a luxury, but as a necessity, as water purity was unreliable

fun with frogs, and in this case, they are playing frontmen for some darn good wines at very affordable prices.

There are actually two labels. Toad Hollow wines are made from grapes sourced from some vineyards in Sonoma County, Calif., owned by Rodney Strong whose eponymous winery is known for some top-notch wines. Strong is Williams' partner and characterized as the badger on some of the labels. Rodney Strong's talented winemaker Rick Sayre oversees production of Toad Hollow's California wines.

Imports

Le Faux Frog wines are imports from the Pays d'Oc region of southern France. On these tongue-in-cheek labels you encounter French frog Jean-Pierre wearing a beret, saluting the American Frog across the big pond, the Atlantic Ocean.

Le Faux Frog wines are Williams' way of poking fun at California producers who are trying to pass off wines from southern France as California wines. This all started with the wine shortage that developed a few years ago, brought on by short crops in several consecutive years, replanting of phylloxera-diseased vines and a heightened interest in wine drinking.

With this said, if you don't want to be duped by wineries that did not change their labels, but put imported

Please see WINE, B2

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Food for Sport
- Main Dish Miracle



Building a rainbow: The Webers (left to right), Jennifer, 9, William, 4, Victoria, 5 3/4, Jacqueline, 7, Bill and Catherine created this rainbow out of Jell-O.

Jell-O Smile Contest Winner

At three-and-a-half William said to me, "Mommy, when I grow up a rainbow I will be." "Let's build a rainbow," I said in reply. Remembering the Jell-O boxes nearby. Sweet cherry...lemon so bright... Fresh lime...cool berry blue - just right. We spoke of love, friendship and laughter. Words about life and peace followed after. Simple, like Jell-O, the lessons begin - The rainbow he found came from within. He smiled. I smiled.

- Catherine Weber



Times Square: Catherine Weber, winner of the Jell-O Smile contest, and Jim Craigie, executive vice president, Kraft Foods, stand below the Jell-O billboard in New York City's Times Square.

A BRILLIANT RAINBOW OF

JELLO

INSPIRES PRIZE-WINNING POEM

"Jell-O" has a soft spot in everyone's heart. It's what you eat at family picnics and parties, a special dessert, and what makes you feel better when you're sick. "My special memory is making Jell-O side by side my children as we laugh, talk and enjoy the moment," said Catherine Weber of Bloomfield Hills, grand prize winner of a national contest sponsored by Jell-O.

Weber's poem, was chosen from over 6,000 entries. Contestants were asked to explain how Jell-O makes them smile.

"I read about the contest in a magazine I was flipping through for curtain ideas," explained the mother of four. "Over my life I've written some things, I dabble. When you have kids you make things rhyme, sing-songy."

She thought of her son William as she wrote her poem after the kids had gone to bed. "We talked about all the different colors of people in the world, the diversity, we are a melting pot, but we are all one."

The Webers enjoy making Jell-O desserts, especially pudding.

"It's kid friendly," she said. "We sing - 'this is the way we stir the pudding,' while we make it. It's something the kids can do together."

Weber and her family were flown to New York City to meet Bill Cosby at a gala ceremony where he unveiled the first ever Jell-O billboard in Times Square.

At the ceremony, Weber's poem appeared on the billboard immediately following Cosby's favorite Jell-O story. The billboard measures 55- by 105-feet and features a mosaic of spoons (3,850 to be exact), which are crowned by a 52-foot spoon and an electronic display that continually scrolls stories like Weber's that were selected from the contest.

Weber's story will be featured on the billboard's electronic display for the next three years. An estimated 1.7 million people per day will see Weber's story and the Jell-O Times Square billboard.

"It was absolutely fabulous," she

said. "Mr. Cosby was wonderful. It was the best trip I ever took. It was like a vacation. The hotel was beautiful, the weather was great. We saw two plays 'The Sound of Music,' and 'Beauty and the Beast.' I never knew until we got there what a big deal it was for Jell-O. People came up to me and said 'I read your poem, and just wanted to meet you. It's such a neat poem, I have it on my fridge.'"

Her mother was thrilled by the news. "My mom wrote about raising children for a newspaper, and had her own column," said Weber. "She entered contests, essays were ones she liked best, and she won prizes."

Since winning the prize, the Webers have received a couple of gift packages from Jell-O. "It's been so much fun, and the kids got involved," she said. "My daughter said, 'mother, we have way too much Jell-O. This summer instead of a lemonade stand, we might have a Jell-O stand.'"

■ See recipes inside

Pack veggies, fruits, for pick up and go lunches

LIVING BETTER SENSIBLY



BEVERLY PRICE

Even though the bang of the Fourth of July is over, there is still plenty of time this summer to enjoy outdoor activities. Along with them comes plenty of eating. With a little planning and preparation, packing picnic baskets can be easy, healthy and safe.

Lisa Marlow, a clinical dietitian at Living Better Sensibly, offers these tips for vegetarian picnics.

■ Fresh fruits and vegetables are abundant this time of year, so incorporating them into recipes, or making them the center of your meal, is simple.

Start your meal with assorted chopped vegetables for a nutritious snack that is easy for the little hands in your family to grab. Red, green, and yellow peppers mixed with onions and broccoli, topped with an olive oil and balsamic vinegar marinade is a colorful alternative to an ordinary salad. Or, try a bean salad. Mix white, black, kidney, and lima beans together; soak them in lemon juice, garlic, onion and parsley.

Adding vegetables to starch based salads contributes color, crunch, and variety. Toss whole wheat pasta spirals

■ Grill only the amount of food that can be eaten immediately. Food that has been sitting out for more than two hours should be thrown out.

or potato chunks with zucchini, squash, tomatoes, pea pods and artichokes.

Consuming a variety of fruits and vegetables on a daily basis has been linked with reducing the risk of developing cancer.

The antioxidants in fruits and vegetables, including vitamins C, E and beta-carotene repair cell damage. In addition, replacing barbecued meat with fruits and vegetables eliminates the consumption of carcinogens linked to foods prepared on a grill.

■ Picnicking with children can prove to be a messy experience, but lining lavash bread or whole wheat pita bread with sandwich stuffings is easy and drip-free.

Use hummus as a spread to add zing to sandwiches and top with alfalfa sprouts, cucumbers, and tomatoes.

■ Finish your meal with a dessert that is fresh and sweet. Chop melons, strawberries, pineapple, and grapes, splash with lemon juice, or a non-alco-

holic champagne, and fill a hollowed out watermelon with this bright, fruity mixture.

There is no better time of the year to pack up a healthy meal for the outdoors, but remembering to be a safe traveler is also important.

■ Prepare your meal the night before so that any food that is cooked has appropriate time to cool.

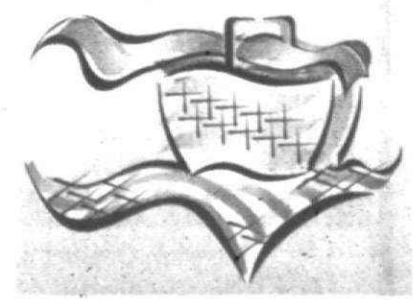
■ Pack coolers with ice, placing perishables next to ice packs. Cold food should be kept at 45°F. When you reach your destination, leave coolers in the shade until it is time to eat. Only unload chilled foods at the time they will be consumed.

■ Grill only the amount of food that can be eaten immediately. Food that has been sitting out for more than two hours should be thrown out.

Take advantage of this time of year. Enjoy a healthy and safe picnic. It's a delicious treat for the whole family.

Beverly Price is a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist. She operates Living Better Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. She is the co-author of "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," Tall Tree Publishing Company. Look for her column on the first Sunday of each month in Taste.

■ See recipes inside



WAYNE BUSINESS & Finance

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WED, JUNE 24

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FRI, JUNE 26

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TUE, JULY 7

WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS
The Women Business Owners of Southeast Michigan will host its fourth annual all-area women's networking night, "Celebrate Women in Business." 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the cafe on the first floor of the 777 Building on Eisenhower at State Street in Ann Arbor. Call (734) 332-9300, JoAnne Barron

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BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS

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Bloomfield named
David Bloomfield a native of Garden City, has been named to head an important new task force to evaluate the company's present supply chain at NSK Corporation of Ann Arbor. In his new position as Supply Chain Director, Bloomfield will lead a thorough review of all the processes the company uses from the time an order is placed until it is shipped.

New material salesman
Adam Olweean of Westland has joined the sales force of Detroit Door and Hardware in the Material Handling Division. A graduate of Madonna Univer-



Olweean

sity in Livonia, he brings sales experience ranging from retail to electronics. Olweean will be responsible for sales and service of loading dock equipment and material handling products in the Detroit/Wayne County territory.

New member
Oakwood Healthcare Inc., is pleased to welcome Kathleen Westover as its newest board member. She is vice president, Marketing at AAA Michigan. Westover will serve a three-year term as a board member for Oakwood.

Tennyson adds staff
Tennyson Chevrolet of Livonia recently welcomed Richard Mathes as their newly appointed salesman. His responsibilities include new and used car sales and leasing, where he uses his talent to ensure customer service and satisfaction. Mathew has

had many years of experience working in dealerships and is excited to be part of the Tennyson family.

Wade-Trim relocates
Wade-Trim staff from the Plymouth and Taylor offices are settled into their new corporate headquarters in Taylor. The building was designed by DeMattia Associates and constructed by R.A. DeMattia Company both from Plymouth.

30 years of service
Jay James, gas safety coordinator and field supervisor at Consumers Energy's Livonia Customer Service Center, has been recognized for 30 years of service to the utility's customers. James began his career with Consumers Energy as a meter reader and has been in his current position seven years. He lives in Westland with his wife Jerilynn and children, Scott and Tracey.

Best safety record
Zane Green, general manager, Arpin of Michigan, announced that its affiliate, Paul Arpin Van Lines of Westland, has received two Moving Industry Safety Awards at the American Moving & Storage Association's Management Conference & Trade Show. Arpin received two first place awards in two categories - Lowest DOT Recordable Accident Rate and Most Improved Rate Over the Previous Year.



James

MARKETPLACE

Marketplace features a glimpse of suburban business news items for should be submitted to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. The fax number is (734) 591-7279.

Grand re-opening
Parade of Shoes recently launched the grand re-opening of eight stores in Michigan, including one in Livonia. Parade of Shoes will make a donation to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation - the nation's largest fundraiser for breast cancer research - for every pair of shoes sold in area stores until July 7.

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Moms meet online, plan 'Babypalooza'

PC TALK



MIKE WENDLAND

Tresha Mandel is making plans to meet dozens of her best friends for the first time. Actually, thanks to the Internet and e-mail, Tresha and her friends, scattered all over the world, have been sharing some amazingly personal details about their lives for some time. They are all new mothers, specifically, new mothers who all gave birth last November and next month in Columbus, Ohio. Tresha will meet her dearest new friends for the first time, face-to-face. Tresha will be bringing along her own baby, Zachary David.

The Mom's group is calling the August meeting "Babypalooza." And quite the event it will be. Dozens of Moms and nine-month-old babies celebrating the joys of friendship and common interests will spend the weekend connecting the stories and lives they've been sharing electronically with the real faces. But their friendships are all the more compelling because they were nurtured and bonded in cyberspace. Like the 43-year-old Mandel, a clinical social worker and artist from Ann Arbor, all the Moms met through an Internet mailing list, a list called "November Moms." That led to their own Web site. Some of the pregnant Moms even posted Ultrasound pictures of their babies while still in the womb.

"It was so reassuring to me to hear the everyday concerns and complaints of pregnant women around the world," says Mandel. "Our group totaled around a hundred, some women were from Germany, Iceland, England, Australia, Canada as well as from all over the U.S."

What did these women "talk" about through their e-mail list? "During the first trimester we each had 'cures' for morning sickness," she recalls. "The consensus was to eat large amounts of watermelon. We then had our first ultrasounds, our first glucose tolerance tests, our first Braxton hicks contractions, back aches, sleeping positions, you name it. Because most of us were first time moms, it was extremely reassuring to ask a specific question and have four or five personal responses. We later exchanged specifics on selections for cribs, car seats, carriers, diaper bags, etc. quoting Consumer Reports or Baby Bargains." It went on this way for months, with the Internet becoming the modern equivalent of yesterday's backyard fence. Then, came November. We then began having our babies and we shared our birth

stories, and some made web pages to share their joy with the group." The group moved from their original list server to a private list set up by one of the members and they continue on as the "November Moms," still totaling around a hundred Moms and new babies.

Since the babies started being born, the online discussions have ranged from breastfeeding to sleeping through the night, along with such milestones as the first tooth and coping with the regular round of baby illnesses, as well as dealing with what the group calls their "DH's," for darling husbands.

"We plan on staying together to share in our children's development for an indefinite time and it's become my lifeline at times, both emotionally and informationally," says Mandel.

The group is hoping some Internet or baby company will take note of their August 13-16 gathering in Columbus and donate some baby gifts in exchange for tying in with the positive aspects of this encouraging little story from Cyberspace.

While Mandel's "November Moms" group mailing list is closed, there are lots of similar resources on the Net for new or soon-to-be Moms.

Here's some suggestions:

- American Baby Magazine (<http://www.babysroom.com>) - This is the super site for everything having to do with having a baby. From prenatal care, to choosing furniture for baby's room, this site has it all and offers links to scores of expectant Mom sites.
- Childbirth (www.childbirth.org) - Covers birth planning, nutrition and virtually every topic of concern. A "must see" site.
- Cybermom (www.cybermom.com) - A terrific Web site offering lots of tips, information and ways to find friendly Cybermoms to help or listen.
- Parenting Resources (www.parentsplace.com) - As its name implies a site dedicated to easing parents through the challenges and joys of raising kids.
- Kid's Health (<http://kidshealth.org>) - How normal are ear aches? When does teething begin? An online source that answers the basic health questions.
- Kid's Doctor (www.kidsdoctor.com) - How to choose and find a doctor for your child.

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Arts & Leisure

Artists with disabilities sought for show

Louise Bego is encouraging artists with disabilities to enter Very Special Arts Michigan's first "Art with a View." Bego, a Birmingham resident who grew up in Westland, is one of the artists volunteering to serve on a steering committee to produce the exhibition of works by professional artists with disabilities. She suffered a closed head injury in a car accident in 1973.

Bego had no interest in art until her mother brought a paint-by-number set to the hospital. Depressed and crying a good deal of the time, Bego refused over and over to pick up a paint brush, but her mother never gave up. Today, Bego's thrown away the numbers, and paints energetic, vibrantly colored original works in

styles ranging from Abstract Expressionism to Fauvism. Since studying painting at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, Bego has exhibited at The Community House in Birmingham and in the Michigan Fine Arts show at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. In the last two years, three of her paintings

Art With A View

WHAT: Very Special Arts Michigan is calling for entries from disabled artists for a touring exhibition juried by Redford sculptor Sergio De Giusti. Artists must submit slides or photographs of work, a biography/resume, and application form. **WHEN:** Deadline is Saturday, Aug. 1, call (248) 423-1080 for an application form.

have been published by Allyn and Bacon Publishing. Two made the covers of textbooks and one introduced a chapter in a textbook. Now, she's helping other artists with disabilities to show their work professionally.

"If you know your work is good, you want other people to see it," said Bego, who lived in Livonia for several years. "I like competition too. I was just so proud to have my art hang. A lot of people don't have closed head injuries and do nothing with their life."

So far, Very Special Arts Michigan has identified about 35 artists with disabilities and knows there are more talented people out there. It's hoping to reach those artists before the entry deadline Saturday, Aug. 1. Redford sculptor Sergio De Giusti will juror the competition/exhibition. Artists must submit slides or photographs of the two- and three-dimensional art works, a biography/resume, and application form. If artists need assistance producing the slides or photos of their work, Very Special Arts Michigan is there to help, said Susan Minard, coordinator of artist services. Artists must be 18 years or older, be a Michigan resident, and have a disability, which meets Americans With Disabilities Act guidelines. All art must be for sale.

"We don't want it to be about disabled art, but, (about art, and) oh by the way, there's a disability," said Minard. "Most people don't realize it, but there's such a diversity of art created by people with disabilities with rich life experiences to share."

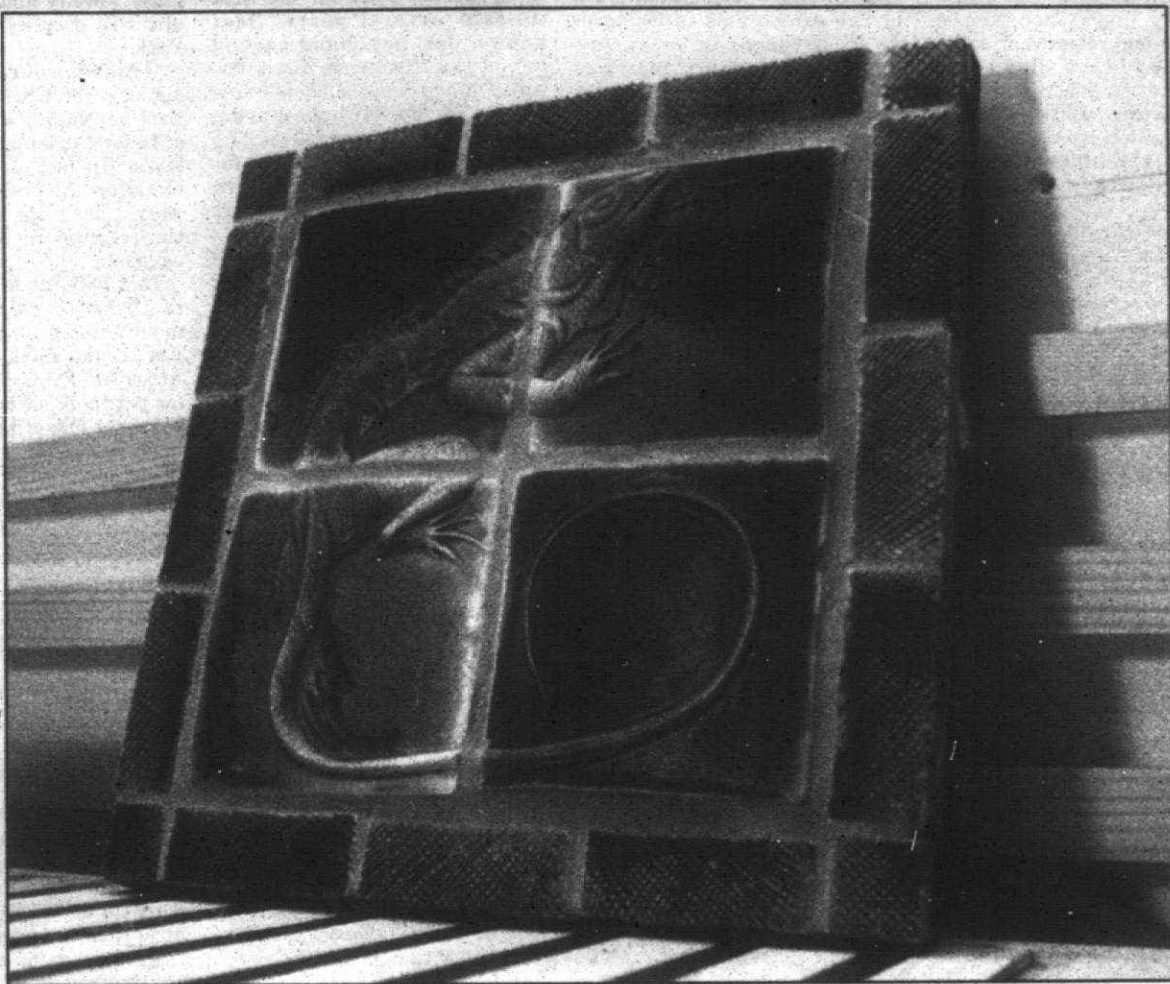
In the past, Very Special Arts Michigan has spotlighted emerging artists in a touring exhibit. The most recent was during a festival hosted by the Southeast Region Committee in May at Wonderland Mall in Livonia.

"What we want to emphasize throughout, this is a professional exhibit," said Minard. "We want someone who does art professionally, but not necessarily someone who earns a

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Self portrait No. 3: Birmingham artist Louise Bego painted this work after suffering a closed-head injury in a car accident.



Leapin' lizards! Members of the Village Potters Guild will show a variety of clay art at Art in the Park in Plymouth July 11-12.

Art fair grows with children in mind

Dianne Quinn plans to make the 18th annual Art in the Park in Plymouth, July 11-12, bigger and better. This year's fair will feature more artists, continuous entertainment and the chance for children to paint a dinosaur.

Quinn, who founded the art fair with 33 artists in Kellogg Park, is adding booths on Main Street, (between Fralick and Church streets) to bring this year's total to more than 400 artists, many of whom will demonstrate everything from painting to Japanese folk art, metal sculpting and creating jewelry from dyed sawdust.

The sounds of dulcimer, flute (David Young, California) and acoustic guitar (Will Danforth, Rochester Hills) will be heard throughout the fair, and in the park, for the first time. Because last year's outdoor cafe on Forest was so successful, Quinn is expanding the space and offerings. Sweet Afton Tea Room will serve an iced version of their specialty tea outdoors.

"If I had one wish it would be for beautiful weather so all those attending the show can truly enjoy and appreciate what is before them — a feast for the eyes," said Quinn.

Just for kids

A portion of Kellogg Park is devoted to children's activities. The Ply-

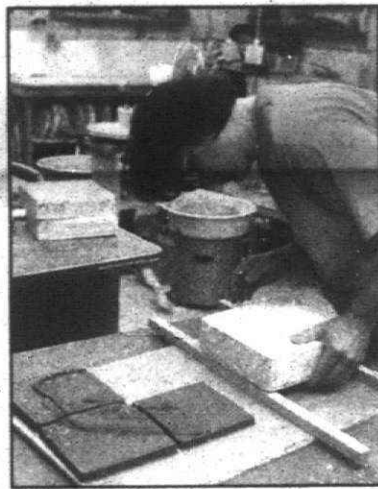
mouth Community Arts Council will provide materials for children to make flags. There will also be children, including Megan Wakar of Canton, selling art in the park. Quinn is providing the space, sans booth fee, to encourage the talents of these budding artists. The longtime Plymouth resident also has other activities up her sleeve.

Children are invited to add brush strokes to a large mural painting of a dinosaur stepping on a book. Quinn is donating the dinosaur to the new Plymouth library to display in its children's section after completion. Dinosaurs are the theme of the library's summer reading program.

"It's a fun project in the park," said Quinn. "The original idea was for children to paint in the park. Any children who come to Art in the Park who want to paint a dinosaur can work on the paint-by-number creation."

Artists from 30 states including Pennsylvania, New York, Texas, California and Hawaii, and artists from 110 Michigan cities, will display impressionistic paintings, clay, glass, photography, and wood at the show.

Nancy Guido created a four piece tile of an iguana she will exhibit for only the second time. The first time the Livonia artist showed the creature at the Royal Oak Clay Invitational, children by the droves were



Nancy Guido

coming up to her booth to look at the "lizard, lizard." Guido, who earned a bachelor of fine arts degree from Eastern Michigan University, and the rest of the members of the Village Potters Guild in Plymouth will display their functional and decorative clay works in one of the largest clay exhibits this side of Ann Arbor.

Guido will have tiles with small and large rabbits and Celtic designs incorporating hounds. She originally became interested in tile making

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Art in the Park

WHAT: More than 400 artists display painting, clay, photography, glass, and wood in the 18th annual show which includes continuous entertainment, children's activities, and a Poetry Crawl presented by the Plymouth Poets. Admission is free.

WHEN: Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 11 and until 5 p.m. Sunday, July 12. Poetry Crawl, from the Coffee Studio to the

Coffee Bean Company, Little Professor Book Store and Kellogg Park, is noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 11, call (734) 459-7319.

WHERE: In the streets surrounding Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

RELATED ACTIVITIES: Local merchants are hosting special exhibits for Art in the Park.

■ Creative Framing and Gallery hosts an appearance by William Moss 10 a.m. to 5

p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 11-12 at 853 West Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Moss will sign his works featuring the architecture and waterfront of Detroit. Call (734) 453-2810.

■ The Animal Odyssey exhibits photographs of mountain gorillas and African animals by David Krajniak at 621 South Main Street. Art in the Park visitors receive a 20 percent discount on the photographs taken by Krajniak in Uganda. Call (734) 414-MEOW.

CELEBRATORY PERFORMANCE

Modern dancers create sculpture in motion

When Peter Sparling's family moved to Plymouth in 1964, the word dance hardly ever entered his vocabulary. Now, Sparling and the rest of his dance company, are rehearsing three days a week for a celebratory performance at the Ann Arbor Summer Festival July 10.

In celebration of the company's fifth anniversary season, two new works will be premiered including the tragic comedy "Philistines," and "Sonata," a duet to the violin music of Jean-Marie Leclair.

Sparling, costumed in a brilliant green skirt by designer John Gurosky, dances a two-part solo for "Jealousy." This is

Peter Sparling Dance Company

WHAT: As part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, company members give a performance of old and new works.

WHEN: 8 p.m. Friday, July 10.

WHERE: Power Center for the Performing Arts, Ann Arbor.

COST: Tickets \$19, \$16, \$13, and \$10, at the Power Center Box Office, or call (734) 764-2538.

the Peter Sparling Dance Company's fifth performance as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival. Also on the program are excerpts from "The Four Seasons," "Popular Songs," "New Bach" and "Travelogue."

"This year we have pure dance," said Sparling. "It's the perfect opportunity to get a textbook in modern dance."

And what is modern dance? "It's an amazing adventure in the body's ability to tell a story," said Sparling. "It's about sculpture in motion, music in motion, poetry in motion. It speaks from the human being about the human condition and there's nothing to get in the way."

Sparling expresses the emotions of envy and jealousy as he acts like a gargoyle or possessed creature in "Jealousy." The performance is something to

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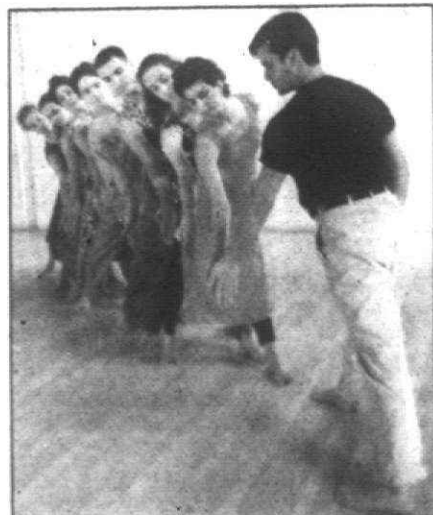


PHOTO BY PETER SMITH

Fascinating fiber captures imagination

Michigan Surface Design members were busy stitching and painting designs on fabric all spring to prepare for an exhibit continuing through July 30 at Livonia Civic Center Fine Arts Gallery.

On June 25 they met at Sue Argiuff's home in Livonia to gather their fiber works, and plan the exhibit, the first of three shows this summer. In July, they will also show fiber art at the Oakland County Galleria in Pontiac.

The members produce an amazing variety of wall hangings, home decorative accessories and wearable art.

"The best thing about our group, we're not one media," said president Urban Jupena, an art professor and chairman of the crafts department at Wayne State University. "We're not a group of similarities. We're paper, marbling, garments. We're about surface, color and design."

Jupena uses his painted canvas rugs, place mats and table runners in his bed and breakfast in Pinckney. The rugs are not only functional, but eye-catching.

"They're covered with a clear coat," said Jupena. "They're so practical. You just wipe it up."

Creative stitchery

Sandra Weed of Westland put her creative stitchery to work in a red floral fabric collage with three-dimensional flowers and "Constellation" a fabric wall hanging featuring the moon, sun and stars.

Weed teaches painting at Schoolcraft College, the Visual Arts Association of Livonia, and Miller's Art Supplies in Ferndale. She began sewing more than 30 years ago, and still designs custom wedding gowns in her home studio.

Cynthia Wayne Gaffield's lime-draped vest with applique on the back is sure to turn heads toward the woman wearing it. The Livonia artist hand-dyed heavy-textured tussah silk before cutting and sewing the vest and a purple and khaki shawl collared jacket with beading in her Farmington Hills studio.

Joanne Bellet, a teacher at Troy High School, displays hand-dyed velvet scarves using a technique to alter and add height to the texture. A West Bloomfield resident, Bellet teaches surface design at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center.

Wearable art

Barbara Altwerger, an art teacher in Birmingham for 10 years, originally

Michigan Surface Design

WHAT: An exhibit by members featuring surface decorated wall hangings, wearable art, and home accessories.

WHEN: Through Thursday, July 30. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

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



To the touch: Cynthia Wayne Gaffield's lime draped vest with applique on the back is sure to turn heads toward the woman wearing it.

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Travelogue:

Tim Smola and the Peter Sparling Dance Company members perform "Australia," a work combining dance and theater with a poetic text written by Sparling on a trip to Australia, Indonesia and Italy.

