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Canton man shot in pizza store robbery

By MATT JACHMAN STAFF WRITER

Two men were charged with attempted murder Wednesday in the shooting Monday night of a pizza deliveryman on Livonia's west side.

Michael Burke, 35, of Canton Township. was shot through the abdomen at Dolly's Pizza on Newburgh. He underwent surgery at St. Mary Hospital Monday night and was in stable condition Wednesday.

The suspects, Winston Alexander Walton, 20, and Kemuel Omer Harrington, 18, were arrested after a brief chase and a massive search on the city's south side that went on for more than two hours, according to Livonia Police Department reports

Walton, of Romulus, and Harrington, of Inkster, were arraigned Wednesday on charges of assault with attempt to commit murder and armed robbery. Walton is also charged with using a gun during a felony. They pleaded not guilty.

McCann set bond at \$400,000 cash for each man. They are due back in court Thursday, Oct. 1, for a preliminary hear-

The holdup and shooting occurred about 9:30 p.m., police said. A 17-year-old Dolly's employee told police a man walked in. reached into his zippered sweat shirt, took



Please see \$HOOTING, A2

Senate race attracts big money

■ State Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, has raised more than \$316,000 - much of it from state Republican coffers in a high-stakes campaign to retain his Eight District seat. Challenger Ken Warfield, D-Wayne, says money doesn't matter.

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

Loren Bennett is pulling out all the stops in his bid to retain his Eighth District Michigan Senate seat.

According to post-primary campaign finance reports, the Canton Republican has raised more than five times the money challenger Ken Warfield has.

The Democrat believes the race will come down to more than just dollars,

"I feel the people of this district won't be bought," said Warfield, who currently serves as Wayne's mayor. "This seat isn't up for the highest bidder."

As of the report filing deadline of Sept. 3. Bennett had received

\$316,221.99 from about 450 contributors. The state senator said it's a testament to the support his candidacy is receiving through out his 12-community district, which includes a portion of Canton and all of Westland.

"They've seen what I've done over the last four years," Bennett added. "It makes a big difference.

By comparison, Warfield has raised \$55,640.55 from about 120 contributors. He wasn't surprised by the gap between his campaign war chest and Bennett's. He noted that the Senate Republican Caucus has contributed more than half of Bennett's money.

"That's typical," Warfield said. "But the campaign is going well on our end. I expect to win this thing.'

Voters will have their say on the Bennett-Warfield battle Tuesday, Nov.

Besides the Senate Republican Caucus. Bennett has received contributions of at least \$1,000 from 72 sources. The biggest gifts come from political action committees.

The Detroit-based Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers PAC, for example, has contributed just under \$14,000

Please see SENATE RACE, A2



Seeing triple: Pictured (from left) are the Nayh family of Northville - 7 months - Gary holds Brittany, Fran holds Brianna and Beatrice; the Merlino family of Farmington Hills - 6 months - Ace holds Maxx, Lesley holds Morgan and Joey; the Kody family of Canton – 15 months - Jim holds Elizabeth, Carole holds Philip and John; the Gannon family of Livonia - 8 months - John holds Gregory, Susan holds Natalie and Madeline; and the Lindbloom family of Canton - 4 months - Brian holds Kyle, Lisa holds Abigail and

Parents of triplets lean on each other

BY PAUL HURSCHMANN STAFF WRITER

Three-of-a-kind adds up to a full house for several area families who have welcomed triplets into their households.

Canton residents Carole and Jim Kody hosted a party Sept. 12 for a group of new-found friends who all share the unusual responsibility of raising infant

The group of seven families, with triplets ranging in age from the 4month-old Lindblooms to the 15-month old Kodys, gathered to allow all the

fathers to get together with the moms and kids for the first time.

"We (the moms) all meet once a month for lunch," said Lisa Lindbloom, "And all of the dads have met one another, but this was an opportunity for all of them to get together with all of us for the first

Well, almost. Rene and Scott Baker didn't make it because their kids were a bit under the weather. Julie and Neil Fenzel decided to leave before the Lindblooms arrived because their 5 1/2

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Sleepy siblings: Abigail (from left), Emily and Kyle Lindbloom, 4 months, snooze during the party in their honor at the home of Jim and Carole Kody in

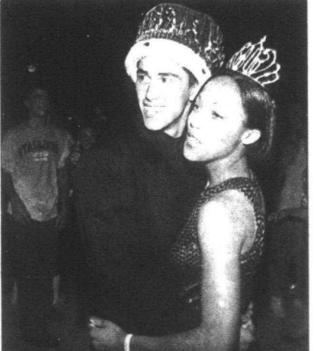
Homecoming for Salem

ple: Homecoming King and Queen. Spencer and Erika Healey dance to a slow one at the Salem School Homecoming Dance Saturday. For more Homecoming photos, please turn to Page A6 in today's Observer.

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Schools chief Little cuts Clinton testimony short

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superin tendent Chuck Little pulled the plug Monday on the live broadcast of Presi dent Clinton's grand jury testimony about his affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky

Related story, A4; editorial, A12

Students in many classrooms at Ply mouth Canton and Plymouth Salem high schools were watching the live broadcast on CNN for nearly two hours when the program was terminated

"I had a call from a parent who knew their student was watching the testimony on TV at the high school, so I called the two principals and fold them to end the broadcast," said Little. "We take a policy which deals with things that are explicit

The school board policy states. Con troversial issues may not be initiated by a source outside the schools unless prior approval has been given by the

appropriate building administrator The policy further states that "before

introducing a controversial issue teachers should consider the chronolog scal age and emotional maturity of the students, the appropriateness and timeliness of the issue as it relates to the course and the students, the extent to which they can successfully handle the issue from a personal standpoint and the amount of time needed and

callable to examine the issue fairly In referring to the live broadcast of the tapes on CNN, Lattle said "It trikes me as being unusual that some thing would be introduced into a lesson without previewing it

However, Little did say that after previewing the tapes teachers would be free to show appropriate clips and weave them into the lesson plan

When you use any type of materi als, you need to effectively the them

Teachers who permitted their sto dents to watch the testimony were dis-

appointed the live broadcast was discontinued

I don't personally agree with the

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out a pistol and said, "You know The men then went to the back what I want."

The gunman was wearing an the 17 year-old saw they were orange-and-brown camourage were and hit the holdup alarm.

Cue grill and a fence, police said. The two men inside got out and ran. Police found a .22-caliber pistol in the center console of the A Livonia officer on patrol on mask or shirt over his face, westbound Plymouth Road near

them, and the second man took according to his report, one of

palice said. He tried to open the cash register, then jumped over Another man, also masked, came in and also jumped the eastbound cars with men in copter, which is equipped with counter, the employee said. The them that he decided to check out. When he made a U-turn, employee opened the register for

the money in it. He asked about

Burke tried to grab the gun, and

the man backed up and fired,

a safe, and the employee told He followed it. The gunman turned to Burke, east on Parkdale, with its lights out, at up to about 60 mph, with who told police he had been police following. The Mercury's counting up his receipts, and driver missed several stop signs, said, "Give me what you got," and was almost hit by a southpolice said. Burke replied, "I ion't have anything. F--- off." bound car at Wayne Road.

The Mercury sideswiped a house on the east side of Wayne, then struck another car, a barbe-

the cars turned right on Raleigh.

im there wasn't one

Mercury, they said. More officers and a tracking

Levan heard a radio report of the dog were called in, and an officer incident that included a descrip- was sent up in the Fox Channel tion of the robbers. He saw two 2 (television station WJBK) helian infrared camera. Walton was arrested shortly

after 10 p.m. on Richland, west of Farmington Road. A plainclothes officer watching the area The car, a 1991 Mercury, went saw him lie down in some bushes as a car traveled on Richland, its headlights illuminating the scene, police said. Harrington was arrested near

> house and start walking down Harrington had \$21 hidden in his underwear, police said.

> Stark and Pinetree just before

midnight, when the same officer

saw him appear from behind a

Father accused of sex assaults on daughters

A 37-year-old Canton man is being held without bond in the Wayne County Jail on charges that he sexually abused two daughters over a number of

The defendant, whose name is being withheld by the Observer to protect the identity of the alleged victims, was arraigned in 35th District Court Tuesday in front of Judge Ronald Lowe on two counts of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree. The felony charges each carry a life

A preliminary examination has been scheduled for Oct. 2. Canton Police Officer Leonard Schemanske said investigators

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Both girls, now teenagers, homes, Schemanske said.

According to police, the two girls, ages 15 and 16, first form oral sex on him on 10 occareported the abuse to a coun- sions in that time frame, reports selor at Plymouth Salem High said. She said no intercourse School Monday. The counselor with her father had occurred, called Canton police and an offi- however. cer was dispatched to the high take the sisters' statements.

The 16-year-old girl told police that her father had been sexualy assaulting her since age 3 1/2.

the 37-year-old in the form of intercourse on numerous occamedical examinations, clothing sions with the last incident and statements from the vic- occurring Sunday. She said that it "happened almost every day."

The 15-year-old girl said she have been taken out of the home had been sexually assaulted, and turned over to the Wayne too. The abuse began when she County Department of Social was in eighth grade and contin-Services for placement in other ued for more than a year, according to reports. Her father forced her to per-

After the interview, police school at about 10:30 a.m. to obtained a warrant for the 37year-old man. He was subsequently arrested at his home in

Senate race from page A1

to Bennett's re-election bid. The Realtors PAC of Michigan, meanwhile, gave the Canton resident more than \$11,000.

Big business has also contributed substantially to Bennett's campaign.

The Detroit Auto Dealers PAC gave him more than \$10,000

since May of 1997. CMS Energy, Browning Ferris Industries, Coca Cola, the Michigan Restaurant Association, Michigan Manufactured Housing and Blue Cross/Blue Shield are a few other big names contributing to "I don't pay a lot of attention

to who's contributing," said Bennett, who noted that he has received numerous contributions from just ordinary folks. "It's quite different to get contributions from individuals. That's an indication I'm on the right

Notable individual contribu tors include Selective Group home builders President Michael Horowitz, DeMattia Group President and CEO Robert DeMattia, and Jack Kirksey, mayor of Livonia. Bennett also put \$210.65 of his own into the campaign on Jan. 27 of this year.

The Republican declined to say how much he hopes to raise before the November election. Much of the money is going to

radio and billboard advertising. Bennett has paid for expensive ads on WJR-AM and WXYT-AM.

"The need in any campaign is to communicate your record, said Bennett. "I want to remind people what I've done and let them judge whether it warrants another term.'

He said he has received a lot of positive feedback on the messages as he goes door-to-door to meet district constituents.

"We've gotten into many porch debates," said Bennett. "I know people are hearing the ads. It's causing a lot of discussion. As for Warfield, he's relying on more of a grass-roots movement

for contributions. State records show that none of Warfield's 119 contributors come from big busi Labor is heavily represented. Millwrights, boilermakers, the

eamsters ashestos workers and sheet metal workers are just a few giving hundreds of dollars to Warfield.

That suits the Democratic can-

didate just fine. "I intend to fight for working families," said Warfield. "I want better wages and working conditions for the people of my dis-

While Bennett had 72 contributors of more than \$1,000. Warfield boasts just seven.

The Michigan Trial Lawyers Association PAC is the largest single Warfield supporter with \$5,000 given. The Metro Wayne Democratic Club gave him \$4,000, Golden Warfield \$2,000 and Millwrights Local 1102 PAC a total of \$1,350.

The Michigan Laborers Political League and the King Co. both gave \$1,000. The bulk of Warfield's support come from gifts of \$100 to \$250. A total of 101 of Warfield's 119 supporters

wrote checks in that range. "I've been humbled by how generous people have been," said the former Wayne fire chief.

Plant expands

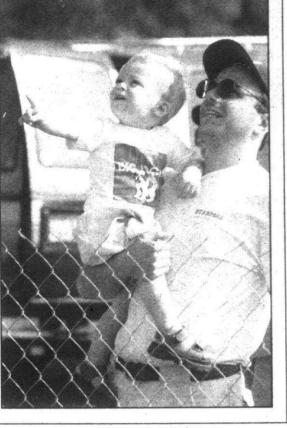
Bodycote Thermal Processing has begun construction on a 3,000-square foot addition to its Canton plant.

The addition will create a temper department of five batch gasfired convection ovens. The tempering department will support the facilities 40 induction hardening machines. The expansion will increase capacity by 20 percent for new contracts secured for 1999 model year.

It's up, up and away at model air show



Ready for takeoff: Jim Smith, president of the Flying Pilgrims model airplane club of Canton, works on his model airplane at the club's annual airs how in Superior Township Saturday. At right, Grant Davis, 18 months, points for his dad to look at some of the model planes flying at the show.



Absentee pick-up ends on Saturday

SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

The Plymouth-Canton school dministration offices will be pen Saturday for anyone who wants an absentee ballot to vote in the Oct. 3 middle school bond

The offices will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for anyone requesting a ballot to take home. Beginning Monday, school district residents can vote absentee, however the ballots will need to be filled out at the administration offices.

The school district will continue to accept absentee ballots by mail through Oct. 3. Voters can also drop off absentee ballots through 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, at the administration building.

Elections clerk Liz Adams said as of Wednesday afternoon there were approximately 2,100 absentee ballot forms sent by the dis-

trict. She predicts her office will send as many as 3,000 by Satur-

In the March 1997 high school bond election, Adams said she recorded just under 2,000 absentee ballots.

The district does not have a breakdown on how many absentee ballot requests were generated by Plymouth resident Jerry

Vorva, in a campaign to get out the vote, sent out nearly 7,000 absentee request forms to residents in Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township.

Vorva believes the district should use the permanent absentee voter rolls of those communities, which numbers nearly 15,000, instead of the district's permanent list which Adams said numbers approxi-

CARRIER OF THE MONTH: CANTON

Andrew Oswell

Fifteen-year old Andrew Oswell is the Canton carrier of

the month for September Andrew, a 10th-grader at Salem High School, has had a route at the Stonecrest Subdivi sion since June, 1997. The son of Gary and Judy Oswell,

Andrew has one sister, Sara, 18 Andrew's favorite subjects are science and math. His hobbies are war games and to read science fiction. In the near future he wants to attend college

(debating on career choice). Meeting the nice people in his subdivision is what he likes most about his route.



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■ "The Old Man and the Sea"

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■ "The Lighthouse" by Vir-■ "Portrait of a Lady" by

Q: When did night football

A. Night football in America began in 1892 with a game between Mansfield University of Pennsylvania and Wyoming Seminary. Every year, Mansfield celebrates a "Fabulous 1890s Weekend" to commemorate the event. This year's festivities are planned for Sept. 25-26

tion is Chase's 1998 Calendar of

Hot topic of the week Family Book Talk. Be sure to join this book discussion club aimed at fourth-sixth graders. and a parent. This exciting Check out these new Web group will meet one Wednesday evening each month to share snacks and explore good books. The first meeting is Wednesday. Oct 7, at 730 pm in the Youth Activity Room at the Canton Public Library Please call the Youth Reference Desk for more information

& the Canton Library is compiled by Laura Dorogi of the library staff. The library is at recent "Top Novels of the 20th 1200 S Canton Center For more Century list available from the suformation about library pro-

Fracas halts meeting

planning commission meeting report was filed

Lotz Road corridor

to a resident at the podium when - by one of the menthe alternation broke out toustation thought it best to instant and didn't involve any for the evening punches being thrown

A shouting match between res- Police were called to the scene. idents resulted in the township but no arrests were made A

being stopped early Monday Three residents were involved in the incident, according to The fracas broke out as the township officials Two men commission was discussing began shouting at each other development standards and reg. The third man, an off-duty ulations within the controversial. Wayne County Sheriff, tried to break up the dispute and had his Commissioners were listening budge knocked out of his hand

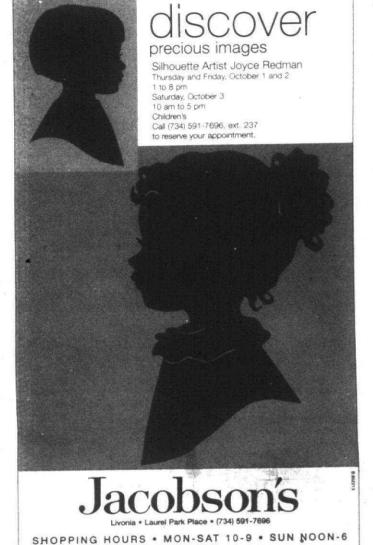
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Men found dead; overdose suspected

Two men were found dead in a home at the Sherwood Mobile Home Park in the early morning hours of Tuesday.

Canton police responded to 41275 Old Michigan Avenue at 3:15 a.m. after a call from a nearby resident. Police discovered two men, ages 58 and 37, dead in the home's rear bedroom.

Both victims were badly decomposed and were taken to the Wayne County Medical Examiner's office for autopsies. Canton Officer Leonard Schemanske said needles and syringes were found lying close by the victims.

"We suspect a drug overdose," he added.

Autopsy and toxicology reports will determine the cause of death

COP CALLS

late Saturday night at Lincolnshire Apartments. Officers arrived after being called to the scene to find the sofa burning outside near one of the apartment buildings.

The township fire department was called to the scene to extinguish the flames. Cause of the fire is unknown and police have

Window smashed

altercation on Saturday.

within a few days, Schemanske

Police discovered a sofa on fire

Monica Lewinsky.

dow smashed after a verbal Reports said a pair of men came in the restaurant to con-

A Ford Road fast-food restaurant employee had his car win-

front the worker about rent he allegedly owed. After a few threats, the men left the building and jumped into a vehicle.

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BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The Tuesday morning water ooler talk across the country was the four-hour television roadcast of President Bill Clinon's testimony to a federal grand jury concerning his affair with former White House intern

It was also the topic of discussion for the government classes at Plymouth Canton High School, including teacher Ben McMurray's second-hour Close

Only a handful of hands went up when McMurray asked how many saw the entire four-hour proadcast. However, many more saw at least clips on the news, and all had opinions on the pres-

ident and his affair. "They were all saying he was going to storm out of the room

rupt the afternoon shows." "We've known all along he lied and get angry, but it didn't hapand can't be trusted," added Jim pen and it was a letdown," said Perkins of Plymouth Denise Dooley of Plymouth "He was looking out for him-Township, one of the few stuself, not the country," said Lind-

sey Clark of Canton. Mark Pilotto of Canton said he trusted Clinton at first, but now

We know he lied ...

he should just resign.

Close Up student from Canton

hours. "He just danced around

the subject and lied like he

Of the nearly 35 students in

the combined class, nearly half

raised their hands when McMur-

ray asked if Clinton should

"We know he lied ... he should

ust resign," said Sonya Kondor

of Canton. "I don't know why

they even showed it on TV. We

just see the same things over

and over. All they did was dis-

resign or be impeached.

always does."

Sonya Kondor,

Students divided over president

answering questions.

Huff of Plymouth.

lesson in law.

"He's trying to weasel his way

"In our country's court system

it doesn't matter if you are

telling the truth, it matters how

you word it so you don't get

ourself in trouble," noted Kate

McMurray then presented a

"If you hired an attorney, he

questions that are asked," he

told the class. "They would say,

'Don't volunteer any additional

information.' The burden of

"So, President Clinton is get-

ting the same advice we'd all get

if you were charged with a

crime," added McMurray.

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Testimony

ry-in-the-making," said Close Up subject isn't new, and we've teacher Jim Salczynski, who known about the release of the allowed his government class to tapes for a long time. If watch the proceedings. "Stu- Congress thought the tapes lents were engaged in watching

ut it won't be as powerful. "The subject matter is sexually xplicit, but these students have aken sex education," added Salczynski. "Parents should also be talking to their kids about the story and making sense out of it." Close Up instructor Ben McMurray was also disappointed in the decision

They'll see clips on the news,

schools can't be a place where working with parents. tudents can talk about current

should be released and CNN decided they were important to show, then it should be fair game for students in a school setting with adult supervision

were watching the tape live on

pals at the high school and

When asked if they should

have been permitted to watch

the historic programming, every

"It's important that we know

what's going on and learn how

government works," said Dooley.

done something immoral, it

doesn't mean he's not doing his

personally. He did it to his wife,

said Eric Moten of Canton.

Stambaugh of Canton.

than we want to know

"He didn't do anything to us

"I just think the Republicans

released the tapes to show that

Clinton's a bad guy," said Seleh

""It's really none of our bus

Some of the students felt that

calls from angry parents.

Many in the class didn't like CNN. However, Superintendent

the way the president avoided Chuck Little called the princi-

out of it," said Steve Bernacki of continued after receiving some

would tell you to only answer the while the president may have

ing I don't want to do the work ness," added Amy Driscoll of

for you.' He doesn't want to give Canton. "We already know more

Schools and parents need to work together when it comes to learning about and understanding controversial topics, McMur-"Parents should prepare their

students to talk about the issues. "It's a sad day when the The schools are interested in

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First for Michigan

State parties nominate women for No. 3 post in government

They have different attitudes toward mail voting, cutting the number of elections and reducing branch offices.

Incumbent Republican Candice Miller favors moving toward mail voting, endorses the concept of fewer special elections and already has reduced the number of Secretary of State branch offices from 181 to 178.

Democratic challenger Mary Lou Parks says people like to go to polling places, wouldn't reduce the number of elections and favors more programs and ser-

Miller said her office has fined Parks "several thousands of dollars" for failing to submit campaign finance statements on time Parks said the forms should be made easier to under-

For the first time in history, Michigan's two political parties have nominated women for the No. 3 post running the oldest department in state government

Customer options

"A lot of people have looked to Oregon," which ran a U.S. Sen ate special election by mail Miller said. "It's a marked improvement in voter participa-

"In Michigan we are not ready for that until we have a good qualified voter file (now in place). We'd like to start with mail voting in) school elections and single-ballot question elections to get the clerks around the state experience, making sure we do not have any kind of

Miller sees no gain from Saturday and 24-hour voting, but she favors consolidating (say) school and other local elections. "I come from Macomb County where we voting. I think people enjoy get-

Secretary of State

Third-ranking post in state government; acts as chief executive in absence of governor and lieutenant governor. Jobs: licenses drivers and vehicles, administers the "point" system, oversees elections, functions as state historian, keeps

Budget: \$170 million; has 178 branch offices. Term: four years; limit two terms.

- CANDICE MILLER, 44, incumbent. • Experience: Harrison Township supervisor, 1980-92; Macomb County treasurer,
- 1993-4; elected secretary of state, 1994. • Education: Lake Shore High; attended Macomb Community College and
- Northwood Institute. Personal: Married; one daughter.



- MARY LOU PARKS, 62, Detroit. • Experience: state representative since 1993; executive assistant to U.S. Rep. George Crockett Jr.; special assistant to Gov. James Blanchard. Sponsored six
- bills this session, none enacted into law • Education: Carver High, S.C.; attended Wayne State University

Personal: four sons, one daughter

had 18 elections in the course of ting out to vote. a year. I think that (holding fewer elections) is an avenue for increasing voter participation.

"We should take off some of the restrictions on absentee voting - that is such an easy way to vote. Seniors, of course, use it extensively," Miller said. Under on voters. current law, a person may vote by absentee (including mail) if

incapacitated. Parks said "not really" when asked whether she supported mail voting. "I like the process of

Parks added, "I'm not certain we should have fewer, more" elections. "That's something we could look at."

They were asked whether Michigan, with 51 elected state officials, inflicts too long a ballot

Miller was satisfied but would consider making all university he or she is working, intends to boards appointive, as Gov. John be out of town, is 60 or older or Engler has proposed. That would eliminate 24 posts from the bal-

fewer," said Parks.

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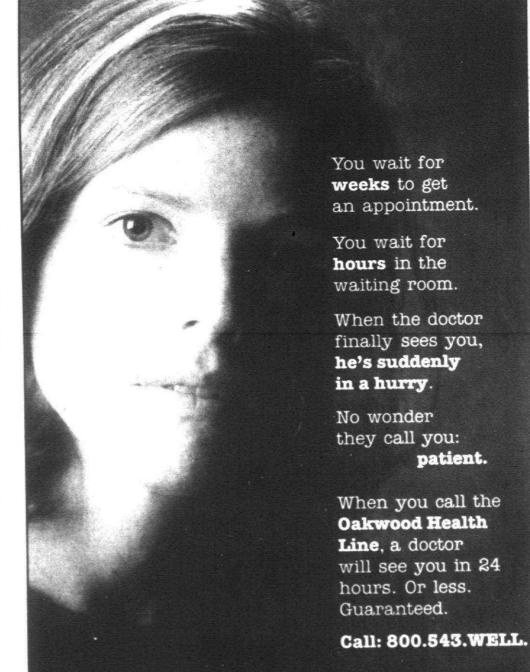
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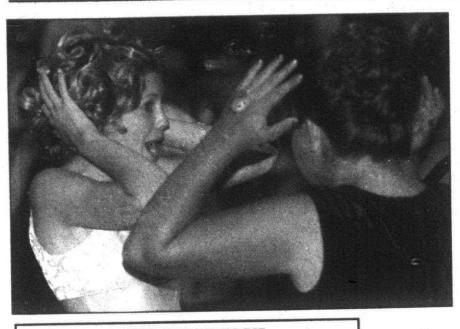


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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 5, 1998 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

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Homecoming snapshots: Celebrating homecoming at Plymouth Salem High School last weekend are: (clockwise, from top left) Franchi, left, and one of her friends reacting to one another's hair at Saturday's Home coming Dance. The theme for the event was "Four Seasons."; A quintet of Salem fans marking their loyalty with body paint. The Rocks defeated Livonia Stevenson High School 14-7 in the Friday night football game; and Zak Juntila and his date, Molli Megasko, posing for Zak's mom, Vicki Tobler, for a picture prior to Saturday's dance.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS

SEPTEMBER 15, 1998 A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, September 15, 1998 at 1150 South Canton Center Road. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M. ROLL CALL

Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Members Present: Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: Staff Present:

Durack, Machnik, Minghine (arrived 7:28 P.M.), Santomauro (arrived 7:25 P.M.), Rorabacher, Spencer, Svec, Voyles

Director Minghine presented an overview of the 1999 budgets. He noted that new budget worksheet forms were added to the overall budget for better understanding. They new forms are Summary of Significant Changes, Service Improvement Form and New Position Request Form. Director

Minghine stated that overall the budget represents just over \$61 million. General Fund The 1999 General Fund Budget expenditures and transfers total \$14,898,755, an increase over the current budget of 5 percent still maintaining the current service levels to the community. A major portion of the increase is due to an increase in grounds maintenance costs necessary to

support the new park facilities that Canton has been constructing. The biggest sources of revenues for the General Fund come from state shared revenues, accounting for approximately \$6.3 million; \$2.1 million from taxes; \$2.5 million from licenses and permits; \$1.3 from charges for services; and other revenues add approximately \$1 million.

Special Revenue Funds Director Minghine said that the recommendation was a .15 mill reduction for the Police and Fire budgets. The Police budget will come in at just less than \$9 million and the Fire budget at \$5.3 million.

Water & Sewer Fund: Water rates generate about \$5.6 million and sewer charges generate approximately \$7.2 million, and the balance of the revenues come from

rimarily capital charges. Administrative and Community Services Department (ACSD);

ACSD oversees the Personnel Services, Resource Development, Facilities Maintenance, Grounds Maintenance, Recreation Services Divisions, Fellows reek and Pheasant Run Golf Clubs. Director Durack reviewed the more significant changes to the various departments.

mataly \$725 00 me from annual pass holders, program and user fees enerate another \$600,000. Director Minghine noted that the Catering ntributed approximately \$150,000. Mr. Minghine stressed that there were evenue opportunities yet to be created from the food service contact. The alance of the Community Center Fund is from a transfer from the General Fund that helps support the operations Director Minghine stated that \$2,203,244 represented a balanced budget providing for General Fund

port to help balance that budget. A Banquet & Conference Coordinator and a Banquet and Conferen Specialist positions are proposed for 1999. Director Durack noted that turrently this operation was contracted through the food service provider. To increase usage and optimize service, it is in best interest of the Summit and he community to assume the Banquet & Conference Center operations. Mr. Durack said that service levels are expected to improve.

Grounds Maintenance Division. The most significant increases were due to he increase maintenance of the new parks added to the community. The 1999 budget proposes three new positions: Equipment Operator, an additional Laborer and Clerk/Typist II

Parks and Recreation. Changes in the Parks & Recreation budget reflect the proposed purchase of the Canton Softball Center these changes include increases for utilities, staff, office and operating supplies, contracted services, printing & publishing and equipment rental. Parks & Recreation Department has budgeted for the purchase of bleachers for the new soccer fields at Independence Park.

Historical Commission, \$30,000 is proposed for the renovation of the Travis Trustee Shefferly asked what the plans were for the Travis House Trustee McLaughlin said the plan was to have the site become a park for the community with activities. Discussion followed and Supervisor Yack suggested that the Historical Commission estimate the cost and time to complete the Travis House and related programs. Trustee Shefferly concurred with Mr. Yack's suggestion.

Golf Course Fund. The Golf Course Fund includes the operating reven and expenses of both Fellows Creek Golf Course and Pheasant Run Golf Club. The combined budgets for 1999 are projected to be \$2.4 million \$1.25 million of revenue coming from Pheasant Run Golf Club and just over \$700,000 from Fellows Creek. Additionally the fund receives about \$20,000

Director Durack said that Pheasant Run would be taking over the food service operations in 1999 requiring staffing adjustments. The Golf Course Superintendent position will be eliminated and the Head Professional will be upgraded. A Golf Professional/Food and Beverage Manager will be added to upervise the operation of the Bar/Grill area at Pheasant Run The Head Greenskeeper will become the working Golf Course Superintendent

Landscaping improvements are planned for holes #1 and #9 Cable TV Fund: New Cable Television programming is planned for 1999 cluding a public safety show and additional events from the Summit and the community. New programming will require the addition of a Cable T pecialist. Supervisor Yack noted that MediaOne had announced a rate ncrease and the franchise fees presented in the budget were quite onservative. Director Durack noted that the October 6, 1998 study session. topic would be the Cable Television Studio.

Municipal Services Department (MSD); The Municipal Services Director supervises Building and Inspection Services, Engineering Services, Planning Services and Public Works Divisions. Director Machnik reviewed the budgets for the various departments. An office renovation is planned for the Communication

Building & Inspection Services: The Communications line item will be increased for the addition of 12 Nextel phones and their air time charges. No new programs or positions are proposed for 1999.

Engineering Services Division: The largest change in this budget is the addition of an Engineering Assistant. Two field utility inspector positions were approved in 1997 and funded in 1997 and 1998. Director Machnik stated that these positions were reimbursable from water and sewer costs. Communication and Transportation line items changes reflect the addition of the two utility inspectors. Among other duties the Engineering Assistant will administer the new Community Sidewalk Program proposed for 1999.

of supervision between Engineering Services and Water and Sewer onent of Public Works. Public Works: The most significant change for 1999 will be the transfer of the Residential Tree Program to Planning Services. Director Machnik stated that the contract for rubbish collection would expire in August 1999 and

Director Machnik noted that approval of this budget anticipates a combining

there could be a potential increase in cost when it is bid out again. Planning Services. Residential Tree Program will be transferred from Public Works in 1999. Planning Services will be offering a Neighborhood Improvement Program aimed at replacing dead street trees or providing street trees where none previously existed.

Water & Sewer Division: A Street Sweeping service will be offered in 1999 equiring one additional person to operate the sweeper. Water Billing livision anticipates one additional Clerk Typist II position to help manage the increased volume of water billing accounts. The division has operated with three full time clerks since 1989. Director Minghine noted the delay in adding this position until the expansion of the Administrative Building.

Capital Projects - Road Paving Fund; Morton Taylor; Beck Road; and Denton Road are paving projects to be funded in 1999. Mast signal arms are budgeted for Cherry Hill & Canton Center Road, and for Saltz & Canton Center Road. Signalization improvements are proposed for the Beck/Warren and the Morton-Taylor/Hanford intersections.

Public Safety Department

Director Santomauro noted that a task analysis revealed that 16 percent of all written reports/complains handled by the department were received at the front desk of the police station. It is more cost effective to have an officer handle the complaint rather than a supervisor. The hiring of two additional officers will help to relieve shift supervisors from desk duties. An administrative clerk will be hired to relieve shift supervisors of certain clerical functions. These new hires will allow supervisory personnel to devote more time into the supervision, training and development of their personnel. Director Santomauro noted that their goal was to centralize all public safety administrative services out of the Director's office.

ue to contractual increases and the continued expansion of c policing, the 1999 line item for overtime wi 14 percent. Since the beginning of community policing Canton has not reased staffing levels, rather, overtime has proven to be more costeffective. Staffing levels for civilian personnel is proposed to also increase by the same percentage due to the need for training for the new CAD system.

Finance & Budget Department

Director Minghine said that one additional Clerk Typist II is proposed for 1999, due to the increase in water billing accounts

Management Information Services. Due to fewer expected purchases, Software and Capital Outlay line items are proposed for a decrease, although funds are being set aside for a Client/Server SQL Server. Trustee LaJoy initiated discussion on Y2K and the potential for problems. Director Minghine said MIS is geared for 2000 as the internal programs have been imposed 2000 compliant. He noted that all township computer systems are scheduled to be 2000 compliant by the end for 1998. Director Minghine said that a committee would be formed to examine the most vulnerable systems

Public Improvement Fund: Revenues for this fund come from Sale of Township Property, Interest Income and Interest on Investments A proposed transfer of \$580,000 will be to Community Improvement and approximately \$16 million to Capital Projects Fund. Director Minghine noted that the balance in this fund at the end of 1999 would be about \$643,000. At the end f 1996, the Public Improvement Fund balance was \$4 million. He said that there was some sale of property that could add revenue to this account, but there were not many major projects left in the township to fund.

Community Improvement Fund. The funds transferred from Public provement will fund projects throughout the community The Community Improvement Fund would take on the completion of park projects and ovements to our maintenance facility. The most significant expenditure for 1999 is proposed \$875,000 for a new maintenance building. OTHER Trustee Shefferly initiated discussion regarding Other Sundry accounts

their discretion to be used for those items that cannot be quantified Mr Minghine said that the trend was to lower the funds in these accounts report was requested on the expenditures from Other Sundry accounts by Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to amend the agenda to add a closed session for the purpose of discussion of sale of property Motion carried

Director Minghine said that this line item is given to departments to use at

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to move from an open session to a closed session for the purpose of discussion of sale of property at 10.57 P.M. Motion carried unanimously

ROLL CALL - CLOSED SESSION Members Present Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Staff Present Machnik, Minghine Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to return to an open session for the purpose of adjourning at 11 18 P.M. Motion carried unanimously The above is a synopsis of discussion taken at the Regular Board meeting held on September 15, 1998. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of the Board on October 13

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LOCAL ELECTION FORUMS

A candidates forum on education is set for 7-9 p.m. Tues-County Commission includes day, Oct. 19, in the Plymouth part of Livonia and the city of Canton High School's Little Plymouth and Plymouth Theater. This event will be sponsored by the LWV-Livonia The Livonia league includes and Michigan Citizens for members from Canton, Fairness in Public School

participating are state Sen. candidates Republican Thad-Loren Bennett, R-Canton, and deus McCotter and Democrat challenger Ken Warfield, a Carole Poenisch will attend Democrat who is mayor of along with 20th District state Wayne. The 8th District that House candidates Republican Bennett represents includes Gerry Law, the incumbent, part of Canton and Westland. and Democratic challenger Also attending will be state James Agee. Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-West-

land, whose 18th House Dis-

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STATE LEGISLATIVE **BRIEFS**

Lawsuits down

The Michigan Association of Insurance Agents is pleased with the effect of laws that went into effect in March of 1996 fewer "frivolous" lawsuits over

auto negligence in state courts. The law 1) tightened the definition of "serious impairment," 2) allowed judges rather than juries to decide "serious impairment," and 3) prohibited uninsured motorists and those 50 percent or more at fault from collecting non-economic dam-

Statewide, auto negligence lawsuits dropped 64 percent, said Steve Yencich, spokesman for the insurance agents. The effect by county:

■ Livingston - from 233 in 1996 to 89 in 1997, a drop of 62

Oakland - from 3,703 in 1996 to 1,404 in 1997, a drop of 62 percent. ■ Wayne - from 11,993 in

1996 to 4,415 in 1997, a drop of

Insurance bills Two area Democrats have introduced bills to control auto insurance premiums charged by the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association.

Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, has offered a bill to cap MCCA fee increases at \$10 per vehicle per year and to give the Legislature final approval of any increases in the

"The MCCA fee subjects Michigan citizens to taxation without representation," said Peters, noting the industry appoints the board which is subject to neither the Open Meetings nor Freedom of Information acts. "I think it's time to give the Legislature oversight."

Rep. David Gubow, D-Huntington Woods, is sponsor of House-passed bills to require MCCA to observe the Open Meetings and Freedom of Information acts. The bills are stuck Senate.

Gubow and Rep. Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, praised MCCA for not raising its rate this year, but Gubow noted, "No one from the general public was present at the meeting today (Sept. 16) to observe how the MCCA board arrived at its decision not to raise rates."



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Culinary fest raises funds, friends for S'craft students



Serving: Diana Riley of Canton, a student at Schoolcraft College, works for Cafe Bon Homme in Plymouth, which served a scallops entree at Sunday's culinary fund-raiser.

ulinary delicacies offered up by metro area restaurants, along with a live auction proved to be a recipe for success at Schoolcraft College. Nearly 1,000 patrons sampled culinary delights from area eateries and bid on golf, vacation and dining packages all the while raising more than \$100,000 for student scholarships at the Livonia-based college.

"It was a very successful fund-raiser and friend-rais er," said Noreen Thomas, director of special projects at Schoolcraft College.

Last Sunday's seventh annual Culinary Extravaganza featured food seminars, a culinary demonstration kitchen and some 50 restaurants, beverage companies, caterers and pastry shops offering up samples in the Waterman Campus Center.

Co-chairing this year's event were Charlotte Mahoney, a Livonia resident and regional manger for Detroit Edison, and Alberta Muzzin, a former Livonia business owner now executive director of the South Lyon Chamber of Commerce.

'It was a magnificent event," said Muzzin, adding "I'm glad we went back to Waterman.

Mahoney thanked area restaurants, businesses and event-goers who attended, spent money and helped make Sunday's fund-raiser a success

The restaurants did a superb job," she said. Highlight of the afternoon was the live auction, which brought \$16,350 into scholarship coffers.

Please see CULINARY, A11



Musicians: Maurizio Emanuele (right) with the mandolin and his father Natale Emanuele on the accordion entertained guests at the Culinary Extravaganza. The musicians where playing for the Macaroni Grill in Livonia



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month-olds, Brandon, Tyler and talized at some point during Devon, were getting a little uneasy, according to Carole Kody.

Those who did make it, joining the Kody's 15-month-olds Elizabeth, Philip and John, were: the Lindblooms and their 4-monthold trio of Kyle, Abigail and Emily; Fran and Gary Nayh of Northville and their 7-month-old daughters, Brittany, Brianna and Beatrice, (though they left their older son, Bobby, 5, with a sitter); Lesley and Ace Merlino of Farmington Hills and their 6month-olds Maxx, Morgan and Joey; and Susan and John Gannon of Livonia and their 8month-olds Gregory, Natalie and Madeline.

The moms and dads enjoyed pizza, cookies, spinach dip and other edibles, while the kids, er, well, the kids mostly slept. Although the three Kody kids did enjoy some of the pizza and other treats before retiring for their afternoon naps.

A shared experience

"We all met through Oakwood Hospital and a group of doctors who suggested we contact one another since we shared similar circumstances," explained Carole Kody, describing how the group formed. "I was asked if I would mind helping Lisa and Lesley through their pregnancies, since I had already gone through what they were going through. I was happy to offer whatever assistance I could."

Most of the moms were hospi-

their pregnancies, which led them to meet one another, and that led to their current informal group.

"Most people don't realize that a woman who is pregnant with triplets does not experience a pregnancy in the same way as a woman who is having a single

baby, or even twins," said Kody. None of the women completed their full terms. The Gannon triplets, who arrived in just 29 weeks, were the earliest and spent two months in the hospital before coming home. The Lindbloom triplets were nearly fullterm at 35 weeks and were the only children among this group who did not remain in the hospital post-partum, coming home with Lisa a couple of days after

Losing sleep

So, how have three new babies affected these young families?

"We don't need an alarm clock anymore," said Jim Kody. "We used to sleep in until 10 a.m. on weekends. Now, we're up at 6:30 a.m. every day.'

"I love going to work on Monday morning," joked Ace Merlino. "I seem to be the only one smiling at work on Monday mornings. I don't get it.'

"Most of us were dual-income families," added Susan Gannon. "Now, most of us have given up one income and our expenses have increased."

And, how is having three new babies different from having just

A little help: Gary Nayh(left), and his wife Fran get some help from Brian Lindbloom packing up their 7month-old triplets, Brittany, Brianna and Beatrice as they get ready to leave the party.

one new bundle of joy?

"You can't play 'man-to-man,' it's got to be 'zone coverage' parenting," joked Gary Nayh.

"Parents with one child, or even those with twins, don't understand what it's like for us." added Carole Kody. "There is always one more child than you have hands for."

Striving for identity

The parents say they think of their children as individuals, not

"They're not identical and they are so different," said Carole Kody. "Even since birth. They each have their own personality, so we don't dress them the same. Except, perhaps, when we go to an amusement park - so we can keep an eye on them more easi-

"I don't like people calling them triplets," said Lesley Merlino. "They're individuals. My sister-in-law is always calling them 'the triplets.' Like, she'll call and ask, 'How are the triplets?' What are the triplets up to?" They are three individuals, not a single unit "

"It's hard to go out in public," said Lisa Lindbloom. "We get swarmed all the time.

"People ask a lot of stupid questions," said Fran Nayh, a comment with which all of the other parents quickly agreed.

For example:

"Are they triplets?" 'Are they all yours?"

"Were they all born on the

same day?"

"Or, sometimes you'll get some

really stupid ones," added Susan Gannon, "like, we've got two girls and a boy and people will ask, 'Are they identical?' or, 'Are they twins?"

"My favorite," added Lisa Lindbloom, "was this little old lady who asked, 'Did you have to do it three times in the same

Handling curiosity

Of course, there some rude and invasive questions, too.

One of the most frustrating things is people's comments," said Carole Kody. "I can't believe all of the people who ask if we used fertility drugs. Like it's any of their business if we did or didn't. People can be so rude!

"People will say, 'Ooh, I feel so sorry for you," she added. "It's ridiculous. Or, they'll say, 'You must not get any sleep,' or, 'I'm glad it's you, not me."

"Yeah, I'm glad it's not you, too," sneered Ace Merlino, in reference to those who make such comments. "If they have that kind of attitude, yeah, thank God it is us and not them!"

"But, then you get some nice comments, too," said Carole

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Kody. "One lady said, 'God must have known you could handle them."

Coping with three new babies at the same time isn't easy, the parents said

"It takes a really good partner to do this," said Lisa Lindbloom. "All of the husbands are really,

really involved." "It takes teamwork between the parents," said Lesley Merlino. "Tve got the best husband in the world. He is so good with the

All of the parents agreed that having three babies brought major changes to their lives. But, they all agreed that they would do it over again.

"Even if I knew beforehand that I was going to have triplets, I would definitely do it over again," said Susan Gannon. "I wouldn't trade the experience for the world."

If you have triplets, or are pregnant with triplets, and would be interested in meeting these families call Carole Kody, (734) 416-0914. Group members are also seeking anyone with hand-me-downs.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF THE CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 1998 GENERAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that October 5, 1998, is the last day registrations can be accepted in order to be eligible to vote in the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 1998. Registrations will be accepted at the Township Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or at any Secretary of State Office. Other designated State Agencies are also accepting voter registrations. Persons with special needs who are unable to register in the above mentioned manner are urged to contact the Clerk's Office at 397-5367 and special arrangements can be made. accepted postmarked by October 5, 1998. Mail-in registration will be

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OMNIPOINT TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 22.02B.14 FOR PART OF PARCEL NO 002-99-0001-702. Property is located east of Haggerty Road, south of Joy Road.

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



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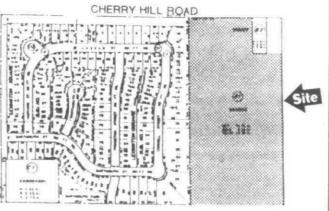
CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 5, 1998, in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7 00 p.m. on the following proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance

CHERRY HILL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PUD) AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE CHERRY HILL PUD AGREEMENT TO MODIFY THE SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS CANTON TOWNSHIP ZONING CODE, AS AMENDED DECEMBER 9, 1969), TO INCREASE BUILDING HEIGHT FROM 30 FEET TO 35 FEET FOR MULTIPLE UNIT BUILDINGS AND BUILDING SEPARATION OF NOT LESS THAN 20 FEET FOR 2-UNIT BUILDINGS ON PARCEL NO 085 99 0002 000 DESIGNATED FOR MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT IN THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT, AND PROPOSED FOR DEVELOPMENT AS THE ORCHARDS CONDOMINIUMS. Property is located on the south side of Cherry Hill Road between Sheldon Road and the Morton Taylor Road Right-of-Way

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



VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION

PLEASE NOTE that Monday, October 5, 1998, is the last date to register for the General Election to be held on Tuesday. November 3, 1998. Registration for Township electors will be taken at the Office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, or at any Secretary of State Office. The phone number of the Township Clerk is 453-3840 X 224. The office of the Člerk is open from 8:00 a.m., to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday If a resident is unable to register during those hours, a call to the Clerk's Office can set up a convenient time for the resident.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH Notice to Bidders

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LINDA LANGMESSER, CMC/AAE

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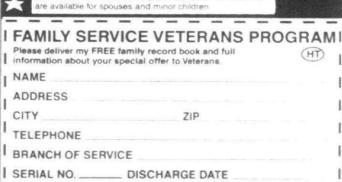
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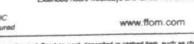
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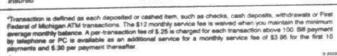


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Rouge wetlands

County removes sites at group's request

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK

Wayne County officials have agreed with a group of environmentalists and decided to remove three sites from a list of 11 proposed wetlands mitigation sites along the Rouge River.

On Wednesday, Sept. 16, a committee overseeing the wetands mitigation bank and the proposed list removed the sites cross Hines Drive from Nankin Mills in Westland. Committee member Cameron Priebe, director of Wayne County public services, suggested the sites should not be considered, and three other committee members

We want to show good faith to the environmental communiv." Priebe said. "We want to show them that we are taking Drive. these things seriously.

In August, Bill Craig of Livonia, Jack Smiley of Westland and Sierra Club representatives suggested the committee remove four sites because wetlands mitigation may harm the natural habitat and lessen educational opportunities for children in Wayne County parks.

Wayne County had proposed the sites for a wetlands mitiga- developer to offset, in advance,

at work . .



Wetlands: Jack Smiley of Westland, a member of the Sierra Club, is happy with the county's decision to drop the three most contentious sites along Hines

man-made wetlands to offset A happy outcome removal of other wetlands due to development. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality must issue a permit for any wetlands construction

Under the Wayne County program, a wetlands "bank" will generate mitigation credits that the county can use or sell to a tion bank to create artificial or the loss of wetlands.

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to make it more positive," Smiley said. "They deserve credit." Discussions with the committee were encouraging, and Craig said he was pleased with the committee's action. "We felt there was a need to maintain lic aboard and build some trust. he was willing to remove these sites. They needed some public

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Smiley was pleased that the

county dropped the "most con-

tentious site." (The three sites

were actually one contiguous

site along Hines Drive but were

divided into three because of

scussions with Wayne County parks officials about using the site and its field habitat for further educational programs on native grasses or wildflowers. 'A trail system could be developed there, or we thought naybe a handicapped trail. where it is next to impossible to ave that in the (nearby Holliav Nature) preserve.

Priebe said he expected these uggestions would be considered parks officials and may be corporated into the county's naster recreation plan, which is expected to be completed next

Making wetlands

As for the creation of wetlands at the other sites, Priebe expected Wayne County can monitor such a project easily through the nearby Wayne County parks

Wetlands construction involves digging out dirt and planting plants that thrive in wetland areas. These plants also improve the water quality because they filter the water runoff from storms, Priebe said.

their different characteristics That process will assist Wayne County and Rouge River "They really turned it around mmunities in their attempts to meet federal water quality requirements for storm water runoff While it is too early to tell how effective these programs are and whether they are enough, Craig believes it helps different kinds of habitat, and that everyone works together on Cameron Priebe, to get the pub- these projects concerning the

"In this watershed plan, there needs to be more coordination support and endorsement in this between paralleled programs,

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and has a special interest in treating

at Wayne State University, Dr. Dodds

completed his internship and residency

awards and activities, Dr. Dodds was honored as Resident Teacher of the Year each year from 1995 through 1998. He is

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Culinary from page A8

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Karen Wilson, president and

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owner of Central Beer Distribu

tors and a member of the School

Wilson paid \$3,000 to host a

seven-course dinner for eight in

her Monroe home prepared by

Schoolcraft Master Chef Kevin

Gawronski. The dinner comes

Lyn Bankes and the Michigan

Grape and Wine Council. To

round out the package School-

craft wine instructor Lee Her-

shey, who also donated wine,

the night of the dinner.

will offer a commentary on wine

"I've purchased dinners from

the chefs before and I know how

Schoolcraft's director of continu-

ing education, was surprised

with the "Lap of Luxury" pack

age purchased by her husband

Bob. He offered the winning bid

two-night stay at the Grand Tr

Chateau Chantal Winery and

Colleen Pobur, chair of the live

auction, attributed its success to

a "very talented, dedicated team

unique and attractive to bidders

and Chef Kevin Gawronski who

"He really added a spark and

did a wonderful job as auction-

local knowledge we couldn't

have gotten from anyone else.

of people working together to

make sure the packages we

designed were interesting,

of \$1,750 for use of a Jaguar,

verse Resort, VIP tour of

wonderful they are," said Wil-

Katrina VanderWoude,

with wine donated by state Rep.

Local guests Spotted in the crowd at Sunday's event were Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards, Beth Stewart, directo of Plymouth's Historical Museum, and her husband, attorney John Stewart and Plymouth Canton School Trustee Darwin

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of Jewish New Year which began t sundown Sunday. Also in the crowd were Livonia reasurer Laura Toy, a candi-

Watts and wife, Cindy. Honorary co-chair Florine Mark was spotted making the rounds, greeting guests and offering kudos to event planners for a job well done. She encouraged the audience to bid on the wonderful packages before head ing off to a family dinner for Rosh Hashana, the celebration

late for state House, Katherine

Ensman, director of economic development for the Livonia Chamber of Commerce, Livonia and Redford state Rep. Lyn Bankes, Schoolcraft College rustees Pat Watson and Brian Broderick, Sharon Snodgrass of Farmington Hills and Patricia Smith of Livonia, attorneys with Brashear, Tangora and spence in Livonia.

Working hard but enjoying themselves were culinary committee members and community supporters Shirley and Chuck Ritter of Northville Township and Saundra Florek of Canton Township, dean of the marketing and development at Schoolcraft, who played a major role in coordinating Sunday's event.

Also on hand were Marcia and Joe Sayles of Plymouth Township and Suzanne Cleere, vice president for women's and children's services at Garden City Hospital.

Schoolcraft President Richard McDowell rolled up his sleeves and was busy selling raffle tickets and greeting guests.

The winners of Sunday's raffle are Tammie Callahan of Westand (two round trip tickets on Northwest Airlines), Penny Vert of Livonia (Las Vegas trip for two courtesy of Livonia Travel Service), Art Gulick of Plymouth auto lease from Saturn of Farmington Hills), Joe Smulsky of Canton (diamond ring from Orin Jewelers of Garden City and Northville) and Laurie Marrs of Northville (dinner for four at Too Chez! in Novi)

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Sampling: Mary Bullach of Farmington Hills samples the shrimp-and-rice entree prepared by chefs (from right) Deni Smiljanovski, Wesley Holton and Terance Tarver of The Golden Mushroom in Southfield.

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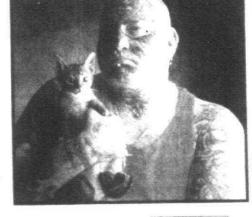
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Canton Observer

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1998

Unplugged

Clinton video poses dilemma

It's time to curb truck weight

ow many of us remember sitting in our lassrooms as the teacher rolled in a arge boxy television set - the kind with the rotary dial channel changer - and told us history was in the making?

Many of us watched history unravel before our eyes: the funeral of John F. Kennedy; Neal Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's walk on the moon in 1969; the April 17, 1970, splashdown of Apollo 13 into the Pacific Ocean after six frightening days in space; and the 1974 resignation of former President Richard Nixon.

In the 1980s, we watched in horror as the space shuttle Challenger blasted off with school teacher Christa McAuliffe on board and seconds later exploded. Ingrained in our memories will be the look of despair and confusion upon the faces of McAuliffe's parents. We also replay the assassination attempt on former President Ronald Reagan.

Times sure have changed. There's a television in nearly every classroom today. News of the world around us. It's more graphic and more violent. In the past months it's been downright raunchy

On Monday, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools had to grapple with a problem every school district across the country was also dealing with that very day - whether to allow students to view the videotaped federal

The earth is flat. Cigarettes are good for you.

Few people believe any of those three tall

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Big trucks don't wreck Michigan roads.

you all three are wrong. Yet the trucking

industry and some lawmakers insist the

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gan motorists.

things worse.

deplorable condition of Michigan roads isn't

the fault of heavy trucks that are unique to

Most state in the Union limit truck weights

to 40 tons. Michigan and Louisiana allow 82-

ton monsters. One need only cross the border

of I-75 and US-23 into Ohio, or I-69 and I-94

The issue arose in mid-1994 when the Leg-

The issue resurfaced, along with some new

data, in Lansing recently when two Macomb

County senators introduced a bill to cut truck

Democrats Art Miller and Ken DeBeaus-

licans as Transportation Committee Chair

and Redford, and David Jaye of Macomb

saert say they have support from such Repub-

Phil Hoffman, Bob Geake of Northville, whose

Certainly they have support of most Michi-

Certainly they have support from people

cycles of southeastern Michigan winters. Our

roads are susceptible to potholes because of

the erratic weather. The 82-ton trucks make

ers sensitive to its lobbyists, say it's axle

say an 11-axle, 42-wheel cement hauler

weight, not gross weight, that counts. They

doesn't do any more damage than other vehi-

The trucking industry, along with lawmak-

familiar with the freeze-thaw, freeze-thaw

district includes Livonia, Plymouth, Canton

islature - after a decade of neglect under two

governors - got around to raising fuel taxes.

Lawmakers voted down an amendment to

into Indiana to realize Michigan roads are

taking an unnecessary pounding.

lower truck weight limits.

weight limits over five years.

grand jury testimony of President Bill Clinton. All that was known about the video was that Clinton admitted to having a sexual relationship with intern Monica Lewinsky. It was being broadcast in its entirety on many television networks without being edited - in most cases it was being viewed for the first time by network producers as well.

Yes, it was history in the making. Unfortunately, it was history in the making a la Jerry

After two hours of students' viewing the video at the high school, Superintendent Chuck Little pulled the plug on any classroom broadcasts of the Clinton video - the first time in history the president of the United States testified before a federal grand jury.

In our view, Little had no other choice. At a time when the school district is looking at ways to cut its budget due to fewer state dollars, it isn't the time to roll sex education and political science into one curriculum. It's has become instant with play-by-play coverage | not up to the schools to teach morals and values. It's up to parents, who come from different religious and ethnic backgrounds.

Little isn't opposed to a lesson plan that includes the Clinton-Lewinsky scandal, and neither are we. It's shameful that society has come to a point in which history has to be watered down before being told to our youth.

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and Louisiana allow 82-ton mon-

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with slower reflexes, are particularly likely to

Large trucks are especially dangerous in

way of life. Loaded tractor-trailers take 20 to

40 percent farther than cars to stop. Unloaded

rigs have a tendency to "jackknife." Fatalities

such as the one on the east side of I-94 a cou-

ple of weeks ago - the one where a trucker

slammed into an ambulance - will become

truckers blow smoke into their minds with

their "axle weight" fables. The 82-ton trucks

are more dangerous than other vehicles.

Michigan can't afford more fuel taxes and

more deaths because of its too lenient truck-

We encourage area lawmakers not to let the

more common as our roads become more

southeastern Michigan, where "tailgating" is a

The wheels on the bus ... need fixing



Bus problems: Plymouth-Canton school officials say a large number of buses in disrepair has led to late and longer bus runs for many students. About \$3 million to buy new buses is tied up in the court battle over the March 1997

LETTERS

Lost votes

y family and I have lived in Plymouth for 11 years, and during that time I have enthusiastically supported the school system, including active involvement on the old "I Care" committee as well as earning Isbister's annual "Busy Bee" award. Sadly, my admiration for our school board has tarnished since the infamous bond issue vote.

Seven hundred and sixteen votes were lost in that election. The law supports the school board's decision not to recapture those lost votes. The school board chooses to stand behind the law, declaring that they have met all the conditions required.

Unfortunately, our judicial system and its laws are not without flaws. Oftentimes, our laws allow well-seasoned criminals to remain on the streets. All laws that are followed do not necessarily serve the public well.

Perhaps the school board is following the Of the people killed in 1996 in two-vehicle law, but are they doing the right thing? I can't crashes involving a passenger vehicle and a help but wonder if one of the lost 716 votes large truck, 98 percent were occupants of the might be mine. The message that I have passenger vehicles - so says the Insurance received from the school board is that they want my money, not my vote. Large trucks in 1995 accounted for 3 per-

Sandy Baranski Plymouth

Bond is for children

mpending fatherhood means Achyut Jajoo is one very busy man.

Besides the usual hectic planning and preparation every future father lives through, Achyut has taken the time from his very busy schedule to work for the passage of the Lowell Middle School Replacement Bond.

Achyut considers his work for the Citizens Election Committee as not only hours well spent but a family obligation. His father had many a sacrifice to ensure that Achyut had received a quality public school education. Now he says it is his duty to do so as well, not only for his child but for all the children within the community.

Public education in the Plymouth-Canton community where Achyut and his wife Smita plan to raise their much anticipated firstborn, is the family's top concern.

A replacement middle school which is ready to welcome 760 students by the start of the 2000-2001 school year needs to be the No. 1 priority of everyone in our community.

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> Martha Trafford Canton The Citizens Election Committee

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Bunny Mauer, long-time Band Booster

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POINTS OF VIEW

\$18.8 million bond issue

Vote Yes: It's all about need Vote No: Don't buy the hype

n Saturday, Oct. 3, our community will exercise one of our most precious rights, the right to vote. By comparison to almost every other election, this one is very simple. Our community is being asked to decide if we want to maintain our present middle school capacity and support the safe transportation of our students to and from school. This



comes in the form of a bond election to build a middle school to replace Lowell Middle School and to purchase 8-10 school buses to allow our students to be transported safely This is about the growth in our community.

It is not a referendum on the school board. It has nothing to do with lawsuits, high school placement or any past elections. It is simply about replacing a leased middle school with one we will own, and purchasing the bare minimum number of busses to transport our students. There are many other issues in our community regarding our schools and this bond has nothing to do with any of them. Here are the facts:

FACT: The amount of the bond is approximately \$19.7 million dollars, with the money being used to build a replacement middle school and purchase 8-10 buses.

FACT: The tax increase associated with this bond would be 0.2 mills. This means that for a house worth \$200,000 your tax increase would be \$20 per year!

FACT: Lowell represents one of our five current middle schools and its loss without replace ment would mean a significant change in the way our middle school students are educated. FACT: Our district has leased Lowell Middle

School from the Livonia Public Schools for the part 18 years. The Livonia Schools have made decision not to renew the lease effective at the end of the 1999-2000 school year. FACT: The district bus fleet is in desperate

need of replacement buses. Without replacement buses it is becoming increasingly difficult to provide basic transportation for our students. FACT: This election is being held to allow the completion of the new building in time for the

2000-01 school year. It is being held on a Saturday to do everything possible to increase voter

Those are the basic facts. An unsuccessful vote on Oct. 3 will affect every person in our community. All middle school students will see a significant change in their education beginning in the 2000-01 school year. While plans have not been finalized by the district, the currently discussed options seem to include year round school or double sessions where a group of students attend school perhaps 6 a.m. until noon and another group from noon-6 p.m. Many people also seem to be suggesting the use of portable classrooms. This option would mean the need for the purchase of 25 or more portables at about \$60,000 each. With this \$1.5 million coming from the general fund, many current district programs would have to be reduced or eliminated to cover the cost of the portables.

Even if you have no students affected, you will feel the effect of a negative vote. If you are a property or business owner, your property or business value is tied to the quality of the public schools in our community

Unfortunately for all of us, a negative vote on Oct. 3 will be reflected in lower values immedi-

Sound too strong? Sound like a threat? It is neither. These words are based on the data from other school districts who have unsuccessfully faced the same issues. The loss of property value, business value and community worth are all easily accessible thanks to the wealth of information available on the Internet. Don't take my word for it. Get the information for vourself.

Ask the business leaders how important it is. Both the Plymouth and Canton chambers of commerce have endorsed this bond election. Many of the governmental leaders in our community have also endorsed this bond. This type of widespread public endorsement of school bonds is unprecedented in the nearly 10 years that I have lived in this community. I am confident that once you have gotten the facts, you will join me in voting yes. On Saturday, Oct. 3, just say yes to your community!

Mark Horvath is chairman of the bond election committee and former president of the

duty to vote "No" on the special bond issue on Oct. 3. This may seem a strange position to be taking in light of the apparent need, if you believe the hype of the school administration. However, a close exami-

nation of the facts will

will only make things

bear out that a "yes" vote



We only have to recall the last bond fiasco to uncover the administration's sinister modus operandi. They announced, after hiring a so-called expert to make projections on student counts, that the district would have 330 more students for the school year '97-'98. The actual count after the election revealed only 30 more students that then fell to negative numbers due to the worst dropout rate in the history of the district. Not only did they mislead us about the need for more schools, they, in my opinion, intentionally manipulated the election by (1) holding the election in March, so that seniors who travel would not have a voice, (2) changing the voting day from Monday to a Saturday, (3) failing to send out absentee ballot requests, (4) failing to train more than 10 percent of the election workers, (5 failing to instruct voters on how to use new equipment, (6) failing to follow election laws and

(7) using a defective voting system. Now, according to accounts in this paper, they are expecting up to 600 more students this year. Either they are so incompetent that they don't really know what is actually going on in the district or they have taken a chapter from the Clinton book that says, "If the first lie does not work, tell a bigger one the next time."

Additionally, they say that the district is losing a middle school that was leased from Livonia. We should ask why all of a sudden after almost 20 years does Livonia need another school building when they have had a continuously failing student population and have just recently torn down a half dozen school buildings? Why didn't the school board protect us with a long-term lease? Why did they ignore the | School of Law.

ham when she advised them to plan for a middle school not a new high school? Why, if they need another middle school, do they plan to sell Central Middle School? The answer is the school board/administration are either stupid, incompetent, negligent or are acting to benefit only themselves not the children. What the school administration has also failed to tell you is that more than 15 years ago we had student counts as high or higher than present and we housed them in fewer schools. Why do we need more, larger buildings?

Next, they are crying that the school buses are too dangerous for the children to ride in. We should ask why were they OK in June '98 and after a summer of non-use are they in such bad shape? Why did they take such large pay increases over the past two years instead of maintaining the school buses? I know, it's because they care about kids. What have they done with the 5-plus million dollars they just received from the state?

Several of my friends who have children in the district middle schools have reported that the district is threatening longer school days if they do not pass the bond. This of course will not happen; it is only to scare you.

A "yes" vote will only make the system worse. We as parents do not give our children more allowance money once they have squandered the first. It would only encourage more irresponsible behavior. We should not and can not give money to a board/administration that has not first performed their duties with true care and concern. We can not and should not give money to a board/administration that says it is OK to violate a citizen's right to vote. They have truly lost their right to run our school district when they mislead us to gain our money only to build an empire for themselves

A "No" vote will not hurt the children, but it will allow us to take back control of our schools and then hire personnel that will act in the best interest of our children.

Jerry Vorva is a 25 year resident of Plymouth, and is a former City Commissioner and State Representative who served as a member of the K-12 Education Committee and holds a Juris Doc torate degree from University of Detroit Mercy

Exam dodging at Oxford showed Clinton's character

'Tis education forms the common mind Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined.

hese famous lines from Alexander Pope have come with increasing frequency to my mind as the sorry unraveling of Bill Clinton's presidency proceeds apace.

Character counts. And character shows up very early in a life, often in obscure ways that only become clear with the passage of events. This is a story about Bill Clinton when he

was a young Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University. I happen to know something about this period in Clinton's life because I, too, was at Oxford, as a Marshall Scholar. Although Clinton was at Oxford from 1968-1970 and I was there from 1962-1964, we both were members of University College, one of the smaller, nicer colleges at Oxford. Not much happens at a small Oxford college without all members' knowing about it.

Now when you win a prestigious scholarship to study at Oxford University, you undertake a certain obligation to play the academic game according to the rules. Unlike American universities, where hour exams lead to final exams in a semester-by-semester progression, at Oxford there are no exams until the end of your course of study.

Then you take something called "Examination Schools," a two-week period of written examinations covering the entire syllabus you are studying, often followed by an oral examination based on your written answers. Needless to say, this is a pretty terrifying

experience, especially for the British, whose careers often are substantially determined by their results in "Schools" I've seen friends literally throwing up as they entered the examination hall. And I'm not ashamed to confess I was plenty nervous when undergoing the process. Now many people know of Bill Clinton's

assertion that he didn't inhale when asked if he smoked marijuana at Oxford. And some know that while at Oxford, Clinton threw himself passionately into the protest movement against the war in Vietnam.

But what few people know is that Bill Clinton never took his Examination Schools at Oxford. As a result, he never received an undergraduate degree from Oxford The entry in Who's Who in America merely says, "postgrad, Oxford U,

I learned about this about the time Clinton received an honorary degree from Oxford University in 1994. Some of my friends from Uni-



versity College called to twit me about the fact that Bill Clinton must be the only person who ever received an honorary degree from Oxford without first having earned an degree from undergraduate study there.

for not taking his Examination Schools was that he had spent so much time and energy protesting against the Vietnam War and simply wasn't prepared. He didn't want to go through the emotionally wrenching experience of taking all those examinations only to receive poor marks.

They also said that the reason Clinton gave

I was troubled when I first heard the story. but I didn't make a big deal of it. Obviously it meant more to somebody who has been through the whole searing experience of Oxford exams than to most folks. But as time went on and the questions about

President Clinton's character became more and more serious. I found myself coming back to the story again and again. Here is a guy who wins perhaps the most prestigious scholarship in the world, who goes off to Oxford to study for a degree. Instead, he gets diverted from his course of study by a sexy protest movement. And then, instead of taking his examinations the way the rules require, he simply passes and goes back to America, eventually to become president

Character counts Responsible character means being prepared to face the consequences of choices made, instead of evading them with one excuse or another. Character does count. And character often

shoes up very early in life

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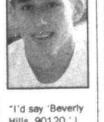


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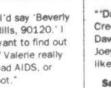








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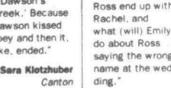


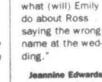
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High rents

After taking office in 1995, Miller made a speech in which she complained that her predecessor, Democrat Richard Austin, had set up five Secretary of State branch offices in Democratic-leaning Flint, with a shrinking population, but zero in growing Republican areas like Wixom and Novi. What has she changed?

"We've done a study demographically to see where people want to do business," Miller said. "We did a canvass of the Wixom-Novi area, one of the explosive growth areas in the state. The real estate is a little expensive right now.

"In lieu of that, we'd like to offer customers options where they don't have to go to branch offices all the time. Now you can renew (vehicle plate licenses) by mail, by phone, by fax, by Internet. We have a mobile branch office taking service to you.

"Already the touch-tone option has taken several hundred thousand transactions annually. We're the first state agency to be interactive on the Internet.

"We do 17 million transactions annually. We'd like to move about 40 percent to one of these other modes instead of face-toface contact. It's better for you

and less expensive for the state." Miller would like to see twoyear vehicle late registrations.

She believes drivers of leased vehicles - 40 percent of the market - would like that.

"We're looking to install kiosks, similar to banking ATMs, in shopping malls."

Parks took the opposite view, saying "we should bring the office back to the people." She criticized the state's ending of giving driver's tests at the Secretary of State office.

Parks supports the 1993 Democratic federal "motor-voter" law which requires states to accept voter registrations not only in Secretary of State offices which Michigan has had since the mid-1980s) but also welfare, unemployment and public health

Engler's administration fought implementation of that law but lost in court.

Parks fined

Republicans and the Michigan Chamber of Commerce have made an issue of Parks' being fined repeatedly for failing to file campaign finance statements on time. Miller said her office has fined Parks "several thousands of dollars," including \$170 for the state Senate primary that Parks lost Aug. 3.

"I honestly have never met Mary Lou Parks," Miller said. "The only interaction I've had with her is campaign finance enforcement. She is a blatant

Miller added, "Disclosure is the operative phrase. It's important for people to understand who's trying to influence these elections" through disclosure of contributions.

Parks replied: "Isn't that very nice to say? I serve as a legislator, and yet she doesn't know me, and yet she can charge me. That speaks to what I've been talking about. She should have been able to work out the mechanics and make sure that the campaign finance law is ready to be workable."

"I'd like to change the complexity of the campaign finance law," Parks said. "It is very complicated. It's not being administered very well by our present Secretary of State, so that makes it more complicated."

Cut list access

In her acceptance speech at the Democratic State Convention, Parks said she wants to end the sale of "confidential lists to criminals." What criminals has the state sold lists to?

"Well, as a legislator," Parks said, "I get complaints that information has been given out by the Secretary of State office. Consumers should be protected. Many times people harass you, and for fraudulent things. I call them criminals. I don't think anyone should have any information about you that's provided to an agency such as the Secre-

tary of State." Parks was asked about newspaper exposures, using state drunken driving records, of school bus drivers, airline pilots and a gubernatorial candidate. Should that be stopped?

"I feel we have law enforcement ... they should do the things they should do," Parks replied. "The Secretary of State should not be allowing other people to get personal and private information."

Interviews with Miller and Parks will be broadcast at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, on WXYZ-TV Channel 7.

Parks host Pioneer Day

Wayne County Parks and Recreation celebrates America's rugged past 1-3 p.m. Saturday with its first Pioneer Day at the historic Nankin Mills in Westland.

For \$2, visitors will get to see what life involved during the late 17th and 18th centuries. Parks staff will demonstrate how to make candles and show off the art of tinsmithing. Fresh cider will be pressed on the premises. Children can join in old-fashioned games.

The Just Friends Trio will play a variety of acoustical instruments.

People interested in making their own cider to take home must bring a bushel of apples and three clean plastic jugs. Hint: Mixed vari-

eties of apples make the best-

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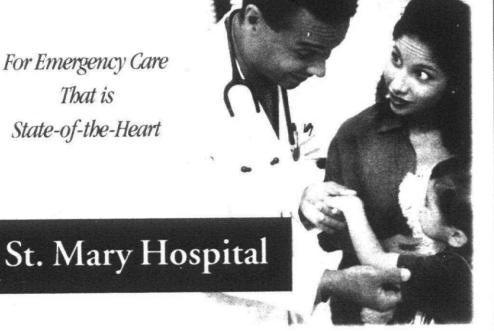
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Getting ready: Rachel Rose, cantorial soloist (from left), Rabbi Peter Gluck, Jay Miller,

president of the congre-

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atore, cantorial soloist, rehearse a

song prior to last Sunday's Rosh

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Thursday, September 24, 1998



JACK GLADDEN

No downtowns give the 'burbs' an identity crisis

"You can forget all your troubles, forget all your cares

"So go downtown, things'll be great when you're

"Downtown - no finer place, for sure "Downtown - everything's waiting for you.'

-Tony Hatch recorded by Petula Clark

n Canton Township, some of the elected officials have been trying for years to figure out exactly where "downtown" is located. The best guess is the area of Ford Road and Sheldon, home to - among other things - a small shopping mall east of Sheldon anchored by Kroger, another mall to the west now anchored by Kohl's, a gas station, a party store, a bank and a Mexican restaurant.

A few years ago the township installed streetlights along Ford Road from Sheldon east to Morton Taylor, where you'll find a Target store, Frank's Nursery, a Boston Market and a small office/professional building. Presumably the street lights were placed to identify "downtown Canton.

Then there's the Ford Road/Canton Center area (where Julien's store once used to exist) now dominated by the Meijer megastore and a new super Kroger across the street. Farther south on Canton Center is the "official" complex: the administration building (including the police department), the new fire station, the old historical museum, the library, Heritage Park and Canton's own Parthenon, the Summit on the Park.

Canton does have a "Downtown Development Authority" which covers a designated section along Ford Road and is seeking to expand its authority father east as more and bigger devel-

So where, exactly, is "downtown Canton"? And does anyone really

Could it be envy?

I don't know what it is with suburban officials, but many of them seem to suffer from "downtown envy." They don't want to accept the fact that most of the suburbs around here are amorphous collections of subdivisions they grew up. And that's life in the big city. Or, in this case, the suburbs.

A few communities that are now considered "suburbs" started out as small towns in their own right. Suburban expansion engulfed them, but they managed to retain much of their original identity and structure. Thus Plymouth has a genuine downtown; Canton doesn't. Northville has a downtown; Novi doesn't. Farmington still has pretty much of a downtown; Farmington Hills doesn't. Rochester does; Troy doesn't.

If Westland has a downtown, it's Westland Center - a shopping mall. Garden City has vestiges of a downtown at Ford Road and Middlebelt the old Orin Jewelers building - but that's about it.

Even a city the size of Livonia just doesn't have it. A downtown, that is. There's the Civic Center area around Five Mile and Farmington roads, but that's all government buildings and facilities. There's no town square with a steepled courthouse, surrounded by local shops and restaurants.

Around San Francisco back in the '60s, such suburbs were called "Bedroom Communities." And that was a pretty good description. If you wanted to go "downtown," you went to the city. And what a downtown it was.

A few years ago, when Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack was on one of his perennial campaigns to stake out a "downtown," I wrote facetiously that if he really wanted a downtown Canton he should just buy Plymouth and rename it.

There's an answer

But now I think I've found the answer to the downtown problem in, of all places, Redford Township. Redford, a suburb that actually abuts Detroit, was one of the early victims

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'House of Friends'

Jewish congregation focuses on being 'at home'



Members of Congregation Bet Chaverim like being in Wayne County because it has afforded them the opportunity to focus on quality not quantity with Jewish families in western Wayne area.

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO

Jay and Sue Miller were a bit disenchanted with large, impersonal Jewish congregations in Oakland County. Sometimes it took them 45 minutes to exit the parking lots. Other times, when they arrived late to a service, they were forced to sit so far back that they could only see the rabbi on closed-circuit televisions.

In response to that, the couple moved from Commerce Township to Novi and started its own congregation, Bet Chaverim.

"After reading about it in the paper, we attended a potluck dinner and we decided to band together to form a congregation," Jay Miller explained.

Soon thereafter, Miller was named president of the congregation and his wife, Sue, the social activities direc-

"We picked Wayne County because there's not one out here for Jewish people to go to. I get a very rewarding feeling being able to spearhead this drive," Miller explained.

"It's a more family-like atmosphere; everyone knows each other," Sue added. "Bet Chaverim is Hebrew for

House of Friends. Services were held at members' homes initially. But, now in its fifth year, the congregation includes 25 families who meet at Cherry Hill nited Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge Road at Cherry Hill Road, Canton. Services are held at 7:30 p.m. Fridays followed by a social oneg the third Friday of every month. The staff includes a full-time rabbi and cantori-

"The room was designed for community use, and they were kind enough to allow us time once a month. We convert the sanctuary from a church sanctuary to a Judaic sanctuary," Miller explained. "We're purposely growing slowly because we want quality not quantity. If you walk into the building. I'll walk right un to you and introduce myself to you. I want to learn about you.

We want you to know about us and see what we're like. We want you to feel like you're at home."

Expanded services

Services have been expanded next week in celebration of Yom Kippur, the day of atonement. They will be held at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, at Cherry Hill United Methodist Church. A service and break-fast (breaking the fast) follows at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, at Gainsborough, a clubhouse in the Sunflower subdivision in Canton.

Activities in October include Sukket at neen Sunday, Oct. 4, at Northville Montessori School, 15709 Haggerty Road, Northville Township, playgroup at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at a location to be announced; and Simchat Torah at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16. at Cherry Hill United Methodist Church.

"Until the congregation gets larger and we can afford our own building, we're using the kindness of the local community," Miller said. "That's what we like about Wayne County It's afforded us the opportunity to do

According to Miller, Congregation Bet Chaverim is Wayne County's fastest-growing reformed Jewish congregation and offers religious services for a diversified group of people, including single parents, interfaith couples, interfaith families, couples and families. The only other Jewish congregation in this area is the con

servative Congregation Beit Kodesh in Livonia.

The reformed is open to all Jewish people seeking a Jewish identity, ither interfaith or both Jewish. Miller said. "With the conservative, both the husband and the wife have to be Jewish to be considered Jewish in a conservative temple.

Since its creation five years ago. Congregation Bet Chaverim has added a religious school that meets at 10:30 a.m. Sundays at the Northville Montessori School.

"We started with the school by holding classes in somebody's kitchen. then we moved into a clubhouse and

now the Montessori," Sue Miller said. The goal of the CBC Religious School, which has grown to include 24 children, is to provide a positive environment in which families wishing to raise their children as Jews may do so in a way which is affirming and posi-

Respecting traditions

While respecting traditions, the CBC curriculum encourages a creative response from both teachers and students so that the ritual, ethics. history and theology of Judaism may be interpreted to fit the modern

Students at the school are taught

Please see CONGREGATION, B2

Taking a stand: Sixteen-vear-old Jenni Judyeki carried the sign telling passers-by that members of St. ThomasA'Becket Church in Canton were participating in the walk.



CROP Walk takes bite out of world hunger

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO. STAFF WRITER

Linda Besh and Tim Gossett are expecting big things for this year's Plymouth Canton Community CROP Walk 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27 thanks to a renewed sense of faith within the area.

"We're putting the word out there and people are getting excited," said Besh, one of the many organizers of the event. "The faith community is growing and more and more people are studying and going to church

She said that believers are now see ing that dedication to faith and religion takes more than studying and going to church every Sunday. They have to take action

The Plymouth Canton Community CROP Walk is one opportunity to take action. The walk begins and ends at what Gossett calls "CROP walk central," First United Methodist Church, 45201 N Territorial Road, west of Sheldon Road

Walkers have their choice of a 3-or

6-mile trail that passes numerous participating churches, including First Baptist, Our Lady of Good Counsel First Presbyterian and New Life Lutheran churches in Plymouth and St Kenneth, St. John Neumann, St. Thomas A'Becket, Geneva Presbyter ian, Resurrection Catholic and Cherry Hill United Methodist churches in

Any other church is welcome to partherpate. Gossett said.

This year's honorary walk chairman. is City Commissioner Dennis Shrews bury who will be accompanied by Wayne County Commissioner Thad deus McCotter and Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano

A design by All Saints Catholic School fourth-grader Timothy Harmon of Canton was chosen for this year's promotional poster. His award winning design shows a globe held up by two hands with the words "Feed the hungry" We need your help!" hand-printed above it. He received \$50 for his

Please see CROP WALK, B2

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

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Also All Saints fourth-graders, Elisabeth Stratton of Plymouth took second place winning \$25, and Bridget LeFevre of Canton

won third place and \$25. The theme of the poster contest was, "Feed the hungry, around the corner and around the world." The school also is hosting an lay leaders rather than generally

Recruiting walkers

hunger through self-help devel- make."

hunger.

We've been contacting a lot of assembly to teach children about sending out letters asking people to come participate. "It's become a challenge Army. between churches to see which This year, organizers are hop- church can get more walkers, or

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As in previous years, 25 percent of the funds raised in Plypersonal," Gossett explained. "We made a lot of phone calls. mouth and Canton will go to the Plymouth Salvation Army. Last development and refugee assisyear 250 walkers raised about \$16,000, which amounted to cil of the Churches of Christ in \$4,124.50 for the Salvation the U.S.A.

"Each community that has a walk is allowed to select an orgaing to recruit 300 walkers and between individual walkers to nization to give up to 25 percent raise \$16,500 to help stop see how much money they can of the funds to. It's been a tradition that we've chosen the Salva-

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the world this year. The inter-

faith events are sponsored by

Church World Service, the relief,

"When the tornado hit Detroit

World Service/CROP regional thing. It's a reminder that so day-to-day basis," she said.

Since 1946, Church World Ser- everything. vice has provided more than 5.3 billion pounds of material assis-Walk is one of 2,000 held around tance in support of relief and development efforts worldwide about \$879 million in food, medical supplies, tents, clothing, blankets, seeds, tools and sewing

tance arm of the National Counand school supplies. Instead of just feeding hungry people, the organization gives them the tools and resources last year, Church World Service that are needed for long-term was there with checks," Besh relief, Besh explained. The Crop Walk has a twofold

purpose, Gossett added. "First, it is held to raise funds CROP is the name given to for world hunger; second, it's an community-wide hunger educa- educational and a conscioustion and fund-raising events ness-raising tool," he said. sponsored by Church World Ser- "When you have 400 walkers, vice and organized by 24 Church that gets noticed. It's a visual

many people have to walk for

Gossett, a Canton resident, learned about the struggle of citizens of Third World countries during missionary trips he took during college.

"They had to walk five miles a day for water," he said. "We take everything for granted." Besh added, "The motto is, 'We walk because they walk."

A Plymouth resident, Besh used high-tech means to learn sacom Inc. in Dearborn. Her fiance is a 1991 graduate about hunger. On the Internet, of Garden City High School. He she played a game where for a is employed as a road sales repweekend she was only allowed to resentative at Southland Landuse water from a giant containscaping Equipment. He is also the owner of Nature by Design, a

"That really put it in perspective for me about what these people have to go through on a

Congregation from page B1

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the basic Jewish religious vocab-school, the Millers said, is one of "My vision is to make that happen, and I'm doing that with the forethought of what I went through before.

"We wanted to establish a western Wayne County because home in this area where people A goal of the school is to bring the housing prices are more can come out and experience each student to Bar/Bat Mitzvah affordable, which created a need their Jewishness. We want them to feel comfortable and welcome "When you're a religion that's in an area that has not seen this

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John and Patricia Rowe of

Westland and James Morawa of

Livonia announce the engage-

ment of their daughter, Brenda

Rae Morawa, to David Michael

White, the son of Dave and Jean-

Westland John Glenn High

School. She is employed as a sec-

retary/project assistant at Ver-

An October wedding is

Dennis and Cheryl Schafer of

Canton announce the engage-

ment of their daughter, Heather,

to Ryan Rowe, the son of Les

The bride-to-be is a 1994 grad-

uate of Plymouth Canton High

School and a 1998 graduate of

Michigan State University. She

is interning at University of

Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor

Her fiance is a 1992 graduate

of Saline High School and a 1997

graduate of Michigan State Uni-

versity. He is an agriscience

teacher at Manchester High

A summer wedding is planned Saline.

and Jackie Rowe of Saline.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of

nie White of Garden City.

landscaping company.

Schafer-Rowe

George and Patricia Wyniarsky of Westland announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Christina Mariah, to Benjamin D. Hayes, the son of Kathleen Haves of Westland and Lennis Haves of Fenton.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Westland John Glenn High School and 1996 graduate of Henry Ford Community College. She is majoring in hearing impaired teaching at Eastern Michigan University. She is employed by Childtime Children's Center and as a substitute teacher in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

Her fiance is a 1993 graduate planned at Our Lady of Perpetuof John Glenn High School. He is al Help Ukranian Catholic employed by Santeiu Vaults Inc. Church.



at St. Andrew's Church in

An October wedding

Corby-Allen

Thomas and Dolores Corby of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon, to Stephen Christopher Allen, the son of Stephen and Mary Allen, also of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. She is studying occupational therapy at Wayne State University. She is employed at Buddy's Pizza. Her fiance is also a graduate

of Livonia Churchill High School. He is employed by Michael Priest and Associates and is planning a career in civil engineering. A June wedding is planned at

planned at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Detroit.

Johnson-Hill-Boland

Kelly Lynn Boland and Nicholas Ian Johnson-Hill were married July 11 at All Saints' Church in Steep, Hampshire, England. The Rev. David Pine officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Patricia Boland of Westland and the late Philip Boland.The groom is the son of Simon and Jenny Johnson-Hill of Petersfield, Hampshire, England.

The bride is a graduate of Wavne State University with a master's degree in sociology.

The groom is a graduate of the University of Ezeter with a pachelor's degree in engineering. He is employed by EDS as a sys-

The bride asked Julie Ann the home of the groom's parents Diel to serve as her maid of before leaving on a honeymoon

The groom asked Christian - trip to Exmoor National Park in Keys to serve as his best man. England. with Patrick Boland and Jonathan Ball as groomsmen. The couple received guests at in Tadley, Hampshire, England.

Julin-Fischer

Robert and Doris Julin of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda J. of Livonia, to John J. Fischer Jr., the son of John Sr. and JoAnn Fischer of Wixom.

a staffing coordinator at Insur-ance Overload Systems Her fiance is employed as a fabricator at L. Rogers and Associates.

The bride-to-be is employed as

An October wedding is anned at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville Township.



St. Alphonsus Church in Dear-



of Central Michigan University

He is employed as an enzymolo gist by Parkdale Pharmaceuticals in Rochester. The bride asked Angela Manini to serve as maid of honor, with Michelle Homan, Anne Johnson and Amy Kilbourn as bridesmaids. Kathleen Kilbourn was flower girl and Chelsea Lee was junior bridesmaid. The groom asked Michael Swathwood to serve as best man, with Kevin Schlosser, Ryan Cobb

Flood-Hardy

Richard Evans Flood and Elizabeth Michelle Hardy were married May 16 at Northville Christian Assembly of God by the Revs. Otis Buchan and Nate Elarton.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Pam Hardy of Westland. The groom is the son of Jim and Mariam Cost of

Abbeville, Ala. The bride is a 1997 graduate of John Glenn High School. The groom is the youth pastor at Bedford Christian Community Assembly of God in Temper

They are making their home The bride asked Erin Hardy to be her maid of honor with bridesmaids Joy Buchan,

> ton and Rebekah McCormack served as flower girls.

Danielle Orlewicz, Alana Tucker was the ringbearer. and Becky Smith. Abigail Elar-The groom asked Steve Flood trip to Toronto and northern



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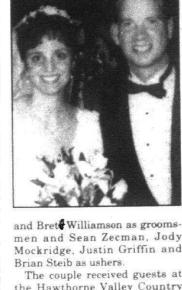
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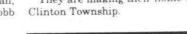
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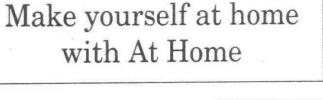




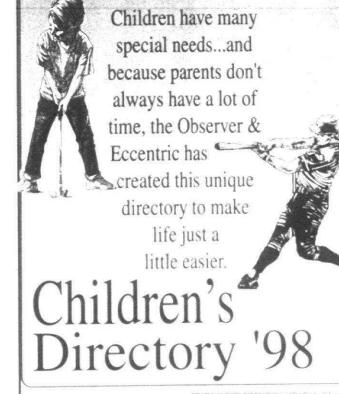
Hawthorne Valley Country Club, the couple left for a honeymoon to be his best man with grooms- Michigan. They are making their men Jason Buchan, James home in Temperance, Mich.

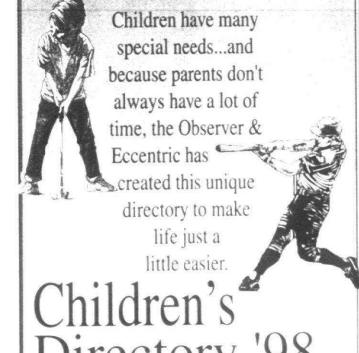
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When it premiered six years ago, the benefit for St. Mary Hospital featured everything from celebrity look-alikes to a fashion show, comedy and enter-

This year, the fund-raiser is promising to be the place to be Thursday, Oct. 15, with good food, entertainment and "a real dance floor for dancing."

"There will be something for everyone," said Sherri Fletcher, director of fund development for the hospital. "It will be a very classy event.'

The black tie optional benefit will be at Laurel Manor in Livo-

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be the toastmaster, with Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey as honorary chair and David Brandon, chairman of the hospital's board of

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PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP

PLANNING COMMISSION

TO REZONE FROM: OS, Office Service, & R-1, Single Family Residentia

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

-1, Neighborhood Shopping District. Containing 2.3 acres, more or less

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymou

Charter Township has received a petition to rezone the following described

property from OS, Office Service, & R-1, Single Family Residential districts, to

ORDINANCE NO. 83

AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 103 WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the map, a printed, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Department of Public Works Building, Community Development Department, during regular

business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior o the meeting. The address for application review and written comment i 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone No. 453-4372. The

meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall. The address for Township Hall is 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend rezoning of the ofoperty to any use allowable under the provisions of the Plymouth Townsh

Part of South west 1/4 Section 34, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, beginning North 89 degrees 58 minutes West 513 16 feet and North 0 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds East 200 feet from South % corner Section 34; thence North 89 degrees 58 minutes West 87.50 feet; thence North 0 degrees 01

minutes 30 seconds East 33 feet; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes East 87.50 feet; thence South 0 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds West 33 feet point of

Part of Southwest 'A Section 34, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, beginning North

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01 minutes 30 seconds East 233 feet; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes

East 87.50 feet; thence South 0 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds West 233 feet

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Part of Southwest ½ Section 34, Town 1 South, Range 8 East described as beginning North 0 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds East 60 feet and North 89 degrees 58 minutes 00 seconds West 74.28 feet; from South 1/4 corner Section 34; thence North 89 degrees 58 minutes 00 seconds West 154.72 feet; thence North 0 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds East 146 feet; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes 00 seconds East 159.60 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds East 159.60 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds East 159.60 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West 146 feet to resint of beginning 150 seconds East 159.60 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds East 159.60 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03

Lot 164, Parklane Meadows Subdivision No. 2, being only the Southeasterly

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Lot 172, Parklane Meadows Subdivision No. 2

39.60 feet by 27.0 feet thereof.

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TO REZONE TO: C-1, Neighborhood Shopping District

honorary host and hostess. Making a return appearance with his full 16-piece orchestra world. will be national known trumpeter Johnny Trudell. Joining nim on stage will be the Karen Newman, known for her rendibefore Detroit Red Wings' home

entertainment at 8 p.m.

Channel 7 and Q95 Radio, will

"Everyone will be able to dance to music like rock n'roll, big band," said Fletcher. "We're

ner at 7 p.m. and dancing and entertainers."

Gene Taylor of WXYZ-TV Top entertainment

music industry today. From the days of Motown to the 1990s, his national reputation as both lead Band. trustees, and his wife, Jan, as and jazz trumpet player and orchestra leader has spanned as entertainment, the people got eighth of a page. the full spectrum of the musical

Newman recently spent six months on tour as a singer with Bob Seger and the Silver Bullet Band and recently released her ing. tion of the national anthem first recording, "Moment in the Wind," on her own label, High Heel Records.

Trudell is regarded as one of But another change was based the finest trumpet players in the on what happened last year to the cocktail party. when The Diamonds performed with Johnny Trudell and his

> up and danced on the carpet," said Julie Sproul, director of community relations. "It was lywood Nights" hotline at (734) spontaneous dancing, so now we 655-2907 have a dedicated area for danc-"We have a real dance floor for

dancing for the first time." Seating will be for 800, and Each year, organizers randomticket sales are already outpacly survey participants about the ing last year, according to event, using their comments as a Fletcher.

nia, starting with a cocktail billing it as an evening of Holly- have been made to allow for ing, dinner, entertainment and as for support of its community party at 6 p.m., followed by din- wood entertainment with local more networking during the the pre-dinner cocktail party outreach programs like chilcocktail party and entertainment with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres. that allows people to sit and Guest seating tickets are \$50 each and include the dinner. entertainment and an invitation

> Sponsors also can lock in a spot in the program through

for full page ads to \$125 for an For more information or to make reservations, call the "Hol-

\$170,000 for the hospital. Proactive in health care, the hospital has used the money raised by "Hollywood Nights" for its Mira-Tickets are \$100 for VIP seat-

education and cancer awareness, and its sleep disorders center.

"The hospital at Five Mile and Levan is something the whole nmunity can be proud of," said Sept. 15. Prices range from \$995 Sr. Mary Renetta, the hospital's president and chief executive officer. "What people give to the hospital we give back to the community. That's the message we want to get out."

"We like to be known as the hospital with a heart," added Sr. Organizers hope to raise Mary Modesta, senior vice-president in charge of special projects for the hospital. "It's important cle of Life Maternity Center and with the best technology and

First Step gets Torch Drive allocation

munity Services for the 1998-

The allocation represents

Oakland and Macomb counties,

"United Way has been at the and United Way has been a ern Michigan.

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First Step, the Western Wayne Way's Torch Drive. Some 130 heart of First Step and the partner ... each year. County Project on Domestic and health and human service agenclients we serve for many years," Sexual Violence, has received cies, helping more than 1.7 mil- said Judy Ellis, First Step's

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ANNIVERSARIES

Katharine Flack and husband Walt of Dearborn Heights, Wilbert and Dorothy Zang, 43-Ronald and wife Pat of Manchyear Livonia residents, celebrat ester and Douglas and wife ed their 50th wedding anniver-Stacey of Wyandotte - and four sary with a three-day weekend t Frankenmuth's Bavarian grandchildren. Lodge, spent with their children and grandchildren. The couple exchanged vows on April 24, 1948, at St. Stephen's

The Zangs' first date was a

blind date spent dancing to the music of the Harry James Band. They still enjoy dancing as well Lutheran Church in Detroit. She as bowling in a mixed league and walking.

They have three children

is the former Dorothy Kerstein.

grandchildren He retired in 1985 from Leslie and Joan Ehlke of Red-Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. ford Township celebrated their She retired in 1994 from the 50th wedding anniversary dur-Ford Motor Co. ing a trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C. They are active with the Pvt. with their children and grand-John Lyskawa VFW Post 7546.

children, and at a garden party Dr. Thomas A. Dooley Knights with friends and family. of Columbus Council 5492, The couple married June 19, Daughters of Isabella bowling 1948, at St. Elizabeth Church in league and Redford Seniors Detroit. She is the former Joan Jarzebowski. They also enjoy low-impact

They have eight children Sue, Sharon Theroux, Gary, aerobics, traveling, spending lots of time with their grandchil-Paul, Mary Fegan, John, Jim, and June Yandan - and 15 dren and their families.

Gary Lee and Sally Anne

Gruska of Livonia celebrated

their 25th wedding anniversary

during a Florida vacation with

The couple met on the beach

at Camp Dearborn in 1969 and

were married on July 28, 1973.

Frenchi James and Irene Frenchi of Froy, formerly of Redford, celebrated their 50th wedding

nniversary on Aug. 15 at a fam-

ly gathering at the Clarkston

me of their son Mark. The couple exchanged vows on Oct. 9, 1948, at St. Casmir's Church in Detroit. She is the for-

mer Irene Stroll The Frenchis have three mar-

at St. Andrew's Church in Livonia. She is the former Sally

They have two children, Kim-

He is employed as a driver for United Parcel Service. She

Together, they enjoy traveling.

works for Northwest Airlink as

berly Anne and Patrick Jay.

Anne Koepfle.

a flight attendant.

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ried children - Paul and wife Susan of Norfolk, Va., Mark and wife Kathy of Clarkston and Angela Sushko and husband Jack of Troy. They also have three grandchildren.

Retired 14 years, he is a former resident engineer at the Ford Motor Co.'s Wixom Assembly Plant and a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers.



Broderick

James and Norma Broderick wedding anniversary at a family Golf and Banquet Center in Dearborn Heights after renewing their vows at St. Genevieve Catholic Church in Livonia.

The couple exchanged vows on Blood Catholic Church in Chica- is a homemaker. go, Ill. She is the former Norma

Forty-year residents of Livonia, they have seven children -Linda Bernhard and husband

Edd and wife Wendi of Livonia, Jim of White Lake, Pat Jasko and husband Nick of Wixom, of Livonia celebrated their 50th Tim and wife Phyllis of Redford and Mary Boyer and husband 17 grandchildren.

uncheon at the Warren Valley Mike of Redford. They also have Retired for 19 years, he was an underwriter and special agent in the insurance industry after serving in the U.S. Army Air June 26, 1948, at Precious Corps during World War II. She

> They enjoy dining out and visiting their children and grandchildren. He also enjoys golf and going to the senior center while she enjoys reading, crocheting and being in the church choir.



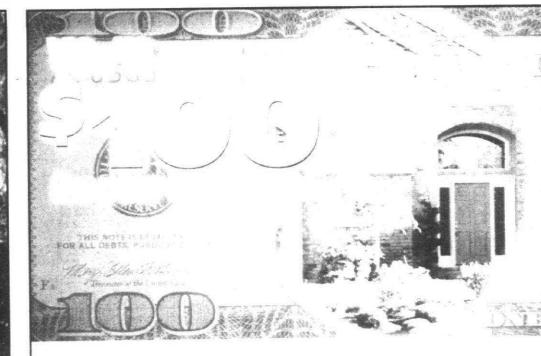


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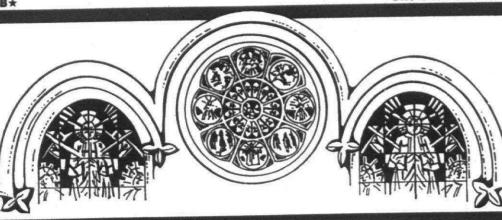
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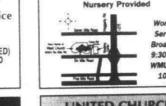
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The second annual Hearts at and her effective communication include "Getting Out of Your Home Michigan Conference is a style. non-denominational conference Saturday's program starts Hearts" and "Coming Back: Real gories - preschool, grade school, designed specifically to meet the with registration at 7:30 a.m. Life Stories of Courage from teenager, marriage, parenting, needs of the stay-at-home moth- and includes two main sessions Spiritual Survivors." ers both full- and part-time. It is and four workshops before endproduced by the Hearts at Home ing at 4 p.m. Featured will be "Virtue" and "Parent Life" magaspeakers Valerie Bell and Mary zines and a member of the edito-National Ministry, headquartered in Normal, Ill.

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Single Point offices at (248) 374-

Single Pointers will meet at the Rochester Municipal Park/City Hall parking lot for a ride on the Paint Creek Trail on Saturday, Sept. 26. The group will meet at 11 a.m. Helmet are mandatory, and water bottles and locks are recommended. Participants should bring money for lunch or a picnic lunch.

RUMMAGE SALE New Life Lutheran Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 24-25, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 26, at the I.O.O.F. Hall, 344 Elizabeth at Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Baked goods, hot dogs and soft drinks will be available. People interested in donating items can

call (734) 421-8204 or (734) 459-

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Trinity Church of the Brethren will have its fall rummage and bake sale 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at the church, 27350 West Chicago at Inkster Road, Redford. The sale will feature household items, toys, books and clothing as well as breads, cookies, cupcakes and candy.

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The Redford Clergy Associa-

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cess" when New Beginnings, a

Matthew's United Methodist

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tion, call the church office at

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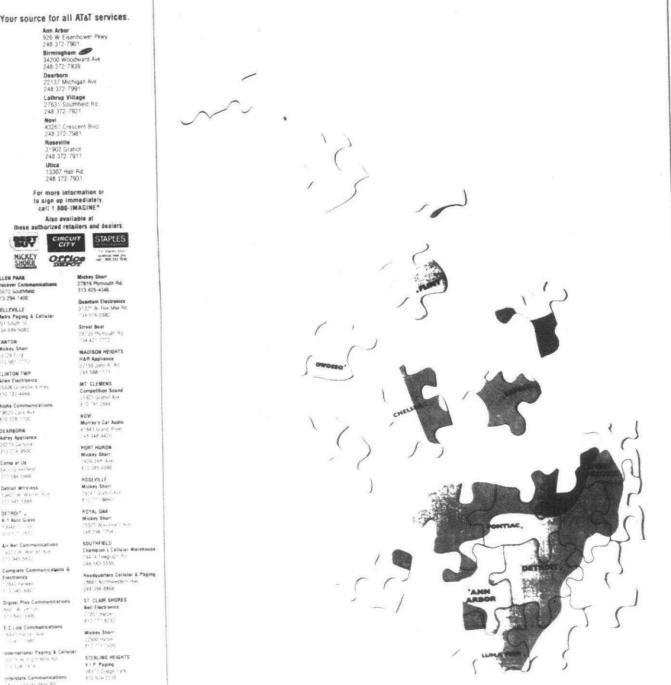
For more information about brochure, call (313) 541-8813 or Hearts at Home, write to the organization at 900 W. Chicago Ave., Normal, IL 61761, or call

by the meeting. Reservations can CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will have a carry-in salad luncheon at 12:15 p.m. Friday Oct. 2, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. Election of officers will take place, and the presentation will be by representatives from Livonia Youth Assistance Program.

Participants should bring one Thursday, Oct. 1. The program is salad for every three people and for people suffering as the result soap and eye glasses for World of the death of a loved one. There Medical Relief.

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ST. MEL'S

Crafters are needed for St. Mel's fifth annual fall arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 26 at the church, Inkster Road north of Warren Road, Dearborn Heights. There will be food and beverages, a special crafters' raffle and 50/50 raffle. For more information, call Debbie Mathais at (734) 261-6881 or the church at (734) 274-0684.

WESTLAND CENTER

Raab Enterprises will have an arts and crafts show during regular mall hours Oct. 1-4 at Westland Mall, Warren and Wayne roads, Westland. There will be paintings, jewelry, needle crafts toys floral designs, stained glass, wood crafts, decorative painting. country crafts, ceramics and more

OLD VILLAGE

Plymouth's Old Village will host its third annual craft fair 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 3-4 in the city's Liberty Street area. There will be demonstrations, musical entertainment, food, hand quilting, photography, hand-blown glass, garden statuary, painted furniture hand-spun knitwear

HANDCRAFTERS

Handcrafters will sponsor its 17th annual fall arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 9, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 10 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Oct. 11 at the Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main St., Northville. There will be more than 70 juried artisans displaying children's clothing, whimsical jewel-

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ry, quilts, original acrylic paintings, doll clothes and crossstitched items. Admission will be \$2. No strollers will be permitted. For more information, call (734) 459-0050.

MARSHALL PTA

Space is available for the Marshall Elementary School PTA's 13th annual craft fair 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 10 at the school. 33901 Curtis, Livonia. There will be a bake sale and lunch counter; admission will be \$1. For more information, call (248) 442-2367

SACRED HEART

Sacred Heart Church will have a craft show 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 17 at the church, 29125 W. Six Mile Road, east of Middlebelt Road. Livonia. Admission will be free and there will be a bake sale and light lunch. For more information, or table rental, call (248) 426-6227

ST. THEODORE

St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Women will have its annual craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 17, at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. More than 70 crafters will display their work, and there will be hourly door prizes, raffle. refreshments and baked goods.

St. Aidan's Women's Guild is looking for crafters for its craft show 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 17 in the Activity Center, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Space with no electricity costs \$30. For more information, call (248) 477-8942 or (734) 427-

REDFORD SUBURBAN

Crafters are needed for the Redford Suburban League's 25th annual "Festival of Fashion '98' 10 a.m. Oct. 21 at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. For an application or more information, call Peggy at (248) 477-8902 or Margaret at (734) 261-3737.

ST. ELIZABETH

St. Elizabeth Spiritual Church will have its holiday bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 24 at the church, 26431 West Chicago, between Inkster and Beech Daly roads, Redford. Arts and crafts, bake sale, luncheon and raffles will be featured. Table rental is \$20. For more information, call Kathy at (313) 937-2880.

RAMALLAH CLUB

Space is available for a craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 23-25 at the Ramallah Club, 27484 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Table rental is \$30 for one day or \$60 for three days. For more information, call Nona at (734) 462-2936 or Nadia at (734) 522-4208 after 5:30 p.m.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

The Livonia Churchill High School PTSA will have its seventh annual fall craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 24 at the school, 8900 Newburgh Road, Livonia. There will be door prizes, food and drinks. Admission will be \$1. For more information, crafters can call Diane at (734) 422-4507 or Garrett at (734) 464-7425.

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE

Crafters are wanted for a craft show Oct. 24 at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, West Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford, sponsored by the St. Jude Circle. For more information, call Joann at (313) 937-0226 or (313) 522-

MT. HOPE CONGREGATIONAL

Vendors are wanted for craft country bazaar 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 24 at Mount Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, livonia. Tables are \$20 plus \$5 for electricity. There will be crafts, country collectibles, a bake sale and more. For more information, call (734) 425-3782.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Crafters are needed for Livonia Stevenson High School's Holiday Happening craft show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 7 at the school, 33500 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. 10-by-10-foot or 6-by-16-foot spaces cost \$50. Chairs are available on request and limited electricity at no additional charge. Admission will be \$1, children under age 12 free with an adult. For more information, call (734) 464-1041 or (734) 478-2395

for Theatre Information & Showtimes Call

The Farmington Area Commuing (248) 476-9074 or (248) 489nity Women will hold the secondhand fall sale 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 3, at the William Farmington Area Community Women is a non-profit communi-Costick Activities Center, 11 Mile between Middlebelt and ty group which raises money for Inkster roads, Farmington Hills. local charities. Proceeds from the fall sale will go to the Farming-Admission will be \$1. Refreshments will be available and ton Emergency Fund which strollers permitted helps pay electric, gas, doctor Tables are available for \$30 bills and the like of local families

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Davey in fall ball

Tom Davey (Plymouth Salem) has been chosen by the Toronto Blue Jays to pitch in the Arizona Fall League for the Grand Canyon team.

The AFL is where teams send their top minor league prospects to hone their skills in a competitive yet instructional setting.

Davey is being groomed by the Blue Jays for a setup or closer's role.

He turned in a 5-3 record in Double-A for Knoxville of the Southern League. Davey's ERA was 3.87. He made nine starts in 48 games and had

In 77 innings, Davey allowed only 70 hits and struck out 78. However he walked 52, which is one of the things he'll work on the AFL.

Rocks on a roll

Plymouth Salem's golf team continued its strong play, outscoring host Livonia Churchill 203-207 Monday at Fox Creek in Livonia. The win boosted the Rocks' dual-meet record to 5-1 overall and in the Western Lakes Activities Association

Adam Wilson's 37 earned him medalist honors. Erik Krueger fol-lowed with a 40, Mike Thackaberry shot 41, Ryan Nimmerguth was next with a 42 and James McCaffery had a

Churchill was paced by Mike Lightbody and Randall Bobolge, each with a 39. Evan Chall, Tom Fitzstephens and Will Bashara all shot 43.

Salem plays Livonia Stevenson at Whispering Willows in Livonia Fri-

Cobra-12 tryouts

The Plymouth-Canton Cobras travel baseball team for 12-year-olds will conduct tryouts for its 1999 team at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, at McClumpha Park.

Candidates must be Plymouth or Canton residents and have birthdays on or after Aug. 1, 1986.

Please call Ron Rzeppa at (734) 981-1254 with questions

Softball tryouts

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association (formerly the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League) will have tryouts for its girls fast-pitch travel teams Saturday behind both Salem and Canton

Tryouts for 12-and-under and 14and-under girls will be 1-3 p.m.; for 16-and-under and 18-and-under, tryouts will be from 3-5 p.m.

Tryouts are open to residents of Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township and schools located within the district. Date of age determination is Sept. 1, 1999. If cancelled due to inclement weather, tryouts will be Sunday in the same location.

For more information, call Buck Horn at (734) 397-3888 or Ray Barnes at (734) 981-5170.

Punt, Pass and Kick

The local Punt, Pass and Kick Football Contest, sponsored annually by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Griffin Community Park (Sheldon Road side).

There is no participation fee, and there are no residency requirements.

Competition will be divided into four age divisions for both boys and girls: 8-9 year-olds; 10-11; 12-13; and 14-15. The top male and female finishers in each age group advance to the next level of competition, and the top two male and female finishers in each age division receive awards.

There are two important rules which must be adhered to First, each participant must have a copy of his/her birth certificate; second, no cleats of any kind will be permitted (gym shoes only).

Registration begins at 9:15 a.m. Saturday at Griffin Park. For more information, contact the Canton Parks and Recreation Services at (734) 397-5110.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (313) 591-7279.



Foot race: Salem's Tim Zdrodowski (left) tries to beat Stevenson's Nick Soper to the ball in Monday's divisional showdown.

Rocks fall in showdown

STAFF WRITER

It took 22 games last season for the Plymouth Salem soccer team to taste defeat. The Rocks' drive to a perfect season stalled in the state finals when they lost to Troy

And entering Monday's game at Livonia Stevenson, it appeared Salem was on the road to another chance to go undefeated this sea-

But the Spartans had other ideas as they held on for a 2-1 victory, despite being outplayed for much of the game.

With the win, Stevenson takes command of the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association. The Spartans are 7-1 overall and 2-0 in the division

Salem, most likely losing its No. 1 ranking in Class A, slipped to 8-1-2 overall, 5-1 in the WLAA and 1-1 in the Lakes.

"We were optimistic about our chances of winning the league, but our most important goal is winning the state championship," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy. "This experience will certainly help us as now the team knows what it's like to lose. I think you'll see a more inspired Salem team from

For Stevenson's first-year coach Lars Richter, the victory was the biggest in his coaching career.

"To say the least this is my biggest win," Richter said. "I came in to the game with the utmost respect for Salem and knew the type of tactical and physical game we were up against. But I felt good

about our group of players as well. "We still have things to work on

before I would consider us the team to beat, but the effort was terrific tonight."

The difference in the game was a header by senior Jon Mathis at the four-minute mark of the second half. Mathis converted a perfect corner kick from senior Sergio Mainella.

The Rocks carried the play most of the game and held a 14-6 shooting advantage. But Salem failed to score in the second half despite numerous opportunities.

"You have to give credit to Stevenson, which was extremely opportunistic," McCarthy said. "We had some good opportunities and I'm very pleased with the way

Please see SOCCER, C6

Whalers: team on the rise

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

It must be good to be back on the ice for the Plymouth Whalers. Indeed, it probably doesn't even seem like they left.

Certainly the season never quite seemed to end. It stretched into the Ontario Hockey League playoff semifinals, then ended on an ugly note when the Whalers were eliminated by Guelph in four-straight games. In the final game of the series, Plymouth's Jesse Boulerice nailed the Storm's Andrew Long



organization:

Boulerice has

been arraigned

and is awaiting

"It's in the hands of the courts

now," said Plymouth coach Pete

DeBoer. "It's very rare that anything

That was certainly the downside to

an otherwise superb Whaler season.

They finished with a 37-22-7 record,

placing second to London in the

Ontario Hockey League's West Divi-

was more good news: David Legwand,

the team's leading scorer with 54

goals and 51 assists for 105 points,

third highest in the OHL, was select-

ed second overall by Nashville in

Several other Whalers, selected in

this or previous drafts, went to NHL

team camps, including defensemen

Paul Mara (Tampa Bay), Nikos Tse-

lios (Carolina), Sergei Fedotov (Car-

olina), Pat Parthenias (Florida) and

Kevin Holdridge (Carolina); wingers

Harold Druken (Vancouver), Randy

Fitzgerald (Carolina), Eric Gooldy

(Toronto) and Andrew Taylor (New

York Islanders); centers Steve

on the ice gets to that level.'

Pete DeBoer Whalers coach

a verdict.

sion.

(Colorado); and goalie Robert Esche (Phoenix) If that's good news, the better news

Wasylko (Carolina) and Yuri Babenko

is this: Many of them will return to play for the Whalers this season, including last year's OHL rookie of the year, Legwand.

"He's still at Nashville's camp," said DeBoer of his all-star center. "But all indications are he'll be back. At least we're keeping our fingers crossed.'

Legwand's return would certainly give the Whalers a gigantic boost; so would Mara's - a first round pick, he's still with Tampa Bay. However, the team is solid anyway.

Including Legwand and Mara, DeBoer is expecting to have 10 players with NHL training camp experience on his roster. Mara, Tselios and Holdridge (from Novi) figure to anchor the defense; Mara totaled 16 goals and 33 assists (49 points) last eason, and Tselios had 10 goals and 30 assists (40 points). Holdridge finished with four goals and 15 assists (19 points) and was a plus-23 in the plus-minus category.

Other returning defensemen are Troy Smith (three goals, 13 assists, 16 points) and Shaun Fisher (three goals, 24 assists, 27 points).

Offensive returnees who figure to make Plymouth an OHL contender are Druken (38 goals, 44 assists, 82 points), Fitzgerald (11 goals, 24 assists, 35 points), Gooldy (16 goals, 20 assists, 36 points), Julian Smith (16 goals, 26 assists, 42 points), Rick Smith (eight goals, five assists, 13 points), Jamie Lalonde (three goals, four assists, seven points) and Kris Purdy (four goals, two assists).

If there is an area of concern on this team, it's replacing Esche (29-13-4 record with a 2.88 goals-against average, three shutouts and an .896 save percentage) in goal. "That's the big question," agreed DeBoer.

But even that isn't insurmountable. Returning is Robert Holsinger, who posted a 7-5-1 record in limited action last season with a 3.95 goals-against average and two shutouts. He is perhaps the leading candidate to take over for Esche, but by no means the only one

The Whalers drafted Dwayne Bateman in the fourth round and Rob Zepp in the fifth. "All three have played well in camp," said DeBoer. They're young, but we feel they have



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Main weapon: Harold Druken was the Whalers' second-leading scorer last season with 38 goals and 82 total points.

the ability to fill Esche's spot."

There are some other newcomers who should make an immediate impact, such as Tomek Valtonen, a right wing from Finland who was

selected by the Red Wings in the second round of this year's draft; defenseman Maxim Linnik, a free agent chosen in the second round this

Please see WHALERS, C6

Madonna remains perfect in conference standings

Okay, these were definitely two teams in different dimensions.

Madonna University's volleyball team, while seemingly a bit overmatched two days earlier in a non-conference match against Saginaw Valley State, proved far more than Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference rival Concordia College could handle Tuesday. Both matches were at Madonna.

The Lady Crusaders topped Concordia 15-5, 15-4, 15-4, avenging the 15-4. 15-11, 6-15, 15-6 loss suffered to Sagnnaw Valley

Madonna, ranked 14th in the NAIA. improved to 16-3 overall, 3-0 in the WHAC with the win over Concordia. The Cardinals are 3-9 overall, 0-2 in the WHAC

we're getting consistent again," said Madonna coach Jerry Abraham. The Crusaders lost three starters -Stephanie Uballe, Rayna Vert and Nicole Burns - to injuries at the Madonna University Ice Mountain Invitational Sept 11-12 Uballe and Burns, who didn't play against Saginaw Valley, were in the lineup against Concordia When Vert will return is uncertain.

Tuesday's match was never in doubt Leading the Crusaders were Erin Cunningham and Brandy Malewski (from Redford Thurston), both with seven kills. Malewski also had three solo blocks and four block assists

Marviu Hemme (Livonia Ladywood) and Kelly Artymovich added five kills

Please see VOLLEYBALL, C4



Knock down: Brandy Malewski was a power at the net for

Madonna against Concordia.

GIRLS BASKETBALL Salem roars past Huron

Raindrops should roll off your windshield the way Plymouth Salem's girls basketball team is rolling through the season

Salem steamrolled another opponent Tuesday, pulverizing visiting Ann Arbor Huron, 55-25, in a nonconference game in its own gym

The win was the fifth in as many tries for the Rocks while the Hurons

have now split eight decisions. Tabitha Pool paced the visitors with 11 points.

Coach Fred Thomann's team got its usual balanced scoring and team effort as five players combined to

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the WLAA-Lakes Division victory.

GRID PICKS

As far as the prognostication race

goes, yours truly suffered his most

me with a 30-14 mark.

two games at 32-12 overall.

imiliating week going 7-7. That leaves

My colleague, Dan O'Meara, forged

FRIDAY'S GAMES

(all at 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

Red. Thurston (3-0, 2-0) at Redford Union (3-0,

2-0), 7 p.m.: Ironically, these Mega-Blue teams

were voted fourth and fifth best in a preseason

coaches poll. But now the game has huge impli-

cations. Thurston, coming off a 19-7 win over

Woodhaven, has won three of the past four meet-

ings. RU, which scored an eye-popping 41-6 win

last week over Ypsilanti, could put itself in play-

off position with a victory. PICKS: Emons is sick

of picking against the Panthers, so Mr. Rigley,

the pressure is on you and your teammates to

Liv. Churchill (1-2, 1-0) at Northville (1-2, 0-1):

about last week by earning their first home victo-

ry since 1989, a 14-0 win over Plymouth Canton.

Northville is coming off a 35-0 loss to top-ranked

Harrison, Ouch! PICKS: Northville gets back on

N. Farmington (1-2, 0-1) at Liv. Stevenson (1-

14-7 counts - Stevenson (in overtime) to Ply-

track this WLAA-Western Division encounter

ahead with a 9-5 week. He now leads by

Here is a look at this week's action

Salem faces stern test; Canton searches for a victory

tan fans have made it known that questionable

first victory, losing to Churchill, 14-0. Western,

averaging over 40 points per game, appears have

o another powerhouse. The Warriors blitzed

up for its WLAA-Western Division showdown with

eeling a little lucky after the Rocks pulled out

over Stevenson. Central, the defending WLAA-

Lakes Division champion, got running back

Nathan Bruce back in the lineup for limited duty

but the Vikings, who gave up eight sacks in a

20-0 loss to John Glenn, must protect quarter-

Southgate (0-3, 0-2) at Wayne (2-1, 1-1):

27-7 win over state-ranked Belleville. The Zebras

can come home again after last week's stunning. Rockets' afternoon.

PICKS: Salem stays in the hunt.

some late heroics en route to a 14-7 OT victory

mouth Salem and North to rival Farmington. Spar- again

calls down the stretch led to the Salem defeat. 2): Life apparently is good for the Railsplitters in

(they won by forfeit when Orchard Lake St. Taylor Kennedy, GC, meanwhile, made a

give coach Rich Burrell his first real win of the tender Dearborn Fordson, falling 20-0. PICKS:

Ply. Canton (0-3, 0-1) at Walled Lake Western 2-0): This game, moved from Saturday to Friday

week to give first year coach Tim Baechler his Metro Conference champion. Clarenceville coach

ranklin last week, 49-7. PICKS: Western gears team, but I think we can play with them." The

(2-1, 1-0): Salem coach Tom Moshimer admitted Dorchak (67 yards on eight carries)

Wayne Memorial coach Floyd Carter proved you 55 total yards in a 20-0 victory. PICKS: It's the again.

year. PICKS: Stevenson gets back to .500 with Lincoln Park rides GC out on a rail.

Rocks look tough, but can they catch Spartans?

Insight.

One dual and one relay meet into the season, Chuck Olson had what he was

"It answered a few questions for me." the long-time Plymouth Salem girls swim coach said after the Rocks had splashed past Plymouth Canton, 111-75 Thursday at Salem. "Canton was right behind us at the Relays meet, and we put some distance between us, so that was good."

But then, Salem lost some ground. On Tuesday, visiting Dearborn jolted the Rocks, winning all three relays en route to posting a 98-88 victory.

"We made a few moves and nothing seemed to work right," Olson said. "We tried to move some people around and tured 11 of the league's 15 champinothing worked out."

Salem had just three firsts: Sarah Rogers in the 200-yard individual medley (2:24.01); Kathy Kelly in the 50 freestyle (26.53); and April Aquinto in

some impressive second-place swims: Kelly, Monica Glowski, Christy Roy and Lori McKay in the 200 free relay (1:48.26); Kari Foust in the 100 backstroke (1:04.64); and Alex Evans in the 100 breaststroke (1:17.61).

Still, it was not the kind of springboard Olson hoped to use to start the Western Lakes Activities Association dual-meet season, which begins in earnest next Tuesday at Livonia

Last season, Salem finished second in the WLAA to Livonia Stevenson which was no real surprise, since the Spartans had won the previous six WLAA titles, too. In fact, they have cap-· onship meets, and chances are strong they'll make it eight-straight and 12-of-16 this season.

"I've seen them swim twice now and I've been fairly impressed," said Olson, the diving (171.15 points). There were whose team has been runner-up in the

Stevenson's real solid, they're not bad in anything."

So is it a done deal? Can anyone unseat the Spartans?

While Olson isn't one to surrender, he is also a realist. "I don't believe so," was his answer when asked if such a thing were possible. "If we swam (the league meet) today, they'd win.

"But we'll keep on trying. We're not swimming for second place. I think if (Stevenson) swam well and we swam great, we could beat them."

There are reasons for hope. First, the gap between Salem and Stevenson at points; last year, it was 226.5, an provement of 42 points.

And there are some impressive newners to bolster an already impressive replace graduated stalwarts like Carrie Dzialo, who scored in two individual events at the WLAA meet (and qualified for state in the 50-vard freestyle); Katie Bonner Salem's best breaststroker

coach) does a great job with them. believes the hardest to replace this sea- events. "She's very flexible," the Salem son; and Audrey Hala, who scored in coach said. the 200 and 500 free at the '97 WLAA

> "They were great young ladies," said Olson. "There aren't enough nice things the '97 WLAA meet, while Rogers to say about them."

They were also last year's co-captains Taking over their spots are three other impressive swimmers who have Olson's respect: seniors Lindsay Hartz, Kelly and McKay.

"We're looking for a lot of leadership and a lot of speed from them," he said. At last year's WLAA meet, Kelly scored in the 50 and 100 free, Hartz scored in WLAA meet in 1996 was 268.5 the 200 IM and 100 fly, and McKay scored in the 100 fly and 200 free. "They're all swimming real well."

With Bonner gone, breast becomes Salem's biggest worry. Kelly Holbel, a ingham Seaholm, No. 2 Ann Arbor Pio-Salem lineup. Which they'll need to senior, is the best answer thus far. "She's getting better," Olson said. "She's ingham Groves, as well as East Kentalready where she was at the end of last wood.

been champ. "Greg (Phill, Stevenson's (fifth at the WLAA meet) and Olson WLAA last season) and several other

In the junior class, there's Rogers Jess Hala and Rachael Maurer. Hala scored in both the 200 and 500 free at scored in the 500

Leading the sophomore class is Foust,

coming off a superb freshman season that saw her score at league meet in the 200 IM and 100 back. Roy is another ophomore who has shown promise. Speaking of which, Olson figures a handful of freshmen will contribute this

season: Evans (IM, fly), Trisha Dotson

(free), Glowski (sprint free) and Aquinto On Saturday Salem hosts the Rock Invitational, which will include many of the state's best teams: top-ranked Birmneer, No. 4 Stevenson and No. 6 Birm-

"It ought to be tough, so we're looking Another senior to watch is Stephanie forward to it," said Olson of the 1 p.m.

Chiefs looking to move up in WLAA standings

What happened to Plymouth Canton's swim team Tuesday in its dual meet at Saline is a coach's nightmare. And all that Chiefs' coach Sarah Eubanks can hope is that it won't be repeated

 in any way, shape or form. A questionable call favoring the Hornets came at the worst

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possible time for Canton: in the first event. The Chiefs were in position to win the 200-yard medley relay, but an official ruled one of their swimmers jumped and disqualified them.

"Nobody could believe it." said

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Eubanks of the ruling, which led but that didn't help them much

Hanson is back this season,

to a 112-74 defeat. "It was a bad "It just went down hill from

Which is precisely what the Chiefs plan to do this season make it a lot closer at the top of the Western Lakes Activities Association. Last year they finished first in the Western Division with a 5-0 dual-meet record,

at the WLAA championship meet. With the stronger teams residing in the Lakes Division, and with one of its top swimmers - Teri Hanson - out with an ear infection, Canton finished

and so are several other key seniors and a few impressive newcomers, all of whom should make it an interesting year.

be tough this year," said al freestyle events.

Eubanks. "Walled Lake, Northville and Livonia Churchill will be good. (Farmington) Harrison always has some quality there. It should have been a lot swimmers, but lacks the num-

> Canton has both quality and quantity, with 45 team members. The Chiefs finished fourth at the WLAA Relays meet and although they haven't been too lose thus far in losing duals to Plymouth Salem and Saline, as Eubanks noted: "Our biggest meets) are coming up."

That starts tonight, when Canton swims at Walled Lake.

Gone from last season's squad are two key contributors: Sue Fanning and Angie Frost. Both scored in two individual events at last season's WLAA finals.

There is a solid corps of returnees, however, led by Hanson, a state qualifier in the 100 "The same teams are going to butterfly. She'll also swim sever-

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Also back are seniors Jaclyn individual events, but won just Bernard, who scored in the 200 individual medley and the 100 free at the WLAA meet; Meagan Dowd, a scorer in the 100 back at the WLAAs; and Leah Reeder, who will swim free and back.

There are also some promising ounger swimmers, including sophomore Erin Rogala, who ored at the WLAA meet in the 100 breaststroke as a freshman. Eubanks figures this season's freshman phenom will be Danielle Drysdale, a versatile swimmer who can compete in any distance of free, as well as the IM, fly and back.

Two others who should help onsiderably are junior Michelle Nilson in the IM and fly, and sophomore Chelsea Opdyke in

Who else emerges in the next six weeks could go a long way toward determining Canton's success. In the loss to Saline, the Chiefs managed four wins in their best.

one relay (with the disqualification) and didn't have enough seconds and thirds to overtake the Hanson was a winner in the 200 free (2:05.98), Drysdale fin-

and perhaps even more. But the

breaks would have to be in their

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more, but try convincing memished first in the 200 IM bers of the Redford Catholic Cen-(2.22.56). Bernard won the 50 tral football team of that free (27.09), Dowd captured the The inspired Shamrocks beat 100 back (1.07.98), and the team Birmingham Brother Rice, 35of Hanson, Bernard, Dowd and 14, as the two teams resumed Drysdale took top honors in the 400 free relay (3:57.17). than usual, on a Saturday The strength of defending WLAA champ Livonia Steven-

son, Salem and North Farmingac's Wisner Stadium ton will make Canton's struggle CC scored three second-quarthat much more difficult. With guarded optimism, Eubanks would only say "we're hoping for recoveries in Rice territory set coach Al Fracassa said. a fourth or a fifth" at the WLAA up two touchdowns and a long punt return set up the third.

2-0 overall. Rice lost for the first 1-yard dive, made all four of his

Life is good, especially if you're talk-

Four of the five Redford teams remain

undefeated, while the other, Bishop

Borgess made it a 5-0 weekend with a

surprising 20-0 win over Royal Oak

Redford teams are 12-2 so far this

But something has got to give this

weekend as Redford Thurston travels to

Redford Union in a battle for first place

Meanwhile, Redford Catholic Central

(2-0) passed its first test of the season

with flying colors, ripping former Boys

Bowl rival Birmingham Brother Rice.

The Shamrocks will take on their new

Boys Bowl opponent, Detroit St. Martin

DePorres, 1 p.m. Sunday at Pontiac's

Redford St. Agatha, under first-year

unbeaten by whipping Taylor Light &

Another key battle will be Friday

Livonia Clarenceville and Harper

And that leaves only two other

ern Lakes powers Farmington Hills

night when Metro Conference rivals

Woods collide in a battle of unbeatens.

It's not the Boys Bowl any-

coach Butch Conz, also remained

Friday in the Mega-Blue Division.

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CC FOOTBALL

unbeatens left in Observerland — West- 2, 0-1): Both teams lost last week by identical

The Shamrocks spoiled the starting debut of Rice sophomore Matt Baker, recording three sacks and two interceptions Baker, playing in place of their rivalry two weeks earlier injured senior Pat Craddock, completed two of seven passes instead of Sunday, and at Birm- for nine yards. Craddock is out ingham Groves instead of Ponti- two to five weeks with a knee

"Turnovers, right from the ter touchdowns for a command- beginning, hurt us and we never ing 21-0 halftime lead. Fumble got the momentum back," Rice CC senior Dave Lusky was

busy as he completed five of 11 No. 1 ranked CC improved to passes for 119 yards, scored on a

pass in the secondary.

"It was our day today," Lusky said. "To us, this is our 'Boys n't want to play it because I Bowl. This is what every senior lives for at CC: To play Rice and win. It's a dream come true.

Junior tailback John Kava my spot.' I was in a zone today.' gained 137 yards on 20 carries. showing power and speed with touchdown runs of 24, 1 and 64 Senior Brocc Navsmith opened

holes at offensive guard and had in the half. an impact at inside linebacker and special teams, leading the namrocks in tackles. Naysmith, filling in for injured all-state ing CC the ball again at the CC fumble at the Shamrocks' 9 candidate Casey Rogowski, and the defensive front of Jeremiah Hicks, John Abshire and Lou

extra point attempts, punted Willoughby, helped limit Rice to Warriors' 32. A 13-yard receplate in the third quarter, setting

"At the start of this year I didraising the lead to 14-0. wanted Casey to play it." Navsmith said. "But Casey said touchdown run by Kava follow- yard run by Mark Goebel with You've got to step up and take ing Jason Woehlke's 39-yard 6:02 left.

to state-ranked Monroe. PICKS: Wayne wins Mooney, a 35-8 victor last week over Wyandotte keeps the momentum going.

Lincoln Park (3-0, 2-0) at Garden City (1-2, 0-

Mary's used an ineligible player), is hoping to respectable showing against Mega-Red con- 0): This is a non-leaguer. Dearborn St. Alphonus

Clarenceville (3-0, 2-0) at Harper Woods (3-0,

(3-0, 1-0): The Chiefs missed their chance last under temporary lights, could determine the unbeaten Livonia Clarenceville a mild scare.

Chuck Donaldson, whose team beat Lutheran

state-ranked Pioneers (Class C), a 37-14 victor

last week over Detroit Holy Redeemer, are led bi

Aaron Cooper (160 yards and two TDs) and Lee

Clarenceville counters with senior tailback Wal-

ter Ragland and speedy quarterback John Wal-

SATURDAY'S GAMES

(all 1 p.m. unless noted)

Westland Glenn (3-0, 1-0) at Farmington (1-2,

back Cory Heitsch to have a shot at the Rocks. 10): The Falcons gave coach John Bechtel his 14.13 loss to Orchard Lake St. Mary, is led by

are also plad Cameron Mingo was back for limit. (1.2. 1.1): It's a long drive to Marine City, but waves last week by surprising Royal Oak Shrine

ed duty. Southgate, definitely destined for last. The Aggies, a 38-0 winner last week over Taylor. 20-0, while East Catholic was downed by nor

place in the Mega-Red, is coming off a 49-0 loss Light & Life, should make the trip worthwhile. league opponent Ecorse, 34-12. PICKS: Borgess

punt return to the Rice 15.

Lusky's 1-vard dive with 4:24

left in the third quarter capped a

10-play 69-yard drive that really

was 91 after three CC penalties

lace. PICKS: Harper Woods prevails.

be tested next week. Harper Woods is a good will stay unbeaten

North, outscored 105-21 in its first three games the Mega-White after a 31-0 win last Friday over Catholic League's D-Section

A fumble recovery by CC's Marc Frohm at the Rice 32 set up the Shamrocks' first score, a 9-yard run on third down by Kyle Entsminger with 6:51 left

total offense in the first half.

Rice's next possession ended with a fumble recovery by junior to kill Rice's spirit. nose guard Jeremiah Hicks, giv-

Early turnovers help Shamrocks storm past Brother Rice

Mount Carmel, rely on Anthony Smerek, who had

return. PICKS: Agatha stays on top of the

Luth. Westland (0-3) at Dbn. St. Alphonsus (3

a member of the Catholic League's D-Section

has played three lightweights - Adrian Madison

Taylor Light & Life and winless Hamtramck St

Florian (22-8). Lutheran Westland, which gave

PICKS: Emons says the Warriors will put one in

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Redford CC (2-0, 0-0) vs. Detroit DePorres (2-

1, 0-0) at Wisner Stadium: The Shamrocks could

be called the "Clones" as far as Birmingham

Brother Rice coach Al Fracassa is concerned

after his team was dumped by the No. 1 Sham

rocks 35-14. This is the key game in Central

West this season. With the winner mostly likely

going to the Prep Bowl. DePortes, coming off a

Bishop Borgess (1-2, 0-0) vs. Det. E. Catholic

Westland 28-6 on Saturday, said "We'll definitely the victory books, O'Meara thinks the Arrows

first win with a 14.7 win over rival North, Glenn's All-State candidate Max West, a 6-foot 4, 300

defense, meanwhile, held Walled Lake Central to pound two-way tackle. PICKS: CC riding high

Red. St. Agatha (3-0, 2-0) at Cardinal Mooney (0-3, 0-0)) at Detroit Denby: The Spartans made

101 yards in seven carries and a 70-yard kickof

three times and intercepted a one first down and six yards tion by Brzezinski led to a 24- up Mike Scott's 9-yard run to cut the deficit to 28-7. vard run by Kava with 5:41 left After Kava made it 35-7 with

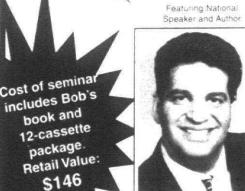
Before the half ended, the his 64-yard run early in the Shamrocks added a 1-yard fourth quarter. Rice got a 10-



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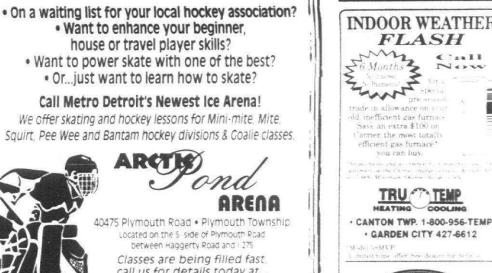
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Lady Ocelots earn ranking Rock boys, girls 2nd

After a disconcerting tie against St. Clair County CC last Wednesday (Sept. 16), what happened last weekend to Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team could not have been more

Playing in adverse conditions, with temperatures close to 90 degrees, the Lady Ocelots delivered a message to the top teams in the NJCAA by beating both College of Lake County and College of DuPage on their home turf, outside of Chicago.

On Saturday at Lake County SC overcame an early error that led to a Lake County goal to tie it before halftime on a goal by Julie Majewski (from Plymouth Canton). The Ocelots then won it by dominating play in the second half, with Meghan Jannuzzi getting the game-winner in the 2-1

Annie Hagenah earned assists on both goals. Other assists went to Paola Cereghino (on Majewski's score) and Jannine James.

"They played a good tactical Soccer Field in Livonia.

Madonna stops Siena Heights

A pair of goals plus an assist Ocelots keep winning by Scott Emert kept Madonna University's conference record clean as the fall sky.

Emert's two goals Monday rallied host Madonna to a 3-1 victory over Siena Heights University in a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference match

The Crusaders are now 4-1 overall and 3-0 in the WHAC. The Saints fell to 6-2 but are 1-2 in the league.

Emert, assisted by Victor Rodopoulos, broke a scoreless tie at the 29-minute mark of the second half and 12 minutes later scored again off an assist by

Keith Barber. Siena's Steve Mazimpaka scored at the 41-minute mark but Keith Gniewek, assisted by Emert, put the game out of reach wo minutes later.

Madonna freshman Sam Piraine earned WHAC Player of the Week honors for getting three goals and an assist the

offense," said SC coach Bill Tol-

stedt of Lake County. Tolstedt was more concerned with Sunday's match against 1 overall. sixth-ranked DuPage - especially after playing under such taxing circumstances. "What a

Which is what made the 2-1 win over DuPage so satisfying. "I was surprised," he said. "We just totally controlled play, much to my surprise and pleasure." Hagenah netted both goals

difficult weekend," he said. "It

was really hot."

against DuPage - one in each half. The Ocelots led 2-0 before DuPage got a late goal. Assists went to Majewski and Alyson Bottke on the first goal

All of this was finally noticed - SC. 5-1-1 overall, is currently ranked 10th in the NJCAA.

and Jannuzzi and Bottke on the

Madonna earns a tie The Lady Crusaders got the

first point in team history Tuesday with a 2-2 tie against Cornerstone College at Whitman But all was not well with

Coach Van Dimitriou's School-

craft College team kept up its

pace with three victories last

week, improving to 8-1 overall

Against Orchard Lake St.

Scott Hurlbert and Musoki

Mary's on Saturday, Schoolcraft

Mulenga took turns scoring

headers off each other's passes

late in the second half to give the

Hurlbert scored at the 78th

Schoolcraft has a Friday after-

It's the same school School-

craft edged, 1-0, in the first

round of last year's national

went to Delta and brought home

Earlier last week, Schoolcraft

noon meeting set with the No. 1

team in the national junior col-

lege ranks, College of DuPage.

minute and five minutes later

reciprocated on Mulenga's tally.

and 2-0 in league play.

took a 2-0 victory.

"We're all banged up right now, Larson said of his team, now 0-3

The Crusaders' injuries, com bined with a red card to Jennifer Dumm (which means she must sit out the next game), have forced Larson to cancel today's match at Kalamazoo College. Madonna has just nine players both healthy and eligible; Kim Stommel hurt a leg muscle in last Saturday's 6-0 loss at Aquinas College (she played part of Tuesday's match), and Lindsay Crawford injured a knee warming up against Corner-

remainder of the cross country Although the tie ended season due to a stress fracture in three-match losing streak for Madonna, it could have been bet "This team has had a lot of ter. The Crusaders led 2-0 early adversity but we keep bouncing in the second half, with Dumm back," coach Dave Gerlach said scoring three minutes into the "Our usual No. 1 runner didn't game and Melissa Jacobs getting have a good race (at Sterling their second goal five minutes State Park), but the others

into the second half. stepped up. But the Golden Eagles battled back with goals from Grace very happy with the way we ran. Sohlden and Monica Enzian, the We're starting to click as a tying marker coming with just five minutes remaining.

team a goal at the 30-minute

mark, then tied it 10 minutes

later. Matt Nyholm scored off an

It was all Schoolcraft in the

second half, however, as Rob

Gumber triggered the rout off a

setup by Mulenga. Ryan Konley

got Coach Dimitriou his third

goal, off an assist by Bart Mays.

Mulenga made it 4-1, assisted

by Atwa, and two reversed their

roles on the next goal. Hurlbert

assisted on a goal by Matt Shaw

On Monday, Schoolcraft went

to Battle Creek and beat Kellogg

Mike Minnicilli notched the

first goal off an assist by Dave

Lotarski. Mulenga, assisted by

Gumber, made it 2-0 at the half.

Minnicilli set up Lotarski for

the third goal while Mulenga

converted a Gumber feed once

KCC made it 4-1 before Shan

non Lamb completed the scoring

for Schoolcraft, assisted by Min-

assist by Ayman Atwa.

to wrap up the scoring.

Community College, 5-2.

again to make it 4-0.

seven-person team. Saline won the Monroe Jefferson Invitational with 71 points. Salem was second with 83 and Livonia Churchill third with 85. The Rock with the lowest fin-

"It's a tribute to our team. I'm

Some good news and bad news

hit the Plymouth Salem girls

The good news was that the

Rocks could bask in the glow of a

second-place finish in last Satur-

day's Monroe Jefferson Invita-

The team could live off that

until running this Saturday at

the Michigan State Invitational

But the bad news came Tues

day when it was learned that

at Forest Akers Golf Course.

cross country squad this week.

sh was freshman Kelly Solano, who finished ninth overall in 21:13. Other Salem runners to score were Brynne DeNeen, 16th (21:29); Lisa Jasnowski, 17th (21:31); Rachael Moraitis, 18th

and two solo blocks apiece, with

Hemme getting a team-best six

digs and a block assist. Deanne

Helsom contributed 24 assists to

"In our first 15 matches, we

were like a machine," said Abra-

ham. "When we have better ball

control, we're a much better

team. When we pass well, we're

"We're at a real good pace

right now. But we've got to get

better - there's a lot of room for

In the loss to Saginaw Valley,

kills and two block assists

Volleyball from page C1

sophomore Kim Burns, pegged to For the first time this season, be a top-five runner this season, Salem's boys cross country team would be lost to the team for the did not finish first.

Salem boys 2nd

junior varsity race in 22:07.

43rd, respectively.

The Rocks weren't exactly apset by a lesser team, however The team they were runners-up to - Rockford - happens to be the No. 1-ranked team in the state, and the 14th-ranked team

(21:32); and Rachel Jones, 23rd

(21:52). All five of Salem's scor-

ers medaled: their other two.

Rockford won the 20-team Holly Invitational, held last Saturday at Springfield Oaks County Park, by placing all seven of its runners in the top 20, including the top two positions: Jason Hartman (15:25) and Dathan Ritzenhein (15:45). Both bet tered the previous course record

The Rams scored 41 points to 89 for Salem. Placing third was Redford Catholic Central with

Other local teams in the race were Livonia Stevenson, which was seventh (179), and Westland

13 kills and 11 digs, and

Malewski had 10 kills, four solo

blocks and four block assists.

kills, two service aces and seven

digs; Hemme got 11 digs, two

solo blocks and two block assists;

and Artymovich had six kills,

seven digs and two block assists.

Henry Ford CC had more than

Schoolcraft College could handle

Tuesday at SC, beating the Lady

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Helsom totaled 31 assists to

John Glenn, which placed 13th X-COUNTRY

"We didn't run great, but we didn't run terrible," said Salem coach Geoff Baker. "We're not giving up on catching (Rock-

Becky Phelan (22:33) and Erin Salem should be ranked in the Kelly (22:42), placed 40th and state's top three. The first ranking comes out today. In addition, Salem's Shae

Leading the Rocks was Nick Potocki finished first in the Allen, who was sixth overall in 16:38. Jon Little, who's been bothered by a sore hip, placed 15th in 17:06.

Other Salem scorers were

making us the kind of team we

are," said Baker. "They're run-

ning as a pack very well, and our

sixth runner is pushing runners

from other teams further back

(in the scoring). That's some-

CC had two runners place in

the top five overall: John Digio-

vanni, fourth (16:34), and Dan

The Rocks run at the Jackson

Invitational Saturday, and it

should be a major test for them

They will once again go up

against Rockford, as well as

Lakeland, which could be ranked

the Eastern Conference and to 7

9 overall. It was the Ocelots sec

ond loss to the Hawks this sea-

son; earlier, they lost two

straight games to Henry Ford at

Kelly Johnston (Plymouth

Salem) topped SC with 10 kills;

she also had nine digs. Megan

McGinty (Livonia Churchill) con

tributed nine kills, three service

aces, 12 digs, two solo blocks and

two block assists. Danielle Wens-

ing added 18 assists to kills and

the Muskegon Invitational.

ahead of Salem in the state.

Jess, fifth (16:37).

thing we didn't have last year.'

quality time together, one Bobby Cushman, 16th (17:15); Midwest-based company has Matt Anderson, 25th (17:41) found a way to make it easy. and Craig Little, 27th (17:46). Life Time Fitness is one of All five Rock scorers, and their the fastest growing health and sixth finisher - Al Gill, who was fitness companies in the coun-34th overall (18:00) - earned try and, perhaps, the most forward-thinking company in the "Our four-five-six runners are

"Our mission," says founder and president, Bahram Akradi. "is to provide an educational entertaining, friendly and inviting, functional and innovative environment of uncompromising quality that meets the health and fitness needs of the entire family.

By KIM KENNEDY

The company's three new megaclubs in Novi, Shelby Life Time Fitness of Novi, Shelby Township and Troy feature 95,000 square feet of facilities including an indoor/outdoor swimming Township and Troy serve as pools with two-story waterslides and free child care services that feature space mazes, sport courts and educational computers. excellent examples of how well they carry out their mission.

In an age when many fami-

lies find it difficult to spend

Focus on the family

As part of its commitment to serve the health and fitness needs of the entire family, Life Time Fitness offers its members a variety of children's programs-including free child care services

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well-being of the entire family. asserts Zaebst. "The Life Time Kids programs are one more way in which we help kids oughfares, the three new Life make early lifestyle choices Time Fitness centers provide and develop important skills."

Fun and entertaining

In their effort to provide fitness that's fun-and something for everyone-the new Life Time Fitness clubs of Troy. Novi and Shelby Township all feature two floors and 95,000 sq. ft. of cutting-edge facilities.

The first floor's glass atrium lobby is surrounded by a variety of large-scale amenities that include indoor/outdoor swimming pools with two-story waterslides, interconnected rock climbing walls, basketball and volleyball courts, racquetball and squash courts. whirlpools, dry saunas and immaculate locker rooms. Each locker room also features its own steam room, tanning room, hair dryers, and a lounge area with large-screen television and courtesy telephone. Every aspect seems dedicated to making each visit as enter-

taining as possible. Upstairs, members will find a variety of aerobic, step aerobic and cycling studios surrounding an extensive selection of free weight systems and more than 400 resistance training and cardiovascular machines-all of which make any workout more enjoyable.

Perhaps most interesting is the company's trademarked Multivision Frequen-Sees entertainment system; an invention that allows members



childcare services, free educational seminars, free locker and towel service and free aerobic instruction. Tanning. therapeutic massage and certified personal trainers are also

Furthermore, Life Time Fitness clubs are open 24ours a day, seven days a week. Adding to the superior level of service are a unique health food cafe and a full-service salon that offers a variety



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enrollment fee. "A long-term

contract does nothing to protect the customer." claims Akradi. "Most companies with long-term contracts don't have any confidence in their product. At Life Time Fitness, quality is our contract." The company is so confident

in its commitment to customer service that they also offer a 30-day money-back guarantee so new members can fully experience Life Time Fitness to make sure it fits their life. For further information

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central sports and recreation facilities for all north and northwest suburban communi-

Novi

to workout while watching any of twenty 60-inch television screens and listening to the audio portion on the FM band of a personal headset stereo. "The whole idea is to make

the experience more entertaining, less boring, so you get a better workout and better results," says Akradi. "We do whatever we can to provide members with a fun place they really want to go-not just a fitness place they think they ought to go. Friendly and inviting Life Time Fitness takes

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level lighting and ergenomic design are all employed to create an environment of uncompromising quality. The company also believes that for any environment to be truly inviting, it must also be

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Whalers from page C1

year by St. Louis; right wing Adam Colagiacomo, acquired in a trade with Oshawa and selected in the fourth round by San Jose last year; center Kris Vernarsky, the Whalers' top draft choice this year; left wing Kyle Chapman, the team's second-round choice; and defenseman Jared Newman, Plymouth's third-round selection.

All things considered, it makes for a promising outlook. But not everything looks rosy for the

They open their season today on the road at North Bay, followed by road games at Sudbury Friday, at Sault Ste. Marie Sunday and at defending division champ London Oct. 2. It seems all four will be played without Legwand or Mara in the lineup.

"It's going to make it real diffi-cult," admitted DeBoer. "But it will also give our younger players a chance to show what they can do.'

They may have to do a lot, if the West Division is as tough as DeBoer expects it to be. London and Sarnia will be solid again, and Windsor and Sault Ste. Marie are improved. "There are no easy games in our division," the Whalers' coach said.

Not that he isn't looking forward to it - so here we go again.

Soccer from page C1

we played. Stevenson is certainly one of the best teams in the state and we played a great game.

The Rocks either missed the net with their opportunities or were stopped by Stevenson goalkeeper Joe Suchara. The senior made his final stop with three minutes remaining on a 15-yard blast by Brett Stinar.

Suchara made his best save of the game a minute into the contest when he robbed Aaron Rypkowski with a diving stop.

Salem found the net at the 14 minute mark, however, when sophomore Jeff Haar tipped in a shot by Scott Duhl.

The game appeared one-sided when the Spartans received a break with 1:34 remaining in the first half. Junior forward Tom Eller was taken down in front of the Salem goal and awarded a penalty kick. Eller made no mistake, firing a shot past the left side of Salem goalkeeper Brian Wozniak.

The goal knotted the game at 1-1 at halftime.

"I felt good with it 1-1 because I think we may have come in to the game a bit fearful of Salem and maybe giving them too much respect," Richters said. "The goal we scored late in the half was

huge for us mentally."

The Spartans played without speedy senior forward Tony Maldonado due to disciplinary problems. His loss could have made the Spartans vulnerable to Salem's speed advantage.

"Tony could have helped with our plan which was to play defense better than we have been lately and to pick our spots to counter attack," Richters said. "But it wasn't the game plan that won tonight. It was the effort of 11 individuals who deserve the credit."

Last Saturday, the Rocks turned in a strong defensive performance in upending host Troy 1-0. The only goal of the match was scored by Scott Duhl, with an assist from Brett Stinar.

Jeremy Finlay was in goal for the shutout. "He played terrific back there," said McCarthy, who also singled out the play of defender Nick Szczechowski.

PCA 5, A.A. Greenhills 2: Plymouth Christian Academy got two goals apiece from Dave Carty and Chad Boruta to beat Ann Arbor Greenhills Monday.

Ryan Copeland added one goal for the Eagles. Travis Yonkman was in the net for PCA.

Basketball

points - and Jenna Van Wagoner had that one

Junior guard Tiffany Grubaugh scored 18 points and passed off for five baskets by her teammates.

Senior Andrea Pruett netted 13 points plus nine rebounds while Christine Philips had nine points and nine rebounds.

Freshman Kelly Jaskot sank two triples in an eight-point effort. Sophomore Dawn Allen contributed six points.

"Grubaugh had eight and Pruett six in the first quarter," Thomann said. "We really got it going early. Our break was going, our defense was solid. We didn't give them any space to

The Rock broke out on top 16-6 after the first quarter and expanded it to 30-17 at the half. In case there was any suspense, Salem squashed it with a 16-5 third period.

Salem plays Livonia Franklin

on Thursday to open its Western Lakes Activities Association season then has one final non-conference encounter, Tuesday against Flint Northern.

Canton 42, A.A. Pioneer 38: It's not all quite right just yet, but Plymouth Canton coach Bob Blohm can see the progress in his youthful (two seniors) team.

And it couldn't come at a better time, considering Tuesday's victory over visiting Ann Arbor Pioneer marked the end of the non-league season for the Chiefs. "From here on out, it's nothing but league games," said Blohm.

Against Pioneer, Canton did just what it needs to do to win: dictate the tempo. And the best way to do that is to get in front and stay

Which the Chiefs did. They led 13-11 after one quarter and 23-19 at the half; by the end of three quarters, their lead had grown to 35-25.

"The key was we made key baskets and we hit the free throws when we needed to," said Blohm,

Hitting free throws has been a problem for Canton all season, and it wasn't much better in this game. The Chiefs converted just 7-of-15 (47 percent); the difference was, in the fourth quarter, when the Pioneers made their run behind the scoring of Jamillah Bowman (eight of her 13 points in the last period). Janell Tweitmeyer nailed fourstraight from the line.

Which was just enough, Indeed. it was the difference in the final score. Tweitmeyer finished with 17 points and seven rebounds before fouling out; Janine Guastella had 12 points and six boards.

Both teams are now 4-3

PCA 44, B.H. Roeper 27: Although the final score indicated a blowout, Tuesday's game at Bloomfield Hills Roeper was anything but.

But a strong fourth quarter allowed Plymouth Christian Academy to maintain its unbeaten status; the Eagles are 6-0 overall, 2-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic

Conference. Roeper is 1-4 overall, 0-1 in the MIAC.

"We just played tight for the first three quarters, then started scoring," said PCA coach Rod Windle.

Jenny Sutherland's performance helped overcome a slow start that had the Eagles trailing 16-14 at the half. It was only a two-point game - 22-20 - favoring PCA after three quarters, but that turned around in the fourth. The Eagles doubled their point total, outscoring

the Roughriders 22-7 in the period. Sutherland finished with 12 points, 13 rebounds and eight blocked shots. Carrie McCoy added 10 points, and Crystal Marti had six points in a strong performance off the bench.

Roeper was paced by Lilya Haynes with 12 points

Last Friday, PCA made its road trip to Allen Park Inter-City Baptist a successful one, posting a 42-28 triumph. Sutherland totaled 18 points and 16 boards, and Laura Clark collected 13 points and four

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Entertainment

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THE WEEKEND



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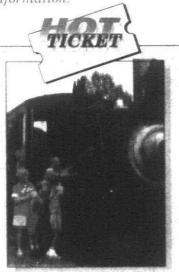


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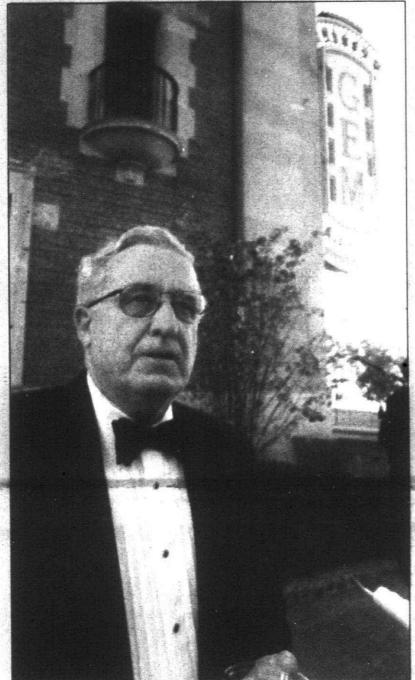
The Renaissance Festival ends today with the third annual Tournament of Temptations, and other "Sweet Endings," 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The festival is located off I-75 on Dixie Highway (between Pontiac and Flint). Call (800) 601-4848 for information.



Hot Tix: All aboard for Railroad Days, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 26-27 at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Experience what life was like working and traveling on the railroad. Visitors will see special train demonstrations and vintage steam, diesel and electric trains in action. Call (313) 271-1620 for

Resetting the

Spirited new show reopens the Gem Theatre



Preservationist: Gem Theatre owner Chuck Forbes of Troy outside the newly moved theater on Madison Avenue in downtown Detroit.

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Twisted Brown

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BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER

wo weeks ago, the lone bag-piper stationed at the entrance to the newly moved Gem Theatre bellowed the arrival of guests at the grand reopening celebration of the historic venue saved from the wrecking ball.

Over the last year, the 5.5-million-pound Gem Theatre was moved, literally, five blocks southeasterly from its former location across from the Fox Theatre to Madison Avenue, a short jaunt to Music Hall and Detroit Opera House, and the future neighborhood of two multi-million sports stadiums.

In short order, the endemic pipe sounds of Scotland accompanied the

WHAT: "I Love You, fect, Now Change WHEN: Wednesdays Sundays WHERE: Gem Theatre. 333 Madison Avenue, Detroit TICKETS: \$32.50, (313) 963

entrances of about 450 of Gem owner Chuck Forbes' closest friends. Forbes of Troy initially renovated and opened the Gem Theatre on New Year's Eve 1991. Apparently, the crowd of Who's Who in

the arts, corporate world and philanthropic community knew that the real star wasn't the 71-year-old theater but the man who stood on the stage before a preview performance of "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now

Change," and thanked everyone for supporting the \$1.5-million move, which is listed in the Guinness Book of Records as the heaviest structure moved on Other than perhaps the Ilitch

family, few others have shown the commitment and vision for the renewal of Detroit than

If his decision in the early 1980s to buy, refurbish and rent



Label head sees Kid Rock as a 'major star'

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO STAFF WRITER

Kid Rock is sitting in the Industry nightclub's Saroki Room looking through the pouring rain coming down on the "Warped Tour" concert across the street.

The long-haired braided rapper is preparing to debut songs off his upcoming album "Devil Without a Cause" (Lava/Atlantic), but the rain posed a threat to his performance.

Just as Kid Rock takes the stage, the sun appears and thousands of baggy pantswearing skaters and midriffbaring teen girls begin jumping in the flooded Pontiac parking lot:

His amalgamation of rap and rock goes over well with the soaking wet crowd but unfortunately it blends in with other acts doing the same sort of music. But long before the

Deftones, Rage Against the Machine, and the "Judgment Night" soundtrack which paired up the likes of Cypress Hill and Pearl Jam, Biohazard and Onyx, and Helmet and House of Pain, Kid Rock was messing with the formula.

"I took it to rock radio, and they said there was too much rap in it," Kid Rock said about his previous albums "Now

they saw everybody starting to fuse it and it opened the market.

The first single, "I Am the Bullgod," is proving that point. It's gotten across-the-board play on each end of the dial from CIMX-FM (88.7) to WXDG-FM (105.1).

"Kid Rock is going to be a major star," said Jason Flom, president of Lava Records.

"I love Kid Rock I love his music. I love him personally I love everything about him. The band is tight, and to me his record is going to be an extremely important rock record I consider it a hard rock record even though he raps on it

"It's important in that, in terms of a one to 10. I give it a 10. I don't think there's that many records that come out that you can listen to start to finish and every song blows you away I think he's fused rap and rock in a way that only he can "

Kid Rock, a Royal Oak resident. began his career as a high school student DJing parties in Mount Clemens. In 1988 his demo tapes earned him a spot opening for Boogie Down Productions

Please see KID ROCK, E2 (Lava/Atlantic)



Coming home: Kid Rock, known to his mother as Bob Ritchie. plays the State Theatre Friday. Sept. 25, in support of his latest album, "Devil Without a Cause"



Michael Tilson Thomas Music director, San Francisco Symphony

Gershwin's birthday tour comes to town

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

Strike up the band' 'Swonderful, 'smarvelous, 'sGeorge Gershwin's 100th buthday Saturday and the bond is coming to Ann Arbor.

On Sunday, the San Francisco Symphony under the direction of Michael Tilson Thomas will bring a touring celebration of the conposer to the University of Michigan's Hill Auditorium.

Born Jacob Gershovitz on Sept. 26, 1898, in Brooklyn, N.Y. Gershwin created music that has become a part of the American fabric. His songs, often with brilliant and witty lyrics by his older brother, Ira: his larger, jazzinspired orchestral works, and the folk opera "Porgy and Bess" have been accorded the highest stature, with many bailing Gershwin as the quintessential Ameri-

For Michael Tilson Thomas, it's personal

"His family knew the Gershwins in New York," said John Engelkes, bass trombonist with the symphony "Michael's dad knew him very well and be talks about that at refusersals He mens tions how his grandfather knew the Gershwins, and he passes that on "
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Thomas' grandparents. Boris and Bessie Thomashetsky. were founders of the Yiddish America and knew Gershwin's parents who were Russ tan emigres George Gershwin gave Trison

But Gershwin belongs everyone and the San Francisco Symphony is part of a national cele great composer Symple Francisco Sold

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Please see TOUR, E.Z.

Gem from page E1

more than 40 properties in the Losing the Gem would have been like losing a downtown theater district area front tooth. seemed risky at best, Forbes' determination to save the Gem Theatre is arguably one of the most gutsy preservation moves in Detroit's history.

"Losing the Gem would have been like losing a front tooth," said Forbes in his typically

understated manner. "The true test is whether we'd do it all over again," said Forbes, with an ear-to-ear grin. "The answer is 'Yes."

With his characteristic Scotslike charm and gregariousness, Forbes christened the new address for the Gem by introducing a spirited rendition of the Scottish traditional, "Bless This

At the completion of the song. Forbes gave a thumbs up to the performer, then stepped from the stage and onto the cabaret-style floor seating. Moments later, the curtain rose.

It was a perfect moment of propriety, accomplishment and er Plaid" had audiences lined up lyrics with the realizations that modesty. Perhaps it wasn't a at the Gem, then "I Love You, relationships are blissfully sistible tap-along melody.

indelible sound of Scottish bag-

After two weeks of warm ups, "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" opens the Gem The-

atre's new season. Like past popular productions melody. It's the type of musical theater filled with jazzy songs

Peppy and biting

biting lyrics and rapid pace that appeals to mainstream audi-

If "All Night Strut" and "Forev- sistible elements of cute and tidy

coincidence that it had the You're Perfect" surely won't dis-

Poking fun and probing the irrational impulses of menwomen relationships, the bouncing skits and songs peel away at the inherent - perhaps unbridgeable - differences of those looking for the ideal relationship.

Catchy and delightfully ditzy. at the Gem, "I Love You, You're "I Love You, You're Perfect" is, in Perfect" aims straight for an some ways, an updated accountirresistible hook and tap-along ed of Sondheim's award-winning "Company."

> Cleverly, the show - which has New York - combines the irre-

You're Perfect" doesn't probe beyond superficial appearances. Nor does it intend to Several of the skits could have found a former when he was growing up place on the former TV show, in a small town in Iowa. "Men Behaving Badly." Especially, "Single Man Drought," "A Stud and a Babe" and "Wedding

For the most part, "I Love,

Meanwhile, the more biting songs seem to toss crumbs of and the proverbial anxiety about the "c-word" - commitment.

The two-acts of musical skits will surely appeal to younger audiences wondering if there's anything relevant in today's theater. Ah, love, misunderstanding and what one will do in the name of pride.

"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" combines expectabeen running for two years in tions about love with the need for security.

That proves to be a combustible mixture with an irre-

Kid Rock from page E1

debut album "Grit Sandwiches artist and repertoire representafor Breakfast" (Jive), he toured tive for Lava Records. After the United States with Ice Cube hearing "The Polyfuze Method." and Too Short. From there he he and Flom traveled to Detroit jumped to the ill-fated Continu- to see Kid Rock perform. label ("The Polyfuze Method") before releasing 1996's the State Theatre and there was

his own label. Top Dog. more than 12,000 copies, piquing dition of Kiss meets the Beastie

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In 1990, in support of his the interest of Andy Karp, an Boys, It blew me away, It's total dimension to his music - coun entertainment," Flom explained. "Devil Without a Cause" was

recorded at the White Room and Temple of the Dog studios in Detroit. A number of Detroiters aided in the process including Big Block's Kenny Tudrick, Chris Peters of Getaway Cruiser, and Robert Bradley, and Andrew and Mike Nehra, all of Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise.

nes," Kid Rock said of "Devil Without a Cause." "We did it To mix the song "Badwidaba."

"That was an experience. We kids in the front (of the building) and stuff about John Lennon was written on the walls," said Kid Rock, who DJed the Beastie

With "Devil Without a Cause," Kid Rock and his band Twisted Brown Trucker add a new

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try. Kid Rock, known to his mother as Bob Ritchie, and Flom said that his inspiration comes from the variety of music Kid Rock listened to growing up in

Macomb County.

"He was raised on music as diverse as everything from Hank Williams to Lynyrd Skynyrd to Ice Cube to Guns 'N Roses or whatever Kid Rock is a force of "This is one of the betters Although Kid Rock has been

doing the rap/rock thing for years, he wanted to make this a top-notch effort. There was one factor that proved a little trou-Kid Rock headed overseas to the famous Abbey Road Studios in blesome for Kid Rock, however. Perfecting his vocals

"The rock thing took a little were doing it first class. It was work. I had to learn how to sing," cool because there was all these he explained with a laugh. When asked how he practiced, he added, "Like everybody elsedriving in the car." To Flom, however, Kid Rock

Boys' Grand Royal Christmas could do no wrong. "His music is rebellious and party last December. hard but it's also uplifting, which is a funny word to use with Kid Rock. It's got an element of humor to it. He's about having a good time. He's not trying to tear everything down or save the rainforest. When I listen to it, he makes me feel like I'm 17 again. He's so good to me it's ridicu-

"We had Tommy Dorsey records that my dad listened to a lot. I was also wearing braces at the time and might have taken up the trumpet otherwise. But I now know I made truth about gender differences, the right decision," Engelkes

A performance by the New York Philharmonic in Ames, Iowa, switched the brass player to classical music, though he enjoys doing "pops" programs when a Tony Bennett or Mel Torme come to sing with the Symphony.

and with Gershwin we get to do a little of that," Engelkes said. Tilson Thomas, who became music director of the San Francisco Symphony is 1995, has

music by Gershwin and other American composers. "For instance, he's an expert on Charles Ives. We do the main pieces, but he pulls out pieces we've never heard, like "The Steeples to Mountains" piece," said Engelkes. "He also speaks to the audience about the pieces. He will often talk about

them for the first time and even

symphony members will learn

win's "American in Paris" and Tilson Thomas doing double Congress.

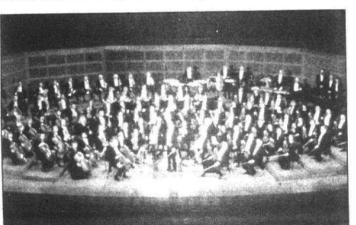
the trombone by a jazz per- Symphony in D Major ("Titan").

"Mahler's First Symphony, we were talking in rehearsal that he must have been in his late 20s, there is thematic material from his Songs of the Wayfarer. These are truly beautiful tunes, emotional pieces. We're marveling at how wonderful a piece it was and we know what was

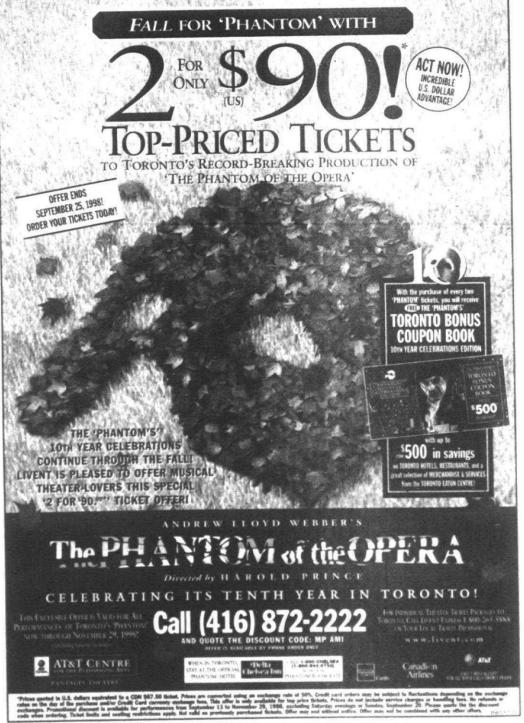
The "beautiful tunes" and songlike qualities are often regarded as Gershwin's greatest strengths as a classical composer as well and Engelkes said the similarities as well as the differences in the composers went into the programming

"I think Ann Arbor is getting

Gershwin never lived to fulfill his promise as a classical composer. He died in 1937 at only 39. But he left behind a rich egacy of hundreds of songs considered the cream of American standards and orchestral music that is widely loved and influ ential in the use of modern



Symphonic: Michael Tilson Thomas leads the San Mahler Sunday.



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tennial, and when you hear duty as conductor and pianist, Gershwin, you think New York." as he does on the new CD. To Engelkes crossed over him- balance the Gershwin, the Symself. He was first attracted to phony will offer Mahler's First

to come," Engelkes said.

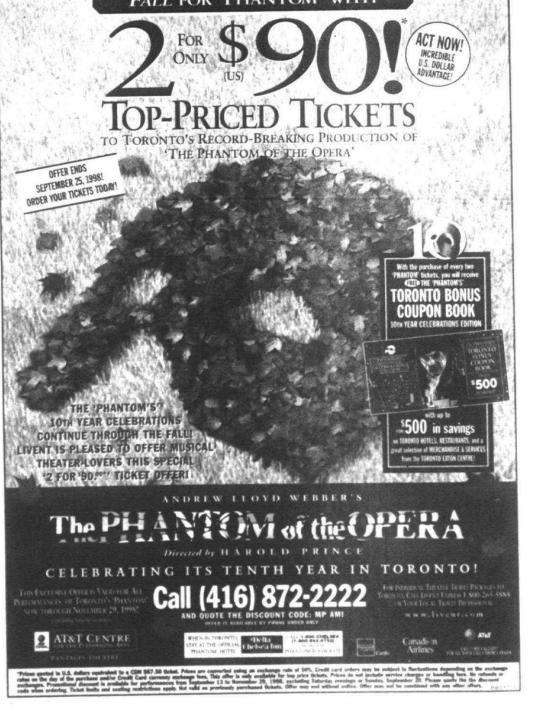
"It's fun when we get to do it

the best program, the best of both," Engelkes said.

continued to program a lot of

The UMS continues its cele eration of Gershwin with the program "Gershwin: Sung and Unsung" Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 9-10, featuring soprano Dana On Sunday afternoon, the Hanchard and tenor Ted Kee-Symphony will perform Gersh- gan performing songs from "Porgy and Bess" and "Lady Be his Second Rhapsody for Good" and rare, unpublished Orchestra and Piano with songs from the Library of

Francisco Symphony in a program of Gershwin and



# Livonia-Redford Guild relives 'Laughter on 23rd Floor' Theatre Guild of Livonia-Red- Those of us lucky enough to have Tadevic gives us the feeling of



Acting: Sean Kelley (Kenny, left to right), Jason Smith (seated, Ira), Jerry Salas (Val), Brian Townsend (Milt), Ron Williams (seated, Lucas), and Steve Tadevic (Max) in a scene from "Laughter on the 23rd Floor."

ford continues its run of "Laughter on the 23rd Floor" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25-26 and 2 playhouse, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. For tickets, call (313)

#### BY BOB WEIBEL SPECIAL WRITER

There's a "must see" show olaying at the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford. It's Neil Simon's riotous comedy, "Laughter on the 23rd Floor"- his loving tribute to the greatest sketch writing team in the history of television (Sid Caesar's "Your Show of Shows" and later, "Caesar's Hour").

First time director Deborah Pletzer has assembled a talented cast and has chosen as her assistant Karen Groves, with more than 20 years of theater experience. Together, they give us a fast-paced show that seldom stumbles, while regaling us with two hours of comic delights.

Back in the fifties, Simon, Mel Brooks, Larry Gelbart, Mel Tolkin, Woody Allen, Carl Reiner, and others cranked out 90 minutes of material week after week for Sid Caesar's variety show.

fondly.

Little did we realize what Jason Smith is outrageous as p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27 at the went on in the zany "writing an over-the-top hypochondriac, room" or what a price Caesar paid for his success. Caesar went Allen and Mel Brooks, Smith from the hottest personality on turns in one of the best physical TV to an unemployable, down comedy performances seen in and out drunk in a flop house in some time Toronto before getting his life

together again.

In "Laughter on the 23rd Floor," Simon gives us an insider's impressionistic view of the his lines hardly appear memofun times on that famous 23rd floor where an eclectic team of delivering a comic line, or a piece wordsmiths assaulted each other with one-lines, put-downs and gags. This is a no holds barred free-for-all, including some adult language (mostly a running gag on how to pronounce the F-

word). The story line of the play is a Prince) and NBC executives over fella. comedic integrity. The suits want to dumb down the show for a bigger audience (a fight that Caesar eventually lost).

verpowering personality of the Once moment warm and fuzzy,

witnessed it live, remember it what it was like to be in the presence of flawed comic genius.

Ira. Loosely based on Woody

Jerry Salas is excellent as Val, the head writer (in real life Mel Tolkin). His Russian Jewish accent and delivery are so good rized. And when it comes to of funny business Brian Townsend, as Milt, is tops.

Ron Williams is likeable as Lucas, a fresh-faced stand-in for Simon, himself. Rebecca Martin scores as Carol, the only woman writer on the show and pregnant with child. She just wants to be continuing battle between the one of the guys, so one retorts, Sid Caesar character (Max "hope you have a great baby,

In voice and dress, Drew Parker is very good as an Irish writer dreaming of a big score in Hollywood. Sean Kelly tries to keep Steve Tadevic captures the things in perspective as the level-headed Kenny. And Andrea ill-popping, boozing Max Prince. Pellicci effectively makes her stage debut as Helen, girl Friday the next a raving paranoid, to this gang of frenetic funsters.

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ARTHUR GREENE The University of Michigan School of Music faculty member performs in recital, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor. \$25, \$15, \$10, (734) 769-2999 or kch@ic.net

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY With conductor and piano Michael Tilson Thomas, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept 27. Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. \$16-\$50. (734) 764 2538/(800) 221-1229 UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY **ORCHESTRA** 

Featuring the music of Beethoven and Shostakovich, 8 p.m. Monday Sept. 28. Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor, Free, All ages (734) 764-8350

# POPS/SWING STEVE LAWRENCE AND EYDIE

and 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton ownship, \$36, \$32 students and seniors, \$45 gold circle. (810) 286-A PARISIAN SOIREE

Instrumental works of French con posers performed by pianists William Doppman and Michele Cooker, saxophonist Donald Sinta accordianist Peter Soave and a group of U-M students from the stu dio of Donald Sinta, cabaret sipw featuring singers Julia Broxholm and Deanna Relyea, Porter, Kern

Sondheim, Brel, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept

House, 415 N. Fourth Avenue, Ann

Arbor. \$25, \$15, \$10. (734) 769-

8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, Oakland

Community College, 7350 Cooler

Lake Road, Waterford, \$10, (248)

26, at the Kerrytown Concert

2999 or kch@ic.net

RED GARTER BAND

360-3186 (Dix leland)

8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Sept 26, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave. Royal Oak, Free, 25-cent surcharge on drinks during entertainment. All ges (248) 546 1400 KATHY KOSINS TRIO

8 30 pm to 12 30 am Friday Sept. 25, Edison's, 220 Merrill St Birmingham Free, 21 and older

#### AUDITIONS

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE Auditions for apprentice dancers with modern dance and ballet experience, dancers will train with the

company, understudy roles and be nvolved with production, at Central United Methodist Church, 23 E. Adams, near Grand Circus Park, Detroit. (313) 965-3544 LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS Auditions 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept

29, rehearsals for "Forever Christmas" concert begin in October, Livonia Mall meeting room next to the security office down the mall from the pet store, lot G in the parking lot at the back of the mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt. (734) MADONNA UNIVERSITY CHORALE

Open auditions for the 1998-99 sea son, auditions consist of an individual meeting with David Wagner. chorale director. The chorale ehearses from 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays for its Christmas and spring concerts. There is no charge to sing i the chorale but academic credit is given to Madonna University stulents. The choral consists of stulents and community members. 734) 432-5708 or send e-mail to

vagner@smtp.munet.edu PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS Open auditions for new members. especially tenors, basses and baritones, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 29, at First United Methodist Church. 45201 N. Territorial Road, west of Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 455-4080; The group is also looking for members and former members to help celebrate its 25th anniversary with a gala ball Friday, Oct. 2, at Laurel Park Manor, Livonia. (734) 459-6829 or write to P.O. Box 700217.

RENAISSANCE CHORUS The Wayne Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America holds open auditions 7:30 p.m., the first Tuesday of every month at the Newburgh United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, west of Wayne Road. (313) 438-2364

nouth Mich 48170

# JAZZ

DWIGHT ADAMS TRIO 8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Sept 24, Edison's, 220 Merrill St. Birmingham. Free. 21 and older (248) 645-2150 nnet / piano / bass

MOSE ALLISON 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, Magic Bag 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale \$13 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themag

SANDRA BOMAR TRIO 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2, Edison's, 22 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass) RAMONA COLLINS

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 2-3, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor, \$5, 21 and older, (734) 662-

EXPLOSION CEREBRAI 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, as part of Mood Indigo night. Bird of Paradise,

207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (734) 662 BILL HEID TRIO

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25 26. Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley. Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. [734] SCOTT HENDERSON AND TRIBAL

8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$15 in advance, 18 and older, (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themag-

HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO 6-10 p.m. Mondays at Too-Chez. 27155 Sheraton Drive, Novi. (248) 348-5555; 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays ! Saturdays at Encore in the Quality Inn 1301 S. Telegraph Road.

Bloomfield Hills, (248) 335-3790 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Nov. (248) 305-7333 KIMMIE HORNE 9 p.m. Friday Saturday, Sept. 25-26 D.L. Harrington's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills, Free, All

ages (248) 852-0550 JAZZHEAD 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak, \$2, 21 and older (248) 542

PHIL KAPUT

St., Ann Arbor Free All ages (734) 668 1838 RFD BOYS ages (734) 761 1451 or

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8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students, seniors. A ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

CRIS WILLIAMSON AND TRET 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, Botsford Inn. 28000 Grand River 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, The Ark, Ave., Farmington Hills. \$5 cover 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All waived with dinner. \$5 drink miniages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

8 n.m. Thursday, Sept. 24 open the POETRY/SPOKEN Detroit Symphony Orchestra's WORD Ameritech Jazz Series, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15-\$46, \$60 box POETRY IN MOTION

seats. (313) 576-5111 Featuring poet Ann Holdreith, 7-10 **GARY SCHUNK TRIO** p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, at the Grand 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 Cafe, 33316 Grand River, east of Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Farmington Road, Farmington. Free. Birmingham, Free, 21 and older (248) 615-9181/(248) 821-(248) 645-2150 1919/(313) 299-9909 (plano/bass/drums) STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

Detroit Story League's annual even 9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, Fifth featuring Donald Davis, Elizabeth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Ellis and Anne Shimojima, work-Oak, Tickets at Ticketmaster, 21 shops, and family performances, and older. (248) 542-9922 (blues) p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, and 9 a.m. CHUCK SHERMETARO TRIO Saturday, Sept. 26, Henry Ford 8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Oct. Community College's MacKenzie Fine Arts Building and Adray Birmingham. Free. 21 and older Auditorium, 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. \$5-\$30. (734) 761-

5118/(313) 525-1521

seniors/students. (313) 965-3544

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE

Joins with Demetrius Klein Dance, 8

p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, Oakland

University, Varner Recital Hall,

Rochester, \$12, \$10 seniors, \$6

naster classes, Oct. 1-4 in conjuc

ecky Hill and Perfect Match, at

546-5037/(248) 547-9823

KEN VANDERMARK FIVE 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, as part DANCE of the New Music Society Concerts Xhedos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile ADVANCED CONTRA DANCE Road, Ferndale. Cover charge. All 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, at the ages. (248) 399-3946 Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY Saline Road, south of I-94, Ann Arbor. \$8. (734) 665-8863

BUDSON With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 **CONTRA DANCING** a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 with 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham Becky Hill and Perfect Match, at Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300 the First Baptist Church, 309 N. Main, Royal Oak. \$7. (248) 542-ROBERT WALKER'S 20TH CONGRESS

With Psy-Funk, 8 p.m. Saturday, DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE Sept. 26, Magic Bag, 22920 City Arts Concert, 8 p.m. Friday Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$10 in Saturday, Sept. 25-26, at Wayne advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-State University in the Maggie Allessee Studio Theater, Old Main 3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com/acid Building, corner of Cass and Warrren, third floor, \$15, \$10

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(248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

With trumpet player John Trudell,

and alto sax player Larry Nozero, 8-

MATT MICHAELS TRIO

mum. (248) 474-4800

MINGUS BIG BAND

MEM SHANNON

Edison's, 220 Merrill St.,

(248) 645-2150

(piano/bass/drum

DAVID S. WARE QUARTET 8:30-10p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, at Henry Ford Community College. Mackenzie Fine Arts Center, Evergreen and Ford Roads. Dearborn, \$15. (313) 845 9676/(248) 548-9888

Oakland University students. (248) 370-3013 WORLD MUSIC KANKOURAN WEST AFRICAN DANCE COMPANY

THE ARTICLES Performances and beginning and 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave. tion with Wayne State University Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older Dance Department. (313) 794-(Jamaican jazz) (313) 965-9500 9400/(313) 873-3889/(313) 57 JIMMY CLIFF 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, Majestic, OAKLAND COUNTY CONTRA

4140 Woodward Ave , Detroit. \$20

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**IMMIGRANT SUNS** 

(248) 544-3030 or

IMMUNITY

http://www.themagicbag.com

Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road,

12:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 1.

Friday Saturday, Oct. 2-3.

(248) 362 4030 (reggae)

PINO MARELLI

10 p.m. to 2 a m. Friday Saturday,

Sept. 25-26, Union Lake Grill and

Commerce Township, Free, 21 and

Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St.

Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248)

543-4300: 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

7 p.m. Thursdays, Sept. 24, Oct.

8 p.m. Fridays, Sept. 25 and Oct. 2.

and 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, at

Luciano's 39031 Garfield, Clinton

Township (810) 263 6540; 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 29, at Benedetto's,

15505-15 Mile, Clinton Township

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main

(810) 790 1010 (Italian and

8-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26

CHARLIE MOSBROOK

Spectadium, 2511 N. Livernois

Road, Troy Free 21 and older.

older. (810) 360 7450, 9 30 p.m. to

(Eastern European/rock)

DANCING in advance, 18 and older, (313) 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 with 833-9700 (reggae BELA FLECK, EDGAR MEYER AND the First Baptist Church, 309 N MIKE MARSHALL Main, Royal Oak, \$7. (248) 542-8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, The

Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE \$25. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or essons offered 7:30 p.m. http://www.a2ark.org Wednesday evenings, no partner GREAT BIG SEA needed, beginners welcome, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29. The Ark. Madison Heights United Methodist Church, 246 E. 11 Mile Road, east All ages. (734) 761 1451 or of John R. \$3, first visit free. (248)

COMEDY With Spy Radio, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25 Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave. Ferndale, \$5, 18 and older.

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB Kipp Addotta and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday Sept. 24-26 (\$14); Chas Elstner, Thursday Saturday, Oct. 1-3 (\$12) at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road Livonia, 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$5), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$12), unless otherwise noted. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$5). (734) 261 0555 JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT

PAISANO'S Steve Bills, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25 and 8 15 p.m. and 10 45 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 (\$8, \$20.95 dinner show package); Sean Morey. 8 15 p.m. and 10 45 p.m. Friday Saturday, Oct. 2-3 (\$10, \$24.95 din. ner show package), and 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4 (\$10, \$22.95 dinner show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn (313)

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE Chris Titus 8 30 pm Thursday Sept. 24 (\$7), 8 p.m. and 10 30 p.m. Friday Saturday, Sept. 25.26 \$10 Mike Hessman 8 30 pm Wednesday Thursday, Sept. 30 Oc. 1. and 8 p.m. and 10 30 p.m. Friday Saturday, Oct. 2.3 (\$10), at the club 314 E Liberty, Ann Arbor

7341 996 9080 OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

584-8885

8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26. The Ark. Second City Touring Company retu 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor \$10, \$9 to the campus bringing its unique version of improvisational comedy. 8 members, students, seniors, All m Friday, Sept 25, in Varner Recital Hall, Rochester \$12, \$10 http://www.a2ark.org.(bluegrass) seniors, \$5 Oakland University stu-DAVID ROTH

dents. (248) 370-3013 MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE Jenny McNulty and Paul Frisbee, Wednesday-Sunday, Sept. 9-13, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 9:30 p.m. Fridays (\$12), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices subject to change. (248)

castle.com SOUPY SALES With Johnny Ginger and Marv Welch, 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, Farmington Civic Theatre, 33332 Grand River

542-9900 or http://www.comedy

Ave., Farmington. \$25. (248) 473-STOGIES & STANDUP Genitti's, 108 E. Main St., Northville, presents "Stogies & Standup," Thursday, Oct. 1. Buffet dinner 6-8 p.m., three comedians perform 8 p.m. Cost \$40 per person includes dinner, 3 premium cigars, single malt Scotch and rum tasting. and show. Call (248) 349-0522 for

reservations. SECOND CITY Viagra Falls," 8 p.m. Wednesdays Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. on Fridays-Saturdays through November, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays, (313) 965-2222

> MUSEUMS AND TOURS

CRANBROOK Guided garden tours 1:30 p.m. Thursdays through Sept. 24 (\$6, \$5 Love, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, St. seniors/students), (248) 645-3147; Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, outdoor sculpture tour noon Saturdays through October (\$7, \$5 students/seniors includes Art Museum admission), (248) 645-3323, on the grounds of Cranbrook Educational Community, 1221 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. **DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM** Four Women of Egypt," film documentary, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26; "A Community Between Two

Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit," through Oct. 4; "The Fantasy World of Doll Houses," hrough Jan. 31; "Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store at icon of the city's prosperous era, uns through December, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby). Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays: \$3 fo adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages

11 and younger Thursdays Sundays. (313) 833-1805 or http://www.detroithistorical.org DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER

IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest" at 10 a.m. Mondays Fridays, "Special Effects" at 1:10 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and Everest" multiple showings seve days a week at the center, 5020 John R (at Warren), Detroit. Admission to Exhibit Hall is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger

IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-8400 SUNDAY STROLLS Featuring Creekside Community of the east side of Detroit, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, \$15 Detroit fistorical Society members, \$18 ion-members; Featuring Historic Indian Village, 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct 4. \$15 Detroit Historical Society nembers, \$18 non-members. (313) 833-1405 or

ttp://www.detroithistorical.org CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY Exhibits include "Detroit's Black Bottom and Paradise Valley, Help Us Collect Your Past "through Sunday, Oct. 25, and "Juke Joint through Sunday, Oct. 18, at the museum, 315 E. Warren (at Brush Detroit Museum admission, \$5 adults, \$3 children ages 17 and

POPULAR MUSIC

9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, Fifth Avenue 215 W. Fifth Ave. Royal Oak \$5, 21 and older (248) 542 3923 (blues) AMERICAN MARS

BERNARD ALLISON

younger (313) 494 5800

Opm Thursday, Sept 24, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St. Ypsilanti Cover charge 19 and Ider (734) 485-5053 (pop) THE ARTIST

8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, Joe. Louis Arena, 600 Civic Center Dr

7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, State Detroit. \$19.99, \$50 and \$85. All ages. (248) 645-6666 (R&B/pop) Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15 in advance. All ages. **BUGS BEDDOW BAND** (313) 961-5451 (rap/rock) 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Sept. 25, P.W. LONG WITH REELFOOT and 8-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, Magic Stick 2-3, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. in the Majestic complex, 4140

BENNY AND THE JETS 9 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays through October, New Crow's Nest, 6166 N. Canton Center Road, Canton, Free. 21 and older. (313) 730-1627 or http://members.tripod.com/BennyJ

Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free.

21 and older. (248) 624-9400

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 ump blues) RORY BLOCK

8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, The Ark. 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$13.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org (blues) BLUE ROSE 9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, Mount

Chalet, 32955 Woodward Ave. Royal Oak, Free, 21 and older, (248) 549-2929; 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 2-3, Vimmer's, 1711 Auburn Road, Rochester Hills, Free, 21 and older. (248) 299-3663 (blues) **BLUE SUIT** 

Featuring Alberta Adams, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages. (248) 644-

**BONNE TEMPS ROULLE** 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham, Free, 21 and older (248) 644-4800 (R&B) BRIDGE With Solid Frog and Gods Made

Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (rock) BUSTER BLUES BAND 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, Bad Frog. 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birminghan

Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 THE CHURCH 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, 7th House, N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$17 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 335-8100 or http://www.961melt.com

(ethereal pop)

With The Murmurs, 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$8 in advance. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 or http://www.99music.com

With Ape 7, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept 26, Lill's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck \$5. 21 and older. (313) 875-6555 or http://www.iHis21.com (prog

GLEN EDDIE 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, Fox and ounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages. 248) 644-4800 (blues) **EKOOSTIK HOOKAH** 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$16

"FAMILY VALUES" TOUR With Korn, Rammstein, Ice Cube Limp Bizkit and Orgy, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30. The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. ( 5 and Lapeer Road). Auburn Hills. \$29.50 reserved and general admission floor. (248) 377-0100 or ttp://www.palacenet.com; Aftershow party with Orgy. 10 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, Industry, 15

. Saginaw, Pontiac. Tickets at icketmaster All ages (248) 334 1999 or http://www.961melt.com **GETAWAY CRUISER** With Slum Village and Flashpap's 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2. Blind Pig 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$6 advance 19 and older (734)

996-8555 0 ttp://www.99music.com.pop ROBERT GORDON with Thornetta Davis, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 24 Karat Club. 28949 Joy Road : two blocks east o Middlebelt Road, Westland Cove charge 18 and older (734) 513-030 rockabilly R&B

6. Cross Street Station, 511 W ross St., Ypsilanti Cover charge 19 and older (734) 485 5053

THE GRUESOMES

JULIANA HATFIELD With Hayden 8 p.m. Thursday 0 7th House 7 N. Saginaw. Pontiac Tickets at Ticketmaste 18 and older (248) 335 8100 or http://www.961melt.com/pop

AL HILL 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29. Fox an-Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave. Bioomfield Hills Free All ages (248) 644 4800 R&B KID ROCK

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**BLIND PIG** 

"Swing-a-billy" night with dance essons from 8-9 p.m. and dancing with DJ Del Villarreal, 7:30 p.m. Sundays at the club, 206-208 S First St. Ann Arbor, \$5 before 9 p.m. \$3 afterward: "Solar" night with Mixmaster Morris, Amon Tobin and Jonah, 10 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, at the club. \$10. 19 and older (734) 996-8555

21 and older; Alternative dance THE GROOVE ROOM

Mac D, Thursdays. Women admitted free: "Love Factory" alternative dance night Fridays; Alternative dance with DJ Matt Saturdays; Alternative dance Tuesdays; gothic industrial and retro with DJ Paul Wednesdays. Free, at the club, 1815 N. Main St. (at 12 Mile Road) Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly, 21 and older, (248) 589-3344 or http://www.thegroove

9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, Karl's oom.com Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, INDUSTRY Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) 455-8450 (blues) MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM MCCARTY 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, 24 Karat

Club. 28949 Joy Road (two blocks east of Middlebelt Road), Westland. Cover charge. 18 and older. (734) 513-5030; 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1. Bad Frog, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham, Free, 21 and older, (248) 624-9400 (blues) ROBERT PENN 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, Memphis

Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300; 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and olde (248) 644-4800 (R&B) THE PROMISE RING 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, Magic

Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 or http://www.99music.com SNOWPONY

Stick in the Majestic, 4140

Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in

With Boogle Shoes, 9:30 p.m.

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older. (313) 875-6555 or

**MODERN VAGRANTS** 

POOL (rock)

MASCHINA

advance. 18 and older. (313) 833

Friday, Sept. 25, Blind Pig, 206-208

S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and

9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, Lili's, 2930

Jacob, Hamtramck. \$5. 21 and

http://www.lilis21.com (rock

THE MOEN-AWESOME BAND

7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday.

Sept. 25, Stan's Dugout, 3350

Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover

charge. 21 and older. (248) 852-

6433; 11 a.m. to noon Saturday,

Sept. 26, as part of "September

Ortonville. (248) 627-4640

With Pernice Brothers, 8 p.m.

Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in

(acoustic rock)

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est" on Mill Street in downtown

6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall. 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster, All ages. (313) 961-STEVE SOMERS BAND

hursday, Sept. 24, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave. Birmingham. Free. 21 and older (248) 624-9400 (blues) SOULFLY With Snot, Dee Snider, Day in the Life and (hed) pe. 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, State Theatre.

Featuring Valerie Barrymore, 9 p.m

ages. (313) 961-5451 (rock) ANGELA STREHLI BAND 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, Magic Bag. 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Postponed until later this fall. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themag

Detroit (313) 961 MELT or http://www.961melt.com SUNNY DAY REAL ESTATE 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, St Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress Detroit Tickets at Ticketmaster. A ages (313) 961-MELT or nttp.://www.961meit.com/laiterna

LIL BRIAN TERRY AND THE ZYDECO TRAVELERS 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak, \$4, 21 and older (248) 542

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# Atmospheric 'Ronin' is good looking, uninvolving

BY HUGH GALLAGHER

In a smokey, late night Paris street a man walks cautiously down ancient stairs watching other men gather at a hole-inthe-wall wine bar. He hides a gun in a crevice of the old stone street and walks into the bar where everyone eyes him suspiciously He asks for a drink.

This is the richly atmospheric opening to John Frankenheimer's "Ronin," a thriller that unpeels layer upon layer of mystery and never becomes fully clear until the last ironic

Frankenheimer mastered the political-espionage thriller

Manchurian Candidate." "Ronin" is similar to that film in its basically bitter view of political moves and in its slowly unwinding revelations. But "Ronin," from a script and story by J.D. Zeik (with David Mamet), is a sion that has become something considerably cooler movie without an emotional center for an audience to care about.

bar is Sam, played by Robert highly competent, no-nonsense mercenary. The others in the bar are also mercenaries from several countries, strangers to each other and brought together to do a "job" for a client whose identity is also a mystery to them.

Hitchcock Maguffin, the object of mportant. Frankenheimer handles action

sequences with a refined preciof a trademark in films like "The Train" and "Grand Prix," but here things are allowed to go The man who walks into the over the top a few too many times. As two competing forces, DeNiro. He's a world-weary, rogue IRA and rogue Russians, compete for the box, there are countless shootouts and chases, including one "French Connection" type chase through narrow Nice streets

What are we to make of all

case. The brief case is a classic place despite the end of the cold war. No one can be trusted. Innopursuit that really isn't that cent people die in the middle of these coldly calculated encounters, in this case by the score.

But everything is so emotionless. DeNiro gives his usually well-modulated performance, suggesting both the competence and the exhaustion of his character. He is also consistent, which is what makes the ending work. But we never learn a lot about Sam, except briefly in a scene where the title is explained and Sam seems to suggest that he doesn't fit the definition. The "Ronin" were masterless Samurai who fought to avenge the murder of their master by anoth-

er master. Stellan Skarsgard, a very busy actor lately, is a former KGB agent and the group's technical expert with a volatile personali-

Natascha McElhone is the

rogue IRA operative who directs the mercenaries and provides a brief hint of October-May romance with DeNiro that never

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Thriller: Robert DeNiro stars as Sam, an American who joins a team hired to recover a mysterious briefcase.

and, in a cameo, Katharina Witt story. play key roles.

"Ronin" is a stunning travel- expertly handled if overdone and ogue of France. From Paris in the story's slow unraveling is the north to Nice, Cannes and intriguing. But without charac-Arles in the south, the settings ters to involve our interest, are beautiful. Robert Fraisse's "Ronin" ends up being unsatisfyphotography with its muted ing as well as disquieting for ones and active movement per- such a great director-actor comfectly captures the feel of the bination.

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The story of Steve Prefontaine, a charismatic runner who revolutionized his sport in the 1970s with his competitive ferocity and ability to ignite the crowd. Stars Billy Crudup, Donald Sutherland.

Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 16 "THE MIGHTY"

Based on the acclaimed novel by Rodman Philbrick, a funny, inspiring and adventurous tale of two young outsiders who set off on a mighty "quest." Stars Sharon Stone, Gena Rowlands.

Hoffman, a dark and comic fable about two sisters who struggle to use the hereditary gift for guiding fate through practical magic to overcome the Sandra Bullock, Nicole Kidman, Dianne Wiest, Stockard Channing.

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A dramatic thriller about a high school kid who discovers that his neighbor is an ex-Nazi SS officer and blackmails: him. Stars Ian McKellen, Brad Renfro.

"HOME FRIES" An offbeat comedy about two brothers obsessed with the same woman, one wants to marry her, the other to kill her The trio's lives intertwine in unexpected ways that are orchestrated by the brothers' highly eccentric mother. Stars Drew

Barrymore, Catherine O'Hara.

An itinerant warrior of the future. trained exclusively for combat, but now made obsolete by a new generation of specially bred fighters, defends a band of settlers on a remote planet and discovers his own humanity in the process. Stars Kurt Russell

# Film festival to honor Elmore Leonard

The festival is an expanded ed from Leonard's novels. successor to the Metropolitan Leonard also will be presented "There is a wealth of talented that night.

filmmakers in the world today, and our purpose is to showcase during the festival will be "inde- the festival's co-chairman, the best of their work for Detroit pendent" films, the work of Wayne Indyk and Windsor audiences," said emerging directors. The films Mr. Indyk, an officer of the

Plans for the inaugural Detroit Leonard at the Detroit Opera Windsor, in cooperation with & Windsor International Festi- House. It will feature an Ameri- Windsor Film Theatre and val of Film were announced can Film Institute-style retro- ArtCite Windsor. spective chronicling films adapt-

Plans for the new film festival were announced at a news conference at the Westin Hotel by Film Festival, held in Detroit for with the first Spirit of Detroit Mr. McPhee, who heads Michi-Lifetime Achievement Award gan-based First Light Contemporary Releasing, an alternative The majority of movies shown film distribution company, and

Tom McPhee, the festival's co- will be screened at the four the Detroit Filmmakers Coalition. aters at the Renaissance Center estimates that some 60 films will The festival will run Nov. 5-8, on Nov. 6, 7 and 8 In addition, be shown Half will be entered in opening with a tribute to Bloom- plans are being completed for a the competitive phase of the fesfield writer Elmore ("Dutch") closing-night film screening in tival.

Ann Arbor singer/songwriter Lisa Hunter will be promoting her new album, "Flying," at all eight metro Detroit Borders Books stores Sept. 24-27. For more information, call the respective stores or e-mail Swingsistersound records at swngsissnd@aol.com or visit

http://www.lb.com/onemanclapping She will perform: ■ 7-7:45 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24. at the Utica store, 45290

34300 Woodward Ave. (248) 203-0005.

Books stores this weekend will Utica Park Boulevard. (810) 726-8555. get a glimpse of that as she plays ■ 7-7:45 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, at the Flint store, 4135 Miller all eight metro-Detroit stores as Road. (810) 230-8830.

> 43075 Crescent Boulevard. (248) 347-0780. ■ 2:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Rochester store, 1122 S. Rochester Road. (248) 652-0558. ■ 7-7:45 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Birmingham store.

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Lisa Hunter also performs at 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, as part of the new "Acoustic Brew" series at the 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw. Pontiac, For ticket information, call (248) 335-8100.

it/I'm afraid I'll be unable to with a vision of what I felt was neering at the University of right. Songs are like little kids. Michigan. You have to try to figure them out and how to dress them. Recording, she explained, stirs

10995 Orchard Lake Road.

"It's this horrible mix of excitement and fear and stress yet you get to just be creative. That's what it's all about - creating this Hunter has been involved in Michael King, and keyboardist the arts since long before she

> Schools in Bloomfield Hills, from which she graduated in 1988. At the school, she studied gathered a sense for her creativi-

was a student at Cranbrook

rocky. At the same time, there's ty, she explained. still songs with just my guitar "The creativity was appreciated and honored there. I came my life "I also brought in keyboards away from that feeling special." and more percussion. It just felt said Hunter who studied engi- side of Michigan.

Hunter, who grew up in Ferndale and Auburn Hills, comes

from a long line of musicians. Her sister teaches music and plays the flute. One nephew studies at Interlochen while another plays the drums. Her brother is a jazz musician who plays in blues bands. Four of her male cousins play music.

Hitting the stage for the first time, she said, was nerve-wrack-

"It was scary at first. I was weaving and vocal music and worried I was going to fall flat on my face," she said with a laugh. "But I felt more comfortable on the stage than other places in

Many of those stages were out-

stages in places I had never been o, like Flagstaff (Ariz.) or Seat-

She briefly lived in Colorado which spawned the song "This Road," off her debut "Solid Ground

road that was really scary. It was a 45-minute drive but I had to do it every day. It started feeling like a metaphor for my life. I was shifting gears and going around curves and sometimes going the wrong way," she said. "I had this little tune in my

"I had to drive this mountain

head and the lyrics just came. was thinking a whole lot about what I was writing. It was a hard time and a cathartic time. There were a lot of lessons

Sometimes the songs come as quickly as that one.

"Those are the neat songs. They're little gifts. Other songs are a little more epic. 'This Road' wasn't hard. It evolved over

Hunter admitted that other times the songs are hard to

"I'm the kind of songwriter that is brutally honest with myself. If it's not right I can't sit with it. I generally learn a lot along the way. That's what's real-

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"I'm going to be exhausted by

Sunday," she said giggling. "It's

The "Borders Blitz" is in sup-

port of her new album "Flying,"

her sophomore independent

release. "Flying" takes the best of

Hunter's abilities and encapsu-

lates them in a tight 12-song

package. The song "Paralyze," for

example, shows her knack for

"This kind of connection is

more than a fair weather

fling/like I've known you forever.

you're part of the song that I

sing/but then the danger of los-

ing myself and drowning in

spell out my boundaries and lim-

its/just wanna lose this disguise.

Recorded at Big Sky Recording

Dearborn, she called upon a

handful of Detroit musicians to

help her out. Drummer Danny

Cox, Hammond organ player Tim

Diaz of Robert Bradley's Black-

Luis Resto lent their support.

water Surprise, guitarist

Her previous album, "Solid

"There's more electric guitar

on this album. It's a little more

right for the songs. I came up

and my voice," she explained.

Ground," was more acoustic in

in Ann Arbor and Studio A in a variety of emotions in her.

but I paralyze," she sings.

wrenching and hypnotic.

part of her "Borders Blitz."

going to be a lot of work."

writing vivid lyrics.

# Meadow Brook reaches for the mythic in Shakespeare's comedy "The Merry Wives of Windsor," cability of Shakespeare's genius ing the illusion of Shakespeare- Meadow Brook's production and space, and is perhaps most

Shakespeare. 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday & juring the western conceit. Sunday, through Oct. 11 at inside Wilson Hall on the cam- the informal open-plains lifestyle and Chadwick make subtle aspires to be something entirely pus of Oakland University, of cowboys and rustlers. At choices that reveal the humanity contemporary. But it's not just Shakespeare breathe new in Rochester Hills. Tickets: \$19.50 times, the juxtaposition of the of their characters. At times, just about transporting Shakespeare \$35; (248) 377-3300 or group By FRANK PROVENZANO

In pushing to make Shakespeare immediately accessible to attention-deficit audiences. Meadow Brook Theatre takes liberties with one of the playwright's most playfully slapstick works, "The Merry Wives of type of late 20th production that

Brook's 1998-99 seven-play sea-Shakespeare's rapid-fire comedy written about a scheming seducer, John Falstaff, and the two women who eventually reveal his deceit, is a tale of greed and jealousy, human

deflates with a wicked wit and

The play opens Meadow

eternal wisdom. For the sake of novelty, the Meadow Brook production has been transported from Elizabethan England of the late 16th century to the desolate, late 19th-century western frontier of Windsor, New Mexico.

demonstrate the universal appli- irony of the dialogue. Maintain-

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a comedy written by William is admirable, the production an theater requires creating promises to be more than a tradoesn't go far enough in recon- characters who sustain the ditiona' recitation of Shakenotion that nothing appears as it speare. From the choice of a setting, stage, there are enough specia is (Is life any different? Again and again, both Regal "The Merry Wives of Windsor"

> tight-laced language customs of following along as Regal recites to another century where the 16th-century England and the Shakespeare's lines is like being power and universality of his lawless 19th-century American chauffeured into the realm of literary gentus. rontier is downright jarring. The problem, however, is that genius goes beyond both time But when director Geoffrey Sherman pushes "The Merry Wives of Windsor" to a mythic level, the production appears reinvigorated and magical. And,

the thespian and playwright from Stratford might find guitar and song (performed by Robert Grossman), and the dance of the fairies late in the second act raises the production from an unusual homage to the Shakespearean tradition into an

should it be dared to say, the

Quite often, the formal Eliza-

bethan syntax is at odds with

foibles which Shakespeare engaging interpretation. Of course, any play that pairs David Regal (Falstaff) and Robin Chadwick (Frank Ford) offers an opportunity to marvel at the finest acting in the region.

Regal and Chadwick demonstrate that the key to playing Shakespeare lies in following the direction of the words, and While the artistic decision to understanding the inherent

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# Johnny Rockets has fun serving malt shop fare

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

The wait, is over, now you can enjoy dinner and a movie at the Star Southfield Theatre. Johnny Rockets - home of the Original Hamburger is ready to serve

"We say hi and bye to customers, and give you nickels with the menu so you can play the jukebox," said Kim Facione, general manger. "It's a happy place. We sing and dance too.

Simple and fun, Johnny Rockets was founded by Ronn Teitelbaum 12 years ago on Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles. "I'm a product of the 1940s," he said. "I dreamed of bringing back the authentic malt shop that I remember as a kid."

The red padded booths and bar stools, and chrome fixtures will take you back to a simpler time. The juke boxes from the 1940s work, and the staff wears vintage fountain caps and long white aprons.

Johnny Rockets offers a limited menu of American Classics, based on hamburgers.

"I always wanted the best hamburgers in the world," said Teitelbaum. "There's nothing fancy on our menu, just basic American fare: hamburgers. Cokes, fries, malts, sandwiches and apple pie. At Johnny Rockets, there are no surprises. You get a juicy hamburger cooked to order, just the way they used to taste.

Order "The Original" hamburger with lettuce, tomato, mustard, pickle, mayonnaise, relish and chopped onion, or a "12," served with Cheddar cheese and Johnny Rockets "red red sauce," a "St. Louis," topped with bacon **Johnny Rockets** 

Where: Inside the Star Southfield Theatre, 25333 12 Mile Road, (west of Telegraph Road, and north of Northwestern Highway), Southfield, (248) 358-2863.

Hours: Open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to midnight, Friday-Saturday. Menu: Great American malt shop classics including hamburgers, grilled cheese, tuna salad, egg salad, grilled ham

and cheese, and club sand-

wiches, chili fries, shakes,

malts, and floats. Cost: Reasonable

Vegetarian burger.

Credit Cards: All majors accepted

Reservations: Not accepted

Seats: 110 Smoking: Smoke-free environ-

Vegetarian: Some vegetarian items available, including a

and Swiss cheese, grilled onions, and "special sauce," or the "Streamliner" (Vegetarian burg-

If you're not in the mood for a burger, choose from BLT, Chili Dog, Tuna or Egg Salad Sandwich, Grilled Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Grilled Breast of Chicken, Club Sandwich, or just plain Grilled Cheese. You can get American Fries, Onion Rings. Chili Rings and a bowl of chili

Johnny Rockets offers a variety of soft drinks, and fountain specialties such as made to order malts, shakes, and floats. When was the last time you had a cherry, chocolate, vanilla or lemon flavored Coke? You can get one



At your service: Server Nikki Lewis and general manager Kim Facione with two of Johnny Rockets finest menu items, cheeseburgers.

at Johnny Rockets. For dessert, choose from hot fudge sundae, or

Johnny Rockets isn't just for the movie going crowd, the restaurant is hoping to build a lunch business too with people who work in offices near the Star Southfield Theatre

More restaurants are on the way. "We've signed an agreement with Ark Restaurants," said Krys Bylund, vice president of advertising and promotions for the Grand Rapids-based Star Theatres. "It's a New York-based company. They have a lot of upscale, theme restaurants

throughout the country. We know we want a microbrewery, an Italian restaurant and a Spanish style restaurant that serves tapas. They're developing, and designing these restaurants, and we're anticipating to start construction on the first restaurant by the end of the year."

Although not an Ark Restaurant, Bylund said Johnny Rockets fits the description Star Theatre was looking for in a restaurant. "They're fun," said Bylund. "The waiters and waitresses will break into song and dance every now and then. It's goes with the movie palace destination theme."

# Special events offer lots of laughs

Known as the "Fabio Man of Comedy" Kirk Noland will present "Stogies & Standup" Thursday, Oct. 1 at Genitti's, 108 E. Main St., in downtown Northville with local comedians Norm Stulz and J.R.

The evening begins with a buffet dinner 6-8 p.m., followed by the three comedians on stage at 8 p.m. Three premium cigars, Single Malt Scotch and Caribbean Rum Tasting, are also included with the \$40 per person ticket price. Call (248) 349-0522 for reservations.

Armed with a quick wit and an arsenal of sound effects. Kirk brings to the stage a snappy and stylish look at family life, childhood, adulthood, and everything in between. A captivating storyteller, he ricochets across the stage, recounting the intricacies of his peculiarly eventful life, be it as simplistic as a moment in his life as a father or as bizarre as a trip to the emergency room as

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Tickets are \$8 for students or staff, and \$12 for the general public. Call (734) 462-4422.

seating will begin at 7:30 p.m. Beer and wine, and made-toorder pizzas will be available at additional cost. You must be 18, or older to attend this

Touted as the masters of verbal choreography, Malone and Nootcheez offer a tightly-paced, rapid-fire comedy act alternating straightman/ funnyman roles with nonstop ad-libs with the audience, and a routine that plays off each other's strengths

Along with one-liners, these two comedians incorporate music into their act. Malone plays guitar, and Nootcheez plays a six-foot tall bass saxo-

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■ Vassel's of Plymouth-Judy Burns bakes homemade goodies everyday at Vassel's of Plymouth, 9468 S. Main St., Plymouth (734) 459-2066. Simple, eye-catching desserts are Judy's specialty. Turn to Dining in next Thursday's Observer to find out what else is cooking at Vassel's, our featured restaurant on Oct.

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■ Zoup! - a new restaurant featuring a food concept parodied in the now-famous Seinfeld Soup" episode, opens Monday, Sept. 28. The restaurant located at 29177 Northwestern Highway

at 12 Mile Road in the Franklin Plaza Shopping Center, will be open 10:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. daily, call (248) 799-2800 for information.

Eric Ersher, Zoup!'s spokesman said Zoup! is in direct response to what "people told us again and again - really good soup is hard to find. Zoup!'s creators spent more than a year developing its 200 recipes. Zoup offers a comfortable, relaxing atmosphere.





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