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Holiday closings: Canton Township offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 24-25, for the Christmas holiday. Offices in the administration building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, will reopen at 8:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 28.

Summit on the Park: The Summit will close at 2 p.m. Thursday and reopen at 8 a.m. Saturday. The community center will be open for swimming and other activities during regular weekend hours, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday.

Library: The Canton Public Library will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 24-25. The library will be open Saturday and Sunday.

■ WTUA: The Western Townships Utilities Authority will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 24-25, and will reopen Monday, Dec. 28.

■ Trash: Regular garbage pickups will be made Thursday Dec. 24.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY

Toys and more: As if you didn't get enough Christmas morning, The Toy & Hobby Expo runs 3-9 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, at the Novi Expo Center. The show will feature operating displays, including the world's largest mobile model railroad display. Vendors and collectors will participate. Admission is \$6 for adults, and \$3 for children 4-12. Parking is \$4. For more information, call (734) 455-2110.

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Two not guilty in '97 slayi



three defendants charged in the ambush killing of David Martell - were acquitted of first-degree murder charges Thursday by a Wayne Circuit Court jury.

All that and Santa too

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

Not guilty on all counts. Matt Leonard and Mark Edwards did not murder David Martell on Nov. 19, 1997, at the Westpointe Mobile

Home Park in Canton. That was the decision from a Wayne County jury of seven men and five women, who cleared the teens early Thursday afternoon in circuit court.

"The jury saw that the prosecutor's case was weak," said Edwards' attor-

ney Dennis Shrewsbury. "There was not enough evidence to convict."

Leonard and Edwards were charged with first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit murder and felony firearm use. The jury read verdicts of not guilty on each count for both after less than two hours of deliberations.

"I'm very disappointed," Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Christopher Coyle said. He declined further comment on the case.

Martell's mother, Victoria Riordan,

was also disappointed. Prior to the reading of the verdicts, she commented about the possibility of Leonard and Edwards going free

"That'll be hard to live with," said Riordan, who was "satisfied" with the

job Coyle had done. "I think he brought out the right points," she added. "I think he did the

best he could do." Leonard was also charged with receiving and concealing a stolen

Please see NOT GUILTY, A2

Softball center deal gets final board OK BY SCOTT DANIEL. ment fund, \$1.5 million from its gener-

The deal is done.

The township's long-anticipated purchase of Canton Softball Center became official Tuesday with a unanimous vote of the board of trustees. It means a dozen new diamonds for youth and adult baseball and softball.

"Virtually every weekend will be filled (with tournaments)," Township Supervisor Tom Yack said, "from May to September.'

Canton agreed to buy the 70-acre facility from sole owner Aaron Jade in late August. The township will spend a total of \$4.55 million to purchase land, buildings and Cleats II restaurant on the Michigan Avenue site.

Several funds will be used for the purchase. Some \$1.6 million will come from Canton's community improve-

al fund balance and up to \$2.5 million from the sale of Building Authority

Trustees authorized a bond sale on Aug. 25.

The purchase will maintain the current business while more effectively utilizing the available reserve baseball/softball field capacity," Administrative and Community Services Director Dan Durack wrote in a memo to trustees about the purchase.

'It will provide Canton residents with a quality recreational facility and will enhance Canton's quality of life."

Jade will transfer titles to the township no later than Jan. 27.

While the purchase received support from local baseball and softball groups, others voiced opposition.

Please see SOFTBALL, A8

Making a point: District bans lasers in classroom

VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BY LAURIE K. CURCURU SPECIAL WRITER

Hey, kids: If you attend Van Buren Public Schools and you get a laser pointer this holiday season, make sure you leave it home. Van Buren has banned hand-held laser pointers from district schools and busses

From kindergartners to seniors, punishment now awaits laser-toting students. The district's Board of Education has implemented a "disciplinary procedure" regarding the use and/or session of laser pointers

"We have a policy of demanding good discipline in the district," said Deb Havens, the district's communication

specialist. "And this is a procedure to deny the improper use of laser point-Superintendent James Richendollar

said the district has not yet experienced any injuries or major problems involving the pointers. "There is an obvious danger and distraction posed by the use of laser point-

ers," he said. "We are acting prudently on what may be a problem down the The Food and Drug Administration has warned parents and school officials

about the possibility of eye damage to children from hand-held laser pointers.

Please see LASER POINTERS, A6

Red and green - this Santa trims trees year-round

BY LILLY A. EVANS STAFF WRITER

At 13 years old, he found out there was no Santa Claus. He was devastated. At 16, Jason Neher of Canton took it upon himself to convince kids that there really is a Santa.

Now 20, he has several hundred children sit on his lap during the holiday

"I do this out of the kindness of my heart," Neher said, "Sometimes families are too busy to get to the mall."

He never charges for his visit, but if

a place of business offers him money. he accepts. His rounds include subdivisions, client's homes, day care centers. schools, hospitals, restaurants and children's stores.

Neher recently made his third visit to Little Treasure Day care in Canton.

The center owner, Tracey Drain of Canton, said Neher is a giving young

"I am very impressed with what he does for the township and the age he is," she said, "A lot of people forget

Please see SANTA, A4

Too pretty to open

turn to Page A3 in today's Observer.

Tips that can help you get holiday gifts under wraps

Just dessert: Allie Rushing, 2h, digs into her figgy pudding

Summit. For more photos from the Dec. 13 event, please

(actually chocolate) at the annual Brunch With Santa at the

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER

If you're all thumbs and no imagination when it comes to wrapping holiday gifts, have we got some suggestions for you. With just a bit more than scissors and a roll of tape, you can transform a "Dad must have wrapped it" gift into a "Dad, who wrapped this for you?" mas-

Hold your reindeers, guys. We're not saying all of you can't wrap. Women are known to sprout a fistful of thumbs when it comes to wrapping presents as

Our tips come from some of the finest wrappers in the area, from 13-year-old Kathy McQeon of Plymouth, who suggests putting jewelry in a burger box, to Mary Lynn Giovan, a Livonia

Churchill High School art teacher who wraps her gifts in beautiful fabric remnants and ties them with tulle and

And then there's Martha Stewart, the world's quintessential expert on good taste, who suggests choosing two or three hues and using only shades in those colors for your papers and rib-bons for a "stunning" effect beneath your tree

Don't let Martha intimidate you Here's the best red-ribbon gift-wrapping suggestions this side of the North

■ Brown paper is not just for mailing packages. Decorate it with gold star stickers and gold wired ribbon. Tie it

Please see TIPS, A8



Pretty patterns: Tanja Von Kulajta, owner of RSVP gift shop in Plymouth, sells hand made and specialty wrapping

OK, so you're Wrap. Martha Stewart when it comes to panic wrapping holiday gifts in spite of our

not

great

ideas

But if you can

cut and tape, there's hope RSVP, a small gift shop at 829 Penniman in Plymouth, is a treasure trove of fine papers and ribbons. Owner Tanja Von Kulajta will not do your wrapping, but she'll help coordinate your selections and choose decorations

RSVP caries 10 designs of motif papers made in England at \$1.95 a sheet and several hand-made papers with visible wood and flower fragments at \$2.25-\$4.75 a sheet. They also carry gold-

Please see WRAP, A10

Main attraction: Santa (aka Ed

The two sessions of the annual

Krzeminski), joins several Canton families at a special Brunch With

Santa at the Summit last Sunday.

event sell out every year, according to township officials. At left,

Brunch With Santa a hit for all ages

CANTON CONNECTION

nations accepted

As 1998 comes to a close and tax season lurks ahead, Canton residents looking for ways to alleviate those IRS blues have a local solution.

By donating to the Canton Community Foundation, contributors may receive as much as 50 percent of their contribution back as a 1998 Michigan tax credit, said Joan Noricks, foundation executive director. The state has recertified the foundation as a qualified community foundation, which provides this tax benefit to its endowment fund contributors, Noricks said.

The Canton Community Foundation supports local community members and organizations. This year, the foundation provided some 22 college and university scholarships to Canton residents. The foundation also funded the feasibility study on a potential performing arts education center in Canton.

In the past, the foundation has supported projects like construction of Heritage Hideout, the playscape in Heritage Park, Noricks said.

For more information about donating to the Canton Community Foundation endowment fund or for information about the Michigan Community Foundation endowment fund or for information about the Michigan Community Foundation endowment fund or for information about the Michigan Community Foundation endowment fund or for information about the Michigan Community Foundation endowment fund or for information about the Michigan Community Foundation endowment fund or for information about the Michigan Community Foundation endowment fund or for information about the Michigan Community Foundation endowment fund or for information about the Michigan Community Foundation f

r for information about the Michigan Communi-ty Foundation Tax Credit program, call the foun-lation at 398-5000.

New stop signs have been placed on Cherry Hill

begins at the intersection.

The signs, for eastbound and westbound traffic, mean that the Cherry Hill-Beck intersection is now a four-way stop for all drivers. Paving for Beck Road between Ford and Cherry Hill is set for 1999, according to the Wayne County Roads Department. The signs will be used until temporary traffic signals are place. Permanent signals will be installed when the project is done.

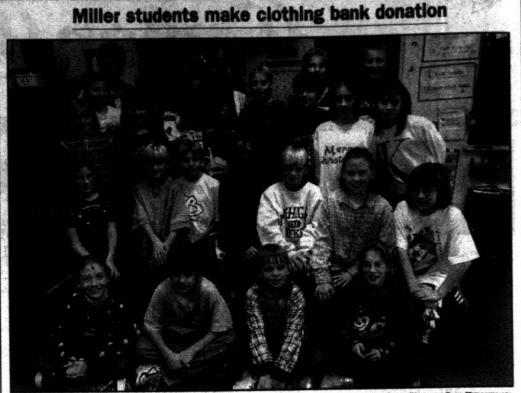
Temperate storage

Shurgard Storage, 2101 Haggerty, has added a number of heated and cooled storage units to its facility. The units have drive-up access. For information, call the Shurgard office, 981-0300.

DARE/Explorer help

The Canton Police DARE program has received a \$990 donation from Paul Berry, owner of Light-house Oil Change on Ford Road. The money was raised when the shop donated \$10 for each oil change performed on one Saturday in October.

Meanwhile, the Canton Superbowl has donated \$511 to the police department to be used for the Explorer program. The joint program sponsored by the Public Safety Department and the Boy Scouts introduces young adults to career possibil-



The motive being that a friend

of Martell's had robbed Edwards

and Blanchfield of \$400. The

man allegedly failed to deliver

marijuana purchased by the duo. Second, bullet casings found at

the scene came from guns which

the defendants had been seen

with, said Coyle. Similar live

Finally, Coyle said Edwards

"Is there a doubt in this case?"

the prosecutor told jurors.

"There might be doubt, but it's

not reasonable. It's not reason-

able to believe anyone else could

or would have killed Dave

Callanan and Shrewsbury

attacked Aho's credibility in

their final arguments. Callanan

also called Coyle's case a "hodge-

podge" of inconsistencies in

terms of testimony and evidence.

The attorney also pointed to

Edwards' alibi, which was given

in testimony Tuesday by his sis-

ter, Shannon. She said the both

Mark Edwards and Leonard had

been at her trailer in Westpointe

the shooting.

but Edwards, Leonard and what you heard," Shrewsbury

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"(Edwards) wasn't there at the

Shrewsbury summed up by

saying Leonard never conspired

to kill Martell, never admitted to

the shooting or owning a gun

"My theory is supported by

time of the killing," Callanan

added. "He didn't do it."

.22-caliber bullets were found at

and Leonard had admitted to the

murder to a friend, Chad Aho.

who testified in the case.

Blanchfield's home.

Hollday spirit: Students in Cyndi Naumoff's fifth-grade class pose Thursday with gloves, hats and underwear, (on the Christmas tree), they will donate to the Plymouth Clothing Bank. Naumoff is at left, rear.

Edwards and Blanchfield.

Shrewsbury said.

of David Martell."

the motion

There was no specific agree-

ment by Matt Leonard to do any-

Coyle disagreed with the

He said testimony showed that

Edwards and Leonard did con-

spire to kill Martell. Coyle fur-

ther argued that spent bullet

casings from .38, .25 and .22 cal-

iber guns, which the defendants

and Blanchfield had all been

seen with days prior to the

shooting, were sufficient evi-

"If you take all the evidence,"

the assistant prosecutor said, "a reasonable jury could find that

the defendants caused the death

Hathaway declined to rule on

"This is a serious enough

case," she said, "with such heart-

breaking evidence, I'm going to

see if the jury finds there's

enough evidence to find guilt. I

will take the motion under

Hathaway added that she would consider the motion after the jury had reached its verdict.

Wednesday concluded with the

Coyle left the jury with what

he called seven pieces of crucial alibi evidence. First, he said, no one "M

lawyers making final argu-

Final arguments

Not guilty from page A1

fitearm. Shrewsbury said he the time of the shooting.

pleaded guilty and was sen"She was well-believed by the pleaded guilty and was sentenced to time already served by Circuit Court Judge Cynthia Gray Hathaway.

Going home After processing at the Wayne County jail late Thursday afternoon, both Leonard, 18, and Edwards, 17, were expected

home for dinner. Shrewsbury felt the testimony of Shannon Edwards, Mark's sister. Tuesday put the defense's

jury and everyone in the court-

Blanchfield's hearing

Martell, 21, was killed in an ambush-style shooting at Westpointe on Nov. 19 of last year. He was shot twice, including a

fatal hit in the chest.

James Blanchfield, 17, is also charged in the shooting. He faces first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit murder and case "over the top." She told the felony firearm use charges. No jury that the two teens were at date has been set for the trial, her home watching a movie at which will also be heard in front

room," Shrewsbury said.

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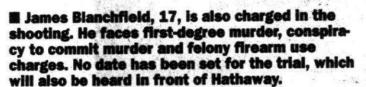
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Despite the loss Thursday, Coyle said he will not change his strategy in prosecuting Blanch-

Trial concludes

Testimony in the case against Edwards and Leonard, which began Nov. 9, concluded Wednesday. The day began with Hathaway hearing a motion for a "directed verdict."

Shrewsbury and defense partner Evan Callanan filed the motion. It asked that Hathaway not give the case over to the

The motion asserted that the

decision on the charges against Edwards and Leonard. The three lawyers argued the motion for the better part of Wednesday

Callanan said of the prosecutor's case for conspiracy to commit murder by Edwards and Leonard. "What was the plan? When was the plan going to

would have to make about this conspiratorial meeting. You'd have to make multiple inferences. I think the court would have to draw unreasonable

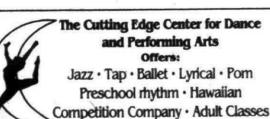
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tor didn't prove the elements of conspiracy in his case. He said Leonard never agreed or conspired to kill Martell with thing or what alibi to use,"

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"It's lacking in any proof,"

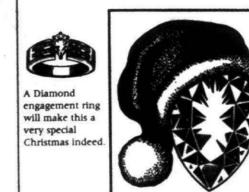
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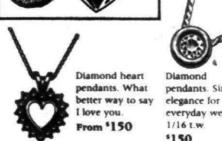
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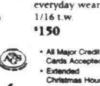
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while making arrest

A Canton police officer was injured Tuesday afternoon while COP CALLS trying to arrest a 20-year-old someone in a upstairs bedroom. Officer Dave Boljesic made a She went to the second floor of traffic stop on a vehicle at Hagthe home to investigate. After gerty Road and Annapolis Circle

at about 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. The operator, who was driving on a ran out the front door. suspended license, was taken into custody without incident. A passenger in the vehicle, the Belleville man, was found to have an outstanding felony war-

rant. Assisting Officer Dave Marinelli attempted to arrest The 20-year-old man pulled was charged with breaking and the man. away from Marinelli as the officer tried to handcuff him. The OUIL

Belleville man.

Amanda Rodgers, 3, talks with

her father. Dave, during Brunch With Santa at the Summit last Sunday.

suspect and officer fell into a ditch, at which time the man began kicking Marinelli. and ran from the scene on foot. He was later apprehended by

Marinelli suffered a fractured pinkie finger in the incident. He was treated at Oakwood Hospital in Canton. The Belleville man is being

Wayne police with the help of a

held at the Canton Police Department pending charges.

A 40-year-old Canton was the victim of a breaking and entering Thursday at about 2:30 p.m. She returned home and was in her living room when she heard stolen from La-Z-Boy warehouse on Haggerty Road early Friday Two chain saws valued at

\$360, a circular saw worth \$130 and four drywall screwdrivers opening a closet door, an unidenworth \$560 were taken from the tified man sprinted past her and site between 6 p.m. Thursday and 5:30 a.m. Friday, according The woman was uninjured. to police reports. Police have no suspects. It's

An estimated \$300 worth of

damage was done to a Westland

man's Chevy van Saturday

an unknown person knocked the

van's rear window out.

morning, reports said.

Motel on Lotz Road

Police later arrested an 18-yearold Canton man in connection the second time in the past sevwith the incident. eral months the site has beer It was later learned that he burglarized. had taken several compact discs and medicine from the home. He

entering as well as larceny.

A 43-year-old Westland man was charged with operating his a Ford Road restaurant Saturrord Road restaurant Satur-day evening when the incident liquor early Friday morning, occurred. According to reports.

> The man struck a Detroit Edison utility pole on Michigan Avenue near I-275. Police found the man lying on the ground near his vehicle and allegedly intoxicated. The man, who had suffered injuries to mouth and nose, tried

warrant to draw blood from the other equipment valued at \$650 man while he was being treated were stolen. The 34-year-old's at Annapolis Hospital Equipment taken

to fight with officers at the

More than \$1,000 worth of

sons, Eugene (Kathryn) W. Kan-

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formia and two sisters.

Survivors include her two

sons Robert (Marianne) of Flori

da, William (Susan) of Canton

Maryanne Center of Franken-

OBITUARIES

Private services for Molly (Sizemore, 91, of Canton were held. She was born June 1, 1907 in Pineville, W Va She was a cafeteria worker

MOLLY C. SIZEMORE

Additional obituaries, A8

She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Survivors include her daughter. Joan S George) Lenhoff, three grandchildren, Greg (Theresa), Carla (Jim), and Lorn, and four greatgrandchildren, Gregory. Matthew, Nicole, and Molly

ANNE E. KANGAS

Private services for Anne E Kangas, 80, of Plymouth were Dec. 12 in Lapham Cemeters. Salem Township Lakal arrange ments were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Town

She was born May 23, 1918, in Hurley, Wis. She died Dec. 10 in Garden City She was a home-

muth and Betty Jones of Min-Survivors include her two

Northville

LEO J. DUCHESNEAU

gas of Plymouth, Ronald Diane Services for Lea Duchesneau Kangas of Canton, one sister. 56 of Canton were Dec 10 in T Josephine Barowski of Warren. City Assembly of God with the two granddaughters, Kristin Rev Rocky Barra officiating Local arrangements were made Cortright, and Karlin Kangas Memorials may be made to the by Casterline Funeral Home

western Highway, Sinte 150. He was born Jan. 28, 1942. He died Dec 5 in St. Joseph Mercy Southfield MI 48034 Hospital, Superior Township OLIVIA KATHLEEN CERMAK He moved to the area in 1963 Private services were held for He was a manufacturing techni-Olivia Kathleen Cermak, 84, of cian at Ford Motor Co. He was .

member of Tri City Assembly of She was born Dec 10, 1914 in God the UAW and Car Uity Anderson, Ind. She died Dec. 12 He was preceded in death by in Presbyterian Village. She was a retired statistical typist for the two brothers Harry Duchesnea and Donald Duchesneau Survivors include his wife. Louise Durbesneau one daughter

Peggy Duchesneau of Redford four grandchildren, one brother. two sisters, Margaret Bud Earl (Barbara) Marntan of Cah Guderiahn of Montana, and Dorothy Clark of North Dakota

Melissa, one brother Lyle

Jonathon Baase, 3, and his sister Clare, 141/2 month, enjoy their brunch, along with mom, Tanya.

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Santa from page A1

Christmas is for giving and that's what he does. Poor kid works all day too and plays Santa at night." When Neher visited Little

Treasure he told the boys and girls a story in his Santa voice, passed out candy canes and gifts and put the little ones on his lap. "He does a good job and looks great. He has a great make-up

ob. He looks better then Santas at the mall," Drain explained. If you can't get to the mall and you are sitting in your living room one night and hear a police patrol car siren and hear a hoho-ho from the loud speaker it is Neher making his rounds through your sub while being chauffeured by an on-duty police

The subdivisions usually announce his visit in advance and have a designated spot for Santa to make his list.

He said kids have a wide range of wishes but some things Santa can't deliver. A 6-year-old boy from Canton

asked if he could get his daddy back. Neher was stumped, then the boy's mother scurried the lad away. A 4-year-old boy in Canton asked for a baby sister. Neher told him that isn't something his elves can make.

He said when children ask for puppies and kittens he explains he has so many stops to make on Christmas Eve the puppies and kittens might freeze. Neher said his most popular requests are

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money to buy commercial equip-

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ness with 180 customers and

nine employees that make-up

he hauls in four, 24-foot racing

trailers that double as moving

His services include lawn care,

snow removal, sprinkler winter-

zing and, of course, Santa visits. Neher has one request for

dren who still believe in Santa,

billboards.

"It isn't always easy being mower. Jason said his dad Santa. I've gotten kicked, my wasn't pleased, but loaned him beard pulled, bitten by my own dog and accused of being a ment. phony," Neher said.

Neher takes his role very seri-

When he first transformed three uniformed crews. He owns into the jolly old man in red he top-of-the-line equipment that had a suit from a costume store. Now, he has a hand-stitched outfit of fine fabric, real black boots, a Santa belly, round bifocals (that he can't see out of), and

The rest of the year, Santa is president of Neher Perfect Lawn Observer readers this holiday Care. The young, tall, thin season - if you know any chil-entrepreneur started his rounds dren who still believe in Santa, by offering lawn care customers don't spoil the fantasy. a visit by old St. Nick during his off-season. Today, it has gone beyond his clients and become a part of his community service.

Neher started the business when he was 10, with his dad's mower, a few lawns and some

"I was always looking for ways to make money," he explained, "I wanted to buy Nike tennis shoes and save for a car."

At 15, his business almost hit the dirt. He wore-out his dad's

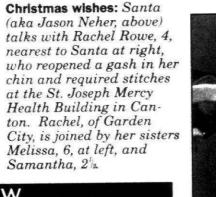
Volunteer cited

Ronald Lieberman of Canon has been nominated to receive the 10th annual Citizens Insurance Senior Awards, which recognize outstanding volunteer services by senior citizens.

They are nearly 50 nominees from across Michigan who will be considered for the award. Ten winners will each receive a \$500 cash prize and a \$500 donation to the charity of their choice.



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMAN





PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a Request for Proposal for Career Preparation System Consultant. Specifications and fee schedules can be obtained by contracting Dan Phillips, Purchasing Department, E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, MI., (734) 416-2746. Proposals are due on or before Monday, January 11, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and or reject all proposals, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district. Board of Education

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools ELIZABETH M. GIVENS, Secretary

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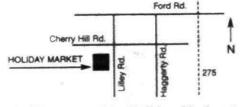
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From his sack: Santa hands a candy cane to Briana Bock, 6, of Novi, who is joined by her brothers Andrew, 4, and Zachary, 3, in the Pediatrics department at St. Joseph Mercy Health Building in Canton on Wednes-

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TOWING SERVICES

The Charter Township of Plymouth is currently seeking sealed bids for Towing Services. Services are to include vehicle towing, impoundment and storage at the direction of the Plymouth Township Police Department. The contractor must operate and maintain two (2) tow trucks or equ bed type) vehicles within one mile of the Township boundaries. Request for Proposal including complete specifications may be obtained at The Office of the Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170. Sealed bids are due not later than 12:00 p.m., Thursday, January 7, 1999.

Publish December 6, 13, and 20, 1998

Arthritis Today JOSEPH J. WEISS, M.D. RHEUMATOLOGY 18829 Farmington Road Livonia, Michigan 48152 Phone: (248) 478-7860 **EARLY ARTHRITIS** In arthritis, you can treat what you can't detect. Physicians can appreciate that you find yourself so stiff in the morning that you can barely get out of bed. You find that it is mid day before you can walk and move almost normally, but are still not right. By evening you are as exhausted as if you had bee up a day without rest. Yet with all these changes, it is possible that on examination you have no joint swelling, and that aboratory tests and x-rays don't show that anything is wrong. However, the reality is that something is awny, and you need treatment now. riowever, the reality is that something is awry, and you need treatment now. The problem of feeling it, but nothing shows occurs because early arthritis can cause inflammation that is feeting in appearance and migratory in the joints involved. However, chemical changes cause by inflammation can reach throughout the body. Fatigue and aching will dominate a process that involves inflammation of the joints. The pattern of your aching provides sufficient information to allow your doctor to go forward with therapy, even though the type of arthritis you may have - rheumatoid, psoriatic, post inflictious or other - is still not clear.

At such times, you can begin taking anti-inflammatory medication. Your response to this the provides your physician evidence to how correct his inference is, that inflammation tidentified precisely later, is the cause of your distress.



County commission shelves smoking ordinance

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.home

Wayne County commissioners won't ban smoking in businesses within the county anytime soon. They effectively snuffed out the issue Thursday by referring a proposed "smoke-free workplace" ordinance and a resolution encouraging state lawmak-

ers to study the issue to a com-

mission committee next year.

WAYNE COUNTY NEWS

But the ordinance's author -Commissioner Bernard Parker, back, but practically, it's dead," D-Detroit - believes the move Parker said. "I would like to kills the ordinance since committee chairs must gather enough votes to send the measure back it is upheld, I would like to bring to the full commission.

It appears that, for now, the ordinance doesn't have enough

"Technically, it can be brought

revisit this issue once there is a ruling in the Marquette case. If this back."

Parker's original ordinance had called for a ban on smoking in Wayne County businesses,

including restaurants and bars.
The commission's Committee on Health and Human Services,

which Parker chairs, amended the proposal on Dec. 10 to soften the ban and restrict smoking in ers conducted a public hearing restaurants and bars to 25 percent of their seating areas by March 1, 2000. That revised teurs, bar owners and casino ordinance then was sent back to

Marquette County has passed a similar ban of smoking in its

restaurants, which is being challenged in court by the Michigan Hotel, Motel and Restaurant Association, said Restaurant Association.

illegal and pre-empted by state The committee referral move came two days after commissiononly one to regulate smoking, Klingeman said. "You should on the ordinance where they wait for the Marquette decision heard comments from restaurabefore you act." He referred to a lawsuit filed officials who opposed a ban and any restrictions, and supporters who liked the concept.

by the Michigan Restaurant Association on a smoking ban in Harry Klingeman, represent-

he believed the ordinance was



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CARRIER OF THE MONTH: CANTON

Josh Razgunas, 16, delivers the Canton Observer in the Sunflower subdivision. He has been delivering the Observer since March 1997.

The Canton High School sophomore's favorite subjects are math, electronics and Close Up. His hobbies are biking, snowboarding, and aggressive

Josh wants to go to college and become a computer engineer. Collecting money and the exer-cise he gets from delivering, are some of the things he enjoys about his route. Money handling skills is one skill he has developed delivering the Canton

Josh is the son of Paul and Pam Razgunas. He has a two sisters, Rachel 18, and Laura 21.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH

ORDINANCE No. 98-8

Chapter 18, Articles III, IV, V, VI and VII are hereby deleted

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLES III, IV, V, VI, AND VII OF

CHAPTER 18, BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS, OF THE

CODE OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH. ESTABLISHING MINIMUM

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, ENLARGEMENT, REPAIR, DEMOLITION, REMOVAL,

MAINTENANCE AND USE OF ALL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES;

PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS, COLLECTION OF

FEES, MAKING OF INSPECTIONS; PROVIDING PENAL TIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; KNOWN AS THE BUILDING CODE.

ARTICLE III

That a certain document, three (3) copies of which are on file in the

office of the Building Official of the City of Plymouth being marked and designated as "The BOCA National Building Code, Thirteenth Edition, 1996" and any accumulative supplements thereto, as published by The Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc. be

and is hereby adopted as the Building Code of the City of Plymouth in

and the following substituted therefore:

Section 18-56. Adoption of Building Code By Reference

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New contracts were approved this month for two Wayne-Westland school district unions.

The Wayne-Westland Central Office Administrators Association and the Wayne-Westland Business Administrators Association received three-year contracts running through 2001.

Wayne-Westland school board members approved the contracts unanimously at Monday's regular board meeting.

The 35-member W-WBAA which represents school principals, received 5 percent salary ncreases for the first year, 2.5 percent increases the second year and 2.75 percent increases the third year, according to Dan Slee, assistant superintendent

WAYNE-WESTLAND SCHOOLS

2 school unions get new contracts

Salaries after the 5 percent raises will range from \$65,617 at contract depending on the posithe bottom of the scale to tion, 2.5 percent in the second \$87,933 at the top of the scale for year and 2.5 percent in the third high school principals. Middle year, Slee said. school principals range from \$61,000 to \$82,000 and elementary school principals range from

\$58,000 to \$78,702. The 28-member W-WCOAA, which represents a cross section of district employees including all district administrators except the superintendent's cabinet and positions such as executive secretary and director of trans-

WBAA will cost the district \$149,101 more in the first year. \$113,314 in the second year and \$73,861 in the third year, Slee

The salary increases for W. raises for the first year of the WCOAA will cost the district \$118,492 more in the first year. \$128,740 in the second year and \$94,725 in the third year, Slee Salary ranges after the firstyear raises for W-WCOAA mem-Schools Superintendent Greg

Baracy expressed a "heartfelt bers range from \$26,272-33,878 for some positions covered by the thank you" for the work done to union to \$69,000-89,164 for the reach the contract settlements. Board member Mathew top positions covered by the McCusker called the agreements

Some changes in the step "fair and equitable contracts for increase levels were also part of

Laser pointers from page A1

pointers can aim into the eye can the FDA is concerned about the be more damaging than staring promotion and use of these proddirectly into the sun, according to an FDA statement. Federal law requires a warning on the

tial hazard to the eyes. FDA Lead Deputy Commissioner Michael A. Friedman, M.D. only with adequate supervision."

Momentary exposure from a laser pointer, for example inad- ers and bus drivers in his store vertently sweeping the light complaining about the pointers, across a person's eyes, causes and kids whining about having only temporary flash blindness, theirs taken away. The price the FDA stated. However, even usually scares away the school this can be dangerous if the kids, he said, and he primarily exposed person is engaged in a sells the pointers to business vision-critical activity such as people, carpenters and hunters. driving.

when used as intended by teach-

The light energy that laser have led to wider marketing, and school district. ucts as children's toys.

contract changes. Slee said.

The salary increases for W

portation, received 3 to 5 percent

George Gibbons, manager of your face." the Radio Shack on Sheldon product label about this poten- Road in Canton, says he won't even talk to kids about the near the end of the last school "These laser pointers are not devices unless they are "18 years toys. Parents should treat them old or are with a parent." His with the appropriate care," said store carries four models of laser pointers, with prices ranging from \$30 for a 300-foot range to "They are useful tools for adults \$80 for 1200-foot range. All that should be used by children carry warnings about the danger to eves.

Gibbons says he's heard teach-

Stephanie Huebl, a sophomore The pointers are generally safe at Canton High School, and areas on a chart or screen. How- wish the pointers were banned ever, recent price reductions from the Plymouth-Canton he said.

"They're so annoying," Miller said. "Kids hide them up their sleeves and shine them right in

The girls said the pointers got "really big" in their high schools

"I hate getting hit with one. It really bothers my eyes," said Huebl, who wears contact lenses. The pair said teachers take the pointers away when they can, but usually don't see it happen or don't know who did it.

In Van Buren, confiscation used to be the rule. Consequences now range from confiscation and parent notification to possible expulsion and referral to civil authorities.

"Hopefully, this will allow us to make mountains out of mountains, and molehills out of mole hills." Richendollar said

The new disciplinary proce Brandi Miller, a sophomore at dure has received great support ers and lecturers to highlight Salem High School, say they from the district's teachers, principals, bus drivers and parents

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motels) are figuratively and literally these people's homes away from homes while they are traveling," Klingeman said.

> of privacy. "I also question how this ordi-

man said. Robert Gifford, executive director of the Michigan Restaurant Association, returned to the commission. "We believe it comes down to choices. We

business. group, said it was that casino's intent to offer smoke-free areas. That business also would bring

ble " he said "We will be put at a severe competitive disadvan-

Jeanne Knopf DeRoche of Plymouth distributed to Wayne County commissioners several

Smoking bans don't affect customer usage of restaurants and bars, according to studies in California. Massachusetts and North Carolina, she told commissioners at a public hearing

"Tobacco use is no longer socially acceptable." Knopf

Mark Cooper, director of the

executive director for the Ameri can Cancer Society, supported smoke free businesses Many teens aged 15-19 work in food service, she said "The teens can't legally smoke, but they are forced to breathe second hand smoke."

Parker was pleased the issue

Year-end planning can help trim '98 tax bill

Plotting year-end ways to shrink your 1998 income tax bill may not be anyone's idea of holiday season merriment.

But between now and New Year's Eve, there are many things individuals can do to ensure they qualify for the new tax breaks, pick up hundreds or thousands of dollars in extra deductions, defer taxable income, minimize the tax bite on investment sales and position themselves to take maximum advantage of any tax cuts

In many cases, the tax savings will be enough to finance holiday shopping and keep Dom Perignon flowing New Year's

per child under age 17; a \$1,500 Hope Scholarship credit for the

tial for many thousands of dollars in tax savings.

For many middle- and upper-Indeed, there is much at stake able to claim could hinge on cut-offs. for millions of taxpayers just as what actions they take in the Some new breaks are already a result of the new tax breaks remaining weeks of the year. set to take effect at the stroke of created by the Taxpayer Relief Most of the new breaks are midnight New Year's Eve as a Act of 1997. New this year is a available only to taxpayers with result of the 1997 tax act and family tax credit of up to \$400 incomes below specified levels.

General strategy

first two years of college; a For most people, the best requirements for home-office \$1,000 Lifetime Learning credit; course is the traditional year- deductions and a bigger health and a deduction for up to \$1,000 end strategy for minimizing tax insurance deduction for the selfin student loan interest. The bills - prepay some of next year's employed. Making the most of

new Roth IRA offers the poten- deductible expenses and defer the pending changes will require instance, the income where possible until next some special year-end strategies. reduced for couples with "adjust-year. The strategy could help For example, the home-office ed gross incomes" above \$80,000 many of those bordering on the change will provide incentive for on a joint return and are com income taxpayers, how much, if income-eligibility limits for the those affected to delay paying pletely unavailable for couple any, of the new breaks they'll be new law breaks get below the certain household expenses until

more recent legislation passed by the 105th Congress. Among them are more liberal eligibility

next year when they're first able to make use of the home-office deduction.

For many middle and uppermiddle income taxpayers, the focus of year-end tax planning will be to meet the income-eligibility requirements for the new law breaks that became available this year

The new breaks have varying income requirements. For

with adjusted incomes above \$100,000. For single filers, the credits are phased out for ncomes between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

The student loan deduction begins to phase out for incomes above \$60,000 on a joint return (\$40,000 for singles). The family tax credit starts to phase out for joint incomes above \$110,000

Commission may take up countywide pest control

Wayne County commissioners may revisit an issue next year that one commissioner nopes to address in her district.

Commissioner Kathleen Husk, R-Redford, said this week that she expects the commission's Committee on Health and Human Services will discuss a county rodent control program next year.

The item had been scheduled for discussion on Dec. 10, but commissioners spent much of their time discussing the smoking ordinance and other items, so the program was passed for the day.

Commissioners expect to discuss costs of such a program at the committee meetings

Smoking

Marquette County. "(Hotels and

He called the ban an "invasion

nance could be enforced," Klinge-

believe the ban would be bad for Jack Barthwell, a representative of Detroit Entertainment Atwater/Circus Circus casino

\$130 million in new taxes to Wayne County, he said. "It is a concern of ours if we aren't allowed to compete," he said. Asian and Middle Eastern gamblers are smokers, he said. "They will not come here to gam-

But Parker's proposed ban also had its share of supporters.

studies, including the American Journal of Public Health, to drive home her point.

Tuesday.

DeRoche said

Michigan Citizens for Smoke Free Restaurants, named the carcinogens found in cigarettes "We wouldn't talerate that whether its in 25 percent of the food," he said drawing an analogy to the 25 percent seating Megan White senior area

was brought to the forefront "I'm glad we had a discussion on it, and we heard from people on this issue," he said

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the State of Michigan: for the control of buildings and structures as herein provided; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said BOCA National Building code, are hereby referred to, adopted and made part hereof as if fully set in this Ordinance, with the addition, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 18-57 of this Ordinance. Section 101.1 Title: These regulations shall be known as the Building

THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Section 18-57. National Building Code, Additions, Insertions and The following sections are hereby amended as follows:

Code of the City of Plymouth hereinafter referred to as "this code". Section 112.3.1 Fee Schedule: Fees for plan examinations, permits, inspections and registration shall be as determined by resolution of the City Commission. In applying the provisions of this Code in respect to new work, existing buildings, alterations and repairs, the physical value of the work shall be determined by the Building Official on the basis of

Section 116.4 Violation Penalties: Any person who shall violate a provision of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the irements thereof or who shall erect, construct, alter or repair a building or structure in violation of an approved plan or directive of the code official, or of a permit or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a civil infraction punishable by a fine or not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars. Each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 117.2 Unlawful continuance: Any person who shall continu any work in or about the structure after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe conditions, shall be liable to a fine of not ess than One Hundred (\$100.00) dollars or more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) dollars.

Section 3408.2 Applicability: Structures existing prior to January 1 1973, in which there is work involving additions, alterations or changes of occupancy, shall be made to conform to the requirements of this section or the provisions of Sections 3403.0 through 3407.0. ARTICLE IV

Section 18-81. Adoption of Electrical Code by Reference That certain documents, copies of which are on file in the office of the Building Official of the City of Plymouth being marked and designated as "The National Electrical Code, Ninth Edition, 1996" and any accumulative supplements thereto, as published by The National Fire Protection Association, be and is hereby adopted as the Electrical Code of the City of Plymouth in the State of Michigan; for the control of buildings and structures as herein provided; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said National Electrical Code are hereby referred to, adopted and made part hereof as

if fully set out in this Ordinance. Section 18.82. Fees: Pees for plan examinations, permits, inspection licenses and registrations shall be as determined by resolution of the

Section 18-106. Adoption of International Mechanical Code By

That a certain document, copies of which are on file in the office of the Building Department of the City of Plymouth being marked and designated as The International Mechanical Code, 1998 Edition, including Appendix "A", as published by The International Code Council. including Appendix "A", as published by The International Code Council, be and is hereby adopted as the Mechanical Code of the City of Plymouth in the State of Michigan; for regulating the design,

construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of mechanical systems in the City of Plymouth and providing for the ssuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, conditions and terms of such International Mechanical Code, 1998 Edition, published by the International Code Council, on file in the office of the Building Official are hereby referred, to adopted and made a part hereof as if fully set out in this ordinance with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 18-107 of this Ordinance.

Section 18-107. International Mechanical Code, Additions, Insertions

The following sections are hereby amended as follows: Section 101.1 Title: These regulations shall be known as the Mechanical Code of the City of Plymouth hereinafter referred to as the

mechanical code or "this code"

Section 106.5.2 Fee schedule: Fees for all Mechanical permits inspections and registrations shall be as determined by resolution of the Section 106.5.3 Fee refunds: Fee refunds for all Mechanical permits

inspections and registrations shall be as determined by resolution of the Section 108.4 Penalties: Any person who shall violate a provision of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who shall erect construct, alter or repair mechanical work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the code official, or a permit or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a civil infraction punishable by a fine or not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars. Each day that a violation continues shall be

deemed a separate offense. Section 108.5 Unlawful continuance: Any person who shall continue any work in or about the structure after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe conditions, shall be liable to a fine of not ess than One Hundred (\$100.00) dollars or more than Five Hundred

Chapter 16, Codes referenced; BOCA National Building Code as amended, BOCA National Fire Prevention Code as amended. ARTICLE VI

Section 18-186. Adoption of International Plumbing Code By That certain documents, copies of which are on file in the office of the Building Department of the City of Plymouth, Michigan being marked and designated as "The International Plumbing Code, 1997", including Appendix Chapters "B through F". The International Plumbing code, 1997 published by the The Building Officials and Code Administrators International, International Conference of Building Officials and the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., be and is hereby adopted as the code of the City of Plymouth in the State of Michigan; for regulating the design, construction, quality of materials, erection nstallation, alteration, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of plumbing systems in the City of Plymouth Michigan providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, conditions and terms of such International Plumbing Code, 1997 editions, published by The Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc. on file in the office of the Building Official of the City of Plymouth are hereby referred to, adopted and made a part hereof as if fully set out in

Section 18-56. International Plumbing Code, Additions, Insertions and Changes.

The following sections are hereby amended as follows: Section 101.1 Title: These regulations shall be known as the Plumbing Code of the City of Plymouth hereinafter referred to as "this code" Section 106.5.2 Fee Schedule: Fees for all Plumbing permits. nspections and registrations shall be as determined by resolution of the

Section 106.5.3 Fee refunds: Fee refunds for all Plumbing permits inspections and registrations shall be as determined by resolution of the

Section 168.4 Penalties: Any person who shall violate a provision of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who shall erect, construct, alter or repair plumbing work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the code official, or of a permit or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a civil infraction punishable by a fine or not more than Five Hundred (\$100.00) dollars or more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Section 108.5 Unlawful continuance: Any person who shall continue any work in or about the structure after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe conditions, shall be liable to a fine of not less than One Hundred (\$100,00.00) dollars or more than Five Hundred (\$500) dollars.

Section 305.6 Freezing: Water service piping shall be installed below recorded front penetration but not less than five (5) feet, zero (0) inches

below grade. In climates with freezing temperatures, plumbing piping is exterior walls or areas subject to freezing temperatures shall be protected against freezing by insulation or heat or both. Section 305.6.1 Sewer depth: Building sewers that connect to private

sewage disposal systems shall be a minimum of forty-two (42) inches below finished grade at the point of septic tank connection. Building sewers shall be a minimum of forty-two (42) inches below grade. Section 701.2 Sewer required: Every building in which plumbing

fixtures are installed and every premises having drainage piping shall be connected to a public sewer, where available, or an approved private sewerage disposal system. A public water main or public sewer system shall be considered available to a building when the building is located within 250 feet of the public water main or sewer.

Section 904.1 Roof extensions All pen vent pipes that extend through a roof shall be terminated at least 12 inches above the roof, except that where a roof is to be used for any purpose other than weather protection, the vent shall be run at least 7 feet above the roof. Chapter 14, Codes reference; BOCA National Building Code as

Section 81-211 Adoption of BOCA National Property Maintenance Code By Reference. That a certain document, copies of which are on file in the office of the Building Department of the City of Plymouth being marked and designated as "The BOCA National Maintenance Code, Fifth Edition, 1996" as published by the Building Officials and Code Administrators Internationa nc. be and is hereby adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of the City of Plymouth in the State of Michigan; for the control of buildings and structures as herein provided; and each and all of the regulators, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said BOCA National Property Maintenance Code, are nereby referred to, adopted and made part hereof as if fully set out in this

ARTICLE XIV

amended, International Mechanical Code as amended

Ordinance, with the addition, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 18-212 of this Ordinance. Section 18-212. National Property Maintenance Code, Additions, Insertions

and Changes. That the BOCA National Property Maintenance Code is amended and revised in the following respects: Section PM-101.1 Title: These regulations shall be known as the

Property Maintenance Code of the City of Plymouth hereinafter referred to as the property maintenance code or "this code". Section PM-106.2 Penalty: Any person who shall violate any provision of this code shall, upon conviction thereof, shall be guilty of a civil infraction punishable by a fine of not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars. Each day that a violation continues after due notice

has been served, in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof. shall be deemed a separate offense. Section PM-304.12 Insect screens: During the period from April 1st to October 1st, every door, window and other outside opening used or required for ventilation purposes serving any structure containing habitable rooms, food preparation areas, food service areas, or any other areas where products to be included or utilized in food for human consumption are processed, manufactured, packaged or stored, shall be supplied with approved tightly fitting screens of at less than 16 mesh per inch and every swinging door shall have a self-closing device in good

working condition. Section PM-602.2.1 Heating facilities. Residential buildings: Provide heat as required by this section form October 1st to May 1st. Section PM-602.3 Heating facilities, Non-Residential buildings Provide heat as required by this section from October 1st to May 1st

That Chapter: 18, Articles III, IV, V, VI, and VII are hereby deleted and

the following substituted therefore and all other ordinances or parts of

ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. Section 3. Saving Clause:

Section 2. Inconsistent Ordinances Repealed

That nothing in this Ordinance or in the Building, Plumbing. Mechanical, Electrical or Property Maintenance Codes hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 2 of this Ordinance, nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

Section 4. Date of Effect: That the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and cause the same to be published as required by law; and this Ordinance shall take full force and effect twenty one (21) days after this date of final passage and approval.

Made, passed and adopted by the City Commission of the City of Plymouth, Michigan, this 7th day of December, 1998. DONALD DISMUKE.

> LINDA J. LANGMESSER CMC, AAE City Clerk

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with braided twine or rafia B Save those cardboard toilet and add a spray of cinnamon sticks, pine cones and walnuts. Or center a white, paper doily on top and wrap with lots of white organdy ribbon.

Wrap travel-theme gifts in A box wrapped in a swatch of maps from your Atlas or glove compartment. Wrap a special gift in sheet music and tie with red and green velvet ribbon. Save the comics for your children's gifts and the crossword page for a puzzle buff.

■ Wrap wine bottles in aluminum foil. Put confetti inside the bottle and tie with paper streamers. Or wrap the bottle in a big, colorful napkin. ■ Wrap over-sized gifts in large, ■ Glue brightly colored buttons

inexpensive plastic-coated holiday tablecloths. For a romantic gift, cover a box in gold foil paper and glue five silver paper doilies on the sides. Make a bouquet bow from dried flowers, wrap it in

cellophane and tie it with lace. ■ Instead of a bow, decorate ■ Wrap a box of jewelry or perfume in a fancy lace hanky.

tree balls bunched with wire, paper and paper towel tubes or strands of fake pearls. For a unique gift wrap, photoand stuff them with small copy your favorite pictures. Color pictures can be done on items like socks. Wrap them in tissue paper, tie both ends

11-by-17-inch sheets and with ribbon and fan out the black and white on 18-by-24inch sheets. ■ Have a teenage girl? Fill a flowery chintz drapery gathpair of tights with hair spray, ered in a topknot and

shampoo and other grooming entwined with a silk rose is gifts. Tie legs in several places gorgeous. So is a gift wrapped with elastic hair "scrunchies to keep items from shifting. with a cutout of cascading chintz roses. Stiffen roses with ■ Have two teenage girls? Stuff spray starch before cutting the fingers of gloves with lip gloss, nail polish, eyeliner,

> Ready to wrap? Great, but before you begin, remember it's what's under the wrapping that's most important. One Christmas my cash-strapped, then-16-yearold son taped two Dixie cups rim-to-rim with duct tape and tossed the gift under the tree The present was for his brother and contained about \$5 in loose

We still laugh about that gift . every Christmas.

OBITUARIES

Services for George L. Sal-

haney, 67, of Canton were Dec.

Orthodox Church with the Rev.

Michael J. Matsko officiating.

Burial was in Glen Eden Ceme

tery. Local arrangements were

made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral

Detroit. He died Dec. 15 in Ply-

Survivors include his wife.

sister, RoseMarie Haggar; and

two grandchildren, Kelsey and

Services for Harold E. Kendall,

Home with the Rev. Drex Morton

He was born April 27, 1919, in

officiating. Burial was in River-

Cadillac, Mich. He died Dec. 14

in Livonia. He was a supervisor

at the Michigan Bell Telephone

Co. for 44 years. He retired in

1982. He came to the Plymouth

community in 1955 from Stan-

dish Mich. He was a member of

the Pioneers Barber Shop Quar-

tet. He loved to fish, hunt and

sing with the quartet. He also

sang at weddings and funerals

with his sisters. He was active

with his son in the Boy Scouts.

many years after his son fin-

Survivors include his wife,

Madeline of Plymouth; one son,

Jay (Mercedes) of Romulus; one

brother Robert of Jackson: two

sisters Natalie Koch of Jackson

Loraine Sulpher of California:

one aunt. Annabelle Moffit of

California; and several nieces,

Memorials may be made to

Services for Mary Ross Hill,

86. of Plymouth were Dec. 16 in

Risen Christ Lutheran Church

with the Rev. David W. Martin

and Hugh McMartin officiating.

Cemetery, Troy. Local arrange-

ments were made by Vermeulen

Funeral Home, Plymouth Town-

She was born Dec. 22, 1911, in

Scotland. She died Dec. 12 in

secretary for Chrysler Corp.

her husband, Kenneth F. Hill,

and one sister, Nan Cash. Sur-

Groove, Wis., Patricia (Bob) K.

Carol Ann Banner of Elm

vivors include her two daughters

Conrad of Plymouth; one sister,

Plymouth. She was an executive

She was preceded in death by

Burial was in White Chapel

Parkinson Foundation, 3990

John R. Detroit, MI 48201.

nephews, and cousins.

MARY ROSS HILL

an interest that he continued for

79, of Plymouth were Dec. 18 in

the Schrader-Howell Funeral

side Cemetery, Plymouth.

mouth Court Nursing Home. He

Deana; one brother, Mitchell; one

He was born April 20, 1931, in

18 in Holy Transfiguration

Home, Canton.

was a salesman.

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in moiré wallpaper adorned

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sents wrapped in solid colors.

or peppermints on gifts

wrapped in white paper. Var-

nish peppermints to keep color

■ Wrap just about any unusual-

ly shaped gift in tulle or net-

gifts with feathers, seashells,

cookie cutters, tiny Christmas

from transferring.

them out.

GORDON S. RAYFIELD

Services for Gordon S. Rayfield, 71, of Livonia were Dec. 12 in the Neely-Turowski Funeral Home, Canton, with the Rev. Michael Panich officiating. Burial was in Greenlawn Cemetery Windsor, Ontario.

He was born Nov. 13, 1927, in Windsor, Ontario. He died Dec. 8 in Livonia. He was the president of his family-owned business, Triangle Book Binding. Survivors include his wife,

Leona; one son, Gordon Jr.; one daughter, Regina Miner; two grandchildren, Christopher Michael, Jonathan Gordon Ronald Miner; three sisters, Lillian, Lorraine, Audrey; and one brother, James Alfred

JUNE DAVIS

Services for June Davis, 71. of Canton were Dec. 17 in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton, with the Rev. Norman D. Long officiating. Burial was in Parkview

Memorial Cemetery. She was born June 9, 1927, in Detroit. She died Dec. 14 in the

Barbara Cole of Royal Oak; five University of Michigan Hospital. grandchildren; and four great-She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, grandchildren. Memorials may be made to Leroy; two daughters, Catherine L. Vanecek, Linda Anne Redmon; Risen Christ Building Fund, two sons, Lawrence R. and Ger-46250 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170-3446 or The ald F. (Christina Brown); and six Salvation Army, P.O. Box, 384 grandchildren. Plymouth, MI 48170. GEORGE L SALHANEY

RAYMOND GEORGE "MIKE" KIMBLE Services for Raymond George "Mike" Kimble, 78, of Fenton were Dec. 16 in the chapel of St John Evangelist Catholic Church, Fenton with the Rev David Harvey officiating.

He was born May 6, 1920, in Linden. He died Dec. 11 in Genesys Health Park. He was a 1938 graduate of Linden High School and was in the Sports Hall of Fame. In 1938, he opened a soda shop in Linden with his brother, servicing local residents with great ice cream and quick wit. Due to the impending war, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served during World War II in the 158th Infantry in the Philip pine Islands and Japan. When he returned from the war, he

was also active in local govern-

ment. When he resided in Lin-

in the VFW. Kiwanis and city

continued with his Kiwanis

den, he was an active participant

council. In 1965, he and his fam

ly moved to Plymouth, where he

membership, activities with the

local government, including serv

ing on the Council on Aging and

even a run for the state Senate in

1977. One of Mr. Kimble's great-

est accomplishments was work-

ing for the University of Michi-

Research Program in Ann Arbor

and then with the Natural Sci-

ence Department in Dearborn.

He had secret-level government

clearance for Buic Space Project

Wright Patterson, AFB, Bendix

sports; he was an avid golfer and

Olympics in Tempe, Ariz. He was

Systems and Advent Satellite.

He retired in 1982. He loved

a medal winner in the Senior

also a true-blue University of

Michigan football fan. He loved

science, computers, reading his-

greatest joys in life were his chil-

He was preceded in death by

one daughter. Carlene Rae Kim

ble; two sisters, Deatta Young,

Lillian Stevens: and three broth

son Douglas Kimble of Traverse

City: two daughters. Catherine

E. (Michael) Kandal of Bristol.

Vt., Debra A. (Michael) Jett of

Christopher and Patrick Jett:

and one granddaughter. Kera

Memorials may be made to

Linden High School Scholarship

Northville: twin grandsons.

Nicole Kandal, aka Brush.

ers. Phillip, Floyd, Ralph, Survivors include his wife. Ruth: one

tory and life in general. His

dren and grandchildren.

gan, first with the Space

If your income is expected to worked as a barber in Linden Local residents loved to get their hair cut by Mr. Kimble. He had the gift of gab and always provided his customers with their money's worth. Mr. Kimble

For example, consider accelerating income into this year, such as by selling an investment

If you're eligible for one of the new breaks for college expenses check to see if you'll be eligible

deduction. The Hope Scholarship credit covers the first \$2,000 in tuition and fees, while the Lifetime Learning credit covers the first \$5,000. If you're below the limits, you may still have a chance to earn a bigger credit. When computing your 1998 credit. you're allowed to count prepayments of tuition for academic terms that begin in the first three months of 1999. So if by Dec. 31 you mail a check for \$1,000 tuition for the winter semester that begins in February, you can use that \$1,000 in

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Tax from page A7 State House approves 4 new Indian casinos

STAFF WRITER

Eligibility to contribute to Roth IRAs and the new education IRAs starts to phase out for Four new Indian gambling joint incomes above \$150,000 casinos may be built in Michigan (\$95.000 for singles). And after the House of Representawhether you're married or sintives grudgingly approved congle the right to convert regular tracts negotiated by Gov. John IRAs into the new Roth IRAs is available only if your adjusted The late-evening Dec. 10 vote income is under \$100,000.

was 48-47, with 13 members If you're bordering on the absent. The measure, a resoluincome limits for one of the tax tion, required just a majority of breaks, there are some steps you those voting, not a 55-vote can take between now and the majority of those elected and end of the year that may help serving. The Senate must also lower your income enough to make you partly or fully eligible

for the tax benefit. Employees can arrange with their employer to defer payment of year-end bonuses until after Dec. 31. Self-employed individuals can delay sending out bills so that customer payments won't arrive until next year.

(\$75,000 for singles).

Deductible expenses

Paying certain deductible expenses by Dec. 31 will also

There are several types of deductions that will reduce your adjusted gross income. They include business expenses incurred by self-employed individuals and rental property owners inh-related moving expenses: deductible retirement account contributions; alimony payments: and health-insurance premiums paid by eligible selfemployed individuals. The new student loan interest deduction will also reduce adjusted gross income, but not for purposes of determining eligibility for the student loan deduction itself.

Most other types of deductions, such as charitable contributions and other itemized deductions, won't affect your adjusted gross income - the figure that will largely determine your income-eligibility for the tax benefit. (Adjusted gross income is computed on tax forms before itemized deductions enter into the tax calculations.)

If your adjusted gross income is projected to be below the income-eligibility limits for a tax break, watch what financial moves you make between now and the end of the year to insure you don't inadvertently end up above the income limits.

be well above the eligibility limits this year, see if there is anything you can do in the remaining weeks of the year to help you meet the income-eligibility requirements next year.

College expenses

for the maximum benefit

For instance, up to \$1,000 in student loan interest is deductible on 1998 returns. So if von're below the limit, pay amounts due on the loan by Dec. 31 to make the most of the new

figuring your 1998 credit.

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"We can't amend the compact. township and contiguous town- in Hazel Park. The governor land We concur or not," said Rep. Pat ships the right to vote on spent literally hours cajoling NO - Gerald Law, R-Plywhether to allow a casino. Gagliardi, D-Drummond, majori-Gagliardi blocked the vote with a Farmington Hills, scheduled to Canton ty floor leader who sponsored the resolution. Casinos are planned "clear the board" call as green

for Battle Creek, New Buffalo. (yes) lights went up. "Enough is enough! We'll have Manistee and Mackinaw City. Engler and Gagliardi argued more casinos than universities," that if the Legislature fails to said opponent Harold Voorhees, approve the compacts, with state R-Wyoming. Michigan has 15 egulations, the tribes could win state universities; when three But the freshman lawmaker a federal court suit, and the Detroit casinos and the four new took a walk during the final roll Indian casinos are added, Michistate would lose all control.

Opponents argued that host gan will have 21 casinos. nmunities should have a voice Engler sought to persuade in regulating casinos. A New Oakland lawmakers that the Buffalo area lawmaker asked for compact would actually protect Bob Brown, D-Dearborn was supported by 30 Democrats an amendment giving the host them from a casino being located

Rep. Andrew Raczkowski, Rget Gagliardi's job as majority floor leader next year.

stituents," Raczkowski told reporters in the corridor after his confrontation with Engler.

"I will protect my con

call vote. Here is how local lawmakers voted on HCR 115:

YES - Lyn Bankes, R-Redford, Heights, Eileen DeHart, D-West- and 18 Republicans.

mouth, Deborah Whyman, R

ABSENT - Tom Kelly, D-

Wayne, Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills. Engler was reportedly anxious

to get a House vote this year so that both parties would have to put up supporting vote Democrats still control the chamber, 56-52. Next year, Republicans will have 57-53 control, and the burden of support would fall to the GOP. HCR 115



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Canton resident Mark Wira oped land, which fronts Michiled a petition drive to force a gan Avenue and is just east of public vote on the deal. But his the center, are also included. No

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tures for a public referendum. The softball center comprises 55 acres of the site. A dozen diamonds, a restaurant, batting cages and printenance buildings are also included

A total of 15 acres of undevel

drive fell short of needed signa-

It has however been men tioned by township officials as possible recreational land. It might also be sold for light

industrial development

plans currently exist for the par-

Utilities offer help on winter heat bills

Help with winter heating bills is available to senior citizens, ow-income and unemployed util-

Commission encourages these customers to take advantage of the home heating help programs. All state regulated utility companies will offer assistance and/or

shutoff protection programs this winter to assist families in need. Customers facing heating bills they are unable to pay this winter should contact their local

Home Heating Credit, Earned Income Credit, or other bill pay-The Michigan Public Service ment assistance and energy conservation programs. Also, low-income homeowners

> the Michigan Home Heating Credit and could receive \$100 or more to help pay heating bills. Qualifying persons will be eliby participating in the Winter

and renters may be eligible for

utility company now to sign up for the Winter Protection Plan, enrollments in the Winter Protection Plan, tection Plan began Nov. 15. Elivice. gibility details and forms are Department of Treasury offices.

qualifying child and at least one worker in the household may be eligible for the Federal Earned able programs to protect cus-Income Credit. The basic credit can exceed:\$2,200. A family without a qualifying child may or through the Web site at: gible to receive shutoff protection receive a credit of \$340 or more. Application forms are available Protection Plan. Customer from the U.S. Department of

The MPSC encourages senior available from all Michigan citizens and low-income customers to call their utility com-In addition, a family with a pany as soon as possible before high bills become a problem.

For more information on availtomers from winter shutoff, contact the MPSC at (800) 292-9555, http://ermisweb.cis.state.mi.us/n

ing for your packages.

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of jewel-tones at \$2.25 a sheet, rightly colored raffia ribbon at \$5.50 a spool, and organdy wraps priced at \$2.50-\$6 depend-Midori ribbon from Japan at 95 cents to \$1.65 a yard.

ribbon," said Von Kulajta of the mall. Midori. Don't have time to wrap? Don't

panic. Head over to the Westland gift-wrapping stations just wait-

The stations, which also have anyway

threaded tissue paper in variety a coat and package check, are located near J. C. Penney's and J. L. Hudson's. Choose from 16 ing on size. You must have your own box. None are sold. Presents "It's gorgeous, just gorgeous do not have to be purchased in

"We're making it as easy as possible," said Claudia Frederick, senior marketing manager, Center, where they have two who added that most of the station's customers are men.

Sorry, guys. Happy Holidays



CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 98-9 **CHAPTER 38** 1996 FIRE PREVENTION CODE

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 38, FIRE PREVENTION CODE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH. ADOPTING AND INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE B.O.C.A. NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION CODE OF 1996. ESTABLISHING MINIMUM REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SAFEGUARDING OF LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM FIRE EXPLOSION HAZARDS ARISING FROM THE STORAGE, HANDLING AND USE OF MATERIALS HAZARDOUS TO LIFE OR PROPERTY IN THE OCCUPANCY OF BUILDINGS AND PREMISES: ADDING, DELETING AND AMENDING SPECIFIC SECTIONS OF THE 1996 B.O.C.A. NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION CODE, PROVIDING FOR FIRE HYDRANTS ON WATER VALVES, PROVIDING FOR PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION, PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR CLAUSE, PROVIDING FOR PENALTY FOR VIOLATION HEREOF; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE.

THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Section 1. Chapter 38, Article 3, the City of Plymouth Fire Prevention Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 38-56. Code Adopted. The B.O.C.A. National Fire Prevention Code of 1996 as published by the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc. is adopted by referenced as the Fire Prevention Code of the City of Plymouth governing the safeguarding of life and property from fire and explosion hazards arising from the storage, handling and use of hazardous substances, materials, and devices, and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the occupancy of buildings emises subject to the additions, deletions and amendments to the B.O.C.A. National Fire Prevention Code of 1996 as listed in Section 38-57 of

Sec. 38-57. Amendments.

The following sections and subsections of the National Fire Prevention Code of 1996 are hereby amended or deleted as set forth and additional sections and subsections are added as indicated. Subsequent section numbers used in this Chapter shall refer to the like numbered sections of the National Fire Prevention Code of 1996.

F-101.1: Title. These regulations as set forth herein shall be known as the Fire Prevention Enforcement Ordinance of the City of Plymouth and are nereby referred to as such or as such or as the "Code".

F-111.3: Authorities at Fires and Other Emergencies. The Fire official or duly authorized representative, as may be in charge at the scene of a fire or other emergency involving the protection of life and/or property is empowered to directly such operations as may be necessary to extinguish or control any suspected or reported fires, gas leaks, or other hazardous conditions or situations or taking any other action necessary in the reasonable performance of duty. The fire official may prohibit any person, vehicle or object from approaching the scene and may remove or cause to be removed from the scene any person, vehicle or object which may impede or interfere with the operations of the fire department. The fire official may remove or cause to be wed any person, vehicle, or object from hazardous areas. All persons ordered to leave a hazardous area shall do so immediately and shall not reenter the area until authorized to do so by the fire official in accordance with

the state and federal laws. F-111.4: Interference with Fire Department Operations. It shall be unlawful to interfere with, attempt to interfere with, conspire to interfere with, obstruct or restrict the mobility of or block the path of travel of any fire department emergency vehicle in any way or to interfere with, attempt to interfere with, conspire to interfere with, obstruct or hamper any fire department operation

F-111.5: Compliance with Orders. A person shall not willfully fail or refuse with any lawful order or direction of the fire official or to interfere with the compliance attempts of another individual

F-111.6: Vehicles Cross Fire Hose. A vehicle shall not be driven or propelled over any unprotected fire hose of the Fire Department when laid down on any street, alley-way, private drive or any other vehicular roadway without the consent of the fire official in command at said operation. F-111.7: Definitions of Authorized Emergency Vehicle. Authorized

emergency vehicles shall be restricted to those which are defined and authorized under the laws of the State of Michigan.

F-111.8: Operations of Vehicle on Approach of Authorized Emergency Upon the approach of any authorized emergency vehicle giving audible and visual signal, the operator of every other vehicle shall immediately drive the same to a position as near as possible and parallel to the right-hand edge or curb of the street or roadway, clear of any intersection and shall stop and remain in such position until the authorized emergency vehicle or vehicles shall have passed, unless otherwise directed by the fire official or a police officer

F-111.9: Vehicles Following Fire Apparatus. It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle other than one on official business to follow closer than 300 feet from any fire apparatus traveling in response to a fire alarm or to drive any vehicle within the block or immediate area where fire apparatus has stonged in answer to a fire alarm.

F-111.10: Unlawful Boarding or Tampering with Fire Department Emergency Equipment. A person shall not without proper authorization from the fire official in charge of said fire department emergency equipment. cling to, attach himself to, climb upon or into, board or swing upon any fire ent emergency vehicle, whether the same is in motion or at rest, or sound the alarm, horn, bell of other sound producing device thereon or to manipulate or tamper with or attempt to manipulate or tamper with any levers, valves, switches, starting devices, brakes, pumps or any equipment or protective clothing on, or part of any fire department emergency vehicle.

F-111.11: Damage or Injury to Fire Department Equipment or Personnel. It shall be unlawful for any person to damage or deface or attempt to conspire to damages or deface any fire department emergency vehicle at any time or to injure or attempt to injure or conspire to injure fire department personnel while performing departmental duties

F-111.12: Emergency Vehicle Operation. The driver of any emergency vehicle as defined in subsection F-111.7 of this Ordinance, shall not sound the siren thereon or have the emergency lights on or disobey any existing traffic regulations, except when said vehicle is responding to an emergency call or when responding to, but not upon returning from a fire. Tactical strategies such as, but not restricted to, "move-upa" do not constitute an emergency call

The driver of an emergency vehicle may (a) park or stand irrespective of the provisions of existing traffic

(b) proceed past a red or stop light or other sign, but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation

(c) exceed the prima facia speed limit so long as the action does endanger

(d) disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions; life or property (e) the exemptions herein granted to an emergency vehicle shall apply only when the driver of any such vehicle while in motion sounds audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle as may be reasonably necessary

and when the vehicle is equipped with at least one lighted lamp

displaying a red light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from

a distance of 500 feet of the front of such vehicle.

F-111.13: Street Obstructions. A person or persons shall not erect, construct, place or maintain any bumps, fences, gates, chains, bars, pipes, wood or metal horses, or any other type of obstruction in or on any street within the boundaries of the municipality. The word "street" as used in the Ordinance shall mean any roadway accessible to the public for vehicular traffic, including. but not limited to, private streets or access lanes, and all public streets and nighways within the boundaries of the municipality.

F-114.1: Property Identification Required. All property upon which houses, dwelling, buildings, businesses and other such structures are constructed with the City shall be considered developed property and shall have a property identification number which shall be posted on the face or other appropriate side of the house, dwelling, business or structure in a manner and location so that the identification numbers are clearly readable to a person of normal vision from the roadway.

Installation of property identification numbers shall be in accordance with the City Sign Ordinance, adopted July 1, 1991.

F-114.2: Designation of Numbers. The address numbers assigned by The Utility Company supplying electricity and pertaining to any building in the City shall be the building identification number. Any building not otherwise having been numbered by The Utility Company supplying electricity shall be identified by the owner of said building in possession or control thereof according to a designation determined by the Fire Chief in the following manner: One full address number shall be allowed for each ten (10) feet of fronted edge of each side of all public roads with even numbers assigned to the right-hand side of the public roads when the premises fronting said roads are facing westerly or northerly and with odd numbers assigned to the left-hand side of said roads provided rectifying lines on certain public roads which shall be corrected to each intersection may be established upon recommendation of

F-501.3.1: Fire Detection and Suppression Companies, Registration, All fire extinguisher, suppression and detecting system installation and maintenance companies shall be registered with the Plymouth Community Fire Department before doing business in or serving any residence of the City

F-503.4.4: Automatic Heat Detector System. In addition to requirements in F-503.4, an automatic heat detector system shall be installed throughout each dwelling unit, including garages. This system will be interfaced so as to provide an audible warning bell or horn for each until within the multi-family complex, including apartments or

F-504.6: Maintenance of Fire Suppression Equipment. A person shall not obstruct, remove, tamper with or otherwise disturb any fire hydrant or fire appliance required to be installed or maintained under the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code except for the purpose of extinguishing fires, training or testing purposes, recharging, making necessary repairs or when permitted by F-514.11: Automatic Fire Detection System. If an approved fire

suppression system is not required in any use group as defined in the B.O.C.A. Building Code as adopted, with the exception of single family dwellings, then an approved Automatic Fire Detection and Warning System will be required s monitored 24 hours of every day by an approved alarm company. (see F-514.11.1 for exceptions) F-514.11.1: Multiple Dwelling Alarm Systems, Alarm syste

required in multiple dwelling uses are not required to be monitored by an alarm company. F-513.4: Alarm Notification. The first agency to be notified of a fire alarm or trouble signal will be the Plymouth Township Dispatch Center.

F-517.4: Blocking Fire Hydrants and Fire Department Connections, (a) It shall be unlawful to obscure from view, damage, deface, obstruct, or restrict the access to any fire hydrant or fire department connections for the pressurization of fire suppression systems, including fire hydrants and fire department connections that are located on public or private

streets and access lanes or on private property. (b) If upon the expiration of the time mentioned in a notice of violation, obstruction or encroachments are not removed, the fire official shall proceed to remove the same. Cost incurred in the performance of necessary work shall be paid from the municipal treasury on certificate of the fire official and within the approval of the chief administrative official and the legal authority of the municipality shall institute appropriate action for the recovery of such costs.

F-517.5: Hydrant Use Approval. A person shall not use or operate any fire hydrant intended for the use of the fire department for fire suppression purposes unless the person first secures a permit for such use from the fire official and the water company having jurisdiction. This section shall not apply to the use of such hydrants by a person employed by and authorized to make such use by the water company having jurisdiction.

F-517.6: Public Water Supply. Fire Hydrants: Regulation. The fire the location or relocation of new or existing fire hydrants and the placement of replacement of inadequate water mains located upon public property and eemed necessary to provide an adequate fire flow and distribution pattern. A fire hydrant shall not be placed into or removed from service until approved by

F-517.7: Prohibition Against Tampering with Hydrants or Fire Extinguishers. No person shall, without authority of the fire chief or designated representative, open any fire hydrants, except for the purposes of extinguishing a fire or shall wantonly, maliciously, willfully or in a negligent manner tamper with, destroy, damage, disturb, or impair any fire hydrant or firefighting appliance or alarm, including but not limited to, a supplemental fire protection system, a fire extinguisher, sprinkler systems or an automatic fire warning system.

F-517.8: Interference with Water Valves Prohibited. No persons, other than employees or agents of the City, shall open or close or in any manner sterfere with or operate any valve in the City water system. F-517.9: Authorization to Operate Hydrants. No person shall open or operate any fire hydrant connected with the City of Plymouth water system. except in the following instances:

F-517.9.1: Such a person is an authorized employee or agent of the City. F-517.9.2: Such person is a volunteer or paid firefighter of the Plymouth Community Fire Department performing the duties of a firefighter under the direction and supervision of the chief of that department.

F-517.9 3: Such person has first applied for and obtained a permit from the City paying such charges as the City by resolution established therefore, acting solely within the provisions of the permission set forth and said permit and complying at all times with the rules and regulations established by the City Commission or the City Department of Water &

Sewer, or both. F-517.9.4 Such person has first applied for and obtained a license to utilize such fire hydrants for fire emergency purposes only from the City, paying such charges as the City Commission may by resolution establish therefore acting within the provisions of the license granted and complying at all times with the rules and regulations established by the City Commission or

the City Department of Water & Sewer, or both. F-517 10: Fire Hydrants: Obstruction and Tools. No person shall place nything within fifteen (15) feet of any fire hydrant or otherwise obstruct any hydrant so as to interfere with its proper use. No person shall use any wrench tool in opening any hydrant other than a regulation fire department

F-517 11 Private Fire Hydrant Installation Access. Use and Maintenance, a "private fire hydrant" is defined as a fire hydrant connected the City water supply system but located on private property. The employees and agents of the City shall have the right to enter property to determine whether a private fire hydrant exists. Further, the employees and agents of the City shall have the right to enter upon private property for the purpose of inspecting, installing, re-installing, maintaining, ervicing, repairing, removing or operating a private fire hydrant. The owner, lessee or occupier or any of them, of private property containing a private fire hydrant shall be responsible for installing, re-installing, maintaining, servicing, repairing, removing and operating the private fire hydrant in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by, and the payment of fees established by resolutions of the City Commission. The Chief of the Fire Department or the Superintendent of the Water and Sewer Department of the City may discontinue water service to any customer of or property served by

the City Water supply system having a private fire hydrant not in conformity with the adopted rules and regulations or failing to pay the established fees. Such a discontinued customer or property shall not be restored to water supply service until the Fire Chief and the Superintendent of Water and Sewer certify payment of all established fees has been made and the private fire hydrant is in conformity with the adopted rules and regulations.

F-517.12: No Liability. By adoption of this Chapter or by the undertaking of any acts or foregoing of same pursuant to this Chapter, the City makes no warranties whatsoever to any person or for the benefit of any property, and the City, its agents, employees and independent contractors shall not be held liable in damages or otherwise for any act or omission in any way pertaining to fire hydrants, whether public or private.

F-517.13: Penalties. Any person, form or corporation who shall violate any provisions of this Code shall be punished as provided in the City Code. Each day that the violation of this Chapter is continued or permitted to exist without compliance shall constitute a separate offense punishable upon conviction in the same manner therefore prescribed.

F-517.14: Access to Fire Hydrants. All buildings and portions thereof in the City, occupied or used for an assembly, business, educational, high hazard, industrial, residential or storage use, relating to the ability of the Fire Department to serve the premises, with the exception of single family dwellings shall have supplemental fire protection provided consisting of watermains not less than 8° in diameter and dedicated to the public use of the City of Plymouth and its water system with said watermain having such number and size of hydrants gates and gate wells, and location of the same, as the Chief of the Fire Prevention Bureau shall determine reasonable and necessary in order to provide sufficient supplemental fire protection to the premises, but in no event shall such hydrants be located at a distance greater than 300 feet from the furthest point of the building by direct public road access or by direct private road access provided said private road is improved according to the minimum requirement of the Wayne County Road Commission and said fire hydrants shall be situated immediately adjacent to and in no event a distance greater than 15 feet from said roadway. (see F-517.14.1 for exceptions)

F-517.14.1: Exceptions. When the Fire Chief determines that the size, construction, location, occupancy, use, or fire protection of a building otherwise subject to the provisions of Section F-517.14. may lessen the hazard to life and property from fire or explosion, the Fire Chief shall have the authority to vary the distance requirements set forth in F-517.14 as he shall deem reasonable and necessary. However, in no event shall the 300 foot minimum be extended beyond 500 feet.

F-518.5: Fire Suppression Water Connections. Fire suppression water connections shall be located within 125 linear feet by direct road access of the fire hydrant which is supplied by a public water main.

F-519.6: Sale of Defective Fire Extinguishers. A person shall not sell, trade, loan or give away any form, type or kind of fire extinguisher which is not approved by the fire official, which is not in proper working order or the contents of which do not meet the requirements of the fire official. The requirements of this section shall not apply to the sale, trade or exchange of obsolete or damaged equipment for junk when said units are permanently disfigured or marked with a permanent sign identifying the unit as junk.

F-519.7: Fire Extinguisher Required, Exceptions. All use groups except single family dwellings and dwelling units in multiple dwelling structures, are required to have and maintain a minimum of one (1) fire extinguisher or an approved size and type.

F-3102.2: Definitions, "Fireworks" shall mean and include any combustible or explosive composition as defined by the Michigan State Fire Marshall.

F-3206.10: Self-Service Fueling Stations, Dry Chemical Fire Extinguishers, Installation and Training. Self-service Fueling Stations dispensing Class 1 flammable liquids, will be required to install and maintain a UL or other nationally approved testing laboratory, fixed pipe dry chemical fire extinguisher system with a combined manual and automatic control system. Said system shall be installed in an approved manner over all of the self-service dispensing areas. The manual controls shall be installed at the attendants console and be clearly marked as to its function. Weather conditions shall be considered to prevent clogging or the operations of the extinguishing system. All employees shall be adequately trained in the operation of the extinguisher systems and the proper use of portable fire extinguishers.

F-3206.11: Future Use. Any person within the City of Plymouth currently using self-service dispensing of flammable liquids or who intends to use self-service dispensing of flammable liquids in the future shall comply with the

F-3206.12: Prohibition Against Combustible Liquid Processing or Industrial Facilities. No new bulk processing or industrial plants and distilleries or buildings, tanks or equipment used for the storage, processing, distillation, refining or blending of flammable or combustible liquids shall be located within the limits of the City

F-3207.6: Restricted Locations. The storage of Class I liquids above ground tanks outside of buildings is prohibited within the limits of the City except:

F-3207.6.1: Skid tanks for construction purposes may be ermitted when application is made in writing and approved by the Fire Chief. F-3207.6-2: A UL-approved farm storage tank of 275 gallons or

less capacity may be permitted when applications made in writing and approved by the Fire Chief is within the limits of the zoning use district designated "AG" by the zoning ordinance of the City, provided that both: F-3207.6.2.1: Proper diking and containment is provided

and approved by the Fire Chief or his designate, and F-3207.6.2.2: When installation complies with the Michigan Fire Marshall's requirements, NFPA 30, and all other applicable State of Michigan Departments'

F-3207.7: Fuel Tank Identification. All approved above ground fuel tanks will be clearly labeled in printed words, to indicate the contents Section 2. Violation and Penalty. Any person, corporation, partnership or other legal entity who violates the

ined not more than Five Hundred (\$500 00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than ninety (90) days, or both, at the discretion of the Court Each day that the violation continues after due notice has been served in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof shall be deemed a separate offense Section 3. Savings Clause

ovisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and may be

The rights and dues which have matured, penalties which have been ncurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violation of law

occurring before the effective date of this ()rdinance are not effected or abated by this Ordinance. Section 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portions shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and

independent provision, and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the

remaining portion hereof. Section 5. Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinance. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby epealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication thereof

and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law

CERTIFICATION This Ordinance was duly adopted by the City Commission of the City of Plymouth at its regular meeting called and held on the 12th of December 1998.

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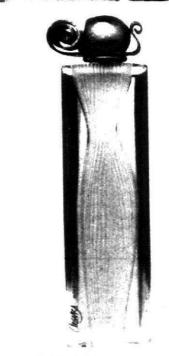






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Bowing out

McCotter, Patterson leave 'em laughing

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK

Hey, who said the Republican commissioners from western Wayne County don't have a sense of humor?

First, Bruce Patterson thanked Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, for keeping him informed about "all the backroom deals" involving the commissioners.

A little later, Thaddeus McCotter thanked the commissioners for the chance to "cut my teeth on the Wayne County killing ground, namely the Democratic-controlled county commission.

"I will be better for it," McCotter said, amid chuckles and laughter from the other commissioners and the audience during Thursday's commission meeting.

It was the last county commission meeting for McCotter and Patterson, who are leaving the commission for Lansing as newly-elected state lawmakers.

Others leaving the commission were Kim Cockrel, D-Detroit, and Bill O'Neil. D-Allen Park, but it was clear the outgoing Republicans were the center of all the fun as the four commissioners received plaques from their colleagues.

McCotter leaves his commission seat to be the next state senator to represent



McCotter: Leaves his commission seat to represent the 9th Senate District.

the 9th District. As a commissioner, he represented part of Livonia and the cities and townships of Northville and Plymouth.

Patterson departs to become a state representative for the 21st District. He served on the commission for two terms, representing the townships of Canton, Huron, Sumpter and Van Buren, and the cities of Belleville, Romulus and Wayne.

As the two GOP politicos turned the pages of their county commission careers, the commission chairman Ricardo Solomon commended the pair for their service.

Patterson: Departs to represent the 21st District in the state House.

Solomon called Patterson a "very distinguished individual who brings a philosophy he believes in" to politics. "Sometimes we agree, sometimes we don't' Solomon said.

Patterson kicked off his remarks with the crack about the backroom deals, but then added he welcomed comments from the commissioners in Lansing.

"I would like to say what only they want me to say and that is 'goodbye,' " Patterson said.

Solomon praised McCotter for his work on an ordinance

governing bids concerning small and minority-owned businesses for Wayne County contracts.

That was something that was very near and dear to my heart," Solomon said. "I will never forget it."

McCotter received his plaque, then stated that he wanted to "thank whoever paid for this lovely thing." acCotter cited a quote from Franklin Delano Roosevelt in how commissioners would be remembered. History will ask whether they brought integrity, honesty, courage and consistency.

The state senator-elect wished his colleagues well, then concluded with a poke at the county executive.

"He wondered 'How do I get rid of these guys?' " McCotter said. "Well, he got his wish."

Even with the tribute and accolades in their final hours as commissioners, McCotter and Patterson weren't finished yet with their attempts to scale down Wayne County government.

They introduced an ordinance that would "maximally improve the quality of life of the residents of Wavne County throughout the 21st Century.

It read: "Wayne County government is hereby dissolved.

It was defeated, 13-2.

STATE CAPITOL CAPSULES

Senators assigned

They don't take office until Jan. 1, but Senate majority lead-er-elect Dan DeGrow has announced committee assignments for the next two years. Committees are where bills are polished, crafted and lobbied before heading for brief debate on the full Senate floor.

Here is how area senators fared:

Appropriations, the big one where all the budget bills are handled - John J.H. Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, moves up to vice chair, replacing the retiring Bob Geake of Northville. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, is added. Alma Smith, D-Salem, moves up to minority vice chair. Continuing as chair will be 78-year-old Harry Gast, R-St. Joseph.

Education - Loren Bennett, R-Canton, takes over as chair. Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, moves up to minority vice chair.

Farming, Agribusiness and Food Systems - Dianne Byrum, D-Onondaga, continues as minority vice chair. George Z. Hart, D-Dearborn, is added. The committee gets a name change. from Agriculture and Forestry. Continuing as chair is George McManus, R-Traverse City.

Human Resources, Labor, Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs - Rogers of Brighton continues as chair. Freshman Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, becomes vice chair

Judiciary - McCotter of Livonia comes in as vice chair. Bullard of Milford joins the panel. Rogers of Brighton continues as a member. Peters of

Bloomfield Township moves up to minority vice chair. In his third term as chair will be William VanRegenmorter, R-

Jenison. Local, Urban and State Affairs - McCotter of Livonia starts his term chairing this panel, replacing Leon Stille, R-Spring Lake. Much "urban sprawl" legislation comes from this panel.

Transportation Tourism - Bullard of Milford is chair; Bouchard of Birmingham becomes vice chair; Hart of Dearborn continues.

Roadwork

Michigan roads will get \$57 million in federal money for high priority projects," said Gov. John Engler. Michigan's two U.S. senators, Carl Levin and Spencer Abraham, let the Michigan Department of Transportation make the selections rather than making the selections themselves. Among the 10

projects, by county:
■ Livingston - M-59 from I-96 interchange to US-23, 1.2 miles, resurfacing, total cost \$7 million, high priority funds \$4.8 million, year 2000.

■ Oakland - I-96 interchanges at Beck and Wixom roads, reconstruction, total \$71 million, high priority funds \$5.4 million, year

■ Wayne - I-75 and I-96 mainline from south of Grand Boulevard to Conrail Bridge, reconstruct, total \$109 million, high priority funds \$10.7 million, year

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Children of all ages can visit with Santa Claus, who will appear at Wayne County Light-Fest nightly through Dec. 24.

Santa's temporary residence is the Warrendale Picnic Area at the end of Wayne County Light-Fest, the Midwest's longest drive-through holiday light show. Photos with Santa, food concessions and a gift shop are available at the Warrendale site.

A \$5 donation is suggested

with proceeds going to benefit the Dearborn Rotary Club's outreach efforts on a local and

Wayne County LightFest is open 7.10 p.m. nightly through Jan. 1 except on Christmas Day. LightFest begins on Hines Drive and Merriman Road in West-

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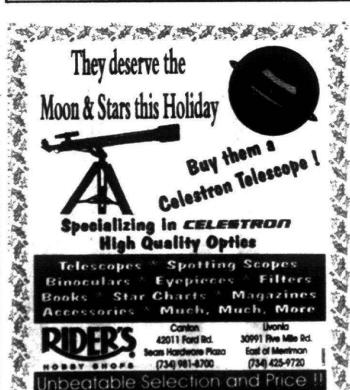
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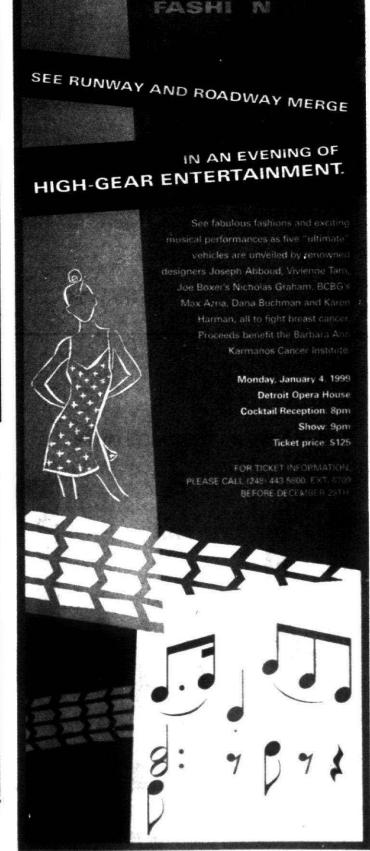
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Include some surprises on your menu

ere it is, my favorite time of the year. The chill is in the air, the snow is on the ground (well almost), and I look forward to spending time with my family and friends. During the holidays, I eagerly anticipate the arrival of out of town guests as much as a child waiting for Santa Claus on Christmas Eve!

This year I volunteered to cook Christmas dinner, and visions of sugar plums are dancing in my head. While the main dishes of our holiday feast will remain the same, my relatives have asked me to prepare a few new special appetizers and rich desserts. The pre- and post- dinner offerings provide the perfect opportunity to try something a bit more adventurous.

Surprise your family with new recipes for a flavorful holiday season that is sure to impress. You might actually surprise yourself and have these become new holiday traditions.

BELGIAN CHOCOLATE JEWEL

Serves 8

For the ganache

- 5 1/4 ounces heavy cream
- 2 1/4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 3 1/2 ounces Belgian Bittersweet Chocolate
- 1/2 tablespoon water
- 1 1/2 tablespoons Grand Marni

Chop the chocolate into small pieces. Bring the cream to a boil. Place the butter and chocolate into a bowl and add in the cream. Whisk until you reach a smooth consistency. Add in the water and liquor. Pour the ganache into an ice tray and freeze until firm. When firm, remove from the ice tray and return to freezer until needed.

For the cake

- 1 1/4 tablespoons unsalted butter at room temperature
- 3 egg yolks
- 6 ounces Belgian bittersweet chocolate
- 4 tablespoons all purpose flour
- 4 tablespoons cornstarch
- 3 egg whites
- 4 1/4 tablespoons, granulated sugar

Cream together yolks and butter in a mixer. Add in the melted chocolate and mix thoroughly. Add in corn starch and almond flour and mix until fully incorporated. Remove to a bowl. In a very clean and dry mixing bowl, whip egg whites to a soft peak adding in all sugar at the end. Fold meringue into cake mixture and let stand.

Cake Assembly

Place cake batter into pastry bag and pipe a bottom layer into a non-stick muffin pan. Place a frozen ganache jewel into the center and pipe more batter around and over the jewel enough to cover completely. Place muffin pan in freezer and let set. Preheat over to 325° F. and place muffin pan on middle rack. Cook until the top begins to crack slightly. Let stand 5 minutes, remove from pan and serve with reserved ganache or ice cream.

ARTICHOKE AND SPINACH DIP

- Serves 8
- 1 (10 ounce) can Artichoke Hearts, drained
- 2 cups fresh spinach, chopped 2 tablespoons seasoned bread
- crumbs
 1 cup mayonnaise
- 6 tablespoons Parmesan cheese.
- freshly grated
 1 tablespoon chopped garlic
- Ground black pepper (to taste)
 48 melba toast rounds

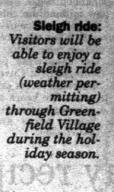
Thoroughly drain can of artichoke hearts and place in the bowl of a food processor fitted with a steel blade.

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

New Year's Eve alcohol-free drinks





Yesteryear:
(Below) Turkey
for Christmas
dinner is one
of the "Traditions of the
Season" at
Greenfield Village & Henry
Ford Museum

Thristmas memories OVER THE RIVER AND THROUGH THE WOODS...

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER

OK, you've got your boots shined, the horse hitched, and the family waiting in the sleigh. It's 1880 in Wayne County and you're on your way to grandma's house for Christmas dinner. What will she serve?

It probably won't be venison, even though grandma lives in the country.

"A lot of the game had been driven away," said Jim Johnson, a food historian at Greenfield Village and a member of its special events team.

It may be a fresh cut of pork or beef. "They did butchering at this time of the year so you would have things to eat that you would not normally get," said Johnson. Most likely, grandma will cook a duck, goose or turkey. "We hear

over and over again turkey being pushed for Christmas din-

the American melting pot was blending cultures, and people were striving toward a national

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By the late 1800s, the American melting pot was blending cultures, and people were striving toward a national style. Ethnic recipes were reserved for the holidays. If grandma is German, she may stuff that turkey with

sauerkraut.

She'll also serve homemade bread and butter and lots of vegetables fresh from her root cellar, like turnips, parsnips and potatoes. Carrots are for dessert, in cakes or puddings.

Don't dare ask grandma to serve anything "medium rare" or "el dente." Cooks in the late 1800s feared undercooked food would make their guests sick. Only celery, which had its own special dish, was served raw.

By the 1850s, the hermetically sealed canning jar was perfected, said Johnson, so your Christmas dinner will include a variety of canned fruits, pickles and relishes. And if grandma hasn't been touched by the Temperance Movement, there'll be some spirits.

You may wish your family a Merry

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TRADITIONS OF THE SEASON

WHERE: At Greenfield Village & Henry Ford Museum, Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road in Dearborn, just west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Avenue.

WHEN: Continues through Sunday, Jan. 3. Museum & Village open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Closed Christmas Day.

Adults \$12.50; senior citizens 62 and older \$11.50; children 5-12 years old \$7.50; children under five and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 for more information.

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- Take in the aroma of cooking demonstrations at the Edison Homestead where turn-of-the-century favorites like white fruitcake and lemon tarts will be prepared.
- Warm up at the Martha Mary Chapel and enjoy traditional holiday carols performed by a choir.
- Wisitors will be greeted by a three-story holiday tree in the plaza of Henry Ford Museum. The Museum is also featuring a classic toy exhibit, and 720square-foot gingerbread town with 32 gingerbread buildings and six toy trains pulling 75 cars over 500 feet of track.
- While touring the Museum, boys and girls will have a chance to whisper their Christmas list in Santa's ear.

Champagne makes holiday splash complete



For a number of years we've spotlighted a champagne house and domestic sparkling wines at this time of year. To qualify, the wines must be unique, have consistent quality and

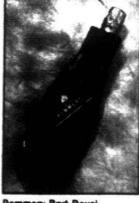
truly sparkling personality.

Getting top billing from France this year is Champagne Pommery. With Pommery there is not only the great history of a champagne house and Madame Pommery, but several delightful styles.

Pommery was founded in 1857 by Alexandre Louis Pommery. One year later, he died and his widow took over the business and made it a success. Until

1874, champagnes in general, had both high levels of sugar and alcohol, thought to be necessary to counterbalance champagne's natural acidity. The clever Madame Pommety knew from her contacts with the English that their tastes were evolving toward drier and lighter (lower alcohol) wine styles.

Therefore, Madame Pommery, together with her cellar master, took the financial risk of technical changes resulting in the creation of the first Brut, or dry-style champagne, most preferred today.



ommery Brut Royal

Pommery styles

Four Pommery champagnes are readily available in our market: Brut Royal \$36, Brut Royal Apanage \$42, Brut Rose \$44 and 1991 Brut Millesime (Vintage Brut) \$44. They are all excellent and preference one over the other is a matter of personal taste or what will be served as food accompaniment. In award-winning packaging, Pommery champagnes are gift-wrapped for the holidays.

Each champagne house considers its non-vintage Brut as a house style. Pommery Brut Royal is no exception. To maintain its consistent style, it is made from 40 different top crus in the Champagne region and is a blend of traditional champagne grapes chardonnay, pinot noir and pinot meunier.

Pommery Brut Royal Apanage has singular charm and finesse. To achieve this consistency, only 12 Champagne crus are chosen for the wine that is 45 percent chardonnay. Aged in Pommery cellars longer than Brut Royal, Apanage is our personal preference as the perfect aperitif or champagne to be served with a fish course.

Pommery Brut Rose is fuller-bodied and more robust. It makes a perfect pairing with roasted quail, turkey or

Please see CHAMPAGNE, B2

SPARKLING PICKS

In addition to Pommery champagnes, Domaine Carneros Le Reve and Domaine Chandon Cuvee 2000, highlighted in the column, we recom-

French Champagnes

NV Gosset Champagne \$41, but shop around because we've seen it for \$30; 1990 Bollinger Grande Annee \$70; 1990 Champagne Deutz Cuvee William Deutz \$85; NV Louis Roederer Brut Premier \$42; and 1990 Moet et Chandon Cuvee Dom Perignon \$110.

B California Sparklers

J Wine Company 1994 J Brut \$28, From Schramsberg 1994 Blanc de Blancs \$25; 1992 Blanc de Noirs \$25 (our favorite in this style from California); 1995 Brut Rose \$25. From Iron Horse 1993 Russian Cuvee \$26; 1993 Brut Rose \$28; 1991 Blanc de Blancs \$29 (very delicate); and 1993 Classic Vintage Brut \$26. The best wines for Christmas dinner are very versatile, matching with ethnic specialties, poultry or red meat. We highly recommend: 1996 Kunde Syrah Sonoma Valley about \$18 and 1996 Atlas Peak Reserve Sanglovese, Napa Valley at 1995 Atlas Peak Reserve Sanglovese, Napa Valley

Conquests from page B1

Time for dessert. Johnson said ust about every culture in the area - English, Irish or German - made mincemeat pies. Everyone had an abundance of dried apples, raisins and nuts, the basic ingredients, along with suct, for a good mincemeat. If grandpa adds a little rum, you'll have a great mincemeat. Of sleigh bells and say into the course, the pie crust will be made with lard.

Clean and chop spinach leaves

and add to the artichoke hearts.

Combine remaining ingredients

Place a dip into an oven-proof

gratin dish and bake at 350s until

Top dish with freshly grated

armesan cheese and place casse

piping hot throughout (about 15

and pulse machine to a rough

chop; do not puree.

may be over cordials. If you're She'll top it off with a brandy or lucky, grandpa will fix you a "shrub" while grandma's busy at the stove or fireplace. Shrubs are a lively concoction of fruit juice, a "fairy" sauce made from whipped butter and sugar; or a "foaming" sauce made with soda. (There may not milk, flour, date and walnuts.)

You'll kiss grandma goodbye crisp night air: "That was a fine taste and feel to it."

plum pudding, a dessert that crossed over all ethnic groups. be any plum in grandma's plum pudding. "Plum" refers to any kind of dried fruit, said Johnson whose own family continues to make an English pudding with beef suet, brown sugar, butter-

Grandma may have made a

as you pull a cut-out cookie off the tree. Back in the sleigh and heading home, you'll snap those Christmas dinner, with a hearty

role in the center of a large plate

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any game bird. Brut Millesime 1991 characterizes the vintage, but regardless of vintage, is always charming with a lengthy, creamy finish.

Champagne from page B1

1992 Domaine Carneros Le Reve (the Dream) Brut \$35 is the newest sparkler from Domaine Carneros, Champagne Taittinger's California venture It is a Blanc de Blancs (all white

New from California

grapes, principally chardonnay). Luxury Blanc de Blancs are rare even in Champagne, but it has been owner Claude Taittinger's "dream" to make the richness, toasty notes and ultimate in sparkling wine deli-

cacy, a California sparkling wine with the elegance of Taittinger's Comtes de Champagne Blanc de Blancs. Winemaker Eileen Crane, fulfilled the dream by crafting Le Reve, now the prestige cuvee of Domaine Carneros.

Early this decade, California's Domaine Chandon began planning for new millennium celebrations - literally a once-in-alifetime event! When the excellent 1992 vintage came along, it provided the base wine for Domaine Chandon Brut Cuvee 2000 \$25. Before its recent disgorging, it spent five years on the yeast developing complexity,

Champagne and Caviar

What's a great glass of bubbly a warning. If you want top without caviar? American and champagnes and sparkling fresh water caviars are close in wines for celebration Dec. 31, 1999, you need to be thinking quality to imported, but much less costly. The best in the U.S. about stocking up and securing your supply by no later than come from Carolyn Collins Caviar based in Chicago. Call (312) 226-0342 or fax (312) 226-As an example, the 1992 Moet 2114 for complete list of caviars, et Chandon Cuvee Dom truffle items and caviar butters. Perignon will be released early Overnight shipping available.

next year. If you'd like magnums rather than 750mL bot-Look for Focus on Wine on the tles, you should purchase them first and third Sunday of the as soon as possible; they're going month in Taste. To leave a voice fast! There will be a shortage of mail message for the Healds, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touchtone phone, mailbox 1864.

Enjoy holiday recipes from yesteryear

See related story on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Greenfield Village & Henry Ford

MEAT PIE

cut up 1 onion, chopped

2 cloves garlic, chopped 2 parsnips, chopped

1 rutabaga, chopped 1/2 teaspoon marioram

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2 carrots, chopped

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3 cups chicken, cooked and

cover with water. Heat to boiling. Reduce heat and cook until tender (about 20 minutes). Drain and mix with meat. Set aside. If using vegetable stewing liquid in sauce, combine with enough milk to make

wo cups.

1/2 teaspoon parsley

4 tablespoons butter

4 tablespoons flour

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper

Preheat oven to 375°F

milk to make 2 cups

Place onions, garlic, parsnips,

and rutabaga in a medium pot and

Melt butter in saucepan. Stir in flour, salt and pepper. Cook until bubbly, stirring constantly.

Add milk and vegetable stewing iquid mixture slowly and continue to stir until boiling. Let it boil for 1 minute while you continue to stir. Mix with meat and vegetables.

Pour into pastry-lined baking dish. Top with marjoram and parslev Cover and seal with pastry.

PASTRY

1 cup shortening

The name Cuvee 2000, bears

not only special significance, but

April 1999.

2 cups flour 1/2 cup cold water 2 cups milk or liquid from vegetables combined with

1 pinch of salt Combine shortening and flour. Add water and cut with two knives until well combined.

Divide dough in half. Roll each half on floured surface to form top and bottom crusts. Line pie pan or small baking dish with crust. Set the top aside. Yields: 6 servings. Main Dish recipe from Daggett Farmhouse

CHRISTMAS STOLLEN

Bread 1/4 cup warm water

1 package dry yeast 3/4 cup warm milk 1/4 cup granulated sugar 1 teaspoon salt

4 tablespoons soft butter 2 eggs 3 cups white flour

1 tablespoon grated lemon

Dissolve yeast in 1/4 cup warm water. Let stand 5 minutes.

Mix milk, sugar, salt, butter, and egg in large bowl.

Add yeast and 1 1/2 cups flour. Beat until smooth. Cover and let stand 1 hour in a warm place. Add emaining flour so that the dough is easy to handle. Cover and put in a cool place for 30 minutes.

Preheat oven to 350°F and but-

ter a cookie sheet. Turn dough out onto floured board and knead in fruits, nuts

and lemon rind. Roll dough to a 1/4-inch thick oval. Fold in half lengthwise, not quite to the edge. Press down along the edge to secure.

Place dough on prepared cookie sheet and let rise until double in size. Bake for 25 minutes. Remove from oven and glaze while bread is still warm.

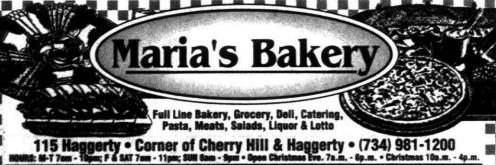
GLAZE

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2 tablespoons lemon juice Blend sugar and lemon juice

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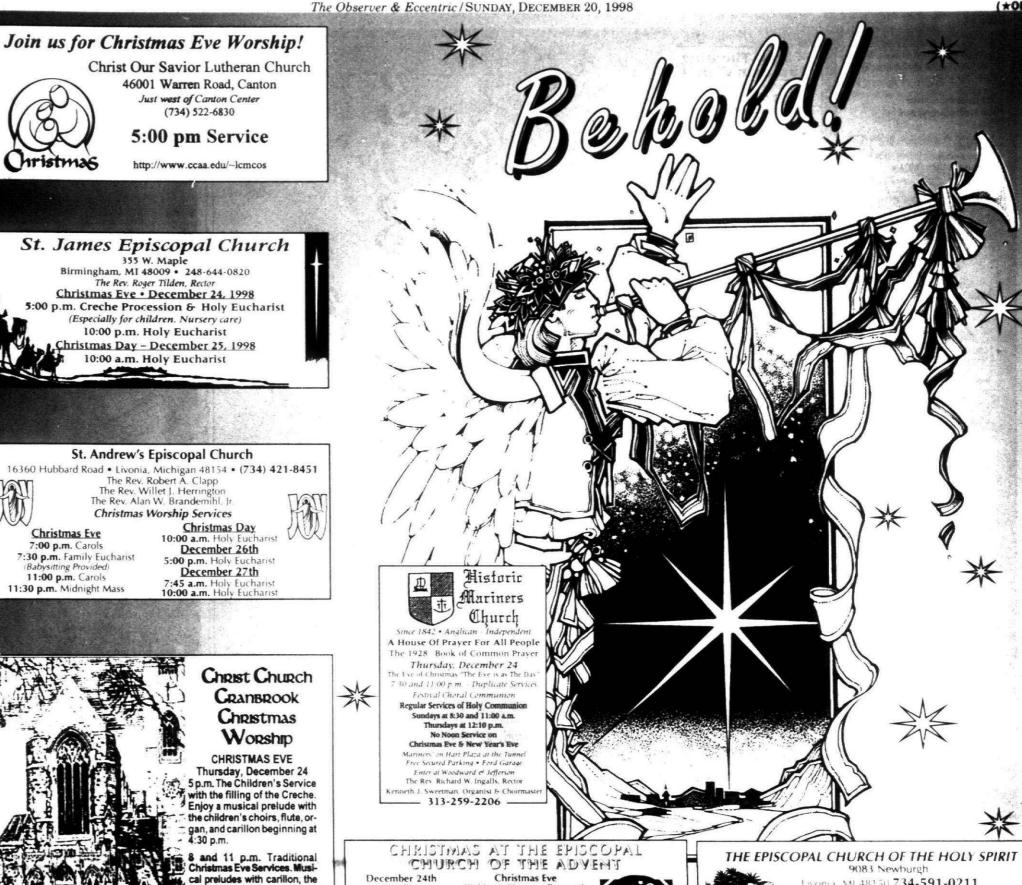
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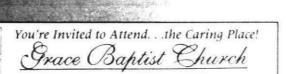
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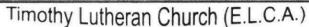




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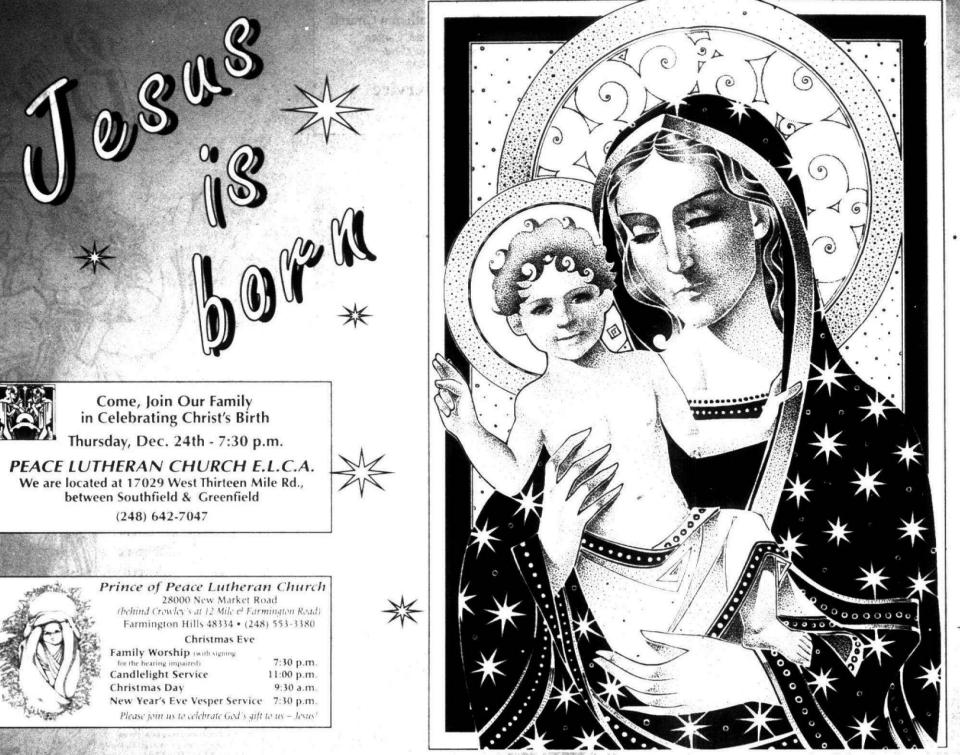


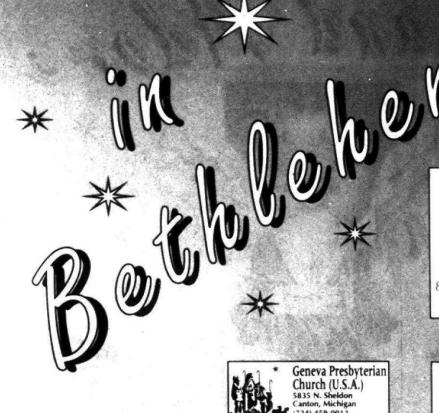
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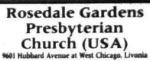






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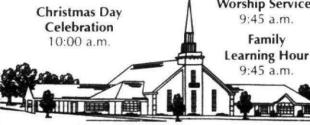
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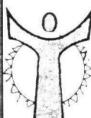
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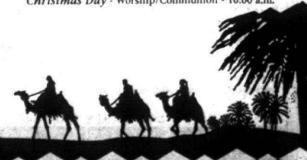
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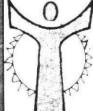
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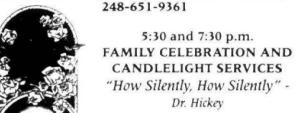
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4:30 p.m. - A family service

with music by children's choirs 6:00 p.m. - A community service

with music by youth choirs 8:00 p.m. - A metropolitan service

with music by church choir "The Traditional Nardin Park Christmas Eve"

11:00 p.m. - A contemporary celebration with pop rock combo and multi-media

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CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, Dec. 20th Celebration of Worship, 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLE LIGHTING SERVICES, Dec. 24th 5:00 p.m. - Family Service Heart-warming children's Christmas program

9:00 p.m. - Multi-Media Musical Celebration Lessons and carols to re-awaken the spirit of young and old. 11:00 p.m. - Traditional Candlelight Communion Service

Everyone is welcome at Christ's table. Nursery care provided at all services

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and the Plains of Bethlehem" Dr. William A. Ritter

Christmas Eve Services

Health & Fitness

Child-proof your home to safeguard little visitors

dren can't be far behind.

"Having little ones underfoot can be a lot of fun especially when you know, at the end of a long visit, they'll be going home with their mom and dad," say Botsford General Hospital Emergency Department physician Sanford J. Vieder, D.O.,

ness, and you have to approach it by imagining yourself as a totally fearless, 2-foot 6-inch tall, two-year-old in a potential minefield." To insure your grandchildren's holiday are safe

"But child-proofing your home is serious busi-

as well as fun, Vieder suggests: ■ Placing medications in a place far, far away from little hands.

"Older people often leave medications out perhaps without child-proof caps - on a counter or table top where they're a visual reminder to room where cleaning agents and other chemicals take them at a certain time during the day. That's great if you're an adult, but young children are curious about everything. Put them on a high shelf or another place where they won't be a temptation.

Check the crib, playpen and booster seat. "Often grandparents will use the same furni-

children come to visit," says Vieder

"That's a very bad idea. For example, new safety standards require that cribs have no wider than 2 3/8" between slats and that mattresses fit tighter in the drib. Lead pain is another real threat with older furniture. When in doubt, I suggest grandparents either borrow or rent new fur

■ Bar the stairs and cupboards. "If at all possible, make sure you have gates at

both the top and bottom of stairs - and not the old, accordion-type gate which can be a real hazard," advises Vieder. "Buy the type that glides and locks into position; that's one purchase you'll never regret.

Also, essential are safety latches for cupboard doors - particularly in the kitchen and utility are often stored.

■ Get a car seat

According to Michigan's Child Passenger Safety Law, all children under the age of one must be properly buckled in an approved safety seat. Under the age of four, they must be protected by an approved safety seat or safety belt.

vehicle with an air bag," notes Vieder. "And grandparents, along with every other adult in a child's life, should always set a good example by wearing seat belts, too."

Watch the pet. "If you're not sure how well your other "family members" may feel around small relatives, either

place them in another room or in a kennel. Otherwise, make sure you're keeping a watchful eye on both child and pet.'

■ Make a clean sweep

Lastly, Vieder suggests, making a thorough check of the house and remove any tantalizing items prior to the little ones' arrival. "Particularly during the holidays, 'edible' ornaments, holly berries and poinsettia plants should be placed out of reach, along with alcohol, perfumes and any other items that can be disastrous in small, curi-

The old adage, 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure' is worth remembering," he says. "The holidays should be a happy time when families come together to share old memories and make new ones - but not in an emergency wait-

Food-centered occasions need special attention

It's that time of year again and holiday party. These special occa- have to cross the room every time sions are often centered around food you want something to eat, you may and can make many of us lose control. Try to remember the following tips for a happier, healthier holiday

 Don't arrive at any celebration hungry. Try to eat a piece of fruit or some yogurt before you go.

■ Make one trip around the food table before eating anything. Decide what you really want and then go in some extra activity during the back for it. Force yourself to make week. some choices without feeling the Regular exercise during the do the other 362 days of the year

■ Position yourself as far away make you feel better, but it will ■ Remember the "reason for the most of us will attend at least one from the food table as you can. If you reduce the stress that so often think twice before reaching for within reach at home or at the office. something you don't really want.

> taste is also a good way to stay in control. Try putting your fork down between bites, holding a glass of refreshing spring water, and engag-Plan for celebrations by fitting

busy holiday season will not only that really count.

accompanies the holidays ■ Don't keep candies and cookies

Try to keep fruits and vegetables

■ Eating slowly and savoring each handy when you need a snack Remember that none of us is perfect. If you do overindulge at a celebration don't beat yourself up. Just pick yourself up, brush yourself off and start all over again. Two or three big meals won't make a difference in the long run. It's what you

season." Although traditional holiday celebrations include lots of fattening foods, remember what the holidays mean to you and focus on ■ Establishing healthy patterns

for life is the important thing. Small

changes repeated over and over

again will eventually become habits. Start developing healthy habits slowly. Start today

Written by Florine Mark, president and CEO of the Weight Watchers Group of Farmington Hills.

Heart Smart® cookies make holidays healthier

Office parties. Gift canisters.

Cookies inevitably make their way Vascular Institute. into homes, workplaces and schools are probably one of the reasons the sions." average American gains five to For example, traditional refriger-

■ Water-proof watch seven pounds during the holidays. ■ Battery/solar powered device to "Many traditional cookies - rolled monitor pulse and heart rate. sugar cookies, nutballs, peanut but-■ Bicycle, rollerblades, ice skates, ter blossoms - are loaded with fat. But you don't need to abandon your per serving.

skiis, bowling ball, golf clubs, etc. Sugar-free candies. favorite family recipes," says regis-Exercise clothing tered dietitian Fay Fitzgerald, coor- or parties, Fitzgerald recommends equal amount of pureed fruit such as amount

■ Gardening plants or seeds for fruits and vegetables such as strawberries, tomatoes, cucumbers, lettuce

BRIEFS

Volunteers sought

Volunteer opportunities are

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Positions include general patient

services, and non-typing clerical

assistance. For information, call

St. Mary Hospital will host

blood pressure screen 11 a.m. to 1

p.m. Monday, Dec. 21, in the Tar-

Garden City Hospital provides

free blood pressure testing noon to

2 p.m. Jan. 4 (first Tuesday of each

month) in the lobby of the hospital

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■ Botsford General Hospital

offers free blood pressure screen-

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■ Botsford's Laurel Park Walk-

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JANUARY 1999 MINI FITNESS CLASSES Schoolcraft College offers almost 60, four-week mini We want your health news physical education classes during this month to There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The restart your metabolism after the holidays. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Datebo (upcoming calendar events); Medical classes include voga, aerobics, a variety of water based exercise methods, swimming, karate and strength training Fees range from \$9 to \$43. Call 734) 462-4413 Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Brief medical advances, short news items WED, JAN. 6 rom hospitals, physicians, co We also welcome newsworthy ideas for health and fitness related stories.

STRESS MANAGEMENT

St. Mary Hospital is offering a three-session/three week stress management class, "Stressed for Success. " starting on Wednesday, Jan 6 through 20 6 30 -8:30 pm in the First Floor Conference Room. To register call, (734) 655-8940 or toll free at 1-800-494-

ACUPUNCTURE/WEIGHT LOSS

Presentation on how acupuncture can be an effective treatment for weight loss, free of charge. Meets at Botsford Health Development Network at 7 p.m. 39750 Grand River Call (248) 477-6100 for informa-

JAN. 7-19

STOP SMOKING CLINIC The City of Livonia is sponsoring the "Stop Smoking"

gram at the Henry Ford Heart and suggestions for modifying your sauce or canned pumpkin. recipes include:

"With a few simple modifications, during the holiday season. And they it's possible to create healthier vernuts and chocolate chips; use smallated cookie dough has about 5-6

mately two cookies). Box cookie For a satisfying crunch, leave mixes have up to 6-10 grams of fat the nuts in larger chunks; replace cup egg substitute If you are baking cookies for gifts half the fat in the recipe with an

Neighborhood cookie exchanges. dinator of the Heart Smart® progiving them a healthier twist. Some ripe bananas, stewed prunes, apple-

■ In addition, to reduce the overall fat, saturated fat and cholesterol prunes or apricots into cookie dough content, try the following substituinstead of high fat ingredients like tions: instead of try -one cup butter, shortening, margarine, or lard use grams of fat per serving (approxi- er amounts of nuts (1/3 - 1/4 cup per 2/3 cup vegetable oil.

Whole milk-skim milk One egg - two egg whites or 1/4

Full serving of salt - half the

NEW YEAR HEALTH CALENDAR

clinic conducted by anti-smoking presenter Dr. Arthur Weaver. The seven-night program will be held at Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, just east of Farmington. No set fee is charged, although donations are accepted. Dates include. Jan. 7, Jan. 11 through Jan. 15 and Jan. 19. All sessions run from 7:30-9 p.m. Call (734) 466-2535

MON, JAN. 11

STOP SMOKING

If you're ready to kick the tobacco habit, St. Mary Hospital is offering a two-week, four-session Smoke-Free Living Class will be offered from 6.30 to 8.30 n m. Mondays and Thursdays, from Jan through Jan 21 in the First Floor Conference Room, Regis tration is required, call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-

WED, JAN. 13

WEIGHT MANAGEMENT St. Mary Hospital's weight management class

LifeSteps, can help you achieve your weight loss goal With LifeSteps, you'll lose weight and learn how to keep it off. Taught by registered dietitian Linda. DeVore, R.D. C.D.E., LifeSteps is a safe and effective weight loss program that individualizes your new eating and activity pattern so that you lose weight permanently. A complimentary LifeSteps orientation class will be held 7.8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13. The

class will meet in the Pavilion Conference Room B. The management class is a 12- week program meeting from 7 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday, Jan. 20 through April 7. Pre-registration is required; call (734) 655-8940

HEART SMART EXERCISE

This program is offered to cardiac patients, those with risk factors, (such as high blood pressure or cholesterol and their families. Free, 6-7-30 p.m. at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center in Wayne Call (734) 467-4134 for information

THUR, JAN. 14

HEALTHY COOKING

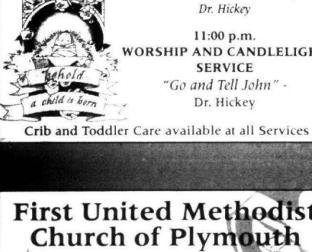
"Making the Best of Potatoes" If you think french fried, baked and mashed is the only way to prepare potatoes - think again. Meets at 7 p.m. at Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave Call (248) 477-6100

THUR, JAN. 28

THE ALMOST VEGETARIAN

Know what's good for you and your family, but not quite ready to take that all-veggie, all-the-time plunge? 7 p m \$6 fee and preregistration required Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750.

Grand River Call (248) 477-6100



First United Methodist Church of Plymouth Welcomes You and Your Family Home for Christmas

Sunday, December 20 8:00 p.m. "In Dulci Jublio" - a special concert Thursday, December 24 - Christmas Eve.

4:30 p.m. Family Ohristmas Eve

10:00 p.m. A Christmas Eve

(734) 453-5280

Worship Service

A Christmas Eve

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First United Methodist Church of Plymouth

Co-pastors Sunday Dec. 27 one service 10:00 a.m. Blessing of

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& their toys

A Hand Bell Choir Nursery provided t 7 p.m.

Come Catch the Christmas Spirit Aldersgate United Methodist Church **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

> Featuring: ☆ Dramas: The First Gift (7.00.) 3 Women of Bethlehem (9.00) ☆ Violin & Vocal Duet

8:30 p.m. Organ Concert

First United Methodist Church

Christmas Sunday - December 20 Somewhere Between Great Lakes Crossing

7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 p.m.



MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observerarea medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

MON, DEC. 21 SPORTS SAFETY

Course trains individuals to become instructors to teach coaches and other interested individuals basic first aid skills for athletic injuries, choking and CPR for adults and children. Course length is four hours; fee includes course cost and materials, \$50. Livonia Red Cross Service Center, 29691 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 542-2787.

JANUARY

MINI FITNESS CLASSES

Schoolcraft College offers almost 60. four-week mini physical education classes during this month to restart your metabolism after the holidays. The classes include yoga, aerobics, a variety of water-based exercise methods, swimming, karate and strength training. Fees range from \$9 to \$43. Call (734) 462-4413.

MON, JAN. 4

CARDIAC SUPPORT

Support offered for cardiac patients and/or their significant others. Discussion, education and camaraderie are the focus. From 7-9 p.m. Call (734) 458-

MEART PALS

Support offered for cardiac patients/families. Discussion. education and camaraderie are focus. From 7-9 p.m. at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Call (734) 458-3242.

TUE, JAN. 5

HEART SUPPORT

This forum enables patients and their families to gain knowledge and insight into heart disease. Botsford General Hospital, Conference Room 3 West, 28050 Grand River, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 615-7480.

DIABETES EDUCATION

Learn to take charge of your diabetes through a program designed for diabetics 18 years of age and older, "Taking Charge of Living With Diabetes." Classes will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 5 through Jan. 28. Registration is required by December 29. For more information or to register, call (734) 655-8940.

WED, JAN. 6

DIABETES SUPPORT

Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Guest speakers and open discussion provide information and support. You must RSVP at (734) 458-4330. Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Rd.

THUR, JAN. 7

HEALTH SCREENING

St. Mary Hospital is Livonia will hold a blood pressure and cholesterol screening 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, in West Addition Conference Room B, near the South Entrance. The cost of the cholesterol screening is \$15 and it includes both the total and HDL cholesterol. The blood pressure measurement is free. Fasting is not necessary for the cholesterol screening. Registration is required. Call (734) 655-

FRI, JAN. 8

REDUCING RISK

Dr. Marcella Salib will host a discussion on high blood pressure (hypertension) and stress at the Leather Bottle Restaurant. Guest speaker James Mikrut,

R.P.T. will be featured. The program will run from 1-2 p.m. (health-o-rama/2-3 p.m.). Subtopics will include cause/effect of hypertension, con-trolling and treating heart attack and coping and preventing complications of heart disease. The Leather Bottle is located on the south east corner of 8 Mile and Fermington roads.

MON, JAN. 11 ADULT CPR

Both day and evening classes available. \$20 fee. Community EMS, 25400 Eight Mile Road, Southfield, Call (248) 356-3900 ext. 255 to register.

TUE, JAN. 12

IMPOTENCY HELP

HIM (Help for Impotent Men) will discuss "Impotence: Man's Greatest Fear." Free of charge. 7 p.m. Botsford General Hospital's East Pavilion, Classroom 2 East A/B, 29050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Call (248) 477-6100.

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT

St. Mary Hospital's Marian Women's Center offers a Breast Cancer Support Group that is a free, self-help/education group that provides women the opportunity to share experiences and discuss subjects of mutual concern relating to breast cancer. Meets the second Tuesday of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. in West Addition B. Preregistration is required. Call (734) 655-1100.

FELDENKRAIS

Feldenkrais Method® combines movement training and gentle touch to improve ease of movement, coordination, flexibility and posture. Taught through March 9 by certified Feldenkrais practitioner. \$100 fee for entire course. 6-7 p.m. or 7:15-8:15 p.m. Preregistration/payment required. Botsford Integrated Medicine; call (248) 926-6370

New Year's in cyberspace



MIKE WENDLAND

Visits with family and friends are how most folks will be spending Christmas Eve. And the Internet reflects that.

December 24th is the slowest night of the year on the Net. You can actually dial your service provider and not

get a busy signal. Except for a few sites, like the Santa Tracker (www.santatracker.com) Web site that lets families "track" Santa's Christmas Eve journeys on a radar-style screen, the Net is a pretty lonely place.

But next week, on New Year's Eve, it's another story.

Virtual celebration

A lot of people celebrate in cyberspace.

If you're looking for New Year's Eve online action, the Net is a virtual happening.

Let's start with the biggest and most familiar. Everybody watches Dick Clark ring in the new during his annual live broadcast. But the New York City Tourist Bureau "cybercasts" the dropping of the ball on the Internet. Their site is called New Year's Eve at Times Square (http://www.nyctourist.com/newy ears1.htm). And besides a lot of pictures, it offers up a great collection stories dating back to 1906, when the tradition start-

Speaking of tradition, there's a site that tells the history of the holiday (http://wilstar.com/holidays/newyear.htm). In case you ever wondered, the New Year has been celebrated since the Babylonians decided they needed another excuse for a good time some 4000 years ago.

One of our traditions is ... starting over. Everybody marks the New Year with a resolution or two. You know the old standbys ... lose weight, get more exercise, save more money, don't procrastinate. Well, to help you actually keep your resolutions, this site http://guestworld.tripod.lycos.com/BeOurGuest/New Years/nysign.dbm) lets you fill in an on-screen form, list your goals and then, every so often, it promises to nag you about it by sending you a reminder e-mail.

You can also see how your resolutions compare to others. My favorite was from a guy I found the other day who resolves to "pity the people who have to use an Internet source to get their lives in order."

If you really have no life, spend New Year's Eve at your computer, at the Virtual First Night Web site (http://www.virtualfirstnight.org/) which has links to more than 200 cities across the world that will be holding special online celebra-

tions. You can enter the First Night chat room and exchange resolutions with other loners similarly dateless, as you eavesdrop on webcam coverage of those who do have dates and are out celebrating.

As popular as all these 1998 New Year's Eve sites may be, wait till next year. Already several dozen Web sites are online hyping New Year's Eve 1999... like the "Billennium" site (http://www.billennium.com/hom e-frame.htm), which links to the International Register of Millen-

nium Eve parties. When I checked the other day, there were several hundred listed. If you're having one, you can post it here, too.

Webcams: I've added a webcam on my PC Mike Web site (www.pcmike.com). Thanks to the folks at 2cu.com, I'll be "Netcasting" my WXYT Radio show. Tune into the radio to hear the broadcast and log on to the Net to see what it looks like. This is in addition to the RealAudio update reports I "broadcast" on the site each weekday.

Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations across the country. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday and Sunday afternoons on Detroit's WXYT-Radio AM1270. He is the author of a series of Internet books. You can reach him through his Web site at http://www.pcmike.com

BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS

Items for Business Professionals are welcome from area corporations, companies and firms whose employees are active residents in the Observer-area business community. Items should be sent to: Business Professionals, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150; fax (734) 591-7279.

New sales consultant

Tennyson Chevrolet in Livonia recently welcomed Paul Keriacos of Redford as their new services sales consultant. He is responsible for marketing and sales and controlling the costs of food and beverages.



Kim Skeltis of Farmington Hills recently joined the team of Shandwick Detroit as senior account executive. Her responsibilities include media relations and internal communications for real estate and software manufacturers.

Recent promotion

Bradley J. Porter of Livonia was recently promoted to the position of general manager of The Dako Group, a technical contract and permanent staff firm in Troy. Porter will be responsible for the continued growth of the company and obtaining and exceeding company wide goals. He has been with The Dako Group for over three years.

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Arts & Leisure

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Thanks for the memories

s the end of the year draws close, it's time to remember those whose courage and commitment have made all of us a little bit better. I'm lucky as an arts reporter to have met these people and brought their stories to the attention of our readers. Thanks for all the inspiration you've given us.

Potters for Peace

Kris Darby made it possible for all of us to learn about and understand the Nicaraguan culture when she brought clay artists Amanda Guzman and Paula Rodriguez to Plymouth for a workshop at the Village Potters Guild. An active member of Potters for Peace, Darby visited the two clay artists in January for a "how to" on marketing their work. In exchange, the Nicaraguan potters revealed secrets about creating their work to



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Cultural exchange: Kris Darby, through the nonprofit organization Potters for Peace, brought Nicaraguan artists Amanda Guzman and Paula Rodriquez to the Village Potters Guild in Plymouth for a workshop.

members of the Village Potters Guild. During their stay, Rodriguez and Guzman also relayed interesting facts about their culture.

The average monthly salary for a police officer or teacher is about \$140 in Nicaragua. Yet on their trip to this country, they missed the tranquil lifestyle at home. Rodriguez told us, "we have time during the day to just sit and visit. There's a very close fraternity with our friends and neighbors." Maybe, we could learn something from this third world country

Sharing culture

Artists and entrepreneurs of the Woodland Indians Trading Co. and Gallery showed courage in opening a space for Native Americans to sell their pottery, jewelry, and beaded

It's no easy road for new businesses. The Redford gallery began offering workshops on dreamcatchers and cornhusk dolls to attract customers.

Thanks for sharing your Native America culture. We've all learned that Indians living in the Great Lakes area are as talented as their Southwest brothers.

"Walk this Way"

Thanks to Ron Bachman for the courage to film the story of how he not only survived everyday life in a world that's frequently cruel to people with disabilities, but developed a positive attitude doing it. Bachman's legs were amputated at age four.

The film "Walk this Way," which premiered at the Penn Theater in Plymouth in October, showed vintage footage taken at the Mary Freebed Rehabilitation Center in Grand Rapids after the surgery. Even back then, his courage to overcome the odds is an example for all of us to fol-

Bachman's proudest accomplishment, undoubtedly, was raising daughter Alicia, now a student at Michigan State University, by him-

How does someone put a star on a Christmas tree when he can only walk on his hands? This was just one of the problem's Bachman solved when Alicia was 8.

Bachman's story proves attitude is everything. Where there's a will, there's a way. And he did it all with a

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Beastly Delights: This dragon (c. 604-563 b.c.) is one of the animals on exhibit through Jan. 31 at the Detroit Institute of

Plenty of reasons for thriving arts scene

LINDA ANN CHOMIN AND

e live in a world of lists. To-do lists. Best-sellers' lists. Endless enumerations of pop-ular opinions. All in all, a dizzying compila-

Hopefully, the following list won't induce vertigo.

And maybe, just maybe, it'll put some perspective on the people and events that distinguished the past year. ast year. Here's hoping.

Indelible impressions

Best museum exhibits: "Monet at Vetheuil: The Turning Point" at the University of Michigan Museum of Art; "The Invisible Made Visible: Angels

Faces at the Jewish Community Center; "Juke Joint" and "Detroit's Black Bottom" at the Charles H Wright Museum of African American History, Best gallery exhibits: "Martin A. Maddox: A Memorial Exhibit" at the Kidd Gallery; "Detachable Music for a Collapsible Culture" at the Detroit Artists Market; paintings of Lui Liu at Galerie Blu; "New Paintings by William Glen Crooks" at David Klein Gallery; "Street Scenes: New Paintings by Stephen Magsig" at Lemberg Gallery; "Book Works" by Donald Lipsky at Hill Gallery; and, "Jeffrey Abt: Paintings and Drawings" at the Cary Gallery

Best new/expanded museum: Cranbrook's expansive Institute of Science, including new per-

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Best art festivals: First annual "Arts, Beats & Eats" in downtown Pontiac; Ann Arbor Art Fairs; and, "Art & Apples," presented by Paint Creek Center for the Arts.

Best invitational exhibit: Habatat Galleries'

artists.

Best expression of love in a gallery: Artist
Terry Lee Dill's video testimonial of his eternal
affection for his fiancee, Diane Roch Smith.
Best community dance production: Plymouth Canton Ballet Company's "Dracula."
Best fine arts competitions: BBAC's Michigan
Fine Arts Competition; Canton Project Arts Fine
Arts Competition, and, Art in the Village sponsored

Best art exhibits for kids: "Beastly Delights" at the DIA; and, ongoing exhibits at Elizabeth Stone Gallery in Birmingham.

Best emerging art community: Plymouth's

Best art created on site: Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular. The 17th annual event takes place Jan. 13-18.

Best art created for a corporate setting: The swirling stainless-steel sculpture, "Eco," by Joseph Wesner of Birmingham.

The sculpture stands inside the Delphi building in Tree.

Overdue recognition

Best contemporary arts museum that's not officially called a contemporary arts museum ranbrook Arts Museum.

It's time Director Gregory Wittkopp, and Assistant Curator Irene Hofmann got the credit they deserve for their gutsy pursuit of provocative contemporary art exhibits.

Best literary undertaking: Author/funeral director Thomas Lynch of Milford, whose recent



Historical setting: Livonia Arts Commission president Bob Sheridan displays some of the work in "Art in the Village," held at Greenmead Historical Village in June. It was one of the Best Fine Arts Competitions in 1998.



A Jewel: Developer Chuck Forbes bold decision to move The Gem Theatre saved the historic building from the wrecking

book of poetry, "Still Life in Milford," reveals a litercontrol of metaphor and meter. Best local literary jour nal: "Witby Peter Stine and published by Oakland Community

Jewish Ensemble Theatre, believes theater is a way to entertain as well as challenge audiences about

Visionary: Evelyn Orbach, artistic director at the

er: "Tuskegee social issues.
Airmen Suite" social issues.
by Brian Belanger of Royal Oak, performed by the
Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra.

Best conversation about the arts: (OK, OK, Hest conversation about the arts this might sound self-serving.) The quarterly roundtable discussions on the arts sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

partnership with the American Ballet Theatre to make the Detroit Opera House the midwest home for the legendary ballet company.

Outstanding performances by the Eisenhower Dance Ensemble, and Detroit Dance Collective.

Best progress by an annual art fair: The West Bloomfield Art Festival, which featured 200 artists from around the U.S.

MUSIC

Trumpeter/actor returns home to play

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER Ichomin@oe.homecomm.net

pler, Ramo and Curtis

Todd Curtis' life is like a soap opera. Just when he seemed headed for success in the 1970s and 1980s, Curtis'career as a soap star was nearly cut short by

an auto accident that left the Livonia native with serious facial injuries. At the time, Curtis was playing a rich playboy named Jordy Clegg on "Capitol." Undaunted, Curtis, and the producers, simply wrote the 1986 accident into the script after his release from the hospital.

Playing trumpet again wasn't as simple. Curtis was once a promising musician who'd perfected his skills at Boston University's Tanglewood Institute. The facial injuries Curtis sustained when he went through the windshield, more than likely, would prevent him from ever blowing a note again.

That was one of the hardest pills for Curtis to swallow. Before he'd won the

part on "Capitol," Curtis played with the Westside Jazz Ensemble while taking acting classes in California. After the accident, thoughts of trumpet were put on the shelf," however the emotional pain was tempered by the fact that Curtis had resumed his acting career.

Curtis needn't have worried when "Capitol" was canceled after

a five-year run. Before long, producers of the "Young and the Restless" hired him to play Skip Evans, a photographer. Parts in action films such as "American Tigers," "Night Eyes 3" and "Out for Blood" followed his five years on the "Young and the Restless.

It was while filming "Chain of Command" in Israel that Curtis decided to visit his sister Heidi Hepler, who had moved to Rome in the early 1990s. The trip triggered a renewed interest in trumpet. Hepler, a vocalist, is half of a duo with husband Michele (Me-KEL-ay) Ramo.

Apprehensive to find out if he could still play, Cur-



Family affair: Todd Curtis (left) joins sister Heidi Hepler and brother-in-law Michele Ramo (above) for their rare mix of music.

tis finally picked up the trumpet again last year but told no one not even his sister

"It was the scariest thing that ever happened, nothing came out," said Curtis, "but trumpet is a different form of expression and I missed it. The last time I played was on 'Capitol' I wrote a fanfare for the

show. It was really a lot of fun. Curtis didn't give up on his playing though Gradually, his technique came back with daily practice. In June of this year, Curtis sent Heidi a tape of his

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Best from page C1

June's fair demonstrated the ffectiveness of the chamber of erce partnering with one of the area's biggest corporations, Henry Ford Medical Center, to te the arts.

Best first year for arts centers: The Southfield Centre for the Arts completed its inaugural year, and established itself as a home for regional arts groups, and as a performing venue; and,

Wolfe and Gotlib person the art of having a "good to while working. Together orchestrated a book fair feating thousands of new titles.

Art for a cause and as a performing venue; and, the Southeast Michigan Arts Conservatory in Canton, which ened in September. Best word to describe what

art groups talk about when not discussing art: Marketing.

Team art award Best father & son artists:

Robert and Joseph Maniscalco of Orchard Lake. The elder Maniscalco is one of the most accomplished portrait painters in the country. His son,

Robert, who recently returned to the area, also has a deft touch with the portrait brush. Best conceptual vibe: Innovative conceptual artist Jef other local artists who've trans-

formed the old buildings near downtown Pontiac into studios. Pontiac may not be Soho, but so what? The fledgling scene is the best statement that artists Gavin, and acting director of and realize that, collectively,

from the Holy Land, an exhibi-tion on loan to the Detroit Insti-

majority of the objects in the

exhibition in the Knight Gallery have never The Detroit Institute

of Arts is at 5200 Woodward

Ave. Detroit, Museum hours are

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays-

Fridays 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sun-

days. The museum is closed

p.m. It will be closed Friday, century A.D.

Mondays and Tuesdays.

tute of Arts from the Israel 31.

but are good for the economy.

Best sidekicks: Andi Wolfe and Sylvia Gotlib, both of West Bloomfield, co-chairs of the

the art of having a "good time" while working. Together they orchestrated a book fair featur-

Best exhibits for a cause:

Survivors In Search of a Voice: The Art of Courage, a multimedia monument to women with breast cancer at Somerset Col-

"Peace Through Humor: Visions of Peace from the Hands of Children" at the Janice Charach Epstein Museum

"Empty Bowls," a fund-raiser for Gleaners Food Bank, held at Pewabic Pottery.

"She Be Me" presented by Canton Project Arts at Summit on the Park.

Best ongoing commitment: Very Special Arts of Michigan, Bourgeau of Rochester, and which continues to showcase artists with disabilities

> Leadership Best vision for culture: Cranbrook President Robert

DIA extends Holy Land glass exhibit

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Admission to Ancient Glass

admission; recommended is \$4

The objects in Ancient Glass

from the Holy Land are exquisite

examples of the glassmakers' art

and were found during excava-

tions in Israel. The material

adult: \$1 children, students and

seniors; DIA members free.

annual Jewish Book Fair. Wolfe and Gotlib personified

Best developer: Chuck Forbes of Troy, who moved and renovated The Gem Theatre in downtown Detroit, rather than have the historic building Best vision for theater: Eve-

In a short period, both have broadened the perception of the

Cranbrook Educational Commu-

nity as a "destination point" to

appreciate culture, rather than

an exclusive enclave.

lyn Orbach, artistic director of the Jewish Ensemble Theatre. The multi-talented Orbach continues to promote theater as a venue to entertain, educate

and challenge audiences about contemporary issues.

Most enthusiastic new arts leader: Louis Spisto, DSO executive director, who took charge in January, has shown a relent

Ponderables

Elaine Gurian.

Best disappearing act: The Gateway sculpture project in downtown Birmingham.

The proposed public sculptur by renown artist Alice Aycock can't seem to gain enough support to be funded and erected. When will supporters and opponents find common ground

varied as the populace?

Best abdication of common sense: The Birmingham City Commission's attempt to hold up a permit for Common Ground's annual art fair in Shain Park. The commission figured the

The proposed tri-county arts funding initiative that would earmark a property tax of .5 mill to go to fund operating budgets for cultural institutions and arts

Best bill yet to become law: Best hope: Arts education programs will become central to teaching curriculums. And celebrating the arts will be considered as a positive way to promote self-expression and social

a contemporary arts museum

town Detroit in hopes of opening

commission relented, and this developer is planning to reno-

past September's event was a vate several buildings in down-

nonprofit social service agency should share its revenue with other local nonprofits or else. Best gossip: A metro area understanding. Thankfully - and wisely - the

Ice creations: Richard Teeple (right) and helpers carve out an ice sculpture.

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Children are the future

The Southeast Michigan Arts Conservatory should be applauded for stepping in to fill the gap in education when Arnoldt Williams Music closed in Canton. Opened in September, the arts conservatory offers training in music and dance. Director Jef Myers adds drama to the cur-

nized by the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco and the Israel Antiquities Authority.

A catalogue with color pho-(PRNewswire) - Ancient Glass Dec. 25. Special holiday hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, tographs of pieces from the exhibition, a map showing the excavated sites, views of Israel, Antiquities Authority, featuring Admission to Ancient Glass over 200 glass vessels, has been from the Holy Land, and other extended until Feb. 7. The programs, is free with museum explanations of methods of glass manufacture and the techniques of excavation will be on sale in the Museum Shops.

For more information, call

The exhibition was co-orga-

(313) 833-7900 or http://www.

riculum in January.

A conservatory for Southeast Michigan kids to learn the fine points of music, dance and

drama is long overdue. Thanks to the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, Livonia

phony for their young artists competitions, and the Livonia and voice and piano for adults. Arts Commission for its visual and performing arts scholarship program. The competitions and scholarships encourage budding musicians, visual artists and drama students to secure a future for themselves in the arts.

Building an arts district And finally, thanks to the artists who realized the potential for banding together in a historic location such as Plymouth's Old Village. The newest to move into the area is Village Music. Owned

Symphony and Plymouth Sym- by Norma Atwood, the studio offers Kindermusic to the young, If you're looking for blown

glass, ceramics, ice sculptures, music or art lessons, or paintings, Old Village should be your first stop. Plymouth may not be Green-

wich Village, Soho, or even Pontiac or Hamtramck, but it's on

If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin, (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

Talent seems to run in the fami-

ly. Holly Hepler attended Inter-

lochen Arts Center's summer

camp and now works as an engi-

Hepler, from an early age

sang with the church choir

Later, she studied voice with

Marjorie Gordon in Detroit; Seth

Riggs, Los Angeles, and with the

University of Michigan Opera

Theatre at the Interlochen Arts

Center. While in Rome she per

formed at the 1991 Rome Jazz

Festival. Longing for home, Hep-

ler returned to Michigan in 1994

neer for Fox 2-Detroit.

Music from page C1



On Thursday, Dec. 24, the spans many centuries, from the

museum will be open until 4 mid-15th century B.C. to the 8th





music. She cried after hearing it. She'd long waited for the day when her "little brother" would return "to his roots in music. Shortly thereafter, Ramo called least I played violin. I know how Curtis in Santa Monica with an hard it is to get back to someinvitation to play with the duo. Since arriving two months ago. Hepler, Ramo and Curtis have Park to practice. I don't know entertained audiences at Encore in Birmingham and the Coffee Studio in Plymouth. On New

Year's Eve, the trio performs at Il Posto Ristorante in Southfield, and in March as part of the "Just for You" arts and entertainment series at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. Their music defies categorization day he would move to America. but shows strong influences of

cal music.

EVE GALA

Brazilian, American, Spanish,

and the same thing happened to me. I didn't play guitar when I first came to this country, but at thing you haven't done for a while. Todd and I went to Hines the horn language, but I knew what I wanted to hear."

Born and raised in a small Sicilian village, Ramo began studying guitar at age 12 and violin at age 13. By age 15, he'd heard a recording by jazz violinist Stephan Grapelli and guitarist Joe Pass and decided that one

At his father's insistence on Conservatory of Music. Although

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Ramo. "The timing was there the guitar, the instrument was younger sister Holly on piano out because the conservatory didn't have a guitar certificate. By age 17, he was under contract as a violinist with the Orchestra Del Teatro Massimo in Palermo. He went on to earn a master's degree in violin at the Conservatory of Caltanissetta in Italy in 1985.

Two years later on the way to the U.S. at age 23, Ramo's guitar was stolen in Florence so he improvised. He worked as a strolling violinist in a restaurant near Belle Isle. Ramo now has five recordings to his credit and is grateful for the opportunities he found in this country. He became a U.S. citizen in July.

From the early years when Since then they've been busy obtaining a degree, Ramo went to Ramo wrote his first piece of touring Italy, Germany and The French, Italian, jazz and classi- Palermo to study violin at the music capturing the sounds of Netherlands as a duo. birds, honking horns and home-"I saw the potential," said his passion at this point was for less dogs while practicing 12 to 15 hours a day on a shepherd's range in Italy, he evolved into a We used to put on productions composer for orchestra. "Afro- like Rumpelstiltskin in the base Brazilian Concerto for Guitar ment." and Orchestra" is set for debut in 1999 by the Munich Youth

Orchestra. Ramo releases a solo recording in January. Curtis plays on one cut, Hepler sings on another. "We're all trained in the classical field and broke out of it," said

Hepler. "There's an understanding of what we're doing with phrasing." Growing up in Livonia, Hepler's and Curtis' parents sought

and began singing with Ramo. They married in October 1994. "In our home, creativity was so encouraged," said Hepler. "And that's such an important thing

Music lovers will be ably to enjoy the rare brand of music created by Hepler, Ramo and Curtis at least until January Curtis' return to his home in California depends on potentia movie deals and a series, currently in the negotiating stages In the meantime, the trio will

continue to be a family affair. It's a small world according to Ramo. His sister is a big fan of "Capitol" now playing continu to cultivate an interest in the ously in reruns in Italy. He arts in their children. All three never realized Curtis was such a pursued studies in music: Curtis big star in Italy until talking to on trumpet, Heidi on cello and his sister who still lives there





Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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ART GIFTS

Gift gallery, through Dec. 23. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road Birmingham, (248) 644-0866. CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Holiday Marketplace, featuring items of all media, from glass ornaments to paintings and prints, through Jan. 2, 47 Williams Street, Pontiac, (248) 333-7849.

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apart in 'Prince of Egypt'

Pharaoh Seti's decree, is placed

in a basket on the Nile River by

his mother who prays "there is

this chance that you will live -

deliver us to the promised land.

Queen who delights in her dis-

covery, Moses is raised with

Rameses who will grow up to

Flashback to the present

Moses and Rameses race each

other on a wild chariot ride.

They get in trouble for the dam-

being built by the Hebrews.

the brothers.

were only slaves."

age they cause to the temples

Pharaoh explains one weak

link can break the chain of a

mighty dynasty, and Rameses.

filled with grief, vows to change,

setting into a motion a series of

events that will forever separate

about his father, who decreed

the death of all the first-born

male Hebrew babies because

"the Hebrews grew too numer-

ous, they may have risen

distraught Moses. "Sometimes

Moses, recovered from the

don't ask why it was sent.

Moses discovers the truth

replace his father as Pharaoh.

Discovered by Pharaoh's

Egypt, and sentenced to die by tries to look at his life through

nothing I can give you except shepherdess who stands by him

heaven's eye.'

the promised land.

I let your people go."

were before.

This Moses falls in love, and

marries, Tzipporah, a Midianite

as he fulfills his mission - lead-

ing his people out of Egypt to

Rameses doesn't want to let

the Hebre vs go. "I do not know

your god," he says. "Neither will

As the Egyptians endure God's

wrath, you'll find yourself root

ing for Moses, but feeling a little

sorry for Rameses who still

soldiers whipping Hebrews who

are laboring at work on the tem

ples, and Pharaoh's death sen

As the filmmakers explain

animation doesn't define this

film, the story of two brothers

Moses and Rameses does. It's

An all star cast brings the ani

mated characters to life includ

ing Val Kilmer as Moses; Ralph

Fiennes, Rameses; Michell

Pfeiffer, Tzipporah; Sandra Bul-

lock, Miriam; Jeff Goldblum

Aaron; Danny Glover, Jethro

Patrick Stewart, Pharaoh Set

Helen Mirren, The Queen

"The Prince of Egypt" is abou

lighthearted moments you'l

Wandering in the dessert, a serious subject, but there are

"How can you say what your life laugh at. You'll be entertained.

tence on baby Hebrew boys.

Destiny tears brothers

Puppeteer:

Brad Lowe

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tiny tears them apart. NO 9 45 12/24 Pharaoh Seti isn't portrayed as the evil emperor, but as a fatherly figure who loves both of his sons, and is hurt when they don't live up to his expectations.

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old, parents reconnect with children,

"DOWN THE DELTA"

thing unexpected.

"SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE" Witty and fast moving comedy set in 1593 that follows the trials and tribula tions of Will Shakespeare, a struggling young playwright who's suffering from

Musical comedy: Jan Horrocks and Michael Caine in a scene from "Little Voice."

terrible bout of writer's block until he falls in love. Stars Joseph Fiennes. Gwyneth Paltrow, Geoffrey Rush. "LITTLE VOICE" Magical musical comedy about the power and perils of expression. Based

on one of London's most acclaimed hit plays, the story follows an aging but on the growl widow who never shuts up and her reticent daughter, dubbed Little Voice or "LV" who barely speaks but she does sing. Stars Michael Caine Sean Penn, George Clooney, Woody Ha Scheduled to open Friday, January 8

"A CIVIL ACTION"

True story about an attorney willing ! risk everything to represent several " lies who seemingly lost their children leukemia because of a nearby toxic waste dump. Stars John Travolta, Robe

THE THIN RED LINE The story of an American rifle company during several months of one of the fiercest struggles of the twentieth cen tury - the Battle of Guadalcanal. Stars **ART BEAT**

for people with disabilities. Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art Founded in 1974 by Jean world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them

CONCERT TODAY

The Livonia Civic Chorus presents "Forever Christmas" along with the Stevenson High School Village Singers 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20 in the Clarenceville High School auditorium on Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia. Admission is free CALL FOR ART

Very Special Arts Michigan is looking for original art works by people with disabilities to exhibit in its 1999 Emerging Artists Touring Exhibition. Deadline for entry is Jan. 8. For details, call (248) 423-1080. The 1998 Touring Art Exhibition, which showcases 43 twoand three-dimensional art

works, has been exhibited in galeries, art centers, universities, festivals, and conferences in Escanaba, Mount Pleasant, Kalamazoo, Macomb, Grand Rapids, Novi, Hamtramck, White Cloud, Lansing, Livonia, Birmingham, Pontiac, and

ART CLASSES

Very Special Arts Michigan is a state affiliate of Very Special Arts, an international organization that provides learning dent in the MFA acting program. the Professional Picture Framers

grams in creative writing, dance, drama, music, and visual arts in 15,000 communities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and more than 85 countries. Founded in 1978, Very Special Arts Michigan provides a variety

of arts programs in schools, hospitals, nursing homes, and arts and community centers through-

The Plymouth Community Arts Council begins classes and workshops for all ages in sculpture, watercolor, dance, decorative painting, pottery, film appreciation, drawing and sketching, children's theater, paper art, creative writing, life drawing, and batik the week of Jan. 18 at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 North Sheldon, at Junction. To register or for information

"THE WINTER'S TALE" Carolyn Klein, a Livonia native, recently appeared in Shakespeare's "The Winter's Tale" at Indiana University where she is a second-year stu-

call (734) 416-4ART.

Before attending Indiana Uni-Kennedy Smith as an affiliate of versity she was in New York the John F. Kennedy Center for City auditioning for parts, taking classes at Weist Baron Stuthe Performing Arts in Washingdios and Sande Shurin Studio ton, D.C., VSA provides proand working as an extra in Polish Wedding with Claire Danes and Gabriel Byrne. Her professional experience includes one summer at Enchanted Hills, two summers at Tibbits Opera House and industrial films in

Western Michigan University

AWARD WINNER

bacher Medallion Arts Award for Outstanding Achievement at a Livonia Artists Club show this DeGrave's acrylic painting "Woods," depicts a shady road

way leading to a brightly lit turn

Grace DeGrave won the Grum-

BUSINESS HELPS MAKE HOUSE A

The Framing Corner, a Livonia business, donated six pieces of custom framed art to the Chicago Ronald McDonald

Founded in 1977, the Chicago Ronald McDonald House provides a home-away-from-home for families of seriously ill children receiving hospital treat

Framing Corner, a member of Klein received her BFA from Association, joined the efforts of

installed 20th-century galleries

modeling material, noon to 3

Holiday memories: Native Detroiter Paul Adams, known for his paintings of trains, will display his newest work, "Holiday Memories JL Hudson's 1951," at the Toy & Hobby Expo, Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 26-27 at the Novi Expo Center, I-96 at Novi Road (Exit 162). The show will also feature The Wonderful World of Toy Trains, col lectible toys, models, and bears. Show hours are 3-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 27. Admission is \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 4-12. Parking is \$4, call (248) 348-5600 for more information.

200 members throughout the donated 750 pieces of framed McDonald houses in North U.S. and Canada who recently artwork to all the Ronald America

DIA hosts holiday programs for families

will be open Saturday, Dec. 26 http://www.dia.org. to Thursday. Dec. 31 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. so visitors can enjoy the galleries and attend special programs for all ages

during holiday break. wants "things to be the way they Programs include drop-in "The Prince of Egypt," is a workshops, puppet shows, conmovie you'll want to see with your family, it's the perfect holi day outing. Little children might be frightened by the Egyptian The Detroit Institute of Arts

a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays. The museum is closed Mondays and Tuesdays. On Thursday, Dec. 24, the museum will be open until 4 p.m. It will be closed Friday, Dec. 25. Special holiday hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26 through

Thursday, Dec. 31. Recommended museum admission is \$4 adult; \$1 children, students and seniors; DIA members free. For more infor-

The Detroit Institute of Arts mation, call (313) 833-7900 or workshop, Senufo Paintings. p.m., Studio; Storytelling,

Here's the holiday program schedule

■ Saturday, Dec. 26 - Drop-in workshop, puppets, noon to 3 p.m., Studio. Make your own puppet in the Studio and attend the puppet performance - "Frog certs, artist demonstrations, in the Woods" featuring Brad dance performances and gallery Lowe, in the Lecture Hall at 2

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to 3 p.m., Studio; Gallery Tour, 20th century Art with Beck Hart in the newly re-

■ Sunday, Dec. 27 - Artist is at 5200 Woodward Ave., Demonstration" Woodblock Detroit. Museum hours are 11 Printing. Artist Lakshmi Shrivasta demonstrates the traditional Indian technique of woodblock printing on fabric, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Prentice Court: Drop-workshop, Ganesha, Hindu God of Wisdom and Good Luck. Learn about the Hindu god Ganesha and sculpt your own version of him to take home, noon to 3 p.m. Studio: Dance performance, Classical Indian Dance, 2 p.m., Lecture

Learn about this tradition of Myths and Legends from Asia fabric painting being used by and the Ancient World, 2 p.m.

■ Wednesday, Dec. 30 Drop-in workshop, Puppets noon to 3 p.m., Studio; Puppet Show, 2 p.m. "Close the Win dow," Lecture Hall.

installed gallery, noon, Gallery N230; Drop-in drama work shop, 20th century art. Drama specialist Beth Dzodin leads participants in a series of improvisational exercises relating to works in the newly re-

2 p.m. Gallery N230. ■ Tuesday, Dec. 29 - Gallery tour, Animals in Ancient Art Tour the special exhibition, "Beastly Delights for Children; Animals in Ancient Art," noon Gallery W104; Drop-in workshop, animal sculpture. Visit "Beastly Delights for Children. and make your own animal sculptures from self-hardening

■ Thursday, Dec. 31 - Dropin workshop, Mythical Beasts of Medieval Times, noon to 3 p.m., Studio; Concert, Revel in the Renaissance, 1-3 p.m., Italian Galleries W220.

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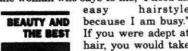
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Beauty knows no shortcuts

Tjust completed my first week of makeovers at the beautiful Hotel Baronette in Novi, and each woman I made up had the same question every woman has had since I started in the business 125 years ago,

"How long will this take me?" Let me tell you something... you, the woman who says to me, "I need an easy hairstyle



THE BEST If you were adept at

hair, you would take the time. If you were adept at makeup you would take the time. No one is so busy they cannot take the time for proper grooming.

Yes, grooming. That's BRUCE all makeup and skin care are. Just like brushing your teeth You take the time for

that, don't you? (Please God.) In this day of e-mail, microwaves and faxes, it seems that everyone is looking for shortcuts. Stop it! Let's get our priorities straight. How you look should be your number one priority, since how you look directly affects how you feel.

Several wives tales regarding skin care proliferate from the words. "instant," and, my personal favorite, "anti-aging." Nothing is instant. Botox, which scares me to death, and could literally maim you for life, is something any sane person would not attempt. "Anti-aging"...what? Nothing and no one can get rid of a line or a wrinkle. Soften them, certainly. But get rid of them? Never. If you try that, as per a plastic surgeon's knife, you will look like you could star in Mr. Tennessee Williams's classic, The Night of the Iguana, and you'd play

the iguana! So, all of you Michiganders, how should you take care of your skin this holiday season? Two years ago I spent two months in the Ann Arbor area, starring in Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite." If you remember, that winter you had 10 straight days of 48 degrees below zero with the windchill factor. I thought I was in Hell

and I have good skin! My skin care regimen is for all of my readers, male and female. Clinique really said it best with its ad. "Clean, Clarify and Tone." At night l use an aloe-based cleanser on my face, rinsing with warm water. Freshener (which is astringent without alcohol) follows, and then I hydrate with my aloe creme with collagen and biotin (my 24 hour cream). Next, I apply night creme followed by eye creme. Sound intricate? Not really. When I have the cleanser on, I brush my teeth. That takes three minutes. The whole shebang takes a total or

In the morning, I wash my face with a mild cleanser that does not contain alkaline or lanolin, rinse off, apply freshener, and then my aloe creme. That's it! Women would then add moisturizer if they are wearing makeup that day. In the cold winter weather, be sure to wear additional moisturizer, preferably one that does not have a heavy water content. Water...cold wind on your skin, freez-

ing, not a pretty picture.

To complete your skin care regimen, if you are truly ambitious, you should perform a facial on yourself. Twice a week for normal to dry skin, three times weekly for normal to oily. It's really quite easy. First use an exfoliate (a product that sluffs off dead cuticle from the surface layer of the skin.) Rinse off and use a drawing masque. This will not only remove any blackheads/sebum buildup, but will also tighten your pores. The total process takes 20 minutes each time. Not a big deal! And well worth the time when you see the beautiful

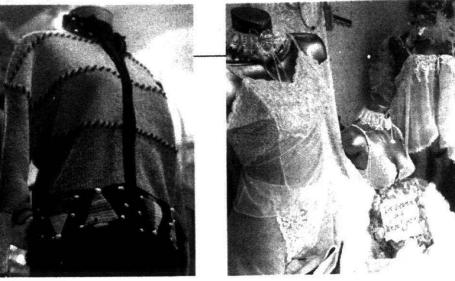
Many of you have asked about the private makeover appointments at the Baronette in Novi. December and January are completely sold out (sorry again!) February has an added five days. For more information, please call 1-800-944-6588. You can also e-mail me at jwbb@worldnet.att.net, or visit our

Web site, jeffreybrucecosmetics.com. The minimum purchase of \$125 goes toward any Jeffrey Bruce aloe-based products used on you that day. You are one of four women for a two and one-half hour session (repetition breeds knowledge) and a great time is had by all. What a great holiday gift! ME!!! Of course, gift certificates are

I hope all of you have a beautiful and healthy New Year. See you in

street seen





Shapes of the season

hop windows are filled with faceless forms, their curvy torsos draped in holiday finery and warm winter woolens. In anticipation of snowflakes, mannequins are bundled in scarves and sweaters, mittens and fur cuffs. Others model holiday attire, including beaded sweaters and sexy white lingerie. Whether you're yearning for the ski slopes or a cozy night in front of the fire, area retailers and their window sculptures show the fashions that fuel your fantasies.

- Linda Bachrack









Window gazing: (clockwise from top left) Knitwear from Anthropologie; Christmas sweater from Kathryn Scott; white nighties from Harp's; live mannequin Jade Thieu with Liebchen at Figaro Salon, clothes from Tender; snowboard attire from Structure; bundled up at Woodward & Maple; beaded sweater from Metropolitan Tailoring: (center) French flair from Lilith. All in Birming-

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News of special events for shoppers is included n this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publica-

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

GOAL ORIENTED "Mr. and Mrs. Hockey," Gordie and Colleen Howe, sign their biography, and...Howe!, at Jacobson's Rochester Hills store. Second Floor. 12-2 p.m. (248) 651-6000.

tion on Sunday.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

GO BO, GO BLUE

Bo Schembechler signs his book Michigan Memories, a record of "the Bo years" with the "amazin' blue" football team. 4-6 p.m. Borders Downtown Birmingham, 34300 Woodward. Call (248) 203-0005 o request a signed copy.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

SEE THE LIGHT

John Wagner, author of Michigan Lighthouses, an Aerial Photographic Perspective, signs his book 1-5 p.m., Jacobson's, Laurel Park Place, Livonia.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

POST-CHRISTMAS TOYS

The Toy & Hobby Expo returns today and tomor row to the Novi Expo Center. The show features fan tastic operating displays, including the World Largest Mobile Model Railroad, Today, 3-9 p.m. Sun., 9 a.m.-5 p.m. \$6; ages 4-12, \$3 Parking \$4 | 96 at Novi Road. (734) 455-2110.

IN UNITY Celebrate Unity, the first principle of Kwanzaa the first day of Kwanzaa. Enjoy stories told by professional storyteller Elaine Jordan, a Kwanzaa craft and music by Ya Tafari. 1 p.m. Borders Downtown Birmingham, 34300 Woodward.

here can I Tind?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for Drops lipstick in Million Dollar hard-to-find merchandise. If Red (it came in a green tube). you've seen any of the items in Deb is looking for the Lustre your retail travels (or basement) Rose china pattern by please call Where Can I Find? Amcrest (sold through grocery (248) 901-2555. Slowly and stores). clearly, leave your name, number and message. You should see doll. your input in a few weeks. Due to Anna is looking for the book, the overwhelming response to Temptations, by Otis Williams this column, we only publish the requested item two or three times. If you have not seen a response or men's wool Shaker sweater. heard from us, we were unable to locate the item. Thank You.

WHAT WE FOUND:

To donate old bowling and golf trophies, call Greg Gilbert, Oxford Township supervisor, (248) 969-9479.

Colored light wheels for aluminum Christmas trees can be found at English Gardens on Coolidge Road in Royal Oak, and through the Hammacher Schlemmer catalog, 1-800-543-

Hard-to-find scents can be found through Fragrances Unlimited from Gary Droz, manager. You can write to Droz at 4836 Washtenaw, Apt. 7, A7, Ann Arbor, MI. 48108, or call him at (734) 434-0629, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. daily.

for Pat To reach the company that makes custom made lipstick, call 1-800-MAKEUP4U. Linda called to say that, as of

December, Nestle's Hazelnut Coffee is back on store shelves, unfortunately only at Jewell Supermarkets in Wisconsin and

Found a Combi stroller. Found the words to "Johnny Roebeck" for Mary Beth. Found the "Parodies for

WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR: Salada Tea 100 count regular tea bags (not decaffeinated).

Charity" CD.

Party perfect: Little girls make holiday debuts in a jewel-tone flocked velve dress from

Eleanore of Warren is looking

Doris is looking for the chil-

dren's book (hardcover) Little

Noreen wants a 1998 Farm-

Pat wants children's metal

dishes from the 1950s with an

Oriental theme and individual

packets of gardenia scented bub-

A Fisher Price alligator

flashlight from two years ago

Doris is looking for Clinique

Lisa wants a man's back pock-

The game of Flinch, for Bar-

Cheek Base in Peach Soft.

et wallet made from eel skin.

(in a box, like apple cobbler).

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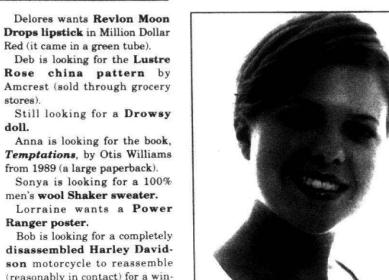
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vearbook, new/used.

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for Zoya nail polish #0192,

FRESH FACE



Jennifer Koshorek of Berkley has been selected as the "Face of Ms. J" Birmingham in the second annual Jacobson's Ms. J model search for its Midwest stores. Koshorek, 17, will be featured in visual displays and signage throughout the Birmingham Ms. J department. She also receives a Ms. J merchandise certificate for \$100.

Koshorek is one of 13 Midwest store winners. The Ms. J department features fashion-forward apparel catering to the 16 to 30year-old shopper who's smart, hip and know-

WESTLAND'S WANT LIST



Westland Shopping Center's picks for the hottest merchan-

· Furby, the newest anima-Rluge Clues Rugrats and Teletubbies KayBee Toys, Hudson's, Kohls

· Wide-wale corduroy pants, track pants, bell-botton denim, wide-legged denim, cot ton fleece, hula girl dresses. cardigan sweater twin sets with velvet ribbon trim, messenger

RETAIL DETAILS

bags, Adidas fisherman hats, fatigues (Size 5-7-9, Rave, County Seat, Kohls, JCPenney,

• Handmade soaps and Bath Bombs (The Bath & Body Shop, Merle Norman, Perfumania, Victoria's Secret)

ISLAND APPAREL

or resort attire:

If you plan to visit a balmy tropical island in the next few weeks, you might be shop-

ping around for resortwear instead of warm woolens. Roz & Sherm's Annie Frank sug-

gests the following hot designers for cruise

· Tommy Bahama: Classy safari looks i

khaki and pastel blue, including comfortable

· Harari and Hino & Malee: Not found in

Any fashionable cruise outfit should have

a pair of classy pumps to accompany it, says

Frank. Roz & Sherm shoe manager and

buyer Paula Becker says lucite, high plat-

form bottoms and strappy pumps are top

sterling silver jewelry by three new design-

ers - M&J Savitt, Vaubel and Lazaro.

Tie the whole resort outfit together with

your local retail mall, these two designers

provide a vast assortment of simple, yet ele

gant, day into nighttime wear.

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CYBER SHOPPING

According to a report from Dataquest, Internet holiday retailing will reach \$2.35 billion worldwide (more than double 1997 totals of \$1 billion). Roughly 10 percent of U.S. consumers polled made an Internet purchase during the week after Thanksgiving, according to Marketing Corp. of America. Says Josh Linker, president of GlobalLink New Media, this is due to a number

· Consumers have overcome their security fears and show it by using credit cards

• Time management. People can do in 10 minutes, what would take them an hour at

• Online access is growing. According to a Marketing Corp. of America study, half of U.S. adults have Internet access.

· Simplicity. Instead of driving from store to store, consumers have an incredible resource of information at their fingertips. GlobalLink New Media is an Internet development company in Bloomfield Hills.

OF THE MOMENT

Metals In Time, a new sterling silver and watch store in Royal Oak, offers an unparalleled stock of watches, from the affordable Swatch to ceramic RADOs and a prestigious line of Maurice Lacroix. Until Christmas, all silver jewelry is 20 percent off. 416 S. Washington, (248) 582-9344.

EVENT HOTLINE

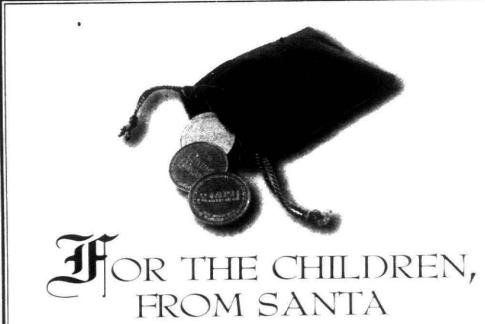
The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce has launched a 24-hour hotline to give the inside scoop into all of Plymouth's great events. If you would like to know what's going on in town this weekend or even next month, simply call (734) 453-1540. The Calendar of Events also can be found on the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce Web page at plymouthchamber org.

Elite, the newest fashion retailer at Fairlane Town Center, delivers just what its name promises: high-style women's fashions and accessories that guarantee a one-of-a-

A local brother and sister business team opened the boutique that carries a broad size range, from 2-26. The new store began last April as a single Fairlane Town Center kiosk, selling accessories only. Before long, Elite amassed such a following, it simulta-

neously ran four different kiosks in the mall. The shop's selection spans casual through evening fashions, including coats. Also find handbags, scarves, sunglasses and shoes.





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> And for your entertainment, we've arranged daily performances at 1. 3 and 5 pm of "A Sheet Unional viet," a musical staged in The Children's Theatre of Michigan

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It's time to make plans to greet the new year

12. It's time to answer the ques- ner includes appetizers such as Year's Eve?"

If you haven't made plans yet, here are some options. The Detroit Symphony Orchestra's "Christmas Festival" concludes with a New Year's Gala. conducted by Music Director Neeme Jarvi at Orchestra Hall

In the last few hours of 1998. the DSO and guest violinist Alexander Markov, will perform concert that includes violin on-bons, whirling waltzes, a powerful polk and titillating tan-

in Detroit 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec.

Ballroom and tango dancers Glenn Clark and Cindy Ger- are available for \$100, call (313) lands, and Michael Finegan and Pamela Preczewski of the Stardust Ballroom will join Jarvi and the DSO, as will Peter Soave on the banoneon (a member of the accordion family of instruments).

In addition to the music of the Joseph and Johann Strauss dynasty, this year's Gala will include a tribute to the tangos of Astor Piazzola. The concert will be followed by an elegant, Matt Prentice caterered gourmet light supper with festive desserts and dancing on-stage to the sounds of the Keith Saxton Orchestra. A complimentary champagne toast will accompany a count-down to

Admission to this concert includes a Matt Prentice-catered dinner at serving stations throughout Orchestra Hall. Din-

tion - "What are you doing New smoked salmon on brioche canape with mustard sauce and fresh dill; whitefish pate on English cucumber rounds; and wild mushroom strudel.

Carving stations will provide marinated turkey breast with mustard thyme butter and apple cider sauce, as well as tenderloin beef with a choice of Bearnaise sauce, morel sauce or demi glaze.

Cash bar stations also available The Keith Saxton Orchestra will perform hits from swing to Motown for those who wish to kick up their heels. Dancing will continue to 1:30 a.m.

Tickets range from \$50 to \$75, a limited number of box seats

Here are some more New Year's Eve options: JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

Will present two special New Year's Eve performances of "Resident Alien," 6:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31 at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road (corner of Maple and Drake Roads), West Bloomfield. Tickets for the 6:30 p.m. show \$35 per person

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9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road (at Coolidge Highway), Berkley. Special menu ranging from \$16.95-\$36.95. Party favors and complimentary champagne toast at midnight, 21 and older, (313) 730-1627/(248) 399-6750

RON BROOKS TRIO

With Stephanie from the Flint band Oasis, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$50, \$90 couples. (734) 662-8310 (jazz) JIMMY DILLON

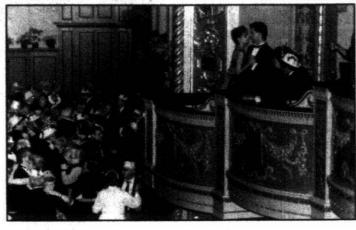
9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, Amer' First Street Grill, 102 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$50 for dinner and show, \$20 show only, benefits Ann Arbor Blues and Jazz Festival. 21 and older. (734) 213-6000 RACHELLE FERRELL

With Storming Norman Brown 7:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts. 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$26, \$36, and \$50. Party favors and champagne for 11 p.m. (313) 730-3490/(248) 645-6666 (jazz) HOWLING DIABLOS

With 60 Second Crush and Face, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$25 includes show, hors d'oeuvres and party favors 21 and older. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com (R&B/rock)

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St Ann Arbor. \$12 in advance, only at the Blind Pig. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (swing)

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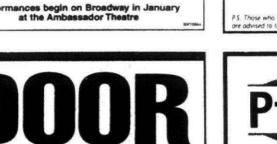
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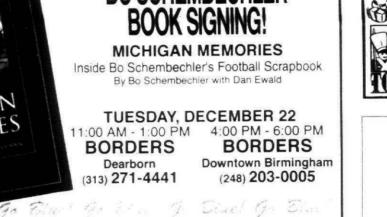
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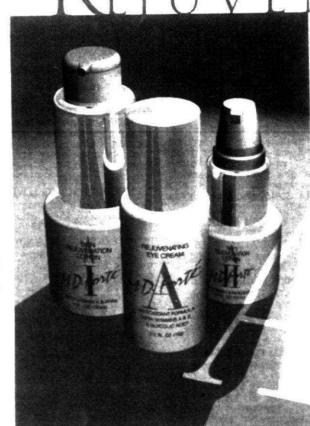
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Northwest beauty overcomes vacation's setbacks

I can't remember a vacation where so many things went wrong, at least at the beginning. We met my brother's family in Seattle for two weeks in the Pacific Northwest. We had planned to spend a few days in Olympic National Park before taking a driving tour through the Cascade Mountain Range.

Between our two families we had: your stereotypical screaming baby on the airplane (complete with a mom who didn't think to bring food or toys), a rental car agency that was not only not in the airport, but wasn't listed in the telephone directory, another rental car agency that charged for the most expensive insurance option available after we requested a waiver for the insurance, a rental car that was filthy, and a restaurant that didn't serve my lunch until the bill came for everyone else.

Not a good first day. It's not a good way to lead off a travel article either, but what can I say? If the trip hadn't gotten better I wouldn't be writing about it.

The first morning my wife, Rebecca, son, Andy, and I followed my brother's family (Tom,

Betty, Katy and Adam) north where we boarded a ferry to the Olympic Peninsula. On our way across the Puget Sound we got our first view of Mt. Rainier with Seattle's skyline in the foreground. Had we known that was going to be our best view of Washington's most impressive peak, I probably would have taken a few more pictures. Oops, sorry. I slipped back into that negativity again. The trip really did get better!

Olympic National Park

We decided to spend more time at Olympic than at anywhere else, mainly because of its diversity. There are three separate areas of the park and they've each got their own attractions. Mount Olympus, the highest peak in the Olympic mountain range dominates the interior of the park, while the Pacific coastal areas offer visitors a completely different aspect, with the Hoh rain forest is situated in between.

There are a number of trails that run throughout the park. We decided hike along Hurricane Ridge and were rewarded with wonderful views of the Olympic mountains, the Straits of Juan

de Fuca and blooming wildflowers all along the trail. There are a number of waterfalls that are created from the mountain run off. We also hiked to Marymere falls, one that Katy and Adam had seen in a travel video.

We explored two of the park's aches, Rialto Beach and Ruby Beach. We arrived at both just before low tide, which allowed us to wade out into the lowest sections of the tide pool. At Rialto Beach we were able to tag along on a ranger led hike. She took us out to where hundreds of starfish and anemones attached themselves to the rocks

At the Hoh Rain Forest we hiked the two major trails, the Spruce Nature Trail and the Hall of Mosses Trail. Since it was the end of the summer they had received little rain the previous three weeks. The forest wasn't as green or wet as we expected. There was an extraordinary number of ferns growing on the ground and on nurse logs, old dead trees that as they decay become home to new trees.

Our hike through the Hall of Mosses trail (not to be confused with the Hall of Moses trail, which ends at the Red Sea...) was also led by a ranger, and no, she didn't provide that joke for us. We've found that when we explore new areas it's often beneficial to tag along with a ranger. They can provide local history and are able to point out things that we would miss on our own.

The Cascades

After leaving Olympic we headed south, following the Cascade mountain range. stopped at Mt. Rainier, Mt. St. Helens and made it as far south as Crater Lake in southern Ore-

At Mount Rainier National Park we began by hiking to both Carter and Madcap Falls. There's no shortage of waterfalls to hike to so we stopped at the visitor center to get some recommendations from some of the

We headed up to Sunshine Point early the next morning. We went on a ranger hike to hiked a trail that went through a

Crater Lake: Rob, Rebecca and Andy Picard on Wizard Island in Crater Lake.

Emmons Glacier before opting for a lower elevation and warmer temperatures. We spent the rest of the day hiking to Sunrise and Clover Lake, where some of the local birds decided to try and steal our sandwiches. The kids thought it was pretty funny, but if the birds were that aggressive we didn't want to stick around to see what else was living there. On the hike back we saw a half dozen deer, including a couple spotted fawn. It seems the entire animal population of the park is accustomed to people.

Our next destination was Mount St. Helens We drove to Windy Ridge where we hiked to Spirit Lake. As you approach the park, the first glimpse of the devastation is quite impressive. We came away with quite a few science fair ideas.

The entrance on the west side of the park takes you to Johnson Ridge Observatory where you can look directly into the ridge of what used to be the mountain. The new lava dome is visible complete with steam rising from fissures around the dome. We

pumas field where there was little growth, almost 20 years later. Overall this was one of my favorite parts of the trip.

From there our next stop was Crater Lake. Roughly 6600 years ago Mount Mazama erupted before collapsing in on itself. The resulting crater began filling with rain and snow and is now the deepest lake in the United States. There's not as much to do here as there is at the more famous parks in Washington. but we did hike to The Watchman, an old lookout tower that provided a panoramic view of the

There are a lot of other attractions other than the volcano range, and we did take time to stop at a few. Fort Clapsop, where Lewis and Clark spent the winter of 1805-6, was on Tom's list of places to see, and Andy studied the Oregon Trail last year in school so we stopped at a

couple of Oregon Trail museums. At Newberry National Volcanic we hiked through a mile long lava tube cave. Parts of the cave were 20 feet high and you can see small stalactites forming

on the ceiling. We also hiked to the Big Obsidian Flow, an enormous area of black volcanic glass. Like most things on this vacation the vastness of the for-

mation is quite impressive. On a whim we decided to visit the Historic Columbia River Highway. We were surprised at the beauty of the road. It was opened in 1915 and was based on European roads that incorporated the sights along the way instead of avoiding them. 600 foot waterfalls emptied into pools that were a few dozen feet from the road. By far this road was our most pleasant surprise of the trip and we'll make sure we spend more time in the area on our next trip.

Overall I would have liked to spend more time just about every place we visited. Since it was our first trip to this part of the country we took the "let's see it all" route. Next time we'll chose two or three spots and spend more of our time on the trails and less time in the car.

Ron Picard and his family live in Livonia.



Washington native: Andy Picard examines a sea star on Washington's rocky coast.



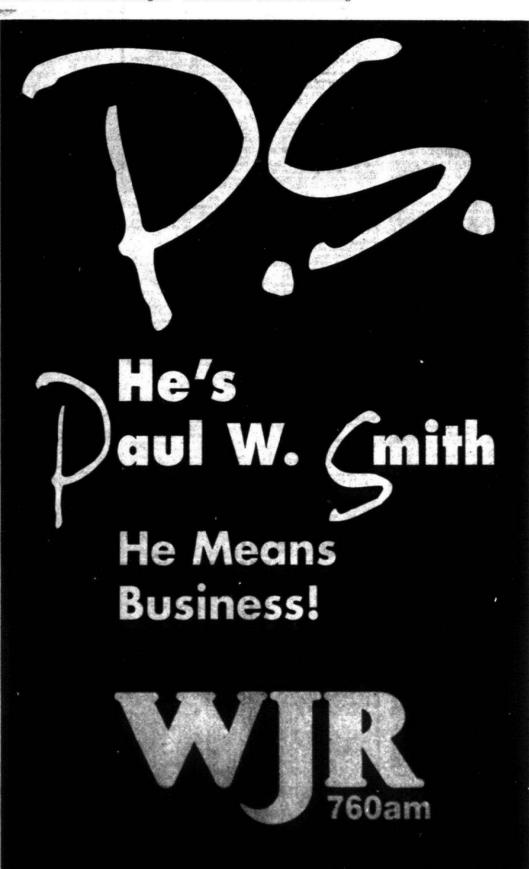
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5 Whalers leaving

For the Plymouth Whalers, this has to come under the good news/bad news department.

The good news is that five Whalers have been selected to play for their

respective countries at the World Junior Hockey Tournament. The bad news is, they'll be at the tournament for 10 days, which runs from Dec. 26-Jan. 5.

That happens to be during a very busy period for the Whalers. They play six games in that span - five of them on the road.

Now they'll have to play them without their top two defensemen, Paul Mara and Nikos Tselios, and center David Legwand, who was selected second overall in the NHL Draft last June. All three will play for Team

Also missing will be wing Tomek Valtonen, who will play for Team Finland. In addition, Harold Druken the leading scorer in the Ontario Hockey League with 38 goals and 64 points (through Wednesday) — is in Team Canada's training camp and is a favorite to make the squad.

A total of 10 countries will compete at the World Junior Tournament (under 20 age group), to be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Two pre-tournament exhibitions between the USA and Sweden teams are scheduled for Monday and Wednesday at the Ice Cube in Ann Arbor.

Whalers on TV

The Plymouth Whalers can be seen locally on cable television, with some games broadcast live and many others as replays.

Live telecasts by MediaOne begin at 7:10 p.m. with the pre-game show, featuring play-by-play announcer Eric Peasley and John Bower. Games on Dec. 29, Jan. 16, Jan. 30, Feb. 6, Feb. 20 and March 13 have been selected to be televised live by MediaOne on channel 25 in Plymouth, Canton and Northville. Playoff game coverage will be announced at a later date.

Replays of other Whaler games can be seen on channel 25 at 6:30 p.m. Sundays and 7 p.m. Wednesdays, following live telecasts. Other communities (besides Plymouth, Canton and Northville) who will receive this service are Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Dearborn Heights, Hazel Park, Madison Heights, Oak Park, Roseville, Southfield, West Bloomfield

PCA beats Bethesda

Plymouth Christian Academy held off a stubborn Detroit Bethesda 15-12, 15-14 in a tight prep volleyball dualThursday.

Debbie Gaulis led the Eagles with eight kills. Karen Moran and Jenny Sutherland added seven kills apiece.

College news

·It's a good time to turn things

Wayne State's women's basketball team hoped to do just that when it met Rochester College Saturday. Led by junior forward/center Sarah Warnke (from Plymouth Canton HS), who leads the Tartars in scoring with 15.3 points per game, the Lady Tar-tars (1-8 for the year) had a chance to double their win total for the season (Rochester is 2-7).

Warnke leads the Greater Lakes Activities Association in rebounding (10.1 average) and offensive rebounding averaging (5.0), is fourth in defensive rebounding (5.1) and is tied for

eighth in scoring (15.3).

•Katie Cushman, a senior guard for Madonna University's women's basketball team, ranks first in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference in both assists (5.7 per game) and steals (2.7). Her teammate at Madonna, Chris Dietrich, is seventh in the WHAC in scoring (14.0 points per game) and assists (3.1).

The Lady Crusaders rank second in the WHAC with an 8-2 record. Spring Arbor (12-2) is first.

•Madonna's men's basketball team has struggled to find wins (the Crusaders were 2-10 going into the week-end) but not statistical leaders. Mike Massey ranks fourth in the WHAC in scoring (17.4 points per game) and Mike Maryanski is eighth (14.0); Maryanski is also seventh in rebound-

Nick Hurley, a sophomore from Ply-touth Canton HS, is fourth in the WHAC in both assists (4.3 per game) and steals (2.6).

SPORTS SCENE Chiefs fall short

The scouts who came to see LaVell Blanchard got what they wanted, and more.

Blanchard, smooth as creamery butter, scored 29 points Thursday night to pace Ann Arbor Pioneer to a 71-57 victory over stubborn Plymouth Canton.

Those who had seen Pioneer before know Blanchard isn't all the Pioneers are about. There's a young giant of a sophomore, James Bridgewater, who scored 15 points and is a presence in the middle.

"He's tough and a great worker, too" Canton coach Dan Young said of Bridgewa-

Canton got 21 points from forward Jason Waidman plus 10 apiece from guards Joe Cortellini and Mike Major.

"We hung in there pretty well for a while," Young said, "but they're pretty athletic.

"We played well at times. But we were inconsistent with both our passing and our catching. They broke down our team defense, which is a credit to Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"They have two very good players. There were stretches where we couldn't get any easy scores.

The Pioneers led by four after the end of the first period, 17-13, and tacked another three points on for a 29-22 halftime lead

Ann Arbor put up a 22-13 third quarter to decide the outcome.

Something else that hurt Cariton, as it does most teams these days, was an inability

to hit free throws.
"We only made 10-of-24 of our free throws," Young said. "That's not very good. Those things made it difficult for us

to have a chance. "LaVell is a great player. They played good team basketball and pretty good defense. We had a hard time

The loss left the Chiefs 1-2 while the Pioneers raised their mark to 3-1.



Searching for space: Canton's Jimmy Reddy (12) dribbles around Pioneer's Tobias McClure, something that wasn't easy to do against the talented Pioneers

Salem posts dual victories over CC, Clio

Nothing comes easy. But for Plymouth Salem's wrestling team, Friday's double-dual meet with Clio and Redford Catholic Central sure came easier than expected.

The host Rocks improved to 4-0 by thumping Clio, 64-12, and then handling CC, 58-24. The double victory improved Salem's dual record to 4-0.

The win over the Shamrocks was certainly easier than anticipated. Indeed, CC won the last three matches to make it a bit more respectable; Salem won 10 of the first 11, nine of those on pins.

The big match of the meet was in the 275-pound division, with defending state champ Casay

defending state champ Casey Rogowski of CC going up against state runner-up Charlie Hamblin of Salem. The rematch favored the previous winner, with Rogowski pinning Hamblin in 4:34.

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In fact, if there was a bright spot for CC, it was that all four of its wins came on pins. Brocc Naismith nailed Salem's Geoff Bennett in 1:36 at 215, Andy Conlin topped the Rocks' Pat O'Connor in 1:50 at 189, and Jeff Wheeler bested Salem's Steve Dendrinos in 1:23 at 130.

Salem owned all else. Winners an pins for the Rocks were Jeff Bennett in 5:13 over Adam Stacey at 102; Ron Thompson in :33 over Pahl Hagan at 112; John Mervyn in :36 over Josh Crawford at 119; Rob Ash in :56 over Matt Moraca at 125; Josh Henderson in :29 over Tom Kreucher at 135; Greg Petrovich in 3:51 over David Demray at 140; Greg Smith in 3:14 over Sean Bell at 145; Greg Eizen in 1:19 over Ed Zylik at 152; and Jason Bedoun in 1:53 over Blake Naismith at 160. 1:53 over Blake Naismith at 160.

The only decision of the entire orman, 9-0. t came at 171, with Salem's

There were seven more pin wins for the Rocks against Clio, to go with three decisions, an injury fault and a void.

Winners on pins for Salem were Mervyn in 3:00 over Jason Dodge at

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Canton goal: challenge for title

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR CIPISAL DOCUMENTS

We're less than two weeks away from entering the final year of the

What better time could there be to shake up what has become the norm in boys swimming. Since the creation of the Western Lakes Activities Association, the dominant power in the sport has been Plymouth Salem. For the past six years, no other WLAA team has been able to knock the Rocks off their pedestal as the confer-

That could change this season "What's going to be so fun this year is that no one in the conference is CANTON PREVIEW

that much above anyone else," said Plymouth Canton swim coach Kyle Lott. "I think it's going to be an

extremely close (league) meet.
"Salem, Livonia Stevenson, North Farmington and us are all very close. Those four teams dominated the WLAA last season. The Rocks won the league title, with Stevenson second, North third and Canton fourth. The difference between first and fourth was 153 points; the difference between fourth-place Canton and fifth-place Farmington Harrison was

91 points.

The Rocks have lost a lot from their

1998 championship team. But so have the Chiefs, with Jason Musson, Matt Heiss, Jon Cook, Mike Dempsey, John Theisen and Andy Schmidt graduated, and divers Jim George and Ryan

Cunningham deciding not to return. However, while Salem has just a handful of new swimmers to offset its losses, Canton has an extremely strong freshmen group - one that, combined with a talented group of upperclassmen, could push the Chiefs to the top of the heap.

It's not something Lott will deny or endorse.

"I believe this is our strongest conference team since I've been here, the Chiefs' coach said. "It's a little smaller swim team in terms of num-

bers, but it's a very solid swim team."

"I have to say Salem is still the best team in the conference," Lott added. They lost a lot, but still have a heckuva group back.

North, which Lott said is "on paper, the No. 1 team in terms of returning talent," and Stevenson, also loaded with state meet-caliber swimmers; are definite threats to Salem's dominance. "I think we're the fourth-best team right now," he estimated.

The freshmen could alter that especially considering the returnees: Leading the veterans are seniors Don LeClair, Kurtis Hornick, Justin Allen, Aaron Reeder, Chad Williams and

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Co-captain: Justin Allen is one of Canton's senior co-captains, making him a team leader and a talented swimmer. Allen scored in the 100-yard backstroke at last season's WLAA finals, but he proved a capable performer in many events.

Chiefs stumble; Rocks rip Huron

Plymouth Canton got two individual wins from Don LeClair and the Chiefs won two of three relays in their season-opening dual meet Thursday against visiting Dexter, but it wasn't enough.

The Dreadnaughts finished first in six of nine individual events, which was just good enough to edge Canton 99-87.
"Dexter's a fantastic swim team, one of the top

Class B teams in the state," said Chiefs' coach Kyle Lott. "I thought we'd do about how we did. We swam well, but they went 1-2-3 in diving, which

"But the swimming part of the meet went well

LeClair, a senior, finished first in both the 50yard (23.09) and 100-yard (50.59) freestyle. However, the only other win in individual events for the

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Accidents drop, fatalities rise for deer season



leer season was safer than last year, but also

ing accidents dropped from 27 in 1997 to 21 during the recently completed 16-day sea-

Unfortunately, four of those accidents resulted in the death of a fellow hunter, compared to just two fatalities last

While 21 accidents statistically makes hunting a safe form of recreation, with nt rate of less than three per 100,000, that's still 21 accidents too

Hunting is a recreational activity.

As responsible hunters, we should all strive to reduce these numbers even further. Most every hunting accident can be traced back to a reckless or thought-less act. That's why we must make safe-

ty a priority above everything else. If every hunter used common sense and followed a few safety rules there's no reason we couldn't have an injurywith others who stress safety before

Unfortunately, in our quest for success, hunters sometimes throw caution to the wind and take shots without making sure their field is clear, or make reckless mistakes that result in acciden

There has been a drastic reduction of better than 60 percent in the number of hunting accidents since a couple of laws were enacted in the 1970s. In 1971 the DNR implemented

mandatory hunter safety classes for first-time hunters born since Jan. 1,

requires hunters to wear a hat, cap, vest, jacket or rain gear of highly visible color commonly referred to as hunter

There are still a lot of hunting opportunities before the seasons of 1998 come Be safe and be sure you're hunting

A majority of hunting accidents occur between members of the same hunting party. If you have a reckless hunter in your party let him know how dangerous he is and that his actions will not be tol-

Don't be shy. Let the individual know you won't stand for him jeopardizing your safety and if his recklessness continues refuse to hunt with him - for

your own safety. "With an accident rate of fewer than three accidents per 100,000 hunters, dale County. Kosik returned to Hills-

In 1977 a law was passed that hunting continues to be one of the safest forms of recreation," said Herb Burns, DNR law enforcement chief, "But by obeying all hunting regulations and sing common sense while handling firearms we can keep Michigan as the safest state east of the Mississippi."

Hunter success

Success reports from area hunters continue to roll in. Remember, if you, a friend or family member tagged a deer this fall let me know, then look for details in an upcoming issue of the Observer & Eccentric Newspaper.

My address, phone number and email address are listed at the bottom of this column.

·Sixteen-year-old Justin Kosik had a tremendous 1998. The Plymouth resident and junior at Salem High School bagged a gobbler during the spring turkey season while hunting in Hills-

dale County for opening day of the firearms deer season and shot his first buck, a dandy 6-point.

A first-year bow hunter, Kosik also

shot a doe during the early archery sea-

"The outdoors give us a great chance to spend many hours together," said Justin's father, Dick. "We go fishing or unting together on almost every week-

•Dan Piergentili shot a 4-point buck on Nov. 28. The Redford resident was nunting along the edge of a corn field in Hillsdale County when the buck walked out into the middle of the cut cornfield.

(Anglers and hunters are urged to report your success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (248) 644-1314, send email to boarker@oe.homecomm.net or call Bill Parker evenings at (248) 901-2573.)

CALENDAR

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and visitors are welcome. For

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The monthly meeting of the

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The second archery season runs through Jan.3. The muzzleload ng season runs through Dec. 20 n zones II and III (Lower Peninsula). Check the 1998-99 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for other special seasons

There will be a special late Canada goose season Jan. 9-Feb. 7 in the southern Michigan

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A special late season runs through Jan. 1 in the Lower

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For programs at Island Lake call

Here's a few guidelines

There white scotch

white spruce, blue spruce and Douglas fir. They all make fine looking Christmas trees.

and has five needles in a bundle as they grow on the twigs. It is the only coniferous tree in the eastern U.S. that has five needles in a bundle. The five needles can also represent the five letters in the word "white."

grow with large spaces between branches, but cultivated trees that are pruned can be nicely

dense, that it's hard to hang ornaments on them. Speaking of hanging ornaments, white pine needles are

for Christmas tree buying When my chil- very soft and do not prick your dren and I went hands while you decorate.

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ous trees on dis-

White pine is our state tree

Uncultivated white pines often

Some trees get so full, or

very well and give a nice full White spruce have short needles that can be picky, but rocks a 52-41 lead with 6:48 left because they are short you can Moore made all four of his shot avoid them better when decorat-

Each needle is less than an inch long and squarish in shape if you cut it perpendicular to its length. An attractive feature of the white spruce is the presence of cones on the branches, a natural ornament.

Scotch pine is an introduced

species to Michigan. It has

adapted very well to our climate

The medium length needles,

two per cluster, are very sharp.

Their needles do hold ornaments

They also, like some other coniferous trees, have a very pleasant pine fragrance. White spruce are native to

Michigan. They look similar to black spruce, but the cones of white spruce are more elongated and have a smooth edge to each

Black spruce prefers wetter conditions and has a ragged edge to the scales of the cone. Today white spruce is frequently used for pulp, which is used in the manufacturing of paper.

Years ago native American used the pliable rootlets to sew bark pieces together.

Blue spruce are prized for their color. Tree farms like them because they are able to grow in the dry sandy soils of Michigan. Though a non-native spruce

because they have adapted well to our climate. Like other spruce trees the cones hang down from the branches. On the Douglas fir the cones stand upright on the

people plant them regularly

Douglas fir along the west coast can be over 300 feet tall. but Rocky Mountain races are much shorter and more drought

resistant. They make a great Christmas tree because of their color, density and because their needles persist longer than many trees.

Tree farms provide habitat for various birds and other animals. They may have trees in rows. but it's more attractive than concrete and strip malls.

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A bit Moore

Moore's 20 lifts CC over Eaglets

BY STEVE KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER skowalski@oe.homeco

Orchard Lake St. Mary's scored 11 of the last 14 points in the second quarter to trail only 27-26 at halftime Friday against Redford Catholic Central.

Problem for St. Mary's was it didn't have Moore in reserve. CC senior guard Nick Moore scored 12 of his game-high 20 points in the third quarter and the Shamrocks held off the Eaglets, 59-56, in a packed and stuffy CC gym

The Catholic League crossover win gave the Shamrocks a 3-0 record. St. Mary's fell to 1-2. St. Mary's took its first lead of the game on a basket by Grant Mason early in the third quarter

but a three-point shot by CC's

Matt Loridas and five straight points by Moore gave the Shamrocks a 35-30 lead St. Mary's cut the deficit to one with a 7-0 run but CC took a 47-41 lead into the fourth quar-

ter with a seven-point run of its Moore started the spurt with a triple followed by consecutive baskets by Loridas and Dave

Rob Sparks' only triple started the scoring in the fourth quarter and Lusky's basket off a sweet pass by Moore gave the Sham-

attempts in the third quarter, including three from three-point range.

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"Coach said 'Nick it's time to ake over the game,' " said Moore, who has signed with Toledo. "I took his advice, took more shots and they fell more in the second half than the first half. We made a lot of turnovers (in the first half), a couple shots didn't fall, they were running out

and we were not getting back on

The Shamrocks had 11 firsthalf turnovers to only seven in the second half. St. Mary's, which loves to press and fast break, committed just 11 urnovers.

Loridas joined Moore in double figures with 12 points, including 10 in the second half. Senior guard Dan Jess scored nine oints in the first half, all on riples, and bruising center Anthony Tomey had a season-

nigh six, all in the first half. Even Tomey was surprised vith his output. He scored the Shamrocks' first four points and maybe it was contagious. Before the end of the quarter, senior guard Dan Jess made two-long range triples to give the Shamrocks a 16-9 lead heading into

"I'm not a scorer, I'm a ebounder," Tomey said, shaking is head.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Conestoga vs. Waubonsee, 5 p.m.

Schoolcraft vs. St. Clair, 7 p.m.

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"Anthony will give you everything he's got," CC coach Rick Coratti said. "You can never get upset with Anthony

CC's frontline, which also ncludes 6-foot-6 center Chuck

"Anthony's a big body for us underneath and Cash is also laying good," Moore said. Larry Batiste led St. Mary's with 16 points and teammate

Maurice Searight added 14.

Mason had eight and Jonte

With a quicker lineup, St. Mary's game plan was simple.

"We had to transition the ball and push it and, hopefully, we'd get quality shots - but we did-St. Mary's coach George Porritt said. "I thought our defense was good. Some of (CC's triples) were long bombs, great

CC might need more of the offense Moore provided in the third quarter when it opens a tournament at U-D Jesuit against Cincinnati Hughes after Christmas.

There is a 45 on the court this ear, but it's being worn by Loridas and not Chris Young, an allstate center last year who now plays at Michigan. While Loridas wears the number well, he's not as big a presence as Young, standing only 6-foot-4.

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Wednesday, Dec. 23

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Sunday, Dec. 27

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Sunday, Dec. 27

"Nick's got to realize Young's gone," Coratti said. "Once he got COLLEGE HOCKEY id of the ball (tonight), St Mary's didn't want him to get i back and he wasn't going to get it. I told him he's got to and (the third quarter) is how he's capa-

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Canton preview from page D1

Despite missing most of last season with a knee injury, LeClair came back to catapult Canton from also-ran to confinish fifth in the 50-yard freestyle (23.00) and 10th in the 100 free (51.07) at the WLAA finals. Hornick finished fourth in the 500 free (5:08.06) and seventh in the Jon Heiss (breaststroke), Andy Kee (dis-50 free (22.97) at the WLAA, Reeder was sixth in the 100 backstroke (56.88) and 10th in the 200 individual medley (2:09.54), Allen placed 11th in the 100 back (59.37), and Williams and Stewart each scored in individual events, Williams in the 50 free and Stewart in the 500 free. "I like the attitude of our kids," said

Lott. "We've got good leadership." That starts with co-captains Hornick

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and Allen, but includes all the seniors There are plenty of others who could tender. Included are juniors Matt Schacht (butterfly), Jeremy Cook (sprint free) and Blake Brunner (diving), and sophomores tance free), Trey Gercak (backstroke) and Eddie Lindow (breast).

Among the more promising freshmen and there are 10 of them on a team that totals 24 - are Brad Nilson (back, IM) and Matt Wisnewski (distance free).

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"We've got a very solid freshmen class," said Lott. "Whether they're ready to make an impact at the league meet . . . well, I

the team's leaders as the newcomers. Lott believes the sprint free events and

backstroke are his team's strenghts. "We've got great backstrokers," he noted adding that at last Saturday's Eastern Michigan University Relays (Dec. 12) Canton finished first in the backstroke relay. "We've got four guys who could qualify for state in that.

That group included LeClair, Reeder, Allen, Gercak and Nilson. In the sprints, there are even more options. "I think we've got as much speed as anyone in the conference," estimate Lott, "We've got six guys in the 23.0 range in the 50. I think that'll make our relays tough to beat. A well as anybody.

team might be able to load up on one, bu as far as all three are concerned. I think we're as good as anyone

"You can't go wrong with speed."

There are weaknesses in the Chiefs lineup, however. With the unexpected loss of both Cunningham and George, the diving is left to Brunner. The 500 free is also

nick (1:33.38); and the 400 free a bit of a question mark. But there are far more strengths than Justin Allen and Hornick weaknesses. "This is a different type of (3:35.14)team for us than in the past," said Lott. "We may not have the numbers, but it's a better conference-meet scoring team.

"We've got the potential to develop as

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The Chiefs, who swam in the BiNai Brith Morgenthau Western Lakes Activities Associ-LiChayim/Zeiger-Gross: Steve Hober ation Conference Relays Saturday, are now idle until Jan 5 man, 217-235/647; Marshall Spinner 236-207/636; Don Rosenberg, 223when they travel to Ann Arbor 204; Carl Berlin, 226; Len Moss, 219. Huron for a non-league dual COUNTRY LANES (Farmington)

Salem splashes Huron

Andrew Locke won two raceand Plymouth Salem swept the top spot in all three relays in dunking Ann Arbor Huron 119 67 Thursday at Salem.

Locke's wins came in the 50vard (22.88) and 100-vard (50.69) freestyle. The Rocks also won four other individual events with Brian Mertens taking the 200 free (1:55.57); Paul Peres capturing the 100 butterfly (59 61) Matt Casillas winning the 100 backstroke (1:02.44); and Aaron Shelton claiming top hon ors in the 100 breaststroke 1.08 43)

Casillas, Shelton, Perez and Locke combined for a first in the 200 medley relay (1:35.20); Jason Rebarchik, Casillas, Dar Jones and Locke were winners in the 200 free relay (1:35.20); and David Carson, Jones, Perez and Jim Peace finished on top in the

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Dec. 17 at Monroe

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300/720; Chris Johnson, 277/690. John Cruz. 277; Jeremy Weiss, 690. 400 free relay (3:43.08) Salem is now idle until Jan

Country Keglers: John Kerrigan, 261 Kris Doudt, 256/661: Larry Kaplan 256, 662; Pat Forma, 246, 638; Walt Ullrich 245/690.

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Wrestling

Chris Stewart at 130; Eizans in 17-7 over Charlie Cross at 125; 2:28 over Curtis Thompson at and Henderson, 5-4 over Joe 152: Bedoun in 1:51 over Ryan Benner at 160; Popeney in 1:51 over Gavin Schriner at 171; Geoff Bennett in 4:26 over Chad Miller in 4:26; and Hamblin in :14 over Travis Welch at 275. Salem winners on decisions

were Ron Thompson, 10-7 over

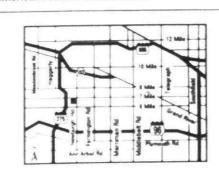
Rich Cross at 112; Lucas Stump, Funsch at 135. Smith beat Miles Erickson on an injury default at 145, and O'Connor was a winner on a void at 189.

The Rocks' next match will be the Salem Invitational on Dec

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Need a gift idea?

Here's a buying guide for sportspeople

BY JEFF COUNTS STAFF WRITER

If on Christmas, you have visions of trout instead of sugar plums dancing in your head and the only line you can remember from a holiday song is the one about the partridge in a pear tree, and it's hunting season, then chances are you're a sportsman or woman.

Each year you endure the bad ties from your mother-in-law, when you're secretly lusting for a new battery for your bass boat or a new tree stand for deer hunting.

Well, it's not too late to drop a few nints about what you really want. Here's a list of some serious and not so serious outdoor gifts.

Winter is coming. That means ice fishing, snowmobiling, snowboarding, skiing and snowshoeing. It sure doesn't look like it now, but weather forecasters are calling for a colder winter with more snow than last year in the Great

In fact, The Weather Channel is predicting above average amounts in the Ohio Valley and the eastern Great

Keeping warm

There's nothing that can ruin a winter outing quicker than cold feet. For anglers and duck hunters who spend a lot of time in wet places, a pair of neoprene socks are just the thing. They're water resistant and lightweight. The cost is under \$15. They're available at most area sporting goods stores and through catalogs such as Cabela's.

The idea of crossing a leather boot and rubber boots has been around for most of the century. They have various names, depending on the maker. One of the first was developed by L.L. Bean in 1912 in a effort to help hunters keep their feet dry and comfortable.

It was a wonderful combination. Leather uppers allow the boots to dry, and the rubber bottoms keep out the SPORTS SHOPPING

The boots come in various styles from shoe-like affairs to calf length. Some are lined with Gore-Tex and others are The address is www.beretta.it unlined. The lining makes them warme for the colder months.

The boots, sometimes called pac-boots, are available at area sporting goods stores and via catalogue. The prices range widely. Discount stores often sell them for \$20, but retailers like L.L. Bean sell them for up to \$125.

The secret here is deciding what they will be used for. A sportsman or woman is going to put plenty of miles on them. Buying a good pair is worth it.

Winter walking

different experience on a pair of snowresurgence. Unlike cross-country or read. downhill skiing, men, women and children can master walking on them in a Staying dry few hours. One tip from experts is to add a pair of cross country ski poles to your outfit. They're a help during a winter walk. While sporting goods stores like the

Benchmark in Farmington offer snowshoes there's actually a factory in Michigan that produces traditional wooden ones. Iverson Snowshoe Co. is located in Shingleton in the eastern Upper Peninsula and offers various styles of shoes, plus furniture. The firm sells its wares at its factory. Just driving to the Upper Peninsula in the winter would make a great trip.

For information, contact the factory ton, MI 49884. The telephone number is (9(S) 452-6370, fax, (906) 452-6480.

'If you have to ask...'

There's an old saying that usually applies to yachts. We all know the

Most shooters will recognize the names, Holland & Holland and Beretta. Both are makers of fine shotguns, some of which can fetch \$5,000 to \$10,000. If you want to get a glimpse of these wonders, the Internet can provide a view.

Reading material

We've all see them. Outdoors magazines that tell us how to bag that big buck or catch the big fish. And we've seen the other ones that try to sell us every conceivable piece of equipment pushed by manufacturers.

For a refreshing view of the outdoors, pick up a copy of Gray's Sporting Journal. It's pricey, about \$36 a year. However, its photo layouts and stories bring the outdoors alive in an old-fashioned, dignified manner. The stories focus on Even a walk in a familiar park is a people, places and game, not just equipment. It's refreshing. Also, it publishes shoes. The sport is experiencing a outdoors art and poetry. It's worth a

There's all kinds of pricy rain gear around that can cost \$200 and more. It's all great stuff. But so are plastic trash bags. You can turn them into a rain parka with a few slits, and they can serve as a sleeping bag in a pinch. The

Just for women

While much sporting gear can be used by either men or women, there are some items that have been redesigned for use by women. L.L. Bean has produced a catalog just for women who like to spend their time in the outdoors. Bean has used female designers and product at: P.O. Box 85 FB Maple St., Shingle testers to produce the gear. Bean has produced such staple gear for women as boots, backpacks and sleeping bags.

When it comes to fly fishing, the firm has also come up with waders and wading shoes that actually fit women.

Bean's toll free number is (800) 221-

Web sites take all the challenge out of finding adequate gear



than \$1,000. Also, you can check on resorts, weather conditions, fishing spots, and obtain maps for hiking, backpacking or moun-

doors men and women.

With a click, you can find out

latest fancy shotgun from Beretta.

There's also a Web site for classic

fly rods that can fetch up to more

To get all this information, all you have to do is was struck by lightning a couple of years ago." press your finger on the computer, spell the word halfway right and there's a Web site.

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garage, you had to call his house ahead of time to and river in North America. make sure he was home and would be around

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The information age has cer- when you showed up. tainly changed the world for out-

Once there, you were ushered into the backyard, could pick through the flies and other gear he had about the newest type of disc for sale. The price of the flies was worth it. He'd fishing places are found only through hard work. brake for a mountain bike, check ask which river you were heading to and he'd set on the price of a snowboard or the out a selection for you.

> There were the inevitable conversations about best in certain conditions and access sites to rivers. Over the years, you built up a relationship with map

quirky. "Go down the two track till you get to the He had his own Web site. CCC pines, and make a right near the pine that

That sort of thing. One fishing companion regularly marks his spots Now here in the Ozarks is one with his own Web But all new technical advances come with a dark with cigar butts. We have to get out of the truck site. side. When it comes to engaging in outdoor purand look for them. It begs the question: "How long does a cigar butt last on the ground in the woods?"

The Internet has even invaded the Ozark Mounthe locals are afraid of outsiders and where good

son started and where could I get some sort of Directions to fishing places were vague and often an Ozark fishing guide, with his obligatory beard.

Fishing guides tend to be remote and often legendary figures. Getting a hold of them often preserve some of our natural resources. involves calling a tavern some time after 10 p.m.

Not only have some activities lost their myster but others have become bogged down with gear. help us enjoy the outdoors Finding fly fishing equipment in the early 1970s It's such mysterious questions that are being lost Websites are usually maintained by businesses We need to remember that those things are tools in other words, they're trying to sell you stuff. And there just to use the stuff. in many cases it's stuff you don't need

These days it seems you need a degree in engitains, a place in our country that's long been seen neering to ride a bicycle in the woods, \$5,000 in there the old guy would unlock the shed, and you as a backwater of technical change, a place where gear to go backpacking for a couple of days and a \$10,000 boat to catch a few bass. These ideas are being driven by corporations and

Last spring I was doing some research on an delivered by Web sites. What's being lost is the upcoming fishing trip to the White and Red Rivers knowledge obtained by experience. While we're up in the Arkansas Ozarks. I was just looking for the to our waders in data about equipment, we're losthe weather, fishing conditions, which flies worked basics, the price of a fishing license, when the sea- ing the reason we bought the stuff in the first place, to get outside and do something. John Muir, the 19th and early 20th century con-

While clicking around, up popped the picture of servationist, went into the woods for days and weeks with a tea cup and loaf of bread tied to his belt and a wool blanket around his shoulders. He came back with astute observations that helped us

That's the model we should have when it comes to outdoors activities. That isn't to say we can't enjoy a good, solid mountain bike, a finely made shotgun or a nice boat or canoe. All those items can

was difficult. One shop I frequented was in a guy's as the Internet demystifies every inch of ground which have a commercial interest in an activity - we use for an outdoors experience. We're not out

Prep bowling off and rolling



The Western Division opened play last week at Cherry Hill Lanes and the Northern Conference started two weeks ago at Auburn Hills Lanes in Auburn Hills.

The Western Division consists of Westland John Glenn, the Dearborn area schools of St. Alphonsus High, Crestwood High, Dearborn High, Edsel Ford High and Divine Child and Detroit Mackenzie and North-

Auburn Hills Avondale. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Milford Lakeland, Waterford Mott. Clarkston, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes and Waterford Kettering occupy the Northern Divi-

The Eastern A Division is com-

long- prised of east side schools.

began their season on December 5th. The Mott High girls team has the early lead in a 30 point scoring system with a 57-3

an interscholastic sport.

Northern and Delivery System, Strike Ten and

nated with the right people run- Brandi Howard. ning the show. The teams are basically bowling clubs. The kids are getting well qualified coaching and will still be able to compete in other sports.

The SDS has the combined resources of ABC, WIBC, YABA

petuate over the years - develop-

The Northern Division teams

There have been some efforts in the past to get the high schools organized for bowling as

the combined forces are behind this movement on a nationwide It is well planned and coordi-

Gumtow of At. Alphonsus roll

and the BPAA. Their idea that kids can compete in a non contact high school sport has wide appeal to a lot of parents who ook for the youth activities which will help develop sportsmanship and competitive spirit without losing their teeth.

This has been the way that bowling has been able to self per-

ing youth bowlers to take over when the older bowlers move on. Now with the high schools involved, there will be more future growth as these youngsters learn the game and become more proficient at it.

As the Western Division opened at Cherry Hill Lanes last week, the Westland John Glenn team showed their skills at a higher level than the others. The However, this time the Single John Glenn boys are Tom Howard, Ryan Hilden, Darrin Turner, Brian Stewart and David Zmikly and the girls team

> Kellogg, Becky Boysen and The Boys team is leading the pack after the first two sessions. High scores were rolled by Howard with 246/649, Mason Brantley (Detroit Northwestern) 246/648 and Stewart 236/639. The second session had Greg

consists of Nicole Neal, Heather

268/679 and Brantley 237/603. We are looking at the beginning of something that will have a profound effect on the bowling scene in years to come. I will be receiving regular reports from the division secretaries and will | and how much do they use from 10 to keep the readers up to date on | 10, the middle part of the lane. There is make a better shot? the progress of high school bowl-

Tip of the Week: David Mahaz, Cloverlanes Davidís Right Line Pro Shop they are playing

located inside Cloverlanes in

Mahaz has Pro Bowlers Tour with most he has had some National PBA

His best year on tour was 1991 when he had

for lost time with talent and determination. Q: When Joe Norris was in town recently, he mentioned the lane conditions as the major factor in bowling today. How should bowlers learn to

his first win. He got started

bowling a bit late, but made up

My advice to the more serious bowler is to learn all you can about lane conditioning, subscribe to Bowling This Month magazine, talk to the local proshop about how they oil the lanes at shop in that house could tell you more. like how often they oil, when they strip. the track shot. still a lot of guesswork when it comes

David Mahaz is the owner of players in the league and find out where the more oil you catch, so you could typ-

Q: If you watch the other bowlers and see which ones are throwing more as the ball will skid further before it strikes, will this tip you off as to how to competed on the make your shot?

learning where the proper break point is. If someone is rolling good, whether a big bender or a straighter shot, it is good to know where the break point is, usually about the game. Most recreational

do this?

often they strip the lanes. The condition of the wood can cause even more variances. They may usually put heavier to play the lanes? oil on the heads to protect the wood. The ball hits at this spot and the wood that you are most comfortable with. For provide a skid-roll-hook reaction of the down and in shot. Some houses may places that you usually bowl. The pro ball. There is a tendency to use more require more swing from the fourth oil on the outside, making it best to use arrow to the second arrow. In todays

Q: Is it good to find the oil line to

most houses, the more you move inside. to the oil. Talk to some of the better

allow you a little more margin of error.

What is more important in bowling is you recommend for the type of ball needed in todays conditions Most of that depends upon the indvidual bowler, how serious they are

about 40 feet down the lane. This will bowlers would only need one or two allow you the most margin of error. In balls, one shiny and one with a dull finmost houses, you can find the line that sish. That would handle the strike shot will get you to the break point whether and spare shooting as well. The higher its over the second arrow or elsewhere average bowler in the 180 to 210 range Q: In the System of Bowling, they are may want to have four balls for various supposed to use a light oil pattern for lane conditions and a tournament the first 10 boards, then double that in bowler needs at least eight bowling the middle boards all across to the balls and must understand the charac other side tenth board. Do most houses literatics of each. At least one ball should have dull finish for oilier condi-Most houses try to follow that pattern tions, that is the most important factor for league bowling, but there are more next to the weight block. Once you variables, as to when they oil, and how - understand these variables you can pret

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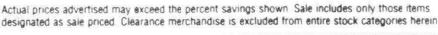
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