

THE WEEK
AHEAD

MONDAY

Tax time: It's not too late. Free tax counseling for seniors is available by appointment in the Parkview Room at the Summit on the Park in Canton through April 13. Arrangements can be made for home visits to the homebound. For more information, call (734) 397-5444.

FRIDAY

Local government: Canton Township offices will be closed for the Good Friday holiday. Regular business hours will resume at 8:30 a.m. Monday, April 5.

Good Friday breakfast: Foster Braun, host of the WJR-AM Great Weekend Show, will be the guest speaker at the 24th annual St. Michael's Men's Good Friday Breakfast 8 a.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church, 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton. Included is an all-you-can-eat breakfast. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 10 and under. For more information or for tickets, call (734) 459-3333.

SATURDAY

Easter egg hunt: Hundreds of Easter eggs will be hidden for Canton children 10 and under to hunt Saturday at the annual event sponsored by Canton Parks and Recreation. Admission is free. Festivities begin at 10 a.m. sharp in Heritage Park. The Easter bunny will be present along with the O.C. Bee (Old Country Buffet Bee). For more information, call (734) 397-5110.

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Superintendent to leave for IU



Chuck Little, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools superintendent since 1994, will resign Aug. 1 to take a position at Indiana University. The school board hopes to have a plan for seeking a replacement by its April 13 meeting.

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After five years as superintendent of Plymouth-Canton Schools, Chuck Little is resigning as the district's top administrator to take a position at Indiana University.

"I'm looking for a different paced professional career," said Little, who is 54

years old. "The move will allow me to change the direction of my life."

Little gave notice to school board members Thursday, and let staff know Friday morning. His resignation is effective Aug. 1, although he expects to complete his business with the district sometime in mid-July.

Little, who is a 1978 graduate of Indiana University in school adminis-

tration, will have a two-fold job with the school. He'll be the executive director of the Indiana Urban Schools Association and a clinical professor of schools administration.

While his appointment is from I-U in Bloomington, Ind., Little will be working at the Indiana University-Purdue University campus in Indianapolis.

"I'll be representing 27 school districts that have their urban issues promoted in front of the state legislature, in effect a lobbyist," said Little. "I will also be teaching school administration courses. I'm looking forward to teaching, which is something I enjoy."

Little's career change actually began

in December 1997 when he attended a leadership conference in Colorado.

"That conference gave me the chance to do some thinking, which I rarely get a chance to do," remembers Little. "I tried to assess myself and what I wanted to do."

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Hopefuls
set sights
on ballot

SCHOOL BOARD

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Two Plymouth-Canton school board members indicate they'll seek second terms on the Board of Education.

Two four-year seats on the school board will be up for grabs in the June 14 election.

Board President Mike Maloney said he knew his four years on the board would be tough, but he also said it's been rewarding.

"It's been a challenge trying to balance the needs of the kids with the financial realities of Proposal A," said Maloney, a Plymouth Township resident. "The board continues to focus on improving academic performance, class size and fiscal responsibility."

Trustee Carrie Blamer said she's prepared for the challenges that face the school district in the next four years.

"We've come a long way, but there's still a long way to go," said Blamer, also of Plymouth Township. "While I would like to see some changes in Proposal A, we still need to be in a position to make adjustments in curriculum."

"I would like to see foreign language in every elementary school," added Blamer. "I would also like to see an individual learning plan developed for every child in the district to help measure their growth and potential."

Three others have taken out nominating petitions.

Ken Smith of Canton, a 23-year educator in the Plymouth-Canton school district, said he's part of a concerned

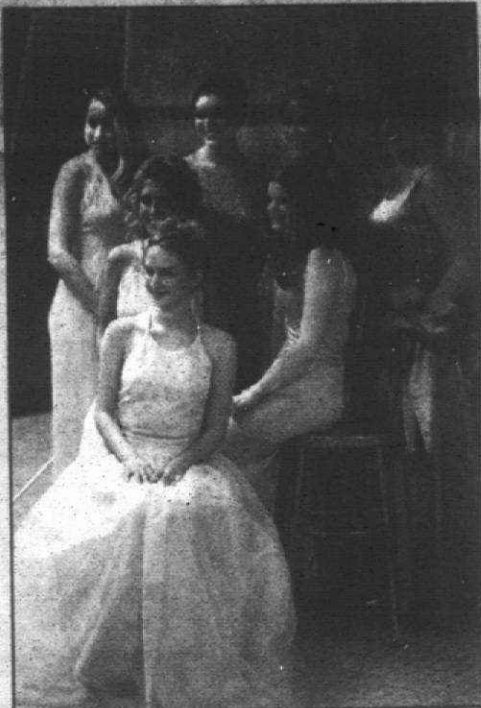
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A sneak preview of prom night



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

High fashion: Ken Szydlowski shows off his pinstripe zoot suit during the 12th annual PCEP Prom Fashion Show in the Canton High School cafeteria earlier this month. Pictured at right are (clockwise, from center) Alana McGraw, Codee Taylor, Stephanie Richter, Katie Tolbert, Robin Dzialo, Jessica Reed and Lauren Patterson. They are posing for math teacher Ted Balaj, who often shoots portraits at school events for the students.

Meijer
getting
facelift

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Canton's largest retailer will soon be undergoing change.

Meijer, a fixture at the corner of Canton Center and Ford roads since 1974, is getting a facelift. Its garden center will be expanded and updated while other entries are modernized.

"We look at all of our stores yearly for updating," said Meijer Consumer Affairs Coordinator Steve Van Wagoner. "That particular store needs to be brought up to the standards of the rest of our stores."

Canton's Meijer is the largest among 118 company stores nationally. It's listed at just under 250,000 square feet—about 25 percent bigger than the average store, Van Wagoner said.

No formal plans have been submitted to the township by the Grand Rapids-based retailer. Canton's Downtown Development Authority did get a sneak peak, however, at its March 17 meeting.

Work will begin as soon as approvals are gained from the township planning commission and board of trustees, Van Wagoner said.

"It will be done in phases," he added. "We hope to be done by the fall of 2000."

Canton Community Planner Jeff Goulet said Meijer would likely appear in front of the commission in May. He thinks it will be mid to late summer before work starts on Meijer's garden center.

"I don't think they want to start too soon and ruin their (spring) season," Goulet said.

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History makers

Museum traces Canton's
fast-disappearing past

BY LILLY A. EVANS
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Ruth Wiles, Canton resident of 52 years, has been working diligently since 1975 to preserve Canton's history.

As a school girl in the 1930s and early 1940s in Detroit she didn't like history.

After she married John Wiles of Canton Township his family documented a genealogy. This sparked her curiosity since she was a branch of the family tree.

In 1975 Ruth started attending home

meetings with about a dozen other Canton history enthusiasts. In 1982 the Canton Historical Society Museum opened its doors on Canton Center Road. Ruth has been a docent there since its inception. It opened for its 17th season this month.

The quaint brick structure is a restored one-room school house built in 1884 and used for grades K-8 until Plymouth and Canton schools became consolidated in the 1950s. In the early 1960s the school was used for kindergarten only.

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Township roots: Bob Boyer, Canton Historical Society president, shows some of what's on display at the museum on Canton Center road.

Diamonds in, Cleats benched at softball center

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A large selection and competitive prices will be the hallmark of Canton Softball Center's new restaurant, Diamonds Bar & Grill.

Patrons will be able to take a swing at everything from a Big Daddy Burger and a Maurice salad to New York strip steak and baked lasagna.

"We'll have more selections than

NEW EATERY

Cleats ever had," said Diamonds' owner/operator Vickie Westbay, who hopes to attract more than softball players to the restaurant. "I'd like to bring other people from the Canton community in."

The Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve a five-

year operating agreement with Diamond Ventures L.L.C.

"This is from scratch in an area we don't have a lot of experience," Supervisor Tom Yack said of the agreement. "On the face of it, it looks like a good deal."

Under terms of the deal, the township will receive 10 percent gross of food and beverage sales at Diamonds. Canton will get a minimum of \$50,000 annually but no more than \$140,000.

Administrative and Community Services Director Dan Durack said the township will also have the right to open the agreement at the start of the fifth year.

At that time, operations of the restaurant will be reviewed, he said. The township will determine, Durack added, if it wishes to continue with Westbay as the operator.

The name Diamonds Bar & Grill will

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citizens group which will decide who in their group will run.

Danny Rea of Canton, a real estate agent, said he is considering running, although he hasn't made a final decision.

Mark Slavens of Canton, an attorney, is chairman of the Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public School Funding, a group of parents interested in achieving equity in school funding. Slavens said he is definitely in the race.

Nominating petitions can be picked up at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey, in Plymouth. They must be turned in with a minimum of 20 signatures by April 12 at 4 p.m. Anyone who wants to withdraw their name after turning in a nominating petition has until 4 p.m. April 15.

According to elections clerk Liz Adams, only 2,705 people voted



Mike Maloney

in last year's school board election. There are approximately 68,000 registered voters in the district.

In order to cast a ballot, voters must be registered by May 17 at the Michigan Secretary of State



Carey Blamer

office, or the clerk's office in the municipality in which you reside. Adams said absentee ballots and answers to any questions concerning the school board election can be obtained by calling her office at 416-3095.

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The garden center will change dramatically when work does start.

The width will be reduced slightly, but the center will be elongated. Van Wagoner said. Landscaping will be added to make a more attractive entryway. A newer, more decorative, canopy will be placed above the garden entrance as well.

The Ford Road face of Meijer will look much different.

The current main entrance,

which is covered, will be de-emphasized. Two canopies entries will take its place, Van Wagoner said.

The driveway that runs parallel with Ford will be narrowed, Van Wagoner said it should have the effect of slowing cars down.

It also means parking will be moved closer to the building, he said. Several internal changes are also planned.

Grocery aisles will be reduced from 12 to 10. Van Wagoner said it

will allow for wider aisles that patrons can more easily navigate. "They'll also notice an expansion in product selection," he said.

Meijer's pharmacy will grow as well. A team center for employees will be added, too.

"The whole store will change," Van Wagoner said. "When we're done, it will be easier for customers to shop it."

The store has also agreed to bring itself into compliance with DDA aesthetic standards. Ornamental lights, like those found throughout the district which runs along Ford east to Lotz Road, will be added. A brickscape at the corner of Ford and Canton Center is planned as well.

"It will look like a new store," Van Wagoner said.

Police seeking leads in abduction attempt

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A 14-year-old Canton girl narrowly missed being abducted from her bus stop early Thursday morning, police said.

The girl, an eighth-grader at East Middle School in Plymouth, was shaken but unharmed.

According to township police, a "younger," clean-shaven man drove up to the girl in a light blue Ford pickup truck shortly after 7 a.m. at the corner of Heritage and Hampshire. The bus stop is located east of Morton Taylor between Palmer and Cherry Hill roads.

The man first asked her where she was going. He then asked her to get into the truck.

She refused. He asked several more times with the 14-year-old refusing. The man got louder and more assertive each time, Canton Officer Leonard Schemanske said.

The girl fled the bus stop on foot and ran home. She contact-



Wanted: A Canton police composite of the man wanted for questioning. ed her mother, who later notified township police.

"She was very, very upset,"

Schemanske said. "We believe this did happen."

The man never got out of the truck.

"It should be an easy vehicle to spot," Schemanske said. "It has right front-end damage."

No similar abduction attempts have been made in Canton recently, he added.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact the township police department at (734) 397-5313. Schemanske can be reached directly at 397-5344.

Principal Ellison Franklin said she reinforced the school's safety message to students on the school's public address system.

"Students were given information about the incident, and reminded not to take invitations from strangers," said Franklin. "A letter has been sent home to parents giving a description of the suspect, and asking that any information they might have be given to Canton police."

SCHOOL BRIEFS

ROCKETTES

Plymouth Salem High School pompon/dance squad, the Rockettes, took top honors at the NCA Danz competition in Troy. They were awarded two first-place and a third-place trophy and were also awarded the Circle of Winners Trophy for scoring the highest number of points at this competition.

The team is sponsoring a variety show on April 30 and May 1 at Salem High School. The public is invited to see this champi-

on squad in action. Tryouts for the 1999-2000 Rockettes team are scheduled for the week of May 10.

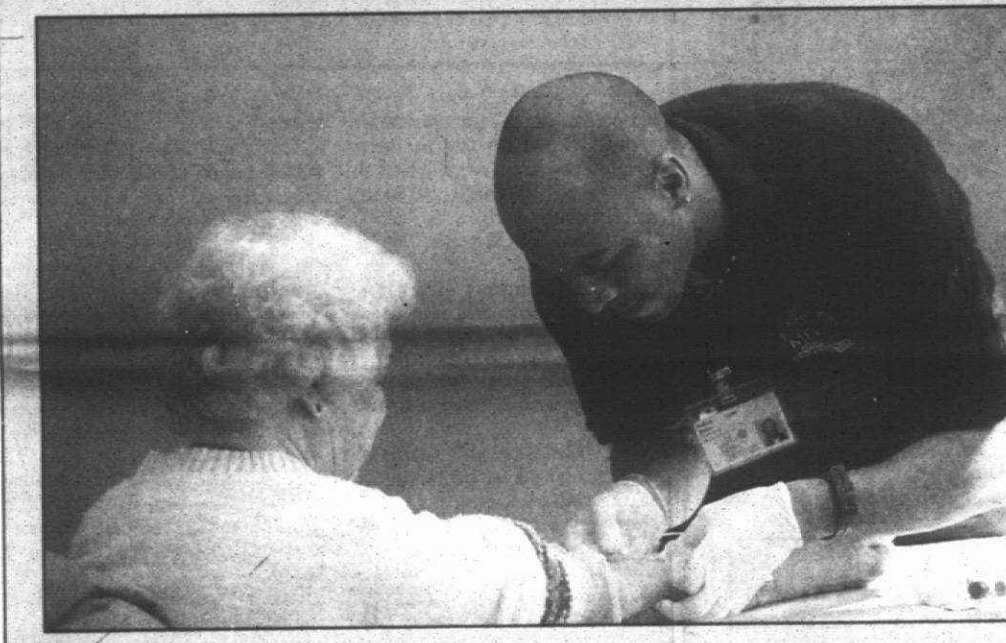
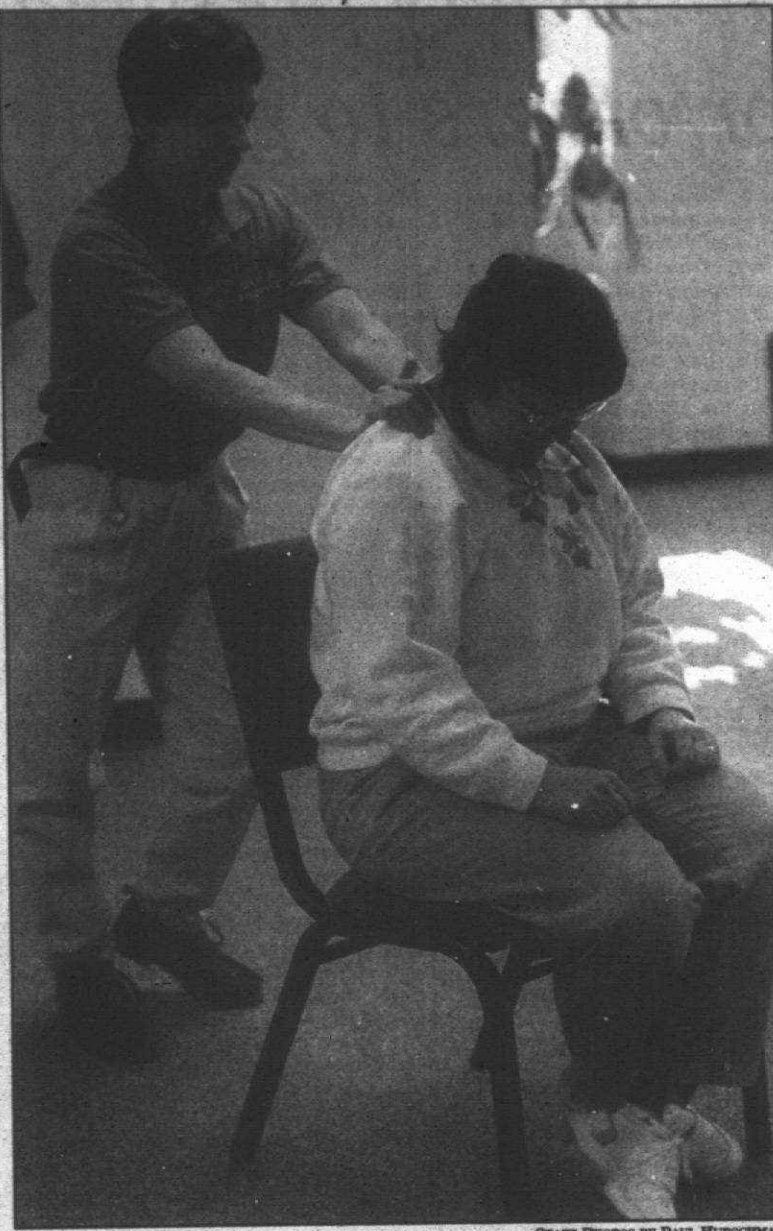
HIGH RATINGS

Central Middle School's eighth-grade band received, straight 1's at MSBOA District 12 Band Festival at Ida High School on March 13.

The band performed "Bunker Hill March" by John Edmondson, "Renaissance Festival and Dances" by Bruce Pearson.

Working out the kinks at Health-O-Rama

Feeling alright: Massage Therapist Ann Stachurski of Farmington Hills gives a backrub to Judy Schantz of Canton during the March 20 Health-O-Rama event at St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health building. Pictured below, Rodney Barber draws blood from Genevieve Letke of Canton. More than 200 people attended the annual day of free and low-cost health screening put on by United Health Organization. Local sponsors included St. Joseph Mercy, Canton Township, the Summit, the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Observer Newspapers.



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I looked at the calendar and decided if I wanted to make some changes, it was time."

Little said he found out this week about his new positions after being called by an associate dean and a department head.

"This whole thing is about me, not the school district," Little said. "If it was about the school district, I would have gotten another superintendent's job."

"I don't know yet" was Little's answer when asked what his new salary would be. "I haven't settled on that yet. I'll be fine."

However, Little notes it will be somewhat less than the \$120,000 he currently makes as school superintendent.

"I'm not a person motivated by money," he said. "I'm not going to lose any sleep over that."

Little often rises early for breakfast meetings, and out this many nights and weekends performing the duties of a superintendent.

"The hours will be much better and a plus for my family life," he said. "A school superintendent easily spends 180 nights of the year out, and it could be much more. It's a very consuming job."

Reflecting on his 17 years as a

school superintendent, Little said it's time to move on.

"I think I've had enough progression in my career," Little reflected. "The Littles have been living the life that my professional direction had dictated. I think that changes now, and I'm happy about that."

School board members seemed surprised, yet happy for Little.

"The average for a school superintendent to stay in a district is generally about five years, so I'm not totally surprised," said President Mike Maloney. "Chuck is doing a good job and is well-respected. Strong individuals are in high demand. He'll be hard to replace."

"I really believe he's made the move for his family and his career," added trustee Darwin Watts. "He's done a great job."

"Chuck really moved us along from where we were five years ago," said Judy Mardigian, school board member. "He's had a lot of innovations in community relations and has been very responsive to the direction the board has wanted."

Most feel that despite Little's departure, they will be able to complete the district's three

biggest projects ... a new high school, middle school and elementary school ... without any major complications.

"I think our administration and staff are competent and can handle the district without any problems," said trustee Carrie Blamer.

Little said his biggest accomplishment was being instrumental in getting district residents to participate in various school projects and committees.

"Plymouth-Canton has a lot to offer. However, the restrictions of Proposal A are badly choking the school district, and there hasn't been a favorable response from our legislators," said Little.

School board members discussed some of the parameters in seeking a new superintendent at a budget workshop session Saturday morning.

"I would hope that we would have a plan ready by our April 13 meeting on how to proceed," said Maloney. "Many possible applicants have already lined up jobs for the next school year."

The Board of Education is going to have a busy summer."

Police nab driver, 17, in high-speed chase

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A high-speed police chase early Thursday resulted in the arrest of a 17-year-old Wayne man.

The chase began in Canton as township police attempted to make a traffic stop on the man on eastbound Ford Road near I-275. The incident occurred shortly before 1 a.m.

Instead of stopping, police say the man sped away. A Canton officer chased him north to Joy Road where he stopped the pursuit.

Driving a red 1997 Ford Explorer, the man was spotted again by township police on Ford near Newburgh. The chase was on for a second time.

At that point, police ran the license plate of the Explorer and discovered that it had been stolen from a second Wayne man, according to Canton Officer Leonard Schemanske.

The 17-year-old continued to

elude police, which included two Canton patrol cars by this point. He headed northbound on I-275 and continued up to M-5 in Novi.

Police said he exited the freeway at that point and headed westbound on 12 Mile, running a light in the process. He then got back on the freeway and headed southbound on I-275.

Police continued to chase. The Explorer finally began to slow as it headed southbound.

It rolled to a stop on the freeway just north of Ann Arbor Road. Plymouth Township and Canton Police then surrounded the vehicle and arrested the 17-year-old without incident.

As it turned out, fate was on the side of the law.

"He ran out of gas," Schemanske said.

Speeds during the chase reached 70-80 miles per hour. Schemanske wasn't sure how long it lasted.

No injuries were reported in the incident.

The teenager will be charged

as an adult. He was expected to be arraigned by Friday at 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Schemanske said the Wayne youth will face charges of fleeing and eluding, possession of a stolen motor vehicle and various traffic offenses. The stolen vehicle charge is the most serious, and carries a felony penalty.

"The word apparently isn't out that it's serious to run from police," Schemanske said. "I don't understand it."

It's the second time in less than a month Canton police have been involved in a high-speed chase.

On March 12, Canton police apprehended two 18-year-old men near Willow Run Airport. The incident began on Geddes Road and eventually headed southbound on Denton.

Officers finally stopped the men on an access drive of the airport. No injuries were reported in that case, either.

Dog Joggers getting ready for May 8 event in Plymouth

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Here's the poop on the third annual Plymouth Dog Jog: The 2-mile walk/run will begin 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 8, beginning in downtown Plymouth. Sponsored this year by the Plymouth Kiwanis Club, all proceeds go to the Michigan Humane Society and the Kiwanis.

Registration forms are available at Plymouth, Canton and Livonia veterinarian offices; Pet Supply Plus in Canton; Pet Smart in Northville and Specialty Pets in Plymouth, as well as the law office of event chair Eric Colthurst, 35th District Court

magistrate, also known as Boss Dog, at 9450 S. Main, Suite 101. "We try to make it a fun event," said Vice Boss Dog Denise Chapman, a legal assistant in Colthurst's office.

This year, registration forms will be sent to the 225 people from Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Redford, Westland and other southeast Michigan residents who strutted with their best friends during last year's event.

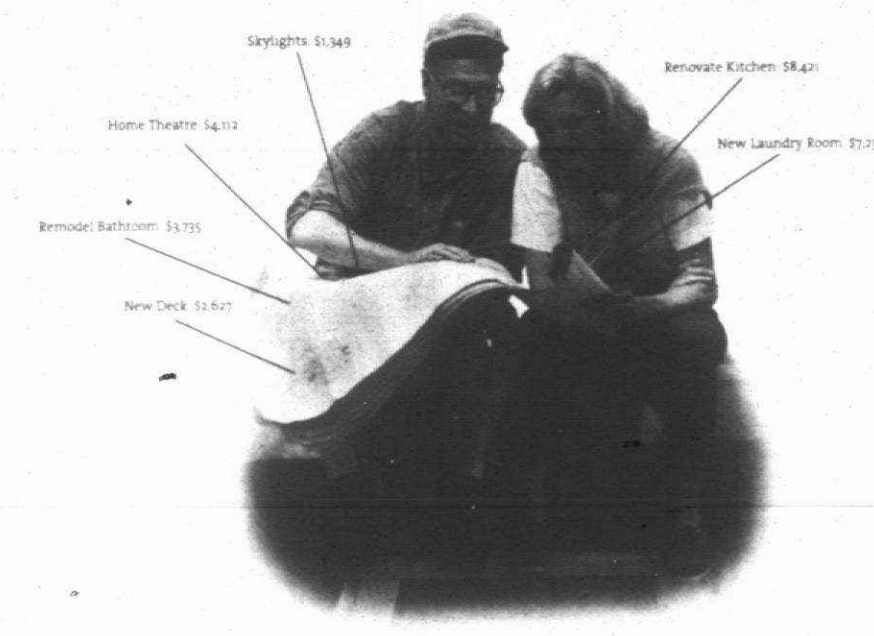
Participants are also invited to collect pledges and bring their sponsor sheets and pledge money to the jog. One hundred percent of the pledges submitted the day of the race go to the Humane Society, Chapman said.

Last year, Dog Jog participation increased 100 percent, said Chapman, who is predicting another rise in participation this year. "The first two years we had great weather and we're praying for three in a row," she said.

The cost is \$20 to register before May 1, and \$25 the day of the jog. Registration begins at noon.

Last year, the event raised \$8,500. Part of the registration fee goes to the Humane Society and part goes to the Kiwanis to support charities like the Terrific Kids program in local schools; the Salvation Army; high school scholarships; the Plymouth Community Band; and others.

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WSDP staffers win school broadcast awards
Students at WSDP, 88.1FM, were honored at the Michigan Association of Broadcasters 1999 Shareathon on March 24. The Share-a-thon is an opportunity for college and high school broadcasters to network and learn from each other. This year's Share-a-thon was held at Bloomfield Hills Andover High School. Students received awards in the following categories:
Salem) Gold Mic (Plymouth)
Nick Gismondi (Plymouth)
Salem) Gold Mic (Plymouth)
Dave Merrick (Plymouth)
Canton) Silver Mic (Plymouth)
Michael Wickett (Plymouth)
Canton) Silver Mic (Plymouth)
SPORTSCAST
Jon Keller (Plymouth)
Salem) Gold Mic (Plymouth)
Nick Gismondi (Plymouth)
Salem) Silver Mic (Plymouth)
AIRCHECK
Michael Wickett (Plymouth)
Canton) Silver Mic (Plymouth)
Jody Gross (Plymouth)

OBITUARIES

LOUISE F. CARSON
Services for Louise F. Carson, 72, of Canton were March 22 in St. John Neumann Church. Local arrangements were made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home. She was born April 29, 1926 in Detroit. She died March 19 in Beaumont Hospital. She was a bank manager.
Survivors include her husband, Joseph; two daughters, Kathleen (Glenn) Schwartz, Carolyn (Eddie) Sarafian; one son, Joseph (Linda); one sister, Charlotte Keenan; and eight grandchildren.
Memorials may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.
BERYL SMITH
Services for Beryl Smith, 86, of Ann Arbor will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 27, in Bethlehem United Church of Christ, 423 S. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, with the Rev. Gary Smith officiating. Local arrangements were made by Muehlberg Funeral Chapel. He was born May 25, 1912 in Plymouth. He died March 20 in St. Joseph Hospital. He was a World War II Navy veteran. He was a member of the VFW. He was a partner with his brother Clyde in Smith Motor Sales and Hudson Dealership in Ply-

Historical Society president sees chance for others to get involved

By LILLY A. EVANS
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Bob Boyer is a lifetime member of the Canton Historical Society and has recently been elected the 1999 president. "I was elected because nobody was left (to be president)," he chuckled.
Boyer said he would like to see more residents get involved in the Historical Society. He has also taken on some projects of his own.
"I hired a company to restore a machine shed that was damaged being moved from Dick Palmer's old place on Warren and Beck to the Bartlett-Travis house in Cherry Hill Village," Boyer said.
Boyer has been involved in many projects in his life. For example, when Boyer said he and his wife Carol, built their house, they really did - nail by nail.
In the 1960s Boyer lived in Dearborn Heights delivering Fretter appliances when he made a stop at a farm in Brownstown Township. The farmer told Boyer he wanted to sell his farm, stock and barrel. Boyer told the farmer he would buy it.
Meanwhile, Boyer went home, notified his family and sold his Dearborn Heights home.
The farmer backed out; Boyer had to think quickly. So he went to a lumber yard and bought a do-it-yourself kit with lumber and blueprints and built a house on land he owned in Canton.
That was 34 years ago. Now Boyer has a successful slaughterhouse and meat processing plant after a longtime career in the grocery business.
Boyer sells live animals and slaughters and processes ani-

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The museum houses maps of glacier created lakes, Native American documentation, arrowheads, photos of townspeople, agriculture history, historic toys, dishes, jewelry, desks, dolls, hats, men's grooming tools, antiques, a wrought iron bell, a piano and other trinkets.
Besides artifacts there are many volumes of archives and four historic publications exclusive to Canton Township.
"Cornerstones: A History of Canton Township Families" by Diane Wilson published in 1988 is about Canton's families from the 1820s to the 1920s. Besides Canton families there are schools, churches, government and census records in this publication.
Wiles said this is the book she resources frequently when folks come in to seek facts on family in the area.
Wiles said historical society members crawled on their hands and knees and read grave stones to compile the "Canton Cemetery Records" book. There are five cemeteries in Canton. Volunteer Joan Palmer and Ruth Wiles thoroughly researched and recorded their findings.
"Canton's Country Schools" compiled by Joan Palmer documents the history of Canton's one-room schools and the memories of those who taught and attended them.
The latest addition to Canton's collection is "Ghost Stories and Other Tales from Canton" by Virginia B. Parker. This is a collection of myths

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metropolitan area, for more than a decade. She'll be the majority owner of the business, but her two partners are still affiliated with Mr. B's.
"This won't be Mr. B's," Westbay said.
Paul Van Gampier, director of operations for Westbay, hopes for Westbay to be a featured item. Westbay said small and large sizes will be served with a variety of toppings.
If appetizers are your game, a host of choices will be available. Nachos, potato skins and chicken tenders range in price from \$5.49 to \$6.99.
Diamonds has nearly a dozen sandwiches on its menu. The "Slider" basket is \$5.29 while the club sandwich checks in at \$6.29.
Caesar and Maurice salads fill the void for lighter tastes.
In terms of entrees, the strip steak heads the list. Barbecued ribs, chicken, fish and pasta are also available. Prices range from \$6.99 to \$13.99.
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Expect delays as area road projects begin

By KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Jim DeSana, director of the Michigan Department of Transportation, summed up what western Wayne County commuters can expect from the construction projects on I-275, the Southfield Freeway and I-75 in downtown Detroit.
"I'm not going to stand here and say you're not going to be inconvenienced," DeSana said.
DeSana and MDOT officials met Friday at University of Detroit-Mercy at a transportation summit with county and city officials and business representatives about MDOT's five-year plan for Wayne County roads, including a review of this year's freeway improvements scheduled for Wayne County that will affect commuters for thousands of motorists this summer.
Nearly 200,000 motorists who travel on I-275 between Five Mile Road and the interchange with I-96, I-696 and M-5 can expect traffic congestion while that seven-mile portion of I-275 is resurfaced in both directions.
On April 19, MDOT and its prime contractor, John Carlo Inc., will begin the \$49 million freeway reconstruction, calling for the reconstruction of the freeway and entrance and exit ramps, and the repair of bridges over the freeway. Additional temporary lanes will be constructed to cross traffic over from the southbound to the northbound side so that three lanes of traffic will be moving in each direction. Traffic will be switched from the northbound to southbound side once the southbound side is completed.
The project's completion date is set for October.
Even though other projects are not in the western Wayne County region, it will affect travel for motorists who live in this area.
M-39, a nine-mile stretch of the Southfield Freeway in Detroit will be resurfaced between Ford Road in Dearborn and the city of Southfield, causing lane closures, which will affect western Wayne County motorists who use that freeway to travel to Downriver communities, Dearborn or Oakland County. Lanes will not be closed dur-

ing rush hour traffic. MDOT expects to release more information on this project on Monday.
■ I-75 between I-96 and I-375: That portion of freeway is closed. This \$67 million reconstruction project will affect commuters for western Wayne County motorists who use eastbound I-96 to drive downtown. Those motorists can still exit onto the Lodge, but traffic congestion is expected. Motorists can stay on the I-75 local lanes and exit at Grand River to the I-75 service drive to connect with the city's surface streets. That section of I-75 will reopen in November.
Kay Beard, vice chair of the Wayne County Commission, attended the summit because she was concerned about the effect the construction would have on travelers.
"I have a personal concern with I-96 and not being able to exit onto I-75," Beard said.
Beard, D-Westland, blamed Gov. John Engler for not placing a tax proposal on the ballot for roads, but added that she was pleased that MDOT's repairs were calling for simultaneous bridge repairs.
"The roads have deteriorated so badly, it will cost millions and millions to fix them," Beard said.
When Beard suggested earlier the state should raise the gas tax for more road repairs, DeSana asked her to influence the legislature to increase that tax and said many counties and communities dedicated their own funds for the roads.
"If you want to fix the roads better, you have the opportunity to put the county's general fund into them," DeSana said.
DeSana also said that people believe he and MDOT control what roads are repaired each year. Actually that process involves local communities, the county road division and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.
"We aren't the ones that make that decision," DeSana said. "They're selected locally by SEMCOG. When federal dollars are used, SEMCOG must be involved."

LEGAL SENSE
By Mark Slavens, P.C.
Attorney at Law
INFLECTING EMOTIONAL DISTRESS
A tort is an (in)action that causes injury or damage; an intentional tort involves deliberate (in)action that causes harm. One such intentional tort occurs when a person inflicts emotional anguish upon another through outrageous conduct. An example of such behavior would be the person who could not accept being rejected by a dating partner. Instead of moving on with his or her life, the rejected party may decide to make threats and display other harassing behavior that causes the person who broke off the relationship to fear going out in public. Psychological, and even physical, reactions may result. If so, the threatened party is the object of intentional infliction of emotional distress and can sue for damages.
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Smooth ride
I-275 will be resurfaced this year between I-696 in Farmington Hills and Five Mile in Livonia.
Motorists and nearby residents can expect to see the following:
■ In April, crews will add temporary lanes and pave crossover lanes just north of Five Mile Road in Livonia and just south of Grand River in Farmington Hills. Similar to construction completed last year on I-275 between M-14 and I-94, traffic from the southbound side will cross over to the northbound side with temporary lanes allowing for three lanes of traffic in both directions, separated by a concrete barrier.
■ Contractors will remove old pavement and replace it with 12-inch thick concrete. That work will be completed on the freeway itself, the southbound ramp to I-275 from westbound I-696 in Oakland County, and entrance and exit ramps at Six, Seven and Eight Mile roads.
■ The "loop" entrance and exit ramps at Six, Seven and Eight Mile roads will be closed for the 180-day duration of the project, but the temporary crossover ramps will be built for I-275 traffic to travel through the construction area and directed to exit onto these mile roads.
■ The long, "sweeping" entrance and exit ramps on the southbound side for each of these roads will be closed only during their reconstruction. Access is expected on the northbound side of the freeway - the side open to traffic - during the ramp construction.
■ No two interchanges will be closed simultaneously; that is when the Six Mile interchange on the southbound side is closed for repairs, Seven and Eight Mile interchanges will be open.
■ Repairs of 12 bridges over the freeway are expected to last through October. Motorists can expect traffic to be narrowed from two lanes to one in each direction. The time frame varies for the completion of bridge repairs, said Robin Pannekoek, MDOT spokesperson.
■ The southbound side is expected to be completed in July. Then the freeway traffic will be switched to that side, also with three lanes in both directions, so the northbound side can then be completed. The bridge work will continue, while the ramps on that side of the freeway will be repaired.
■ The construction is expected to be finished in October.

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SC proposed budget includes tuition hike; hearing set April 28

By KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Schoolcraft College students can expect to see tuition hikes this fall if the college's Board of Trustees approve a proposed \$43.7 million budget in its current form.
Butch Raby, Schoolcraft's vice president for business services, outlined the proposed hikes Wednesday for the board, which were also recommended by Schoolcraft College President Richard McDowell. The increases called for a \$1 increase for district residents, \$2 for non-district residents of the college dis-

Dentistry in the 90s
by Herbert M. Gardner, D.D.S.
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Space Camp's No. 1 lesson: 'Believe in yourself'

BY LARS BREDAL
STUDENT CORRESPONDENT

My adventure at Space Camp has begun.

The Tonda fifth-graders took off on Southwest Airlines at an early time of 5 a.m. Sunday.

The plane ride was fun. I got to sit by my best friend, Kurt Seippel. We are both looking forward to this trip. He and I have always wanted to go to Space Camp, but never could because of the cost. So, because of a generous donor, myself and all the fifth-graders here at Tonda have been given the great opportunity to learn about space exploration, how to work together as a team and to also experience our first time being away from our families for more than a few days.

So far, our adventure at Space Camp has been a blast! We have been on plenty of simulators. The Zero G. Wall is a big wall that with the help of a bungee cord you feel like you're weightless. My friend, Kurt Seippel, said that he liked being weightless so much that he could stay on the wall for the rest of the day. Also we learned about space technology and history, like when we went to the Kennedy Space Center and learned about the Mercury rockets. We also saw the new space station being built. One really neat thing we did, was the simulated Shuttle mission. Andy Swanson, one of the boys in my group, thought the shuttle mission was really neat, because it was realistic, and you felt like an astronaut. It was also fun building and launching our own rockets. Only a few people had a successful launch.

Space Camp has been a really fun experience and I look forward to the next couple of days.

Time flies

The days seem to be flying by. Many of us have already experienced things that we will never forget. Jeff Loas and Jim Wilbur, two of the boys on my team, agreed that the Multi Axis machine was the neatest thing that they had ever experienced. Kurt Seippel said "Our days are very busy and by the time it is 'lights out,' we are all glad to get some real and dream about the adventures that are yet to come."

A special visitor

Today (Friday) was an exciting day for Tonda School, not only did we graduate from Space Camp but we also had a special visitor in the audience who is

very well known to the Canton community.

This person was very involved in the Plymouth-Canton Clothing Bank and served on the school board for many years. She has a very important place in the hearts of the Tonda students.

Flossie B. Tonda is her name and the school that we attend is named after her.

Mrs. Tonda lives in Florida now and when she heard that the Tonda kids were coming here for Space Camp, she knew that she just had to come and cheer us all on.

Great experience

This past week has been an experience that myself and the other students will never forget. We learned an incredible amount on space exploration and how space programs work. We learned how to get along with each other to achieve a successful mission, and most important we realized how valuable it is to read as much as you can, to study hard and if you have a dream you will succeed if you believe in yourself.

The question that Flossie B. Tonda used to always ask at the school board meetings was, "Is it good for the kids?" Yes, Mrs. Tonda, this was good for the kids and we thank whomever made this possible for us to attend this wonderful educational camp. Thank You!



Mercury calling: Tonda students in front of a Mercury capsule.



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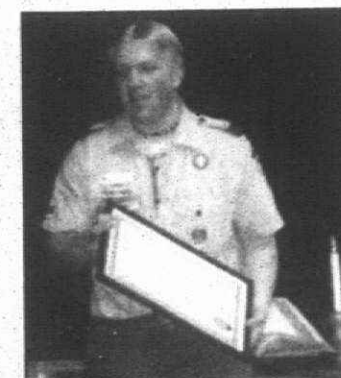
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Chris LaForte

Canton teen wins Eagle Scout rank

Chris LaForte of Canton has earned his Eagle Scout ranking. LaForte received his rank March 8 with Canton Supervisor Tom Yack and State Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, among the presenters.

LaForte's Eagle Scout project involved the building of bat boxes and their installation around the fishing lake at Maybury State Park.


LaForte, son of Martin and Phyllis LaForte of Canton, has been in scouting since first grade when he was a Tiger Cub in Pack 854 at Miller School. He joined Troop 854 in fifth grade. Leadership roles held by LaForte include assistant patrol leader, patrol leader, quartermaster, senior patrol leader and venture patrol leader. He is now part of the Boy Scout service organization, Order of the Arrow and has attended the national conclave in Ames, Iowa.

LaForte has attended numerous camps in his scouting career. In addition to scouting activities, LaForte has been in the PCEF Marching and Symphony bands.

Budget *from page A5*

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Celebrate spring with torte and ale

Every once in awhile, I'll sort and file the pieces of paper I've accumulated until everything's in its right place. While putting things away, I noticed that I have not yet shared a dessert recipe with you.

So here we go, and yes there are ales to go with dessert. We're going back to Belgium, and if you're a regular reader, you know I have a thing for Belgian beer. The recipe is a flourless white chocolate torte, and the ale, Affligem dubbel Abbey Ale.

Affligem is the oldest brewery in Flanders. It was founded in 1074 by Benedictine monks. Abbey records show that beer was brewed for pilgrims on their way to the crusades. There is convincing evidence that Affligem introduced hops to Belgian brewing.

When the Abbey's brewhouse was destroyed during World War II, the monks went to the lay brewery Brouwerij De Smedt and asked them to brew their beer.

Brewmaster Friar Tobias took the Abbey's recipe and joined it with modern brewing methods. He called it "Formula Antiqua Renovata" (Ancient Recipe Renewed). This beer is bottle conditioned and suitable for cellaring. Dubbels are made with pale Pilsner, caramel, aromatic, biscuit, dark candy sugar, and have a very low hopping rate with a a.b.v. of 6.5 percent to 8 percent.

The flourless white chocolate torte is dense, rich and sinful. It's a favorite of family and friends and goes well with the Dubbel.

You'll need my favorite white chocolate, Callebaut, from Belgium, of course. It's available for purchase at Williams and Sonoma stores. If you go to the store at the Somerset Collection, tell the manager Kery that I said "hi."

Dragonmead Brewing Co. in Warren has a fine selection of Belgian ales on tap including Dubbel Dragon, Final Absolution Tripple, Dead Monk Abbey Ale and Bronze Griffen. They're located at 14600 E. 11 Mile Road, call (810) 776-9428 for information.

On to dessert.

FLOURLESS WHITE CHOCOLATE TORTE

The Cake:

2 9-inch springform pans greased and floured
15 ounces white chocolate
9 ounces unsalted butter
11 egg yolks
11 egg whites
9.5 ounces sugar (equals 1 cup, plus 1 tablespoon, plus 3 teaspoons)

Chop chocolate into small pieces and add butter. Melt over gently boiling water in a double boiler or in stainless steel bowl over a pot of boiling water and stir until smooth.

Turn off the heat and keep the bowl on the pot. In another bowl, whip the egg whites while adding the sugar in three additions until stiff peaks form.

In another bowl, whip the egg whites to double in size. Whip the yolks into the chocolate. Then fold the egg whites into the chocolate and yolks gently, but thoroughly so as not to break them down too much.

Split the batter between the pans and bake at 325°F until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, about 15 minutes.

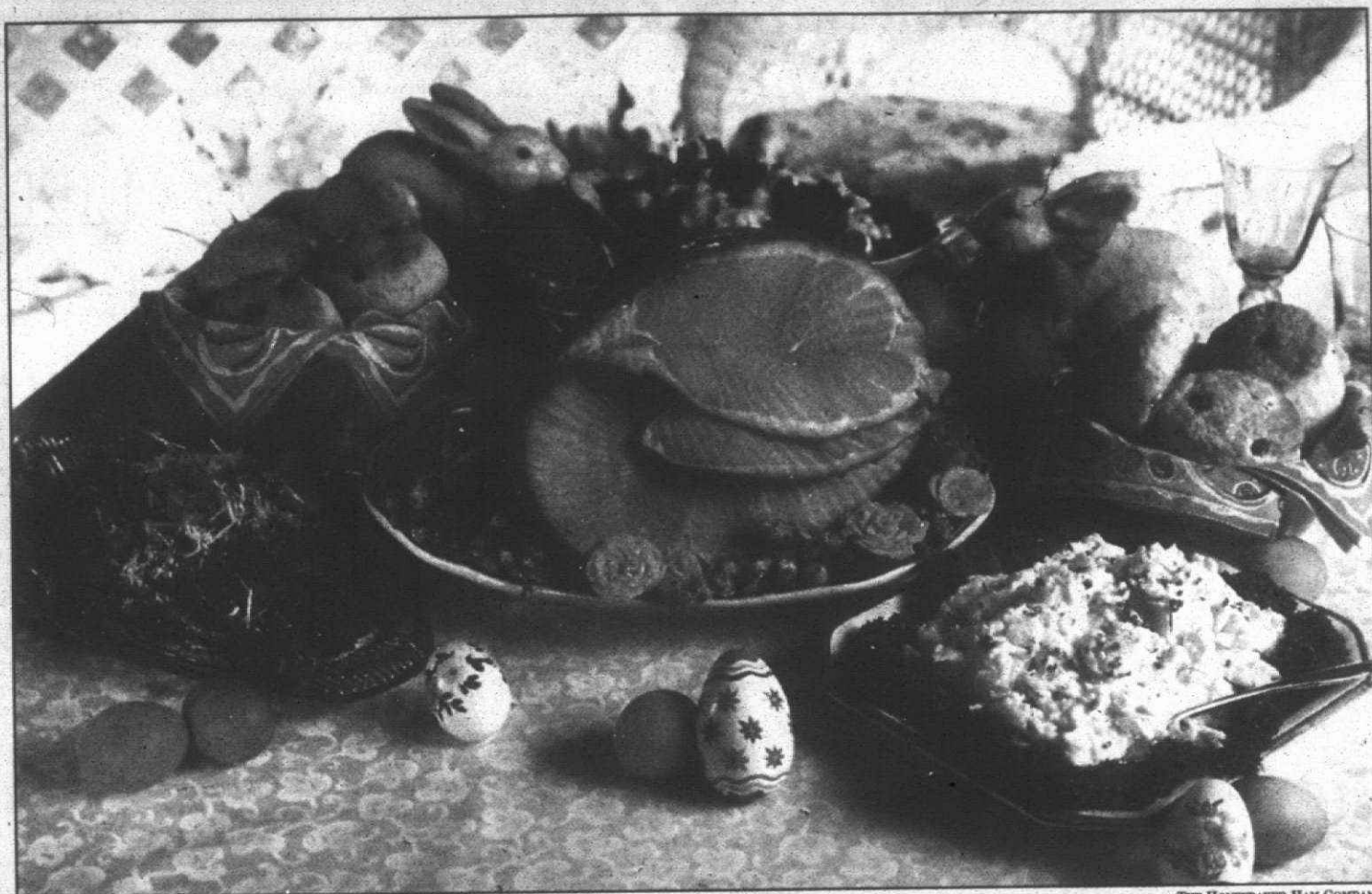
Place the pans on a rack to cool. They will fall, but do not be alarmed by this. Put cakes in the refrigerator to cool for one hour then unmold from pan. Using a long spatula, free the cakes from the bottom of the springform pans. Put one

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

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Easter brunch: A HoneyBaked Ham, garnished with handmade crystalized fruits and flowers, is surrounded by a variety of Easter brunch dishes including Best Ever Scrambled Eggs, Berry Salad with Yogurt Dressing, Roasted Asparagus with Citrus Vinaigrette and Chocolate Orange Scones.

H A M & E G G S Easter brunch

BY KEELY WYGONIK
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What would Easter be without decorated eggs and ham? Ancient Greeks and Persians considered painted and dyed eggs precious gifts.

During Lent, eggs were among the foods forbidden by the church. It was a special treat to have them again on Easter Sunday. In Poland, Ukraine, and other Slavic countries, baskets of food including, decorated hard-cooked eggs, are taken to church to be blessed by the parish priest on Holy Saturday. This tradition was brought to the United States by immigrants, and is still practiced today in many parishes throughout metro Detroit.

Blessed Easter eggs, along with other blessed foods such as butter shaped into a lamb, sausage, and ham, are not eaten until after mass on Easter Sunday.

In Germany and other countries in central Europe, eggs that go into Easter foods are not broken, but emptied out. The empty shells are painted and decorated with bits of lace, cloth or ribbon, then hung with ribbons on an evergreen or small leafless tree.

The eggshell tree is one of several Easter traditions carried to America by German settlers especially those who became known as Pennsylvania Dutch. They also brought the fable that the Easter bunny delivered colored eggs for good children.

At the Troy-based HoneyBaked Ham Co., Easter is one of the busiest times of the year. For 42 years, the HoneyBaked Ham Co. founded by the late Harry J. Hoenselaar, has been preparing hams. The company is still a family-owned business, operated by Hoenselaar's four daughters and their families.

Famous for its sweet and

crunchy, secret-recipe glaze, developed by Hoenselaar in the 1950s, HoneyBaked Ham is the centerpiece of many Easter meals. Since eggs are equally important, you'll want to hold on to these "Egg Basics," from Lois Thieleke of Birmingham, a home economist for the Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service — Oakland County.

■ Keep eggs in the carton. The egg carton helps prevent the loss of moisture and carbon dioxide from eggs. It also keeps eggs from picking up undesirable odors from other foods stored in the refrigerator.

■ Want to know if your eggs are still fresh? Here's a way to find out. Fresh eggs remain on the bottom of a bowl of cold water, while an older egg will tend to float. Throw away an egg that rises to the top.

■ Fresh eggs can be kept in the

refrigerator for at least four to five weeks beyond the pack date. If the eggs are kept at room temperature they age more in one day than a week in the refrigerator.

■ Cooking removes the eggshell's natural protective coating. Hard-cooked eggs are more susceptible to bacteria than fresh eggs.

Here are some old-fashioned Easter egg tips from the HoneyBaked Ham Co.:

■ Hollowed-out eggs won't spoil if left out. The yolks and whites can be used to create some wonderful dishes. To hollow eggs, pierce a narrow hole in each end of the egg with a thin metal skewer or needle. Put a coffee stirrer into the hole then gently blow into the hole at one end until the contents come out the at the other end. Collect the

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Readers share some of their favorite recipes

BY KEELY WYGONIK
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Thanks for all your calls about Vicki Mansfield's Passover cake recipe in the Sunday, March 21, edition of Taste. Due to a printing error, part of the recipe was covered by type from a previous issue.

Many people called for the correct information. As always, if you have a problem with a recipe in Taste let us know by phone (734) 953-2105, fax (734) 591-7279 or e-mail kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

We want to know when something doesn't work — our credibility depends on accuracy!

For those who wondered, but didn't call, here's the corrected recipe, along with two more to try.

CHOCOLATE TRUFFLE CAKE

12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 stick butter or margarine
1/2 tablespoon sugar
1/2 tablespoon matzah cake meal
3 egg yolks
3 egg whites

Whipped topping
Raspberries and/or strawberries for topping

In a medium saucepan melt 12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips with a stick of butter or margarine.

Remove from heat. Add 1/2 tablespoon sugar, 1/2 tablespoon matzah cake meal, stir.

Add 3 egg yolks, stir. Beat 3 egg whites firm but not stiff. Fold into chocolate. Bake in 8-inch greased springform pan at 425°F for 18 minutes.

Before serving top with whipped topping and sprinkle with strawberries and/or raspberries.

This "easy" recipe was sent by Barb Healey of Westland.

LINGUINI WITH CLAM/ARTICHOKES SAUCE

1/4 cup olive oil
4 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon flour
1 cup chicken broth
2 to 3 cloves garlic, crushed
1 tablespoon minced fresh parsley
2 teaspoons lemon juice

Salt and pepper to taste

1 can (14 ounces) drained artichokes (quartered)
1 can (10 ounces) whole baby clams
2 to 3 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese
1/2 pound linguini

In heavy skillet or 2 quart saucepan, heat olive oil and butter. Stir in flour and cook 3 minutes over medium heat, stirring often. Stir in broth, reduce heat and cook 1 minute.

Add garlic, parsley, lemon juice and salt and pepper to taste. Cook over low heat about 5 minutes.

Stir in artichokes, clams, and Parmesan cheese; continue cooking, stirring frequently, 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, cook linguini in rapidly boiling, lightly salted water until al dente (tender but not mushy), about 6 minutes.

Drain thoroughly and combine with prepared sauce. Toss lightly to distribute and serve at once. Makes 3 to 4 servings.

Substitute shrimp and red and yellow peppers for the clams and artichokes if you wish.

CHOCOLATE CHIP MANDEL BREAD

3 eggs
3/4 cup sugar
3/4 cup oil
Dash of salt
11/2 cups matzo cake meal
1/4 cup potato starch
1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

Beat eggs and sugar until light and fluffy and lemon colored.

Add oil and mix well. Blend in dry ingredients and chocolate chips. Let set for 20 minutes.

Arrange in 2 strips on greased cookie sheet. Bake 45 minutes at 350°F.

Slice at an angle while still warm. Let cool completely. Yield 40 pieces.

Variation: Omit chocolate chips and add 1 teaspoon cinnamon and 1/2 cup chopped walnuts.

Everyone's got a recipe to share, what's yours? Send, fax or e-mail your recipe to share. If it's chosen, we'll send you a cookbook and apron along with our thanks.

Cheers

back on the bottom, and with a sharp knife, trim up both cakes to make them nice and even.

TO MAKE THE FILLING/TOPPING:

- 1 pound 8 ounces white chocolate
- 10 ounces unsalted butter
- 2 cup heavy cream
- 5 ounces Frangelico
- Chopped walnuts to sprinkle on top

Chop up chocolate and place in a double boiler or a stainless steel bowl placed over gently boiling water, and I mean, gently.

In another pan, heat cream to almost a simmer. After chocolate is almost melted, add cream to chocolate and stir until smooth.

Divide into two bowls and refrigerate stirring about every 10 minutes until the mixture starts to thicken. Add 1 ounce of Frangelico to each bowl and mix well.

For one bowl, whip the mixture until it gets thick and spreadable. This is the filling for the torte.

The other bowl is the coating. Keep cooling and stirring, but watch so it does not get too thick.

Spread filling between layers of torte. Pour coating over the top of the assembled torte, covering evenly. Use a thin spatula to get the sides. You want it to be thick enough to cover and stay in place, but not too thin to run off.

Just before it sets, press chopped walnuts around the outside of the torte, and sprinkle evenly over the top.

Mix anything that's left with a mixer. Scoop some up with a spoon and form into 1-inch balls. Roll balls in cocoa powder for another dessert.

Brunch

contents in a bowl and reserve for other uses. Gently run water through the egg and swirl to remove any excess liquid. Let the emptied eggs dry for at least 1 hour before dyeing.

■ To hard-cook eggs: Place the desired number of eggs in a large saucepan and add cold water to completely cover. Bring the water to a boil over medium high heat and then reduce the heat to a simmer. Cook for 9-10 minutes and remove from the heat.

Drain the hot water and fill the pan with cold water to cool the eggs. Refrigerate until about one hour before you are ready to dye and decorate. Pat the eggs dry with paper towel.

■ Homemade egg coloring dye: Combine 1 tablespoon of food coloring with 2 tablespoons of vinegar in a mug. Fill the mug with cold water and stir. Drop the eggs into the dye one at a time. The longer you leave the eggs in the dye, the darker they will become. Gently pat the dyed eggs with a paper towel and let dry completely, 1 hour.



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Saucy asparagus delightful side dish

From baby bunnies and budding trees to blooming tulips and warmer temperatures, spring is a time of renewal, energy and vibrancy.

Butter is a popular ingredient at Eastertime. In fact, Easter is the third largest holiday in terms of supermarket butter sales. In 1998, approximately 19 million pounds of butter was sold in the two weeks leading up to Easter Sunday — a nearly 25 percent increase over the year's average weekly sales.

Fresh Asparagus with Browned Butter-Pecan Sauce or Orange Beurre Blanc is sure to guarantee "oohs and aahs" from kids and adults alike. For more buttery recipes and tips, visit www.butterbest.com which will be available for viewing beginning April 1.

BROWNED BUTTER-PECAN SAUCE

OR

ORANGE BEURRE BLANC

2 pounds fresh asparagus
Salt to taste
Browned Butter-Pecan Sauce, or Orange Beurre Blanc

Cook asparagus over medium-low heat, covered in 1/2-inch water in medium saucepan until crisp-tender, about 5 minutes; drain. Season with salt to taste. Arrange asparagus in serving dish; pour some Browned Butter-Pecan Sauce or spoon Orange Beurre Blanc over asparagus. Serve remaining sauce in a gravy bowl.

BROWNED BUTTER-PECAN SAUCE

8 tablespoons butter (1 stick)
1 cup chopped pecans
1 teaspoon dried marjoram leaves
Salt to taste

Heat butter and pecans in small skillet over medium-high heat until butter and pecans are browned, stirring frequently; stir in marjoram just before the end of cooking time. Pour butter and pecans over asparagus; season with salt to taste, and serve hot.

ORANGE BEURRE BLANC

3/4 cup orange juice
3 tablespoons white wine vinegar
3 tablespoons minced shallots
2 teaspoons finely grated orange rind
16 tablespoons (2 sticks) butter, cut into 16 pieces, softened



in butter a table-
Dish to pass:
The perfect accompaniment to Easter meals is a fresh spring vegetable like asparagus, which can be enhanced when served with Browned Butter-Pecan Sauce or Orange Beurre Blanc.

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Heat orange juice, vinegar, shallots and orange rind to boiling in small saucepan; boil rapidly until mixture is reduced to about 2 tablespoons, about 3-5 minutes. Reduce heat to very low; whisk

spoon at a time, whisking until each tablespoon butter is melted before adding the next. Season with salt and white pepper, to taste; serve immediately. Makes generous 1 cup sauce.

Recipe from the American Dairy Association

Correction Notice

In our March 28th ad, we advertised a Compaq Palm-Size PC (Aero2130) and Konami's NBA in the Zone '99 game for PlayStation. Due to manufacturing delays, these items are currently unavailable. However, we will be offering rainchecks for both items.

We apologize for any confusion or inconvenience this may have caused.

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday	Good Friday	Holy Saturday	Easter Sunday
April 1st Evening Mass at 5:15 pm	April 2nd Services at Noon	April 3rd Easter Vigil Begins 4 pm	April 4th Masses at 11 am & 7:35 pm

Daily Mass Schedule
Monday - Friday
11:40 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.
Saturday - 4 p.m.
Sunday - 11:00 a.m. & 7:35 p.m.

Sts. Peter & Paul Jesuit Church
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Good Friday service introduces Taize to worshipers

In 1940, in the small abandoned village in the eastern part of France, reformed minister Roger Schutz started the small Christian community of brothers.

Schutz had a vision for a modern form of monasticism and his ecumenical community of brothers, Protestant and Catholic, dedicated their lives to worship, simplicity and service. Prayer three times a day is the center of their lives.

During World War II, the Taize community helped Jewish people escape from the Nazis. For a time it was shut down by the Nazis, but in 1944, Schutz returned with some friends to recreate the community which then aided German refugees and former prisoners of war.

Taize rapidly became a center for spiritual renewal, service to the needy and the unique form of prayer and worship that bears its name.

In modern Europe, which has gained a reputation for deep spiritual indifference, thousands of unchurched young people are drawn to the tiny village of Taize, to participate in a relatively new style of prayer and song.

Taize has stylistic roots as old as Gregorian chant and yet is found to be extremely accessible for modern worshippers. For the people of Trinity Church in Livonia Taize music has become a beautiful expression of Christian faith and unity.

As part of its worship for some time, Trinity Church in Livonia will offer a full worship experience in the tradition of Taize on Good Friday, April 2, and Pentecost, May 23.

The Good Friday Taize service of prayers and meditations around the cross will be at 7 p.m. April 2 at the church, 14800 Middlebelt Road, south of Five Mile Road. The special ecumenical

cal Pentecost Taize evening prayer service will be at 7 p.m. May 23.

"Young people are often attracted to the simplicity and beauty of Taize prayer, and they find an expression of spirituality which is often lacking in their daily lives," said the Rev. Michael Van Horn, pastor of Trinity Church. "But people of

all ages will appreciate the grace and dignity of these prayers."

The brothers have combined their talents to create a unique ecumenical style of prayer and worship. As a result, this praying community has become a remarkable testimony of Christian unity, drawing both Catholic and Protestants into monastic life and shared daily

worship.

The distinctive form of prayer known as Taize is actually done in a form of simple song and chant. Much of the prayer time is spent singing short repetitive refrains or ostanos (repeated pattern) and in silent meditation.

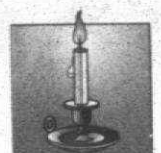
Each year people come to the village to worship and gain a

shared understanding of one another's Christian faith.

There times during the day, the bells ring and all gather at the church to pray and sing. The often necessary simple songs or singing in Latin, as a common ground for all worshippers.

For more information, call Van Horn at (734) 425-2800.

Services prepare church-goers for Easter



Today, Palm Sunday, marks the beginning of Holy Week as area churches celebrate the passion of Christ with customs dating back to the New Testament church.

Maundy Thursday falls on April 1. The word "Maundy"

comes from the Latin word for "command." The Last Supper Jesus shared with His disciples and the command to "love one another" are remembered at this service.

Good Friday on April 2 marks the occasion of Christ's death on the cross. Noon services (Trenton) commemorate the three hours Jesus hung on the cross. The evening Tenebrae (mean-

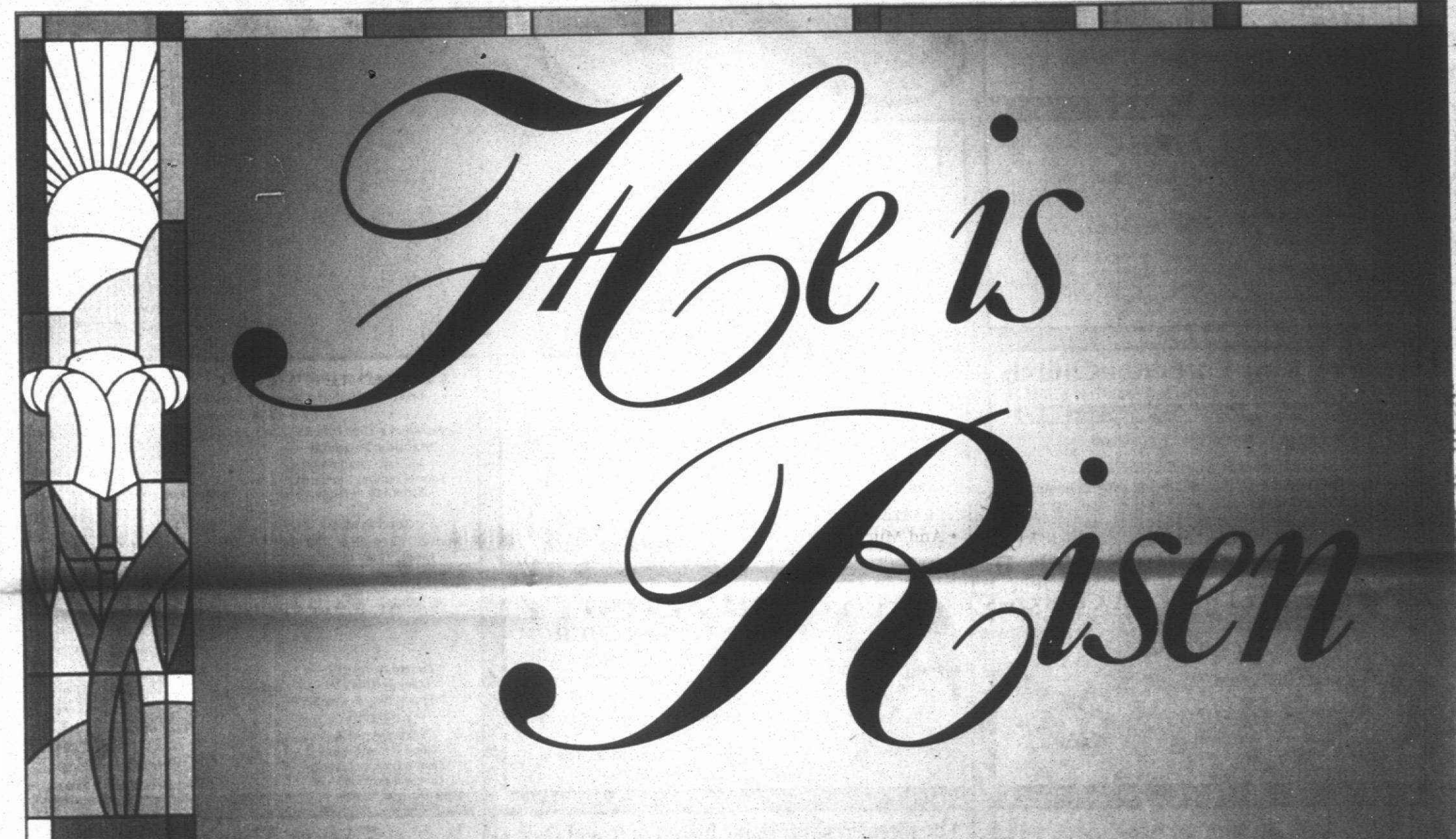
ing "darkness" or "shadows") service is a Holy Week devotion dating back to the seventh-century A.D. and is characterized by the successive extinguishing of candles as the service progresses.

On Easter (April 4), the resurrection of Christ is often celebrated with an early morning "vigil," or sunrise service. This service is designed to remember

Jesus as the light of the world and recalls the mighty acts of God.

At Christ Our Savior's Canton Campus, 46001 Warren Road, Maundy Thursday worship will be at 7:30 p.m. with Holy Communion. As a part of this service the altar will be stripped of all cloths, candles

Please see SERVICES, B5



Salem United Church of Christ
33424 OAKLAND AVENUE
Farmington, MI 48335
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Easter Sunday, April 4, at 6:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.

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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday 10:15 a.m.
Maundy Thursday 7:30 p.m.
Good Friday 7:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday:
Continental Breakfast 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

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5885 Venoy Rd.
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WORSHIP TOGETHER HOLY WEEK

MAUNDY THURSDAY
April 1st
Tre Ore Service - 1:00 p.m.
Tenebrae Service - 7:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY
April 4th
Sunrise Service - 6:30 a.m.
Easter Breakfast - 7:30 a.m.
Family Service - 9:00 a.m.
Festival Service with Communion - 11:00 a.m.

Lola Park Ev. Lutheran Church (WELS)
14750 Kinloch, Redford, MI 48239 • (313) 532-8655
Pastor Gregory Gibbons (734) 261-5422

Maundy Thursday worship • 10 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Good Friday afternoon worship • 1:00 p.m.
Good Friday Tenebrae (darkness) service • 7:30 p.m.
Easter services • 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Easter breakfast • 9:45

Risen Christ
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46250 Ann Arbor Road • Plymouth, MI 48170
734-453-5252

MAUNDY THURSDAY 7:30 p.m.
Message: "A Journey to Glory"

GOOD FRIDAY 7:30 p.m.
Message: "A Journey of Servanthood"

EASTER SUNDAY 7:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Message: "A Journey to Forgiveness"

EASTER BREAKFAST will be served from 8:30-10:30 a.m. All most welcome!

Shepherd King Lutheran Church
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Worship Sunday 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 1, Maundy Thursday - 7 p.m. Seder and Holy Communion
April 2, Good Friday - Noon and 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae
Easter Morning - 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Brunch - 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Hosanna Tabor Lutheran Church
9600 Levee, Redford 48239 • 313-937-2424
South of Plymouth Rd. between Lister and Beech-Daly

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Maundy Thursday:
Communion Service at 7:00 P.M.

Good Friday:
Preaching & Prayer Service at 1:00 P.M.
Tenebrae Communion Service at 7:00 P.M.

EASTER SUNDAY:
Sunrise Service at 6:30 A.M.
Communion Services at 9 A.M. & 11

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
1800 West Maple Road
Birmingham, Michigan
(248) 644-4010

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

Palm Sunday, March 28
Worship service 8:30, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Maundy Thursday, April 1
Service of Holy Communion . . 1:00 and 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday, April 2
Service of Holy Communion . . 1:00 and 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 4
Worship service 8:30, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

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HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday Service w/Communion 7:30 p.m.
Good Friday Tenebrae Service 8:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday Worship w/Communion 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service 10:45 a.m. Celebration of the Resurrection

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Good Friday Worship 1:15 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday Worship 7:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

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April 1st - Maundy Thursday 7:30 p.m.
Service of the Eucharist • Nursery Provided

April 2nd - Good Friday - Noon-5:00 p.m.
at Sylvan Lake Lutheran Church
2399 Riga • Orchard Lake

April 3rd - Rock & Worship Service - 6:00 p.m.
Great Vigil of Easter - 9:00 p.m.

April 4th - Easter Day - 10:00 a.m.
Resurrection. Nursery beginning at 9:45 a.m.
Children Welcome at both services.
No 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Noah's Ark

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GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE
8:00 P.M.

EASTER MORNING
7:30 COMMUNION
9:00 & 11:00 WORSHIP

UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1385 S. Adams Rd., Rochester Hills

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
7:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE
7:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

The First Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak
Invites You to Our Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday (April 1)
Evening Worship & Communion at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday (April 2)
Tenebrae at 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday (April 4)
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Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
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HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday March 28
Services at 8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday April 1
Services at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday April 2
Services at 12:15 & 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Vigil at 12:00-8:30 p.m.

Easter Vigil April 3
Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 4
Services at 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

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Maundy Thursday
April 1 7:30 PM
Foot Washing, Eucharist
Stripping of Altar

Good Friday
April 2 12 Noon & 7:30 PM
Good Friday Liturgy

Easter Eve
April 3 7:30 PM
Easter Vigil, Baptism
First Eucharist of Easter

Easter Sunday
April 4 7:45 & 10 AM
Flowering of Cross, Eucharist
Easter Egg Hunt for Children at 9 AM

St. James Episcopal Church
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The Rev. Roger Tilden, D. Min., Rector

Thursday, April 1 -
Maundy Thursday
7:30 pm Holy Eucharist
(Church)

Friday, April 2 -
Good Friday Liturgy
Noon - 1:30 pm (Church)
Come and go as you please

Sunday, April 4 - Easter Day
7:00 am - Holy Eucharist
9:00 am - Festival Choral
Eucharist, Youth Choirs
11:00 am - Festival Choral
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Camps teach love of Ukrainian music

Laurie Semmes is in love with the sound of the bandura. She recently visited the Livonia area to do research for her doctoral dissertation on Ukraine's traditional instrument which is a cross between a lute and harp.

A student at Florida State University with a master's degree from Eastman School of Music in New York, Wagner thinks the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus' summer camps to teach the finer points of playing are crucial in recruiting budding students if the culture's music is to survive. Centuries of history built up by the bandurists, who were wandering minstrels, could be lost.

"Among the Ukrainian community bandura music is growing now, the Ukrainian community nurtures this and more and more kids are playing," said Semmes. "In terms of the life of the chorus, the camps are important."

Two summer camps allow students of all ages and skill levels to learn to play bandura, and sing acapella and with bandura while experiencing the culture at two-week camps in London, Ontario, and Emlenton, Pa. "Ukraine" takes place July 25 to Aug. 7 (ages seven and up) in Ontario. Kobzarska Sich is Aug. 8-22 (for ages 12 and up) on 95-acres of pine forest along the Allegheny River in Pennsylvania. Both provide more than seven hours of daily instruction in bandura playing techniques, the instrument's history, solo and ensemble playing and singing, and music theory. At Kobzarska Sich, advanced bandura players learn Kharkiv style.

Bandura Camps

What: Learn to play Ukraine's traditional instrument, and sing acapella and with bandura while experiencing the culture at two-week camps in London, Ontario, and Emlenton, Penn.

When: "Ukraine" takes place July 25 to Aug. 7 (ages seven and up) in Emlenton, Penn. "Kobzarska Sich" is Aug. 8-22 (for ages 12 and up) in Ontario.

Cost: \$450 (US funds) for the Penn. camp, \$550 (Canadian funds) for the Ont. camp, \$50 discount for payments received by June 15, also family discount if more than one member attends.

Contact: Anatoli Murha about the Penn. camp at (734) 953-0305 or Mykola Schidowka about the Ont. camp at (519) 652-3043, or visit the web site at <http://www.execulink.com/~odum/bandura.htm>

Semmes said it's never too late to think about learning to play bandura. At 37, she found it relatively easy. Both camps accommodate students well into their 60s and if you don't own a bandura, no problem. They're available for a small rental fee during the camps.

"As a horn player I always have to negotiate where I'm going to practice," continued Semmes. "With the bandura, it's portable. You can play it anywhere. Another draw for children or anyone is it's accessible. You can learn to play fairly quickly. After a two-day workshop at the New York School of Bandura in Manhattan, I was amazed to find I was playing along with the other bandurists."

Anatoli Murha first heard the bandura at age 5 or 6 at the foot of his father Vladimir, a Livonia resident who began playing with the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus in the 1960s.

"I can remember when the bandura was bigger than I was," said Murha. "I've always been close to my father and looking up to him and thought that I'd like to play."

Murha started playing at 10 or 11 and formed a group at St. Mary's Orthodox (Ukrainian) Church in Southfield. His first camp experience came in 1991 in Pennsylvania. By 1994, he was an assistant administrator. He and Mykola Schidowka now reverse roles administrating and directing the camps.

Schidowka was 16 the first time he went to camp in Ontario in 1988. He'd played piano and classical guitar but

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Radio personality finds melody teaching, performing



PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

Professor: David Wagner, director of the Madonna University Chorale, leads a rehearsal for two upcoming concerts featuring Faure's "Requiem."

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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David Wagner sits in his office in the music department at Madonna University with a content look on his face. A former radio personality, Wagner joined the music faculty at Madonna University in September. Until 1997, he'd spun classical discs on the afternoon shift at WQRS-FM Radio. After 18 years in the business, Wagner found himself facing major life decisions when the all-classical radio station switched formats and was sold for the fifth time within 16 months.

Now, Wagner has the best of two worlds, teaching and performing. An associate professor of music, Wagner is directing the Madonna University Chorale, heading up the newly expanded course offerings in church music and chorale conducting, and teaching private organ lessons on the Livonia campus.

Tuesday nights he rehearses the university's chorale for two upcoming concerts. Actually, Wagner is busy rehearsing the 55-member Madonna University Chorale and the 32-member St. Paul Church Choir in Grosse Pointe Farms, where he is choirmaster and organist, for a performance of Gabriel Faure's "Requiem" with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under conductor Volodymyr Schesniuk, April 2

at Livonia's St. Genevieve Church. LaVerne Lieberknecht conducts the St. Genevieve Interdenominational Choir during the Good Friday concert while Wagner is keyboard soloist for Thomas Albinoni's "Adagio for Strings and Organ." Wagner, who holds a doctoral degree in organ performance from the University of Michigan School of Music, is also a guest artist along with soprano Lynda Weston and baritone Lance Ashmore for Faure's "Requiem."

Lieberknecht led the choir's performance of Rutter's "Requiem" before nearly 1,000 people last year. In addition to the performance by the interdenominational choir consisting of members of St. Genevieve, Madonna University's chorale and numerous other church choirs, Ukrainian pianist Anna Sorokhtei inaugurates St. Genevieve's 7-foot Steinway Grand as she joins the orchestra for the second movement of Mozart's "Concerto No. 21 in C major."

"This is a great opportunity for the chorale to sing with a symphony orchestra and have the experience of working with a very fine European conductor," said Wagner, an organist/harpsichordist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in the late 1970s and early '80s. "The audience will be pleasantly surprised at the level of musicianship right here in Livonia. They don't have to travel far

New song: Madonna University Chorale members Roseanne Thomas, Deb Ahrens and Francini Graff prepare for spring concerts during a Tuesday night rehearsal.

PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

to hear great music."

Wagner is looking forward to playing organ for the "Requiem" because it's a beautiful, melodic setting of the Requiem Mass and "although it's sad, it's also uplifting."

"Gabriel Faure didn't think there was something terrible in death," said Schesniuk. "It was one way of life away from another. What's important is to celebrate Good Friday with different people. It's a very special atmosphere in this church, very nice acoustics. People can have a great time. It's beautiful music."

Life as an educator

Wagner scheduled a second performance of Faure's "Requiem" by the Madonna University Chorale at Historic Christ Church in Detroit April 11 so his students have the experience of singing before a variety of audiences. In addition to Faure's Requiem with organist Joanne Volland-Rickards, are Franz Biehl's "Ave Maria," and the music of Maurice Durufle and Maurice Greene. Guest trumpeter William Beger joins the chorale for a selection by Alan Hovhanness.

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Jazz vocalist 'child of Miles Davis'

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
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When Cassandra Wilson describes the influence Miles Davis had, she could be describing herself.

"Miles was unafraid to break the rules, he pushes the envelope, he believes in evolving, constantly developing new ideas, incorporating the everyday experiences into his music, current but looking back. It's expansive. I could go on and on," she said by phone, unconsciously referring to the late trumpet master as if he were still alive, as his music certainly is.

That music, a sound instantly recognized even by those who don't follow jazz, is the inspiration for Wilson's new album, "Traveling Miles" on Blue Note. Wilson takes music composed by or interpreted by Davis and performs it in her own unique style while paying homage to the soulful, introspective



Miles fan: Cassandra Wilson explores the music of Miles Davis.

quality that was Miles Davis. She also contributes lyrics to some famous Davis tracks and adds some original songs in Davis' style.

On April 3, Wilson and her sextet perform music from "Traveling Miles," her acclaimed "New Moon Daughter" and some recent compositions to Eastern Michigan University's Pease Auditorium.

Wilson has become the leading female jazz vocalist.

In December she was voted No. 1 jazz vocalist for the fifth year in a row by Down Beat readers. She has drawn deeply from the well of jazz singers from Billie Holiday to Abbey Lincoln to Betty Carter, and she has also taken from folk-pop singers that were her first inspirations, particularly Joni Mitchell.

But, she believes, Miles was the first musician she heard growing up in Mississippi.

"I was listening to him from an early age. I was listening when I was 5 or 6 years old and the first things you hear

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ARTS CELEBRATION



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Ambassador of glass: Ferdinand Hampson, (below), owner/director of Habatat Galleries, presents the 27th Annual International Glass Invitational, a look at the emerging trends in glass artistry.

Michigan Glass Month offers exhibits, lectures, demos

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Even after 27 stable - and, thankfully, nonshattering - years of dealing in the most fragile of art forms, Ferdinand Hampson still gets a bit nervous when moving any of the glass sculptures at Habatat Galleries.

This week, Hampson of West Bloomfield will frequently repeat the phrase, "Handle with care," to his staff as they unpack and display more than 350 pieces of glass art made by 75 artists in the 27th International Glass Invitational, which opens April 8 at the downtown Pontiac gallery.

The exhibit will draw up to 10,000 people during the month, and is billed as the biggest-selling show of contemporary glass anywhere in the world. A full-color catalog published by Habatat serves as both documentation of the state of the art, and a high-end shopping guide. (Most pieces are in the five-figure range.)

That's quite a ways from the initial invitational exhibit in 1972 that featured 12 artists who shaped goblets and vases.

The Invitational is among the many exhibits, artists demonstrations and lectures occurring throughout the state over the next four weeks in celebration of Michigan Glass Month.

The reckoning

With a sense of wonder and awe, Hampson runs his hand along a crystallized surface of a large-scale figurative sculpture that arrived early for the exhibit. He's somewhat bewildered that anyone would challenge the notion of glass sculpture as a fine art on the level of painting and sculpture.

And he's more than prepared to challenge anyone who constrains glass sculpture as simply a "craft" or decorative art.

As a diplomat for glass artistry who has set up exhibits in western Europe and the Far East, Hampson has proclaimed the current evolutionary stage of the art form as the "age of recognition."

Since the inception of the glass movement in the

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1960s, the exploration of technique of the 1970s, and the refinement of sculptural concepts in the 1980s, it's time for glass art to move beyond the perception of a stepchild of the fine arts, said Hampson.

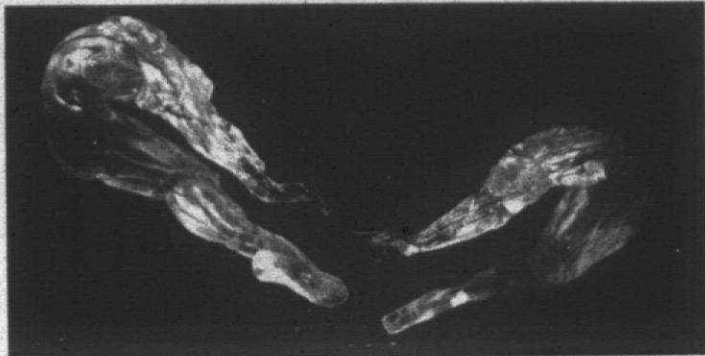
The reckoning has arrived. Essentially, the Invitational is the glass world's equivalent of the Whitney Biennial. Of course, Hampson is reluctant to make any comparisons to the every-other-year survey of contemporary art exhibited at the Whitney Museum of Art in New York. But few would argue that the International provides the best comprehensive look at the direction of glass artistry.

"Continuity is important," said Hampson. "We invite a nucleus of artists who are responsible for defining glass in terms of the sheer skill of their work, and as fine artists."

The nucleus includes Dale Chihuly, Stanislav and Javoslav Labenaky, Lucio Bubacco, William Morris, Mary Shaffer, Hugh Chardier, Dan Dailey, Dave Huchthausen, Richard Ritter, Herb Babcock (who teaches at Center for Creative Studies), and Albert Young (owner of Michigan Hot Glass Studio in Pontiac).

Because of reputation and ability to push the boundaries of glass art, Chihuly's work always draws the most attention. As the Picasso of glass and one of the most famous artists in the world, Chihuly has single-handedly raised awareness of the possibilities of sculpting molten into crystallized forms.

In addition to Chihuly's huge and distinctive chandeliers, the large-scale works of Stephen Edwards and Martin Blank's figurative sculptures will also likely draw critical and popular acclaim.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGIELLO

Glass bodies: The figurative sculptures of Martin Blank are among the featured works in this year's International Glass Invitational.

By holding the Invitational in Pontiac rather than at Habatat's other locations in Chicago or Boca Raton, Hampson has hoped to draw attention to the strong crafts movement in Michigan.

That movement has been particularly sustained by Cranbrook Art Academy's international reputation along with glass instruction and art appreciation programs at local art associations such as the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center.

Next Friday, April 9, the BBAC will exhibit works by nine

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In effect, the broader range of art on exhibit is intended to promote local artists while educating the general public on high artistic standards, said Janet Torno, executive director of the BBAC.

Michigan Glass Month

- Alfred Berkowitz Gallery - "Flameworking: a Shane Fero retrospective and selected works from glass workshop instructors," University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn, (313) 593-5058. Through May 2. Flameworking demonstrations during artists reception 5-8 p.m. Friday, April 9.
- Ariana Gallery - "1999 Cool Women, Hot Glass/Hot Women, Cool Glass," April 3-May 3, 119 S. Main, Royal Oak; (248) 546-8810.
- Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center - "Clearly Sculpture," April 9-May 7, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road; (248) 644-0866.
- Canterbury Stained Glass, "Ron Rae: A 20-year Retrospective," and "The Best of Michigan Glass Competition '99," through May 1, 1067 E. Long Lake Rd., Troy; (248) 619-9172.
- Carol/James Gallery - "For the Love of Glass," April 2-May 1, 301 S. Main, Royal Oak; (248) 541-0607.
- Center for Creative Studies - "A Glass Passport II," exhibit of student work, 301 E. Frederick, Detroit; (313) 664-7800. Through April 10.
- Detroit Institute of Arts - "Glass, Glass, Glass," an exhibit of 70 pieces of 20th-century studio glass, 5200 Woodward, Detroit; (313) 833-1851. Through April 30.
- Gallery XVIII - "Woman in Motion," April 8-26, 18 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 745-8545.
- Habatat Galleries - "27th Annual International Glass Invitational," April 8-May 8, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-2060.
- Jewish Community Center - "Retrospective of work by Ricky Bernstein and Sidney Hunger," through April 29, 6600 W. Maple Rd., West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.
- Michigan Hot Glass Workshop, April 3-18, 29 W. Lawrence St., Pontiac; (248) 338-3455.
- Prism Contemporary Glass Gallery - "A Glass Act '99," Saturdays through April 19, N. Saginaw; (248) 333-0333.
- Uzelac Gallery - "Interpretations in Glass," April 10-May 8, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257.

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have the most influence," she said.

She has called herself a "child of Miles Davis" and it can be heard in the slow tempos, the smoky vocals, the extended quiet. But it was another trumpeter, Wynton Marsalis, who suggested that Wilson explore Davis' music for a tribute at New York's Lincoln Center for the Arts.

"So I did six nights at the Lincoln Center and that's when we had the idea for doing the album," Wilson said.

The album opens impressively with "Run the Voodoo Down," with music from "Bitches Brew" and Old Davis playing his cornet Miles style. Wilson's vocal is deep, rich. Her lyrics are spare, expressive, conjuring up the languid, country blues of the deep (very deep) south.

Wilson's lyrics have this quality of expressing a lot in a few words and with little sentimentality. Take this lyric from "Traveling Miles" in tribute to Davis' electric influence: "born with the lightning and thunder/sound descending proud and bright/restless as the wind/singing folk in the night."

"I look for experience, something in my life I can use to get inside the music," she said. "It's

almost always tied to some feeling, emotion I can tap into."

Though the album features Dara and saxophonist Steve Coleman, it is string instruments that make the most intriguing interplay with Wilson's voice (including Detroit violinist Regina Carter on one track). This comes naturally as her father was the late Herman Fowkles, a guitarist-bassist, though he never taught her to play.

"I don't believe I saw him perform, but there were always instruments around," she said. "I had six years of piano and had gotten tired of it. I started to play guitar and he threw a couple books at me and said here, figure it out. But it was done to reignite my passion for music."

It was a passion she originally pursued as a folk singer at coffeehouses in Mississippi and Arkansas while studying mass communications at Jackson State University. The folk influence is still strong, despite the sniffling of some jazz purists.

"I don't let it interfere anymore," she said about such criticism. "I used to be embarrassed by my feelings about folk music, but it was an important part of my development."

She began to pursue a jazz singing career when her career in television stalled. She said she had a job in New Orleans but found herself unemployed when she followed her now ex-husband to New Jersey.

She began to listen to jazz singers and in New York she frequented the jazz clubs. In the January Jazz magazine she tells a story about going to see jazz maverick Betty Carter, who died last year. She said she went to hear Carter sing in Chicago and asked her, between sets, if she would teach her how to become a jazz singer. She said Carter told her bluntly, coldly, "You just do it. What have you got to lose?"

After dealing with bruised feelings, Wilson used the advice as a challenge which led to her successful career and abiding respect for Carter.

"She was a trailblazer, a real role model for young singers. She was a band leader who had a 'school.' Musical talent ran through her band. She was as important as Art Blakey at that. But mostly she was about women taking control of the music," Wilson said.

Cassandra Wilson is one woman who has "taken control of the music" as she and her hot band, under musical director and bassist Lonnie Plaxico, will demonstrate Saturday.

Noteworthy

Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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Stars at Oscars make good and bad style choices

BEAUTY AND THE BEST



JEFFREY BRUCE

Let's take a look at this year's Oscars, or the Good, the Bad and the What Were They Thinking? And, let's just free-associate.

Of course there are some right-wingers out there, but Whoopi Goldberg was hysterical. However, Whoopi was not as funny as her dress designer.

The evening's Elizabeth garb and from there went aviary. Yes, aviary, as in birds. In fact, by midnight, Whoopi had, obviously, eaten and thrown an emu around her neck.

By show's end, she was wearing Trigger's horseshoe around her shoulders. Good to know that Val Kilmer's idiotic appearance with that horse was not for naught! But let's get to the heart of the matter: The gowns and the rags, the do's and the don'ts, the winners and the losers.

By far, the best makeup, hair and dress — the whole shebang — came from Geena Davis.

What can one say about Sophia Loren, except that she is the most spectacular woman on earth.

Then there was Gwyneth Paltrow. Phenomenal. Everything — the makeup, the gown, the crying acceptance speech — worked for me. What did not work was the side part in the hair (very Alfred E. Newman). She should have slicked it back straight.

Another stand-out was Judi Dench. Newly blond, she looked, as the Brits would say, "smashing." Her makeup was beautiful and subtle — perfect for a middle-aged woman. She had great attitude, too. Bravo, Dame Judi!

Looking adorable was Anne Heche. But, then again, adorable works on someone as slight as she. Her hair, which is very thin, was layered and feathered properly, and she looked happy and lovely (pity about the dress, though).

As for who I thought was absolutely perfect, there is no contest. Jennifer Lopez made everyone on stage look like mincemeat. Her makeup and hair were flawless. And, thank you, Jennifer, for not enshrining your derriere for the masses. The ball gown was magnificent!

Now for the fun part.

No one could surpass Celine Dion as the hoot of the evening. Not only was her jacket on backwards — the lapels were in the back — but she wore a hat upon arrival that was reminiscent of the headdress of a Northwest flight "stewardess." Oy. Then she sang with Andrea Bocelli (double oyy). To me, Celine has always looked like a Bette Midler female impersonator... out of drag!

Liv Tyler: She has taken over the Princess Di visage, slumping, gazing through heavy eyelids at the camera. Perhaps the rubber band was too tight on her idiotic pig tail. But what a relief to see that her father has miraculously become Nancy Sinatra.

Drew Barrymore: Drew, Drew, cover the arms, doll. She has gone from baby fat to adult fat. Bad idea to do the sleeveless number. She's as adorable as can be, but there is just a touch of "Baby Jane" creeping in there.

So what have we learned dear students about style? I think the most important one has to do with hair. There really is no such thing as a day hair style or an evening hair style. Hair that falls below the shoulders with a strapless gown looks silly. "Up dos" look 100 years old.

How many of you noticed Steven Spielberg's (very lucky) wife, Kate Capshaw, in the audience. That's how a woman should look (hair-wise) in an evening gown.

As for makeup, the only real offender was Helen Hunt. She was doing a cross between Morticia Addams and Cher, circa 1965. You all saw how tired and awful she looked.

Compare her to the loveliness of Gwyneth, the excitement of Sophia, the exoticism of Jennifer, and you'll get the idea.

Years ago, everyone wanted to look like a movie star. Still feel that way? Just be careful what you wish for and which star you have in mind when casting your wish.

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A time for grandeur



Majestic in taffeta: Neiman Marcus couture designer Michael Casey designed this pale aqua taffeta ball gown, \$4,950 at Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection in Troy.

Grand form: From Michael Casey's couture collection, this colorful gown, \$3,990 at Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection in Troy, bares the shoulders, is composed of multiple layers of fabric, including tulle, and employs a variety of pastel colors to create a feminine but grand look for evening this spring.



Flowing and full: Strapless in metallic gray taffeta, this ball gown is priced at \$385 at Cache in the Somerset Collection in Troy.

Almost forgotten, the ball gown returns to close the century

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
SPECIAL EDITOR

Rich taffeta, full gathered skirts, strapless bodices, layers of fabric and flowing trains — these elegant, almost forgotten elements proclaimed their importance at the Oscar ceremony.

But Hollywood's display of style and this spring's collection of women's evening wear are merely a prelude to the force driving such grandeur.

"This whole kind of race to the finish line, to the millennium... It's kind of a race to grandeur," said Neiman Marcus couture designer Michael Casey of this spring's evening attire for women.

Styled with majestic trains and voluminous skirts in fabrics like organza, taffeta and chiffon, these special occasion pieces — not merely dresses for evening galas — have soared to the level of the bygone ball gown.

Jane Bassett, special events director for Parisian at Laurel Park Place in Livonia, agreed. Indicative of the trend is a lavender gown — pastels and silver gray are in abundance — with multiple fabric layers and flowing sheer ties that fall to the ankles (\$155 at Parisian), said Bassett, adding, "We haven't seen trains for centuries, or, at least, decades."

But, even greater grandeur awaits.

"This is just a prelude," said Beverly Rice, senior vice president of fashion and merchandising strategy for Jacobson's. "If you saw the Academy Awards, what Gwyneth Paltrow wore was typical of the look... but there will probably be an elaboration that is even more glamorous for millennium gowns."

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Armani at Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection in Troy. Informal modeling 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Designer Sportswear, third floor.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

MATILDA DODGE WILSON EXHIBIT
Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection in Troy, presents Meadow Brook Hall Director Lisa Baylis Ashby and rarely viewed pieces from the Matilda Dodge Wilson collection, 2-30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

STUART WEITZMAN
View Stuart Weitzman's collection of shoes at Jacobson's in Birmingham, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Women's Shoe

News of special events for shoppers is included in 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 publication on Sunday.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

GET SUITED UP
Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection in Troy, presents Swim Week through April 3. Leisure Sports-wear, second floor.

ORCHIDS AND ORCHIDS
The annual Palm Sunday Orchid Show at Laurel Park Place in Livonia runs noon-6 p.m. The show features 800-square-feet of orchids.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

GIORGIO ARMANI
View the spring and summer collection of Giorgio

Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement), please call Where Can I Find? at (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message. And you should see your input in a few weeks. Due to the overwhelming response to this column, we only publish the requested item two or three times. If you have not seen a response or heard from us, we were unable to locate the item. Thank You.

WHAT WE FOUND:

For Frances, we found a 1939 Central High School yearbook. Please call (248) 901-2555 and leave your phone number.

We are looking for the person who wanted the 1943 Northern High School yearbook, too. Please call the above number.

Elaine should also call with her telephone number since we found cork tiles for her.

The Gillette Company used to manufacture Deep Magic, but no longer does.

Yardley English Lavender cologne can be found at Meijer stores.

Wick'd candles can be found at the Town Peddler Craft store: 35323 Plymouth Road. Also, call Wayne Malburg, who makes the candles, at (734) 449-6026.

Max Factor lipstick in "Rosette" can be found in the Beauty Boutique catalog. Call (440) 826-3008. It is item #11820, located on page 54 and costs \$3.99.

For Gloria, we found a wire recording player.

AROMATIQUE candles in cinnamon-cider can be found at the Aromatique Gallery: 3421 Hwy. 25, North Herber Springs, Arkansas, (501) 362-7919. Also try Copper Cricket, 7216 N. Wayne Road in Westland.

We also found information about having a computer font made of a signature.

For Carol, we found Woodhue cologne by Fabergé. Also, one reader called to suggest trying the perfume Exclamation as a replacement.

Top fitted sheets can be found in the Voice of the Mountains General Merchandise catalog: P.O. Box 3000, Manchester Center, Vermont 05255-3000, (802) 362-8440.

WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR:
Jane is looking for a 1995-96 St. Bell of Dearborn yearbook.

Michael is looking for an old style English (red) phone booth for a lower level residence.

Angela is looking for Yardley's April Violet soap, lotion and accessories.

Joann wants Estee Lauder feather proof lipstick in "Festive Red #06."

Elma is looking for three items: Trivial Pursuit (silver screen edition), a corkscrew by International Sterling pattern "Royal Danish," and Neutrogena Solid Unique shampoo, which looks

like a bar of soap.

Mr. Reeves is looking for Musk Oil by Alyssa Ashley.

Winifred wants a darned egg.

Another reader is looking for a business that will restuff goose feather pillows.

Margaret is looking for square, breaded fish for making sandwiches. It looks like McDonald's fish.

Laurie is looking for a large triangle hair net that ties and wraps around hair rollers.

Judy wants "Fletcher," a children's hardcover book published by Parents Magazine Press.

Eleanore is still looking for the ingredient used to make furniture polish. Wood alcohol is now methanol.

Rosemary still wants Crystal Lite lemonade flavor hard candies.

Denise is looking for Nature's European elastin firming facial by Avazana.

Carol from Westland is looking for TV plastic trays.

Marian is looking for MAROC cologne by Ultima.

Katrina wants a US Team soccer shirt.

Colleen still wants the little statues that have heads that bounce that are placed in the back windows of cars.

Jeanette wants Bongo button fly jeans.

Diane is looking for a 1960's plastic egg toy that contains characters from the Flintstones family.

Bob is looking for copies of Trading Times from before September 1998.

Margaret wants Lancaster perfume by Lancaster of Monaco in France.

Mary is looking for the Clairol Slender Twirl Brush/Curling iron.

April is looking for the 1989 Plymouth, Canton & Salem yearbook.

Dennis wants a 1960 Wayne Memorial High School yearbook.

Pat is looking for Heywood-Wakefield Early American/Colonial Hard Rock maple furniture.

Kathy wants the Playskool toy "Awesome Tossome Cow," a soft nylon cow that mooes.

Teresa is still looking for non-diatatic powder used to make bagels.

Jan is looking for Bonnie Doon women's wool ankle and knee socks.

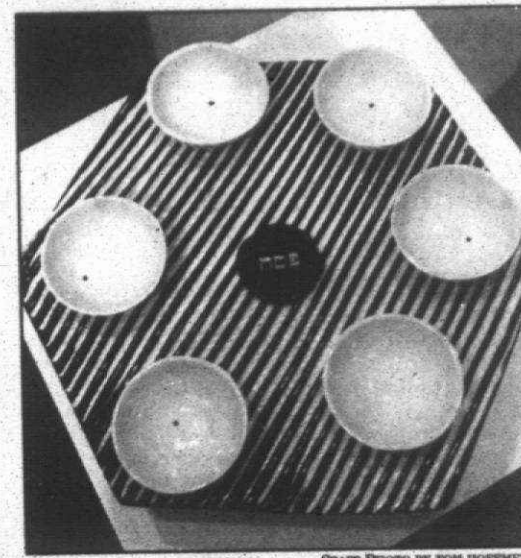
Marion wants the "Indiana Jones Temple of Doom" cassette or CD. It is the second of three soundtracks.

Nancy wants the movie soundtrack from "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang."

John is looking for an Elvis Presley painting.

Deborah is looking for men's saddle shoes in a size 12 (narrow would be a plus) in black/white or navy/cream.

— Compiled by Sandra Jarackas



Modern aesthetics: Artist Arlene Ancona designed this contemporary black and white Seder dish set, which sells for \$155 at ZYZZYX! in West Bloomfield.

Seder dishes need not look traditional

Honoring the Hebrew traditions of Passover's Seder meal doesn't preclude a show of contemporary aesthetics, even when it comes to dishware.

"People are buying more decorative pieces," said Annie Lustig, owner of ZYZZYX!, an arts, craft and jewelry store in West Bloomfield that sells unique, modern-looking Seder plates. Religiously symbolic food is presented and served on the six special plates as part of Passover's observance.

"I think you always have your traditional ones, but I think people want to display (the dishes) all year long," said Lustig. "That's why you're seeing that the plates are becoming more and more artistic."

RETAIL DETAILS

CHANGE IS GOOD

The Dandy Lion & Company store is moving from its downtown Rochester location, at 116 E. Fourth Street, to Lakeside mall in Sterling Heights. The store will be located on the upper level of the mall next to Hudson's. It opens April 1.

BUNNIES TO HOLD

Easter bunny gifts need not be chocolate. Besides, there's an abundance of unique and adorable stuffed animal bunnies to add to children's Easter baskets or incorporate into a dinner table centerpiece this holiday.

The Union General Store and Sweetshop Cafe, at 50 S. Main Street in downtown Clarkston, has an array of unusual and cuddly Easter bunnies, including the Hop-to-it-Bunny, which dons a knit sweater big enough to hold an Easter egg. Made by the North American Bear Company, the bunny sells for \$31. Other standouts at the Union General: a miniature fleece bunny that squeaks when squeezed, \$6.25, and a musical bunny that pops out of a head of lettuce and twirls to the tune of "The Waltzing Matilda," \$25.

ESSAY CONTEST

If you've always dreamed of running a retail store filled with beautiful merchandise, an unbelievable opportunity may await you.

Diana Pink, the owner of Pinks-N-Lace, an antique and gift store with a Victorian theme located at 1000 N. Main Street in Royal Oak, is giving away the contents of her store to the winner of a national essay contest.

Worth more than \$150,000, the contents of the store include antiques, glassware, dolls, cards, beaded lamp shades, linens, lace, hats and clothes. Write an essay, 300 words or less, about your dream of owning a business like Pinks-N-Lace. Only the store's merchandise will be awarded to the winner. The contest entry deadline is May 31, 1999.

For additional information and rules, you can visit <http://members.xoom.com/Pinksnlace>, email a request for rules to pinksnlace@yahoo.com, call toll free (877) 556-0508 or stop by the store, which is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday.

MORE BUNNY SIGHTINGS

The Easter Bunny will be on hand for visits and photographs through April 3 at Meadow Brook Village Mall in Rochester Hills. Hours are: 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday.

In Troy, the Somerset Collection's Spring Bunnies will perform "Giggles in the Garden," a musical theatre program, at 1 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday through April 3 in the mall's North Grand Court. Photographs will be available. Also, a children's egg hunt is slated 10-11 a.m. April 3.

BALANCING ACT

Last week, Hudson's, Somerset Collection in Troy, presented an interesting balancing act for shoppers' amusement. To demonstrate the strength of Wedgwood Bone China, a 500-pound piano was balanced on top of three overturned Wedgwood tea cups.

STAR THEATER OPENS

Star Theaters will open its 25-screen cineplex at Great Lakes Crossing mall in Auburn Hills on March 31.

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TRAVEL

Mount Dora is a slow waltz backwards in Florida

BY PAT RITNER
SPECIAL WRITER

Sometimes when life gets really hectic you need to slow down and take a couple steps backward. You need to get away, but not to Las Vegas or New York. This is the perfect time to visit Mount Dora, Fla.

Mount Dora is full of surprises. You expect Florida towns to be flat as the proverbial pancake, but Mount Dora sits on rolling hills sloping up from the six-mile long Lake Dora. You expect Florida towns to look southern or contemporary. Mount Dora has Victorian architecture complete with cupolas, wrought-iron grates and wrap-around porches. It reminds you of a small New England town frozen in the 1940s. You may even expect the high activity level of the theme park. Mount Dora is tranquil and peaceful. There is plenty to do, but you feel more like puttingter than rushing.

The town is located just 30 miles northwest of Orlando in Lake County with its 1,400 spring-fed lakes. Fishing, swimming and boating delight visitors as do towering oak trees, rolling hills, and a downtown village that begs you to stay. Part of the charm of this wonderful little Victorian town is that it is small. Downtown is only about four blocks square. You can easily get to shops and restaurants on foot or take the trolley tour just for fun. There are numerous antique shops, boutiques, bookstores, galleries, outdoor cafes and upscale restaurants. Even the business names are intriguing,

If you plan to visit Mount Dora

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The Country Club of Mount Dora
(800) 290-3672
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like Goosefeathers, Purple Pineapple, Goblin Market and Pigs Fly.

Mount Dora is well known for the number of antique shops and especially for Renninger's - a collection of 200 dealers, which is open on weekends. Mount Dora townsfolk are very protective of the character of their town. It was not until very recently that contemporary shops were welcome to the downtown area. Now there are several. My favorite shop is a funky little store called Double Creek Pottery. There are no national chains in the downtown area except the hardware store that really feels more like a country store.

Some folks call Mount Dora Festival City because of the number of special events they host each year. The best known as the antique extravaganzas held three times each year with as many as 1,400 dealers and

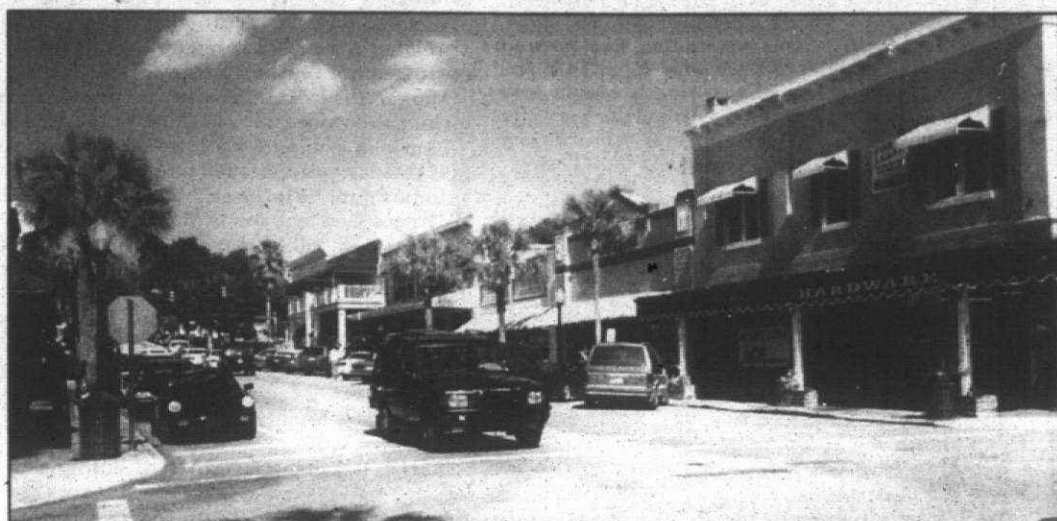
the Arts Festival, a nationally ranked fine arts festival which draws 275,000 visitors. Not all festivals are related to arts and antiques though. Florida's largest bicycling event is held in October and a Boat Festival takes place in March.

At any time, however, it is fun to stroll around Mount Dora and see the historic structures and the natural beauty. Lakeside Inn is a large yellow hotel complex built in the 1880s that has been cited "A Historic Hotel of America." You can sit on one of the rocking chairs which line the front porch or stop for high tea in the cozy lobby just like President Calvin Coolidge did in 1930.

The Donnelly House built in 1893 is also yellow clapboard, but it is topped with silver turrets and scrollwork. It has been the Masonic temple since 1930 and is open for various public events including the annual Hospice Christmas House.

Shady Donnelly Park offers tennis courts, shuffleboards and a small amphitheater. Palm Island Boardwalk is a great place to see birds and many kinds of palms as well as the lake's red and white working lighthouse. The lawn bowling courts are located near the Lakeside Inn. We happened on an early morning lawn bowling tournament with dozens of participants dressed all in white reminiscent of the Great Gatsby. Everywhere you go there are park benches inviting residents and visitors to stop and stay awhile.

There are a number of excel-



Sleepy town: An Ace Hardware is the only national chain store in downtown Mount Dora, a Florida town that's like another era.

lent restaurants in Mount Dora ranging from the Windsor Rose, a quaint English tea room to the fine dining offered by the Park Bench Restaurant. Our favorite was Goblin Market located in the alley off Donnelly Street. The seafood was wonderful and the staff made us feel right at home. The interior of the building looked like an old home, but the waitress shared that only recently it had been a repair garage. If you are in the mood for a Big Mac, you will need to go just outside of town. There are no fast food chains in downtown Mount Dora.

If you plan to stay in Mount Dora, you will find a wide varia-

tion of accommodations including the historic Lakeside Inn, numerous Bed and Breakfast establishments, as well as newer motels and inns. The Magnolia Inn on Third Avenue looks very inviting and is an easy walk to downtown. The newly constructed Hampton Inn is just across from the Country Club of Mount Dora.

Some folks like to visit Mount Dora so much they don't want to leave. Money Magazine has rated Mount Dora No. 1 in Florida and No. 3 in the United States as the best place to retire. They base their ratings on climate, housing costs, crime rate, health care and cultural and

recreational activities. New residents often choose to live at The Country Club of Mount Dora, a gated residential community located just outside of downtown on U.S. Route 441. It includes an 18-hole championship golf course, tennis, swimming and many other recreational activities.

If you want to step back in time to a place where the weather is warm, the pace is relaxed and the people are friendly, try Mount Dora. If you like it, you may choose to keep it a secret. You may want to help the locals keep Mount Dora the unique community it is.

Pat Ritner lives in Troy.

GREAT ESCAPES

CRUISE MICHIGAN

A group consisting of representatives from 19 ports from around Michigan has formed an association called Cruise Michigan to help promote the re-emerging cruise industry in Michigan waters. The association will undertake joint marketing programs and work together to promote Michigan ports to cruise companies.

TRAVELERS GUIDE

Hostelling International-American Youth Hostels has released the 1999 edition of the "Travelers' Resource Guide."

This publication contains helpful information and useful travel tips that are especially relevant to someone planning their first trip abroad. Topics covered in the guide include: getting ready to go, planning your itinerary, all about your money, packing for travel, getting there by air and traveling by rail.

Youth Hostels is also sponsor-

ing International Travel Day, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 10, at the Southfield Civic Center, Parks and Recreation Building, 26000 Evergreen Road. Admission is free.

This event will feature presentations on budget travel, the European rail network, traveling safely and more. Free travel brochures from more than 30

countries will also help prepare travelers for adventures abroad.

For a free copy of the 1999 Travelers Resource Guide write the Michigan Council of the Youth Hostels, 3024 Coolidge, Berkley, MI 48072 or call (248)545-0511.

WHITE WATER RAFTING

The Schoolcraft College EdgeRunner Ski Club is sponsoring a white water rafting trip to New River, W.Va., on June 4-6. The club is offering a special price of \$95 for club members (\$120 for non-members). The price includes all-day rafting on

Saturday; two-nights camping (bring your own tent) and a buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner Saturday. Contact EdgeRunners at (734)462-4422. Trip participants must be 18 or older and need not be members. A down payment of \$60 per person is due on or before April 1.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

On the brink

Renee Allen, from Canton, came up just short of a state championship at the third annual United States Girls Wrestling Association's State Championships March 21 at Lake Orion HS.

Allen, wrestling in the 127-pound weight division, pinned Richelle Buskirk of Belding in 3:39 to finish third in her class. Hilary Lucarelli of Ishpeming edged Sarah Williams of Interlochen, 6-5, in the championship bout.

Canton swim awards

Plymouth Canton completed its swimming season with a Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division title, going undefeated in four divisional dual meets. At the team's awards banquet March 16, seven Chiefs were honored.

Senior team captains Justin Allen and Kurtis Hornick received the Pat Gilligan Team Leadership Award; senior Don LeClair got the Career High Point Award; seniors Chad Williams and Bill Stewart collected the Scholar Athlete Award; sophomore Jon Heiss was presented the Most Improved Award; and junior Aaron Reeder took home Most Valuable Swimmer honors.

Cannon tryouts

The Plymouth-Canton Cannons Travel Baseball Team (Mickey Mantle Division) will have tryouts for 15-16 year-old boys (as of July 31, 1999) starting at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 11 at Pioneer Middle School. Those interested must be Plymouth or Canton residents. League participation fee is \$325.

For further information, call Bob Hoernschemeyer at (734) 459-9169.

Spring baseball tourney

The Michigan Indians Baseball Club will be hosting the Michigan AAU state championship tournament for competitive 11-and-under travel baseball teams, May 14-16, in Plymouth.

The cost is \$250 per team with a four-game guarantee.

The champion will receive a direct bid for the AAU National Championships at Disney's Wide World of Sports in Orlando, Fla.

Spots are limited.

For more information, call Dave Sarkesian at (248) 486-6553.

Soccer Academy

The United States Soccer Academy is seeking players, boys and girls on teams under-11 through under-19, for a developmental program to represent the U.S. in the world's largest youth soccer tournament, the Gothia Cup in Sweden, and the Dana Cup in Denmark.

Players will attend a five-day training camp in Denmark. Players must be available to travel July 13 through Aug. 2.

For more information, call 1-800-656-5499.

Golf league forming

A 20-week spring Men's Golf League is being planned for Wednesday evenings by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, starting April 21 at Fellows Creek GC. The league will be limited to 36 golfers (Canton residents only, unless the league is not filled by March 26).

Cost is \$420, which covers all league greens fees, prize money, league outing and awards. Tee times are 5-6 p.m. Register in person at the Canton Parks and Recreation Services office, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

There will be a league meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 14 at Fellows Creek to discuss rules and regulations.

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

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

Smokin'!

8-2 win gives Whalers a clean sweep of Spitfires

BY DUNCAN E. WHITE
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Goal, goal ... yawn ... goal, buzzer. Ok, who's next?

And so it went for the Plymouth Whalers Friday night in an 8-2 go-through-the-motions win that sent the Windsor Spitfires packing for the season.

The win capped an impressive 4-0 first-round sweep by the Whalers, who outscored Windsor 27-6 in the series.

Plymouth head coach/general manager Peter DeBoer didn't see much room for improvement in how the team performed against the Spitfires.

"We won our first round, we got through it healthy and we're pretty confident with the way we handled the four games," he said. "It's a nice way to get through it. We've got some time off before our next round."

Who the Whalers will face in the next round is still to be determined but the opening game of the series is set for next Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in Plymouth. They could face London, Sarnia or Sault Ste. Marie, depending on how the other series finish.

"It doesn't really matter who we play," said DeBoer. "All three teams are in our league and we had equal success against each of them. They're all about equal distance as well, except for the Soo."

Despite having to endure an eight-day stretch between games, DeBoer was confident that his squad will be ready to play and is confident that the lay-off won't have much of an impact.

"I think the most it would carry over to is maybe a period or so next Saturday night," he said. "That would be the worst of it but that's our job as coaches to schedule the week out right so we come out ready to go."

Harold Druken, named the game's No. 1 star with two goals and two assists for Plymouth, is looking forward to spending some time off work-



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSHMANN

Into the stretch: The Whalers' Adam Colagiaco reaches for a loose puck behind the Windsor net as he is checked by the Spitfires' Craig Mahon. Colagiaco got two assists in Friday's series-clinching victory; Plymouth swept all four games from the Spits, outscoring them 27-6.

ing on another sport.

"We wanted to get it done tonight," he said. "We don't play again until next week and we've got a nice day off tomorrow. Maybe we'll hit the golf course tomorrow, all of us, and then come back and get ready for our next opponent."

Plymouth quickly opened the scoring as Paul Mara ripped a 40-foot slap shot

past Windsor goaltender Ron Vogel 2:09 into the game for his first goal of the playoffs. It was Plymouth's only power play goal of the game.

Windsor turned the puck over in its own end and Troy Smith capitalized at the 10:20 mark to put Plymouth up 2-0 midway through the first period.

Randy Fitzgerald tipped a shot from the point 5:41 into the second period to

put the Whalers up 3-0 and Druken scored his first goal of the game less than four minutes later on a shot that somehow found its way through Vogel's pads for a commanding 4-0 lead.

Michael Hanson scored on the power play at the 12:32 mark to put the Spitfires on the board but James Ramsay was credited with his first goal of the

Please see WHALERS, D2

SOCCER PREVIEWS

Hopes soaring for Chiefs

BY C.J. RISAK
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Plymouth Canton's and Plymouth Salem's girls soccer teams shared one common enemy last season: Livonia Stevenson.

That's because the Spartans overwhelmed all opposition in stampeding to their second-straight Class A championship. Stevenson, led by Allison Campbell, did not lose or tie a game last season. But Campbell is gone, and so are a few of her teammates, which makes the Spartans more vulnerable this season.

And Canton is ready, willing and able to pounce on the defending champs.

"They've lost quite a few quality players," said Canton coach Don Smith of Stevenson. "But they're still tough."

So were the Chiefs last year, posting a 13-3-2 overall record. Their losses were to Stevenson (twice) and to Salem, in the district semifinals.

The question is: Will Canton be able to close the gap and catch the Spartans?

First, it must be understood that the Chiefs have losses from last season's team, too. That's the bad news — six players are gone, including all-division keeper Kristin Lukasik.

The good news is, Smith carried 26 players on his varsity a year ago. Which, in perspective, makes the losses rather slight. The only other key positions to

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fill are at sweeper and at forward, where Lisa Esper and Melissa Marzolf have both graduated.

As with every previous Don Smith-coached team, there is plenty of talent to fill the vacancies. "I swore up and down that I was only going to keep 22 on the varsity this season," Smith said as he counted out the 26 names on his current varsity roster.

The most impressive of the returnees is sophomore forward Anne Morrell. A under-16 Olympic Development Program player, Morrell was named to the state's Dream Team and was all-Observer as a freshman after scoring 26 goals and assisting on 13 others.

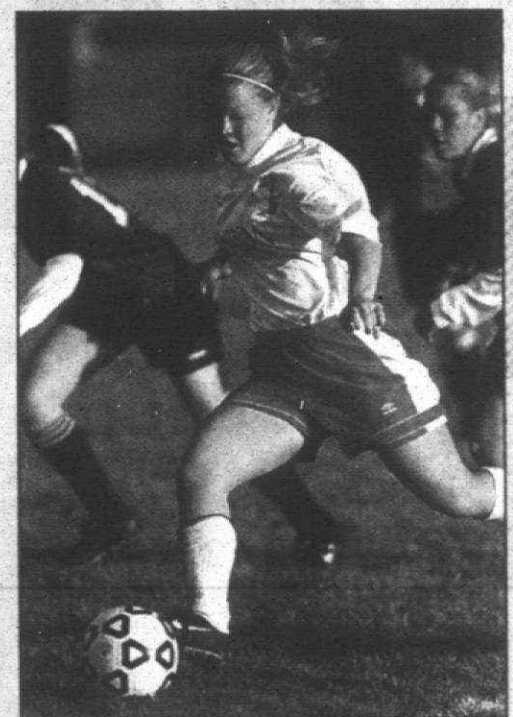
The problem too often was that Morrell had no scoring help. Smith has made some adjustments to change that, moving sophomore Amanda Lentz from outside midfielder to forward. So far, the move has looked good.

"They work well together," said Smith. "(Amanda) is good wherever she plays, but she'll help us more up front."

Both Morrell and Lentz are presently overseas, playing for a week in Europe.

"We scored pretty well," Smith said in summariz-

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Game-breaker: Anne Morrell scored 26 goals to lead Canton as a freshman last year.

Rocks stalking contenders' role

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The good news seemingly outweighs the bad by a substantial margin, in regards to Plymouth Salem's girls soccer team.

After all, the Rocks — who went 16-2-2 last season — have lost just two players to graduation. The team that dominated not only in the Western Lakes Activities Association, but statewide — Livonia Stevenson — has lost many of its stars, including Miss Soccer Allison Campbell.

In the 1998 preseason, Salem coach Doug Landefeld knew everyone else was playing for second best. That's how good the Spartans were. And they lived up to the billing, parading through their schedule with hardly a challenge, going unbeaten in collecting their second-straight state title.

That will change this year, with all the player losses Stevenson has experienced. The question is, who will do the changing?

Who will step into the breach? Landefeld is hoping it will be his Rocks. But, of course, that's where the bad news comes in to play.

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True, Salem has lost just two players from its 1998 roster. But those two were pivotal: midfielder Mia Sarkesian and forward Missy Simons. Both were all-state performers. "Well, those are the only two we lost," said Landefeld sarcastically, then added, "I don't think you ever replace someone like Mia. She always knew what to do and where to be, offensively and defensively."

Sarkesian led Salem in scoring the past two years, netting 23 goals and eight assists in her senior season. She is currently enrolled at Notre Dame University.

Simons totaled 21 goals and nine assists to finish just behind Sarkesian in scoring. She attended Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C., an NCAA Division I school.

Those totals alone illustrate what could be the Rocks biggest problem this season. "We're going to have to figure out how to score," noted Landefeld. "They scored 60-to-70 percent of our goals. We're going to have to have people step forward."

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Goal threat: Jami Coyle, a midfielder last season, is counted on to score this year.

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Whaler welcomes famous cousin

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One cousin just breezed through his professional hockey league's opening round of playoffs. The other cousin is hoping to sometime next month.

Both are highly touted defenseman who are expected to make a big impact for their respective teams on the ice this year come crunch time.

Nik Tselios, cousin of newly acquired Detroit Red Wings defenseman Chris Chelios, collected two assists for the Plymouth Whalers Friday night to help his team sweep the Windsor Spitfires in an opening-round Ontario Hockey League playoff series. Tselios has nine points (three goals, six assists) in the playoffs.

With Chelios' trade from the Chicago Blackhawks early last week, the two are residents of

the same metropolis for the first time in several years, a fact that Tselios is obviously happy about.

"We're both originally from Chicago and it's great," he said. "Now I can go see him play instead of just seeing him on TV. I love to watch him play and pick up little tricks here and there. He's a great competitor and it's great watching him."

Since both have the occupation of hockey player in common, as well as both being defensemen, Tselios said that the two naturally share a common bond.

"We're actually pretty close," he said. "He (Chris) is pretty busy all season but in the summer I help him out with his hockey camps and things like that."

Moving from one city to another is usually pretty time consuming, let alone making a move between states on a moment's notice.

Yet, even with all that has happened for Chelios in the past week, he was able to find time to see his cousin on Thursday ... or, at least see him play hockey.

"He came to the game last night in Windsor but a lot of the fans were bothering him for autographs so he decided to skip out early," said Tselios. "I didn't get a chance to talk to him but he left me a note telling me to get a hold of him soon."

So the big question remains: With Tselios having made the trip to metro Detroit to play for the Whalers, and his older cousin making the switch within the past week, are these two now true, blue Detroit Red Wings fans?

"Yeah," said Tselios, a draftee of the Carolina Hurricanes organization, but he quickly switched to the politically correct answer. "Well, part of me is and part of me isn't. I'm a Carolina fan right now."

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playoffs 1:15 later to restore the Whalers lead to four goals.

Damian Surma scored early in the third period and Druken added his second goal of the night at 11:01 to blow the game open.

Windsor captain Jeff Martin scored late in the third for the Spitfires but Plymouth once again answered with a goal by Justin Williams to cap the scoring and the series.

Druken, who led the Ontario Hockey League in goals during the regular season, leads the Whalers with 12 points (six goals, six assists) in the playoffs.

DeBoer said that, with the Whalers' strong performance this week, there won't be much to work on in practice during the week ahead.

"I don't think we have to work, really on how we're playing," he said, "but we're going to have to prepare for whoever we're going to be playing against in terms of the individual players and their tendencies."

"I like the way we're playing. Our offense scored, eight, nine,

six and four goals and we only gave up (six), so there's not much room for improvement. I don't think we could have played much better than we did in these four games and, hopefully, that will carry over into the next round."

DeBoer said that the game scores were more lopsided than he expected but praised his team for the series win.

"I thought the scores would be closer, but that's a real credit to our players," he said. "They dominated every night." Plymouth goaltender Robert Holsinger, who posted the lowest goals-against-average in the Canadian Hockey League this season (2.08), had a relatively easy night as the Whalers' defense stood firm.

"Any time you only face 17 shots it's tough, though," he said. Despite the lack of work he's found thus far, Holsinger isn't complaining and feels that the defensive corps may be playing the best it has all year.

"Maybe even better," he added. "It's the playoffs so everyone is stepping up right now."

Whalers 4, Spitfires 3: Plymouth held on for the win to take a 3-0 lead in its OHL opening round series with Windsor Thursday night.

The Whalers trailed 1-0 after the first period but outscored the Spitfires 2-1 in each of the next two periods.

Windsor's Michael Hanson accounted for his team's first two goals, twice giving the Spitfires the lead. Hanson also assisted on the Spitfires' third goal.

Fitzgerald and Druken each scored second-period goals for Plymouth with Troy Smith and Jason Ward adding goals in the third for the win.

Nikos Tselios assisted on the first three Whaler goals. David Legwand added two assists. Windsor captain Jeff Martin scored with 8:26 left in the game to pull the Spitfires to within 4-3 but his team couldn't tally the equalizer before time expired.

Rob Zepp got his first start in goal for Plymouth and stopped 33 shots to earn the victory. Ron Vogel made 40 saves for the Spitfires.

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A group of five juniors makes up the segment Landefeld is counting on to negotiate that step: sweeper Christen Shull, midfielders Janine Edwards and Jessica Bucks, and forward/midfielders Suzi Towne and Jami Coyle. All five started last season.

Combined with senior forward Kristina Seniuch, senior defenders Andrea Weinman and Danielle Filipis, and keepers Jill Dombrowski, a sophomore, and Jenny Fitchett, a junior, the Rocks have the foundation on which to build a winner. What they lack is a go-to star, someone to count on in the clutch.

Or, as Landefeld put it, "Someone's going to have to score goals."

The player best suited to step into that role is Seniuch, who had 11 markers last season. A left-footer, Landefeld hopes she can increase her output to at least 15 this year.

Other scoring threats are Coyle and Kellee Mullin, a sophomore who netted a half-dozen goals last year.

None of them, however, have displayed an ability to beat defenses single-handedly. "We're going to have to outwork teams,

because I don't think we're gifted enough to beat them one-on-one," said Landefeld. "It'll be scoring by committee."

Not all is gloomy for the Rocks, however. "We have some pretty good players," Landefeld insisted. "We're above average in goal (with Dombrowski and Fitchett), and we're pretty well organized in back with everybody returning."

A newcomer who's stepped to the forefront is freshman Natalie Thomas, a forward. She scored two goals in Salem's scrimmages against Traverse City Central, Grand Blanc, Madison Heights Bishop Foley and Stevenson last weekend. "I told her if she wants to play a lot, she had better score a lot," said Landefeld.

Now for the rest of the bad news for the Rocks. They may indeed close the gap on Stevenson, perhaps even unseat the Spartans as WLAAs Division champs. But lurking out there is another rival, one located closer to home, a team harboring a grudge and with enough talent to do something about it.

Plymouth Canton suffered three losses last season: to Stevenson twice and to Salem in

the state district semifinals. The Chiefs also have a strong returning class, led by sophomore phenom Anne Morrell.

At any rate, Landefeld is of the opinion that Stevenson is hardly ready to step down as the state's No. 1 team. "They've got a lot of role players who do their jobs well," said Landefeld of the Spartans. "They're still very good, don't get me wrong. But they were untouchable the last couple of years."

The Rocks opened their season yesterday against Troy. They play again Monday against Novi at South Lyon Junior High School, then are off until April 12 when they host Northville, one of the WLAAs' toughest opponents.

Other key games are at Livonia Churchill Wednesday, April 21; at home against Birmingham Seaholm Friday, April 23; at Stevenson Wednesday, April 28; at home against Troy Athens Saturday, May 1; and against Canton Wednesday, May 12.

The WLAAs playoffs are May 19 (third through 12th place) and May 20 (first-second place). The state district tournament begins May 24.

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ing last season's squad. "But we relied on Anne alot. We won't have to this year, with Amanda. I think that will take a lot of pressure off Anne."

Senior Elise Thornell and sophomore Beth Sandusky, both varsity players last season, and freshman Stephanie Johnson will also see plenty of action at forward.

"Stephanie's going to see a lot of playing time," said Smith. "She's going to be a quality player."

Lentz's move to forward does create a hole at midfield, but Smith figures it won't be difficult to fill, with seniors Kelly Connell and Lisa Tomasso, both four-year varsity veterans, and Vicki Palis, another junior, switches from outside midfielder to sweeper to fill Esper's position.

"She played sweeper on her club team, so she knows the position," said Smith of Palis. "She's a very steady player, very

heady."

Cheron Rice, another senior who was all-Division last season, is back at marking defender. Also back on defense are Heather Thompson, a junior in her third season on varsity, and four seniors: Christine Broda, Emily Katz, Sarah Deben and Theresa Radtke. Defensive newcomers to the varsity include sophomore Arielle Bryant and freshman Rachel Lindman.

Amy Dorogi and Aimee Jachym, both juniors, backed up Lukasik at keeper last season. Smith plans to use both to start the season. Katie Schwartz, a junior who transferred in from Dearborn Divine Child, will also be part of the mix at keeper.

"They both have quite a bit of experience," said Smith of Dorogi and Jachym.

With experienced players back everywhere from a team that won the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division last spring and played Stevenson for the WLAAs title, it seems certain that this team will contend for the title again. "We'd like to think so," admitted Smith.

"We're going to come after them," he added, referring to the Spartans. "We gave them a cou-

ple of good ball games last year."

Stevenson isn't Canton's only WLAAs enemy. In two meetings with Salem last year, Canton had a tie and a defeat; the Rocks have only two notable losses from that squad — but both were all-state standouts (Mia Sarkesian and Missy Simons).

"Salem will have a quality team still," said Smith. "They just won't have the superstars they've had."

Northville and Livonia Churchill (six starters lost) figure to be perhaps a step back, but they could climb that step quickly.

Canton opened its season yesterday against Novi. The Chiefs play next on April 12, at WLAAs foe Walled Lake Central. Key regular-season dates after that are Wednesday, April 14, at home against Stevenson; Monday, May 19 at Northville; Saturday, April 24, at home against Troy Athens; Saturday, May 1 at Troy; Monday, May 10 at Churchill; and Wednesday, May 12 against Salem.

The WLAAs playoffs are May 19th (third through 12th place) and 20th (first and second place); the state district tournament starts May 24.

SOCCER OUTLOOK

LIVONIA CHURCHILL
Head coach: Chad Campau, third season.
League affiliation: Western Lakes (Western Division).

Last year's overall record: 13-6.
Notable losses to graduation: Andrea Galin (second team All-State), Susan Hill, Jamie Scott, Lisa Babirukiewicz, Terri Owens, Tina Fischer, Janine Lawson, Nicole DeDominicis, Karrie Bewersdorff, Brooke Cioma, Kristen Esparza.

Leading returnees: Kristen Conklin, Sr. forward (Third team All-State, All-Area, 20 goals, 11 assists); Stacey Supanich, Sr. midfielder/forward (Second team All-Area); Kerrie LaPorte, Sr. goalie; Natalie Pickelhaup, Sr. midfielder; Luba Steca, Sr. midfielder; Kristen Leszczynski, Jr. midfielder; Karen Kramer, Jr. defender; Michelle Smith, Jr. midfielder/defender; Melissa Sultana, Jr. midfielder/defender.

Promising newcomers: Renee Kahanalic, Jr. midfielder/forward; Aimee Quinkert, Jr. midfielder/defender; Emily Zak, Jr. defender; Lindsay Kantzler, Jr. forward; Vanessa Byrle, Sr. defender; Michelle Esparza, Soph. midfielder/forward; Jamie Zimmer, Soph. defender; Dana Thompson, Soph. midfielder/forward; Jennifer Gabon, Soph. goalie; Deanna DeRoo, Jr. midfielder/forward; Sarah Phillips, Jr. midfielder/defender.

Campau's 1999 outlook: "We graduated six starters, so obviously we're going to need some newcomers to not only come in and play big minutes, but probably to start."

"Overall this is the youngest team I've had. But we're very confident the younger underclassmen will be able to come in and do the job."

"Every year we look to improve in the previous year's record. This year's no different. Even though we had six losses, they were only to four teams — Salem twice, Stevenson twice, Canton and Brighton. We're hoping we can turn some of those losses into wins this year."

LIVONIA FRANKLIN
Head coach: Mary Kay Hussey, third season.
League affiliation: Western Lakes (Western Division).

Last year's overall record: 2-12-1.
Notable losses to graduation: Kristin Dougherty, Emily Kracht.

Leading returnees: Alex Bowman, Jr. Karen Black, Sr.; Angie D'Annunzio, Sr.; Dawn Vorhes, Sr.

Promising newcomers: Juliana Di, Fr. Amy DeShano, Fr. Kara Wisniewski, Fr.

Hussey's 1999 outlook: "We're very excited about the upcoming season. Our program is definitely headed in the right direction."

"Each year we continue to get better and more serious student-athletes committed to raising this program to a respectable level, both on the soccer field and in the classroom."

"This year's team has a combined GPA of 3.3. This, along with their attitude, work ethic and athletic ability, is much improved from where we were just two years ago."

"Of course our most obvious weakness is the lack of playing experience, which for some teams can be rather discouraging. However this year at Franklin the girls are now determined to counter this with an unbelievable work ethic, a strong desire to learn the game and a definite refusal to give up."

"I have tremendous respect for the members of this team, especially the upperclassmen who have weathered some difficult times."

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LIVONIA STEVENSON
Head coach: Jim Kimble, fourth season.
League affiliation: Western Lakes (Lakes Division).

Last year's overall record: 20-0.
Titles won last year: Western Lakes Activities Association (Lakes Division); district, regional and Division I state champions.

Notable losses to graduation: Allison Campbell (Miss Soccer); Leah McGrath (Third team All-State, All-Area, now at Central Michigan); Jenny Barker (All-State, now at Madonna University); Melissa Bakus (Second team All-Area); Stacey Nastase (Second team All-Area); Becky Peterson.

Leading returnees: Lindsay Guskic, Soph. forward (All-State, All-Area); Andrea Sied, Jr. defender, (All-State dream team, All-Area); Sarah Wittrock, Sr. forward (Second team All-Area); Brianna Roy, Sr. midfielder; Julie Murray, Sr. midfielder; Cheryl Fox, Jr. midfielder.

Promising newcomers: Dana White, Soph. forward; Jamie Hartnick, Fr. midfielder; Laura Shishkovsky, Fr. forward; Katie Beudin, Soph. midfielder.

Kimble's 1999 outlook: "Obviously it's been a long time since we've been beaten. With two state championships under our belt, the will to win and the expectations are

there. But obviously it's going to be difficult replacing the number of seniors we lost."

"Our kids are still the defending state champions and that's the way they're taking the season."

"We'll be able to play with anybody we play, and if we get a few breaks, we'll be able to make a run at it."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN
Head coach: Jerry Poniatowski, fifth season.

League affiliation: Western Lakes (Lakes Division).

Last year's overall record: 11-7.
Notable losses: Lara Amad, fullback (out for season with torn ACL).

Leading returnees: Noelle Swartz, Jr. midfielder, second team All-Area (currently out with a knee injury); Jade Fukuda, goalkeeper.

Poniatowski's 1999 outlook: "We have an official JV team for the very first time. There may be two or three who will move up as the season progresses. But since we haven't had a lot of time under game conditions, I don't know exactly who will be playing varsity from the JV."

"We hope to see Noelle sometime along in the season. We have a lot of players who have matured and progressed very well. So on the whole, we're looking forward to a good season."

LIVONIA LADYWOOD
Head coach: Jill Logsdon, first year.
League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division).

Last year's overall record: 6-11-2.
Notable losses to graduation: Meryl Denton (Division II All-State; All-Area; All-Catholic).

Leading returnees: Tina Lopez, Jr. forward; Jenny Drabik, Soph. defender; Melissa Arakas, Soph. midfielder; Andrea Schmelmer, Jr. midfielder; Stefanie Stachura, Soph. forward; Kristen Kehres, Jr. goalie.

Promising newcomers: Katie Rozum, Fr. midfielder; Lid O'Brecht, Fr. goalie; Jenny Bartkowiak, Fr. midfielder.

Logsdon's 1999 outlook: "We're young and we're small, size-wise as individuals. But that's good. Our freshmen are good and we have ball skills."

"We think the team will form together well and we'll play hard."

LUTHERAN HIGH WESTLAND
Head coach: Mark Brenner, first year.
League affiliation: Metro Conference.

Last year's overall record: 4-11-1.
Notable losses: Mary Eberndick (switched to track); Anna Roff (switched to track); Kristy Rose; Sara Voght; Sarah Hoffmeier.

Leading returnees: Kellie Buzek, Jr. midfielder; Sarah Burke, Sr. defender (All-Area honorable mention); Rene Meyer, Sr. goalie; Monica Gyorko, Jr. midfielder; Emily Kamrath, Jr. defender; Emily McGuigan, Jr. defender; Amylee Chaisson, Jr. midfielder; Jessica Anthony, Sr. defender.

Promising newcomers: Angie Matthews, Fr. forward; Call Hens, Fr. forward; Stephanie Ericson, Fr. defender; goalie; Lindsay Bowman, Soph. defender.

Brenner's 1999 outlook: "We only have eight returning players so we'll be building somewhat."

"We want to be a fundamentally sound team, drilled on the basics, and go from there."

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Crusaders blast Rockets, 15-4

It not only was a step, it was a stomp.

Madonna University stepped up to an NCAA Division I opponent, the University of Toledo, and clouted the Rockets, 15-4, Wednesday, in a non-conference baseball game.

Jeff Warholik (2-1) scattered 10 hits over nine innings, walking three and striking out four.

The big stick was swung by Derrick Wolfe, who had two home runs and a double good for six RBI. Daryl Rocho also had three hits, including three doubles and three RBI.

The Crusaders had a 15-0 lead after five innings before Warholik had two runs scored off him by the Rockets, 8-9 after the game.

MADONNA BASEBALL

Dave O'Neill also had three hits, scoring twice, while Neil Wildfog, Delano Voletti and Aaron Shrewsbury had two hits apiece.

Madonna split a doubleheader Thursday with Tiffin University, shutting out the Dragons, 6-0, in the first game before dropping the second, 7-2. The split left the Crusaders 6-7-1 overall.

Bob Mason (1-2) notched his first win of the season with a complete-game seven-inning five-hitter. He walked six and struck out three.

Rocho went 2-for-3 with a home run while Bob Hamp had a double and an RBI. Hamp also had three stolen bases, one a theft of home. The Crusaders only had six hits but made them count.

Madonna held a 3-0 lead after two innings and took advantage of three walks and four errors.

Tiffin checked Madonna on four hits in the second game with E.J. Roman (1-2) drawing the loss. He was roughed up for four runs in the third as the Dragons overcame a 1-0 deficit.

Shrewsbury hit his sixth home run of the season and Jason Brooks smacked an RBI double to give the Crusaders their runs.

THE WEEK AHEAD

GIRLS SOCCER	(all double-headers)
Monday, March 29	Sunday, March 28
Salem vs. Novi (at South Lyon), 6:15 p.m.	Madonna vs. Saginaw Valley St. at Livonia Ladywood H.S., 1 p.m.
R.O. Shrine at Ladywood, 5:30 p.m.	Tuesday, March 29
Tuesday, March 30	Madonna vs. Siena Heights at Livonia Ladywood H.S., 3 p.m.
Stevenson at Troy Athens, 7 p.m.	Wednesday, March 31
Wednesday, March 31	Madonna vs. Rochester College at Livonia Ladywood H.S., 3 p.m.
Redford Union at Franklin, 7 p.m.	Thursday, April 1
MYN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL	Madonna at Concordia, 1 p.m.
(all double-headers)	Friday, April 2
Sunday, March 28	Madonna vs. Aquinas College at Livonia Ladywood H.S., 3 p.m.
Monday, March 29	Madonna vs. St. Francis (Ind.) at Livonia Ladywood H.S., 1 p.m.
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Wednesday, March 31	Madonna vs. St. Francis (Ind.) at Livonia Ladywood H.S., 1 p.m.
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The Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing on an amendment to the Wayne County Code, Chapter 117 (County Investment Policy) to conform to recent changes in State Law.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1999, 10:00 a.m.
Commission Chambers Room 400
Wayne County Building
600 Randolph, Detroit, Michigan

Copies of the above items may be obtained or reviewed at the Commission Clerk's Office, 406 Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, Detroit 48226. (313) 224-0903.

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OUTDOORS CALENDAR

WHITETAILS UNLIMITED

The Clarkston Chapter of Whittails Unlimited will hold a fundraising banquet beginning at 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 9, at the Deer Lake Athletic Club in Clarkston. The event will feature a buffet dinner, an auction, door prizes, sporting equipment, limited edition wildlife and outdoor art, whitetails unlimited collectibles and much more. Proceeds from the event will be used for conservation and youth related projects. Tickets are \$55 each, \$95 for couples and \$35 for juniors 15 and under. Deadline to purchase tickets is March 29. To order tickets or for more information call Tom Bushong at (616) 781-8430.

SHOWS

WILDLIFE ART
The 16th annual Michigan Wildlife Art Festival, Michigan's largest wildlife art exhibit and sale, will be held March 28-29 at the Southfield Pavilion. Sponsored by the Michigan Wildlife Habitat Foundation, the festival annually raises money for wildlife habitat improvement projects statewide. Admission is \$7 adult and children under age 12 will be admitted free.

SEASON/DATES

FISHING LICENSES
Anglers must possess a 1999 Michigan Fishing license beginning April 1.

CROW
The late crow season runs through March 31 in the Lower Peninsula.

COYOTE
Coyote season runs through April 15 statewide.

FREE FISHING
Michigan's annual Free Fishing Week will be held June 12-13.

RABBIT/HARE
Rabbit/hare season run through March 31 statewide.

CLUBS

SOLAR
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at

first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

CLINTON VALLEY BASS
Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at

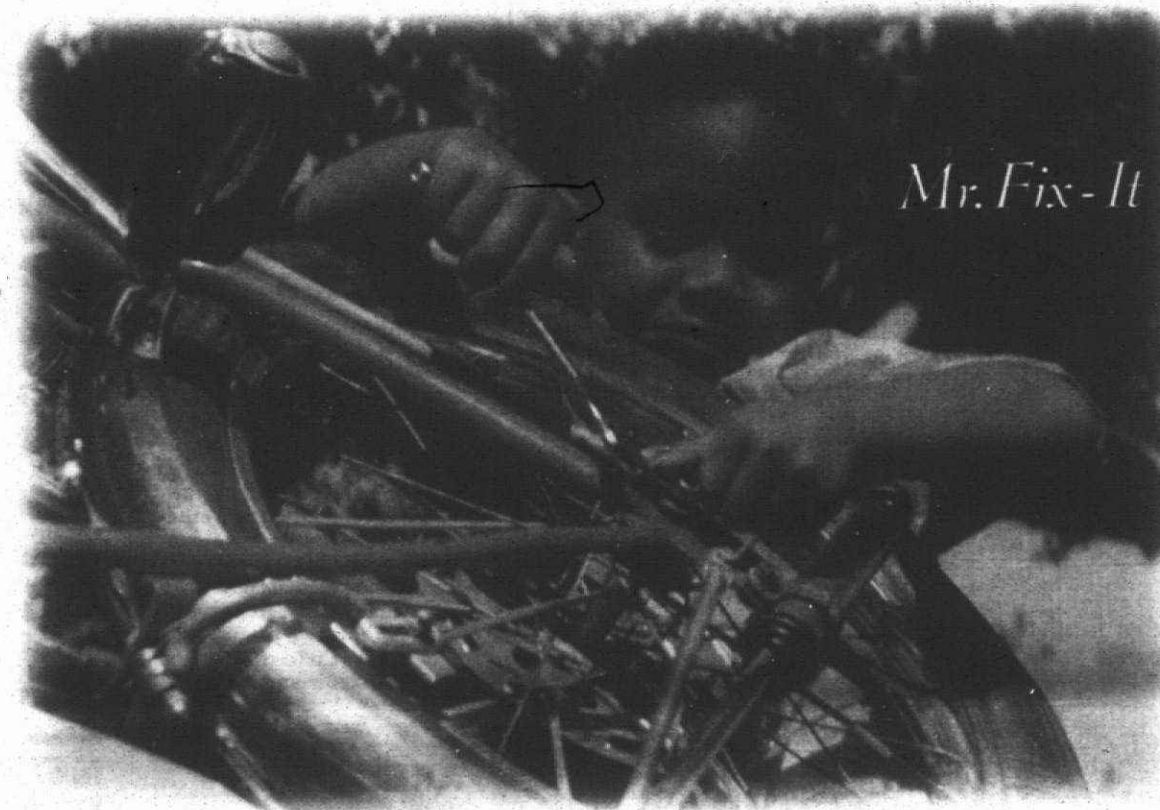
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The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

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ALL-OBSERVER BOYS WRESTLING

1999 ALL-OBSERVER TEAM

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103: 1. Josh Gunterman, junior, Livonia Stevenson; 2. Chris O'Hara, sophomore, Catholic Central; 3. Scott Massey, sophomore, Garden City.

130: 1. John Mervyn, junior, Plymouth Salem; 2. Ron Thompson, junior, Plymouth Salem; 3. Pat Sayn, junior, Garden City.

113: 1. Rob Ash, junior, Plymouth Salem; 2. Jon Gregg, junior, Wayne Memorial; 3. Steve Vasiloff, senior, Livonia Churchill.

125: 1. Eugene Antonelli, senior, Redford Thurston; 2. Greg Musser, sophomore, Plymouth Canton; 3. Dave Teets, senior, Westland John Glenn.

135: 1. Dave Lemmon, senior, Clarenceville; 2. Trevor Clarke, junior, North Farmington; 3. Jeff Albrecht, junior, Westland John Glenn; and Jay Abshire, freshman, Catholic Central.

135: Josh Henderson, junior, Plymouth Salem; 2. Imad Kharbush, sophomore, Livonia Stevenson; 3. Nate Wensko, senior, Wayne Memorial.

140: 1. Jeff Usher, junior, Redford Thurston; 2. Sean Bell, junior, Catholic Central; 3. Ryan Shiplett, senior, Livonia Franklin.

145: 1. Brian Barker, senior, Livonia Stevenson; 2. Robert Demick, senior, Plymouth Canton; 3. Eric Toaka, junior, Livonia Franklin.

171: 1. Brian Hintzman, senior, Garden City; 2. Andy Wood, senior, Farmington; 3. Ben Lukas, junior, Farmington.

189: 1. Walter Regalado, senior, Clarenceville; 2. John Abshire, senior, Catholic Central; 3. Steve Myslinski, senior, Livonia Stevenson.

Churchill; 2. Kevin Stone, senior, Plymouth Canton; 3. Ken Rupp, senior, Wayne Memorial; and Ryan Zajdel, senior, Catholic Central.

182: 1. Mitch Hancock, junior, Catholic Central; 2. Mark Ostach, junior, Farmington; 3. Tony Pikur, senior, Redford Thurston.

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HONORABLE MENTION

Salem: Lucas Stump, Steve Dendinos, Greg Petrowich, Greg Smith, Greg Elzans, Jason Bedoun, Mike Popeney; Garden City: Vinnie Zoccoli, Brian Reed, Josh Fee, Eddie Traynor, Craig Medos; Catholic Central: Tom Beudenburg, Chris Peterson, Ben Kreucher, Ron Sarata, Blair Naysmith, Jason Klinker; Redford Thurston: Marty Barlow, Jim Gurney, Jesse Stevens, Sean Donaldson; Eric Kelley; Ollie Muscarella; Churchville: Steve Lashard, Steve Aba.

Steve Brown, Jeff Sinning, Mike Gaffke, Kyle Maio, Scott Elstone; North Farmington: Harry Leipnitz, Ramis Bajrami, Brian Kassa, Mike Stein; John Glenn: Jesse Purdon, Javonn Perkins; Wayne: Kurt Spann; Thurston: Mark DelaFuente, Scott Genord, Jack Leich, Carl Lakonds, Mike McDonald; Clarenceville: Dan Tondreau, Josh Rose, Rob Simpson, Adam Marcum, Matt Wehl; Farmington: Jon Simmons, Tony Lema, Mike Murtland, Kyle Domagala; Canton: Kyle Pitt, Do Demick, John Pocock, Jim Shelton; Stevenson: Zach Yaffai, Mike Falzon, Mike Ridley, John MacFarland, Chris Cooper; Farmington: Jake Taylor, Justin Shaffer, Steve Sargol, Caleb Smith, Frankie Derek Azzopardi, Allen Duff, Lee Warren; Lutheran Westland: Brian Soos, Scott Archer.



Keith Falk, Livonia Stevenson; Joe Bubltz, Livonia Stevenson; Matt Zald, North Farmington; Andrew Locke, Plymouth Salem; Joe Lebovic, North Farmington; James McPartlin, Westland John Glenn; Ryan Meekins, Catholic Central; Brian Mertens, Plymouth Salem; Devin Hopper, Farmington.

Outdoors

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Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refreshments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0845 for more information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADS

The Huron Valley Steelheads meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

MEETINGS

NRC
The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, April 7-8, at the Four Points Sheraton, 4960 Towne Center Road, Saginaw. The commission will be taking public comment on baiting and other 1999 deer season regulations. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 973-2352 one week in advance.

ARCHERY

JUNIOR OLYMPICS
The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 628-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 681-8510

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SHOOTING RANGES

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Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to sunset Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays. On Mondays and Tuesdays only the sporting clay course is open, noon to sunset. Bald Mountain is located at 1390 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 866-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 12-5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for information.

APRIL POOLS WALK

A naturalist-led hike under the light of the "Blue Moon" begins at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 31, at Kensington. A similar program will be offered at Stony Creek.

1999 PERMITS

The 1999 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permit is \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-477-PARKS for more information. (To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; fax information to (248) 644-1314 or send E-mail to bparker@oe.homecomm.net)

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS
Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3172; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

MAPLE'S SWEET STORY

Visit the sugarbush and see how maple trees are tapped and the sap collected, then stop by the sugarbush and watch as the sap is boiled into maple syrup during this program, which will be held noon-3 p.m. weekends through the end of March at Kensington. A similar program is being offered at Indian Springs.

SPRING CLEANUP

Spring cleanup days are scheduled at several Metroparks in the upcoming weeks. Most programs last one-half day and lunch is provided for all volunteers who register in advance. Cleanup days will be held Saturday, April 3, at Walcott Mills (1-800-477-3175); Saturday, April 17, at Stony Creek (1-810-781-4242) and Metro Beach (1-800-477-3172); and Saturday, April 24, at Lake Erie (1-800-477-3189) and Kensington (1-800-477-3178).

FULL MOON WALK

A naturalist-led hike under the light of the "Blue Moon" - the second moon of the month - begins at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 31, at Kensington. A similar program will be offered at Stony Creek.

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MAPLE'S SWEET STORY

SWIMMING

The Big Three in Observerland Plymouth Salem, Livonia Stevenson and North Farmington — had a dominating influence on the 1999 All-Observer swimming and diving team.

All three had successful years. Salem won its seventh straight Western Lakes Activities Association title; North Farmington was undefeated in dual meets with victories over the other two, and Stevenson had the highest finish at the state meet.

In the Class A championships, the Spartans were 10th, Raiders 11th and Rocks 12th with four points separating the three.

Each team has four individuals on the All-Observer first and second teams. Salem relays earned two first-team berths; all three North Farmington relays were recognized and one Stevenson relay.

This year's all-area team has five repeat selections — Stevenson's Keith Falk and Joe Bubltz, Redford Catholic Central's Ryan Meekins, North Farmington's Matt Zald and Salem's Brian Mertens.

Zald, Meekins and Falk scored in two individual events each at the state meet. Salem's Andrew Locke, Westland John Glenn's James McPartlin and Bubltz scored in one apiece.

FIRST-TEAM INDIVIDUALS

Keith Falk, 200 freestyle, Stevenson: Falk, a four-time member of the All-Observer team, finished third in the 200 freestyle (1:42.25) and sixth in the 500 freestyle (4:41.3) at the state meet. His leadoff time of 47.43 in the 400 freestyle relay would have put him 11th in the 100 freestyle at the state meet.

Falk's state-meet time in the 200 freestyle is a school record. The four-time all-star scored nine times in the state meet (six individual swims and three relays).

"Keith is one of the best swimmers ever at Stevenson High," coach Doug Buckler said. "He's a very hard worker, and he always gives his all for the team. Keith can swim all the events and excels at all of them. He's a leader in and out of the pool. He is very disciplined in his training and will do very well at the next level."

Joe Bubltz, 200 IM, Stevenson: Bubltz finished third in the individual medley at the state meet with a time of 1:53.82 and has a chance to post an All-American time.

He also was the Western Lakes champion in the 200 IM and finished second in the backstroke (a school record in 54.38).

Stevenson's 400 freestyle relay team also took 10th in Class A as Bubltz recorded an impressive 100 split of 46.43.

"Joe's time in the 200 IM is the fastest IM I have ever coached," Buckler said. "Joe is just a sophomore, but he is already one of the best swimmers in Stevenson history."

"I look for great things out of Joe before his career is over at Stevenson."

Matt Zald, 50 freestyle, N. Farmington: Zald finished fifth in the state and broke his own school record in the Class A prelims with a time of 21.54. He also set a North Farmington pool record of 21.68.

Zald was the Oakland County and Western Lakes champion in the 50; he was undefeated in dual meets. Zald also placed 11th in the 100 freestyle (47.54) at the state meet.

Andrew Locke, 50 freestyle, Salem: Locke had the fastest 50 freestyle time in the area, swimming 21.19 in the state-meet prelims. He placed sixth in

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the state finals and was the WLAA runner-up.

Locke, who was named MVP of the Salem team, was on the All-America 200 freestyle relay team last year. He was All-WLAA this year in the medley relay, 100 freestyle and 400 freestyle relay.

"Andrew has been one of the area's best sprinters the past four years," coach Chuck Olson said. "As a senior, he proved to be one of the best in the state."

James McPartlin, butterfly, Westland Glenn: McPartlin capped an outstanding career by finishing eighth in the 100 butterfly at the state meet with an area-best time of 52.64. He was the Western Lakes champion in the butterfly (54.57).

Glenn's MVP also finished fourth in the Western Lakes in the 200 freestyle (1:50.34). McPartlin also excels in the classroom, carrying a cumulative 3.85 grade-point average.

"James has had an outstanding swimming and academic career at Glenn," coach Jim Daniel said. "He is one of the best swimmers in the school's history. Young men like James don't come into your program often. We will miss him very much."

Ryan Meekins, 100 freestyle, Redford CC: Meekins set a school record in the 100 freestyle (46.58), and he qualified for the state meet in the 100 and 200 freestyle.

Meekins placed sixth in the 100 freestyle (47.12) and 11th in the 200 freestyle (1:46.37) at state. He was second in the 50 and 100 freestyle at the Catholic League meet.

"Ryan is a very talented, dedicated kid," CC coach Danny Knipper said. "His work habits are incredible, and the result of his hard work earned him a variety record and two places at the state meet. We have only begun to see what Ryan is capable of doing."

Brian Mertens, 500 freestyle, Salem: Mertens is a two-time state qualifier in the 500 freestyle and had one of the area's best times at 4:56.94. He finished third in the WLAA meet.

"Brian has been one of the leaders in training his first two years at Plymouth Salem," Olson said. "Brian has been a top performer in the area and, I believe, is determined to be a top performer in the state the next two years."

Devin Hopper, backstroke, Farmington: Hopper was named the MVP of the Farmington team and was the high-point scorer for the Falcons. His best time in the backstroke was 55.81, breaking his own school record. Hopper was third in the WLAA meet and was a state qualifier.

"Devin has shown outstanding leadership qualities and will be a team captain next year," Farmington coach Ross Bandy said.

Adam Farber, breaststroke, N. Farmington: Farber swam the fastest breaststroke time (1:02.68) in Observerland during a dual meet with Salem. He was undefeated in duals and qualified for the county and state meets. He was second in the WLAA behind Northville's Mark Kowalski.

FIRST-TEAM RELAYS

200 medley, Salem: Eric Lynn, Andrew Locke, Paul Perez and Aaron Shelton were 10th in the state meet and second in the WLAA. Their state-meet time of 1:39.9 was the best in Observerland and merits All-America consideration. All four swimmers have 3.0 or better grade points; Locke leads the way with a 3.6.

"These four young men always got the Salem team going in the first event with consistent high-energy perfor-

mances," Olson said.

200 freestyle, Salem: Andrew Locke, Matt Casillas, Aaron Shelton and Mike Johnson won the WLAA championship and finished fifth in the Class A finals. Their time of 1:27.28 at the state meet was the best in Observerland this year.

400 freestyle, N. Farmington: Brandon Digia, Matt Zald, Jim Gabriel and Mark Wachsborg placed eighth in the state meet with a time of 3:14.23, the best swim by an area team this year. The Raiders would've been WLAA champions but were disqualified. They also set a North Farmington pool record of 3:18.51.

SECOND-TEAM RELAYS

200 medley, N. Farmington: Jim Gabriel, Adam Farber, Mark Wachsborg and Matt Zald won the WLAA championship (1:40.37) and were 17th in the state meet (1:40.88). Their conference time was the second best in Observerland.

200 freestyle, N. Farmington: Brandon Digia, Mark Wachsborg, Jim Gabriel and Matt Zald finished seventh in the state meet (1:28.0) and set a school record in the process. The Raiders also set a pool record with a 1:29.65 swim.

400 freestyle, Stevenson: Keith Falk, Brad Buckler, Mike Malik and Joe Bubltz won the WLAA championship (3:18.6) and finished 10th in the state meet (3:15.28).

"These guys did a great job with this relay," Buckler said. "They all swim their best times in the relay, which goes to show how much they think team over themselves."

"Mike Malik did a fine job and helped to make the whole team better. Brad Buckler swam with a lot of heart. He and Mike were top-six in two events in the league meet."

"Great time, guys — a real good job!"

took eighth.

"Kevin was one of the hardest workers we had on our team this year," Buckler said. "He leads in the pool as well as out of the pool."

"I enjoy coaching Kevin. He is a real good person with a great team attitude. Kevin will be a great leader for our team next year, and we look forward to working with him."

SECOND-TEAM INDIVIDUALS

Matt Casillas, 200 freestyle, Salem: Casillas was a state qualifier in the 200 freestyle, had one of the area's best times at 1:49.10 and finished third in the WLAA. The team captain also was a member of Salem's state-qualifying 200 and 400 freestyle relay teams.

"Matt has been one of the most improved swimmers on the Salem team the past two years," Olson said. "His abilities in any stroke at any distance make him very valuable to the team success. This is why he has been important in Salem winning the WLAA all four years."

Paul Perez, 200 IM, Salem: Perez had the top Observerland time after the Stevenson duo of Keith Falk and Joe Bubltz at 2:04.25. At the WLAA meet, he was third in the IM with that time, as well as second in the butterfly (55.64). Perez also was a member of Salem's all-state medley and 400 freestyle relay teams.

"Paul had an outstanding conference meet with four swims being all-conference," Olson said. "His versatility allows for so much flexibility in our lineups that the team success is easy to understand. Paul is going to be even more important the next two years."

Chris McFarland, diving, Westland Glenn: McFarland set a school record this season with a six-dive total of 257.20 points. He also finished sixth at the regional with an 11-dive total of 377.60 en route to a 28th-place finish at the state meet. McFarland also took third at the Western Lakes meet.

"Chris has one of the toughest diving lists in the state," Glenn assistant coach Randy Ferguson said. "He improved tremendously this year and will be a top-12 contender in the state next year."

Brett Meconis, butterfly, Redford CC: Meconis proved to be one of the state's best freshmen, qualifying for the Class A meet in the butterfly. His time of 54.39 seconds was 22nd at the state meet.

"Brett is a determined swimmer," Knipper said. "As soon as his drive to work catches up with his fast swimming, he could be one of the state's best butterflyers."

Brandon Digia, 100 freestyle, N. Farmington: Digia was a state qualifier in the 100 freestyle, and his best time of 48.85 gave him second place in the conference meet. He also went to state in the 200 freestyle and was a key relay swimmer for the Raiders, too.

Justin Ketterer, 500 freestyle, Stevenson: Ketterer ranked fourth in the area in the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:04.58.

He also finished in the top six for the second consecutive year in the WLAA in the 500. This season he took fifth with a clocking of 5:11.44.

"Justin has done a fine job his first two years at Stevenson," Buckler said. "With a harder off-season training program this year, we think Justin will become a great swimmer at Stevenson."

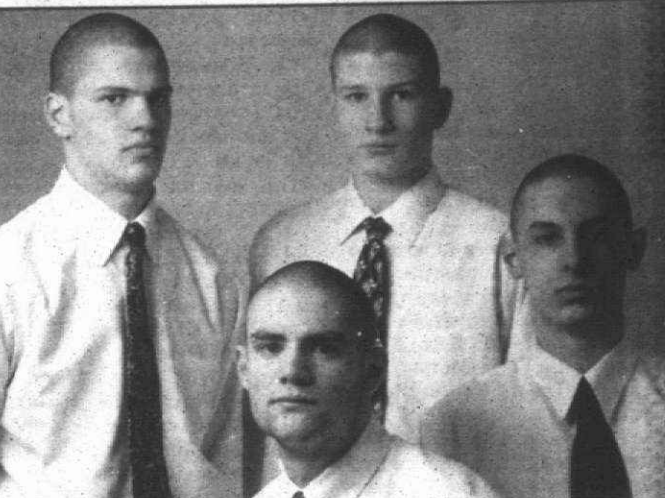
"Justin trains very hard; he knows what it takes to become very good, and I believe he has two very good seasons left here."

Aaron Reeder, backstroke, Canton: Reeder swam his best time of 56.27 in the Class A prelims and finished 29th overall. He was fourth in the WLAA meet at 56.35.

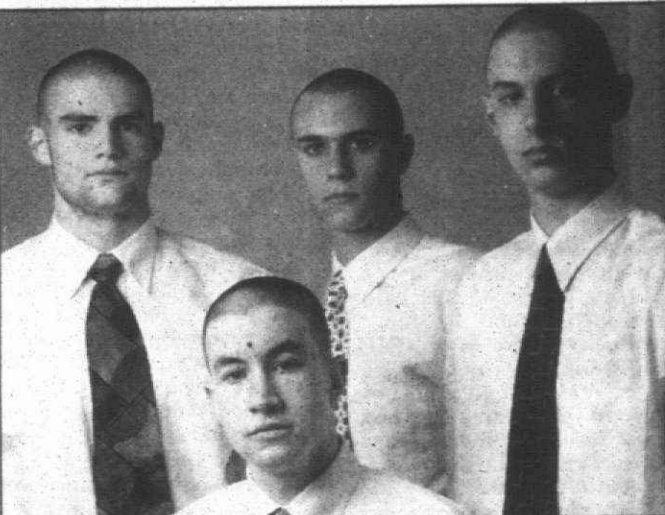
Kevin VanTiem, breaststroke, Stevenson: VanTiem ranked third in Observerland in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:04.97. At the WLAA meet, VanTiem



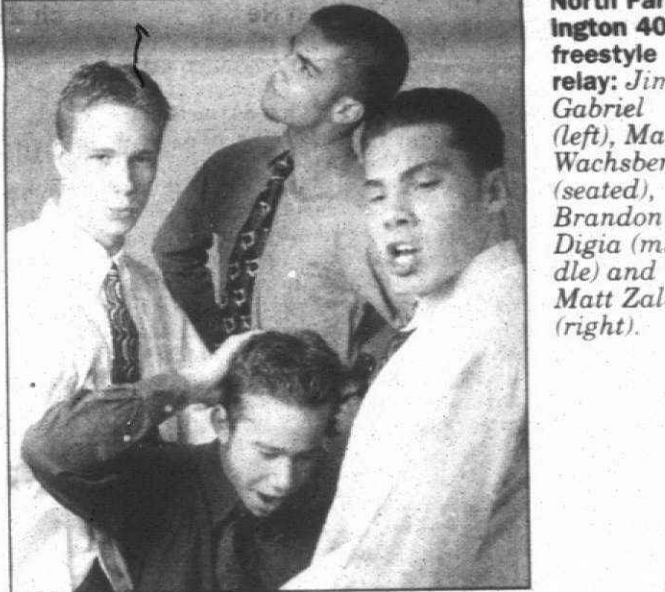
Ryan Meekins, Catholic Central; Brian Mertens, Plymouth Salem; Devin Hopper, Farmington.



Salem medley relay: Paul Perez (left to right), Andrew Locke (seated), Eric Lynn and Aaron Shelton.



Salem 200 freestyle relay: Andrew Locke (left to right), Matt Casillas (seated), Mike Johnson, Aaron Shelton.



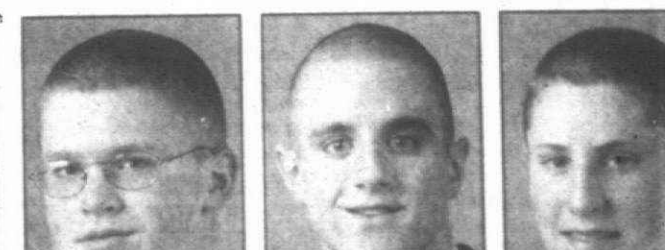
North Farmington 400 freestyle relay: Jim Gabriel (left), Mark Wachsborg (seated), Brandon Digia (middle) and Matt Zald (right).



North medley relay: Jim Gabriel, Mark Wachsborg (seated), Adam Farber and Matt Zald.



North 200 freestyle relay: Brandon Digia, Mark Wachsborg (seated), Jim Gabriel and Matt Zald.



Stevenson 400 freestyle relay: Brad Buckler (left to right), Joe Bubltz, Keith Falk and Mike Malik.



Adam Farber, North Farmington; Matt Casillas, Plymouth Salem; Paul Perez, Plymouth Salem; Chris McFarland, Westland John Glenn; Brett Meconis, Catholic Central; Brandon Digia, North Farmington; Justin Ketterer, Livonia Stevenson; Aaron Reeder, Plymouth Canton; Kevin VanTiem, Livonia Stevenson.

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