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THE WEEK AHEAD

Holiday closings: Canton Township offices will be closed Monday for the Independence Day holiday. The administration building will reopen at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Tuesday's regularly scheduled meeting of the Canton Township Board of Trustees has been canceled. The next regular board meeting will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 13.

Summit on the Park will be open for swimming and other activities 8 a.m.-noon today (Sunday) and 6 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday. The Summit offices will be closed both days.

The Canton Public Library will be closed today (Sunday) and Monday. The library will reopen at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday.

There will be no trash pick-up in residential neighborhoods Monday. Pick-up in for all neighborhoods will be one day later than usual for the balance of the week.

WEDNESDAY

Talking Y2K: A panel discussion on the Y2K problem will be held during the Canton Chamber of Commerce monthly luncheon noon Wednesday at the Summit. Panelists include experts from area banks, utilities and law firms. Admission is \$15 per person. Reservations can be made by calling the chamber office by Monday at (734) 453-4040.

THURSDAY

Live music: The band Counterplay is featured at the weekly concert in the park series at Heritage Park. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. Blankets and lawn chairs are welcome and concessions will be available.

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Roadway gunmen headed to trial

Two Canton men were bound over by Judge John MacDonald Friday, on charges stemming from a June 25 shooting spree on Palmer Road. Cash bonds were continued for the defendants.

BY SCOTT DANIEL
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What was supposed to be a night of letting off steam by shooting in the woods turned into the near murder of a 22-year-old Canton woman.

That's the statement Timothy Regan Boster gave township police hours after he and Zachary Scott Woodby pumped as many as 11 rounds into a Chrysler LeBaron driven by Dawn Davis, according to testimony in 35th District Court Friday.

The defendants, both of Canton, were bound over for trial in Wayne County Circuit Court.

The shooting spree was supposed to be at trees, not people, according to the statement given by Boster. Both had had recent problems with women.

Canton Police Det. Steve Miller gave testimony about the state-

ment during Friday's preliminary exam in front of Judge John MacDonald. Miller told the court that Boster said he fled when Woodby began shooting at Davis.

"He said he freaked out," Miller said, "and ran away at that point."

Woodby, 20, and Boster, 21, will face multiple felony charges July 16 at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit.

Cash bonds of \$250,000 and \$100,000 for Woodby and Boster, respectively, were continued by MacDonald.

Woodby waived his preliminary exam. He faces five felony counts including assault with intent to murder, three charges of firearms discharge at a building and one count of felony firearm.

Woodby was represented by Plymouth attorney Dennis Shrewsbury. He said that his client may be willing to accept a plea bargain.

"I don't know what the prosecu-

tor will offer," Shrewsbury said. "If he offers something reasonable, (Woodby) might take it."

"Reasonable" means a reduction of the assault with intent to murder charge, he added.

"The prosecutor won't likely give that up easily," Shrewsbury said.

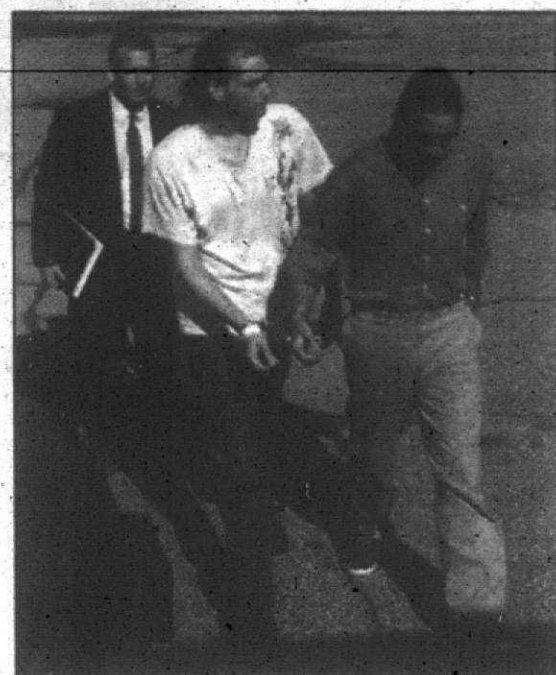
Boster elected to have his hearing with MacDonald. He faces three counts of firearms discharge at a building and one count of felony firearm.

Plymouth attorney Gerald Conley represented Boster. He declined to speculate on whether the case would be pled out or tried at the circuit court.

MacDonald threw out the felony firearm charge against Boster. Misdemeanor charges of carrying a dangerous weapon in a motor vehicle and transporting a long gun were added, however.

The shooting occurred at about 2:30 a.m. on June 25.

Davis was heading westbound on Palmer Road and stopped at the intersection of Sheldon. Two gunmen were standing on the side of the road and opened up on the



STAFF PHOTO BY PETER WILLIAMS

Exam: Canton Police detective Steve Miller (from left) escorts defendants Zachary Woodby and Timothy Boster into court Friday.

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A round of applause for summer



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Clap, clap: Kyle Ceci, 17 months old, of Westland dances with his mother Kristie Ceci to the music by Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band at the summer concert at Heritage Park in Canton. For more photos from Thursday's concert, please turn to Page A 4 in today's Observer.

WTUA faces building dilemma

BY SCOTT DANIEL
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To build or not to build.

That's the question Western Township Utilities Authorities members Canton, Plymouth and Northville townships will be asking themselves over the next few months.

Board members from all three communities met at a Wednesday study session at Summit on the Park in Canton.

At stake is the authority's future. Options were winnowed from five to two at the meeting, namely keeping and expanding WTUA's role with a wastewater treatment plant in Ypsilanti or building its own facility.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack is leaning towards construction of a WTUA facility. The primary issue in his mind is control — something the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA) is unwilling to relinquish even slightly.

"They're not going to give us a voice," said Yack. "I'm very disappointed by their position."

Having representation on YCUA's board would allow the authority some control over operational and capital costs, he added. That translates to control over how much WTUA's more than 100,000 users pay each month in water bills.

"I firmly believe control is important," Yack said. "We want to be viewed as a partner, not a customer."

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Conservatory seeks to buy former music store

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The Southeast Michigan Arts Conservatory is working on a deal to purchase its current digs.

The conservatory occupies township landmark Arnoldt Williams Music building on Canton Center Road just north of Ford. SMAC Director Jeff Myers hopes the transaction will be complete by early next month.

"It would make us a lot stronger," he said. "We'll have a firm commitment to the community. We want to stay in Canton. The community has been unbelievably supportive of what we do."

The conservatory opened in June of last year. Since then, the township has paid about half of SMAC's \$160,000 monthly rent on the building.

That agreement runs out at the end of this month. Myers said the conservatory can't afford to pay the full rent amount.

"It would be very, very difficult," he

commented.

Purchasing the building could save the conservatory as much as \$50,000 per month, said Myers.

"The reason we're looking at doing this is purely economic," he said. "It would provide us with lower payments and some equity."

If the deal goes through, a sale of half the parcel is likely. It would put SMAC in an even better financial situation, said Myers.

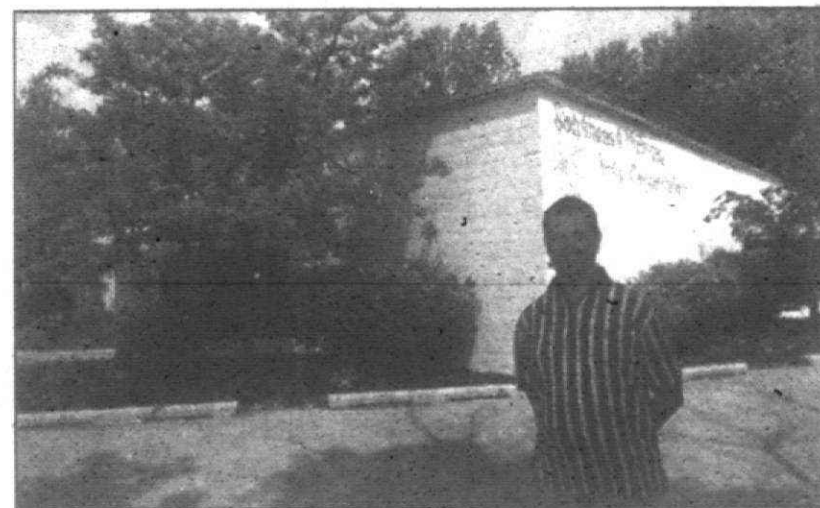
"If we can sell the front parcel," he explained, "it will really capitalize us. It would basically pay our mortgage for five years."

An appraisal of the building and parcel should be complete in about two weeks. Myers thinks it will ultimately cost about \$1 million to make the purchase.

"We're confident it will be in that neighborhood," he said.

Monroe Bank and Trust would finance the deal. SMAC has worked

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMAN

Looking to deal: Conservatory director Jeff Myers says an outright purchase of the former Arnoldt Williams building makes sense. The conservatory would then sell a portion of the land to Wayne County.

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Kathleen Keen-McCarthy said she's looking for a consensus from her board before supporting either option. She thought the study session was helpful.

"It was well-done and presented," said Keen-McCarthy. It brought all board members up to speed, she added. "It was good for us all to be in the same place."

WTUA Operations Manager Tim Faas is hoping all three boards will make a decision on which option should be pursued this summer.

"We need to move on this as soon as possible," he said.

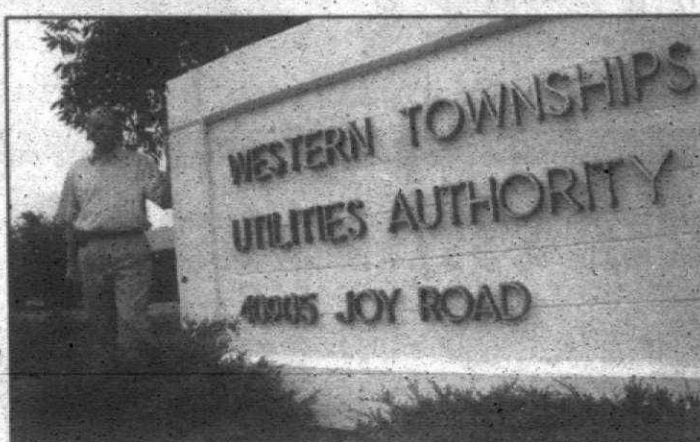
WTUA was formed in the early 1990s by the townships to tackle environmental problems with combined sewer overflows and stormwater drainage problems.

It's overseen by a three-member board comprised of each township's supervisor.

On average, WTUA pumps 9 million gallons per day from its sanitary sewer to Ypsilanti and 8 million gallons to Detroit through pumping stations at Jay and Haggerty and at Michigan Avenue and Haggerty.

Enough capacity currently exists for WTUA communities with its Ypsilanti and Detroit arrangements. Both deals could be terminated in about a decade, however.

The authority intends to leave the Wayne County system by 2012, Faas said. The cost of improving that system, which could range from \$1 billion to \$4 billion, is a primary reason. Faas said it's unclear how much of that price tag suburbs will be hit.



STAFF PHOTO BY PETER WILLIAMS

Making plans: The utilities authority intends to leave the Wayne County system by 2012, said Tim Faas, WTUA operations manager.

The authority hopes to sell its Detroit capacity to another community, possibly downriver, long before that date. Faas said the county supports that idea so long as the capacity is sold to one of its existing members.

"We don't perceive this as being a large hurdle at this point," Faas said.

That would leave all flows heading for Ypsilanti. YCUA is currently at 80 percent of its capacity. A large increase from WTUA or from its own members will create the need to expand within a few years, Faas said.

Once the YCUA's board decides to expand, the authority has 90 days to decide to stay and help pay or leave and fend for itself.

Both scenarios make it imperative for WTUA to act now, Faas said.

"Additional capacity is going to be needed," he said. "We realize it will take time to build that capacity."

The YCUA could be expanded by 2004, while a new authority facility would take about a year longer to complete. Each option has its own strengths.

A WTUA facility would be \$20 million cheaper to build. Operational costs would also be lower, and the authority could exercise greater control over them.

State and local approvals have already been received for YCUA expansion, making it a sure thing, said Faas. Management and other necessary facilities are already in place.



STAFF PHOTO BY PETER WILLIAMS

Victim on stand: Driver Dawn Davis testifies during Friday's exam. Judge John MacDonald is in the background.

Gunmen from page A1

22-year-old Davis' Chrysler LeBaron was hit 11 times, police say, with rounds from an AK-47 assault rifle. Three adjacent homes and a day care were also struck with gunfire.

Amazingly, Davis was only slightly injured with a piece of metal shrapnel grazing her right lower leg.

Davis fled from her car and made it over to the shoulder of the road. She stopped a passerby, who then gave her a ride to the Canton Police station.

Woodby and Boster, meanwhile, were seen running between homes south of Palmer. They then left the subdivision and fled southbound on Sheldon in a dark blue Pontiac Grand Am.

Canton officers eventually

apprehended Woodby and Boster on Michigan Avenue where they had crashed into a 1989 Ford minivan heading westbound, police reports said. As for Boster's exam Friday, numerous pieces of seemingly damaged testimony against Woodby were made.

Canton Officer Eric Kaledas apprehended Woodby after the Michigan Avenue accident.

He said he recovered three weapons from the vehicle Woodby was driving, including two shotguns and the assault rifle.

"He had an incredible amount of ammunition draped around him," said Kaledas. Woodby, he said, also made a statement.

"He said he didn't deserve to be in society," Kaledas testi-

fied. "He said he deserved to be in jail and that that's where he belonged."

Officer Scott Hugheson told MacDonald that he recovered numerous spent gun shells from Woodby's AK-47 at the intersection of Palmer and Sheldon roads. All three weapons, he added, were still loaded when he processed them for evidence at Canton's police station.

Miller, who headed up the department's investigation, testified that all recovered bullets from Davis' car and homes around the intersection were from Woodby's assault rifle.

He also testified that Boster likely fired his weapon, a small caliber shotgun, once, straight into the air.

Safe at home

Tigers GM faces tough season, but finds comfort in hometown

BY DUNCAN E. WHITE

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For most of us, our mornings start out pretty much the same as Plymouth Township resident Randy Smith's: Wake up ... cup of coffee ... grab the paper ... head for the office.

Then we get to the "Which Major League baseball player should I trade today?" question that makes Smith's day a little different than ours.

In fact, only a few dozen individuals hold the same job as Smith: General Manager of a major league baseball team.

"No day is ever the same ... that's probably the best part of the job," he said of his rare occupation. "You're doing some thing you love but it's a labor of love."

"It's seven-days-a-week and you're on call, like a doctor, 24-hours-a-day. You go to spring training in February and you go until the end of September. There's very seldom a day off. The players have a day off but, even then, we're still in here."

So, how does one become a baseball GM?

Would being a former player help your cause? Or a retired coach? Broadcaster perhaps?

Yet, Smith is none of the above.

His secret? Simple. Keep a baseball executive around the house while growing up.

"I grew up in baseball," he said. "My dad (Tal) has been an executive in the league for over 40 years now. I grew up around the game and knew a lot of people."

Smith, an honest, straight-shooting Texan began his career in Beaumont, Texas as an intern with the Padres then double-A Texas League affiliate.

"I did everything that year, from pulling the tarp, to selling programs to selling tickets," he recalled. "It just happened to be the year that the Padres went to the post-season and they needed

help in San Diego. Their general manager came through and I guess they liked my work, so they asked me to help out."

He went from late-season help to scout to eventual scouting director for the Padres. Smith was hired as assistant GM for the Colorado Rockies in 1991 before returning to San Diego.

Before coming to Detroit in 1996, he spent three seasons as the GM of the San Diego Padres. When he was named to the position in 1993 at the age of 29, he became the youngest GM in major league history, a record which still stands.

Two weeks after being appointed, he coordinated the so-called "fire sale" in San Diego when no player was safe from the trading block. He has acquired future all-stars and a league MVP and hired a National League Manager of the Year.

But Smith, 35, contends that for a GM (who is in charge of judging a person's potential), a glittering past doesn't go very far in the business.

"It's just like being a player," he said. "You get stuck living in the past and you're not going to last very long. It's a performance game and you're counted on every year to achieve some goals, whatever they may be."

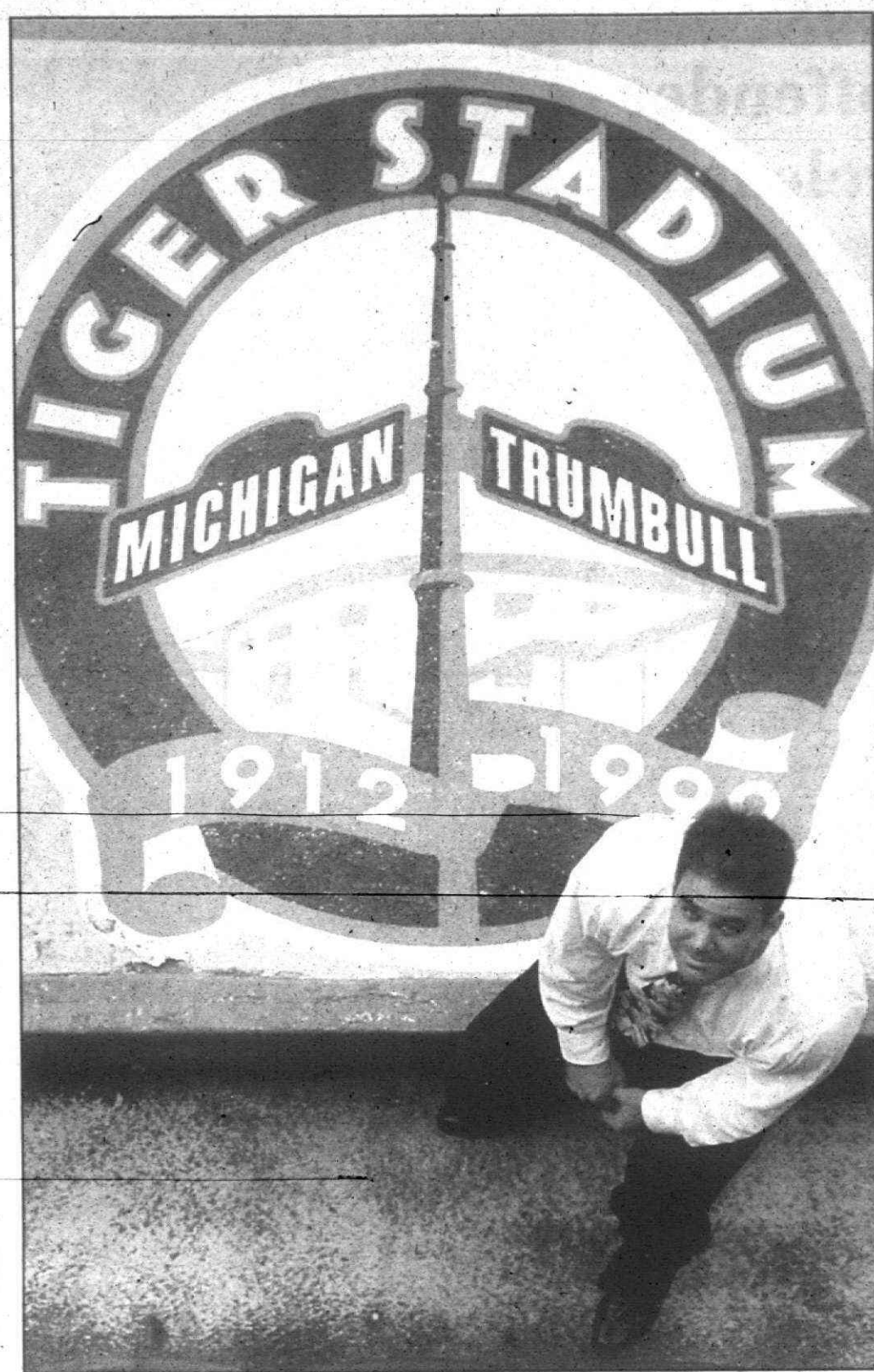
Perhaps the most interesting thing about Smith's job, though, is that thousands of people, nearly all of whom have never been in a contract negotiation or scouted the Latin American leagues for prospects, feel that they can do it better.

"I was driving to work one day and I was (surprised) stopped in construction," he recalled. "There was this guy laying cement on the freeway and I thought to myself, 'I have no idea how to tell that guy how to do his job. But I'd be willing to bet that he could tell me how to do mine.'"

Smith said the move to Michigan and, more specifically, Plymouth, a few years ago was a nice change that allowed him to find the right working environment.

"I had a choice between Detroit and two other teams," he said. "I took this because it was the right fit with the right people."

Smith got the job but what he found was much more than that.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL RUCKENBACH

On the move: Randy Smith, Detroit Tigers general manager, is shepherding the team through its last season at Tiger Stadium. Smith hopes his team's play will improve by the time they move to Comerica Park next spring.

"I've enjoyed the seasons," he said. "I've never lived anywhere where we experienced all four seasons. And Plymouth has kind of a small town atmosphere with it's quaintness. Friends that have come in from out of town say it looks like the set from 'Back to the Future'."

"Two weeks after we moved in, I had to take our dog to the vet. We pulled up to the office and

he was just getting in his car and you know what? He got out of his car, went inside, got us what we needed and told us to pay him another time. That was a nice feeling when we first got here."

Just one request from Plymouth, Randy. First stop with the championship trophy in a few years?

Charges possible in M-14 crash

A 38-year-old Ann Arbor woman could face a felonious assault charge for allegedly causing a "road rage" accident at 7:15 a.m. Monday on M-14, near Beck.

"The Mustang was heading eastbound on M-14 at Beck when the driver of a Pathfinder changed lanes in front of her. The driver of the Mustang became angered, passed the Pathfinder and slammed on her brakes," said Michigan State Trooper Shawn Barton.

The 1997 Pathfinder rolled three times before coming to a stop in the eastbound lanes, he said.

The 24-year-old Pathfinder driver, also from Ann Arbor, was taken by ambulance to Saint Joseph's Hospital for multiple minor injuries. She was released later that day, Barton said.

The report is being sent to the Wayne County prosecutors' office to charge the driver of the 1998 Mustang with felonious assault for causing the accident, Barton said.

A second "road rage" incident was reported to Plymouth Township police later the same day. A 49-year-old Northville man could be charged with malicious

destruction of property for denting a car in an alleged fit of rage about 8 p.m. Monday.

An 18-year-old Canton man told police he exited his subdivision onto northbound Beck Road near Joy with "plenty of room" in front of a blue 1998 Ford Expedition. However, when he stopped at the stop sign at Joy the driver of the Expedition began flashing his lights at him. Finally, at a red light at Ann Arbor Road, the driver of the Expedition pulled alongside his 1999 Chevrolet yelling that he was going to cause an accident.

The teen told the driver to "lose the... attitude," which caused the driver of the Expedition to block in his 1999 Chevrolet and begin kicking the driver's side door and hood.

The Canton man wants to press charges. Police are investigating.

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KERRY K. ERDMAN, Court Administrator

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Physical Therapy UPDATE

Hands On Center

GETTING BACK ON YOUR FEET

People who have suffered foot or leg injuries can turn to the physical therapist for advice about selecting and using a walking aid. When a cane is the mobility aid of choice, it should be held in the hand opposite the side that needs support with the cane and the affected leg should swing and strike the ground together. A walker should be moved ahead a comfortable arm's length, then stepped into with the injured leg leading the way. Finally, the tips of crutches should be kept about 6 inches from the user's sides, while steps should be restricted to about 12 inches. Physical therapists know the value of choosing the right style and fit to suit their clients' needs.

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CANTON CONNECTION

Wider is better

Drivers have been testing the new pavement on the reopened Canton Center since early last week. The newly widened stretch - from Ford to Cherry Hill - officially opened to traffic with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Tuesday, although cars were allowed onto all five lanes a day or so earlier.

The year-long, \$3.3 million project is the second phase of an \$8 million improvement plan for Canton Center by Wayne County. Work on the next segment - widening Canton Center to five lanes between Ford and Warren roads, will begin next April.

"We appreciate the community's patience with this project as we look forward to the next phase," said Tom Yack, Canton supervisor. "Once complete, the widening of Canton Center will well serve the community."

Roads part II

Joy Road is closed to through traffic from Haggerty to Hix while bridge repairs over the I-275 freeway are being done.

Local traffic will have access both west and east of the bridge but won't be able to cross over

the bridge. Residents who live west of I-275 will only be able to access Joy from Haggerty. Residents east of I-275 will gain access from Hix or Newburgh.

McCabe donation

As part of an ongoing effort, McCabe Funeral Home recently presented the Canton Public Library with a check for \$500 to buy new books for the "Special Collection on Bereavement."

The collection was established in 1993. "Grieving can be a lonely process, and everyone has his or her individual way of coping with the loss of a loved one," said Kevin McCabe. "We established the bereavement collection to provide Canton residents with another way to assist them through the grieving process."

Getting organized

Canton Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Ryan Ambrozaitis recently completed a week-long program of study with the Institutes for Organization Management at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind.

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with the financial institution extensively since its inception in terms of improvements, equipment and operating funds.

"They have a big stake in our enterprise," said Myers. The conservatory is less reliant on the bank, but still receives as much as 20 percent of its monthly operating capital.

"We've had struggles like any new company," said Myers. "It has been a heck of a year. We've gone through some immense growing pains. But we've been

able to turn it into a fairly strong organization."

Purchasing the building won't change any plans in constructing a larger more permanent home in Canton, said Myers.

"Our plans are in-line with the townships," he said. Growth in student population has been key. SMAC started with just 88 students and now has more than 700.

"We've gone from almost no staff to 36 employees," Myers added.

Summer is a slower time for the arts conservatory. Various camps tide the company over until fall when students begin lessons again.

Myers expects SMAC's student growth to continue. He thinks more than 1,000 will be signed up by the end of this year.

"Everything is set up and in place for them now," the director added. "We're focusing on elementary and middle school-aged kids."



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Sex offender released

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After spending five weeks in a private clinic near Phoenix, in one of the leading programs for the treatment of sexual addictions, Randall Horace has moved to Plymouth and has registered with the police department as a sexual offender.

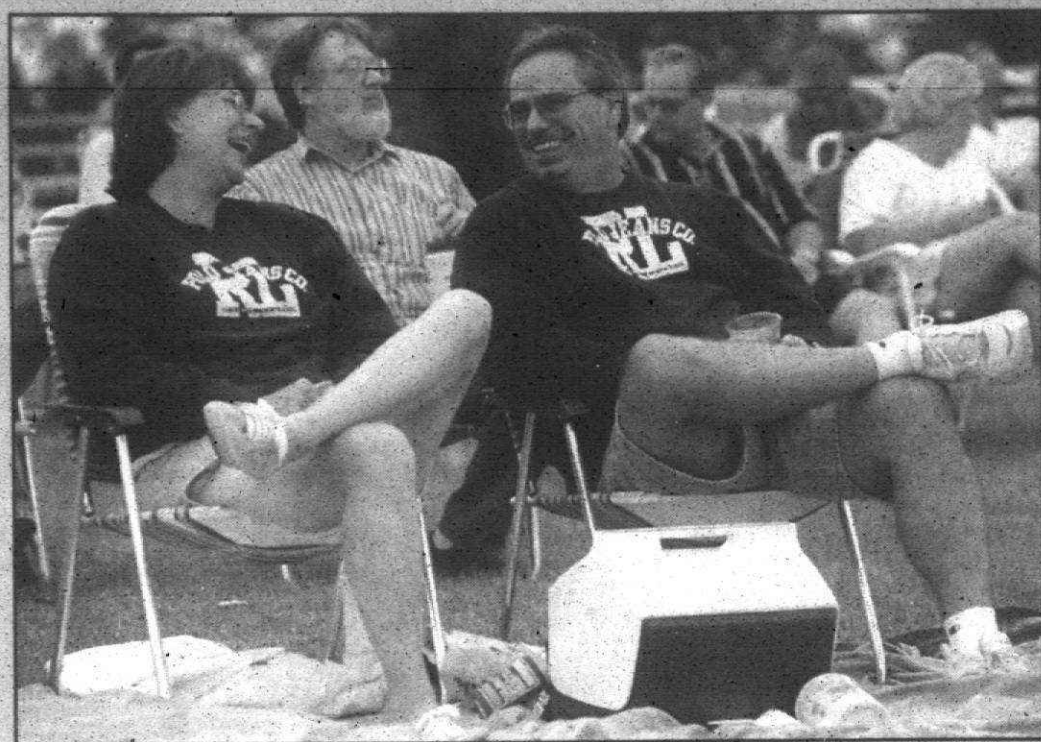
The former Canton man was caught last October by police and charged with indecent exposure for exposing himself to children at the Plymouth District Library, and leaving lewd photographs of himself around town.

Horace's attorney, Daniel Weberman of West Bloomfield, confirms that Horace spent time at The Meadows near Phoenix, which has become well known for its treatment of people with sexual disorders. Weberman said the treatment was part of a plea bargain which resulted in Horace receiving five years probation after being arrested on four counts of indecent exposure.

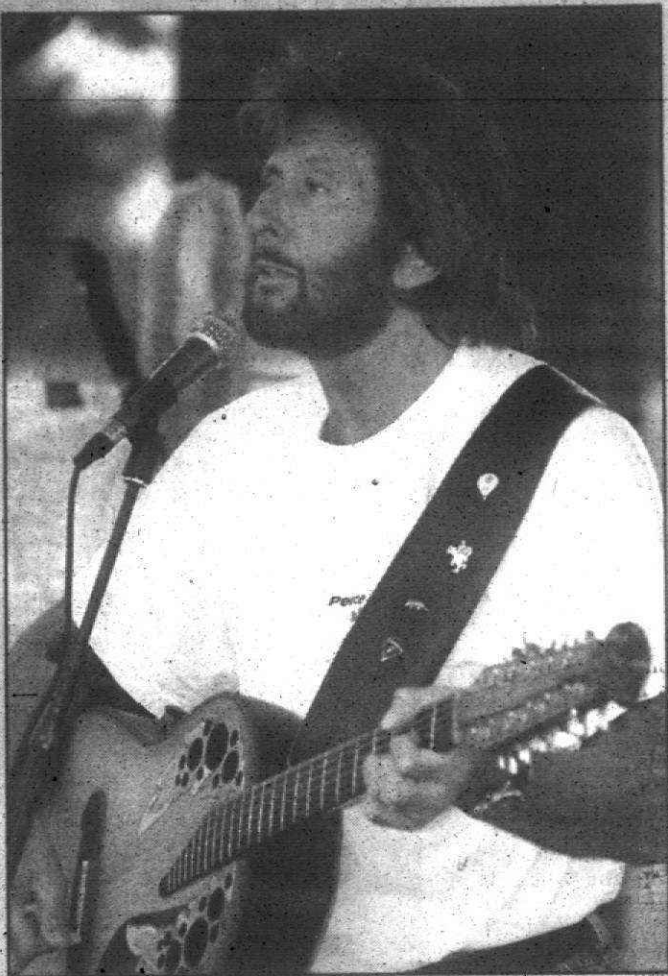
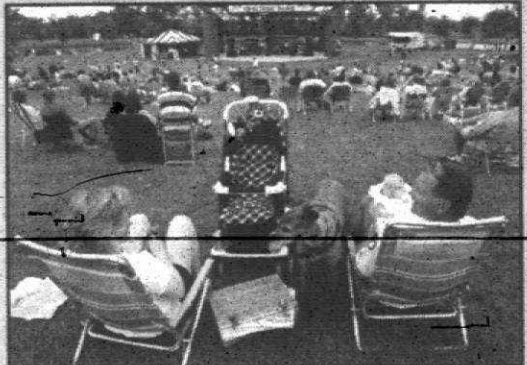
"Mr. Horace is the kind of person who needs treatment, not incarceration," said Weberman.

In February, a court-ordered psychological report stated Horace "suffers from a disorder called Exhibitionism, which involves recurrent intense sexual urges and sexually arousing fantasies."

Summer concert series in high gear



Lawn seats: Marcia and Chris Drake of Canton enjoy Thursday's concert in Heritage Park, singing "Under the Boardwalk." At right, Roxanne and Jeff Boczar of Canton, their 2-month-old son, Jack, and greyhound Roundy attended the show featuring Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band.



On stage: Bobby Lewis sings the opening number with his band, Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band, at Heritage Park in Canton.

OBITUARIES

DIANE TROUTMAN

Services for Diane Troutman, 51, of Plymouth were June 28 at Vermeulen Funeral Home of Plymouth with burial at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs. Troutman was born Nov. 3, 1947, in Detroit and died June 24 in Plymouth.

She worked as an administrative assistant and was a member of the Northville Eagles, Plymouth VFW, and Northville Moose. She attended St. Raphael Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Troutman.

She is survived by her parents, Genevieve and Angelo Dittori of Spring Hill, Fla.; her son, Daniel L. Franklin II of Livonia; her brothers, David (Tracie) Dittori of Oceanside, Calif.; Donald (Lynn) Dittori of Novi and John (Heidi) Dittori of Novi; sister Angel (Bill) Trail of Novi; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 29350 Southfield Road, Suite 110, Southfield, MI 48076.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth.

JAMES F. ALBRIGHT

Services for James F. Albright, 70, of Westland were June 30 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth with the Rev. Joseph Lowing officiating. Burial was at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

Mr. Albright was born Dec. 13, 1928, in Obion, Tenn. He died June 26 in Westland. He was a floor inspector at Gen Steel in Plymouth prior to retirement. He served in the U.S. Army at Camp Polk, La., and loved gardening, bowling, basketball, and playing cards. Mr. Albright came to the Westland community one year ago from the Plymouth/Canton community.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Albright of Westland, his son James (Sherrie) Albright, Jr. of Dearborn Heights, and brother Joseph Albright of Joliet, Ill.

Memorials may be made to the Odyssey Hospice a Odyssey Health Care, 41651 W. 11 Mile, Novi MI 48375.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth.

OWEN J. BUSH

Services for Owen J. Bush, 37, of Plymouth were July 3 at Gesu Catholic Church in Detroit with the Rev. John Sullivan officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Funeral arrangements were made by John N. Santeu & Sons Inc. in Garden City. Mr. Bush was born Nov. 24, 1961, in Detroit. He died June 29 in Plymouth. He was a district manager for 7-Up.

He is survived by his father, James (Shirley) Bush, and his mother Maureen (Ronald) Marion, and sister, Mary Elizabeth Bush.

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Audit shows taxpayers picking up tab for Willow Run

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Wayne County taxpayers have picked up part of the tab for the operations of Willow Run Airport as the facility has not operated with a positive cash flow in the last six years.

That was the conclusion of the county's Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy in a report to county commissioners. The auditor general is required to audit county departments at least once every two years, according to the county charter.

Commissioners approved the report on June 17, along with recommendations to address problems found by auditors.

Dunleavy found that an Enterprise Fund, which through user charges — landing, rental and concession fees — provides funds to pay for the airport's operations, fell short. Operating revenue has declined \$387,616 between 1996 and 1997. During 1997, 21 percent of its cash requirements were financed by loans from other Wayne County funds.

It appears that Willow Run is currently unable to operate in such a manner without reliance on financial assistance from the county's pooled cash," Dunleavy stated in the report.

Fourth busiest in state

Willow Run reports more than 150,000 landings and take-offs annually from its five runways, making it the fourth busiest airport in the state. A 2,600-acre facility located about 10 miles west of Detroit Metro Airport straddling Wayne and Washtenaw county lines, Willow Run offers facilities and services for regional and international cargo carriers, and corporate and private aviation companies.

Willow Run handles nearly 100,000 tons of cargo annually. Carriers transport a wide range of cargo, including automotive and electronic components, emergency medical supplies, mail and packages.

Dunleavy attributed the revenue reduction to less business for one of Willow Run's largest

operators "due to their troubled financial state."

Dunleavy also found the airport was owed \$1.2 million in bills from companies in 1997-98. He has yet to audit the 1998-99 records.

In a May 26 letter to the commission, Wayne County Chief Financial Officer Thomas Naughton said he was "puzzled as to how they could get it so wrong."

The report would suggest that Willow Run cannot continue to operate independently due to serious cash flow problems,"

Naughton said. "Simply put, nothing could be further from the truth."

Naughton said Willow Run has generated increases in working capital (funds) from operations in excess of \$2 million since 1993 and over \$1.8 million in positive cash flow from operations. "This is not an enterprise on the brink of disaster as may have been implied in the Auditor General's report," Naughton said.

Naughton said Willow Run representatives met with two of the airport's largest operators

who fell behind in payments and "have negotiated payment plans and are current on all receivables."

The six-week General Motors strike temporarily affected revenue from landing fees and fuel flowage fees, and an electrical failure cost \$360,000, Naughton said.

Letter 'diverts' issues

Dunleavy responded to the letter with one of his own on June 7, stating Naughton's letter attempts to "spin and distort" the facts, and "diverts the real

issues" identified in the report.

Dunleavy said airport management, and county's management and budget office, delayed in responding to the report, which was wrapped up in March at a closing conference. The auditor general allows the auditee 15 business days after such conferences to respond in writing to the draft audit report.

Dunleavy pointed out that Willow Run has operated with cumulative net losses in excess of \$2 million since 1994. Willow Run also has had negative working capital in each of the six

years since 1993.

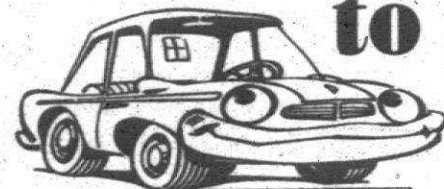
Working capital is defined as current assets over current liability, Dunleavy said. That only improved by \$870,000 and remained at a negative \$510,000 at the end of 1997-98.

"The inability to build cash reserves has forced Willow Run to rely on financial assistance from the county's pooled cash," Dunleavy said. "As a matter of fact, Willow Run has only carried a \$500 petty cash balance at the end of each year since 1993."

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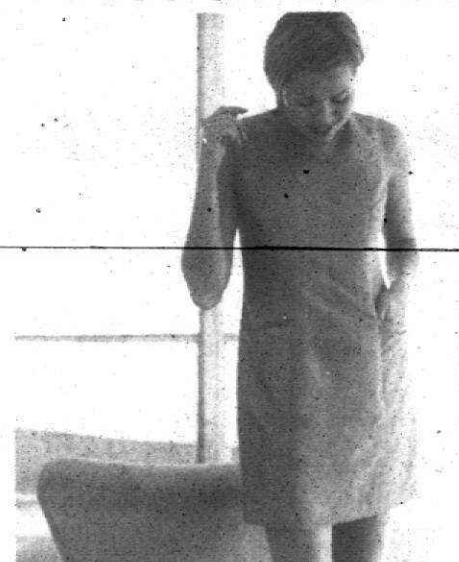
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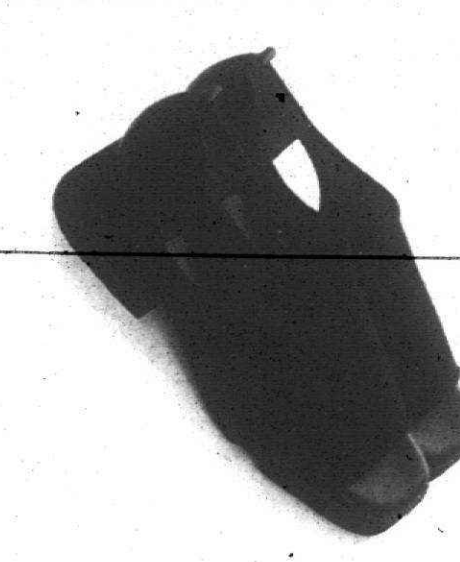
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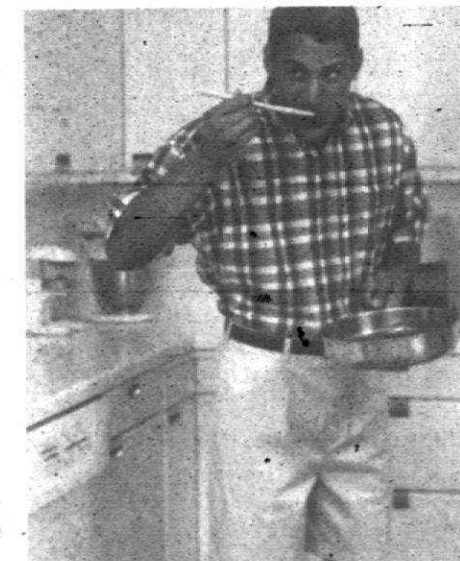
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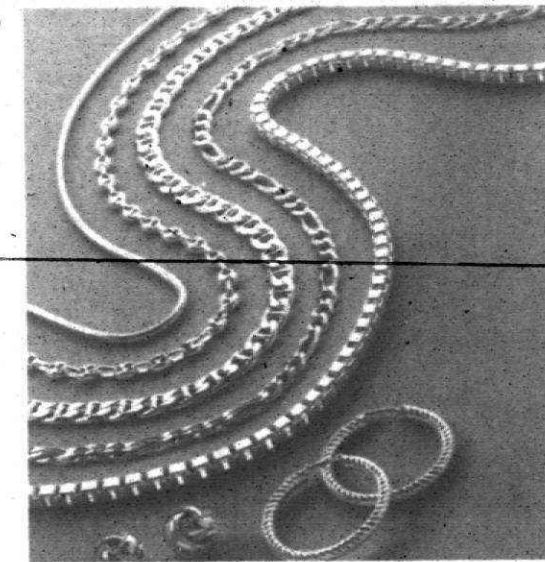
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Commission balks at relinquishing charter powers

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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County commissioners rejected County Executive Edward McNamara's reorganization plan Thursday as several commissioners raised concerns about allowing McNamara the opportunity to add an unlimited number of division directors and deputy division directors.

They were also concerned the plan would relinquish some of their legislative duties in the charter concerning the approval of those division directors.

McNamara's plan originally created 13 new department divisions and added 26 administrative appointed divisions.

Since the reorganization plan outlines the structure of county government, the rejection means the county does not have an approved plan as is required

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under the charter. Commissioners cannot amend the county executive's plan, only approve or reject it.

Commissioners also approved five ordinances that established county departments for the airports, jobs and economic development, environment, community justice and information technology. Commission counsel Ben Washburn told commissioners the ordinances allowed them to reserve the right to approve 10 appointees in those departments.

June West, McNamara's press secretary, said McNamara will review the commission's decision and Wayne County's corporation counsel will examine the ordinances.

"It's their right to reject the county executive's plan, but it won't disrupt any of the county operations," West said. "It's not the end of the world."

The original plan was reviewed by Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy, Fiscal Adviser Jim Smith and Commission Counsel Ben Washburn, who raised questions whether a county executive's reorganization plan may modify the powers and duties of the legislative branch — the commission — or more specifically the power to reject the county executive's appointments.

Their review asked: "May the legislative branch irretrievably delegate any of the powers and the duties with which it has been vested to the chief executive officer?"

Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit, met with McNamara Wednesday after commissioner voted 8-2 to reject the plan Tuesday at a committee of the whole meeting. Solomon

said the commission had "come to terms with 95 percent of the plan."

"We just did not reach an agreement," Solomon said.

Commissioners wanted the final say on department directors. Solomon named management and budget, parks, environment, along with management and budget appointees, calling them "absolutely critical."

"We reserve the right, to approve these," Solomon said. "I think those (appointees) are critical to our fiduciary responsibility." Solomon agreed with Washburn in that the 10 department heads should come before the commission.

Commissioner Bernard Parker, D-Detroit, said McNamara "is calling these divisions," he considered them departments.

Commissioner Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, who served as a charter commissioner prior to voters approving the charter in the

early 1980s, said the charter creates a "strong" executive. Bankes was the lone vote against the motion approved by 12 commissioners to reject the plan.

Bankes pointed out that the commission's earlier disagreements with the plan were raised only over the McNamara's change of the senior citizen department into a division of Health and Community Services. McNamara later changed that proposal back to its former "department" status.

"I think this is a bunch of fooling around with the plan," Bankes said.

Earlier, Bankes had said she opposed the ordinances because she thought the commission didn't need to bind the county executive with the ordinances and get into approval of division appointments.

"That's micromanagement," Bankes said.

Bankes also "did not have any problems" with McNamara's plan nor a county executive with decision-making power, she said.

Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, said the ordinances could be rescinded at any time. "It's important for us to have this in writing. It's critical for us to adopt the five (director) positions, so they can continue in their job performance."

Commissioner George Cushingberry, D-Detroit, read from the charter that stated that commissioners are empowered to approve the county executive appointees of deputy county executive, directors, deputy directors, members of boards and commissions, and "all other officials or representatives not in classified service."

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On June 17, commissioners approved recommendations that called for an accounts receivable analysis on a quarterly basis and a study by county officials of fees and rents and an exploration of raising rates to increase revenue.

Commissioners also want to

"ensure sufficient oversight of the accounting function" in the reporting of amortization, fixed assets, promissory notes and workers compensation.

Dunleavy is expected to audit the 1998-99 expenses and compliance with the recommendations at a later date.



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Sauvignon blanc pairs perfectly with food

Sauvignon blanc is the most versatile wine with food. Yet, only four percent of more than 300,000 vineyard acres in California produce it. With an increasing U.S. interest in pairing wine with food, this planting neglect is disappointing.

Despite this, no one is more enthusiastic about showcasing sauvignon blanc's versatility with food than chef Sunny Cristadoro at St. Supéry Winery in the Napa Valley.

Versatile varietal

"Because sauvignon blanc is the most versatile varietal with food, some, even professional chefs, have taken that to mean they can put anything with this wine, and that's an overstatement," Cristadoro began as we chatted at Birmingham's Big Rock Chop & Brew House where she was an invited celebrity chef.

Cristadoro agrees that sauvignon blanc's freshness makes it an ideal aperitif: a sipper, even without food. But the freshness, coupled with clean flavors, matches the spiciness of Thai foods, all Asian cuisine and harmonizes well with Mexican dishes.

"Even with the broad range of sauvignon blanc wine styles, if the wine is balanced and so is the dish, the chances of the wine pairing with the food are quite good," she said.

"Cajun and Creole cooking are popular, but sometimes with outrageous amounts of cayenne pepper. That's not authentic New Orleans cooking. Excessive amounts of cayenne put the dish out of balance and it will not match any wine."

To achieve the best harmony of sauvignon blanc with food, Cristadoro suggests assessing the style. Warm climate sauvignons yield grapefruit, lemon and slightly grassy characters.

"This directly relates to citrus qualities perceptible in food matches," she added. "Grassiness suggests cilantro, chives, basil and light green herbs. There's a direct correlation and a simple complement."

Saucing is another of Cristadoro's focal points. Chicken can pair with any wine from sauvignon blanc to a big red, she notes. But you have to ask, "what are you putting on the chicken as a sauce?" It's not just the main element you're working with, but also the flavors you're putting alongside it.

Fruit characters

Cristadoro likes to play on the fruit characters of sauvignon blanc. Sea bass with a salsa made from mango, kiwi, papaya, ginger, cilantro, and lemon juice is a winner. Sea bass can be poached in sauvignon blanc or seared if a crisp crunch is desired.

"The key is to let the buttery quality of the fish, particularly sea bass or halibut, add its own richness to the dish," she said. "Tropical fruits bring out the same elements in the wine."

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Wine Picks

■ **Picks of the pack:** Two reds worth cellar-ing for special occasions are 1996 Shafer Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley \$38 and 1996 Benziger Reserve Merlot \$33.

■ **Try the following delicious sauvignons using food pairing suggestions in the wine column:** 1998 Marquis de Chasse Sauvignon Blanc/Semillon blend from Bordeaux \$6.50; and 1998 Mason Sauvignon Blanc, Napa Valley \$14.

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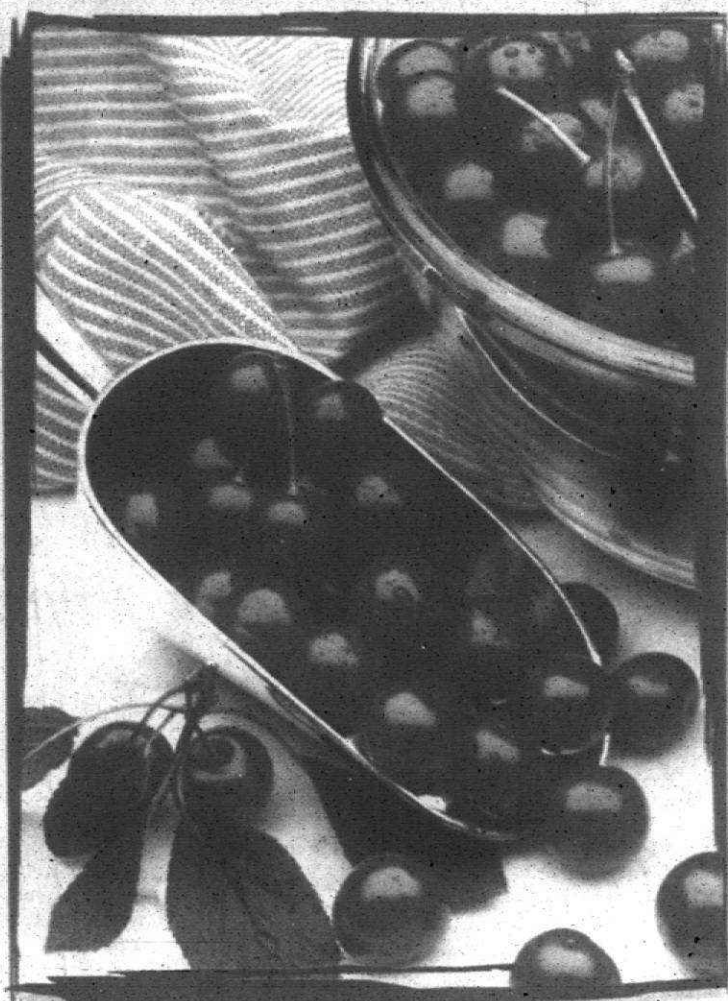
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CHERRIES & BERRIES

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND



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Berries, berries plump and juicy save just one for Auntie Lucy

The berries are here! Let summer begin.

Produce sections of your local market already are dotted with boxes of these summer jewels — sapphire blueberries and ruby raspberries. If you want your berries very fresh, you can pick them at area farms.

Berries are small but mighty when it comes to flavor and nutrition. Just one cup of fresh blueberries gives you five grams of fiber — more than most fruits and veggies — and 15 percent of your daily vitamin C. All this for just 80 calories.

The blueberry is a native American species. Early settlers used blueberry juices and syrups for coughs, and the root was used to make a pungent tea given to women during childbirth. However, today's magnificently plump, sweet and juicy cultivated blueberry is a far cry from the small, wild high-bush blueberry cherished by Indians and pioneers.

Choose blueberries that are deep-colored and fully ripened, with smooth skins that invite a pin prick. Do not wash berries before refrigerating or freezing. Washing

results in a tougher-skinned product. If freezing blueberries, place them one layer deep on sheet pans. Freeze, then place in freezer containers. Both frozen and fresh blueberries should be rinsed and drained just before serving.

Raspberries

Barb Middleton, owner of Middleton Berry Farm in Oakland County, loves her raspberries. "On cereal, ice cream, raspberry pie. I'll just eat them anyway I can."

Middleton grows both summer and fall raspberry crops. Summer varieties are available for approximately the next three weeks. Fall raspberries, ripening the first week in September, are smaller and sweeter than the summer variety. Middleton has no preference. "A true raspberry lover doesn't care. She loves them all."

Besides great taste, raspberries have the most bang for the caloric buck when it comes to dietary fiber. One cup of unsweetened raspberries offers 3.7 grams of dietary fiber at a cost of just 61

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Cherries, cherries tart and sweet now ripe enough to eat and eat

Once upon a time, along the sandy shores of Old Mission Peninsula, a Presbyterian minister named Peter Dougherty defied the advice of local Indians and planted a cherry orchard.

He prayed the waters of Grand Traverse Bay and nearby Lake Michigan would temper the cold Arctic winds and cool his orchard in the summer.

That was in 1852. Today, Michigan grows 70 to 75 percent of the nation's tart cherries and about 20 percent of the sweets. About 40 percent of the state's 36,000 acres of cherry trees are concentrated in the Grand Traverse Region, with Traverse City dubbed the "Cherry Capital of the World."

A spring ceremony known as the "Blessing of the Blossoms" was initiated in 1924 to honor the region's cherry-growing prowess. The event evolved into the National Cherry Festival, held in Traverse City this year July 10.

But you don't have to travel to Traverse City to get your fill of cherries. Local cherry growers say the tarts are ready for picking, and the sweets should follow in about

10 days.

Peter Blake, owner of Blake's Orchard & Cider Mill in Romeo, expects a medium-size crop this year due to spring frosts. He grows the tart Montmorency cherry (excellent for pies, preserves, jellies, and juices) and the popular Bing and Van sweets.

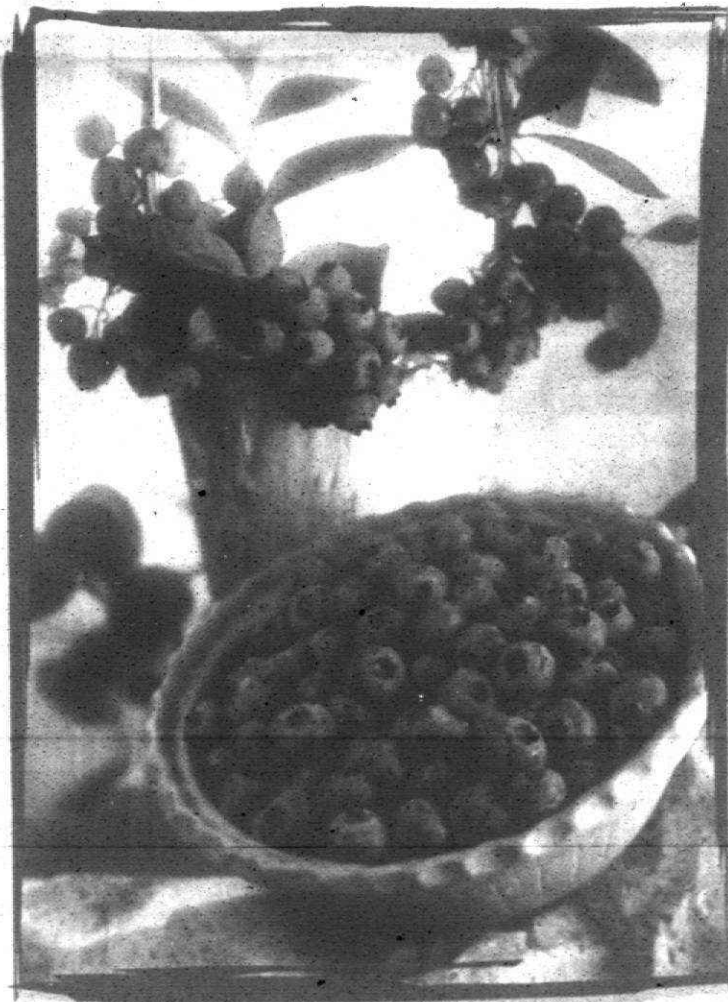
"I'm partial to tart cherry pie, warm with a scoop of cold ice cream," said Blake, who prefers his cherries bedded down between two flaky crusts. Others like their cherries au naturel.

Eaten plain, cherries are low in fat, calories and sodium and contain no cholesterol. They contain more vitamin A, calcium, iron, magnesium, phosphorus and copper than apples, cranberries, strawberries and peaches. They have about the same amount of potassium as peaches and grapes.

Current medical research also suggests eating about 20 tart cherries per day could reduce inflammatory pain and provide antioxidant protection as well.

Both tart and sweet cherries freeze well. Just remember to pit

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■ **Blake's Orchard & Cider Mill** 17985 Armada Center Road, Romeo, (810) 784-5343. Three miles west of Armada or five miles east of Romeo. Near intersection of Romeo Plank and Armada Center Road. **U-pick:** raspberries, tart and sweet cherries, peaches, pumpkins and veggies. Medium crop of cherries; good crop of raspberries.

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■ **Drivers Berry Farm** South Lyon, (248) 437-8461. I-96 to Milford Road, exit south to 10 Mile Road, west to South Lyon. Two miles west of South Lyon, turn right and drive one-and-a-half miles. Or, take U.S. 23 to Silver Lake Road, Exit 55, south of Brighton. Go east three miles, follow signs. **U-pick:** early blueberries and thornless red raspberries — both in July. Fall raspberries starting in September. Open daily 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

■ **Erwin Orchards U-Pick & Cider Mill** South Lyon, (248) 437-4701 (recording) or 888/824-3377, www.erwinorchards.com on the web. I-96 to Kent Lake Road (Exit 153), south one mile to Silver Lake Road, turn east and follow signs. Located near Kensington Metro Park. **U-pick:** summer and fall thornless red and yellow raspberries. **U-pick:** apples (14 varieties) and **U-pick:** pumpkins. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily mid-July to mid-November.

■ **The Good Earth Farm** Howell, (734) 878-3149. I-96 to D-19 intersection (Pickney Road). South on Pickney Road six miles to Brighton Road. Left on Brighton one-and-a-half miles to Brady Road. Right on Brady to farm. **U-pick:** fall raspberries in late August. Picking is good until Oct. 20. Open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

■ **Makielaki Berry Farm** Ypsilanti, (734) 434-3673 or (734) 572-0060. One mile south of US-12 (Michigan Avenue) and one-half mile west of US-23. **U-pick:** fall red and yellow raspberries, 14 acres. Open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. from approximately Aug. 25 to Oct. 31.

■ **Middleton Berry Farm** Oakland, (248) 693-6018 (hotline), I-75 to Exit 81 (M-24, Lapeer Exit). M-24 north two miles to Silverbell Road, turn right. Go four miles to Adams Road, turn left. Go four miles to dead end at Stoney Creek Road, turn right. Go three-quarters mile to farm on left. **U-pick:** peas and raspberries. Call for hours.

■ **Park U-Pick Fall Raspberry Farm** 8779 Dixboro Road, South Lyon, (248) 437-1631. Seven miles west of Plymouth and 11 miles northeast of Ann Arbor, one mile west of Pontiac Trail and 1,000 feet south of 7 Mile Road. **U-pick:** fall red raspberries starting approximately September 14. Open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

■ **Rapp Orchards** Romeo, (810) 752-2117. Three miles south of Romeo on M-53 between 29 and 30 Mile Roads. **U-pick:** cherries — two acres of sweet and tart.

■ **Rowe's Produce Farm** Ypsilanti, (734) 482-8538. I-94 to Rawsonville Road (Exit 187), south two-and-a-half miles to Martz Road, turn right. Farm located one-fourth mile on left. **U-pick:** tomatoes, peppers, okra and chowder peas in July. In fall, **U-pick:** raspberries. Open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

■ **Spicer Orchards** Fenton, (810) 632-7692. U.S. 23 three miles north of M-59 or 10 miles south of Fenton to Clyde Road (Exit 70). Go east one-fourth mile. **U-pick:** raspberries, blueberries, tart and sweet cherries, and plums (end of July). Also **U-pick:** fall raspberries and apples. Picked peaches and pears for sale. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily beginning July 10.

■ **Wasom Fruit Farm** Milan, (734) 482-2342. U.S. 23 to Willis Road (Exit 31), three miles east to Pitman Road, south one mile to Judd Road. Or, take I-94 to Rawsonville Road (Exit 187), south four-and-a-half miles to Willis Road, south one mile to Judd Road. **U-pick:** tart cherries from approximately July 1-20. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Enjoy Michigan cherries and berries

See related story on Taste front.

DOUBLE CHERRY PIE

4 cups frozen unsweetened tart cherries
1 cup granulated sugar
2 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
Pastry for 2-crust, 9-inch pie
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 tablespoon butter

Combine frozen cherries, dried cherries, sugar, tapioca and almond extract in a large mixing bowl; mix well. (It is not necessary to thaw cherries before using.) Let cherry mixture stand 15 minutes.

Line a 9-inch pie plate with pastry, fill with cherry mixture. Dot with butter. To make a lattice crust top, cut remaining pastry into 1/2-inch wide strips. Arrange strips on pie at 1-inch intervals. Fold back alternate strips to weave crosswise strips over and under. Fold bottom pastry over strips. Seal and flute edge. (If desired, a solid top crust can be used. Cut slits in pastry to allow steam to escape.)

Bake in preheated 375-degree oven about 1 hour, or until crust is golden brown and filling is bubbly. If necessary, cover edge of crust with aluminum foil to prevent it from getting too brown. Makes 8 servings.

Recipe compliments of the Cherry Marketing Institute.

SPINACH SALAD WITH CHERRIES

Dressing:
1/4 cup olive oil
1/4 cup red wine vinegar
2 teaspoons honey
1/8 teaspoon black pepper

Salad:
5 cups cleaned torn spinach leaves, stems removed
1 cup bite-size fresh pineapple chunks
1/2 cup dried tart cherries
1/2 cup thinly sliced red onion
Crumble feta cheese, optional

For the dressing, combine oil, vinegar, honey and pepper in a medium bowl; mix well. For the salad, combine spinach, pineapple, cherries and onion in a large salad bowl. Spoon dressing over spinach mixture; mix to coat salad with dressing. Serve topped with feta cheese, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

Recipe compliments of the Cherry Marketing Institute.

BLUEBERRY BUTTERMILK MUFFINS

2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup sugar
1 cup buttermilk
1/4 lb. butter
2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt
2 eggs, beaten
1 1/2 cups fresh or frozen blueberries, rinsed and drained

Sift ingredients together into a large bowl. Make a well, add buttermilk, eggs and butter which has been melted and browned slightly. Mix well. Fold in blueberries. Fill well-greased muffin tins half full and bake at 400°F for 20 minutes. Serve warm. Yield: 24 small muffins.

Recipe compliments of Michigan Blueberry Growers Association, MBG Marketing

BLUEBERRY & TORTELLINI FRUIT SALAD

Dressing: 1/2 cup Low Fat Poppy Seed Dressing
Salad: 1 (9 ounce) package Three Cheese Tortellini pasta
1 cup fresh blueberries
1 cup sliced fresh strawberries
1 (11 ounce) can Mandarin Orange segments, drained
3/4 cup green grapes
1/4 cup sliced almonds

Cook pasta according to directions on package; drain. In a large bowl, add pasta and salad ingredients. Pour dressing over salad and toss lightly; refrigerate until ready to serve. Yield: 6 one-cup servings. Note: Three Cheese Tortellini pasta is found in the refrigerated

section of your grocery store. Various other fruits such as bananas, peaches, apples, and oranges may be used.

Recipe compliments of Michigan Blueberry Growers Association, MBG Marketing

BLUEBERRY TORTILLA PIZZA

1/2 cup ricotta cheese or whipped cream cheese
1 tablespoon confectioners sugar
1 pint fresh blueberries
1/2 cup sliced strawberries
1 large (10-inch) flour tortilla
1 tablespoon butter, melted
2 teaspoons cinnamon sugar
1/4 cup toasted shredded coconut, divided

Preheat broiler. In a small bowl, combine ricotta cheese and confectioners sugar; set aside. In another small bowl, combine blueberries and strawberries. Arrange tortilla on a broiler pan; brush with butter and sprinkle with cinnamon sugar. Broil about six inches from heat source until lightly browned, about three minutes. Cool slightly. Spread ricotta mixture on the tortilla; top with blueberry mixture and then sprinkle with coconut. Serves 4.

(To toast coconut, place in a skillet over moderate heat until pale gold, stirring constantly.)
Recipe compliments of the North American Blueberry Council.

BLUEBERRY FRUIT SMOOTHIE

1 cup low-fat vanilla ice cream
1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries (do not thaw)
1/2 cup light peaches, packed in water or natural juices, chopped
1/2 cup unsweetened pineapple juice

Place all ingredients in a blender. Cover and mix until smooth, about 30 to 45 seconds. Yield: 2 servings (about 1 1/4 cup per serving).

Recipe compliments of Michigan Blueberry Growers Association, MBG Marketing

RASPBERRY NUT MUFFINS

1 3/4 cup flour
1 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
6 tablespoons butter
3/4 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 cup plain or raspberry yogurt
1 tablespoon lemon juice
6 tablespoons milk
1 cup each raspberries (frozen-drained or fresh)

Mix all ingredients in blender until smooth. Pour into a saucepan. Simmer on low heat for 20 minutes.

Recipe compliments of the Washington Red Raspberry Commission

1 cup chopped nuts
Combine flour, baking powder, soda and salt. Cream butter and sugar.

Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each. Combine yogurt, lemon juice and milk. Add flour and yogurt mixture alternately to the creamed mixture. Fold in raspberries and nuts. Fill greased muffin tins 3/4 full. Let stand 5 minutes, then bake at 350°F for 25 minutes. Yield: 18 2 1/2-inch muffins.

Recipe compliments of the Washington Red Raspberry Commission

EXTREME RASPBERRY SAUCE

Great sauce for poultry, beef, pork, ham and especially salmon.
12 oz. bag red raspberries
1 cup ketchup
1/2 cup water
5 tablespoons brown sugar
1 shake tabasco
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon liquid smoke
1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
1/2 teaspoon chili powder
1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
Dash of pepper

Mix all ingredients in blender until smooth. Pour into a saucepan. Simmer on low heat for 20 minutes.

Recipe compliments of the Washington Red Raspberry Commission

Pack healthy snacks for your family vacation

BY BEVERLY PRICE

SPECIAL WRITER

It's not always easy to eat healthy foods when you're on vacation. Those people who have made it a routine to eat healthy just take their favorite foods with them.

Regina Goebel of Livonia always carries a blender wherever she goes. She takes tofu that does not need refrigeration. Her travel pack includes canned fruit for tofu smoothies.

"I can't live without my soy — I learned the hard way on my first trip away without it," she said.

A client of mine went to visit her mother out of town last month. In the past, her healthy nutrition plan went by the way-side during visits home. However, this time she decided to take charge and introduced her mother to Morningstar Farms Grillers. Now, her trips back home are filled with healthy meals that both she and her mother enjoy.

Our family always packs mini soy milk boxes for the road. When we arrive at our destination, we seek out the nearest health food store and load up on healthy, dry goods such as high fiber cereal, and fresh fruits. We always keep organic juice boxes and bottled water in our travel

bag for day trips. Cathy Fresia of Huntington Woods is spending the holiday weekend in Boston. She packed Health Valley Cheddar Lites and Red Cherry and Blueberry Tarts along with Good Health Cheddar Cuppies and Peanut Butter (filled) Pretzels for her family to snack on.

Her picnic basket also contains Hain's Animal Graham Crackers and Cookies, Barbara's Cheese Bites, Garden of Eatin' Sesame Blue Chips, Stretch Island Fruit Leather, Panda All Natural Licorice Bars and assorted raw vegetables. Fresia keeps a picnic basket in her car at all times for snack emergencies. She freezes containers of yogurt ahead of time to use for ice blocks and a healthy snack.

Roll-up sandwiches, packed in an insulated cooler, are wonderful road snacks. Take whole wheat lavash bread and top it with your favorite sauce such as barbecue, pesto, honey mustard, ketchup, tofu cream cheese, low-fat salad dressing, low-fat mayonnaise, or tamari sauce. Add veggies fillings such as shredded carrots, broccoli, sliced mushrooms or sprouts, and top with veggie refried beans, hummus, soy cheese or meat-free slices.

Finger fruit, on a straw or toothpick-is ideal for traveling.

Try watermelon, cantaloupe or honeydew balls, and strawberries, raspberries, or blueberries. Don't forget beverages. Pack jugs of water for long trips.

Stop for a stretch break when traveling long distances and have a safe and healthy trip!

SUNNY ALMOND SPREAD

1 cup raw almonds
1 cup sunflower seeds
1 small carrot, grated
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/4 cup water
1/4 cup soy mayonnaise
1/4 cup chopped, fresh parsley
2 tablespoons Bragg Liquid Aminos
2 garlic cloves, peeled
1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper

Put almonds and seeds in medium bowl. Cover with water. Soak 6 to 12 hours. Drain, rinse and drain. Put soaked in food processor, and process for 30 seconds. Add remaining ingredients and

process until smooth. Cover and chill before serving. Makes 3 cups. Recipe from "May all be fed," by John Robbins

CHIK PASTA SALAD

2 Morningstar Farms Chik Patties, thawed and diced
3 cups cooked whole-wheat linguine
1/2 cups low calorie Italian salad dressing
3/4 cup frozen peas, thawed
1 large tomato, diced
3/4 cup sliced carrots
3/4 cup diced celery
3/4 cup sliced zucchini
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
Dash of paprika

Combine all ingredients and blend well. Chill several hours. Serves 6.

BETSEY'S BEST OATMEAL RAISIN COOKIES

6 tablespoons Wonderslim

Fat & Egg Substitute
1 cup packed brown sugar
1/2 cup sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup whole wheat pastry flour
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 teaspoon salt
3 cups rolled oats, uncooked
1 cup raisins

Heat oven to 350°F degrees. Coat cookie sheets with non-stick cooking spray. Combine Wonderslim, brown sugar, sugar, egg and vanilla; beat until well blended.

In a separate bowl, combine flour, cinnamon, baking soda and salt. Add to sugar mixture; mix well. Stir in oats and raisins. Drop by rounded tablespoons onto cookie sheets. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from cookie sheets; cool on wire racks. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 3 dozen cookies.

FRUIT SMOOTHIE
1 (10 ounce) package lite, silken tofu
1 cup frozen raspberries
1 banana
2 cups pineapple-orange juice
Blend until smooth. Serves 2. Living Better Sensibly has a variety of fall educational classes, cooking programs for kids, and worksite wellness programs to meet your needs. Call (248) 539-9424 for more information or to be placed on our mailing list.

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Wines from page B1

Looking at opposite flavors from the ones found in a wine is more challenging than simple complements, but it yields wonderful rewards.

Cristadoro points to spicy food qualities as opposites which match well with sauvignon blanc and she kept coming back to Thai foods as a great pairing.

"It works because of sauvignon blanc's refreshing acidity," she

remarked. "The wine cleanses the palate. That's why people like beer with spicy food. It's cooling and cleansing on the palate. But sauvignon blanc also does the same thing for creamy components such as an Alfredo sauce. A buttery chardonnay bores the palate in this case because there are no textural differences. To my way of thinking, the same thing happens with sauvignon blanc that are barrel

fermented in new oak and go through malolactic fermentation."

Sure-fire matches

Cristadoro's sure-fire matches for sauvignon blanc include oysters, prawns, filet of sole, sea bass, mussels, clams, crawfish, shrimp, sushi, sashimi and scallops. Meat preferences are chicken, veal, sweetbreads,

quail, turkey, pork and prosciutto.

Wine-friendly vegetables are asparagus, cucumber, spinach, green olives, bell peppers, endive, baby vegetables, celery, carrots, corn, zucchini, potatoes, hot peppers (ancho, jalapeno, poblanos or serrano), green onions, onions, peanuts, parsnips, beets, mushrooms and veggie burgers.

Among the best cheese matches for sauvignon blanc are: fresh goat cheese, Parmesan, feta, pepper jack, cumin jack, Gruyere and Swiss.

Grains pairing well are pasta, rice, polenta and couscous. Condiment suggestions are: olive oil, wasabi, horseradish, balsamic vinegar, pickled ginger, soy sauce and garlic.

We've recommended St.

Supery Sauvignon Blanc a number of times in this column because it is always one of our favorites. At \$12, the 1998 is drinking handsomely now.

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.

Cherries from page B1

before you freeze. Blake said cherries freeze well up to a year. His orchard washes and pits cherries for its U-pick customers.

Besides loving the taste of cherries, I have fond memories of spending a cherry-picking season in Elk Rapids several years ago, while my then 16-year-old son, Chris, worked the night crew at a local cherry

orchard. Chris would pull huge tarps under the trees just before the cherry shaker, which resembled a lobster on wheels, wrapped its pinchers around a tree trunk and shook the cherries loose. Sometimes a mouse would fall from the tree and bounce onto the tarp.

Afterward, Chris and another worker would hold the cherry-

laden tarp taut as it wound its way toward a vat of icy cold water. The cherries were then transported by truck back to the processing plant.

It was backbreaking labor, my son said, but at times beautiful, especially when shooting stars arched across the black sky. For some of us, life can be just a bowl of cherries.

Berries from page B1

calories. Raspberries may also help fight cancer. Research at Hollings Cancer Center in Charleston, South Carolina, indicates red raspberries, the richest food source of ellagic acid, may inhibit the growth of cancer cells.

Be "berry" careful when

selecting raspberries. The perfect raspberry is sweet and brilliant red in color. Hold up that container and check bottom for juices or weeping. A raspberry should be just firm to the touch.

Like blueberries, raspberries freeze well. Pack unwashed berries into a container, leaving a half-inch head space or place a

single layer on a pan, freeze, then put into a container. Rinse frozen or fresh berries just before serving.

Whether you eat your fresh berries as a snack or in baked goods, remember, the growing season is short. Enjoy them while you can.

Seven-layer salad appealing dish

(AP) — Joanne Jones' syndicated recipe-makeover column, "Cook It Light," regularly offers lower-fat and lower-calorie versions of favorite food preparations.

Seven-Layer Salad, an appealing summer dish, is one of 200 revised recipes in her new book, "Jeanne Jones' Homestyle Cooking Made Healthy" (Rodale Press, \$27.95).

"In these makeovers," Jones writes, "I have kept two goals constantly in mind: The revised dish must taste as good as the original, and the revised dish must meet current nutritional guidelines for healthy eating."

Her previous books include "Healthy Cooking for People Who Don't Have Time to Cook" and "Canyon Ranch Cooking." In this book, her new version of Chicken Potpie has 8 grams of fat per serving instead of the traditional 41 grams, and the calo-

rie count is reduced to 411 from 827. Tuna Noodle Casserole, which once weighed in at just over 1,000 calories and 41 grams of fat per serving, is reborn with 622 calories and 14 grams of fat.

Reductions are similar for this updated summery salad, with 198 calories per serving and 7 grams of fat. Serving it in a glass bowl lets everyone at the table see the pretty layers before the salad is tossed and served.

SEVEN-LAYER SALAD

6-ounce package (8 cups) assorted young greens, torn into bite-size pieces
2 large ribs celery, thinly sliced
1/2 pound trimmed radishes, sliced
2 scallions, sliced
6 slices turkey bacon, cooked and drained
10-ounce package frozen

green peas, thawed
1 1/2 cups fat-free mayonnaise
1/2 cup (2 ounces) shredded extra-sharp Cheddar cheese

Place the greens in the bottom of a large glass bowl. Add the celery, radishes, scallions, bacon and peas in individual layers. Carefully spread the mayonnaise over the peas, covering the top completely and sealing to the edge of the bowl. Sprinkle with the cheese. Cover the salad tightly and refrigerate at least 2 hours but no longer than 12 hours to blend the flavors before serving.

To serve, toss the salad and spoon onto chilled plates. Makes 6 servings. Nutrition facts per serving: 198 cal., 7 g fat, 25 mg cholesterol, 761 mg sodium, 23 g carbs, 10 g protein.

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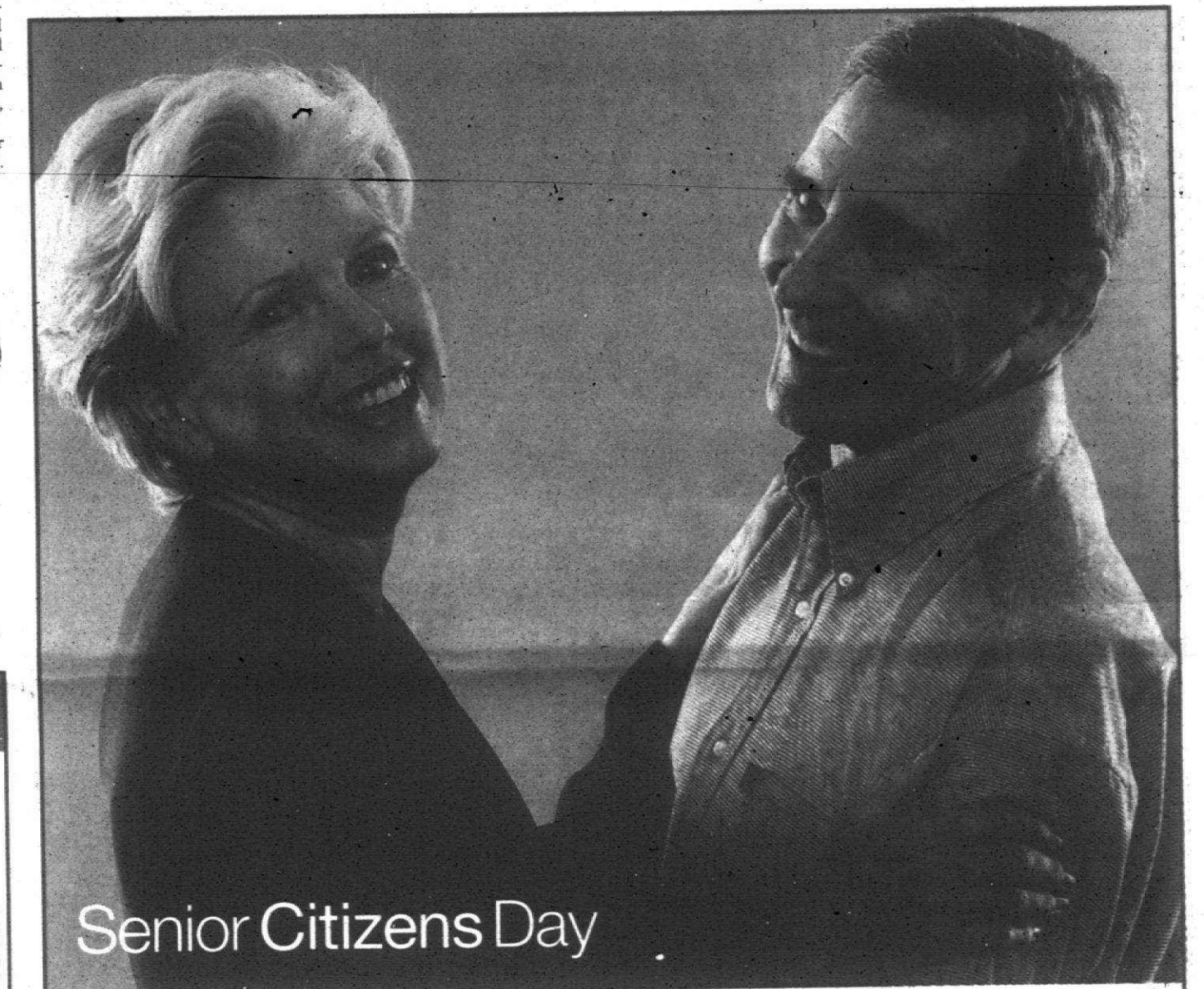
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Menopause support

The menopause support group hosted by St. Mary Hospital will meet from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 7 in the West Addition Conference Room B (use the South Entrance off Levan Road). Marian Women's Center, 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. For information call (734) 655-1100. The guest speaker will be Hossein Nabai, M.D. Dermatologist, St. Mary Hospital. Nabai will discuss changes in skin as it relates to menopause.

Macrobiotic recipes

Macro Val of Garden City offers personal, hands-on instruction on how to cook balanced meals. Classes include recipes, instruction, and a meal you prepare. July 7 class "Fun Foods" (7-9 p.m.) and July 21 and 28 (6-9 p.m.). Meals include vegetable roll-ups, cinnamon crisps, macrobiotic donuts, celery soup, creamy bean salad and sparkling berry dessert. To register call Val at (734) 261-2856.

Weight control

The Mission Health Medical Center in Livonia will host a weight control class from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 12. This program combines behavior modification techniques with the power of self-hypnosis to help change your way of thinking regarding weight loss. First forty-five minutes is a free orientation. \$59. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

Health night

Michael A. Roth, M.D., OBGYN, will conduct a free seminar at 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 14 at The Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp. will be sponsoring this event. The seminar will be held at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 42100 Crescent Blvd., Novi (located at the Novi Town Center). Anyone interested can call (248) 347-6100 for information or reservations. Topics discussed will include birth control options, menopause, osteoporosis, and diet and nutrition. Hor d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served.

Immunization clinic

Immunizations provided except chicken pox. Bring your child at the most convenient time from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, July 14. No pre-registration required. Bring child's immunization records with you. Clinic held monthly at Saint Joseph Mercy Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call (734) 414-1010.

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Nurse reaches out to Kosovo refugees



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Innocent fun: Charlene Teeter R.N., Oakwood Nurse Manager of the Emergency Department at Ann Arbor Hospital - Wayne, blows bubbles to entertain young Kosovo refugees at Fort Dix in New Jersey.

'We did everything from setting up a crash cart to building shelves, writing protocols and ordering supplies. All in all we saw approximately 60 to 70 people a day, working 12 and 14 hour shifts for the two weeks I was there.'

—Charlene Teeter, R.N.

Charlene Teeter R.N. spent two weeks away from her family volunteering as a member of the Michigan-1 DMAT team at Fort Dix treating the medical needs of ethnic Albanian refugees seeking temporary asylum from their war-torn country.

The Garden City resident said the time away from her family was hard but incomparable to the experiences displaced Kosovars shared with her and the other DMAT volunteers during the Provide Refuge operation.

"I heard the gamut of stories — some that brought tears to my eyes," said Teeter. "I can't ever imagine being uprooted from my home and family like that."

Teeter, the Nurse Manager of the Emergency Department at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital - Wayne has been a member of the Michigan-1 DMAT (Disaster Medical Assistance Team) since 1987.

A volunteer organization that serves as a branch of the National Disaster Medical System, DMAT members are activated during medical emergencies when local resources are unable to meet the needs of their community in a crisis situation. The M-1 first response team, which includes 120 members total, can remain self-sufficient for up to 72 hours in the field and of 120 volunteers — a full team element consists of 35 staff.

One of the most recent activations of the Michigan-1 team called for members to establish a fully functional emergency room for the "village" of refugees at Fort Dix Army post in New Jersey.

The base had the capacity to house more than 3,000 refugees who were temporarily residing in barracks on the Army post that is largely occupied by reservists. Teeter, another nurse, two paramedics and a physician assistants were activated from the 35 member team of M-1 DMAT and arrived at McGuire Air Force Base where the refugees were flown by the hundreds.

"We did everything from setting up a crash cart to building shelves, writing protocols and ordering supplies," said Teeter. "All in all we saw approximately 60 to 70 people a day, working 12 and 14 hour shifts for the two weeks I was there."

Making friends
During Teeter's two weeks at Ft. Dix she befriended both young and old Albanians. One 87-year-old woman in particular, who was not able to exit the plane unassisted was accompanied by the Oakwood registered nurse to a wheelchair and then into an awaiting van that took the elderly woman to the Ft. Dix clinic run by the DMAT members. The woman kept referring to Teeter as "the queen" and repeatedly said "Everything will be okay, I'm in America now," said Teeter.

"Every time I saw her in the village she would say 'the queen, the queen,'" Teeter said she saw a wide variety of conditions being treated ranging from patients (cardiac, diabetic) who had gone without critical medication for weeks to broken bones, psychiatric distress, fatigue, and infection.

Several refugee women arrived at the Army base at varying stages of pregnancy and it was Teeter who cared for the first baby born by a

refugee couple... appropriately named, Amerikan. The 7 lb., 5 oz. baby boy was born at Virtua-Memorial Hospital in Burlington County and received post-partum care from the Oakwood nurse.

"The attention he and his parents received was overwhelming," said Teeter. "It was such a media event."

Children throughout the village came to know Teeter as the bubble lady. She wore a small bottle of bubble solution around her neck and blew bubbles wherever young refugees



Support system: Teeter (far right) stands amongst her medical colleagues who worked with ethnic Albanians during their stay in the U.S. They include (l-r) Dr. Xhevat Sinanaj, translator; Michigan-1 DMAT team members Michaelene Schultz, R.N. and Marshall Hudson, paramedic; and Dr. Alexander Pali, translator.

Disaster team mobilizes during crises

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The Michigan-1 DMAT team, rated Level 1 by the Federal Government, means that a team of 35 individuals and \$200,000 worth of supplies and equipment can be moved anywhere in the United States within hours.

Members, like Charlene Teeter, R.N. Nurse Manager of the Emergency Department at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital - Wayne, come from diverse backgrounds including healthcare professionals representing hospitals (physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants) emergency medical personnel (EMTs, paramedics) and support staff (cooks, supply persons, office administrators, clerks).

Teeter has provided her medical expertise during federal activation situations such as Hurricane Iniki (1992), Hawaii; earthquakes (1994), California; Olympic bombing (1996), Atlanta; tornadoes (1997), Detroit; Comair plane crash (1997), Monroe County, Mich.; ice storm (1998), New York and on standby during Hurricane George (1998), Alabama.

"The nature of this work is so rewarding. It's so impressive to go into an area you're not familiar with and set up a field triage and support services during a crisis with hundreds of people I've never seen or worked with before. Making a tent or building into a fully functional facility is an undertaking and requires the cooperation of everyone involved. I thrive on that," said Teeter.

The Disaster Medical Assistance Team also provides disaster simulation and training locally during drills at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, Fermi Power Plant, and the GM Proving Ground.

"It takes a rare kind of person to do this work," said Bob Miljan, executive director of HEMS, Inc. (Health Emergency Medical Services) of Wayne. "These individuals go into areas where earthquakes have occurred and have slept in places where there is no running water, no electricity, no anything. I'm so respectful of the caring feelings they have toward people in need."

HEMS sponsors the Michigan team whose member organizations include Botsford General Hospital, Garden City Hospital, Henry Ford Health System, Oakwood Annapolis Hospital, Providence Hospital and Medical Centers, Oakwood Healthcare System

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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

THUR, JULY 8

PARKINSON SUPPORT
Western Wayne Parkinson Support Group, a discussion and support group for people with Parkinson's Disease and their family members and friends meets the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. Livonia Senior Citizens Building, Farmington at 5 Mile. Call (734) 421-4208 to register.

WED, JULY 14

INFANT CPR
Course intended for those 12 years and older interested in learning basic knowledge of the heart and lungs, household safety tips, CPR and choking rescue skills for infants and children one to eight years old. Does not meet requirements for daycare.

TUE, JULY 20

CARBOHYDRATE COUNTING
Learn how to read labels, adjust recipes and incorporate more variety into your diabetic meal plan. Information regarding complex vs. simple carbohydrates and using more fiber. Farmington Hills/Northwestern Providence Medical Center, 30055 Northwestern, Farmington Hills. Call (877) 345-5500.

TUE, JULY 20

LYME DISEASE
The Lyme Disease Support Group of Western Wayne County will meet at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the

First United Methodist Church (3 Towne Square, Wayne). Call Connie, (734) 326-3502 for information. All are welcome.

WED, JULY 21

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT
This course is intended for those 12 years and older interested in learning basic life support and knowledge of the heart and lungs, sings and symptoms of a heart attack and stroke, adult CPR and choking rescue skills. Does not meet requirements for daycare providers. \$25. Class runs from 6-9 p.m. at the Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. Call (877) 345-5500.

THUR, JULY 22

NUTRIBABY
This class can help your child get a healthier start towards a lifetime of good eating. Learn how to feed your baby, when to introduce different foods, and how to make feeding time fun for your baby and relaxing for you. Class includes cooking demonstrations, recipes and food tasting from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Canton Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Call (734) 397-5110.

BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Items for Business Newsmakers are from business and companies throughout the Observer area. Items should be submitted re welcome to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Re-appointed

Governor John Engler has re-appointed Betty Jean Awrey, Awrey Bakeries' Vice President of Public Relations and Government Affairs, to a new four-year term of the Michigan State Parks Foundation. The Livonia, Northville and surrounding area schools hold functions regularly at Maybury State Park.

Coordinator named

DeMattia Group of Plymouth has named Michele Lehane

Liotino, a resident of Farmington Hills, marketing coordinator. Liotino comes to DeMattia from her position as marketing coordinator with Ghafari Associates, Inc. As marketing coordinator at DeMattia Group, she is responsible for developing collateral materials along with coordinating DeMattia's Web site, signage, proposals and special events. Liotino is also responsible for researching, writing and distributing tenant, employee and project announcements to targeted publications.

Promotions, additions

Orchard, Hiltz & McClinton, Inc. of Livonia recently selected Charlotte "Charlie" Mahoney of Livonia and Michael H. Gorman of Westland as the board's

newest members.

Mahoney current serves as regional manager for corporate and public affairs at Detroit Edison, and brings to OHM an understanding of how corporations and municipal government interrelate to successfully resolve conflict.

AOL service in Europe on target



MIKE WENDLAND

PC MIKE
Picture this: No busy signals, instant dialup modem connections and consistent access at speeds over 50,000 bps. Sound too good to be true?

For the vast majority of dialup Internet users in the U.S., such access is indeed only a dream. But for the past three weeks, that is just what I enjoyed... in Europe.

What amazed me most, however, wasn't the reliability and speed of the connection. It was the source.

For all my dial-in access in Europe was done through America Online. Imagine that: America Online in Europe.

That was often rather bizarre. On one occasion, it was midnight in the U.S. and a friend I was "chatting" with was about to go to bed. For me in Germany, it was 6 a.m. the next day and I was about to leave my hotel room for my morning appointments.

He said good night, I said good morning.

As I exchanged e-mail messages with my wife back home, she was always complaining about the difficulty of getting through to her AOL access number in Michigan. If it wasn't busy, it booted her offline for no reason as it apparently bogged down under heavy usage and inadequate network capabilities.

That's why, in the States, AOL for many means "Almost On Line."

But not so for me in Europe. There is a cost for all this. In Europe, there is a telecommunications surcharge for all calls placed through a modem. For regular Net users in Europe, those surcharges can easily reach \$50-\$75 a month. But for me, temporarily using AOL's European dial-in numbers during a three-week business trip, the \$40 or so in extra charges were well worth it.

If you're planning an overseas trip and you want to be in touch with friends, family and business associates, I highly recommend AOL.

AOL really has become global. In Europe, the television channels were filled with ads telling people to look for the free disks in the mail that will give them a month's access, also free. And there was a story I caught in the London Times that noted AOL was planning on giving away free \$299 Internet PCs to new subscribers in Europe.

But if you are traveling to Europe and don't have an AOL

account, don't worry. You can still check your e-mail. Try the cyber cafes.

While Internet coffee houses have all but disappeared in America, where affordable Internet hookups are widely available, they are still very popular in Europe. For about an \$8-an-hour, you can check your e-mail or catch up on the news back home by surfing the web.

PC Mike seminar

Next Saturday, July 10, is the next in the series of PC Mike Seminars sponsored by TalkRadio 1270, WXYT and various computer and Internet businesses.

This one will be devoted to providing information on how to maintain your PC. It will be held from 10 a.m.-noon at the MSU Management Center at Square Lake Road and Crooks in Troy. There is no admission fee, but you must have an advance reservation. Call (248) 423-2721.

Mike Wendland covers technology and the Internet for NBC Television stations coast-to-coast and is heard talking about computers every Saturday and Sunday from 4-6 p.m. on AM1270, WXYT in Detroit. He is the author of six books on the Internet and can be reached through his Web site at www.pcmike.com

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Top award
Sheena Aurora, M.D., a

senior staff neurologist at Henry Ford Hospital, received the top research award from the American Association for the Study of Headache.

The award was presented at the annual scientific meeting of the association. The Harold G.

Wolf Award is given annually to a researcher for a significant contribution in the understanding of headache.

Dr. Aurora is a resident of Livonia.

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UPLIFTING

Outgoing, friendly SWF, 51, 5'4", who enjoys long walks, dancing and more, would like to meet a SWM, 46-56, with similar interests. Ad#5614

SIMPLY PUT

Romantic SWF, 60, 5'2", 118lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, travel, the theater, long walks and more, would like to meet a trustworthy SWM, 55-65, with similar interests. Ad#5555

IS IT FATE?

Say hello to this personable SWCF, 38, 5'7", who enjoys cooking, jazz music and traveling. Her heart is set on sharing a long-term relationship with a responsible, handsome SWM, 36-47. Ad#9455

INTRODUCE YOURSELF

Versatile, active and outgoing, she's an attractive SWP mom, 34, 5'8", a blue-eyed blond, interested in meeting a handsome SWPM, 28-42, with a strong sense of home and family. Ad#1212

PERSONABLE

Semi-retired DWCF, 65, 5'7", who enjoys photography, traveling, cooking and baking, is in search of a SCM, 60-69. Ad#4444

SO MUCH FUN TO BE HAD!

This SWF, 21, 5'7", would like to spend time with a fun-loving SWM, 21-30, who likes children and sports. Ad#1098

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

Fun-loving DWCF, 47, 5'5", who enjoys sports, the outdoors and gardening, is seeking a sincere, dependable SWCM, 43-51, for companionship. Ad#4488

LET'S CUDDLE

Catholic DWF, 59, 5'2", 125lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys family barbecues, picnics and more, seeks a Catholic, Italian SWM, 51-61. Ad#1992

THE POWER OF LOVE

SWF, 57, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys music, traveling, movies, long walks and more, is looking for a sincere, compassionate SWM, 52-62. Ad#7141

A RARE FIND

Compassionate DWPC mom of one, 47, 5'3", with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, concerts, walking, biking, travel, dancing and dining out, wants to meet a family-oriented SWCM, 42-52. Ad#8317

COMPANIONSHIP

Outgoing, honest and fun-loving, describes this Catholic DWF, 50, 5'9", looking for friendship with a Catholic SWM, 45-55. Ad#4536

FRESH START

Hardworking, Catholic DWF, 48, 5'3", who enjoys walking, movies and going to church, is looking for a compatible, caring, Catholic WWM, 48-52, without children at home, for friendship first. Ad#3907

NEW TO THE AREA

Sweet DWCF, 27, 5'9", is seeking an honest, caring SWCM, 48 or under, who is interested in a long-term relationship. Ad#1531

LOVE'S IN THE AIR

Sensitive, caring DWF, 52, 5'5", with auburn hair and green eyes, whose interests include travel, cooking, movies, nature walks and dining out, is hoping to meet a SWM, 51-58. Ad#1203

UNTIL NOW

Friendly, down-to-earth SWF, 47, 5'2", who enjoys the outdoors, hockey, golf, hiking and more, is seeking a SWM, 40-51, for a possible relationship. Ad#2451

VALUES HUMOR

Catholic DWF, 57, 5'3", 125lbs., with long blonde hair, who enjoys crafts, dining out and reading, is ISO a humorous, Catholic SWM, 50-60. Ad#2041

HONESTY COUNTS

SWC mom of one, 25, 5'9", enjoys the outdoors, drama movies and quiet times at home. She seeks an honest, compassionate SWCM, 27-34, without children at home. Ad#8498

LET'S TALK

Settle down with this SWPCF, 47, 5'2", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys cooking, travel and church activities. She's seeking a nice, Born-Again SWCM, 45-55, for a possible relationship. Ad#3333

SOUND LIKE YOU?

Catholic DWF, 59, 5'6", with blonde hair and hazel eyes, would love to meet an honest, humorous SWCM, 58-67, a N/S, who's interested in friendship and companionship. She enjoys traveling, movies, dancing, reading and more. Ad#3131

POSITIVE VIBES HERE

Leave a message for this personable DWCF, 50, 5'4", who enjoys rollerblading, bicycling and keeping active. She wants to meet an outgoing SWCM, over 47, for friendship first. Ad#1199

CHILD OF GOD

Outgoing, friendly DWCF, 49, 5'4", who resides in the Redford area, enjoys sewing, antiques and movies. She's seeking a secure, independent DWCM, under 56, for friendship first. Ad#5321

BE MY COMPANION

SWCF, 56, 5'4", with blondish-red hair and blue eyes, full-figured, who enjoys reading and movies, is seeking a SWM, 55-62. Ad#2433

WALKS WITH THE LORD

Get to know this vibrant, classy DWCF, 47, 5'6", with dark hair/eyes, if you're a SWCM who enjoys meeting new friends, dancing, dining out, movies and great conversation. Ad#1236

MAKE THE CONNECTION

Looking for a long-term relationship? Make it happen with this DWF, 33, 5'5", because she is searching for a Born-Again SWCM, 34-40, N/S. Ad#8565

GOD IS FIRST

Devoted SBC mom, 25, 5'9", who enjoys romantic dinners, movies, dancing and singing, wants to meet a family-oriented SBCM, 25-36. Ad#6623

GREAT TIMES AHEAD

She's an outgoing and friendly DWC mom, 42, 5'3", who's looking to share life and great times with a SWCM, 37-48. Her interests include the outdoors, traveling, Bible study and hopes that yours do too. Ad#1122

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Self-employed SWF, 33, who enjoys walking her dog, the outdoors and more, is looking for an educated, hardworking SWM. Ad#4734

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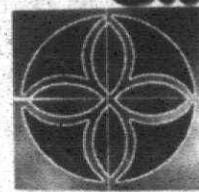
Gentleman, call this humorous, Catholic DWPF, 63, 5'6", N/S. She's seeking a Catholic SWM, 55-66, a good conversationalist, who enjoys travel, fine dining, shopping and more. Ad#5454

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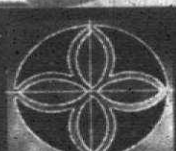
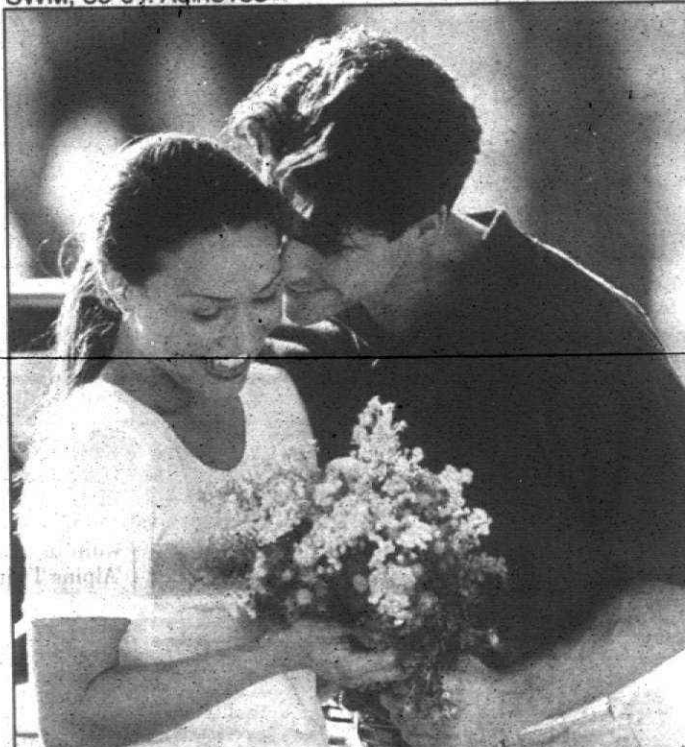
Personable, brown-eyed blonde DWCF, 50, 5'4", slender, is seeking an educated SWPM, 45-60, without children. Ad#2323

SIMPLY MARVELOUS

Down-to-earth, Born-Again DWCF, 44, 5'3", with blonde hair and blue eyes, N/S, enjoys bicycling, Bible study, dancing, movies, music and more. She's seeking a compatible, Born-Again DWCM, 35-50. Ad#4240

IT HAS TO BE YOU

Catholic DWF, 60, 5'6", who enjoys traveling, movies, the theater, walking, dancing and gardening, seeks a loving SWM, 59-64. Ad#3138



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AVAILABLE

Catholic SWPF, 30, 5'5", is interested in meeting a Catholic SWPM, 27-35, for quality time together. Ad#1126

JOIN HER...

In celebrating her love for the Lord, she's a SBCF, 48, 5'5", looking for a SBCM, 45-57, who is also searching for that special someone. Ad#7110

IRRESTIBLE

DBF, 45, 5'6", who enjoys music, movies, reading and going to the theater, is looking for a DBM, 35-45. Ad#2468

DISCOVER ME

Catholic SWPF, 32, 5'11", who enjoys working out, reading and traveling, would like to meet a Catholic SWPM, 30-45. Ad#1475

BE SURE TO SMILE

Spice up your life, be sure to call this friendly, sincere SWPF, 39, 5'5", who is hoping to hear from a considerate, honest SWM, age unimportant. She enjoys movies and music, dancing and spending time with friends. Ad#7733

Males Seeking Females**LET'S GET ACQUAINTED**

Outgoing, friendly, caring, honest DWCM, 59, 6', 195lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, is ISO a slender-to-medium-built SWCF, 55-65, to get to know. Ad#6211

ONLY THE BEST

Educated WWM, 49, 5'11", 195lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys boating, fishing, movies, fine dining and trying new things, is ISO an attractive, affectionate SCF, age unimportant. Ad#9876

HONESTY COUNTS

Shy SWM, 42, 6', who enjoys sports, the theater, spending time with family and friends, seeks a slender, romantic SF, 30-45, for a possible relationship. Ad#4123

DELIGHTFUL

Never-married Catholic SWM, 50, 5'11", 180lbs., who is active in his church choir, enjoys children, dancing, walking, movies, music and good conversation. He wants to meet a SWCF, under 50, for a long-term relationship. Ad#3580

HONESTY COUNTS

Never-married, friendly SWM, 44, who enjoys Bible studies and outdoor activities, the theater and weekend get-aways, is seeking a fit, pretty SWF. Ad#4141

FAITH & DEVOTION

Pleasant, never-married SWPCF, 42, 5'10", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fine dining, concerts, movies, sports and walking, is interested in meeting a compatible SWCF, under 37, N/S. Ad#1111

LOOKING FOR MS. RIGHT

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys sports and family activities, is seeking a sincere, Catholic SAF, under 45, for a long-term relationship. Ad#2942

GET IN STEP

If a meaningful relationship is what you're looking for, be sure to call this athletic SWM, 35, who enjoys sports and outdoor activities. His choice will be an outgoing, sensitive SWF, 25-45. Ad#4163

ONE OF A KIND

Down to earth, custodial SW dad, 40, 5'9", brown hair/hazel eyes, enjoys everything, loves barbecue's, candlelight dinners, cedar point and camping, seeks LTR, with sincere, caring, loving, slender SWF, 30-42, with or without kids. West Bloomfield area. Ad#5858

AVID DOWNHILL SKIER

Handsome SWCPM, 36, 5'7", 140lbs., likes outdoor activities, golfing, travel and fun things with friends. He's looking for a SWF, 23-38, who realizes how important honesty is to a relationship. Ad#1550

DESTINY

Outgoing, self-employed SWM, 38, 5'11", with brown hair, who enjoys hockey, working out and the outdoors, is seeking an open-minded SWF, 28-38, who is willing to try new things. Ad#1999

OPEN ARMS

Never-married SWM, 36, 5'11", with sandy brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys motorcycles, the outdoors, weekends at his cottage and spending time at the lake, wants to meet a sweet SF, 19-43. Children welcome. Ad#3884

AMAZING GRACE

Born-Again DW dad of two, 36, 6'1", who enjoys church activities, working on cars and more, is seeking a well-rounded SWCF, 44 or under. Ad#1944

CONFIDENT

Very handsome and honest SWCM, 33, 6'3", 185lbs., with hazel eyes, is seeking a SWF, 25-41, for a possible relationship. Ad#1201

FAMILY-ORIENTED

Charming SWCM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys outdoor activities, the theatre and dining out, is seeking a fun-loving SCF, for a LTR. Ad#1414

SETTLE DOWN

Personable SWJPM, 52, 5'8", with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys music, dancing and more, is seeking a sweet, humorous SWJF, 45-50, for a happy life together. Ad#4567

HEART-TO-HEART

Born-Again SWCM, 22, 6'4", with black hair and brown eyes, self-employed, N/S, from the Redford area, who enjoys Bible study, movies, swimming and children, is ISO a SWF, 18-25, with similar interests. Ad#4653

MAKE THAT CHOICE

Handsome, slim SWCM, 40, 5'9", who enjoys children, the outdoors and biking, is seeking a kind, loving SWF, under 42. Ad#4545

PUTS GOD FIRST

This wonderful DWCM, 42, 5'9", is seeking a SWCF, 28-44, who enjoys the outdoors and puts God first in her life. Ad#6667

ONCE IN A LIFETIME

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NEVER-MARRIED

Catholic SWM, 37, 6'1", with brown hair and hazel eyes, is looking for a SWF, 30-38, without children at home, who likes sports, plays and the theatre. Ad#1970

THE MARRYING KIND

Shy DWM, 26, 5'10", 175lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, bowling, fishing and traveling, seeks a faithful DWF, under 26. Ad#2328

HONESTY TOPS MY LIST

Reserved SWM, 39, 6', with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys bike riding, dancing, dining out and the outdoors, seeks a SWCF, 32-44, for an honest relationship. Ad#4275

HONESTY COUNTS

Handsome DWPCM, 44, 6'1", who enjoys youth ministry, outdoor activities, movies and more, is seeking a slender, romantic SWCF, 30-44, without children. Ad#2843

MOMS WELCOME

Handsome and athletic DWM, 39, 6'1", who enjoys traveling, and more, seeks a slender SWCF, 28-44, to share life with. Ad#2415

SOMEONE SPECIAL

Professional SBM, 37, 6'2", is looking to meet a slender, attractive, outgoing SWF, for a monogamous relationship. He enjoys dining out, movies and working out. Ad#1961

A GOOD GUY TO KNOW

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Conductor travels the world

William Savola dreams big. It's something he started doing as a kid. When other 15-year-olds were playing baseball, Savola was organizing, then conducting, a 45-member orchestra. This spring he traveled to Bucharest, Romania to conduct the George Enescu Philharmonic Orchestra.

Savola goes after his dreams, and guest conducting foreign orchestras was one of them. A letter he sent to the Romanian orchestra landed him the guest conducting role there. And at the age of 69, the Plymouth resident who spent 28 years teaching music in Livonia Public Schools, is not slowing down. While in Romania, he visited the Cuban Ambassador to discuss guest conducting one of that country's orchestras in the future.



Sky's the limit: William Savola guest conducted the George Enescu Philharmonic Orchestra in Romania earlier this year.

A dreamer

"This is something of a dream," said Savola, who waves a baton before the Marquette Symphony in November. "I'm a dreamer. Back in grade school I knew I wanted to be in front of an orchestra. I wanted to be a showman. All the dreaming, it's just part of me."

Although Savola's guest conducted orchestras in Finland, Ecuador and the Philippines, Romania quickly became one of his favorite countries because of the people.

"There's two million people in Bucharest. With 17 McDonald's, Pizza Hut and cell phones, it feels like home. Fast food is big with standing room only," said Savola. "It's the pro-American attitude that anything American, they love."

Don't get the idea that Savola is flighty and always chasing a dream. Born in Marquette, Savola has conducted orchestras on a full-time basis as well. He's served as music director of the Women's Symphony of Detroit (now defunct), the Scandinavian Symphony of Detroit, and the Allen Park Symphony.

It was while he was with the Scandinavian Symphony that he became friends with Mischa Mischakoff, who was then concertmaster. Mischakoff, a former concertmaster of the Detroit Symphony and the NBC Orchestra under Arturo Toscanini, honored Savola by giving him a special gift, a baton that had been used by Toscanini. Savola was a 19-year-old concertmaster with the Northern Michigan University Orchestra when he rode 21 hours on a train to Texas to see Toscanini conduct. He never forgot the experience of watching this legend lead the orchestra in which Mischakoff was then concertmaster.

Baton

"I will save it in my violin case all of my life. I never felt I could use that baton," said Savola, who spent a year as a guest conductor in Finland. "I won't let anyone touch it. Toscanini is the only conductor I recognize as great."

On the road again

After leaving Northern Michigan University to continue his music stud-

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On the job: Norris Hardeman captured these Joshua trees on film in Arizona last August.

FAIR DRAWS ON DIVERSITY OF ARTISTS

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Diane Quinn is pushing the limits again — extending Art in the Park down Main Street so she can feature more artists. This year's 19th annual show in downtown Plymouth features more than 400 artists from 34 states displaying a variety of media ranging from lacquer painting to mouth stick art. Quinn's also scheduled a long list of entertainment, and children can paint a square in a nine-foot-long mural designed by 16-year-old Kristen Dillenbeck of Canton.

"I have the best job and can't think of anything else I would rather do," said Quinn who founded the show with 33 artists. "How rewarding it is to see so many people enjoying my work."

A new garden art center located on the lawn of Central Middle School is one of the highlights for Quinn because it exemplifies the overall



Patience plus: Elena Arnaoutova painted dozens of layers of oil to achieve this lacquer miniature painting.

diversity of the July 10-11 fair.

"Even though we have some great paintings, I still will have a show that every person attending should find some enjoyment and interest in," she said. "To buy a little snail created by a 7-year-old with his mom's leftover clay can be as much fun as buying a \$5,000 painting."

Stimulating environments

Norris Hardeman jokes that his job for Ford Motor Co. takes him to Minnesota in January and Arizona in August, not exactly ideal months. The Canton photographer takes advantage of these harsh environments, where he oversees the testing of cars, by shooting landscapes. He's bringing a variety of his works to Art in the Park.

Dramatic images of a lone, leafless tree in the snow or craggy old tree in the desert relay emotions for the viewer to decipher.

"At a test facility in Yucca, Ariz.,

there's no life during the day," said Hardeman. "The desert comes to life at night with owls and rabbits."

Hardeman's memories of being stuck in the snow may overshadow the Minnesota photographs but weather never detracts from his enjoyment of shooting Michigan scenes. Hardeman's shot over 50 images of lighthouses, one of his favorite subjects. To photograph them he must sometimes lug 50 pounds of equipment to a rocky site, but no matter. The destination is worth the trek.

"I try to find that unique perspective, what is this saying to me," said Hardeman. "Anyone can document. I want to find meaning in the subject. 'Alpine Twist' is a tree that's a work of art. The wind weathers them and they become gnarly. I'm able to see the raw, rugged beauty, when altitude testing (cars) at 14,000 feet, that few people can."

Hardeman admits to "practically sleep walking" for the early morning shots. He prefers sunsets himself unless he's photographing the Grand Canyon.

"When I'm standing on the edge of a cliff, my wife gets nervous," quips Hardeman. "But it's the experience of the big outdoors and nature. I like seeing what the Creator has put out there."

Time-honored art

Elena Arnaoutova spends dozens of hours layering Rubens-like oil paints on top of each other to create the miniature, lacquer still life and florals

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Art in the Park

What: More than 400 artists and craftsmen display wares, including paintings, photography, wood block prints, ceramics, jewelry, garden art, wood and glass. Special booths in Kellogg Park offer art by children.

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 10, and until 5 p.m. Sunday, July 11.

Where: In Kellogg Park and the surrounding streets — Main, Ann Arbor Trail, Penniman and Forrest in downtown Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 454-1314.



Pain-staking: Will Pardee, a quadriplegic, created this pencil drawing of a deer using a mouth stick.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

A classic touch in the great outdoors

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Typically, around this time of year, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra would be getting ready for a trip to Vail, where they've performed for the last five years at the annual Bravo Colorado Summer Festival.

This year, the closest mountain range orchestra members can expect to see will be rolling suburban hills, as in Rochester Hills.

Beginning this Friday, the DSO will travel north on I-75 from their intimate acoustical gem, Orchestra Hall in Detroit, and embark on a five-week season of outdoor concerts at Meadow Brook Music Festival on the campus of Oakland University.

By expanding its summer season from three to five weeks, the DSO will perform 15 concerts Friday-Sunday, through August 8.

Fitting in

"We looked for what would appeal to

a broad audience, and what would also fit into the outdoor setting," said Charles Calmer, artistic administrator of the DSO.

"The audience is substantially different than the audiences at Orchestra Hall," he said. "Most live in Oakland County."

While it's important for the orchestra to "keep the faith" with the classical-musical form, Calmer said the upcoming season provides a way for the DSO to honor the past, stretch its repertoire and fit in with the interactive age.

"The Planets," a multi-media concert

What: Detroit Symphony Orchestra opens its summer concert series on Friday, July 9, at Meadow Brook Music Festival, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills. Five-week season of concerts presented by Hudson's Project Imagine. **Ticket information:** Four and five-concert packages, \$40-\$185; July 11, Burt Bacharach concert, \$15-\$40. Call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 576-5120, discounts for students under age 18.

on Saturday, July 31 offers a glimpse at perhaps the future direction for orchestral concerts.

The program includes images, animation and film from NASA's unmanned spacecraft projected on giant video screens. The presentation will be set to John Adams' "Short Ride in a Fast Machine," and Wagner's "The Flying Dutchman" Overture.

Don't expect wispy, light string music that dissipates with a passing summer breeze. Calmer is planning on fireworks, literally.

Displays of fireworks will be a regular feature every Friday, along with explosive soloists on Saturdays such as violinist Pinchas Zukerman and pianist Per Tengstrand. Meanwhile, Sunday's line-up includes programs dedicated to the music of Gershwin, Broadway, Big Bands and Hollywood films.

One of the most celebrated American songwriters, Burt Bacharach, will per-

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Wilson sisters road-test new material

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Ann Wilson has watched her sister Nancy perform numerous times since they formed Heart in 1973. After all those years and performances, Nancy Wilson still gives her sister the chills.

"I went and saw her in a club and her singing just kind of blew me away. She's going to be amazing on this tour," she said.

The tour about which Ann Wilson is speaking is a series of acoustic shows — including Tuesday, July 6, at Pine Knob Music Theatre — they are doing to road-test new material. This is the first time the Wilson sisters have played as a duo.

On the tour, Nancy Wilson is playing electric and acoustic guitars, mandolin, dulcimer, dobro, blues harp, bass and piano. Her sister takes on bass, rhythm guitar, piano and flute.

"Nancy and I we've never really done it before. This is the first time we've ever gone out as a duo. We have been



Nancy and Ann Wilson

writing all this new stuff. We wanted to go out and develop it in front of people."

The new material includes "Having It All," a song they co-wrote with Burt Bacharach, a songwriter admired by the Wilson sisters.

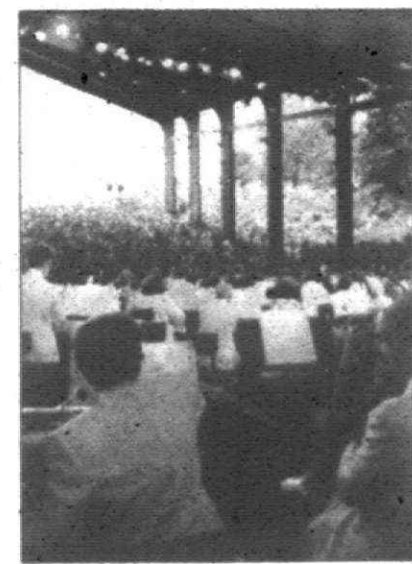
"We finished it up together in his music room, which was really a thrill, in his big mansion in Hollywood. It's the mansion that hits built. You walk in there and it's so extreme. The song, it's very retro. It's a song for a woman to sing and he's gotta be the king of that. He really knows how to write melodies for women to sing. It was really a cool experience."

Hits like "Barracuda" and solo material from Nancy Wilson are also on the set list. Adapting hits to a two-person format has been a smooth transition, she explained.

"We had to edit a little bit just because we don't have the big huge drum set, keyboards, and all that kind of stuff. The songs we've chosen to do are ones that translate really well to being played by two people. It's not only an acoustic thing. We're bringing electric stuff, too. It's going to be big and gentle at the same time."

"It's gonna be fun for us. Nancy's gonna be singing way more than she's ever sung. She's amazing."

An Acoustic Evening with Ann and Nancy Wilson of Heart, with special guest Duke Daniels, is Tuesday, July 6, at Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. Tickets are \$24.50 pavilion and \$12.50 lawn. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. For more information, call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com>.



Outdoor concert: Fans listen to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra under the stars at the Meadow Brook Music Festival on the campus of Oakland University.

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she'll bring to Art in the Park. Born in Orsk, Russia, the Bloomfield Hills artist studied painting for years, first at the Youth Institution and then the prestigious Moscow Institute of Art and Industry, before moving to the U.S. in 1996. During her five years at the Moscow Institute, she interned summers at the art villages of Palekh, Kholui and Fedoskino thereby earning a degree as Master Artist.

"There is a month exam in painting, drawing, composition and history to get into the institute," said Aranaoutova, who teaches the time-honored skill at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. "If you do not go to all those schools when you're young, I was 10 when I started, you can not get in when you're older."

Aranaoutova can labor up to a year on a single painting so prices for the larger works top \$6,000. For the average person, the lacquer master paints brooches, barrettes and napkin rings starting at \$8.

"It's very unique, very rare, with 30 coats of oil and 16 coats of lacquer," said Aranaoutova. "When you start doing something Rubens would do hundreds of years ago, it's rewarding to get three dimension with layer after layer of paint."

From the mouth of the artist

Will Pardee's violent collision 18 years ago with the bottom of the Muskegon River left him a quadriplegic able only to turn pages with a mouth stick. After the diving accident, his wife Sarah suggested he try drawing with a pencil adapted for his mouth. Today, Pardee travels to 30 art shows a year throughout

the state of Michigan. He's bringing a variety of pencil and color pencil drawings of light-houses, wildlife, country scenes, and an old Model T pickup to Art in the Park.

"The Lord gave me the talent but I never took an interest until then," said Pardee. "Now I meet a lot of really nice people and I like to minister while I'm doing the shows."

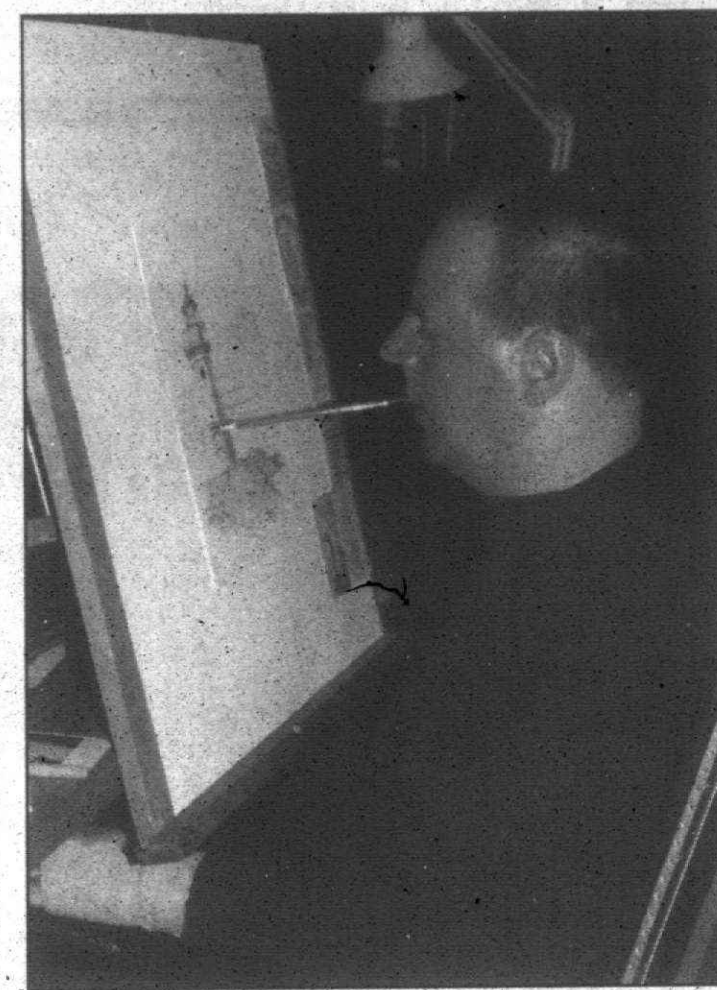
Pardee usually begins by drawing the nose of an animal. Then he lays out the eyes and creates a general outline before beginning to shade. Larger works take three to four months to complete, the 9-by-12-inch pieces two to three months.

Quinn receives great satisfaction from giving artists like Pardee, who spend hundreds of hours creating their work, the opportunity to exhibit. The satisfaction of knowing that she's helping artists is all Quinn needs to continue the massive task of producing Art in the Park. It's taken her and daughter Rachel a year to set up exhibitors, entertainment, vendors, and a tent for the mural to benefit C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

When the task of jurying artists applications is completed in early spring, Quinn is "ready for the fun-part to begin." Coordinating the more than 60 volunteers, is gratifying, she said, "because every year there are more people who want to work."

Participating local artists

Among the local artists exhibiting in this year's Art in the Park are Tom LeGault, painting; Michael McCullough, wood block prints; Village Pottery Guild; Ted Nelson, photog-



Mouth stick art: Will Pardee creates lighthouses and animal drawings with pencils adapted for his mouth.

raphy; Katherine Kidston Renberg, jewelry; Alicia Conger, ceramics; Joseph Wisniewski and Christine Fleischer, glass; Diane Dunn, tiles; Kathy Sand-

berg, ceramics; Sharin Dillenbeck, painting, and Robert Krasowski, custom hand-forged iron designs including pot racks, tables and ranch signs.

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form with the DSO on Sunday, July 11. Dionne Warwick, Barbara Streisand, B.J. Thomas, The 5th Dimension, Neil Diamond and Elvis Costello are among the many artists who've recorded Bacharach's songs over the last 40 years.

Summer Institute

During the last two weeks of the summer season, members of the DSO will conduct classes for 100 high school music students from throughout Michigan. The intensive education program is part of the first annual Meadow Brook Summer Institute.

Of approximately 400 applica-

tions, one-quarter were selected to participate in master classes and rehearsals with the DSO.

"Music education is one of our primary responsibilities," said Jill Woodward, spokesperson for the DSO.

"As our endowment has grown, we've been able to expand our summer season and establish the institute."

In the last five years, the DSO endowment has grown from \$25 million to \$53 million. While the two-fold increase is impressive, Woodward noted that most major orchestras around the world have endowments two-to-three times as large.

DSO CONCERT SCHEDULE

Family Fun Friday Series (Concerts begin at 8 p.m. with fireworks displays immediately following or integrated into the shows.)

■ July 9 - "Opening Fanfare," conducted by Marin Alsop. Program includes Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man, and Joan Tower's Fanfare for the Uncommon Woman No. 1.

■ July 16 - "Pictures at an Exhibition," features music director Neeme Jarvi conducting the DSO.

■ July 23 - "Handel and Vivaldi," a program of Baroque music including Handel's Royal Fireworks and Water Music, Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 and Vivaldi's Concerto for Two Trumpets.

■ July 30 - "Symphonic Blockbusters," features Bach's Toccata and Fugue, and Stravinsky's Firebird Suite.

■ August 6 - "Tchaikovsky Spectacular," features violinist Konstanty Kulys and the University Musical Society Choral Union.

Saturday Classics (Concerts begin at 8 p.m.)

■ July 10 - "Beethoven Outdoors," features violinist Pinchas Zukerman in a program of Ruch's Violin Concerto.

■ July 17 - "Beethoven Emperor," features Sweden's foremost pianists, Per Tengstrand performing Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 5.

■ August 8 - "Hollywood by Starlight," features music from "Gone with the Wind," "Titanic," "Schindler's List," "Raiders of the Lost Ark" and the latest "Star Wars."

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Noteworthy

Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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ART SHOWS

ANN ARBOR ARTISANS' MARKET
Features fine arts and handmade crafts by 50 Michigan artists. Sundays through December at Farmers' Market at Kerrytown, 315 Detroit. Ann Arbor.

ART IN THE PARK
More than 400 artists at this award-winning show, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 10; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 11, in downtown Plymouth.

BIRMINGHAM ART EXPO
Noah's Underground Gallery of Ann Arbor and the American Renaissance Center of Scottsdale, Arizona presents an art show, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday, July 10 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday, July 11 at the Allen House, 556 West Maple, Birmingham. (734) 213-2151.

ROYAL OAK OUTDOOR ART FAIR
Royal Oak Memorial Park, corner of Woodward Avenue and 13 Mile Road, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 10, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, July 11. (248) 547-2344.

AUDITIONS & CALL FOR ARTISTS
CALL FOR ENTRIES
The Plymouth Community Arts Council is seeking artists to participate in its Sept. 11-12 show at Central Middle High School in Plymouth. (734) 416-4278.

DANCE AUDITIONS
Michigan Theater and Dance Troupe holds auditions for 16-year-old and older dancers on Saturdays through August by appointment only. (248) 552-5001.

DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Positions open for concertmaster, second horn and strings. Auditions Wednesday, Sept. 1, to schedule, call (313) 565-2424.

DOCUMENT USA
The Museum of Contemporary Art, 7 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac, seeks artists to participate in an archival exhibit. Deadline is Aug. 1. (248) 334-8038.

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE
Auditions for high school age dancers on Sunday, July 18 and Sunday August 1 at 1 p.m. Auditions for M.Y. Move, a company for dancers in grades 6-8, will take place on Sunday, July 18 at 11 p.m. Held at the EDE Center for Dance, 1541 W. Hamlin, Rochester Hills. (248) 362-9325.

EXHIBITORS NEEDED
St. George Orthodox Church, 2160 E. Maple, Troy, is seeking exhibitors or "A Fair to Remember" Oct. 16-17. (248) 932-5636.

FARMINGTON PLAYERS
Auditions for "The Women" by Clare Booth Luce 7 p.m., July 7 at the Farmington Players Barn, 32332 West 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. (248) 553-4506.

FOCUS: HOPE
Artists and craftspeople wanted for "100 Creative Hands" Oct. 23-24. To apply, send a self-addressed envelope stamped with 55-cent postage to "100 Creative Hands," P.O. Box 760569, Lathrup Village, Mich. 48076-0569.

FRANKLIN ARTS COUNCIL
Applications available for artists interested in exhibition fine arts or crafts at Franklin's juried "Art on the Green," held Sept. 6 and Sept. 13. To apply, send application and slides to Franklin Arts Council, P.O. Box 250683, Franklin, Mich., 48025. (248) 851-5438.

METROPOLITAN SINGERS
The adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially men, to sing blues, pop, folk tunes and folk tunes. Choir meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Birney Middle School vocal room, 2700 Evergreen Road, Southfield.

"OUR TOWN" CALL FOR ARTISTS
Michigan artists invited to submit work for jurying in the 1999 "Our Town Art Exhibit and Sale," held Oct. 13-17. Artwork must be submitted on slides by July 30. For application, The Community House, 380 S. Bates St., Birmingham, Mich. 48009. (248) 554-6403.

REVOLUTION GALLERY
Seeks artists to design the outdoor public billboard at the



Handful: The photograph of Rashid Johnson is included in "Art of the City," an exhibit through July 30 at G.R. N'Nami Gallery, 161 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-2700.

gallery, 23257 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Proposals must be received by Sept. 30. (248) 541-3444.

TRANSFORMING VISIONS
Swords into Plowshares Gallery, 33 E. Adams St., Detroit, is seeking entries for its seventh juried exhibit in the fall. (313) 965-5422.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Gallery lecture by Deanna Sperka on "Little Boxes," 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 7, 117 West Liberty. (734) 994-8004.

ARTS AND CRAFTS CENTER
Weekly classes for children and adults in oil painting, decorative drawing and rubber stamping. Auditions Wednesday, Sept. 1, to schedule, call (313) 565-2424.

CLAYTON ACADEMY OF DANCE
Summer school in ballet, jazz, tap, hip-hop and ballroom dance. July 12-Aug. 19 in Troy. (248) 828-4080.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
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Classes for adults, educators and youth throughout the summer, at the museum, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call (313) 833-4249 for information.

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GEIGER CLASSIC BALLET
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METRO DANCE
Preschool and adult classes, 541 S. Mill St., Plymouth. (734) 207-8970.

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE
Learning at the Opera House '99 offers classes for adults and children, Mondays through Sundays, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., through August 8 at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit.

(313) 237-3270.

PAINT CREEK CENTER
Summer semester runs July 19-Aug. 20 at the center, 407 Pine St., Rochester. Classes for preschoolers to adults. (248) 651-4110.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Classes and workshops for all ages at the center, 774 N. Sheldon Road. Live model session 9:30 a.m.-noon, every third Tuesday of the month. (734) 416-4278.

ROCHESTER COMMUNITY HOUSE
Make a pansy corsage pin, adults, Thursday, July 8, 6-9 p.m. 816 Ludlow, Rochester. (248) 651-0622.

VISUAL ART ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA
Classes in watercolor, figurative drawing and painting; workshops in batik and watercolor monotypes, at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia. (734) 455-9517.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER
Summer session starts July 5 for the completely revised ceramics department. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

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BIRMINGHAM JAZZFEST
The Community House and Restaurant Collection present 3 days and nights of cool jazz, July 22-24 at Birmingham's Shain Park and numerous restaurants in Birmingham. Call (248) 433-FEST for 24-hour information.

CARILLON SERIES
Kirk in the Hills carillon music series, 10 a.m. and noon, Sunday, July 4 and Sunday, July 11. Kirk in the Hills, 1340 West Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Jazzfest featuring Marcus Beigrave 8:30 p.m., Friday, July 9, Meadow Brook series opening weekend, Friday, Sunday, July 9-11. (313) 576-5111.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION
Thursday, July 8, 7:30 p.m., Joe Kingsley Band, Civic Center Park, Livonia. (734) 466-2540.

NARDIN PARK METHODIST CHURCH
Velda Kelly, violinist, 8 p.m., Wednesday, July 7, 29887 R. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills. (248) 476-8860.

TROY SUMMER CONCERTS
Chautauque Express featuring Guy Louis, 7 p.m., July 7 at the Troy Civic Center. (248) 524-3484.

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GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

TRAVEL

Wonderful Hawaii

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"I wonder," said my seat mate thoughtfully as we looked at the snowy runways on our approach to Metro Airport last March. "I wonder if anyone gets off the plane, turns right around and asks for a ticket back to Hawaii."

The idea of heading back to this paradise was especially tempting after a 10-day stay that included an American Hawaii cruise among four islands — Oahu, Kauai, Maui and Hawaii, which is also known as "the big island."

Much of the uneventful flight back on Northwest had been spent listening to passengers debate which of the four was the "best" island.

That would be a tough debate to win. In my travels, from Alaska to the Virgin Islands, no other state provides opportunities for such varied contrasts in climate or activities. The islands hold something for everyone, from the lush greenery of Kauai to the moonscape of a dormant volcano on Maui to the snow-capped Mauna Loa on Hawaii.

Snow skiing in Hawaii? Yes, it's possible in winter on Mauna Kea — at an elevation of 13,700 feet.

In contrast are the picture-postcard beaches for sunning or catching the 20-foot waves offshore on Oahu in December. Visitors can look up at the largest telescope on earth, look down at living coral while snorkeling and watch out for humpback whales playing at sea. There is, of course, much more.

The people, the culture

If travelers look only for the typical tourist sites, however, they will miss much of what the islands are all about. There is the temperament of the island people, which is as mild as the temperature. Both vary little, from season to season or subject to subject. Even when a native Hawaiian gets passionate about his heritage or protecting the



Offshore beauty: The island of Mokoli'i offshore Oahu is a way station for those who want to catch a wave. Watch out, warns a tour guide, for gray shadows swimming beneath you.

state's environment, it is done so only in the most gentle of voices.

"Cousin," tour bus drivers will say, looking back over their shoulders. "We're all cousins, you know." You know a story is coming, no doubt one of many you're likely to hear on the trip.

Drivers like to remind tourists it wasn't just traveling ships discovering the islands. Missionaries and capitalists from the mainland, some of whom were missionaries themselves, came and conquered the islands. That's why, the tour leaders add,

there are few people left on the islands who are solely of Hawaiian heritage.

Many native Hawaiians have gone to the mainland to earn a living, while big venture capitalists own much of the property. Programs are now in place to re-establish the Hawaiians' land ownership rights.

An average home can cost, \$250,000 and, as everywhere, location is everything. Waterfront property is prime, but a downturn in the Japanese economy has made some sites more



Moonscape: What looks like a forbidding scene from the moon is actually a portion of the dormant volcano Haleakala on the island of Maui. Its pink cones and unusual shapes were formed by erosion.

"affordable" in recent months.

Concern for the environment is paramount on the minds of those who live in the islands to preserve their biggest revenue source — tourism — as well as for quality of life reasons. Tourism became their biggest industry, since the sugar cane industry all but dried up. Hawaiians know that without their unpolluted air and unspoiled waters, few would make the trip of nearly 5,000 miles from the metropolitan Detroit area.

Island adventures

My adventure in Hawaii began with a stay in Waikiki. Yes, it's a typical tourist town and, frankly, its famed beach is outdone by those elsewhere on Oahu and the other islands. The Waikiki/Honolulu area is built up, but it's the place to go if you're interested in nightlife or shopping. Don Ho is still crooning, and it seems as though every hotel is touting its own version of shows representing cultures in islands of the South Seas.

There are several major shopping areas, and transportation is easily accessible by way of The Bus.

To be fair, there are the Arizona Memorial (see related story), fine museums, churches and a zoo which make a stopover there worthwhile.

Get outside the city, however, and it's like being in another world best seen from the top of Mt. Tantalus. Take a circle tour of the island and climb to the rim of Diamond Head, and enjoy

the coral and fish which swim up to bathers on Hanauma Bay beach, a non-smoking area. Sometimes it is so crowded in season it needs to be closed to protect the environment.

Time it right on the tour, and you might get to see the "blow hole" rock formation spouting sea water. While in the area, be sure to keep an eye out for the green sea turtles. Look offshore for Molokai island, and around on the north shore are friendly, smaller communities playing host to beautiful beaches and monster waves.

Travel is easy between the islands, by air or by boat. Those of us — and there were many — who chose a cruise smiled at how one could watch airplanes lift off one island and rise slowly in the air only to quickly set wheels to firm ground on a neighboring island.

Traveling solo

We left Honolulu at the Aloha Tower aboard the S.S. Independence in festive style, to the sounds of kettle drums and water spouts from a fire boat, all courtesy of the Honolulu City Council.

The trip for many of us had been organized by AAA Travel branches throughout the country. Lucky for solo travelers like myself, the Independence has a few rooms for passengers traveling alone. That's a distinct advantage over other ship lines, which may charge a hefty supplement to those solo passengers who wish to bunk alone.

Air was included in the pack-

age and as with many ship lines, that meant transfers were taken care of — a welcome aid for those of us who have difficulty handling baggage.

Agent Diana Ralston of the Birmingham AAA branch recommended a large table for dinner on board ship, to avoid getting stuck with an obnoxious passenger. That was never the case on this trip, as congenial passengers laughed and chatted our way through a day at sea before arriving in Kauai.

A warning: The venerable ship was built during the 1950s and doesn't have the stabilizers or size of more modern ships. So if you're prone to sea sickness, come prepared.

But don't let that stop you. The captain and his crew are proud of their ship and can't do enough to make your stay memorable.

Next week share the adventure aboard the S.S. Independence with a helicopter ride on Kauai, whale-watching off of Maui and viewing a live volcano in Hawaii. Try, if you will, to think of the "best" island to visit.

Sandra Armbruster is editor of *The Lake Orion and Oxford Eccentric papers*. She recommends spending time to "know before you go" by reading about the history, culture and adventure of Hawaii and its people in books such as "Adventuring in Hawaii," a Sierra Club travel guide available on the Internet or at your favorite book store.

GREAT ESCAPES

Great Escapes features various travel news items. Send news leads, story ideas or your own travel adventures to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36351 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150 or fax to (734)591-7279 or e-mail to kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

UP NORTH

Every summer, regular as the season's turn, residents of southeast Michigan head Up North for recreation, relaxation and inspiration.

We'd like to know where you go when you go Up North. Tell us about your favorite Up North spot. Is it a beach house on Lake Michigan, a resort around Traverse City, a cabin in the deep woods, a river cottage near Lake Huron, a bed and breakfast on Mackinac Island or a hideaway in the UP? Do you enjoy boating on the Great Lakes, golfing on the designer courses, hiking the rugged trails, biking the back roads, antique hunting, fudge eating or simply watching the sunset on a beautiful beach?

Tell us in 50-75 words about your favorite Up North place and if you have a photograph send it along for a travel story about Michigan's special paradise.

Send your stories and pictures to Keely Wygonik at the Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Or e-mail your comments to kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

TORONTO STREET FAIR

Yonge Street comes alive July 9-11 with entertainment as part of the second annual Celebrate

Toronto Street Festival. Five intersections will be closed for events ranging from a beach party to extreme sports. The festival will have 10 multiple stages. For more information, call the event hot line at (416) 338-0338.

TOUR HOSTS

Jane and Ed Wojtan of Livonia are hosting several tours in the coming year. The couple have been hosting tours to Poland since 1993. This year, they are again hosting a trip to Poland and have added a tour to Ireland and a tour of the Southeast Asia countries of Malaysia and Thailand. For the year 2000, they have a limited number of spaces

for the once-a-decade Passion Play staged at Oberammergau, Germany.

Jane is a retired registered dietitian, who worked at Oakwood Hospital. Ed is retired from the automotive industry, having held management positions at Ford Motor Co., American Motors and Chrysler Corp.

For information on these tours, call Jane or Ed at (437)425-2727.

MYSTERY TRAIN

A train excursion will run from Dearborn to somewhere at 8 a.m. July 17. Lunch will be served, and the train will return at 5 p.m. For what little more information is available or for tickets, call (248) 541-1000.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Michigan Open results

Plymouth Salem High product Jeff Roth, the defending champion in the Michigan Open, finished runner-up to Escanaba's Scott Hebert in the four-day tournament which concluded Thursday at the Grand Traverse Resort Bear in Acme.

Hebert, firing a final round 69, won by three shots over Roth. Hebert's, a 30-year-old who has played on the Hooters Tour, shot 71-69-73-69 for a 282 total.

Roth shot 72-70-69-71 for a 285.

Livonia Stevenson's Steve Polanski, the Division I state individual medalist in 1998 headed for Texas Christian University, was second low amateur with 73-75-74-74, tied for 18th with a 296 total.

Russ Cunningham was low amateur with a 295.

Women's Suburban Golf

Dearborn's Diane Wazney shot an 85 to take first flight low gross honors Friday at the Women's Suburban Golf stop at Glenhurst in Redford Township.

Lillian Vandebroker (Dearborn Heights) was second with an 86.

Low net honors went to June Wright (Livonia) with a 68. Mary Gene Stefancic (Dearborn) was second with a 68.

In the second flight, Penny Irwin (Westland) won low gross with an 85, while Bernie Evans (Franklin) was runner-up with a 98.

Low net went to Pat Henke (Wayne) with a 59. Jinny Valentine (Dearborn) was second with a 65.

Livonia Youth Fitness

The 1999 City of Livonia Parks and Recreation Youth Fitness Meet (ages 7-14) will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Rotary Park, located at Six Mile and Hubbard roads.

Registration is from 9-9:45 a.m. All registrants must live in the Livonia or Clarenceville school districts. Cost is free.

Age divisions for boys and girls include Class A (13-14), Class B (11-12), Class C (9-10) and Class D (7-8). Class is based on age as of Dec. 31, 1999.

Events include standing long jump, running long jump, chinning, 75-, 60- or 50-yard dash, agility run and softball throw.

First place finishers in each class will represent Livonia in the Detroit Metropolitan Youth Fitness Meet Thursday, July 22 at Metro Beach Metropark. (Uniforms, transportation and lunch will be provided to those youngsters representing Livonia.)

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

Youth soccer champions

The Canton Soccer Club's under-9 girls team, a member of the Huron Division of the Great Lakes Travel Soccer League, closed out its first undefeated season recently with an 8-0-1 record.

CSC outscored its opponents, 34-7, including four shutouts.

The team's defense was anchored by stopper Allison Schmitt, along with fullbacks Jenny Novak, Beth Radkosi, Jennifer Williams and Elizabeth Wolf, as well as goalkeepers Beth asanese and Clare Baptist.

Offensive goal scorers included Clair Madill, Cara Boyer, Adrienne Gibson, Melissa Klusek and Autumn Knoerl. The team leaders in assists were Mollie Williams and Ashley Stoeckle.

The team is coached by Tom Baptist, Mike Stoeckle and Dick Williams.

Founders Festival races

The Farmington Founders Festival of Races will be Saturday, July 10 at Shiawassee Park, located on Shiawassee one-half mile west of Orchard Lake Road.

Part of the proceeds will go toward a college scholarship fund for disadvantaged and inner-city youngsters.

The four-mile race and three-mile walk starts at 9 a.m. followed by the one-mile fun run at 10:30 a.m.

All kids milers will receive a medal. Awards will also be given in the four-mile race, along with the top 15 walkers.

Race day registration is \$18 with the kids one-miler \$10 (includes T-shirt and refreshments).

For more information, call the Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department at (248) 473-9570.

This letterman comes full circle

EMU awards ex-hoop player Pierce letter 48 years later

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Mac Pierce is a prime example of the old adage: "Good will come to those who wait."

This story certainly is a lesson in patience.

Nearly 48 years later, the 70-year-old retired elementary school teacher from Plymouth received his varsity men's basketball letter from Eastern Michigan University.

Pierce, a 5-foot-11 junior guard, played for EMU (then called Michigan State Normal College) during the 1950-51 season as an invited walk-on, but left the team in early February to be with his ailing father Cyrus, who died at age 51 shortly after from colon cancer.

Michigan Normal coach William Crouch told Pierce, who was a key reserve, he understood his decision to leave the team, but would not earn a letter if he did not finish the season.

"I was never the kind of guy who asked favors in return for favors," Pierce said. "It was our last road trip (to Northern Illinois) and told him (Crouch) I was not going because I had to take care of him and my mother needed my support."

"I told him it was a privilege to play college basketball and I appreciated what he had done for me."

On June 26, as part of a golf outing, Pierce was stunned to learn that one of his former fifth-grade students at Bird Elementary School, longtime friend Bruce Gerish, had written the EMU Athletic Department in Nov. of 1998 on his behalf.

A few months later, Gerish received



Never too old: Plymouth's Mac Pierce received his letter in men's basketball from Eastern Michigan University 48 years later with the help of his former fifth-grade student Bruce Gerish.

in the mail the varsity letter and a message from EMU interim athletic director Carole Huston.

Gerish, a former Plymouth Salem High cager and baseball player, immediately framed the two items together to present it to Pierce at Gerish's annual Legends Hall of Fame outing.

"Malcolm deserved it, he's been a good supporter of EMU over the years," Gerish said. "Mac made the right decision, as his dad passed while the team was away."

"Having to support his mother financially, and work his way through school made it impossible for Mac to play his senior season."

"He's lived with the decision knowing it was the proper one for him and his family, and has never been bitter about Bill Crouch's stance on the letter."

Pierce was nearly speechless when Gerish asked him to come forward in front of a large gathering at his house. His wife Marilyn, along with his three sons and daughter, also witnessed the surprise presentation.

"I loved basketball, that was my game," Pierce said. "And it sure means a lot to me. It means more 48 years later, more than walking on some girls' arm."

"I wondered why my wife was invited. I thought she was baby-sitting (the grandchildren). And to get it from one of my fifth-grade students — I was really choked up."

EMU's men's basketball media guide can now enter the name Malcolm Pierce to its list of letterwinners right alongside such famous hoop names as George Gervin, Gary Tyson, Kennedy

McIntosh, Harvey Marlatt, Lindell Reason, Earle Higgins, Fred Cofield, Grant Long, Carl and Charles Thomas, Marcus Kennedy, Earl Boykins, Brian Tolbert and Derrick Dial.

"Because of a lack of statistics, our records really don't go back that far and sometimes things like this are difficult to document," Huston said. "But given the time and the circumstances, we thought it was the proper thing to do. We've had history of trying to do the right thing here and I'm sure we made the right decision."

Pierce enrolled at Michigan Normal in 1948. He was a three-sport standout at Northville High School where his dad was principal.

During an intramural game at the

Please see CAGE LETTERMAN, D2

Bass angler nets 4th, \$35,000 check

BY BILL PARKER
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Livonia's David Reault took advantage of the home-lake advantage in the Wal-Mart FLW Tour Forrest Wood Open, a professional bass fishing tournament, which concluded June 26, on Lake St. Clair.

A real estate broker at Century 21 in Livonia, Reault finished fourth in the 164-angler field with a finals limit of five smallmouth that tipped the scale at 15 pounds, 14 ounces.

It was Reault's biggest cash pay day as the 42-year-old father of three netted \$35,000 for his efforts.

"In terms of professional tournaments this is the best I've done," said Reault, who fishes the local bass tournament circuits when he can get away

from his full-time job. "I won a Red Man Regional a few years ago and got a Ranger bass boat and a pick-up truck. But this was a lot more prestigious and there was much better competition here."

FLW tournaments follow a unique format.

The anglers weighing the top 10 cumulative weights in both an angler division (professionals) and the co-angler division (amateurs) after the first two days of competition advance to the third day.

Anglers then start from scratch and the top five on the third day advance to the final day of competition where they again start from scratch.

Co-angler competition ends at the conclusion of the third day.

The Forrest Wood Open featured

some of the world's best bass anglers.

In fact, the other four top-five finalists in the angler division are all full-time professionals.

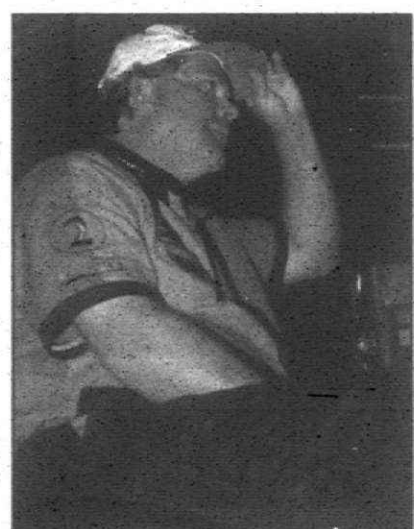
Rochester's Art Ferguson III, a two-time qualifier for the BASSMASTER Classic, posted his highest finish to date in a major tournament when he wound up third.

On the final day of the four-day tournament Ferguson weighed a five-fish limit of smallmouth that tipped the scale at 17 pounds, 10 ounces.

He pocketed \$50,000 for his efforts.

Pete Thliveros of Jacksonville, Florida, a seven-time BASSMASTER Classic qualifier and the Angler-of-the-Year in the inaugural Wal-Mart FLW Tour in 1996, won the Forrest Wood Open and a check for \$200,000 with a finals

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Livonian 4th: Realtor David Reault turned in his best professional finish.

Livonia drag racer rather run a Buick

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Drew Edwards treats his 1970 Buick Gran Sport like a baby — except when he puts it on a quarter-mile track.

The 33-year-old Livonian, who restored the vehicle eight years ago, won his Bracket 2-B2 class and a \$1,000 check, not to mention a nice trophy, at the Buick GS Nationals, June 26, at National Trail Raceway in Columbus, Ohio.

Edwards, who outraced a field of 96 cars, covered the quarter-mile track in 11.8 seconds in his bracket for racers who compile speeds anywhere from 11.5 to 12.5 seconds. (The Super 16, Bracket 1-B1, are the quickest, 11.5 seconds and under.)

"It was my first win down there and a big meet for me because I didn't have a lot of luck there," said Edwards, a wet surface grinder for S.E.E. Gage Co. in Wixom. "I had to win seven rounds."

Most summer weekends Drew Edwards and his brother Darren are either at Buick GS Club of America races or shows. They'll usually do testing Wednesday nights and hit the road on Fridays.

Fourth of July weekend the brothers loaded up the trailer and traveled to Uby.

You can also find them other weekends at venues such as Milan or Norwalk, Ohio, the latter track where Edwards has earned three wins and one runner-up finish.

Edwards' Buick Gran Sport can also be spotted on Woodward Avenue Cruise where he treats his vehicle with tender loving care.

Founded 17 years ago, the Buick GS Club of America has grown to 5,000



1st in class: Drew Edwards of Livonia (front) took home \$1,000 and first-place trophy in the Buick GS Nationals at National Trail Raceway in Columbus, Ohio.

members.

Edwards' affinity for racing started when he turned 16.

"It started with the Chrysler-Mopar and Chevys," he said. "Then I found a Buick GS for sale at a swap meet and I fell in love with it."

"I went to technical seminars and learned about restoration and high performance."

Edwards' win also pleased his sponsor, Mike Tomaszewski of T.A. Performance of Scottsdale, Ariz. (where he gets discount on parts).

Racing at speeds upward of 114 MPH, the Livonia drag racer is well aware of the risks of his sport-hobby.

"There's always danger involved," said Edwards, who pushes his 455 cubic-inch motor to the limit. "But both the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) and the International Hot Rod Association (IHRA) have pretty good track records as far as safety goes."

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

JUNIOR GOLF DIVOTS

Three area golfers earned qualifying spots in the Golf Association of Michigan Junior State Tournament July 21-22 at White Pine National in Hubbard Lake.

In Wednesday's qualifier at Ann Arbor's Leslie Park, the trio of Evan Chall (Livonia Churchill), Ryan Shamrock (Westland John Glenn) and Will Bashara (Churchill) each earned berths.

Salline's T.J. Shelton and Brett Sanderson tied for medalist honors with 74 each, followed by Chall (75), Northville's Brian Downing (75), Shamrock (79) and Bashara (79).

Jeff Hunter (Churchill), who shot an 81, played for an alternate spot.

CANTON HOOP GOLF OUTING

The third annual Plymouth Canton basketball golf outing will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 1 at St. John's Golf Course.

The event is sponsored by Canton basketball coach Dan Young, his staff and parents. The outing is open to present and past Canton basketball players, along with friends of the program.

Tee-off is at 11:15 a.m.

The cost is \$70 (includes cart and dinner) or \$340 (includes hole sponsorship, a foursome for 18 holes, plus cart, and dinner afterwards at Plymouth Township Park). Meal only (after 3 p.m.) is \$10 per person.

Registration payment must be received by Tuesday, July 20.

For more information, call Fred Sofen at (734) 453-4901 or Dan Young at (734) 591-7418.

JUNIOR, SENIOR OLYMPICS

Redford Township Parks and Recreation is staging its annual Junior and Senior Olympics on Tuesday, July 13 at Hilbert Junior High School.

The Junior Olympics begin at 10 a.m., an hour after registration. The Senior Olympics start at 5 p.m. also an hour after registration.

Children up to 11 years of age may participate in the Junior Olympics. The Senior Olympics are for anyone 12 and over.

Participants compete against those in their age group. There are no residency requirements. Events in the Junior

Olympics include 35, 50, 75 and 100 yard dashes, running relays and field events (softball throw, high jump and long jump).

Running and field events also are offered in the Senior Olympics.

Participation fee is \$2 for students and \$3 for adults. Medals and ribbons will be given to the winner of each event.

There will be a concession stand available throughout the day. There will be no make-up time in case of rain.

SC NEEDS HOOP ASSISTANT

The Schoolcraft College men's basketball program is seeking a second assistant coach willing to work periods from 2-6 p.m., scout and attend games.

Those interested should contact SC men's basketball coach Carlos Briggs at (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5254.

S'CRAFT BOYS HOOP CAMP

The second annual Schoolcraft Camp of Champs for boys will be from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Thursday, July 26-29 (ages 6-13) and 5 a.m. to 1 p.m., Aug. 16-19 (ages 14-18).

The cost is \$100 for each session. The camp will be conducted by Schoolcraft men's basketball coach Carlos Briggs, who led the Ocelots to 26 wins last season and its first-ever Michigan Community College Athletic Association playoff championship.

Briggs, the former standout at Baylor University, was also named MCCA Coach of the Year.

For more information, call (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5249.

PICO/SPINAL GOLF CHALLENGE

The fifth annual PICO/Spinal Victory National Golf Challenge to benefit the Kent Waldrep National Paralysis Foundation will be Monday, July 26 at TPC of Michigan, One Nicklaus Drive, Dearborn.

The Foundation was established in 1985 to fund research to find a cure for paralysis for spinal cord injury and brain injury.

Registration and breakfast will be at 8 a.m., followed by the Dennis Walters Show, featuring the only person paralyzed below the waist who earns a living as a professional golfer.

For more information, call 877-966-6263.

Practice and warmup follow at 9:30 a.m. with a shotgun start scheduled for 10 a.m.

Cocktails and a silent auction will be a 4 p.m. with dinner served at 5 p.m. The awards ceremony is at 6 p.m.

Corporate sponsorships and player spots remain available. For more information, call (972) 248-7100.

COLLEGE NOTES

Oakland University sophomore swimmer Yvonne Lynn, who carries a 3.07 grade-point average majoring in elementary education, was one of 36 OU student-athletes to earn All-Academic honors for the spring season in the Mid-Continent Conference.

Redford Catholic Central product Greg Rogers, a member of the OU baseball team, was also recognized. The senior marketing major carried a 3.15 GPA.

BUTKOWSKI DISPLAYS ARTISTRY
Ashley Butkowski, 7, of Westland, came up with winning entry in the 5-8 age division with her rendering of recently retired Denver Broncos quarterback John Elway in the Upper Deck NFL Football Trading Card Contest.

More than 3,000 contestants submitted entries in one of three age divisions. Rules of the contest provided a format free of restrictive guidelines with a mission to draw, sketch, paint or create their version of a collector's Upper Deck NFL MVP trading card featuring their favorite player.

Entries were based on creativity, overall presentation and athlete likeness.

'JUST ZOO IT' 5K RUN
The sixth annual "Just Zoo It, Gift of Life" five-kilometer run and 1.5-mile fun walk will be at 9 a.m. Saturday, July 17 at the Detroit Zoo.

The next 198 division tournament will be held on Sunday, July 18 at Rose Bowl Lanes in Windsor.

Those interested should call Al Bielawski at (313) 365-8449.

•There are three weekends remaining (after July 4) for the Hamtramck Singles Classic at Hazel Park Bowl.

Bowlers still have time to cash in on the big prize list that will be paid out at the end of August. The final date is July 26.

The entry numbers are increasing each of the last several years, and scoring continues to be like another fireworks show.

Mark Milasovich has taken the singles lead in actual handiaps. He is 23 years-old and carries a 212 average. He rolled games of 279-267-245-279 for a four-game scratch total of 1,070 and with his 24 pins in handiaps he has the lead, for \$25,000 with 1094.

For more information on the Hamtramck Singles Classic, call (248) 546-0070.

•The seniors had some sky-

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school's practice auditorium in 1950, Pierce scored 37 points for his fraternity (Theta Chi) in a playoff final against the Arm of Honor team.

His performance caught the eye of Crouch, who was the school's baseball and basketball coach.

"I had him (Crouch) in class — anatomy and physiology," Pierce recalled. "One day he asked to see me after class. My first thought was, 'I'm flunking his class.'"

"But he told me: 'We could use you on the team.' There was a kid hurt. We had 12 players and no walk-ons."

"And when I joined the team I never worked so darn hard in my life. I remember all the running and taping ankles."

During the 1950-51 season, EMU finished 7-13, 2-10 in the conference.

Among Pierce's teammates were former Pontiac Central coach Ralph Grubb, Joe Brodie (father of Plymouth Salem coach Bob Brodie), Sherman Collins, Charles Paige, Bob Sims and captain Joe Wargo.

"We had a pretty good club back then, but we also played a good schedule," Pierce said. "We didn't have a home court. We played at Ypsi Central High."

"I remember playing a double-header at the State Fairgrounds. Lawrence Tech played Wayne

State in the first game and we played the University of Detroit with Brendan McNamara and Norm Swanson. They had a pretty good game."

"I played all year. I didn't start, but I played some. I was probably the seventh- or eighth-man."

During his senior year Pierce stayed at home, attending night school while studying and working during the day. He went on to earn a Masters degree at Michigan (where he also had the good fortune of meeting his wife).

"My mom worked in the (school) office and I commuted back and forth while I did my practice teaching," Pierce said. "At first I wanted to be a dentist, but I wasn't cut out for those classes."

"Once I stepped into the classroom, it felt natural, like I belonged there."

Pierce spent 33 years at Bird, retiring in 1985. He also continued to support EMU and has been a longtime member of the school's athletic club, along with being a season ticket holder for the Eagles' football and basketball games.

"Being a school teacher I always felt it was right to teach honesty and to play it straight," Pierce said. "I didn't want any favors. When Bill (Crouch) made his decision, I never said anything after that."

Good things do come to those who wait.

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limit that weighed 19-13.

Kalamazoo's Kevin Van Dam, three-time B.A.S.S. Angler-of-the-Year, finished second and pocketed \$160,000 with a limit that weighed 18-6.

Former BASSMASTER Classic champion Larry Nixon, of Bee Branch, Arkansas, rounded out the top five with a limit weighing 15-4. Nixon earned \$30,000.

The Forrest Woods Open was the sixth and final regular season stop on the 1999 Wal-Mart FLW Tour, the most lucrative bass fishing series in history.

The top five finishers advance to the Wal-Mart FLW Tour Championship, Sept. 22-25, on Ft. Gibson Lake in Wagoner, Okla., where the winner receives \$250,000.

Although Reult had his sights set on a top-five finish, the fourth-place showing left him hungry for more success.

"My plan ran out after the third day when I made the top five," admitted Reult. "I really didn't put any thought into the final and didn't have a strong plan for that day. I just went fishing."

"In retrospect, I realize that where I set my goals is where I can expect to finish. I wanted a top-five but I wasn't focusing on winning it. I really would have liked to win it and should have been focusing more on that."

Reult led the field after the first day with a five-fish stringer that went 19-7. He was second after the second day (17-15) with a cumulative total of 37-6.

With some of the best bass fishermen in the world advancing to the third day — along with the above mentioned finalists were Clark Wendlandt, three-time BASSMASTER Classic qualifier; Tom Mann, Jr.,

seven-time BASSMASTER Classic qualifier; Craig Daniel, two-time Classic qualifier; and David Walker, 1999 Wal-Mart FLW Tour Angler-of-the-Year.

Reult again rose to the challenge and advanced to the final by finishing fourth at 15-13.

"I caught most of my fish from one area of the lake," Reult said. "The fish were pretty much done spawning, but they stayed in the shallows to feed and regain some strength. I was catching them a little further out in transition."

"They really started showing up two days before the start of the tournament."

"I felt they were moving into my area as opposed to moving out, like they were from the (spawning areas)."

The Forrest Wood Open will be televised at noon, July 17, on ESPN.

Dolph shows stuff in Midstates

As we customarily celebrate our national Independence Day with grand displays of fireworks, there have been plenty of fireworks going on in the local tournament scene.

First and foremost, it was Richard Dolph III from Waterford who captured the 198 division championship June 26 in the Midstates Masters at Bowl One Lanes in Troy.

Dolph qualified 31st in the field of 180 entries and won all six match-play games to capture the \$2,100 1st prize and trophy presented by Linda Malavolti of Bowl One.

His 248 match game average started with his third 300 game this year in the first round.

Winning his semifinal match with top qualifier Joe Wenzloff, 248-246, proved to be the turning point for his week.

Wenzloff needed to close out with a spare and nine to win, but only got a seven count.

Dolph's win moved him to the 212 division, where he should do very well.

Other bowlers from O&E communities who fared pretty well included: Rich Hamilton, Rochester, seventh; Dan Wagner, Troy, 12th; Scott Miller, Waterford, 15th; Paul March, Southfield, 30th; Kevin Coshatt, Livonia, 38th; David Simmons, Westland, 49th; and Bob Worley, Livonia, 55th.

The Midstates Masters is going to have a test run next year. The GBA is fortunate to find people who are knowledgeable in the sport to make up the Board of Directors for now and building towards the future.

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