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A stretch of Michigan Avenue will join Ford Road as a commercial corridor with a new Home Depot store and an adjacent shopping center. The planning commission Monday gave preliminary approvals for both projects.

BY SCOTT NEINAS STAFF WRITER

A 35-acre chunk of land at Michigan Avenue and Canton Center Road is on track to become the centerpiece of a new major commercial zone in southwest Canton.

Home Depot plans to anchor the development with a 121,000-squarefoot superstore on the northwest corner

of the intersection. The store would be flanked by a 172,000-square-foot shopping center which could include a supermarket, an electronics store and a

drug store. In a conceptual plan submitted to township planners, four additional "outlot" buildings would fit on the front of the property closest to Michigan Avenue. One combination mentioned consisted of two restaurants, a video store and a tire store

Construction should start late this year or early next on a Wendy's Restaurant, located west of the new development, and contractor's are obtaining permits now to begin building a 7-Eleven on the northeast corner of the intersection, across from McDonald's, according to Canton Township Planner Jeff Goulet.

Goulet said the stretch of Michigan Avenue between Sheldon Road and Beck Road is the ideal alternative to the busy Ford Road corridor.

"There's an increasing need for commercial development on the south-central side of Canton," Goulet said.

Home Depot would have stores in each zone, 4.5 miles apart. The new store, in addition to serving southern Canton Township, would cater to Superior and Ypsilanti Township as well as Belleville.

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Michael Klingl, an architect working on the project for Home Depot, said the sister store on Ford Road would rema open. "It's a two-store market," Klingl said.

The Canton Planning Commission approved a special land use request for the property at Monday's meeting. The parcel is already zoned C-3 for regional

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Star gazing: Placido Domingo, Jose Carreras and Luciano Pavarotti perform Saturday night. Pictured below, a bus full of Canton seniors arrives outside Tiger Stadium for the historic concert.

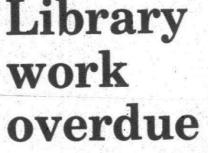
Bravo Seniors can't get enough of 'Tenors'

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER STAFF WRITER tschneider@oe.h

Take three world-renowned opera singers, mix in 48 star-struck Canton area senior citizens and an 87-year-old ballpark on its farewell tour - and you get a magical evening.

Saturday's bus trip to hear the Three Tenors concert at Tiger Stadium drew rave reviews from the





EXPANSION

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

Delays in completion of final plans have pushed back an expansion of Canton's library. According to Township Library

Director Jean Tabor, work on a \$6 million, 21,000-square-foot addition will begin in late September and conclude by Nov. 1 of next year.

Plans had originally called for the expansion to be completed by July 4 of next year.

"Our architects have been swamped," Tabor said in explaining the delay in final plans.

While she would've liked to hav kept the original timetable, she said the delay isn't a major disappointment. Tabor said she and her staff have actu-

ally used the time to fine-tune plans. "We've been out looking at other collections and furniture," she added. "We've traveled to a lot of sites."

The 10-year-old facility will increase in size by more than two-thirds and feature new programming, training, audio visual, non-fiction, young adult and youth sections as well as additional seating and parking. The project is being financed through township building authority bonds.

The library will jump in size from 31,000 to 52,000 square feet. The facility sits on a 7.5-acre parcel on Canton Center Road north of Palmer.

"This is as big as we can get on this site," Tabor said in an earlier interview with the Observer. "This will serve the Canton community well into the future. The library board considered several options before settling on expansion. A new building at the existing site, expansion of the present facility or construction of a new branch were bandied about.

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seniors. This despite steamy weather and upper deck seats that almost required opera glasses to see the two giant television screens flanking the stage where Jose Carreras, Placido Domingo and Luciano Pavarotti held forth - let

Please see TENORS, A2

Fence law requires best face forward

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

"If you're going to erect a backyard fence in Canton," the "ugly" side ought to be visible from your kitchen window.

Supporting posts, cross-members and hardware of all fences should face the homeowner, according to upcoming changes in the township's ordinance

A three-foot buffer between an existing and new fence will also have to be maintained. Resident Arlene Ladell pushed for changes after feuding with a neighbor.

"It is the right thing to do," she told Canton's Board of Trustees Tuesday. "I'm very happy with the

amended for the first time since 1991, is scheduled to go into effect July 27. The ordinance, which is being

Canton Municipal Services Direc-

tor Aaron Machnik agreed with Ladell that modifications to the ordinance needed to be made. But he said it's not a major problem in the township.

"Its not occurred enough that it would raise concerns that it's an out-of-control problem," he commented.

Problems for Ladell arose shortly after Green Wade and Barbara Brantley moved next door on Morrison Street off Ford. The couple erected a six-foot-high wooden privacy fence just inches away from an existing chain-link fence around the backyard of the home.

Ladell objected saying it ruined the serenity and beauty of her backyard. She said the area between the nces would also become an eyesore with grass and weed maintenance

nearly impossible. Wade fired back that it was his

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Two roadway shooters face Aug. 13 trial date

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER omm.net

Trial dates for two Canton men charged in connection with a June 25 township shooting will be set next month.

Zachary Scott Woodby and Timothy Regan Boster will appear before Wayne County Circuit Court Judge George W. Crockett III on Aug. 13.

Woodby faces five felony counts including assault with intent to murder, three charges of firearms discharge at a building and one count of felony firearm. Crockett continued a \$250,000 cash bond for the 20-year-old, who remains in the county jail.

Boster, 21, faces three counts of firearms discharge at a building and one count of felony firearm. Crockett reduced his bond from \$100,000 cash to \$50,000/10 percent.

"He was released July 16," said Boster's attorney Gerald Conley. "His mother put up \$5,000." The shooting occurred at about 2:30

a.m. on June 25.

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Canton resident Dawn Davis was

heading westbound on Palmer Road and stopped at the intersection of Sheldon. Township police said as many as 11 shots from an AK-47 military assault rifle hit Davis' Chrysler LeBaron.

Police believe Woodby is responsible for firing each of the shots. Three adiacent homes and a day care were also struck with gunfire.

Conley maintains that Boster fired one shotgun round into the air and not at Davis

"My basic theory is that he didn't shoot at the car or houses," he said.

His argument was buttressed by testimony given by Canton Police Detective Steve Miller at Boster's 35th District Court preliminary examination. Miller testified that Boster likely only fired his weapon, a small caliber

shotgun, once straight into the air. Conley added that his client "freaked out" and ran when Woodby allegedly began firing at the township woman

Amazingly, Davis was only slightly injured. A piece of metal shrapnel

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Tenors from page A1

lone see the stars "I'm getting horse from hollering 'Bravo!'" said

Canton resident John Gall. "There's nothing like seeing these three guys in person." "It's wonderful

and the acoustics are, fine. They sound beautiful," said Dona Bartanew of Garden City, who bought \$60 ticket the (including bus transportation) so that she could celebrate her birthday at the concert.

The seniors, like other opera buffs, found time between selections to debate the tenors' talents. While Pavarotti seemed to be the overall fan favorite drawing the loudest ovations from the crowd of 35,000, Bartanew said she preferred Domingo's "lyrical tenor sound." Many said the musical high-

light of the evening was the medley of light-hearted selections that closed out the first half of the concert, with each star trying to outdo the other. For others, it was the well-known encores of "La donna e' mobile" and "O sole

However, Aretha Franklin's stylized version of the national anthem, which opened the concert, didn't win over some



First couple: Gov. John Engler and wife Michelle smile for a photo after taking in the performance from the front row.

> seniors, who said they preferred full buses had it been a daytime a more traditional rendition.

Family affair

For Verne and Jean Magee of Canton, the concert was a family affair. They brought along daughter Lois Bota and son-inlaw Jon Bota of Canton. "I have three daughters, and we're always doing things together.

We moved back to be with them," said Jean Magee. The Botas, who joked that they were the youngest ones on the bus, said they had tried to get tickets to see Pavarotti in San Juan, Puerto Rico and again for the Three Tenors concern when they went on sale in Detroit but were stymied by sell-outs both times. "Then my mother calls and said the seniors were going, so we said "Why not?" she **Popular** trip

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gen. Canton senior rogram coordinator, said the concert generated a lot of interest among senior citizens when it was added to the calendar last spring. About 20 people were on a waiting list for tickets and there would have been enough demand for two

event, she said. The trip to Tiger Stadium was old hat for many, who had gone the previous Sunday to see the Tigers take on the Milwaukee

In fact, the seniors group spends more time on the road each summer than entertainers on national tours. Day trips in June and July have included gambling in Windsor, a river ruise and a landmarks tour in Washington D.C. Still to come are trips to the Huron Country Playhouse in Grand Bend, Ontario (July 28), the Gerald R. Ford Museum and Grand Rapids (Aug. 18) and Stratford, Ontario (Sept. 9). An extended trip to Vancouver

and the Canadian Rockies is planned for July 29.

Getting ready Concert-goers spent weeks

wear. "I like to get dressed up to said the concert afforded him one the nines like everybody else." said Lois Hrlie of Canton. played a Pavarotti tape from his spring.) collection Saturday morning to set the mood. He pulled a newspaper clipping from his pocket outlining the evening's "dress code." But Mack gracefully

dropped his facket and tie on the seat back five minutes after settling into his assigned seat in . Section 418. anticipating the Three Tenors Mack, who grew up in the show and hours preparing for it West; Grand Boulevardby listening to recordings at nome while carefully combing

Detroit's west side and attended

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"I've been back to my neighborhood a few times, too, but, of lifetime. course, it's all changed," Mack said wistfully.

For Jeanine Krogwlecki of Canton, the concert was a once-Then I thought 'Who knows if grams office, (734) 397-5444.

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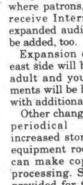
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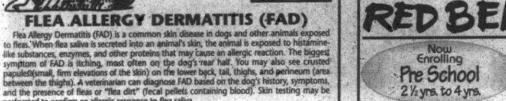


ing a scratch-like wound. Canton officers apprehended Woodby and Boster minutes after the shooting. Driving a dark blue Pontiac Grand Am, the duo crashed into a 1989 Ford minivan heading westbound on Michigan Avenue, police reports said Three weapons from the vehicle Woodby was driving, including two shotguns and the assault riffle, were recovered. Numerous amounts of ammunition were also recovered by police.

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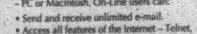
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Former plaintiff offers reward to stop harassment

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

thruscato@oe.hom Plymouth resident Jerry Vorva says he's had enough, and it's

time to find out who's harassing his family. Vorva is so intent on finding who is behind the badgering that he's offering a \$1,000 reward for information that leads to prosecution of whomever is involved.

Library from A1

"When someone tries to affect

Several factors led to the expansion option Residents like the library's current location, said Tabor. Constructing a branch made little financial sense, she added. As for the expansion, Tabor said the project will go out for bids in mid-August. Bids will

then be reviewed and a contract awarded by mid-September. Rewold & Sons of Rochester will be the project's construction management firm. "The library will grow in three

of four directions. On the building's west side, a youth room will be added. A 'reading cube" will be closed in as well, said Tabor.

On the south, a training room will be added. It will house 20 computerized work stations where patrons, for example, will receive Internet training. An expanded audio-visual roam-will

Expansion on the building's east side will be the largest. The adult and young adult depart. ments will be housed there along with additional patron seating.

Other changes include a larger periodical reading area, increased storage space and an equipment room where patrons can make copies and do word processing. Space will also be provided for the Friends of the Library, who often hold book

The look of the building will be substantially different. More windows will be added along the east side of the facility to take advantage of natural light. Skylights will also be added.

Patrons will notice a more segmented library, too. Youth and young adult areas, for example, will be more defined and self-Construction will mean period-

ic closures of the library. Tabor said work will be done in such a way as to keep that time to a "I would hope that it's not

more than two weeks," she Patrons should expect some

inconveniences such as dust and noise as well. "It'll be exciting," Tabor said of the project, "but it will also be a



grazed her right lower leg caus-

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ed free of charge to parents whose children are born at the The \$17,500 screening devices

were purchased with grants. fundraising, and donations from Michigan Renaissance Sertoma. a service organization with a national focus on assisting the speech and hearing impaired. McPherson will cover the costs of additional supplies needed for the screening9

Vorva said that for nearly a year he's been receiving threats of physical violence by mail and telephone. He believes the threats are the result of the lawsuit he filed against the Plymouth-Canton Schools that held up a \$79.8 million bond issue to build new schools, buy buses and

advance technology. Vorva insists he can take care of himself. But what has really

my family, I get mad," said **I Jerry Vorva believes the threats are the result** of the lawsuit he filed against the Plymouth-Canton Schools that held up a \$79.8 million bond lesue

"The shame is my kids can't it. I'm also afraid of getting a

go out and get the mail from the mail bomb sometime."

upset him is the fact that his box because smut magazines are mailbox has been inundated being sent to the house," said with a hundred different kinds . Vorva. "The kids love to go get of magazines after someone put the mail, but now they can't his name on subscription lists. because I never know what's in

the subscriptions have stopped, he's now getting overdue billing statements from the magazine companies

"I figure these people have been blabbing about what they've done to people, and after about a year someone in the community knows who's doing this to me," Vorva said. "So, I've offered the reward to find the names of those who did this to my family. The person who tells

Vorva said that while some of me can be anonymous, but to get the reward the information must lead to civil or criminal prosecution.

Vorva, a former Plymouth police officer, believes there's information out there about who is bothering his family. "If you're patient, you eventu-

ally catch the bad guys." Vorva said tips can be given to his attorney, Stephen Boak, by calling (734) 455-4560;



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Residents of the Kimberly leadows subdivision, which borfers the development to the orth, voiced concerns at the ablic hearing on several issues anging from noise and visual lution to security.

A six-foot high berm with evergreens and deciduous trees is being proposed by developers to help shield home owners from the noise and traffic behind the of our homes," said Tim Goodstores. About 15 subdivision lots connect to the berm area. Some residents wanted more.

Kimberly Meadows homeown

from entering their neighborhood "On a given night, someone

could have access to 25 percent child, a homeowner in Kimberly Meadows. Commissioners had concerns

specifically, a six-foot high wall of their own as well, pointing out that would deter trespassers that the parking area needed more plant material and that the development as a whole should dazzle. Commissioners approved the special land use request with a

Tim Goodchild,

stipulation that the residents concerns be addressed when the project goes to site plan review

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Fence law from page A1 property and he should be able District Court in Plymouth on be affected by the revisions o use it as he saw fit. He noted the ticket, Weyer said. that many similar fences in the township were standing.

side facing her yard.

Wade said he intends to fight the ticket. "If I have to take it to a higher court I will," he commented.

Dispute: The township board revised its ordinance after resident Arlene Ladell com-

plained about her neighbors built a wooden privacy fence (above) with the "bad"

my privacy. "It's an act of rebellion," Ladell said of her neighbor's fence. "It's

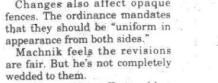
munity to act like that." Machnik, meanwhile, is hoping changes to the ordinance will avoid future hassles between

Machnik said each will be grandfathered into the ordinance. 'If the fence was to fall and the homeowner decided to replace it," he said, "they would have to

Changes also affect opaque fences. The ordinance mandates that they should be "uniform in appearance from both sides." Machnik feels the revisions

wedded to them. "If this goes into effect and has a negative impact on the resi-Current residents with "bad dents, we'll go back and change

comply with the ordinance."





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Law enforcement gears up for casinos



BY KEN ABRAMCZYK

Let the games begin, but

someone will be watching. As casinos gear up to open soon in Detroit, officials from local law enforcement agencies have outlined who will investigate what crimes now that casi-

Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, the Michigan Gaming Control Board,

licensees, money laundering and racketeering will be investigated by Michigan State Police, and prosecuted by the Michigan Department of Attorney General. The agreement allows the attorney general to defer prosecution of criminal violations to county prosecutors or the city of Detroit. Other crimes, such as homi-

cides, armed robbery or larcenies, will be investigated by the Detroit Police Department and

Department.

A copy of the agreement was sent to Wayne County commissioners by Sheriff Robert Ficano. "It should be noted that the Wayne County Sheriff's responsibilities would not create any additional impact on the budget," Ficano said.

Chief Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor George Ward has met with Eric Eggan, assistant in prosecuted by the Wayne County charge of the casino control divi-

to discuss casino gaming in Detroit.

Ward said Wayne County prosecutors will continue to gaming control boards and crimiinvestigate criminal cases, but they won't be prosecuting blackjack tables or the casinos themselves. "The attorney general will be handling any gamblingrelated type of crime," Ward

said. for the attorney general's office,

evasion, public corruption, fraud prosecutor's office. City ordi- sion of the state attorney gener- said that the attorney general's committed against or by nance violations may be prose- al's office, along with attorneys office will be the most prominent cuted by the city of Detroit Law from the U.S. Attorney's office, in prosecuting gambling-related "We have a casino control

division that is working with the nal division of the attorney general's office," DeWitt said. A state/local casino control task force consisting of representatives from these law enforce ment agencies will meet regular

ly to discuss and act upon casi-Chris DeWitt, spokesperson no-related law enforcement



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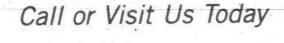


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Peters says the number is on the rise and it's because the state has yet to begin using \$90 and they can't trust that it's safe

local draft boards. Even though the United States ed volunteers. hasn't drafted young men to serve in the military since the early 1970s and the Vietnam to act as a part of the country's national defense

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE

The blame for the number of beach closings experienced this summer in the southeast Michigan region rests with the state government, particularly the Engler Administration, according to state Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township.

Beach closings - 27 in Oakland County in just the first week of July, compared to 24 for the entire month last year, and eight for the month in 1997 result when the county Health Department identifies high bacteria levels in the lake water.

Families can't go to the beach and they can't trust that it's safe when they do.'

it per year for monitoring. Peters argues the bond money should be used for capital improvements to eliminate pollution sources. Salaries, for activities like monitoring, should be paid out of operational funds, he contends.

And state needs to start those projects, rather than conducting further studies. "Families can't go to the beach

Gary Peters State Senator

don't need more excuses or studies. We need to help communities address the problems of to improve sewage treatment runoff, raw sewage overflows plants, pipes and septic systems and sprawl that contribute to

beach closings." The administration argues the increase in closings is due to closer monitoring. Currently, Oakland County Health Department officials test water at 125 beaches over the summer. State environmentalists are calling for statewide water quality monitor-

washed into lakes and streams

But Peters argues that accounts for only about 20 percent of the contamination. The other 80 percent comes from human sources, such as sewage overflows and failed septic sys-

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While the wording of the bond question prohibits the use of the money for addressing sewage overflows at treatment plants under the reasoning that should be the responsibility of the local communities - the money can be used to address other treatment plant upgrades and non-point pollution sources, such as failed septic fields.

That at least would be progress toward cleaner water.



million from the statewide envi-ronmental bond approved by vot-ers in 1998. The administration environmental bond money for has proposed using \$3 million of cleanup where it belongs. We statewide water quarty indintor-ing. Much of the bacteria is fecal matter, deposited by birds and other animals and wildlife, then Peters said Uncle Sam wants you ... for the draft board

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.home

The Selective Service System wants you to serve on its draft

While Congress and the president haven't reinstated the draft for individuals to serve in the U.S. military, the Selective Service System is looking for people who want to serve as members of

boards," said Arthur Tesner,

state director of the Selective Service System. "If a draft ever became necessary, they would decide on deferments, postponements or exemptions from military service based on federal

guidelines." Approximately 2,000 draft Boards nationwide would conduct those reviews. Approximately 20 local board member positions are available in Michigan. Members are uncompensat-

Prospective local board memagency registered with Selective desired. Service; not be on active duty or

victed of any criminal offense. They also must live in the area in which the board has jurisdic-Once identified as a qualified

candidate for appointment, they will be recommended by the governor and appointed by the director of Selective Service, who acts on behalf of the president in making the appointment.

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"We've always had local draft a retired member of the armed the draft board because they are forces; and not have been con- patriotic or just want to become 349-7779.

"It's all part of our national defense," Tesner said. The last time any draft boards met to decide on deferments or postponements was 1974.

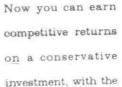
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Lovely loosestrife is choking wetlands

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.home

Dan Ballnik reached down and pulled a plant out of the ground, then displayed its roots to a small group of people gathered at the wetlands site.

"Look. Two roots and it's still growing," Ballnik said, showing a single plant of the purple loosestrife. Surrounding Ballnik and the group of about a dozen people were thousands of the plants, now overtaking many of the 200 acres of a wetlands mitigation site in Westland.

On Wednesday, Ballnik and other members of a habitat subcommittee of the Rouge River Advisory Council were giving state environmental officials a tour of the wetlands west of Henry Ruff Road and south of Michigan Avenue to show the loosestrife's invasion, problems with erosion and the lack of trees in creating a forested wetlands.

the intention to replace or offset the removal of other natural wetlands at other locations. Ford Motor Co. developed the Henry Ruff site about five years ago to replace 33 acres of wetlands removed near the Michigan Truck Plant in Wayne so the plant could expand. At that time Ford designated nearly 66 acres of wetlands at the mitigation site

Ford will need approval from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to modify its current permit.

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at luncheon

Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm will the keynote speaker at the eighth annual Women of Achievement Awards Luncheon presented by the YWCA of Western Wayne

This year's event will be held at noon Friday, Nov. 5, at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn. Tickets are \$25 and are available through the YWCA of Western

Nominations are being sought for women who have demonstrated qualities of outstanding leadership and excellence in their professional and social lives. Women who live, work or

volunteer in western Wayne County and whose endeavors have led to the betterment of their community are eligible for nominations in one of six cate-

Purple loosestrife (Lythrum salicaria) is a European plant species which is an aggressive invader of North American wetland, lakes and rivers. Once established, purple loosestrife can become the dominant vegetation, forming monospecific stands which significantly reduce biodiversity and degrade habitat quality.

Ballnik eventually was assigned

to the project by Ford in the fall

Craig believes a consultant

hired several years ago to do the

work did not plant the trees at

the site properly, leaving roots

exposed in wetland areas. "A

tree can drown as much as it can

they were planted in water.

Planting trees takes time and

that many man-hours aren't.

Before volunteers replant

Loosestrife is heavily loaded

trees, the loosestrife must be

with seeds and blooms into small

purple flowers. "It can be trans-

ported by water or birds," Craig

They were planted in mud,

dry out," Craig said.

available.'

controlled.

of 1998.

Michigan State University

said. "It does well here."

Last year Ballnik, an environ-Ballnik told Department of mental control engineer at Ford, Environmental Quality officials Eric Pearson, Ford Land envihe had sprayed the loosestrife ronmental manager, and Bill with a herbicide earlier this Craig, a member of the RRAC's month. He wants to defoliate the habitat subcommittee and Livoplant with beetles. nia resident, reviewed why the original tree plantings failed.

Next spring he wants to plant native woody vegetation, including pin oak saplings. He hopes to use student volunteers from the Wayne-Westland school district . to assist Ford with the treeplanting projects, while educating them about the site.

This spring he planted silver maples, swamp white oak, black willow, pin oak, green ash, yellow poplar, bitternut hickory and red maple.

"Those trees wouldn't handle a heavy wash event," Ballnik said. "We need to slow the water down for the trees to get established. We may look at something like an annual rye." The rye will help keep the soil in place and help trees take root.

Once he discusses the wetlands with Ford officials, Ballnik

said he will ask the DEQ to revise the current wetland permit for the mitigation site. Ballnik wants the wooded wetland requirement for the approximately 200 acres lowered from its current 66 acres to a minimum of 33 acres and the balance of the site to contain small shrubs, such as willows, elders and bushes, and species native to emergent marshes and floating leaf wetlands, such as reeds and lilies.

Officials hope they can create a wooded wetland, with a 300-400 trees-to-one acre survival rate after five years.

The entire mitigation site contains about 200 acres bordered by Boise Drain and railroad to the north, Merriman to the west, Henry Ruff to the east and trail-

er park to the south. "It's struggling," Craig said. "But the ownership responsibility is being met by Ford. They're working and meeting with state officials to make it better.'

Ballnik expects to meet with. Ford officials about his proposed loosestrife control program and erosion control plans, then discuss the wetlands with state officials

Barry Horney, a land and water resource specialist with the DEQ, said the wetland visit will help the state in-making a decision at a later date, but added that he and other officials would ask many questions on any revisions to the wetlands.

"It seems they have a plan," Horney said. "We'll have to take a look at it and go from there."



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

A pretty pest: Bill Craig of Livonia wanders through purple loosestrife, an attractive but invasive plant that has overtaken a wetlands mitigation site west of Henry Ruff Road in Westland. Ford Motor Co. designated a 66-acre wetland site there to replace wetlands removed for an expansion of a truck plant.

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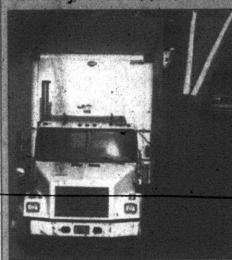


tupid four-wheeler." That's what the driver Sin the big rig is apt to yell to the driver in the small car who just did something crazy and nearly caused an accident.

and nearly caused an accident. How often do these near-accidents occur? "I see some form of safety violation at least five" times a day." said Gerry Gourlay, trucker for Canton-based A.D. Transport Express Inc. Each week, Gourlay legs about 1,500 miles on his daily run from Roseville to an auto plant in Sagnaw. Still fresh in his mind is the pick-up deriver subs just the day before on L94 near

driver who just the day before on I-94 near Roseville had cut right in front of him, forcing him to hit his brak

"I blew the horn at him. He just turned and looked at me and smiled." Road safety for both truckers and small vehicle drivers alike is the top priority of the Lansing-based Michigan Truck Safety Commission.



Give 'em room: Above, trucks, like this rig entering I-96 from Newburgh Road, need to be given room to merge onto the freeway as they get up to speed.

On the road: Each week, Gerry Gourlay, at right, logs 1,500 miles on his daily run from Roseville to Saginaw. The ex-Marine, who lives in Taylor and is close to retirement, has been driving trucks for 36 years.

Through the glare: Far right, a trucker looks down on traffic from a big rig as the sun comes up going east on Michigan Avenue in Canton.

If AAA is known for "Ering 'em Back Alive," hen the MTSC is known for "Share the Road, Michigan," a slogan now seen on billboards on Michigan freeways and heard over the airwayes

via radio commercials. Through the advertising, the MTSC hopes to promote better understanding and greater cooper-ation this summer between truckers and everyday drivers, especially with both now having to cope with endless construction zones. One statistic shows how critical it is to get the

One statistic shows how critical it is to get the "shars-the-road" message out. "Statistics show that more than 70 percent of large truck accidents involving cars are caused by the car," said Ed Gaffney, MTSC director. "By understanding the special rules of the road involving trucks, we hope to minimize accidents and have a safe summer driving season."

The statistic gets even more critical when cou-pled with this: While the car driver is most apt to cause an accident, it's the truck driver who is most apt to survive.

T've seen many collisions, and it's the truck that comes out ahead," said Dave Boljesic, motor carrier officer for the Canton Police Department. Echoes Gourlay: "If I was in an accident, I'd want to be in a truck."

Veteran trucker

Gourlay, a proud ex-Marine who lives in Taylor and is close to retirement, has been driving trucks for 36 years. Four years ago he booked up with A.D. Transport Express when the Westland com-pany he worked for moved to Ohio.

He now spends his days driving a diesel-pow-ered 18-wheeler, carting mostly auto parts around southeast Michigan. The top speed he can go in his tractor-trailer is 68 MPH. On his daily trip from Roseville to Saginaw, his

rig, stuffed with auto parts, can weigh up to 80,000 pounds.

Trucks that heavy take a long time to stop, something motorists don't realize as they dart in and out of lanes, forcing truckers to brake, said Richard Kaminski, also a trucker for A.D. Transport Express.



Coming through: The driver of this car hauler signals as he merges onto 1-275 from M-14 in the construction zone. It's helpful to truck drivers when other motorists are patient and let them merge. The Michigan Truck Safety Commission hopes to promote better understanding and greater cooperation this summer between truckers and everyday drivers, especially with both now having to cope with endless construction zones.

"I see potential accidents everyday," said Kaminski, who lives in Wayne. "People do stupid things around trucks."

Besides cutting in front of fast-moving but slowstopping trucks, what are some of these "stupid" and maybe even deadly - things motorists do?

They tailgate trucks, following too closely. Even after 36 years as a trucker, Gourlay is still mystified as to why motorists do this.

In doing so, they hide in one of a truck's blind spots, directly behind the truck. Other blind spots are the truck's right side near the tractor cab door, and the left side directly outside the truck driver's rearview mirror.

"They hang around the side of you; they get alongside you and stay there," Kaminski said.

From one such blind spot, on the right passen-ger side, drivers even make quick left turns in front of trucks, a doubly deadly deed.

Cutting in

Much to the frustration of truckers, drivers jump into the "safe" space truckers leave between

their truck and the vehicle ahead of them. This forces truckers into a temporary unsafe situation, first slowing down and then building up to a safe driving distance again. The slowdown also antag-onizes drivers behind the truck.

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"Your try to leave a distance, but cars jump in front of you," said Boljesic of the Canton police. They look at it as an invitation to get in.

Gourlay calls it the "me-first" syndrome. "Everybody is in a hurry. Nobody wants to fol-low. Everybody wants to be at the head of the line. But everybody can't be number one." Motorists also fail to "hang back" while truckers

swing out a bit to make wide turns. They also fail to use their turning signals. "It's

tough to read people's minds," Gourlay said. do their e of dead

deeds. These include driving too fast (especially gravel truck drivers, which Gourlay agrees are the cowhoys of the trucking industry), taking turns too fast, navigating circular freeway entrance and exit ramps too quickly, and som Please see TRUCKS, A10

More than 70 percent of all fatal car-truck crashes nationally are caused by the driver of the car. Most of these accidents can be prevented if car drivers learn the best ways to "share the road."

There are more cars and trucks on the road today than ever before. With the increased vehicle traffic - as well as the increased traffic due to the summer travel season drivers should be more aware than ever of how to share the road.

There is a record amount of construction projects going on throughout metro Detroit this summer. Because of this construction, frustrations may run high but safety should not be compromised.

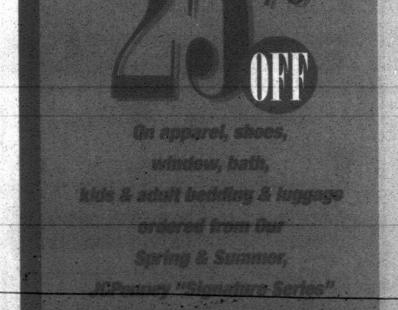
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Critics hit 'fast-track' business tax phase-out

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE

Once it counted as "reform," but today lawmakers are reforming the Single Business Tax.

Criticized back in the '70s for the hurried manner in which it was adopted - in one of the Legislature's famed late night sessions - the Single Business Tax is now slated to be phased out over the next 23 years. And detractors are criticizing

the "fast track" manner in which that decision was made. Gov. John Engler signed three bills Wednesday, July 14, which would phase out the SBT and adjust sales and use taxes in a special ceremony at a small busi-

ness in Southfield. Vettestorations, a family-owned business specializing in the restoration of vintage Corvettes, hosted the

Getting much of the credit from Gov. Engler were the sponsors of the bills, state Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, and Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Brighton. "As we all know, when the cost

of doing business is higher than it should be, it's the consumers



who end up paying the bill," Engler said. "This phase-out is nother important step to the long-term strength of Michigan's economy. By phasing out the years. The bill contains wording SBT, we are removing the last significant business barrier and positioning Michigan for an even brighter future."

"Talk about turbo-charging our

economy; eliminating the SBT to more jobs and continued prosperity," Cassis said of the measure at the signing ceremony. "Everyone, from families to family-owned businesses, will enjoy the ride ... We're getting rid of

one of the most onerous, anti-competitive taxes in Michigan." And just when opponents of the phase-out were claiming that it would benefit only a minority of companies and provide minimal relief, Cassis said the owners of Vettestorations announced that the phase out will allow them to hire one additional mployee. That's one additional family with a salary and benets. Cassis said.

Phase-out gradual

House Bill 4745, the first of those signed, will drop the SBT by 0.1 percent each year, starting with Jan. 1 of this year, until it is phased out in the next 22

that will suspend the phase out should Michigan's economy dip and the state's "rainy day fund" be depleted.

It also amends the SBT, until

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it is phased out, to treat all computs Michigan on the fast track panies doing business here the firms will pay even more single the phase out. same. Previously, foreign firms weren't taxed.

House Bill 4744 and Senate. Bill 544, Rogers' bill, mainly make technical adjustment to sales and use taxes needed as a result of the SBT phase out and making collections more fair. Among the changes was exempting all "rolling stock" from sales tax collection.

Critic's concerns

Ben Kohrman, deputy director of Media Relations for the House Democratic caucus, said his party has four main concerns

with the SBT repeal plan. For one, Democrats don't believe the measure will provide real tax relief. Only about a third of Michigan businesses pay Single Business Taxes, due to the exemptions that have been placed on the tax. Most of those

are larger corporations. Indeed, Public Sector Consultants confirms that about 75 percent of SBT revenue comes from oughly 5 percent of companies in the state, the largest 5 percent of corporations

business taxes until it is eventually eliminated. Kohrman said.

as Engler contends, the state's growing, then elimination of the tax isn't needed. "I thought we already were

ompetitive," Kohrman said.

Corporate profits are up in Michigan. In fact, Kohrman argues, they are reaching record levels. Personal and family omes are stagnant however, he argued. So any tax relief provided by the state should have come from personal income taxes, he argues.

Cassis argues the state has already dropped the income tax once this year, from 4.4 percent to 3.9 percent.

Finally, Democrats say an error in the wording of the bills would have applied the SBT to Canadian firms for business done elsewhere as well as business done in Michigan. With some \$83 billion in trade with Canada, it would be a mistake for Michigan to "start a trade war with Canada," Kohrman

Republicans agree there was an error but argue the verbiage was fixed in the state Senate during passage so that Canadian firms will only pay taxes on business done here.

'I'm not convinced. How word ing is intended and how it actually works when applied to an individual's or a company's taxes aren't always the same thing. We'll see when this is put in effect how it really works," Kohrman said.

"And that is the problem, really, with fast tracking the process. Had the Canadians not been on the ball, this might have been enacted. It still could have a number of unintended consequences."

No public input

the House Taxation Committee,

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going into their truck," Gourlay

said. "If there's too much weight.

One of the biggest messages

the axles can collapse.

"Drivers have to eyeball what's than 10 hours a day. But at the

Under the phase out, some also came out in opposition to

"Perhaps the only thing worse than the decision was the man-Democrats also argue that if, ... ner in which it was made," he said. Jondahl pointed out that economy is competitive and the tax presently produces about \$2.7 billion annually, which is about 30 percent of the state's general fund budget.

> Yet little public input was given. Mainly, lawmakers heard rom the Senate Fiscal Agency. What would you do, Jondahl stated, if you were in a position to decide what to do with the state's \$88 million surplus?

"What would you propose? ... I would hope that you would ask for a major public policy debate and the participants in the liscussion should include more than the Canadian business and

government interests." Yes, the bill was fast tracked, Cassis agrees. But she argues that the content of the bill did not change significantly during the legislative debate. She pelieves other complaints about the process aren't valid.

Had the state waited for more debate, she said, it either could not have enacted the cut for this year or would have had to go through a costly refund process. The SBT, Michigan's main

pusiness tax, was a 2.3 percent on the value a business adds to its product during production. The main components used to compute that value are labor, interest paid, depreciation and profit.

The SBT took effect in 1976 as a replacement for seven business taxes. The SBT returned the state to a value-added tax form . of business taxation, which was used from 1953 to 1967 in the form of a business activity tax Corporate income taxes, used from 1967 to 1976, proved unsatisfactory to the state because of instability in producing revenues Lyn Jondahl, former chair of due to severe cyclical fluctuations in the economy

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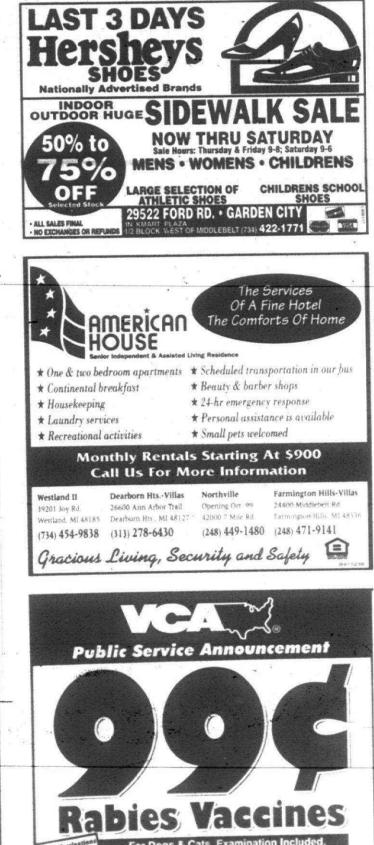
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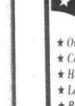
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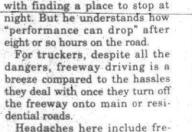
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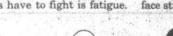
Gourlay said. "So they keep drivtruckers want to get across to ing. That's our biggest reason motorists is that trucks, when packed, creep along while buildfor having accidents. With his daycab driving job, ing up speed. Gourlay has a 10speed transmission, and it takes Gourlay doesn't have to deal quite a distance for him to get rom one to 10 In fact, on turns, it seems Gourlay's truck, with a 53-foot trailer packed with aluminum

wheel drums and his cab pushed by a 425 H.P. engine, struggles and strains a lot, yet barely oudges "People get mad if you're not going fast enough," Gourlay said. "But it takes a long time to get

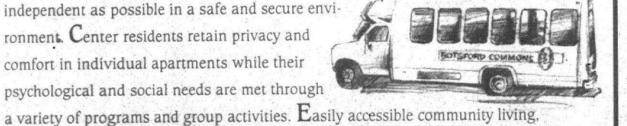
going, as well as it takes a long lights, low-hanging tree branch time to stop." Fighting fatigue

Gourlay said long-distance "Freeways are safer than surtruckers have to fight is fatigue. face streets," Gourlay said.

One of the biggest battles parked cars.







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lion visitors in 1998, up slightly

Visitor volume rose 1.25 per-

cent over 1997 when 16 million

visitors came to Wayne, Oakland



Blg check: Mike Savoie, center, hands a check for \$540,200 to Cathy O'Malley and Len Krichko.

Auto dealers present \$540,200 to youth club

Association has presented Boys and Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan a check for \$540,200.

Mike Savoie from the executive committee of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association, presented the check to Boys and Girls Club president and CEO Len Krichko and board member Cathy O'Malley. The check represented Boys and Girls Clubs share of the record \$4.375 million raised at the 1999 North American International Auto Show Charity Preview_

"On behalf of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association, I want to congratulate the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan on its commitment to the children of this community," Savoie said. "You have been involved in Charity Preview since the begin-

work makes us proud of our 15-23.

The Detroit Auto Dealers longstanding relationship. Boys and Girls Clubs is one of only three charities that has been involved in Charity Preview since its inception. Over \$20 million has been raised in and around Detroit since the first Charity Preview 11 years ago. This year, Charity Preview broke records by raising the \$4.375 million in a single night, making it one of the top singlenight charitable fund-raising events in the world.

"We are extremely grateful to the DADA for its continuing support over the last several years, said O'Malley. "This check for \$540,200 further emphasizes the DADA's commitment to the children of our community.

Next year's Charity Preview takes, place on Friday, Jan. 20. ning, and as it has grown, so Public North American Internahave you. Your continuing good tional Auto Show dates are Jan.

slightly from the previous year.

local economy in 1998 compared to \$4.1 billion in 1997, a 2 percent decrease. Spending last year still remained significantly higher than it did throughout most of the decade. Alexander said the slight slide in spending is not surprising given a number

states throughout the Midwest. including Michigan, increased in

(PRNewswire) _____ Metropolitan 1998 over 1997 while interna-Detroit played host to 16.2 mil- tional visitors - those who would tional visitors - those who would cumulatively climbed 42 percent likely spend more on their trip - and visitor spending has from 1997, the Metropolitan decreased," he said. "That may Detroit Convention & Visitors be in large part because the ori-Bureau (MDCVB) announced gin market for the majority of our international visitors is ed for the MDCVB. Canada which has continued to experience a serious decline in spent in metro Detroit by visithe value of its dollar compared and Macomb counties, according to U.S. currency. Therefore, its most popular visitor activities: residents have had less motiva-

> number of nights stayed by ground transportation and \$302 Detroit declined in 1998, consiswhich also accounts for the decrease in spending. Another factor that may have played a west Airlines strike - responsiduration.

increased 24 percent since 1992 when the first tourism market profile of the region was conduct-

Visitors spent \$4 billion in metro area

-The majority of the \$4 billion tors was spent on the area's two shopping (\$1.2 billion) followed by dining (\$1.1 billion). Approximately \$720 million was spent He added that the average on lodging, \$392 million on recreation

Top destinations

Following shopping and dining, the top five most visited attractions by tourists were the Renaissance Center, Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Greektown, conventions/events held at Cobo Conference & Exhi-

Overall, visitor counts have bition Center and the Somerse Collection

The percentage of visitors coming to metro Detroit for vacation or to visit friends and relatives rose in 1998 _ at 79 percent compared to 74 percent in 1997. Visitors to metro Detroit on business trips or attending meetings and conventions dipped to 17 percent in 1998, from 21 percent the previous year.

Of the region's 16.2 million total visitors, 10.2 million were overnight visitors and 6 million were day visitors. The majority of the overnight visitors - 7.2 million + staved in private homes while 3 million stayed in hotels and motels.

The largest market for overnight visitors was Michigan residents from outside the tri county area. Michigan residents accounted for nearly 1.3 million - or 12.5 percent - of the 10.2 million overnight visitors

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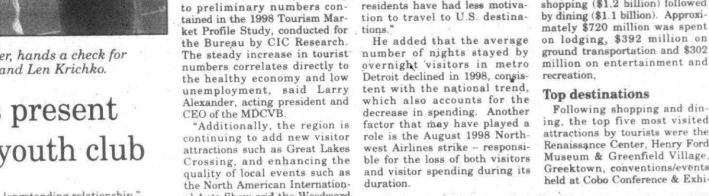
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recently

al Auto Show and the Woodward Dream Cruise," he said. "These improvements to our tourism portfolio are certainly drawing new visitors and we can expect the numbers to continue to rise as more tourism products come on line in the next few years." While visitor volume rose in 1998, visitor spending decreased

Spending

Visitors spent \$4 billion in the of factors

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Wayne-Westland officials question MEAP results

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

HARRY R. REARDON

Tilbury, Ontario.

salesman.

A school-by-school analysis of new state test results contains some startling - arguably suspect - data on Wayne-Westland students, local educators say. **Consider Edison Elementary**

in Westland, where the percentage of fifth-graders passing the state science test plunged from 71.1 percent in 1998 to just 11.3

Services for Harry R. Reardon.

83. of Redford were July 10 at

St. Francis Xavier Catholic

Church with the Rev. Paul

Rochleau officiating. Burial was

in St. Francis Xavier Cemetery,

He was born June 25, 1916, in

Tilbury, Ontario. He died July 6

in Redford Township. He was a

Survivors include his sister,

Helen Bailey of Leamington,

Ontario; one brother, William

Reardon of Tilbury, Ontario; one

daughter, Bonnie Reardon of

Beverly Hills, Mich.; two grand-

children, Joe (Melissa) Katch-

mar of Westland, Kim (Sean)

LaDuke of Canton; and one

Memorials may be made to

American Heart Association,

P.O. Box 721129, Berkley, MI

great granddaughter, Aubrey

Reardon-LaDuke of Canton.

percent this year. Teachers didn't cut science out of their curriculum, so is a 60point drop even possible?

"We don't have any explanation for that," Wayne-Westland Superintendent Greg Baracy said Friday. "We are investigating that with the state to see if that's even accurate."

Edison also suffered a sharp decline in fifth-grade writing scores. Only 35.2 percent of stu-

48072 Local arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth.

ARTHUR ALBERT MECH

Services for Arthur Albert Mech, 70, of Plymouth were July 23 in St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Father Joseph Mallia officiating. Burial was in St. Stanislaus Cemetery, Buffalo, N.Y.

He was born on Jan. 7, 1929 Detroit. He died July 19 in Ann Arbor. She was a master set-up man at Kelsey-Hayes in Detroit. He retired in 1991 after 43 years with the company. He was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth He was a member of the U.A.W. at Kelsev-Haves. He enjoyed fishing and playing billiards.

Survivors include his wife Eugenia Mech of Plymouth; one

Secretary, Board of Education

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

By-Law Nos. 0164.1: Regular Meetings - Time, Place, and Notification Regular meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth Contor Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, shall be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month (except on the fourth Tuesday in December) at 7:00 p.m. at the following location (except as agreed herein) unless otherwise directed by a majority vote of the members E. J. McClandon Educational Center

454 South Harvey Street

Plymouth, Michigan 48170

It is agreed by the Board to hold fourth Tuesday meetings at school sites and start at 7:00 p.m. whenever appropriate and possible. No further notice of such meetings shall be given to the members. By-Law No. 0164.2 Special Meetings - Time, Place, and Notification Special meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, may be called by the President of the Board, or any two members thereof, by

serving on the other members a written notice of the day, time, and place of such special meetings, or by a majority vote of the Board Service of the notice shall be by: Delivering the notices to the members personally at least twenty-four

- (24) hours before such meeting is to take place, or Leaving the notice at the member's residence with a person of the household at least twenty-four (24) hours before such meeting is to take
- place, or Depositing the notice in a government mail receptacle enclosed in a sealed envelope plainly addressed to such member at his/her last known address at least seventy-two (72) hours before such meeting is to

take place. Services as above described may be made by a member of the Board or any employee of the Board.

PUBLIC NOTICE of each special meeting and of each rescheduled regular or special meeting shall be given by posting a copy of the NOTICE on the message board by the front entrane to the E. J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, Michigan, at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time of the meeting. JUDY L. MARDIGIAN

Publish: July 22, 1999

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning. Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning

Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing n Monday, August 2, 1999 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Cantor Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance: WALTONWOOD AT CHERRY HILL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - FINAL PLAN: CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AS PERMITTED

IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NOS. 055 99 0008 000, 055 99 0010 000, 055 99 0011 002, 055 99 0012 000, 055 99 0013 000, 055 99 0014 000, AND 055 99 0015 000. Property is located north of Cherry Hill Road and west of Lilley Road. Second Public Hearing.

DOMIGLAS AVENUE Renter HERE COMPT AND T . 4 1 1.196 ion should h Written comments addressed to the Planning Comm received at the above address prior to Thursday, July 29, 1999 in order to be tted for review. ncluded in the materials subs VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman Publish: July 8 and 22, 1999

dents passed that test - down from 86.7 percent in 1998., Sam Barresi, assistant superintendent for instruction, has said that, overall, Wayne-Westland as a district is making. progress in improving its Michigan Educational Assessment Program results, although "we would like our scores to be high-

Wayne-Westland continues to lag far behind districts like Livo- writing test this year - comnia, which serves north West-

Memorials may be made to

Local arrangements were

Services for Kathleen J. Siko-

rski, 56, of Westland were July

21 in St. Damian Catholic

Church with the Rev. Lawrence

Zurawski officiating. Burial was

in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dear-

born Heights.

ustomer relations.

land, and in some cases students are losing ground despite efforts to improve instruction. Consider: • At Hamilton Elementary in Westland, the percentage of fourth-graders achieving a satisfactory score in reading plummeted from 58.7 percent to 38.6

percent. • At Elliott Elementary in Westland, only 30.4 percent of students passed the fifth-grade pared to 76.4 percent last year.

Arbor, Carol (James) A. Staab of

fifth-grade writing scores crumbled. Only 25.9 percent of students passed the latest test, compared to what had been a promising 83 percent in 1998.

• At Walker-Winter Elementary in Canton, the percentage of fifth-graders earning a passing grade in writing plunged from 75 percent to 47.6 percent during

the one-year period. Baracy said teachers are emphasizing writing in all sub-

brother, Henry Mech of Gaylord; Arbor, Julie J. Lavagnino of Ann | ington and moved from Farm- Moore of Trinity Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial was ington to Plymouth. She was a in Maple Grove Cemetery.

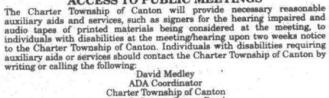
well," Baracy said.

Grass Lake. He died July 19 in Chelsea. He graduated from He received his bachelor degree helped the ladies at her church | from Eastern Michigan University in 1938 and his master's degree in education at Wayne State University in 1952. He was employed by the Plymouth School District from 1946 through 1974. He taught math for four years and spent 25 years as principal in various Plymouth schools. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with his family.

his daughter, Karen J. Herter. Survivors include his wife, Jean-Rank of Grass Lake; three and Matthew Herter of San

Memorials may be made to Maple Grove Cemetery or Salem Grove United Methodist Church.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS



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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

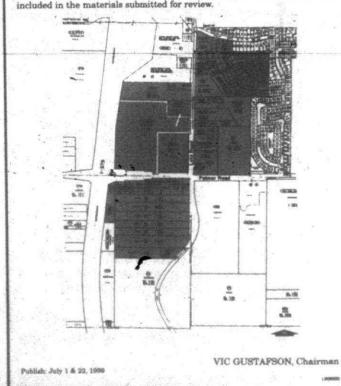
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 2, 1999 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

J.C. DEVELOPMENT FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT -CONSIDER AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM MEDIUM-LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL FOR PARCEL NO. 095 99 0008 702.

CANTON TOWNSHIP PALMER/LOTZ FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT - CONSIDER AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM MEDIUM-LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL FOR PARCEL NOS. 095 99 0006 001, 095 99 0006 002, 095 99 0008 701, 095 99 0010 705, LOT NOS. 514 THROUGH 520, BROOKSIDE VILLAGE SUBDIVISION #4, ALL OF AZIZ ESTATES SUBDIVISION #1 AND #2, PARCEL NOS. 096 99 0001 704, 096 99 0003 003. 096 99 0003 706, 096 99 0003 707, 096 99 0003 708, 096 99 0004 000. 096 99 0005 000, 096 99 0006 000, 096 99 0007 000, 096 99 0008 000, 096 99 0009 701, 096 99 0009 702, 096 99 0011 000, 096 99 0012 000, 098 99 0001 001, 098 99 0001 002, 098 99 0002 000, 098 99 0003 001 098 99 0003 002, 098 99 0003 003, 098 99 0004 000, 098 99 0005 000, 098 99 0007 001. 098 99 0008 001, 098 99 0009 001, 098 99 0010 001, 098 99 0012 001, 098 9 0014 000, 098 99 0015 000, 098 99 0016 000, 098 99 0017 000, 098 99 0018 000, 098 99 0019 701, 098 99 0021 003, and 098 99 0021 006. Properties are located along the Lotz Road corridor north and south of

Palmer Road. Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, July 29, 1999 in order to be





NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 2, 1999 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton ninistration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance: CANTON COMPANY REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PART OF PARCEL NO. 141 99 0029 000 FROM LI-2, LIGHT

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of Chicago, Ill., Regina (Richard) A. Lavagnino of Wyandotte, ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS City of Plymouth, Michigan

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m. on August 12, 1999 at 201 South Main Street, at which time all proposals received shall be publicly, opened and read aloud for: Re-Roof

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INDUSTRIAL, TO C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL. Property is located on the south side of Michigan Avenue between Lotz and Hannan Roads.

If you have questions, please contact Plymouth Old Village Development Authority Planning and Development Coordinate 734) 455-1892 (fax

Local arrangements were She was born Feb. 11, 1943, in made by Vermeulen Funeral Detroit. She died July 17 in Home, Plymouth. Westland. She was in phone **GLADYS V. SCHROEDER** Services for Gladys V. She was preceded in death by Schroeder, 90, of Taylor were her father, Austin Schimmel. July 21 in the Salem United Survivors include her husband, Lawrence J. Sikorski of West-Church of Christ, Farmington land, mother, Kathleen Schim-

Region, 485 S. Main St., Ply-

two grandchildren.

ciating. Burial was in Oakwood mel of Farmington; five daughters, Nadine (James) M. Gilbert Cemetery, Farmington. She was born Jan. 20, 1909, in

mouth, MI 48170-3446.

with the Rev. John E. Maki offi-

Farmington. She died July 18 in Kristin J. Lavagnino of Ann | Taylor. She was raised in Farm-

member of the Salem United Cearney, Neb.; two sons, Gary L. Church of Christ in Farmington. Sikorski of Pittsburgh, Pa., Richard L. Sikorski of Dearborn; She had been a member for almost 90 years. She was a three brothers, Richard (Nancy) Schimmel of Canton, John Star No. 115, Plymouth. She (Rosemary) Schimmel of Canton, Michael (Susan) Schimmel of sew cancer pads. She loved to West Africa; two sisters, Paul sew. She also enjoyed family Schimmel of Alpena, Mich., Joan gatherings. She liked to play Schimmel of Alpena, Mich.; and cards, collect newspaper clip-Memorials may be made in pings and read. She was preceded in death by mass offerings or to Karmanos Cancer Institute, Plymouth

her husband, Roy H. and one son, John. Survivors include her two daughters, Anna Marie Eads of Taylor, Nancy (Frank) Johnson of Murphy, N.C.; one son, Everett (Theresa) Schroeder of Whiting, N.J.; 10 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchil-

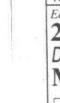
Memorials may be made to the Salem United Church of Christ. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

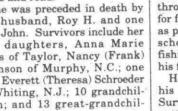
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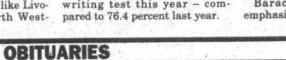
Services for Donald R. Rank. 82, of Chelsea, Mich. were July 22 in Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home with the Rev. William C.

He was born Dec. 2, 1916, in member of the Order of Eastern | Chelsea High School in 1934.

He was preceded in death by nette; one son, David (Virginia) grandchildren, James (Anna) lerter of Grass Lake, Christopher (Colleen) Herter of Canton.









And, in science, an upswing in

scores is expected in coming

years due to a new curriculum

that includes hands-on learning,

"There's no doubt that the new

curriculum will not only help

students learn and retain the

science material, but eventually

it will help the MEAP scores as

student skills.

he said

er." one sister, Regina (John) Korzetz of Livonia; and several nieces and nephews. The Capuchins, 1740 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207-3496. made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. KATHLEEN J. SIKORSKI

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Community Foundation awards grants

totaling more than \$1.4 million to nonprofit organizations region of southeast Michigan. ulture, civic, health, human services and youth.

Among the total allocations ere grants to the following:

The Community Foundation Aid Society to support the revi- and Macomb Counties, as part of for Southeastern Michigan sion and republication of the the Foundation's Newsweekrecently awarded 155 grants society's "Michigan Nonprofit Management Manual."

\$45,000 in grants of \$5,000 throughout the seven-county to \$10,000 to five nonprofit housing and business corporations in The grants support the work of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb diverse agencies providing pro- counties. These grants were Comerica Bank Community Economic Development Fund.

\$24,000, in grants of \$2,000 each, to 12 teachers from the city \$20,000 to the Accounting of Detroit and Wayne, Oakland

WDIV Outstanding Teacher Awards Program.

The Community Foundation of Southeastern Michigan, founded in 1984, is a permanent community endowment built by gifts from hundreds of individuals gramming in the areas of arts, made from the Foundation's and organizations committed to the future of southeast Michigan

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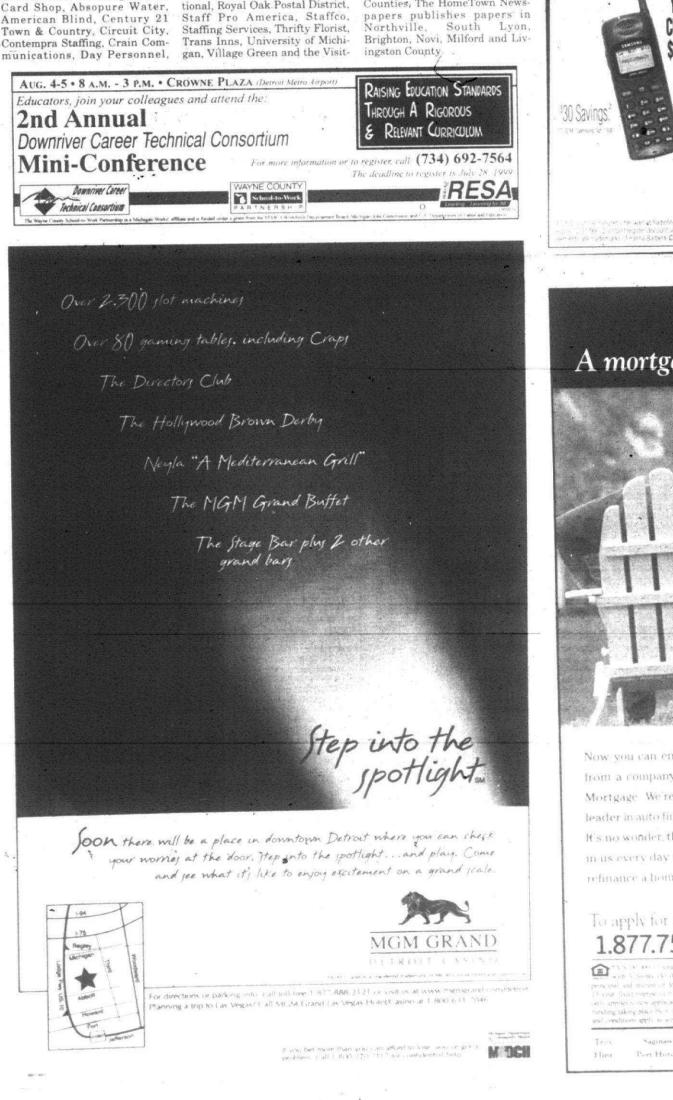
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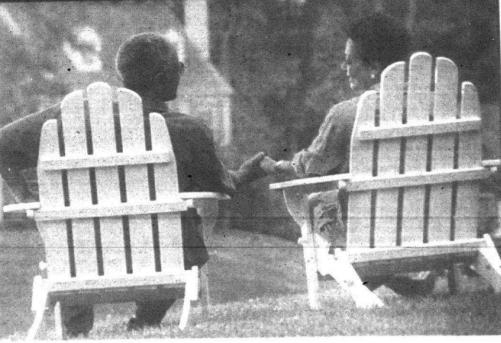
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS

regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of anton was held Tuesday, July 13, 1999 at 1150 South Canton Center Road. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to move to a closed session at 6:07 P.M. for of discussion of pending litigation and purchase of property.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak; Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack Members Absent: None Staff Present: None ROLL CALL - Closed Session

Staff Present: Durack Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. ROLL CALL - Open Session

Staff Present: Durack, Machnik, Salla, Lieberman, Zevalkink Also Present: Tim Cronin, Township Counsel

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Supervisor Yack deleted General Calendar Item 5, Agreement with Canton Waste and Recycling, Item G-11, Purchase of 4 ± 2 Utility Vehicle for Grounds Maintenance, and Item G-12, Purchase of Zero-turn Radius Rotary Mower. He also recommended adding General Calendar Item G-19, Approval of Sale of Property to High Velocity Sports, and G-20, Approve Agreement to Conduct a Utilization, Space Needs and Business Plan Study and Related Conduct a Uniteration, Operation of the agenda. Budget Amendment to the agenda. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the agenda as

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve of June 22, 1999 as presented. Motion carried. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ayes: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Abstain: LaJoy Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve of June 30, 1999 as

resented. All aves CITIZEN'S NON AGENDA ITEM COMMENTS

Dan McCausland, Haggerty addressed the Board on his concerns regarding Consent Calendar Item 1, regarding grass paver blocks within the Wayne county right-of-way at the Wyndchase Townhomes, located north of Cherry Hill and east of Haggerty. Mr. McCausland said that he had spoken with Canton and Wayne County Engineers and that he was dissatisfied with grass pavers being used as opposed to a more solid foundation for

emergency vehicle access. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to move Consent Calendar Item 1 Consider grass paver blocks within the Wayne county right-of-way at the Wyndchase Townhomes, located north of Cherry Hill and east of Haggerty, to the General Calendar, Item 22. All ayes.

Ron Liebermann, voiced his frustration with the amount of signs being illegally posted in the Canton community. Director Machnik said that the Building and Ordinance Department would be doubling their efforts to enforce the sign ordinance especially in the

areas off of the freeway PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Burdziak, to pay the bills as presented.

All ayes.			
Expenditure Recap			
General Fund	101	\$ 413,387.72	
Fire Fund	206	45,053.22	
Police Fund	207	152,735.73	
Community Center Fund	208	110,710.37	
Golf Course Fund	211	36,667.60	
Street Lighting Fund	319	16,597.73	
Cable TV Fund	230	2,107.66	
Community Improvement Fund	246	46,490.93	
E-911 Emergency Funds	261	10,174.03	
Special Investigative Fund	267	600.00	
Federal Grants Funds	274	2,093.68	
State Projects Fund	289	15,076.93	
Downtown Devel. Auth.	294	6,493.44	
Retiree Benefits	296	9,074.83	
Blg. Auth. Debt Fund	369	400.00	· · · ·
CAP Proj. Road Paving Fund	403	214,320.00	
Blg. Auth. Construction Fund	469	2,498.46	
Water & Sewer Fund	592	504,044.41	
Trust & Agency (Trailer Fees)	701	6,672.00	¹
Total-All Funds		\$1,595,198.74	

PUBLIC HEARINGS MEDIAONE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ORDINANCE. TELECOMMUNICATIONS PERMIT APPLICATION. GRANT THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS PERMIT

Supervisor Yack declared the public hearing for MediaOne Telecommunications Inc. at 7:50 P.M. to hear comments on the MediaOne mmunications of Michigan, Inc. application for a permit for access to public easements and right-of-ways to provide telecommunication services n Canton Township in accordance with the Telecommunications Ordinance. Supervisor Yack asked for comments from the audience.

Timothy Cronin, reviewed counsel's recommendation of approval of the permit and the conditions of the permit as reflected in the resolution. Michael Grover, representing MediaOne, said that the residents of Canton would be benefiting from this permit through lower phone costs due to

competition between service providers. David McIntosh spoke in opposition to the permit. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to close the public hear at 8:00 P.M. All aves.

nett, supported by LaJoy, to adopt the attached resolution #1 Motion by Be granting to MediaOne Telecommunications of Michigan, Inc., a five (5) year permit of access to public easements and right-of-ways subject to the ditions stated therein. Motion carried. All ayes

State of Michigan County of Wayne Charter Township of Canton

Resolution No. 1 MediaOne Telecommunications Permit

WHEREAS, by action the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of requirements for a Telecommunications provider seeking access to and ongoing use of the public easements and right-of-way; and WHEREAS, the Telecommunications Ordinance established the conditions Canton adopted a Telecommunications Ordinance establishing minimal as allowed by Public Act 216 of the Public Acts of 1995, the Michigan

munications Act; and WHEREAS, by Applications dated April 12, 1999 MediaO tions of Michigan, Inc., ("MediaOne") did file an application for a permit to allow MediaOne access to and ongoing use of the public utility easements and rights-of-way in the Township; and

WHEREAS, MediaOne did pay the \$10,000.00 application fee; and WHEREAS, MediaOne has shown evidence of insurance as required by the ations Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the following conditions are to be made a requirement of the 1. Must submit plans for approval to Canton Township Public Works and

have permit amended for construction of any new lines or relocations of existing lines within the Township. Must provide written specifications of how contractor will perform work,

i.e. burial depth, open cut, bore, etc. 3. Must comply with Canton Township's General Conditions and

Construction Requirements attached to the Permit as Exhibit "B". 4. Must notify adjacent property owners of new construction or relocations. 5. If a Township inspector notifies MediaOne of an area needing restoration or graffiti removal or of a resident compliant, MediaOne or its

confractors will respond in a timely fashion to correct the situation. 6. Must comply with Canton Township's Standard Construction Notes attached to the Permit as Exhibit "C". NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that subject to conditions stated in

the permit, MediaOne be and the same is hereby granted a five (5) year Telecommunications Permit under the Canton Township nunications Ordinance as provided by Act 216 of the Public Acts of

Roll Call: Ayes: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgätter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack Nays: None

Abstain: None Absent: None

Dated: July 13, 1999 Terry G. Bennett, Clerk PUBLIC HEARING - CONSIDER TAX ABATEMENT FOR GROUP ANTONILIN PRIMERA AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS LLC Supervisor Yack declared the public hearing open at 8:15 P.M.

David McIntosh and Robert McCausland spoke in opposition to the tax ent resolution. tion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak, to close the public hearing at

8:30 P.M. All ayes, Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak, to adopt the resolution granting an Industrial Facilities exemption Certificate for real and personal property to Group Antonlin Primera Automotive Systems LLC, when issued shall be and remain in force and effect for a period of 2 years, expiring December 30,

2001. Motion carried. All ayes. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION OF GROUP ANTONLIN PRIMERA AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS LLC INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

FOR REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WHEREAS, pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974, M.C.L. 207.551 et seq., after a

duly noticed public hearing held on January 28, 1998, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton by resolution established the Canton Business Center Industrial Development District, as requested by the erty owners; and WHEREAS, pursuant to P.S. 196 of 1974 M.C.L. 207.551st seq., the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton approved a resolution on March 24, 1998, which established Canton Business Center - Building #1 located

on the northwest corner of Beck Road and Michigan Avenue as a speculative

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building for Ashley Capital; and, WHEREAS, Group Antonlin Primera Automotive Systems LLC has filed an

WHEREAS, Group Antonin Primera Automotive Systems LLC has hied an application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a speculative building to be acquired and installed within the Canton Business Center Industrial Development District; and WHEREAS, before acting on said application the Charter Township of Canton held a public hearing on July 13, 1999, at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, at 7:00 p.m. at which hearing the applicant, the Assessor and a representative of the affected taxing units were given written notice and were afforded an opportunity to ard on said application; and,

WHEREAS, construction of the speculative building occurred less than 9 winExc.A.S. construction of the speculative building occurred less than 9 years prior to, and installation of new machinery and equipment had not begun earlier than six months before June 3, 1999, the date of acceptance of the application for the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate; and WHEREAS, purchase and occupation of the new facility is calculated to and will at the time of issuance of the certificate have the reasonable likelihood

to retain, create or prevent the loss of employment in Canton Township; and WHEREAS, the aggregate SEV of real and personal property exempt from ad valorem taxes within the Charter Township of Canton, after granting this certificate will not exceed 5% of an amount equal to the sum of the SEV of the unit, plus the SEV of personal and real property thus exempted, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the

Charter Township of Canton that: 1. The Canton Board of Trustees finds and determines that the granting of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate considered together with the aggregate amount of certificates previously granted and currently in force inder Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974 and Act No. 255 of the Public Acts of 1978, shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of Canton Township, or impairing the financial soundness of a 2. The application of Group Antonlin Primera Automotive Systems LLC for

an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a new facility to be acquired and installed on the following parcel of real property situated within the Canton Business Center Industrial Development District to wit: [Legal description is available in the Clerk's office during regular business hours| Parcel No. 128-99-0004-701.

Be and the same is hereby approved. 3. The Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate when issued shall be and remain in force and effect for a period of 2 years, expiring December 30, 2001.

CONSENT CALENDAR Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the Minutes of the Election Commission dated June 22, 1999 and further to attach them to the regular Minutes of the Board of Trustees of July 13, 1999. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to authorize the Township

Supervisor and Township Clerk to execute the Warranty Deeds for (part of parcels 071-044-00-0006-003, 071-053-99-0010-001 and 071-053-99-0011-000 granting the right-of-way to the County of Wayne, a Home Rule Charter County. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the following

budget amendment to appropriate funds for payment of summer property taxes on the Canton Softball Center property: Increase Revenues:

Fund Balance ---- #101-000-699-0000 \$33-156 Increase Appropriations:

Capital Outlay - Land & Improvements #101-200-971-0000 \$33,156 This budget amendment increases the General Government Department budget from \$712,803 to \$745,959.

All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to remove from the table for second publication the amendment to the Water Supply & Sewer System Ordinance No. 30 (M) that reduces the "City of Detroit Water & Sewerage

Department Industrial Waste Control" service charge fro all Canton commercial and industrial sewer users, to become effective August 1, 1999 All ayes. Second Reading Summary of Ordinance No. 30 (M)

Charter Township of Canton

Amendment to Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE NO. 30, SECTION 20, ENTITLED "RATES" PROVIDING FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL WASTE CHARGE (IWC) RATES AT SUBSECTION 20(2)(g) THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OR ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ORDINANCE: PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES: PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

The Charter Township of Canton Ordains:

Section 1 Amendment to Subdivision-Section 20 Ordinance No. 30(m) is hereby adopted to amend Section 20 of the Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30. Section 20 thereof is amended to read as follows:

112.200 Section 20 Rates. 2. Sewer

ndi	ustrial Waste Cl	harge (IWC) rates:			
	Meter size Inches	Rates \$/Month	1.5%		
	5/8	3.73			
	3/4	5.59			
	1	9.32			
	1-1/2	20.50		10	
	2	29.82			
	3	54.05			
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	24	670.93			
	30	745.48			
	36	820.02	÷.,		
	48	894.57			

Section 2 Savings of all Pending Proceedings and Balance of this Ordinance The balance of Ordinance no 30, except as herein amended, shall remain in full force and effect. All proceed s pending and all rights an habilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this amendatory Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law enforced when then commenced. This amendatory Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any right pending before the effective date of this amendatory Ordinance

Section 3 Severability This section provides that if any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof.

Section 4 Construction of Ordinance This section provides that this Ordinance shall be liberally construed in

such manner as to best effectuate its purpose. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed, if possible, in such manner as to make such provisions compatible and consistent with the provisions of all existing rdinances of the Township and all amendments thereto.

Section 5 Repeal of Conflicting Sections This section provides that portions of Ordinance No. 30 are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this amendatory Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 6 Effective Date This Ordinance becomes effective August 1, 1999 after publication of the second reading.

Certification certify that this ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular Board meeting called on the 13th day of July 1999 and was ordered given publication in the manner required by law. Complete copies of this ordinance are available for inspection from the Township Clerk at the Canton Township Hall, located at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188. Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the administrative changes to the Amended and Restated Host Community Agreement with Allied Waste to incorporate the revisions requested by Wayne County regarding compliance with the Wayne County plan for receiving of waste

from other communities (Section 14, Plan Compliance). All ayes Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adjust P.O. #16881 by an additional \$592 fro a new total of \$7,266 for the tents, tables and chairs for the 1999 Canton Liberty Fest in Heritage Park by the low bidder, All Parties Concerned Inc. All ayes. GENERAL CALENDAR

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak, to adopt the resolution to approve the site plan for the proposed Office Depot Tax ED #044-99-0017-707. All ayes.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the resolutions granting special land use and site plan approval for McDonald's Restaurant located on Michigan Avenue between Lotz and Hannan Roeds (Tax ID #141-99-0028-000), All aves.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to conduct the special use and approve the site plan for Quick Oil Change (Canton Center near Ford) part of Tax EDP# 036-99-0006-705. All ayes.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to approve the site plan for the proposed Dick Scott Kia Auto Sales (Tax ID #137-99-0018-703). Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to award the bid for One (1) 6 X 4 Utility Vehicle to Southlane Equipment Co., 27400 John R., Madison Hts,

MI 48071 in the amount of \$8,360. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak, to award the bid for the Canton Softball Center Irrigation System Improvements to the low bidder Marc Dutton Irrigation Inc., 4720 Hatchery Road, Waterford, MI 48329-3627, in

button irrigation inc., 4720 frainer, from the second state of the amount of \$29,895. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to award the bid for one (1) Trailer & Vacuum Assembly to Southlane Equipment Co., 27400 John R., Madison Hts., MI 48071 in the amount of \$17,250. All ayes. Macuson rits., MI 48071 in the amount of \$17,250. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to create and fill three Maintenance Technician IV positions. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund to fund the hiring of three new Motions of the following for the followi

Maintenance Technical IV positions. ease Revenues

ppropriated from Fund Balance	#101-000-999-0000	\$11,404
crease Appropriations laries, Facilities, Maintenance ringe Benefits, Facilities Maintenance paital Outlay, Facilities Maintenance	#101-265-705-0000 #101-265-720-0000 #101-265-977-0000 #101-265-818-0000	\$21,000 6,300 8,000 (18,066 \$ 17,23
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This budget amendment increases the Facilities Maintenance Budget from \$1,022,374 to \$1,044,608 and the General Fund Budget from \$18,215,289 to \$18,232,523.

All aves. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to extend the Telephone System Maintenance Agreement with Allied Communications for a one year period beginning July 15, 1999 through July 14, 2000 for \$7,434. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to accept the formal bid from Jack Doheny Supplies, Inc, for one Portaco Diesel Powered Hydraulic Unit

and installation of the unit, for an amount of \$21,000. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to award the bid for one (1) 1999 Case SL 590 4WD Tractor/Loader/Backhoe from Wolverine Tractor &

Equipment Company for a purchase price of \$65,000. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to authorize the disposal of one (1) 1992 590 Case Tractor/Loader/Backhoe via a trade-in to Wolverine Tractor & Equipment Company at a sale price of \$18,000. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to create and fill the additional Mechanic II position for Fleet Maintenance. The position will be advertised in accordance to the policy/procedure. Interviews and testing will be conducted and the top applicant will be offered the position. All ayes.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the adoption of the Enhanced Access to Public Records Policy, including the Product and Services Fee Schedule. All ayes. Services Fee Schedule All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Access to GIS Data with Wayne County

and authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement. All ayes. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to introduce and table for publication the First Reading of the amendments to Fence Ordinance No. 103 (b). All ayes.

FIRST READING SUMMARY FENCE ORDINANCE NO. 103(b)

An Ordinance To Provide For The Regulation And Control Of The Construction Of Fences, Borders And Walls In The Charter Township Of Canton; Providing For Certain Definitions; Providing For Prohibited Acts; roviding For Permit Exceptions, Providing For Fence Permit Application, Providing For Certain Conditions; Providing For General Conditions; Providing For Nonconforming Fences, Walls, Borders; Providing For Building And Use Restrictions; Providing For Enforcement And Violations; Providing For Penalties; Providing For Construction And Appeals; Providing For Repeals; Providing For Severability; Providing For Savings Clause Providing For An Effective Date.

The Charter Township Of Canton Hereby Ordains: Section 1. Definitions.

of borders

other document.

Section 12. Penalties.

ordinance and fines

Section 15. Repeal.

ecessary of such conflict

Section 16. Severability.

Section 17. Savings Clause.

ection 18. Effective Date.

and Industry Services:

Contracted Services

OTHER

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Cherry Hill District

Publish: July 22, 1990

Increase Appropriations:

publication in the Canton Observer.

Section 8. Fences And Walls.

other Zoning Districts. Section 9. Nonconforming Fences.

Section 11. Enforcement And Violations.

Section 13. Construction; Nonapplicability; Appeals.

with any statute or regulation of the State of Michiga

any of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

occurring prior to the effective date of this ordinance

Increase Revenues: State Grants - Cultural #101-000-659-0000

budget from \$18,248,445 to \$18,275,245. All ayes.

has no reservations regarding the grass pavers. All ayes,

This Section defines the terms: Border, Cul-de-sac Street, Fence, Fence Height Fence Permit, Front Yard, Nonconforming Fence, Rear Building Line, Required Front Yard Area, Side Yard, Wall, Zoning Districts,

Section 2. Prohibited Acts. This section provides for certain prohibited constructions or installations.

Section 3. Fence Permit Requirement; Exceptions. This section provides for fence permit requirements for special events, snow fencing, and those fences exempt from permit.

Section 4. Application For Fence Permits; Contents This section provides for the contents required for applications submitted to the Department of Building & Inspections.

Section 5. Issuance Of Fence Permit; Conditions This section provides that the Building Official or his agents, shall grant and issue such fence permit and the conditions of such permit. Section 6. Borders, Fences Or Walls; Construction; General Conditions

This section provides for the general conditions for the Depth of Posts or Foundation for all borders, fences, constructed or reconstructed. ection 7. Borders, Heights And Locations.

This section provides for conforming requirements to height, length, location

This section provides for placement, height and location requirements of

fences and walls in Industrial Zoned Districts, Rural Agricultural Districts, Rural Residential, Rural Estate, Residential, Commercial Districts and all

This section provides that nonconforming fences shall not be permitted to

increase or change from the description given on the permit application at

This section provides that the issuance of a fence permit herein is not

intended, nor should it be construed to abrogate or modify the applicant's

duties as contained in covenants and restrictions arising from a deed or

This section provides for the procedure of enforcement by notice in person or

This section provides for the penalties for misdemeanor violation of this

This section provides that the ordinance shall be liberally construed in such manner as to best effectuate its purpose. The provisions of this ordinance

shall be construed, if possible, in such manner as to make such provisions

compatible and consistent with the provisions of all existing and future

This section provides that the ordinance shall not be construed to conflict

This section provides that ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict

herewith, except as herein provided, are hereby repealed only to the extent

This section provides that if any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for

any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of

This section provides that the repeal provided for shall not abrogate or

affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture

incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established or

This amendment to the ordinance shall become effective upon its second

the Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, during regular business hours. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the purchase offer

from High Velocity Sports for the purchase of approximately 11 acres at the Canton Softball Center for a price of \$100,000 per acre with the terms

outlined in the attached agreement, and further authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this sale. All

with AMS Planning and Research to conduct a utilization, space needs, and business plan study for \$26,800. All ayes.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund for the grant agreement with the Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, Michigan Department of Consumer

#101-200-818-0000

This budget amendment increases the 1999 General Government

Department budget from \$745,959 to \$772,759 and the General Fund

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to accept jurisdiction for the installation and maintenance of grass pavers for emergency access to Wyndchase Townhomes and further authorize the Township Clerk to execute the Maintenance Jurisdiction Permit subject to a reciprocal

agreement from the owner and contingent upon 1) partnering agency

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be a joint study session with

the Planning Commission and Biltmore Properties. The topic will be the

fotion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adjourn at 10:15 P.M. All ayes.

The above is a synopsis of actions taken at the Regular Board meeting held on July 13, 1999. The full text of the approved minutes will be available

following the next regular meeting of the Board on July 27, 1999. THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor TERRY G. BENN

ermits and approvals and 2) conformation that the Public Safety Dire

ion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the agreement

\$25,800

\$26,800

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

ote: Complete copies of this ordinance are available at the office of

the time the fence permit was issued. Section 10. Building And Use Restrictions; Covenants; Disclaimer.

by mail, the time period for a response and the issuance of a ticket.

zoning and other ordinances of the Township and all amendments. Section 14. No Conflict With State Law.

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Couple charged in abuse case gives up teens

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth couple charged with sexually abusing their own daughters have given up parental rights to two of their three children.

A Wayne County probate court hearing scheduled for Monday was avoided when both parents decided not to fight authorities

in taking away their children. "The father voluntarily waived his right to his children," said Plymouth police Lt. Wayne Car-"The mother was going to fight it down to the last minute, but when her attorney saw the evidence we had, she finally waived her parental rights."

Carroll said the 18-year-old daughter, who is mentally impaired, will live with her aunt

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There is an eco-friendly Preserve toothbrush made out of recycled plastics? It comes with a postage-paid envelope so you Events" can mail it back to the company after using it.

A history of nonmelanoma skin cancer may increase a person's risk of dying from other

cancers by 20 to 30 percent? July 24 marks the anniversary of the landing at the site of Detroit by Antoine de la Mothe

Cadillac in 1701? Rain has fallen in Waynesburg, Pa. almost every July 29

for the last century?

Oprah recommends Here are some books for summer reading recommended by Oprah Winfrey's Book Club.

"Durable Goods" by Elizabeth Berg "Dog People" by Merry

McInerney-Whiteford "East of the Mountains" by David Guterson

"Breathing Lessons" by Anne Tyler South of Resurrection" by

Jonis Agee

Heard any good books late-Here are some fiction selec-

tions on audio tape available from the library:

■ "Acorna: The Unicorn Girl" by Anne McCaffrey

"The Age of Innocence" by

Edith Wharton Jakes

Amsterdam" by Ian McE-

Plymouth, Mich. 48170

and Laurel L. Weinman of Ply-

Kogut of Canton, William B.

S. Miller of Plymouth, and

Kelly A. Collins of Plymouth,

Lisa R. Bares of Plymouth.

on June 12 from Kalamazoo Col-

dean's list at Albion College

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ALBION DEAN'S LIST

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"As Time Goes By" by Michael Walsh

CAMPUS NOTES

To submit your academic OPERATION BENTLEY

Greenhills school student honor or graduation announcement to Campus Notes, send the Taryn Meyers of Canton is one material, printed or typewritten of 99 high school juniors particito: Campus Notes, Plymouth pating in Albion College's Opera-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main, tion Bentley, a week-long program of intensive government study. The group will create two mock city governments and a state House of Representatives, Sophmores Theron R. Stinar of Canton and Lindsay M. and meet with elected state and city officials for an interactive Miller of Plymouth; juniors study of the political process and Laura M. Kogut of Canton, . contemporary issues.

Michael J. Kowalski of Canton Offered since 1963, the pro-gram is funded by the Alvin M mouth; and seniors Daniel P. Bentley Foundation of Owosso. It is designed to further the tra-Lamborne of Canton, Donald dition and spirit of public service as exemplified by Congressman Claire E. Walton of Plymouth Bentley in his career in the legwere all recently named to the islature and the foreign service. Alumni of Operation Bentley include Michigan governor John Engler.

NORTHWESTERN

Derek Lapinski, son of Bruce Melissa A. Cook of Canton, and and Chris Lapinski of Canton. Jaime A. Strauch of Canton has been accepted to Northwestreceived undergraduate degrees ern College to major in the automotive/diesel technician prograduated cum laude, while gram. Lapinski attended Plymouth Salem High School Cook graduated magna cum

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telegram delivered? A: July 28, 1933 in the anniversary of the first singing telegram. It is said to have been delivered to singer Rudy Vallee on his 32nd birthday. Early singing telegrams often were delivered in person by uniformed messengers on bicycle.

Q & A:

who is the mother's sister. A

Later, they were usually sung over the telephone. The source for this information is "Chase's 1999 Calendar of

Non-fiction selections

Here are some new non-fiction books available from the library They Are My Children Too by Catherine Meyer

"Eat Drink and Be Merry" by Dean Edell The Thinking Person's

Guide to Sobriety" by Bert Pluymen Hassle-free Health Cover-

age" by the Merritt editors "Victory Deferred" by John-Manuel Andriote

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Check out these new Web sites:

www.kidsdomain.com http://builder.hw.net/plans www.african.com

back books were first introduced on July 30, 1935. Although books bound in soft covers were first introduced in 1841 in Leipzig, Germany by Christian Bernhard Tauchnitz, the modern nanerback revolution dates to the publication of the first Penguin paperback by Sir Allen Land in London in 1935. Penguin Number One was "Ariel," a Acorna's Quest" by Anne life of Shelley by Andre Maurois. @ the Canton Library is con piled by Laura Dorogi of the library staff. The library is at American Dream" by John 1200 S. Canton Center. For more information about library pro grams and services, call 397-0999





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Arts center Site is a key to regional uses

Slamming: It's customer beware

question as a second study gets under way for the feasibility of such a project - with the working title of "Partnership for the Arts" - in Canton. The township board last week approved spending a \$27,000 state grant for the study, which will be conducted by AMS Planning and Research Corp. of Connecticut. A 1998 study showed that there is both interest and financial backing in the community to support the right concept if it has a strong business plan.

Already though, there is divergent thought about just what that concept should entail. The size and location of an auditorium are particular concerns, with some trustees eagerly eyeing the planned Cherry Hill Village development as the perfect "home" for it. A smaller theater would be a perfect anchor for the retail portion of the village, a mixed-use, new-urban style development which will take shape over the next decade on property surrounding the historic schoolhouse at Cherry Hill and Ridge roads.

While the center is really just an idea in the exploratory stages at this point, the Observer believes an earlier "plan" to build it on land adjacent to the new high school slated for Beck and Joy roads is a more appropriate location. It's a site that will encourage a true . al - around a project that can benefit the regional effort, one that will benefit the widest | entire region.

Several residents from western Wayne Coun-ty recently complained about the practice by

some unscrupulous phone service carriers or fly-

switching of phone customers from one carrier to

another without the customer's knowledge. Resi-

Issues, chaired by state Rep. Laura Toy, R-Livo-

One resident complained that a phone compa-

Another noticed a switch in the carrier after

Another wondered why a phone representa-

tive passing himself off as a local rep would ask

State lawmakers are expected to consider

sessions, but they don't want to re-regulate a

deregulated industry. Strict fines for slamming

are already on the books, but more legislative

some responsibility, so that consumers aren't

stuck with the annoying inconvenience of

straightening out a "slam?" Why should con-

sumers be required to make phone calls to

straighten out something they didn't order?

You would think some of the larger phone

companies would do all they can to battle slam-

ming since the industry has been deregulated.

The threat of competition should make the utili-

ties work harder to satisfy their customers, par-

ticularly when they call to complain about a bill.

Locally, Ameritech recently changed the appear-

ance of its bills to make them easier to read, and

a new section on the bill will tell customers

when a provider is being changed.

That still doesn't prevent a slam.

discussion is needed about the responsibilities of

billing companies or even companies involved in the service switches. Why shouldn't they bear

stricter consumer regulations on the telecommu-

nications industry once they return to legislative

he was billed a long distance phone charge of

by-night firms of telephone slamming, or the

dents appeared at a public hearing before a

House Republican Task Force on Consumer

ny "welcomed" her back to its phone service,

even though she never changed carriers.

\$8.43 for a call of five minutes.

him how to spell "Livonia."

hat makes a regional performing arts possible population and give the center its best chance for succeeding in a competitive best chance for succeeding in a competitive environment.

> Canton Supervisor Tom Yack, who's background is in education, is a proponent of the school site. "I like the connection to the schools and the possibilities of students' use" for a state-of-the-art auditorium, he said last week. A project steering committee, which includes representatives from area arts organizations, hopes to make a presentation to the Plymouth-Canton school board this month and secure a commitment from the district for its participation in the project.

> Because the surrounding uses aren't as densely residential, an auditorium at the Beck-Joy site wouldn't feel as secluded as one in Cherry Hill Village. A larger building could also lend itself to more uses and more innovative design. Perhaps there could even be two stages, one for smaller, intimate uses like community theater and a second for larger concerts or events

> Canton is a progressive community when it comes to quality-of-life projects and programs for its residents, and township officials see a new auditorium as a chance to build on-that image. There's nothing inherently wrong with that. But in this case, it would be a serious mistake to put barriers - physical or perceptu-

Residents who appeared at the hearing were

well-informed about the issue of slamming. They

from the utility companies. The task force hear-

ing left us wondering about residents who don't

more they have paid on bills due to changes in

Consumers should realize they have the

panies — one to serve local telephone calls, a

second to serve long distance calls within their

area code, and a third to handle all other long

If you as a consumer don't understand the

breakdown of what is and isn't provided by your

telephone utility, you are a prime candidate to

You cannot completely avoid slamming, but

Consumers should never sign anything with-

out reading all documentation and checking the

phone services, they should tell telemarketers

hang up run the risk of being slammed. Con-

fine print. If they are not interested in switching

that, instead of just hanging up. People who just

sumers who are interested should get the offer

Phone bills should be read carefully each

month. If there are unfamiliar names or charges

that can't be identified, call the company issuing

the charges or call the local phone company right

away. Consumers who have concerns or ques-

tions about telephone slamming may call the

Michigan Public Service Commission, which is

an agency within the Department of Consumer

and Industry Services, at its toll-free number.

you can educate yourself to know your rights as

be slammed. And even if you have educated

yourself on the issue, it doesn't eliminate the

phone service that they haven't noticed.

on this issue to help protect themselves.

distance calls.

a consumer.

in writing.

(800) 292-9555.

problem of slamming.

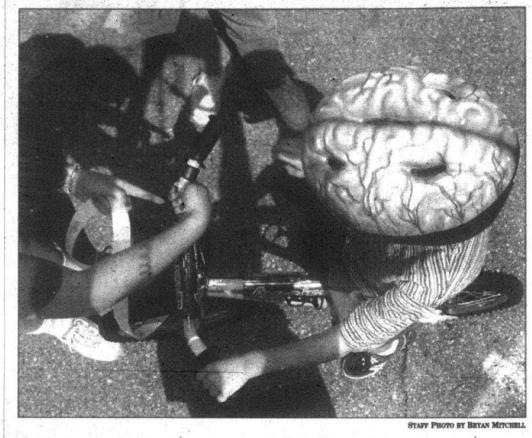
understand the slamming process and how much

Phone customers should educate themselves

option of selecting three different telephone com-

had read their bills and letters they received

Putting a lid on head injuries



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School board accomplishments

ust when I was feeling discouraged with events in our Plymouth-Canton community - such as the number of outgoing school dis-5. trict administrators and the lack of cooperation between the City and Township of Plymouth, specifically concerning the Sheldon Road underpass, additional firemen and recreation - several uplifting events occurred.

I was delighted to read of the long overdue accord between the city commission and the township board of trustees in the July 1 issue of the Plymouth Observer. Although I've been a resident of Plymouth Township for 22 years, I have always considered myself a Plymouth community resident. I voted for recreation and additional firefighters and have always believed the township should pay a larger share of he underpass cost so that each city taxpayer is not assessed disproportionately more. My husband and I have been long-time volunteer gardeners at First Presbyterian Church in downtown Plymouth and enjoy the small town quality of life in this community.

As an involved parent having one or more of our three children as a student in the school district for the past 21 years, I have grown to feel that Canton Township also is a part of my the time of my letter he had just received community. Years of school board meetings some at various elementary schools - plus sharing with parent representatives from all the schools in the district as well as school personnel including the superintendent, assistant superintendents, principals, counselors and other staff members have led to this sense of greater community. Years ago organizations formed in Plymouth provided services for in the inscription on the rock he donated to the area. Now Canton is blossoming with groups and services. I am disheartened when I read of competitive attitudes that are meanspirited and encouraged by news of cooperation.

I was also delighted to read about the naming of the new (future) elementary school. Thanks to reading in the local paper that this topic was to be on the agenda at the June 22 school board meeting, I made the decision to

one of the people being considered for this recognition. Although school board meetings are not how I like to spend my time, this one was worth attending. I saw members of the girls' basketball team honored for their high grade point averages and the girls' softball team honored for having the highest GPA in the state. I saw Dr. Little and Sue Davis present gifts to outgoing board members, Carrie Blamer and Mike Maloney, with deepest thanks for their service. I heard reports on the status of the new school buildings and on the choice of the interim superintendent.

mously vote to name the new elementary school for George Dodson after hearing Anne Alatalo, E. J. McClendon and Rose Portelli give glowing accounts of Mr. Dodson's dedication and service to the children and staff and parents of this school district. The school board then voted to honor Sandra Sager by giving the Phase III building at P-CEP her name. What a meeting!

editor telling of the special place in my heart George Dodson has. I served as PTO president while he was Smith School principal. At praise from parents and staff for his moralelifting service as interim principal at Gallimore Elementary. Naming a school for him is a wonderful way to honor a true gentleman who has been a teacher, the first elementary school counselor, principal, and - in retirement - interim principal and transportation department head, a man who lives his belief Gallimore School, "Children; Our joy and our

faults and weaknesses. It also has much to

Janet Sockolosky Plymouth

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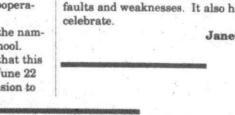
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I saw the school board members unani-

A couple of years ago I wrote a letter to the

hope." The Plymouth-Canton community has its



POINTS OF VIEW

Three Tenors bring pride, but hit sour note of elitism

ho could bly argue with the purpose and success of the recent Three Tenors' concert at

FRANK PROVENZANC **Tiger Stadium?**

Not only did the highly publicized event raise about \$13 million for the Michigan Opera Theatre, but it made a statement to the world that Detroit is in the midst of a cultural renaissance.

If it was noted once, it was noted a undred times: Saturday's concert was the only North American appearance by Luciano Pavarotti, José Carreras and Placido Domingo, thanks largely to the hefty donation from Ford Motor Co., and the persuasive charm of MOT board member Frank Stella, a close friend of Pavarotti.

The funds from the concert are earmarked to retire MOT's debt, and to establish an endowment. If any Detroit-based cultural institution deserves the money and recognition, it's MOT. Long before anyone was even talking about cultural renewal in the city, MOT had plans to reno-

vate the theater gem at the corner of Broadway and Madison, a few blocks from the historic Fox Theatre. Since the announcement last Janu-

ary of the Three Tenors concert, however, there have been striking signs that the appreciation of "culture" comes with a prerequisitory price tag. How many metro Detroiters could afford to pay \$50 to \$750 for a ticket

to the concert? Granted, performers and concert romoters can set their prices, and hoose their venue. Tickets to the **Rolling Stones or Bruce Springsteen** aren't inexpensive. The difference, however, is that no other concert in recent history has been billed as the type of "cultural event" as the Three Tenors performance. In a pluralistic society defined by the range as much as the quality of choices, the controlling measures taken by concert organizers are a strong reminder that the wall of elitism is firmly in place.

Rather than guarantee that those who couldn't afford a ticket would still be able to follow the event through media reports, concert organizers -Tibor Rudas, Olympia Entertainment and MOT - placed a price on admis-

sion even for the media. While many large media organiza-

LETTER

Fairness questioned: Saturday's concert by Three Tenors did much

to enhance the arts in Michigan. Unfortunately, many arts reporters

and the readers they serve were left outside Tiger Stadium's gates.

building.

\$127,000 last year. It is not mandatory to give tax breaks. Legal, yes.

the public. Few, if any attempts, were made to work with media that have smaller circulations or relatively low ratings. For the media to simply accept the policy set forth by Tibor Rudas, promoter of the Three Tenors, is to accept that only those with financial resources should control socalled historic cultural events.

Again, the Three Tenors concert wasn't strictly about opera. The wide ly promoted "symbol of renaissance" behind the concert is not only news, it's something that everyone living in the area should care about.

If anyone needs reminding, Pavarotti, Carreras and Domingo are singers. They haven't stopped wars, negotiated peace or discovered a medical cure. Prima donnas? Let's just say they're prone to protect their public image.

Let's hope that the image of a few artists doesn't get in the way of a more clear-headed approach in proving that the symbol of renaissance requires foremost an open attitude to all people, not just those who can afford the price of admission.

Frank Provenzano covers the arts for The Observer & Eccentric Newspa-

Tax Abatements

couple of years ago. I wrote a let ter to the editor regarding tax abatements. I am against them because (companies) would have built

them without abatements. A year later (Bob) DeMattia had a full-page article on abatements, and he agreed that they would have built the buildings without the tax abatements. The article was in both the Detroit Free Press and the Observer.

We have location, location, location, so why do we give taxes away? We have expressways that go in four directions. Very desirable prop-

I learned this lesson years ago from very successful friend: When Royal Oak was building an expressway through his property, he told his son to go look for property to build a new manufacturing building. The son found two parcels of land

that would suit their needs. One was ed. What did we get from the richest

very expensive. When the father asked his son which parcel he preferred, the son said the expensive one The father said, "Then go buy it, as we'll make up the difference in a short time with the better location." I've used this advice in about 10 land partnerships over the years.

tions pay for tickets to concerts and

groups can't afford tickets to regularly

attend events at the various venues in

arrogance for smaller media organiza-

the area. It'd be the ultimate act of

tions to choose only to review plays

and concerts at those venues where

other events, most smaller media

I live in Northville Township (my office is in Plymouth), and when OIS asked for a 12-year abatement. I was the only one that stood up and object-

man in Michigan? Bill Davidson, owner of the Pistons and many other corporations? A bankrupt corporation This is after the federal government gave him \$50 million, the state gave him \$20 million, and they purchased the land worth \$10 million for pocket change. Thanks a million. Now we will get property tax on a vacant

tickets were purchased. The media

must be autonomous, objective and

not the ticket.

critical. Fairness comes with the job.

Essentially, concert organizers

determined that the major dailies and

television stations would be the most

appropriate sources of information to

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMAN

Plymouth Township just gave away

The little guy that drives a Ford or Chevy pays for it while the big shot drives his BMW or Mercedes. Doesn't that sound just about even?

Wake up, trustees, or soon you'll be asking for more millage as your budget will have shorts. I just don't understand your thinking.

Dean H. Lenheiser Plymouth

Sea of change buoys economy

quick glance at the recent headlines suggests something big is happening in Michigan's economy. High-tech firms find cash they need in

Ann Arbor' "Property values skyrocket, led by Liv-

ingston County' State's low unemployment rate sets new

record Although I'm not one of those who trumpet that the business cycle has been repealed, I do sense that a basic paradigm shift in the functioning of our economy has taken place over the past 20 years or so. Three factors in particular deserve attention: venture capital, the stock market (stock options in particular) and high technology.

In the old days, the way you started a business was to go into debt. You mortgaged your use or you took the receivables from your lit tle company to your local flint-eyed banker. And you hoped the resulting interest payments didn't kill your company.

'Today, you take your business plan to a venture capital firm, where equally flint-eyed folks poke and prod at every detail before deciding whether to invest. And you hope they don't take too big a chunk of your equity.

The shift from bank debt to equity investment as the basis for financing companies is fundamental. Banks, prohibited since 1933 from making equity investments and therefore concerned primarily with getting their loans paid off, had no particular incentive to support your company through hard times. But venture capital firms take a percentage of your stock, hoping to make a big score when you go public, which means they have an incentive to work with you through thick and thin.

And today there are a lot more venture firms with a lot more capital to invest than even a few years ago. According to PricewaterhouseCoop. ers, the big accounting firm, \$11.4 million in venture capital was invested in Michigan in 1996, \$65.2 million in 1997 and \$114.5 million in 1998.

Linked to changes in the capital basis for firms is the amazing stock market. It isn't just that the market is at an all-time high. It's that you can cash in on the success of your little company by going public in a buoyant market, which also gives the venture capital firm a way to make its score and thereby justify the risk of its original investment.

Moreover, most newly-formed companies today attract and retain skilled managers, engineers and computer jockeys, not by paying big salaries, but by granting stock options. In granting key employees the right to make a big killing if the stock price goes up, companies not only retain key people but create an enormously Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@oeonline.com effective incentive system to motivate long

PHILIP POWER

Certainly, stock options existed 20 years ago, but they were very limited in extent and offered nowhere near the opportunity of becoming an

Unlike venture capital and stock options, pe technology has always been the basis for successful firms. Water power and, later, gas and electricity formed the technological basis for the prosperity that accompanied the Industrial Revolution in the 18th and 19th centuries. The gasoline-fueled internal combustion engine and mass standardized manufacturing were the core

What's different today is that the technological leaps are far more numerous than in the past, in large part because they are the product of a self-conscious process of research, invention and development that is quite new. Scientists in university or government laboratories today understand that one important consequence of discoveries is the possibility that they can be

This is quite new. Policy at the University of Michigan, for instance, used to be that the university owned the rights to any inventions dreamed up in its labs. But the U-M changed the policy five years ago so that scientists could claim a stake in their inventions, and it's likely the big venture capital boom in Ann Arbor is rooted in the change. Whether it's information technology or software or microscopic sensing or bioengineering, labs in Michigan are providing the technological underpinnings for all kinds of new companies.

I wouldn't argue all this prosperity will last forever. But I do think that we are witnessing today the outcome of fundamental changes in the way our economy works. And at least for the present, we are all the better for it.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047.





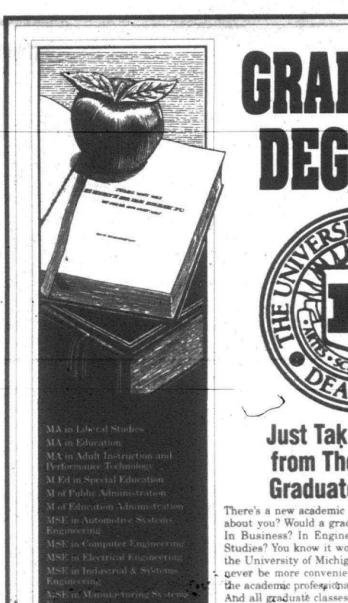
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GOP moderate campaigns for speaker

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE

In a horse race, being first "out of the chute" can translate to being first at the finish line. That philosophy led state Rep. Patricia "Pan" Godchaux, R-Birmingham, to announce last week her interest in running for the position of Speaker of the House in 2001.

"Well, you might say I'm not one of the obvious people to run, and I figure I need the time to do it ... Figured I would take the opportunity and be the first one out on all this," she said.

Godchaux explained that she filed with the Secretary of State's office in January to cre-ate a "leadership fund," an independent political action committee, to start her run for speaker. A campaign finance fund over and above her regular election account, the PAC will allow her to collect and distribute money to assist other GOP candidates in their quests for election a year from this November. In return for her support, those candidates will pledge their votes to Godchaux for speaker in January 2001.

Too early?

But it's too early to start campaigning, say other likely candidates.

"I recall that in the past this hasn't started until much closer to the election. We have a lot of work to do and we have a speaker, (state Rep.) Chuck Perricone (R-Kalamazoo), who is doing good work," said Rep. Patricia Birkholz, R-Saugatuck. "It's too soon to have members start thinking along these lines. Let's just say it could detract from the work of the caucus."

Already speaker pro tem, Birkholz is currently second in command in the Republican House leadership, and therefore seen as a front runner in the bid to succeed Perricone. She said she is sure she will be seeking a leadership role in the caucus next session. She won't make up her mind about exactly which post to try for until later this year, probably in the fall.

"Godchaux's getting out there first because she needs to be," said Rusty Merchant, aide to House Majority Floor Leader Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills. That's because he ranks Raczkowski as second in command in current House leadership and therefore the most likely to succeed Perricone.

Raczkowski also believes the race is starting too early and will actually hamper the efforts of the GOP caucus this year, Merchant said. While the floor leader is, indeed, interested, he won't

likely make a decision until this coming January.

Another likely candidate for peaker next term is state Rep. Mark C. Jansen, R-Grand Rapids, although he has not announced a decision.

Godchaux explained she expects the caucus to pick the speaker from among its most senior leaders, and those four candidates will all be starting their third and final terms in 2001.

And if it sounds as if the race for speaker is starting awfully early, Godchaux says: "Part of the leadership race is providing leadership. You don't provide leadership at the last moment."

"What I'm offering is the choice of a different kind of lead-ership," she said. "Historically, if you were king of the mountain, you made the mountain look the way you want it to look. I would be more facilitating as a leader than controlling. I don't think that is what we have now. In fact, I know we don't have that now.

Conservative control

House leadership, she said, is currently controlled by what she described as a minority of very conservative Republicans.

"I felt, and a number of my colleagues felt, that there were a lot of times this spring when, if you

weren't with the caucus, you were against it," Godchaux said.

She said that much of what was done in the House in the first five months of the current legislative session was accomplished at the expense of the process. The leadership monopolized the agenda and allowed little time for discussion and input.

"Yes, we got a lot done, but what I'm saying is that we could have accomplished just as much, and perhaps we would have ended up in the same place, if we had allowed for more room for discussion in committee. We could have done the same amount and had a more open process," she said. "There were a lot of freshmen who were saying, This was not what we bargained for.'

"Our leadership needs to facilitate everyone to participate so that (representatives) do not feel that someone else has not allowed an issue that is important to them to at least be part of the process," she said. "In the past, the leadership has really determined the whole agenda.

"Everyone comes to the House with an agenda and that's what I'm offering, an opportunity for each and every one of them to work on that agenda and not have to work around a leadership-dictated agenda."

County commission supports 4-year terms

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@o homecomm.n

Wayne County commissioners support state legis-lation that calls for a change in terms of county commissioners from two to four years.

Wayne County commissioners approved a resolution July 15 that joins the Michigan Association of Counties in supporting legislation proposed by Rep. Rick Johnson, R-Leroy. Copies of the resolution will be sent to Gov. John Engler, state lawmakers

and Michigan counties. The office of county commissioner is required by state law to serve two-year terms.

The resolution said "considerable expense" incurred through frequent campaigning and elections. A four-year term would pro-

vide "greater continuity in county government." Commissioner Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, person-

COUNTY NEWS

ally would like to remove the time and expense that campaigns bring to candidates every other year, but she adds that she believes residents want the biennial elections

"I think the people want us to be accountable every two years," Bankes said.

Bankes believes the state lawmakers probably won't lengthen the terms.

"As long as Congress and the state House remain at two years, it (county commission) will remain at two years," Bankes said.

Commissioner Kathleen Husk, R-Redford, believes a longer term is more practical

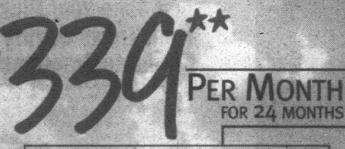
"It gives us more time to focus on our jobs," Husk said.

State lawmakers may discuss the bill when they return from their summer legislative recess.



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JACK GLADDEN

Hot, hot, hot? Air, air, air!

he Feminist finally got so heated up that she decided to bite the bullet, face the music, beard the lion. She couldn't stand the heat, but didn't want to get out of the kitchen. So she swallowed hard, tightened

her belt a notch and announced: "I think we should get some estimates on air conditioning!"

Whoa! I've been pushing air conditioning for years, but every time I brought it up, her eyes turned into dollar signs and started spinning like dials on an electric meter.

It was those 98-degree days in June that did it. Our west-facing kitchen was so hot that, even with no cooking being done and the ceiling fan cranking away, we'd sit at the counter with sweat dripping down our faces. The mornings were so hot that her makeup would melt off before she could get out the door to drive to work in her un-air-conditioned car.

So we called a reputable heating and cooling company, got the estimate and told them we'd think about it. We thought about it and discussed it, sitting at that kitchen counter under the churning ceiling fan.

Finally, we called the company and told them to go ahead. New furnace, humidifier, air conditioner. The works.

They said it would be a month before they could get around to us. I grumbled, but The Feminist assured me a month was not that long to wait and, besides, there would be plenty of hot weather around later in the summer

"And now you won't be able to complain about mowing the lawn," she said.

We'll live through this heat and the day after the air conditioning is installed, the temps will drop into the 60s.'

mowing the lawn?" I asked. "You're always complaining about how hot you get when you mow. You may still

get hot, but now you can come inside and cool off.' "Yeah, well, I

"What does

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have to do with

can see what's gonna happen," I said. through th day after the air conditioning is installed, the temps will drop into the 60s."



Hot sellers: Ryan King, games department head at Rider's Hobby Shops Inc.'s Canton store, says "Dungeons & Dragons" products sell very well, including the starter kit. King has played a variety of role-playing games, including D&D since 1984.

Happy Birthday D&D still finds favor with fans

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

Inthusiasm for the game varies throughout metropolitan Detroit, but where "Dungeons & Dragons" is hot, it's really hot.

The game has a particularly strong following at Neutral Ground Detroit in Garden City. There, gaming groups meet several times a

"Tve played just about every game out there," said Jeff Morrison, a Livonia resident and computer programmer who coordinates games at the store

"Dungeons & Dragons" got its start in the 1970s. Players create elf, dwarf, halfling and human characters who fight with swords and bows and arrows, battle dragons and other beasts, search for treasure and cast magical spells - all in the players' imaginations.

Neutral Ground, 1858 Middlebelt south of Ford, offers gaming supplies and space for people to play. Players can either use

All set: Curt

plain round tables or use threedimensional set-ups containing miniaturized landscapes to give the game a more realistic feel.

The store also hosts tournaments tied in with the 22,000-person Gen-Con national gaming convention. The local tournaments draw players from all over the region.

Morrison has been an avid player ince 1984 and is a judge for Gen-lon. In addition to D&D, he plays "Vampire: The Masquerade," a roleplaying game involving vampires and "Battletech," where players "drive" gigantic, nuclear-powered piloted robotic machines that fight one another.

Dash of escapism

So what's the appeal of the D&D? "Escapism," Morrison said. Another player, Jeff Ekonen of

Southgate, agrees. "(D&D) allows you to do things you can't do in real life," he said. Whether it's wielding a three-foot sword, casting magical spells or even

slaying monsters, most players thrive on escaping from reality for a while.

Whatever the appeal, D&D players tend to be a loyal lot. While some childhood hobbies end up shelved in a closet when people reach adulthood, D&D is one hobby that has some staying power. Morrison said D&D players come from all walks of life.

"It really runs the gamut," he said. "Players can be everything from unemployed to computer professionals or police officers. Generally, most of them are college-educated and they tend to be well behaved.

"You don't have a lot of people who go around breaking a lot of rules."

A Romulus woman who asked not to be identified said being a female player has its challenges

"Sometimes, you run into people who don't take you as seriously, said the woman, who has been playing for 10 years. It's a common assumption that females don't know as much about the game as males, she said.

"Sometimes, it can be helpful," she said, adding that female players can

Anniversary version aims at new fans

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

Twenty-five years ago, "Dungeons & Dragons" introduced the world to elves, dwarfs, wizards, swordplay and sorcery, and the world - mainly teenage and college-age males - fell in love.

Today TSR, the company that produces D&D products, is trying to capture a new generation of players, or "gamers" with a self-contained Adventure Game starter kit, retailing at \$10. The game's release is all part of a 25th anniversary celebration that includes a "Silver Anniversary" U.S. tour and a special anniversary edition of the game's basic box set.

The starter kit, geared toward those age 8 and older, was released in late April and has since sold out of its initial print run, said Keith Strohm, category manager for role playing games for Wizards of the Coast, the Renton, Wash-based company that bought TSR in 1997.

The subsequent runs also are expected to sell well, and the company expects to sell 70,000-80,000 games by the holidays.

The game is most popular among the 12-16 and 19-21 age groups but is played by people of all ages. Strohm said he estimates there are 200,000 players worldwide.

Birthday celebration

A "Dungeons & Dragons" birthday celebration was launched July 10 in Spokane, Wash., and will continue through the summer at several United States locations.

The "TSR Silver Anniversary 'our" will hit the area 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday Aug. 21, at Borders Books & Music, in the Novi Town Center, 43075 Crescent Blvd.

Events include appearances by celebrity authors and game designers with question-andanswer sessions, game demonstrations, game tournaments and contests with prizes.

There also will be a "Gaming through the Ages" art exhibit, featuring a historical look at the artwork and game tools associat-ed with the D&D game over the past quarter century. Admission to the celebration is

free, but attendees are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for donation at a local food bank.

"Stop being so grumpy."

The month went by, the temperature stayed up and the grass just keptgrowing. The Feminist's makeup continued to melt and our kitchencounter conversations were as hot as ever. Finally, AC Day approached.

"Hey, I'm off that Friday," I said. "Good," The Feminist said. "You can be here in case they need anything."

"So I get to sit around the house all day watching them work. I was thinking about going somewhere." "Oh, well."

The day arrived, so did the air conditioning people and ... the rain. It started to fall just as they got everything unloaded from the truck. Not hard, just steady.

They're drilling through brick walls, running electrical lines inside and out and trying not to fall on their faces as they walk across the kitchen linoleum with rain-soaked shoes.

The Teenager, who was always complaining about the heat, decided to spend the night with her cousin. The Feminist drove her there, while I sat at the kitchen counter under the fan, just in case the installers needed my advice.

They didn't. Eight hours or so later, they're done. The rain had stopped, and it had managed to cool things off a bit. That night we slept with the windows open. A cool breeze was blowing through.

The next morning The Teenager 4 called us from her cousin's.

"Do you have the air conditioner on?" she asked.

"Nope, "I said.

"Why net?" "It's 62 degrees outside." Jack Gladden is a copy editor for The Observer Newspapers. He lives in

Canton Township.

Litingow of Westland checks the tower to see if the games pieces were in place for a round of Warhammer Siege at Neutral Ground in

Garden City.



STAFF PROTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

give better insight into female characters than male players.

Just one-fifth of players involved in GenCon are women. But Morrison and the other males playing at Neutral Ground agree that they'd like to see more women among the ranks.

Ryan King, games department head at-Rider's Hobby Shops Inc.'s Canton store at 42011 Ford, said D&D products sell very well, including the starter kit.

"It makes it easier for young peo-ple to get started," he said. "There is

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Wizards of the Coast also publishes both the "Magic: The Gathering" and "Pokémon" trading card games.

"Dungeons & Dragons" was born in Lake Geneva, Wis., in 1974. In D&D, players create characters among others who can in turn be wizards, priests, warriors, thieves and even musicians or bards.

A "dungeon master" leads the players through the game by

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Camp lets kids know 'they're not alone'

BY SUE MASON STAFF WRITER

When the buses leave for Camp Tamarack in Ortonville on Aug. 20, about 100 children will be heading for a weekend meant to change their lives.

The sixth annual Camp Phoenix Friday-Sunday, Aug. 20-22, is conducted jointly by Community Hospice and Home Care Services and Hospices of Henry Ford Health Systems. The weekend camp lets grieving children know there are others just like them.

The universal saying is that the kids learn they're not alone," said Kathleen Dattolo, CHHCS's director of social work. "When they arrive at camp and see the number of kids who have lost someone to death, they see they have something in common."

The camp is for children ages 5-17 and features typical camp activities - swimming, hiking, havrides, arts and crafts and campfires. But there's also time to explore and express their feelings through specialized group sessions and a chance to say good-bye and for closure at a memorial service.

said Dattolo. "We don't have a lot of weeping and crying, we have a lot of learning and celebrating the person who has died."

The camp was a positive experience for Kristina

"The memorial is the hardest event, but afterward, the children say it is the most important.'

Kathleen Dattolo Community Hospice

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Walker's son, Kristopher. When her father, his grandfather, died in November 1997, she grieved and so did Kristopher.

But while she felt the loss should have pulled them closer together, just the opposite was true. Kristopher was furious with his mother. He threw things, screamed at the top of his lungs and was disobedient most of the time

"My dad was really the only male role model in his "e," Walker said. "But even though I knew how life." much he missed him, sometimes I felt like he was using my father's death as an excuse

"I tried to talk to him, but I just couldn't seem to reach him.

Through CHHCS's Connections support group meetings and Camp Phoenix, Kristopher's anger slowly diminished. The camp, according to Walker,

made a huge difference in her son, who is now age 8. "Because of the experience his life has completely changed," she said. "Once it was difficult for Kristopher to discuss his feelings. There was a lot of uno-tion involved. But now he can talk about Papa and smile

The camp registration fee is \$25 per child. Antivities are geared to the three different age groups 5-8-year-olds, 9-12-year-olds and teens age 13-17

By mid-June, organizers had already seen a 25 percent increase in enrollment. They credit that the the ability to reach more children because of the cooperation between the two agencies.

"We've sent out about 40 applications so far to those who've expressed an interest," said Jean Butrico Cooper, program coordinator for SandCastles, Hospices of Henry Ford Health System's grief support program for children and families. "This has been a great partnership and as a result, Camp Phoenix is getting recognized."

Parents interested in the camp can call CHHCS at (734) 522-4244 or Hospices of Henry Ford Health System at (313) 874-6881.

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telling them what is happening stockier than elves. They live and asking them what they are underground and are fond of going to do. Rolls of multi-sided lice dictate how successful their characters are. The dungeon našter's decisions are final.

The dungeon master can and meadow villages and are either use one of the game's generally outgoing, open, curious many pre-written adventures or make up his or her own.

The starter kit allows players to select from eight characters they would like to play, including human, elf, dwarf and halfling.

Slighter in build and height than humans, elves live in forest settings, love nature and thrive on creativity and artistry. To other races, they come across as frivolous and aloof.

Dwarves are shorter and

Dungeons from page B1

people who have been playing since the game started." King is not only in charge of

games at Rider's, but has played a variety of role-playing games, ncluding D&D since 1984.

"It's still very popular," he said. "I think it has a long life ahead of it." Hot sellers

Other hot sellers are the other 25th anniversary products, such as the basic box set, which includes some re-released adventures from the 1980s.

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a very large following. There are shopping at Rider's are of most tend to be easier to learn and the supplies for regular cusage groups, including 10-12 year cheaper than role-playing tomers, if they want something

olds and even adults in their 40s. games, he added. David Moffet, owner of Classic Movie & Comic Center at 29473 Seven Mile in Livonia, said D&D Mile in Redford, said that roleproduct sales are pretty weak. A playing games, including hotter seller is the "Magic - The Gathering" trading card game.

"We sell a lot less D&D products than we did seven years ago," he said. Some reasons for the lagging D&D sales are simplicity and cost. Card games said, adding that he will order well."

treasure. They tend to be seri-

Shorter and slighter than

dwarves, halflings live in valley

and clever. They make 'excellent

thieves. Halflings' most famous

appearance was in J.R.R.

Tolkien's Lord of the Rings trilo-

Competition from other game

"The diversity of choice for

players has helped D&D," he

said, adding that a lot of people

get involved with D&D through

other role-playing games and

makers has only made TSR

stronger, Strohm said.

ous, hard-working and gruff.

Camp from page B1

estimated \$40-45,000, based on Dattolo. the number of children, to stage guards and the backpacks, T- ment, communication skills, camper receives.

More than 50 volunteers from a variety of backgrounds helped make it all happen last year, and a like number are needed this food for the camp's Saturday lun- no longer the odd man out."

Other publications TSR also publishes the "Drag onlance" novel series, which reached the New York Times best-seller list on numerous occasions and the periodicals "Dragon" and "Dungeon." The publishing wing of TSR has always been successful, Strohm

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The game has had its share of ontroversy. An early D&D suplemental book entitled "Deities & Demigods" featured graphic descriptions of demons, prompting concerns from religious groups and many parents. In partial response to that controversy, TSR stopped publishing the book, making it a collector's item. "We've had a lot of negative

John Landuit, owner of West

Point Hobby at 25531 W. Seven

"Warhammer," a fantasy role-

playing game with metal minia-

tures, and "Battletech" sell fairly

"Dungeons & Dragons (sales)

press," Strohm said. "It's a very difficult hobby to understand, if you're not involved in it." TSR hired therapist Dr. Joyce

Brothers in the early 1980s to analyze the game. The game company in turn learned the game has many positive mental and social benefits, such as its emphasis on problem solving, focus on mathematics and reading skills and working together. to accomplish common goals, as D&D characters must do.

D&D players also tend to be avid readers. "What we've learned from parents is that when their children play (D&D), they spend a lot of time reading," Strohm said.

he doesn't have in stock.

area.

have been hit-or-miss," Landuit said. "In other stores, they sell

Kelly Ziulkowski, assistant

manager at Waldenbooks in

Westland Center, said D&D

products aren't hot sellers in the

"We do sell them, but we bare-

ly ever sell any, actually," she

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Livonia announce the engage-

ment of their daughter, Jennifer

Lynn, to Keith Michael Plagens,

The bride-to-be is a 1992 grad-

uate of Livonia Stevenson High

School and a 1997 graduate of

Michigan State University with

a bachelor of arts in interior

design. She is currently

employed at Hobbs & Black.

Architects, in Ann Arbor as an

assistant director of interior

Plagens of Dearborn Heights.

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Crofts-Nuffer

The bride-to-be is a graduate

Preston and Marilyn Crofts of Westland announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Heather Kathleen, to Daniel Christian Nuffer, the son of Jared and Rebecca Nuffer of Troutdale, Ore.

of John Glenn High School and is a senior at Brigham Young University where she is majoring in microbiology. Her fiancé is studying computer science at Brigham Young

University and is employed at Coresoft Technologies in Orem, A July wedding is planned at

the Latter Day Saints Temple in Vernal, Utah.

Crofts-Johnson

Preston and Marilyn Crofts of Westland announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Mary Johanna to Mark Richard Johnson of Burkburnett,

The bride-to-be is a 1998 graduate of John Glenn High School and is studying nursing at Brigham Young University.

Her fiancé is a1995 graduate of Burkburnett High School and is studying accounting at Brigham Young University. He is employed as a project supervisor at Marketing Ally. A July wedding is planned at

the Latter Day Saints Temple in Vernal, Utah.

Olsen-Farmer

Larry and Luella Olsen of Bellingham, Wash., announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, LeeAnn, to Randy Farmer, the son of Tom and Virginia Farmer of West-

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bellingham High School and Whitworth College in Spokane, Wash.. She is employed an instructional assistant and by the 106.5 FM radio station. Her fiancé is a graduate of the

Dearborn school district. He is employed as a senior programmer analyst for Datanational in Farmington Hills. A July wedding is planned in Bellingham, Wash.

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Ron and Diane Leap of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter. Diane Nena, to Michael Sarkis Hachigian, son of Onnig and Shooshig Hachigian of Livonia. The bride-to-be is a graduate

of Lawrence Technological University. She is employed as a paralegal at Domino's Pizza International Inc. in Ann Arbor. Her fiancé is a graduate of

Michigan State University and Wayne State University with a master's degree. He is employed as a financial analyst for Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn. A September wedding is

Rice-Bowser

Bev Rice of Livonia and Tom and Lucille Rice of Peoria, Ariz. announce the engagement of their daughter, Chantelle S. to Scott M. Bowser, the son of Earl and Kay Bowser of Livonia. The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Ladywood High School and a 1996 graduate of Western

Michigan University. She is employed by Microsoft in Rochester Hills. Her fiancé is a 1991 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and a 1995 graduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed by Arthur

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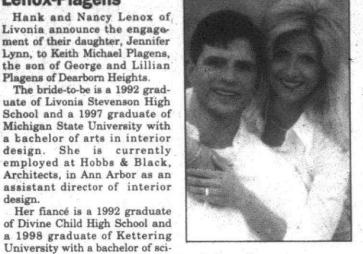
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Sovel-Gergis

Christine Catherine Sovel and Terence Ramzi Gergis were married at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church in Dearborn by the Rev. Michael Quan. The bride is the daughter of

James and Donna Sovel of Westland. The groom is the son of Ramzi and Mary Gergis of

Northville. The bride is a 1988 graduate of John Glenn High School and a 1994 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is employed in marketing.

The groom is a 1987 graduate of Birmingham Groves High School. He is employed in man agement at Ameritech.

The bride asked Michelle McKimmy Eicholtz to be her matron of honor with Loretta Sovel, Karen White, Renée White, Theresa White and Amanda Juncaj as bridesmaids The groom asked Phil Kozlowski to be his best man

Mimnaugh-Pfeifer

Bernard and Kay Mimnaugh of Livonia announce the engagenent of their daughter, Victoria Kay, to Jerome Raymond Pfeifer, the son of Jerome and Judith Pfeifer of Livonia. The bride-to-be is employed by

Garden City Hospital as a pharmacy technician.

Her fiancé earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Lawrence

Technological University. He is employed by MSX International. An August wedding is planned

Odisseys and Athanasia Zigouris of Livonia announce the ngagement of their daughter, Elizabeth, to David J. Hayes, the son of Jerry and Marilyn Hayes f Hudsonville.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 gradate of the GMI Engineering and Management Institute with a achelor of science degree in lectrical engineering. She is mployed with Delphi Delco

Her fiance is a 1991 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He is employed by Johnson Controls.

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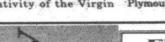
with Mark Sovel, Jim Reese and Bob Keyes as groomsmen.

The couple received guests at Laurel Manor in Livonia before leaving for a honeymoon in Myrtle Beach, S.C. They are making their home in Novi



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OSTEOPOROSIS SCREENING Oakwood Healthcare Center offers osteoporosis screening 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at 7300 Canton Center Road, Canton. Cost is \$10. OHA members are \$5. This event is open to the public and is free to authorized Head Start and Oakwood Healthcare Plan members. To register call, (800) 543-

WELL **BOBBIN LACE EXHIBIT**

The Plymouth Communi ty Arts Council will showcase the lacework of the Great Lakes Group Inc., a non-profit organization of lace makers across the U.S. and abroad. The display, featuring handmade bobbin lace and tatting projects made by members of the GLLGI, is open to the public through Sunday, July 25, at the JWH Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Call (734) 416-4278. BARBIE SHOW

The Barbie Fashion Doll Show returns from 11 a.m. through 4 p.m. Sunday,

Aug. 1., at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Admission is \$5, kids 4-12 are \$2. For more information, call (734) 455-2110. FAMILY FISHING

Maybury State Park will again host Family Fishing in August.' Bring the entire family and join us at the pond from 7-9 p.m., Satur day, Aug. 7-14. Park staff will be on hand to demonstrate fishing techniques and help beginners get started in this enjoyable sport. A limited amount of equipment will be available to use if you do not have your own. Maybury Pond is located inside the Beck Road entrance to Maybury State Park, 1/4 mile south of Eight Mile Road. Park near the riding stable and follow the signs to the pond. This is a free event; nowever, a state park motor vehicle permit will be required for entry to the nark For more information, call the park office at (248) 349-8390.

SUMMER BIRD HIKES

Maybury State Park in rthville Townshi bird identification hikes throughout the year. The next hike begins 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at the riding stable parking area on Beck Road, 1/4 mile south of Eight Mile Road These hikes provide a chance to observe bird species seen in the park, and record dates, locations and trends from year to year. Each hike lasts onetwo hours. The hikes are open to all, regardless of irding experience. Dress for the weather and bring along binoculars if you have them. Call (248) 349-

FEATHERED FRIENDS

Maybury State Park will host a special hike for children and their families at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14. The program, Feathered Friends, will take a look at wild birds in the park. Explore how and where

they live through activities and a hike. Meet at the Farm Demonstration Building. Maybury State Park is located on Eight Mile Road, one mile west of Beck Road in Northville Township. The program is

free of charge, however, a state park motor vehicle ermit is required for entry. Call the park office for more detail at (248) 349-8390 FARMER'S MARKET

The Plymouth Communi-

ty Chamber of Commerce ponsors Plymouth's Farmers Market, 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays

through Oct. 23, with the exception of Sept. 11. The market features fresh produce, dairy and cheese products, baked goods. flowers and plants, fresh herbs, dried flowers, crafts and seasonal items. Coffee and lemonade will be available. The outdoor market is held under the Gathering, across from Kellogg Park next to the Penn Theater in lowntown Plymouth. Call 734) 453-1540.

AROUND TOWN

JUNIOR GOLF LESSONS Canton Parks and Recreation Services sponsors a series of golf lessons for people age 7-18. Classes will be assigned by age groups and skill levels. The esson fee, \$50, includes instruction from PGA professionals, range balls, Tshirt and a certificate of ompletion. Classes are July 21 and 22.

MANDALA DRAWING Plymouth Community Arts Council sponsors a mandala drawing work-

shop 6-9 p.m. Thursday July 22, at 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. No experience needed. Cost is \$35, which includes materials. To register, call (734) 416-4ART. WORKSHOP

The Great Lakes Lace

Group offers a children's workshop for boys and girls age 6-12 to introduce them o this handmade tradition from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, July 23, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Denise Knight will teach a basic e that will enable students to take home a tiny project such as snake-shaped bookmark. Cost is \$16. Call (734) 416-4278 to register.

SUMMER GRAIN HARVEST The annual Summer

Grain Harvest at Maybury Farm begins 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24. Learn how small grains and corn were harvested and processed in the past through demonstrations and hands-on activities. All activities take place in the Farm Demonstration Building.

HEALTH SEMINARS Henry Ford Medical Center in Plymouth offers a free health seminar this

month on growing older. The seminar "Challenges of Growing Older" is from 9-30-11 a.m. Thursday July 29, at 14300 Beck Road, Call (734) 453-5600 to register.

Local teen attends medical seminar

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YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND CANTON

Stephanie Florence of Canton participated in the recent National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine in Chicago.

The 10-day seminar allows high school students from across the country to get a first-hand look at leading medical institutions and schools including the Northwestern University School of Medicine and the University of Chicago. Florence is a senior at Ladywood High School in Livonia, a Nationa

Honor Society member and a volun teer at Angela Hospice. She is the daughter of Nancy Florence of Canton.

TECHNO MASTERS CAMP Day camp is held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 26-30 at West Middle School for grades K-8. The cost is \$175, and students must

bring a lunch. Call (734) 416-4927. SOCCER CAMP Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church of Canton will host a Soccer

Camp for children ages 5-11 from 6:30-8 p.m. Aug. 2-5 at 46001 Warren Road, west of Canton Center Road. The camp will help

beginning and intermediate soccer players develop proper skills and knowledge of the game. Camp fee is \$15 and is payable at the time of registration. Program includes instruction, snacks, materials, a water bottle, and a soccer

ball to take home. For more information or to register, call (734) 522-6830. ART SHOW Artifacts Art Clubs will present Summer Multime-

dia Exhibit from Aug. 1-15 at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 North Sheldon, Plymouth. There will be Detroit-based artists in many medias and styles The artist reception will be 7-9 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 1 For more information, call (734) 416-4278.

PATIENT CARE CLASSES Arbor Hospice offers a free six-session patient care class 5:30-8:30 p.m.

CALENDAR FORM The Canton Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Canton Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

Event: Date and Time:

Location: Telephone:

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The first-ever "Great

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ADOPT A DUCK

Summit on the Park, 46000

pice Residence, 2366 Oak brought to the school noon Valley Drive, Ann Arbor. to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6. Participants will learn to Call 981-1475. provide support and limit-HUNTER'S SAFETY ed care to terminally ill The Canton Public Safepatients and their families. ty Department and Sum-Class registration ends mit on the Park present July 23. To register, call the second annual Hunter's Esperanza Barcelona at Safety Course 9 a.m. to 5 (734) 662-5999 Ext. 143. p.m. Aug. 7-8. Participants CAMP INVENTION must be at least 12 years of

Aug. 3-19 at the Arbor Hos-

age. A Social Security num-A one-week science and ber will be required at the creativity day camp is held time of registration. Checkat Isbister School 9 a.m-3 p.m. Aug. 2-6. The camp is in will start at 8:30 a.m. Class begins at 9 a.m. A for grades 2-6 and costs \$180. Call (800) 968-IDEA. parent/guardian meeting will be held prior to class. CRANBROOK DINNER

Bring a sack lunch and a An elegant evening of drink. The class is held at music and dinner to benefit mmit on the Park-Pro-Cranbrook House and Garssional Development dens is set for 6:30 p.m. Center. The fee is \$20 resi Friday, Aug. 6. Cranbrook dent/ \$25 non-resident. House and Gardens is at Call (734) 397-5110. 380 Lone Pine, Bloomfield SENIOR HEALTH LECTURE Hills. There is free parking at Christ Church, directly Saint Joseph Mercy across Lone Pine with free Health System and Dr shuttle service provided. In Bharate Srivastava present a series of free lectures case of rain, many rooms of Cranbrook House will be devoted to seniors and their health. The next lecopen. For tickets, call (248)

645-3147. FLEA MARKET

The Canton Historical Society hosts a flea market 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at Cherry Hill Cherry Hill and Ridge roads. A 10-by-10-foot space for vendors is \$15. Vendors must provide their own tables and chairs. The society will sell donated

can "adopt" ducks for the Friday, Aug. 13, event at Heritage Park. Adopt ducks at the parks and recreation office at the Summit and at summer events such as concerts in the park. Cost is \$2 for one duck: \$5 for three ducks; or \$11 for seven ducks. Each duck will be entered in the derby and be eligible to win prizes including round-trip airline tickets, autographed sports memorabilia. a \$1,000 bond, camcorders, gift certificates and other items. Call (734) 397-5110. **GOLF OUTING** Project Compassion celebrates the International

Year of the Older Person with its 12th Annual Golf Outing on Monday, Aug. 16 at Fox Hills Golf and Conerence Center, 8768 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. The four-person scramble begins at 10 a.m. Carts, refreshments on the course, full dinner after golf, prizes galore, Toyota Camry hole-in-one contest and Pro Air tickets hole-inone contest. Price is \$100 per person (\$35 is tax deductible). For more nformation or to register, call Project Compassion at (800) 626-9622.

SINGLES DANCES Dances occur 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays at Burton Manor in Livonia (School craft west of Inkster) Admission is \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. The dances are for people age 21 and over. No jeans. Call (734) 981-0909. WALK IN THE PARK

■ Single Place Ministries of First Presbyterian Church of Northville holds a walk in Heritage Park 10 a.m. Saturdays. The park is on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile. Call (248) 349-0911.

CAMP BORDERS Camp Borders is a free 10-week program for children 7-12 years old. All metro area Borders stores will offer a variety of educational and cultural events every Thursday at 7 p.m.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce offers a 24-hour hotline of upcoming events. Call

734) 453-1540. CRAFTERS NEEDED Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 15th annual "Holiday Arts & Crafts Showcase" 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday Nov. 6-7, in the Activities Center on campus. Booth space measuring 9-by-6feet with two cha - and one 6- or 8-footb1 available for \$50 for ei... Saturday or Sunday or \$90 for both days. Booths with electricity are an extra \$5 Call (734) 432-5603.

REGISTRATION Garfield Co-op has openings for children 18 months to 5 years of age. Garfield Co-op is in Livonia, at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road Call (734) 462-0135 Suburban Children's Coop Nursery has openings ' 582-2382.

now in all classes for peo ple 18 months through 5 years of age. Located in Livonia bordering Canton Plymouth and Westland. Call April at (734) 522-8469.

SUPPORT GROUPS CAMP MONARCH

The "My Nest is Best' pediatric program at Angela Hospice sponsors a family-oriented weekend camp. Camp Monarch is a bereavement camp designed for young people and their caregivers who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The camp begins at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 13 and ends noon Aug. 15. The cost of \$75 per family includes housing, meals and activities. However. Camp Monarch is open to every family regardless of its ability to pay. Call (734) 464-7810.

STARTING OVER

for widowed men and women younger than 45. Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of the month at Plymouth Church of Christ. Call (734) 662-

ARBOR HOSPICE

Arbor Hospice sponsors grief support programs open to the public. If you would like more information or would like to sign up, call (734) 662-5999. **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS**

Community Hospice and Home Care Services has a lrop-in grief-support group that meets 6:30-8 p.m. the third Wednesday of the nonth. Call Becky Rouse

COUNTERPOINT Counterpoint Shelter and Crisis Center offers free counseling and respite services for people age 10-17 and their families. Call (734) 563-5005.

ANGELA HOSPICE

Angela Hospice offers

groups for people who have experienced the loss of a loved one. All groups meet at the Angela Hospice Car Center in Livonia. For meeting dates and times call Ruth Favor, (734) 464-17810

VOLUNTEER WORK

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Plymouth-Canton Head Start, in Central Middle School, is looking for volu teers to help in the classroom with large-group activities, assist children during recess, participate in the Learning Centers and assist during meal

mes. If you have a morn in. .: afternoon free. Mon day . rough Thursday, call 416-6153.

Hospice. of Henry Ford Health System needs volunteers in Can and Ply mouth. Volusteers can he by visiting patients, either at their home or a nursing home, to offer emotic. al support, companionship and comfort. Call (313)

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Thomas, Paula Tomlin, Anne M. Vercruysse, Sara Wiener, Adam A. Wilson, Imaan Youssef, Timothy Zdrodowski, and Alicia K. Zulker.

Honorees from Plymouth Canton High School include: Anil Abraham, Heidi Anderson, Kristin Lyman, Rima Makhiawala, Samip Sarah Anderson, Stephen Antonucci, Kather-ine Bak, Ahmed Baset, Mollika Basu, Brendan Bernacki, Anuradha Bhama, Libby Kelly Moore, Andrew Noune, Vicki Palis. Birchmeier, Emily Bonneau, Rachel Bozung, Christine Broda, Josephina Chang, Wheatley Coleman, Matthew Compton, Jennifer Cor- Melanie Rafalski, Denise Sammet, Robert nellier, Robert Demsick, Matthew Derda, Keith Dormitorio, Elizabeth Elsner, Carla Elise Thornell, Amanda Van Proyen, Jessica Janine Schmedding, Kara S. Seaton, Anita Freshwater, Joy Garrett, Carolyn Givens, Villeneuve, Joseph Wagner, David Winter, Sinha, Elizabeth J. Spiteri, Erica D. Stein, Lindsay, Godin, Kelly Griffin, Teri Hanson, Erin Wright, and Jason Zao. Kate M. Szubeczak, Kacie A. Theisen, Ryan J. Neha Holani, Daniel Holland, Christopher

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CAMPUS NOTES

To submit your academic honor or graduation ement to Campus Notes, send the materi-I, printed or typewritten to: Campus Notes, Plywith-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main, Plymouth, Mich. 48170

PHI BETA KAPPA

The Detroit Association of Phi Beta Kappa hon ared 3,200 graduating seniors from southeastern Michigan who maintained a grade point average of 3.75. Honorees from Plymouth Salem High School clude: Aroti Achar, Kristen Adler, Adil Syed Azeez, Derek Bagozzi, Brandon D. Bitter, Dustin A. Bringley, Daniel P. Brooks, Colleen Carr, Allyn J. Charlefour, Elizabeth Cordara,

Robert F. Cushman, Nicole M. Eiden, Kristin M. Ewing, Todd E. Fercho, Danelle K. Filips, Charles Fisher, Lisa M. Flaskamp, Jennifer A. Foess, Carolyn L. Fry, Erin M. Griffith, Kelly L. Holbel, Monika F. Jonevski, Maneek Singh Kaur, Sarah A. Kindred, Elizabeth Krinke, Jason La Bombard, Evan G. Leung, Christopher Longpre, Michelle A. Magat, Fadi G. Musleh, Michael J. Nichols, Brian A.

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RELIGIOUS NEWS

(734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131. **BIBLE CONFERENCE**

Fair Haven Baptist Church's fifth annual summer Bible conference occurs 7-8:15 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, at the church, 34850 Marquette, West land, Pastor R. B. Ouellette of the First Baptist Church of Bridgeport will preach. Child care will be provided for people age 3 and under. Call (734) 728-

The Young Continentals, 30 high-energy, high-impact singers and technicians, will present "Mission of Love" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 31, at St. Aidan

Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. The Young Continentals is an evangelical group of young people who communicate the mes-

sage of love found only in a relationship with Jesus Christ. The performance is free of charge, however, a freewill offering will be accepted. For more information, call Brenda Phillips

at (734) 425-5950. DISCIPLES OF LOVE The Disciples of Love Prayer

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DESTINY

Group will have a pot luck picnic 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, at Rotary Park, Six Mile and Hubbard in Livonia. All prayers groups are welcome, and participants should bring their friendship and a dish to pass. For more information, call Geri Soelz at (734) 8906 or Paul Tetrault at

(734) 462-0344. **GUEST SPEAKER**

Listings for vacation Bible visit a rain forest, dig into Bible schools should be submitted in adventures and create Craft writing no later than noon Friday Cave creatures to take home and for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 join the Disciple Peter walking Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or on water and another day be by fax at (734) 591-7279. For thrown onto a prison ship with more information, call (734) the Apostle Paul. Each day will 953-2131.

LAKE POINTE BIBLE CHAPEL Lake Pointe Bible Chapel's vacation Bible school, "Full Armour of God." 9:15-11:30 a.m. July 26-30 at the church, 42150 Schoolcraft, Plymouth. Children preschool-age through sixthgrade will sing songs, play games and learn Bible verses. For more information, call the

church at (734) 420-0515. GARDEN CITY FIRST UM Garden City First United

Methodist Church will have i vecation Bible school "Lung Journey," 9 a.m. to noon July 26-30 at the church, 6443 Merriman at Maplewood, Garden City. The school is for children ages 4 through sixth-graders. On July 30, there will be a picnic noon-1 p.m. for the children and staff and a closing program, followed iv an ice cream social for fan lies and friends at 7 p.m. For more information or a registration form, call the church at

(734) 421-8628.

UNITY CHURCH Unity Church of Livonia is accepting registration for Kid's Camp '99 9 a.m. to noon July 26-29 at the church, Five Mile east of Middlebelt. The camp is for children ages 5-11 and will include crafts, songs, games, exploration of Mother Earth and more. There is no fee, however, an offering will be accepted. For more information, call the

church at (734) 421-1760.

ROSEDALE GARDENS Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church will have its vacation Bible school, Treasure Hunt Bible Adventure, 9:30 a.m. to noon Aug. 2-6 at the church, 9601 Hubbard, Livenia. Each day, children will sing songs, play team building games, nibble

treats from Treasure Treats. Coming Soon!

Listings for the Religious News Catholic evangelist from Florida, should be submitted in writing will be guest speaker at the no later than noon Friday for the Madonna University Prayer next Thursday's issue. They can Group's meeting beginning 6 be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, at the Uni-Livonia 48150, or by fax at versity Center. The public is welcome. Call Cecile at (734) 591-3247 or John at (734) 422-5611.

VOICE OF PRAISE Voice of Praise will present a concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at the First Baptist Church, 36125 Glennwood, Wayne. The group of 12 singers from the Gardenside Baptist Church in Lexington, Ky., will perform traditional, gospel, old-time gospel, contemporary and a capella music. The group is directed by David Dale, minister of music at the Lexington church. The concert is free of charge. For more information, call the church at (734) 721-7410.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Charli Johnston will discuss "Healing through Journaling" when New Beginnings, a grief support group, meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need. For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (248) 380-7903, or

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Rainbow Festival St. Sabina Parish will have its Rainbow Festival 6-10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, 2-10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, and 1-10 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 22, at the church, 25605 Ann Arbor Trail. There will be a fish/pierogi dinner on

tion, call the church at (734) 422-

Clarenceville United Methodist

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CLARENCEVILLE UM

Aug. 20, Polish dinner on Aug.

use their talents to serve God play with. One day, children will the king while enjoying Bible stories, crafts, games and music There also will be a Royal Regalia Feast and Program on Aug. 8. (Reservations are required.) For more information conclude with a Treasure Time call the church at (248) 474-3444 finale to celebrate what they TIMOTHY LUTHERAN have learned. For more informa

Timothy Lutheran Church will have its vacation Bible school, "The Great Bibleland Dig," 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Aug. 4, 11 and 18, at the church 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia. A light 8:45 a.m. to noon Aug. 2-5 at the supper will be served at 6 p.m.,

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followed by the program for those age 2 through adults. There is no charge, but registra tion is required by June 30. For more information, call the church office at (734) 427-2290.

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOR Church of the Savior, Reformed Church in America, will have its vacation Bible school for children pre-kindergarten through fifth-grade 9-11:30 a.m. Aug. 2-6 at the church, 38100 W. Five Mile, Livonia. The theme will be "A Jungle Journey," and there will be a review at 7 p.m. Aug. 5 and pienic for participants and their families 11:30 a.m. to 1

p.m. Aug. 6. The deadline for registering is July 26. For more information, call (248) 888-8480 or (734) 464-1062. ALDERSGATE UM

Aldersgate UM will have its vacation Bible school, Son Castle Faire, 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 9-13 at the church, 10000 Beech Daly, Redford. Children entering kindergarten through sixth grade may attend a castle adven ture set in merrie olde England. Throughout the week, they'll discover and develop their abilities and talents to serve God and others. To register, call the church at (313) 937-3170

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4-year-old class (age 3 on or before Dec. 1 and completely to let trained or age 4 by Dec. 1 and not previously enrolled in preschool) meets 12:15-2:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. For tuition fees or more information call (734) 421-1470.

2000 school year. The Friday. The preschool program for children age 3 on or before Dec. 1 and completely toilet trained meets 9:15-11:45 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. A combination 3

listening service 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday Call (734) 427-LIFE. SCHOOL ENROLLMENT Northville Christian School is

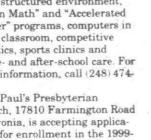
holding open enrollment for preschool to eighth grade classes at the school, 41355 Six Mile Road, Northville. Preschool has morning and afternoon sessions for 3-4-year-olds. Kindergarten is a full day program three days a week. All grades have a strong

academic, biblically-based environment. For more information, call (248) 348-9031 St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School, 20815 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills, is accepting applications for enroll ment in preschool through eighth grade in the upcoming school year. The school offers full

day kindergarten, small class sizes, structured environment, "Saxon Math" and "Accelerated Reader" programs, computers in every classroom, competitive athletics, sports clinics and before- and after-school care. For more information, call (248) 474-

2488. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 17810 Farmington Road in Livonia, is accepting applications for enrollment in the 1999 preschool/prekindergarten pro-

gram for children who will be age 4 on or before Dec. 1 meets 9:15-11:45 a.m. or 12:15-2:45 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and



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YWCA seeks nominations for achievement awards

annual Women of Achievement in one of six categories: Awards Luncheon, presented by The arts/communication

noon Friday, Nov. 5, at the Fair- include visual, literary and perane Club in Dearborn. Tickets forming arts, journalism, televi-

Nominations are being sought II The business/industry their professional and social entrepreneur, executive or in teer efforts.

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Dr. John Bertal and Dr. Diane Darlene Schou of Cedar Falls, lowa, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with renewal of their vows with family and

The couple exchanged vows on ed Methodist Church in Ply-

Harlan and LaVerna Reeves of Westland celebrated their 50th anniversary July 10 at a gathering of family members and friends at the Amvets Hall in

The couple exchanged vows on July 11, 1949, in Angola, Ind. She is the former LaVerna Bollinger.

He retired from the city of Westland 10 years ago, and she retired from Atlantic and Pacific

Robert and Irene Hilliard of Garden City celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 25 in a Mass at St. Raphael Catholic Church and with family members at Niagara Falls.

The couple exchanged vows June 25, 1949, at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church. She is the former Irene Papierniak. The Hilliards have six children - Marie Harrington, Debbie Noe,

Michelle Loveland, Diane Hilliard, Carol Bergin and Annette Hilliard - and six He is retired from General real estate and banking.

mouth. She is the former Diane Darlene Wheeler of Plymouth.

management or technical roles.

The government/law award

honors women who have provid-

They have one son, Paul Bertal Schou of Cedar Falls. He is president and co-owner of Agricultural Custom Research Experimental Service (ACRES). She also is co-owner of Agricultural Custom Experimental Ser-June 22, 1974, at the First Unit- vices (ACRES) and has her own consulting business, AIMM.

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Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

Abundant Life Church is hosting an outdoor craft show 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 31 at the church, 2100 Hannan Road, Canton.

There will be crafts, cake walk, games, white elephant sale, refreshments and more. Tables are still available at \$20 for a 6foot table. For more information, call Theresa Weaver at (734) 467-9046 or Elaine Chambers at 734) 595-8062.

ST. ELIZABETH St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church s looking for crafters for its autumn arts and crafts show 9

a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 18 at the church, 26431 W. Chicago, between Inkster and Beech Daly roads. To register, call Kathy at (313) 937-2880 ST. DAMIAN Crafters are needed for St.

Damian Parish's fall arts and crafts show. The show will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 16 at the church, 30055 Joy Road Westland. For more information, call (734) 421-6130.

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ford. Table rental is \$25. For more information, call Joanne at (313) 937-0226 or Josie at (734) 522-2963 DELTA KAPPA GAMMA Crafters are needed for the 13th

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available and electricity free of charge. Call (734) 453-5145 for more information. LIVONIA STEVENSON

The Livonia Stevenson High School Booster Club is accepting applications for its annual Holiday Happening Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at the high school, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia, A single space (booth) costs \$60. A limited number of spaces with electricity are available at no extra charge. For an application, call (248) 478-2395 or (734) 464-1041.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 15th annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Showcase 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6-7 in the Activities Center of its Livonia campus; Booth space measuring 9 feet by 6 feet with two chairs and a 6-

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Crafters are needed for St. Edith School's fall craft show 9 a.m. to 4 n m Nov 13 at the school. 5089 Newburgh Road, Livonia Booth rental is \$40 for a 10-by-8foot space. For more information, call Diana at (734) 462-6037 or Jo Ann at (734) 464-

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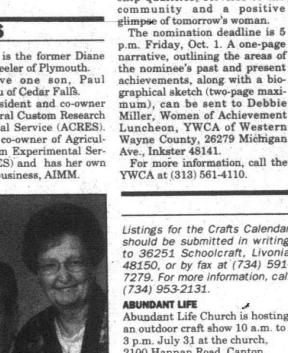
Applications are being accepted for Redford St. Valentine Parent Teacher's Club's eighth annual holiday Crafts Shoppe Nov. 20 at the school, 25800 Dow, Redford. For an application or more information, call (313) 255-0654 or (313) 255-6825.

The club's board of directors designated \$20,000 from the annual benefit for the infant hearing screening program in the Miracle of Life Maternity Center

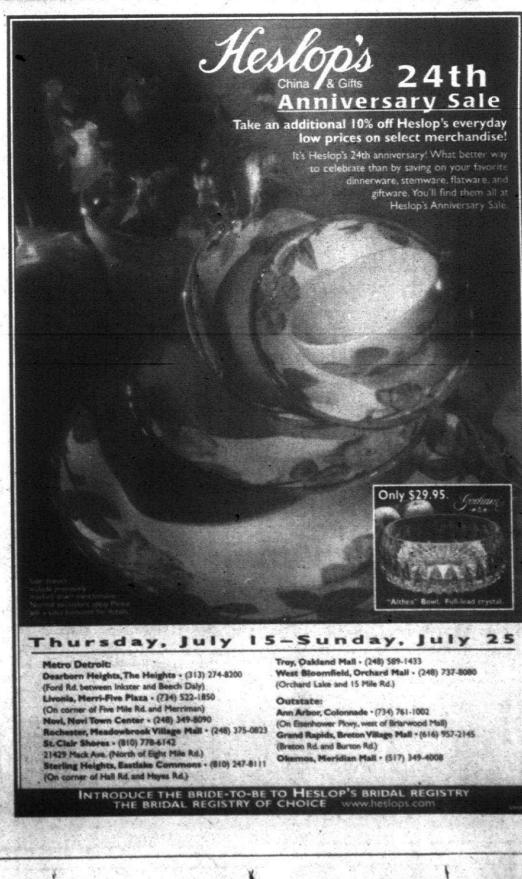
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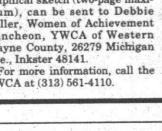
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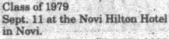
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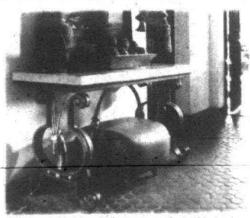
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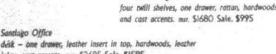
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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Long drive winners

There's still one chance left to win a trip to Mesquite, Nevada and the RE/MAX National Long Drive Championship Oct. 20-23. But first things first, and first you've got to get to the district round of competition, which will be Sept. 25 in Hudson, Ohio.

Last Saturday in the first of two local sectional qualifiers at the Highland Golf Center in Highland, three golfers earned a spot in the district round of competition. Karl Lindh, of Canton, was the winner in the Open Division with a drive of 333-yards, 1foot, 9-inches; placing second in the Open Division was Al McFarland of Westland with a drive of 312-yards, 1inch

Paul Rigsby of Highland took top honors in the Senior Division (55-andover) with a drive of 279-yards, 2-feet, 1-inch.

The sectional was hosted by former Livonia Stevenson HS graduate Rob Peters. Peters said another will be held Aug, 14, again at Highland Golf Center (located on Lone Tree, west of Milford and across from Milford HS). A total of \$250,000 is up for grabs at the Nationals in October, with a \$75,000 first prize.

Tournament champs

The Michigan United States Specialty Sports Association Girls State Fast Pitch Tournament was hosted by the Canton Softball Center last weekend, with champions crowned in four age divisions. A total of 45 teams competed.

Here are the winners:

•19-and-under division - Bay City Classics (Essexville) over Finesse (Westland) in the title game;

•16-and-under - Rage (Portage) over Compuware Orange (West Bloomfield);

•14-and-under --- Finesse (Macomb) over Finesse White (Howell);

•12-and-under - Motor City Madness (Novi) over Plymouth Canton Thunderbirds (Canton)

Wings win again

The Canton Wings under-9 boys soccer team completed a clean sweep by collecting their second-straight championship. The Wings were a combined 17-2-1 for the fall and spring seasons, placing first both times

Team members are Steven Betts, Michael Ciuffolett, Phillip Creed, Ryan Fleisher, Bradley Harbison, Kyle Justus, Nick LaPorte, Matt Lewandowski, Dajon Mingo, Todd Peterson, Jerry Pitts, Kyle Sanders and Caleb Thompson. The team was coached by Greg Sanders, Kris Sanders and Ron Moise.

Knights dash Lightning

The Livonia Knights moved a step closer to clinching the National League championship in the Incredible Girls Fastpitch Softball League by sweeping the Plymouth Lightning in a doubleheader Tuesday at Livonia Churchill, 3-2 and 8-3.

The Knights, who play a twinbill tonight at Churchill against the Canton Cobras, are now 12-2 in league play. They need a win to clinch at least a tie and a sweep to win the title outright.

The Lightning finished their schedule at 13-3.

A three-run fifth inning and the onehit pitching of Meghan Misiak gave the Knights a one-run triumph in the open-

Jenny Long and Sallie Kuratko both walked and Carly George delivered an RBI single to bring home the first Knights' run.

Christine Fones' fielders choice groundout sent Kuratko home and Sheila Gillies' sacrifice fly scored George.

The Salem-based Lightning also tallied both of its runs in the fifth. Losing pitcher Amanda Sutton had a

lead-off single. Two Knights errors followed, bringing home Sutton and Shae Potocki.

Misiak pitched seven strong innings to earn the victory. She struck out three and did not walk a batter.

Sutton, meanwhile, struck out six and walked three. She allowed four hits.

The Knights completed the sweep in the nightcap as Kuratko collected two hits and George added a two-run single to key a three-run fifth inning.

The Knights, who out-hit the Lightning 8-4, also tallied three runs in the first, one in the sixth and one in the seventh.

Winning pitcher Stacy Newcombe struck out one, walked two and hit three batters.

Losing pitcher Liz Dekarske fanned two and walked two. She also had an **RBI** single.

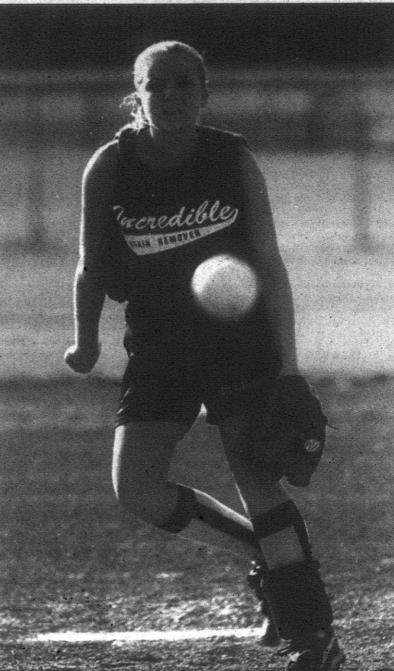
Lasers 17-15, Thunder 2-8: Also on Tuesday, the Livonia Lasers (10-4) rolled to a double-header sweep of the visiting Plymouth Thunder at Franklin High School.

The first game went just four innings.

Jamie Linden, Kerstin Marshall, Kendra Andrews, Shari Drayer and Sara Knopsnider each collected two hits in the opener

Andrews got things rolling with a two-run double in the first inning.

Knopsnider also had an RBI single. Winning pitcher Nicole Zabkiewicz allowed just one hit (to Tudor). She struck out four and walked four in four



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN Tough loss: Lightning ace Amanda Sutton surrendered just four hits and three walks while striking out six, and she singled and

with two hits and one RBI apiece.

tossing a three-hitter over five innings. She scattered eight walks.

innings

Zabkiewicz also had a two-run double in the first inning, while Linden and Jeanette Bertrand each finished

 ALL-STAR GAME: The Incredible Girls Fastpitch League American and National League All-Star games will be at 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m., respectively, Saturday at Shiawassee Park in Farmington.

FOOTBALL Twisters are raring to go

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER

The Wayne County Twisters; entering their third season in the Lake Shores Semi-Professional Football League, appear to be more than ready for Saturday's season opener against the Fremont, Ohio Stallions.

Game time is 3:30 p.m. at Academy of Detroit (formerly Cherry Hill High School).

The Twisters, sporting a 52man roster, have put in 34 prac-tice days since mid-March along with a two-hour scrimmage recently against the Monroe Timberwolves.

"You've got to be in shape or you'll get hurt easily," Twisters general manager Glenn Brothers. said. "We spend about 35 percent." of our practice time conditioning. That limits injuries."

Coming off an 8-3 season from a year ago, the Twisters may have their most talented and deep team since Brothers started the program in 1997. The Twisters went 9-2 in their inaugural sea-

These players, who range in age from 19 to 34 and in weigh anywhere from 155 to 325 pounds, simply do it for the love of the game.

Brothers pays for the jerseys and pants, but the players must provide their own equipment. Team members also sign both an injury liability waiver for the league and the team.

"We don't have any lawyers or doctors right now . . . I wish we had a doctor," Brothers said. "But we do have school teachers, law enforcement people, graphic

designers and engineers. "We usually get anywhere from 36 to 42 guys out each practice. We usually go three times a week. Sometimes we lose four, five or six players for various reasons. We have to work around weddings, funerals, vacations,

jobs, schooling — you name it." Former Westland John Glenn High player William Davey, a 30old, 6-foot-5, 325-pound left tackle, missed four games last year when his Detroit Edisonemergency crew was called out-ofstate.

"They had that big hurricane in South Carolina and he was gone for about a month," said Brothers, who retired two years ago as a section supervisor and packaging engineer for truck operations at Ford Motor Co. "That's why we have 52 players. We try to get everybody in." The 10-game season also includes a date Saturday, July 31 at Inkster High School against defending Lake Shore League champion the Motor City Cougars.

Bulldogs on top in MSI

She also got the win in the nightcap,

scored a run — but it wasn't quite enough for a victory.

Oaks qualify

Team Mater, one of four teams divided from the Canton Oaks under-10 select soccer team for the 3v.3 soccer tournament in Birmingham, placed third in their division to qualify for the 3v.3 regionals later this year in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Brandon Roberts, Eric Piwowar, Robert Mater, Ryan Neu and Nicholas Plescia were members of Team Mater, which was coached by Chuck Thomas and Greg Sanders. Of the four teams (20 players) derived from the Oaks for the Birming ham tournament, three advanced to the second round of play.

Holes-in-One

*Joseph Lopata, of Canton, knocked down a hole-in-one on May 28 on the 14th hole at Falukwood Shores Golf Course in Howell. Lopata used a seven-wood to get his ace on . the 172-yard par-three.

+Jerry Grady, of Canton, got an acc at The Majestic at Lake Walden Golf Course in Hartland on July 13. Grady got his hole-in-one on the par-three, 196-yard 16th hole, using a five-iron.

Keeper needed

An under-13 boys select soccer team playing in a Little Caesars division is searching for a keeper. Boys born between Aug. 1, 1986 and July 31, 1987 are eligible.

For more information, please call (734) 454-9072.

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

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cirisak@oe.homecomm.net

The Bulldogs re-captured the top spot in the Metro Summer Hockey League, at least temporarily, by scoring the first six goals of Tuesday's game against the Wildcats en route to an 11-5 triumph at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The 'Dogs improved to 7-2-1, one point better than the Huskies (7-3-0). The Wildcats slipped to 5-5-0.

Eric Bratcher and Kevin Swider

SUMMER HOCKEY

(from Livonia) propelled the Bulldogs to the victory. Bratcher had four goals and three assists; Swider collected two goals and five assists.

Adam Krug (Livonia) added a goal and two assists, and Corey Swider (Livonia), Matt Prater, Brad Yonemura (Garden City) and Brian Halas (Canton) each had a goal and an assist. Jason Basile (West Bloomfield) chipped in with two assists.

Phil Osaer (Livonia) and Ted Martens divided time in goal for the Dogs.

Sean Kass picked up two goals and an assist for the 'Cats, and Tad Patterson (Canton) had two goals. Darrin Silvester finished with a goal and an assist, and Vic DeCina (Canton) had two assists.

Aaron Jones (Troy) was in goal for the Wildcats.

The MSHL season is entering its final weekend of regular-season play.

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The league is divided up into two divisions with the Twisters a member of the North

"Our league is really strong and

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TAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLE Top recruit: Salem grad Kristina Seniuch could start at midfield for SC.

Building a program Lady Ocelots still looking strong

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

Take a lot of time in trying to describe just how things have changed with the Schoolcraft College women's soccer team. Get into the details, debate the reasons, give credit to every source imaginable. from the administration to the players.

Know what? It won't really matter. Because all that really matters is realizing that things have changed. They are better. When Bill Tolstedt took over as

coach just prior to the 1997 season. the team he inherited was a mishmash of leftover players. "It was a unique experience, one that I don't want to repeat," Tolstedt recalled. Finding 11 players to put on the field wasn't always easy.

But the Lady Ocelots managed.

After a 1-5-1 start, they jelled and finished that season at 8-8-1.

Last year, Tolstedt - with a full year to devote to the program put together a more formidable squad. SC eventually moved up to the No. 12 ranking in the NJCAA, and the Ocelots finished with a 13-4-1 record.

Things figure to be even better this season. And how can one assume such a thing? Because not only does Tolstedt have a full complement of players once again, he's actually making cuts. Some of those who played on his team last season won't return, simply because the new recruits are better.

RECRUITING

"We've upgraded ourselves," Tol-

for the 1999 campaign, which kicks off Aug. 10 with the opening of practice He can say that after losing such

stars as midfielders Annie Hagenah (to Madonna University), Julie Majewski (to Western Michigan University) and Lisa Tolstedt (to Indiana Institute of Technology), forward Dawn Koontz (to Indiana Institute of Technology), and defender Dianna Dean (to WMU or Indiana University), among others. All will continue playing at their

Even though so much is gone -Tolstedt has seven returnees - the SC coach is optimistic this season's squad will be even better. That's because, although they've "lost a lot of offensive punch from last year's team," they still "have a lot of tal-

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stedt said in evaluating his roster

new schools.

The Observer & Eccentric/ THURSDAY, JULY 22, 1999

SANDLOT BASEBALL

Concealed Security captures national title

Lou Pirronello has taken several sandlot baseball teams to national tournaments, but until last weekend none came home a champion

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The Concealed Security 12- ka (Orchard Lake) had three hits under Dodgers won the National Amateur Baseball Federation tournament-best .733 batting World Series in thrilling fashion in Sylvania, Ohio.

The Dodgers beat Mansfield, Ohio, 10-5, in the championship game on Saturday behind the winning pitcher of Chris Rusin (Canton).

The players threw their gloves in the air like the Red Wings did with their sticks after winning the Stanley Cup, and managed to pick them up, too.

Pirronello said the closest any of his teams came in the past was a fourth-place showing last year at the Continental Amateur Baseball Association World Series.

"It was a good celebration and don't think anyone left anything behind," Pirronello said. What made the whole thing happen was the cooperation of everyone, from players to coaches and parents."

The Dodgers, 66-13 overall after recording a 4-1 record at the national tournament, return to the CABA World Series which begins Friday in Omaha, Neb.

Rusin, who had two pitching victories, struck out five in the

Jeff Richard (West Bloomfield), named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, had a double and one RBI. Scott Szpryand two RBI and finished with a average.

"Coach (Al) Shay dubbed him Mr. July," Pirronello said. "That's two World Series in a row he's picked his game up a notch, defensively and offensive-. Hitting .733 against pitching like that ... your average usually goes down.

"Bill Szpryka (Scott's father) spends endless hours giving those two batting practice. They're buddies and their success has to do with him working with them."

Rusin, Eric Drieselman (Garden City) and Ryan Shay (Garden City) also collected two hits each.

Concealed scored all its runs in the first three innings, five in the first. The Dodgers earned their way

into the final with a 10-9 win over Joliet, Il., in the semifinals. Richard had three hits and four RBI and Shay, who earned . the save with two-thirds of an inning of clutch pitching, collected two hits.

Andrew Stafford and Alan Hagedon (Westland) also con-



tributed two hits as did Eric Vojtkofsky (Wayne), bravely playing designated hitter despite wearing a cast on one of his

Drieselman was the starting

pitcher and pitched well into the seventh, according to Pirronello. Defense played a role in helping the Dodgers get to the championship round Concealed opened the tourna-

ment with a 13-12 win over Baltimore, a team previously undefeated in 60 games.

Rusin was the winning pitcher, scattering 12 hits with six strikeouts and three walks in five innings. Shay earned the save, allowing one hit and a walk in one inning.

Mark Pirronello (Livonia) made a diving catch in the sixth inning with a runner on second base to help save the win. Baltimore was the team that eliminated Concealed from last year's

That gave the Dodgers momentum heading into the sec-Dodgers mercied this team in ly heat it in the championship field Ohio in the final game of game, but this game had a dif-

regional, and they beat us," Pirronello said. "We didn't feel good at all about that." That set up a must-win situa-

erent ending.

mound.

a triple, and an RBI. Szpryka was 3-for-3 with three RBI. "We were so sky high after (beating) Baltimore, then played a night game against New Lenox, the team we beat in the

tion for Concealed against Mans-

Shay also helped his cause with three hits, including two doubles, two RBI and two runs scored.

Stafford also came up with the

defensive play of the game, going

against Baltimore."

will carry a bigger reputation

a favorite," Pirronello said. "Peo-Stuff goes on the internet, we did team to fall out of the winner's bracket last year."

joined on the coaching staff by Steve Karchefske, Lance (Farmington Hills).

and Tyler Rusin (Canton) are bat



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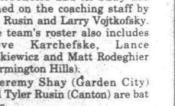
The Huskies poured in 13 goals in the first two periods the league in scoring entering against their MSHL foe, the this week's action, added four Spartans, Monday at the Ply- goals and five assists to his total ers. mouth Cultural Center, Pietilas accounted for nine of the 16 their other leader on offense, goals, and John Pietila was pouring in five goals and adding responsible for five of those; he three assists, while Bessey finalso had two assists. Phil Pietila ished with three goals and an added two goals and two assists, assist and Darrin Silvester net-Ron Pietila had a goal and three ted a goal and four assists. assists, and Glen Pietila netted a goal and one assist

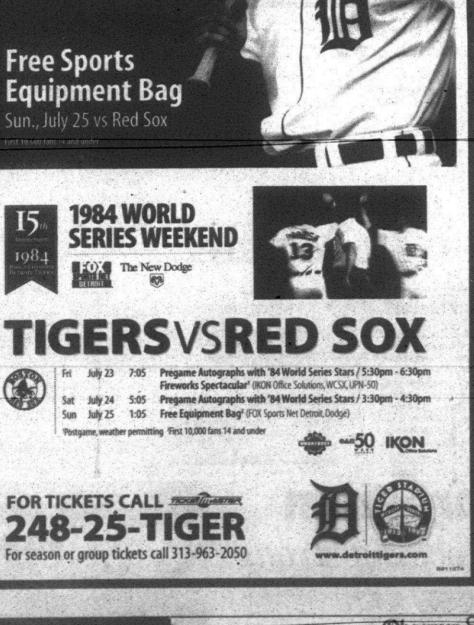


Stafford, Rusin and Szpryka

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Rusin also helped at the plate with two hits, three runs scored and an RBI. Szpryka was 3-for-3 with three RBI

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ond game against Lenox. II. The the regional and would eventual-

Concealed lost for the first time, 8-4, to New Lenox as Joey Patlevik suffered the loss on the

pool play. Concealed responded with a 6-5 win to advance to the semifinals. Shay tossed a six-hitter with nine strikeouts and only two walks to earn the pitching victo-

National champs: Con

team with its tropby.

Front row, from left to

Levic, Andrew Stafford,

Lance Latkiewicz, Jeff

Rodeghier; middle row,

left to right, Scott Szpry-

Drieselman, Mark Pir-

ronello, Eric Vojtrofsky

and Chris Rusin (of Can-

ton); top row, from left to

Vojtkofsky, Al Shay and

Lou Pirronello, and Ryan

Rusin had two hits, including

right, coaches Larry

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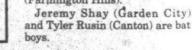
had two hits each.

into the hole at shortstop to fetch a grounder with runners at second and third and two outs.

we don't advance," Pirronello said. "Same with Mark's catch

Pirronello said the Dodgers

Pirronello and Al Shay are Pat Rusin and Larry Vojtkofsky. The team's roster also includes Latkiewicz and Matt Rodeghier

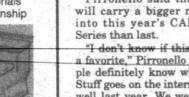


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into this year's CABA World Series than last. "I don't know if this makes us ple definitely know who we are well last year. We were the last



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first round of the playoffs.

day; the first game of the playoffs is Monday, with the next two Huskies. on Tuesday and single games on played at 8 p.m. Aug. 1; all games will be at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Broncos 9, Wolverines 1: The Wolverines (now 3-7-0), who sank closer to the MSHL's cellar with Tuesday's loss at the Ply-

Nick Smyth (Rochester Hills) paced the Bronco attack with three goals and three assists. Scott Marlinga and Nick Field added a goal and two assists apiece, and Joe Jones and Kyle McNeilance (Livonia) had a goal and an assist each. Baron Becker and Scott Kale also scored goals. Will Hamele and Rick Marnon (Canton) split time in goal for

the Broncos, who are now 4-4-2. Matt Krupa scored the Wolverines' goal. Mike O'Keefe (Redford) was in goal.

Huskies 16. Spartans 5: A poor

assists: Ben Blackwood and Kyle

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ball. This is big boy football."

All seven teams will make the Joncas, each with a goal and three assists from Phil Pietila. playoffs, but because of the odd three assists; Jim Tudor (Can- Dwight Helminen added two number of teams, the Huskies ton), with a goal and two assists; goals and three assists, Glen will play one extra regular-sea- and Eric Joncas, with a goal and son game and then sit out the an assist. Frank Bourbonais assists, Ben Blackwood had a added three assists, and Keith goal and three assists, Jim The regular season ends Sun- Pietila had two assists.

Wednesday and Thursday. The three assists from Jason Law- goal. MSHL championship will be master (Westland), and a goal and two assists from Jack McCov (Farmington Hills). Mike Porter (Catholic Central) added a goal and an assist, and Chris Powroznik (Redford) and Pete Broncos moved into a tie for Mazzoni each had goals. Eric third place at the expense of the Pagel (Redford) and Tom McNeil (Plymouth) were in goal for the Spartans

> Wildcats 15. Huskles 12: And everything seemed to be going so

well, at least for the Huskies. After all, they had just managed to take over first place in the MSHL at the end of last week, and in their game against the Wildcats Sunday at the Plymouth Cultural Center they had periods. But then things started to go awry. The 'Cats scored five-consecu-

tive goals in a 9:22 span to turn things around and, even after the Huskies recovered and managed to re-tie it with 3:48 left. the momentum could not be third period had cost the shifted. The Wildcats added Huskies on Sunday night. They three goals in the final 1:46 weren't about to compound that two by Brent Bessey - to surmistake with a bad start on pass the .500-mark in the MSHL standings.

Sean Kass, who was leading for the 'Cats. Brent Thomas was Shaun Harrington (Livonia) contributed a goal and an assist, Other Huskie scorers were Jay Daryl Schimmelpfenneg (Can-Storm, with two goals; Dwight ton) had a goal, and Jeremy nia) did most of the damage for Helminen, with a goal and four Motz collected two assists. The Huskies got four goals and ines for seven goals and five

Pietila totaled two goals and two Tudor (Canton) a goal and two Art Baker was in goal for the assists, Ron Pietila a goal and an assist, John Pietila got five The Spartans got a goal and assists and Kyle Joncas scored a

> Thomas Monnier (Redford Catholic Central) played goal for the 'Cats. Art Baker was in the net for the Huskies.

Broncos 8, Lakers 5: The Broncos opened up a 6-2 lead through two periods and held on against the Lakers in an MSHL game Sunday at the Plymouth Cultural Center

Nick Smyth (Rochester Hills) led the Broncos with two goals and two assists; Kyle McNeilance (Livonia) added two goals and one assist while Nick Field collected a goal and two assists and Tony Keshishian (Plymouth) got a goal and an assist. Other Bronco goals were opened up a 10-7 lead after two scored by Gord Statham and Mike Mattila

Rick Marnon (Canton) and Will Hamele split time in goal

for the Broncos. The Lakers got one goal and two assists from Nick Jardine (Bloomfield Hills); Brian Sutherland (Plymouth) and Nick Anselm (Canton) each added a goal and an assist, and Eric Dolesh (Farmington Hills) and Jeremy Majszak (Canton) both scored goals.

Lanny Jardine (Bloomfield Hills) divided time in goal for the Lak

MSHL game was over almost

swered goals in the opening peri-



Point-producer: Dwight Helminen collected a goal and four assists in the Huskies' win over the Spartans.

and eight assists.

assists Adam Krug (Livonia)

had two goals and an assist,

(Livonia) chipped in with a goal

assists. Eric Bratcher was nearly Domzalski (Livonia) and Nick as tough, collecting three goals Martens each notched a goal and an assist. Jason Basile (West Bloomfield)

Phil Osaer (Livonia) was in added three goals and two goal for the Bulldogs.

The Wolverines got two goals and an assist from Eric Hawkins (Redford Catholic Central) and a Brian Halas (Canton) got a goal and three assists, Corey Swider goal and an assist from Jim Wheaton (Plymouth). Brad Feiland two assists, and Brad Yone- er (Canton) and Todd Bentley

28 5.55 Rick Marnon (Broncos) Brandon Hothem (Lakers) 23. . . 5.70 Will Hamele (Spartans) 17 5.74 Ted Martens (Bulldogs) 23 6.61 tral) also scored goals.

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Thomas Monnier (Catholic Central) and Mike O'Keefe (Redford) were in goal for the Wolves



it's improved a lot the last two said. "I wish we had lights. It years," Brothers said. "For some gets pretty hot out there. of the new guys who have never

"But we're thankful the charplayed, I think it's a good experi- ter school (Academy of Detroit) organization. Hagelthorn is the Twisters' new back.

The Twisters' home field, head coach. His assistants include former Chicago Bear and Inkster roads, does not have Brothers, Michael Candela, (6-4, 270) also show potential lights. Admission for each each James Perkins and Jake Rath- according to Brothers. mann

adult) will be admitted free. 6-2, 240-pound linebacker-tight (Concessions and restrooms are end Aaron Brothers, who played at Akron and Central Michigan; former Ferris State player Bob uled for 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. Pensari, a 6-2, 240-pound 14 vs. Zanesville (Ohio) Fury; linebacker; 34-year-old Keith Aug. 28 vs. Lima (Ohio) Thun- Nash, a 6-2, 325-pound right hit the shorter routes. I think tackle from Detroit Martin Luther King High; and Reggie "We've been working on the receiver from Wayne High.

ty much cleared up," Brothers signal caller Rob Elswick, just 19 YMCA.

years-old, or 6-2, 215-pound Jerome Drake. Expected to start in the backfield is Eddie Trent (5-7, 190) at ence and it really opens their lets us use the field. It saved this tailback and former Eastern Michigan University gridder Former Glenn product Jason Aaron Williams (5-8, 230) at full-

Two Wayne High products, fullback Corey McClelland (6-1, Harrison) between Middlebelt Rodney Swanigan, Christian 245) and lineman Mike Kennedy "We've been primarily a run-

Several key players return ning team," Brothers said. "But including five All-Americans - this year I think we have three quarterbacks (including former Detroit Chadsey product Leonard Morawa) who can all throw the ball "We basically had the long

passing game, but now we can we're loaded this year

The Twisters Football Club is Brandon, a 5-8, 155-pound wide a non-profit organization. Revenue in excess of expenses field, the weeds have been a The quarterback position will donated to the Academy of problem but we've got that pret- go either to former Woodhaven Detroit and the Wayne-Westland

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Brandon Hothem (Troy) and

Bulldogs 20, Wolverines 5: This

from the drop of the puck. The Bulldogs scored six unan-

od and had a lead of at least five goals the remainder of the game Sunday at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Kevin Swider (Livothe 'Dogs, riddling the Wolver-

SC recruits from page CI

n goal. "My sense was, if we Child together with Sandy tad a problem anywhere on Burdziak, another SC signe the field, it was in goal," he who was all-league and all said, "I knew we were suspect city, and Emily Alford, a for ward/midfielder from Livonia

from last year's team, but a girls soccer team. she'll face competition for the starting job from Kerrie LaPorte, who played at Livonia Churchill, and Wendy Jacobs, 1998 graduate of South Lyon HS. Their addition give SC quality depth, something new goalkeeper coach Bob Roland will be expected to develop. With the losses at midfield,

one would think Tolstedt would be concerned. But the additions have allayed those fears.

Kelly Connell, from Plymouth Canton, and Kristina Seniuch, from Plymouth Salem, are "both strong players. They're going to be big

pluses for us Indeed, Tolstedt is expecting both to step in and start. But they'll still have to earn it cause there is plenty of com-

"I've always had a real strong propensity toward mid-field play," the SC coach said. "I think we have the players stedt explained, then added, there to keep us strong at that "And she has lots of speed." position."

Tolstedt has several new players who can move easily tween midfield and forward. like Lisa Abadi, an all-district a unit. But don't take too muc layer and team MVP at Dearborn Fordson; Mary Moore, another all-conference standout and team MVP at Taylor already, letters I've already Truman: Danielle Shaffer, who signed with SC out of Linden last year but had a year-old direction this program knows ankle fracture that kept her and that's where it's heading.

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nt coming in." out of action; Sarah Gregory, a The one area of concern for Plymouth native who played folstedt after last season was midfield at Dearborn Diving Shannon Brooks will return Clarenceville, a school without

> "She's going to be a real sur rise," Tolstedt said of Alford He had been tipped off about her after last fall, when Alfor played club soccer for the Red and very strong tag

other Marina Vazquez, a ecame SC's most improved expected to challenge for a

What SC will have this sea son is defensive experience which should give the newcom ers a bit of time to coagulate a time developing — as Tolstee said, "You know, I've got 15 candidates for the 2000 season gotten back."

ford Blue Stars. "I saw he play for us indoors, and was very impressed," Tolstedt said "She's very strong physically

Other recruits, like Abadi Moore and sweeper Regins Bander (from Farmington Har rison), possess "good skills and lots of enthusiasm," said Tolstedt. "They have a lot of intensi-ty." Bander could develop into Farmington HS grad who player last season and is

As for Gregory, she "has a good understanding of the tactical aspects of the game," Tol

she can protect the ball."

starter's role this fall.

There seems to be just one

Joe Bublitz of the Clarenceville Swim Club went six-for-six, not a bad average for first place finishes at the Flag City Invitational age-(2:40.5)group meet held recently in Find-

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lay, Ohio. Bublitz, an All-Observer pick from Livonia Stevenson, took highpoint honors for Boys 15-16. He also was on two first-place relays. He posted a record-breaking per-

formance in the 200-meter individ ual medley with a time of 2:19.94. Other firsts came in the 100 butterfly (1:04.37), 100 freestyle

(58.39), 50 freestyle (26.27), 200 freestyle (2:09.46), 100 backstroke (1:07.26) and 100 breaststroke (1:18.02).Teammate Brett Meconis was runner-up for high point honors in

the Boys 15-16 division after taking seconds in the 400 freestyle (4:43.13), 100 butterfly (1:10.79), 200 freestyle (2:12.13) and 100 backstroke (1:11.78). He also added a third in the 200 IM

SWIMMING

Keith Falk was second for Clarenceville in the Senior Boys division after placing first in the 1,500 freestyle (17:48.81), 200 butterfly (2:17.24), 400 freestyle (4:28.14), 100 butterfly (1:04.18), 100 freestyle (58.71) and 50 freestyle (26.85). Falk also took

third in the 200 freestyle (2:06.13) and 100 breaststroke (1:19.14). In the Girls 11-12 age bracket, Clarenceville's Julie Ward was second in points. She finished first

(1:23.33). in six events including the 100 aststroke (1:32.95), 50 freestyle (32.33), 100 butterfly (1:20.44),

Bublitz leads Clarenceville team at Flag City Invitational

100 freestyle (1:09.63), 50 breaststroke (41.74) and 200 IM (2:54.0). She also added a third in the 200 freestyle (2:06.13) and 100 breaststroke (1:19.14).

Michael Porth: first, 200 freestvie (2:03.83); 400 IM (5:04.6); second, 400 reestyle (4:28.33), 200 IM (2:25.92); 1,500 (41.51); 100 backstroke (1:33.45); third, 50 freestyle (17:52.71).

Nick Sosnowski: second, 200 backstroke (2:23.96): 100 butterfly (1:05.37): 200 freestyle (2:05.99), 100 backstroke (1:08.84); third, 1,500 freestyle (18:04.82), 400 freestyle (4:29.18).

Ted Burmelster: first, 200 breaststroke (2:44.93): second, 100 breaststroke (1:16.74). SENIOR GIRLS

Rebecca Noechel: third, 200 butterfly (2:47.13); 100 butterfly (1:15.94).

BOYS 15-16 Michael Nemer: third, 100 breaststroke

GIRLS 13-14 Stephanie Cummings: first, 200 back-

stroke (2:45.22); third, 100 backstroke (1:17.26). **GIRLS 11-12**

Kathryn Kusuplos: second, 200 freestyle (2:40.29); third, 50 backstroke (39.09). Courtney Green: second, 50 breaststroke

Unbeatable: The Canton Conquest under-12 girls soccer team finished 12-0-0 in league play and won two tournament, giving them a perfect 19-0-0 season. Team members are: laying down, keeper Alicia Hay; front row, left to right, Katie Polera, Bai ley Fagan, Colette Filman, Amy Fizicki, Megan McCarthy, Molly Priebe, Erica Arndt; standing, left to right, coach Rich Priebe, Lisa Ealy, Taylor Foley, Jennifer Little, Brittany

Armstrong, Katie Raker. Nicole Hardy, Kristen Boylan, Andrea Johnson and coach John John-

BOYS 9-10 Jeffrey Pauza: second, 50 backstroke freestyle (38.01). GIRLS 9-10

Mara Loniewski: first, 50 backstroke (42.22); 50 freestyle (34.83); second, 100 backstroke (1:31.44); second, 100 freestle (1:16.42); third, 50 breaststroke (46.87); third, 200 IM (3:22.67). Carly Burglo: first, 200 freestyle (2:45.15): third, 50 freestyle (36.0); 100 freestyle

C'VILLE RELAY WINNERS Senior Boys : Michael Port, Brett Meconis, Nick Sosnowski and Keith Falk - 800 freestyle (8:37.63); 800 medley (4:27.37). Boys 15-16: Joe Bublitz, Brett Meconis, Michael Nemer and Jon Burmeister - 400 freestyle (4:20.91); Bublitz, Meconis, Nemer and Justin Ketterer, 400 medley (4:51.41). Girls 11-12: Julie Ward, Courtney Green

Kathryn Kusuplos and Allison Goldsmith, 200 freestyle (2:13.15); 200 medley (2:31.51). Girls 10-and-under: Mara Loniewski, Carly Burgio, Kristina Navas and Anna Polkowski, 200 freestyle (2:25.25).

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REGION V JUNIOR OLYMPIC TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS July 8-11 at Plymouth Canton HS

(Due to technical difficulties, all the results from the Region V meet were not immediately available. The following are. the results from events held on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 8-11.)

Thursday, July 8 Young women's (17-18 years-old) bep-

tathion: 1. Folake James (Ohio Assoc.) --Erie Assoc.) - 3,769 points; 3. Akeya Terrell (Flying J's) - 3,513 points. Intermediate girls (15-16 years-old) hep-1:15.55.

tathion: 1. Desiree' Jones (Ohio Assoc.) --4,365 points; 2. Ahimsa Hodari (Ohio TC, 48.83; 2. Maximum Output, 48.91: 3. Assoc.) - 3.839 points; 3. Keanna Fields Capitol City Comets, 50.72. (Lake Erie Assoc.) - 3,766 points.

Intermediate boys decathion: 1. Eli White (Ohio Assoc.) - 4,428 points; 2. 3. Massle Heat TC, 4:27.24. Justin Conly (Ohio Assoc*) - 4,192 points.

11:46.07; 2. Eastside Pride TC, 12:08.31. Friday, July 9 High Jump: 1. Christine Edwards (Eastside Pride TC), 5-feet, 1-inch; 2. Heather Youth girls (13-14 years-old) pentathion:

1. Jasmine Rogers (Ohio Assoc.) - 2.061

Saturday, July 10

points.

Intermediate girls 100-meters: 1. Lauryn Williams (Detroit (Maximum Output), 12.29; 3. Angel Dooley , ton (Maximum Output), 16-10:0.

(Capitol City Comets), 12:33. 200-meters: 1. Katrice Walton (Maxi-(Maximum Output), 24.90; 3. Latosha Jol Assoc.), 30-0.75.

lett (Detroit Cheetah TC), 25.15. 400-meters: 1. Jennifer Lawson (Maximum Output), 58.05: 2. Andrea Llewellyn Assoc. 1, 40.7.0; 3. Tia Jameson (Ohio tal City Striders, 3:39.95. (Lake Erie Assoc.), 1:00.65; 3. Francesca Assoc.), 36-7.75.

Dorsey (Ohio Assoc.), 1:00.73. 2:27.10: 2. Gina Mazzone (Main Attraction Assoc.), 125-10.0: 3. Ashley Swainston TC), 2:27.57; 3. Francesca Dorsey (Ohio (Michigan Assoc.), 120-9.0.

Assoc.), 2:28.12. Assoc.), 4:58.00; 2. Tera Duff (Miami Val- Assoc.), 86-10.0; 3. Miranda Bond (Ohio

ley TC), 5:11.02; 3. Jennifer McKellar Assoc.), 84-8.0.

SWIMMING

Swim Across America

The deadline to register your team for one of the biggest swim challenges of the summer - the Lake Michigan 6-Mile Relay Swim - is fast approaching. Team registration deadline is Saturday, July 24. The relay is scheduled to leave the Ohio Street Beach in Chicago at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 31.

The race, it should be noted, is not necessarily to see who's fastest in Lake Michigan. This is a Swim for Cancer, to ald the Cardinal Bernardin Cancer Cen ter in Maywood, IH.

Those without teams need not be left out. You will be placed on a team. Funds are asked to be collected prior

to the swim, including the matching funds companies agree to donate. shirts and goody bags will be available to participants.

Also: A tentative captains meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, July 29 at the Ohio Street Beach. To receive registration information,

call (708) 216-SWIM, or e-mail your address to edgelane@msn.com.

Pizzaman Swims

The Domino's Pizzaman Swims are scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m. Sunday. July 25 at Big Portage Lake, located in the Waterloo Recreation Area in Waterloo. The 1.5-mile open water swim will consist of three half-mile laps.

Entry fee is \$18 for late en USAT license will be required to com pete in the swim. For those not possessing one, a one day license may be purchased at registration for \$5.

Race day registration will be from 6:30-7:30 a.m. at the park, or from 2.5 p.m. Saturday, July 24 at the Tortoise & Hare Concept Store, located in the Traver Village Mall on Plymouth in Ann Arbor. Entries are available by calling (734) 662-1000, or by faxing (734)

Coastal Crawl

The Harbor Springs Coastal Crawl. featuring a one-mile, two-mile or threemile open water swim in Little Traverse Bay, will be Aug. 1 at Zorn Park, locat ed on Bay Street in Harbor Springs. Check in is 7-7:55 a.m., there is a mandatory meeting at 8 a.m.

The three-mile race begins at 8.30 a.m., followed by the two-mile at 8:45 a.m. and the one-mile at 9 a.m. Average water temperature for Aug. 1 is 65

Entry fee is \$20, which includes a picnic lunch Applications are available by sending a self-addressed, stamped enve lope to Marilyn Early, 6212 Emmet Hts Harbor Springs, MI, 49740, Mail check and application to the Hammerhead Swim Club. c/o Erin Fortune, 3125 Valley View Trait, Harbor Springs, MI. 49740 by July 18 Registrations are lim ited to the first 150 applicants

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(Miami Valley TC), 5:13:68. 3,000-meters: 1. Brittyn Vollmar (Ohio mum Output), 10.74; 2. Theodore Dues Assoc.), 11:20.36; 2. Lisa Bensman (Ohio Assoc.), 11:48:47; 3. Amanda Husted (Capital City Striders), 10.90; 3. Lance (Miami Valley TC), 12:17.99. Gailliard (Maximum Output), 10.96.

4x100-meter relay: 1. Detroit Cheetah

4x400-meter relay: 1. Maximum Output

Assoc.), 33-8.75; 2. Amanda Austin (Ohio

Shot put: 1. Becky Breisch (Michigan

Javelin; 1. Jenna Rebensdgrf (Ohio

4:03.90: 2. Main Attraction TC, 4:05.35:

(Ohio Assoc.), 4-7.

Assoc.)

3000-meter race-walk: 1. Samantha 200-meters: 1. Damon Sherrill (Detroit Cheetah TC), 22.06: 2. Johnnie Drake Whetherholt (Miami Valley TC), 21:17.09. 100-mater hurdles: 1. Amanda Mullins- (Maximum Output), 22.45; 3. Lance Gall-Hall (Cincinnati All-stars TC), 14.86; 2. liard (Maximum Output), 22.68. Keanna Fields (Lake Erie Assoc.), 15.03; 400-meters: 1. Damon Sherrill (Detfoit

400-meter hurdles: 1. Jillian Brown (Maximum Output), 52.12; 3. Quincy 3.902 points; 2. Richelle Wardell (Lake: (Ohio Assoc.), 1:10.54; 2. Amanda: Edwards (Ohio Assoc.), 52.33. Mullins-Hall (Cincinnati All-stars TC), 1:12.94; 3. Laniese Lucky (Ohio Assoc.), TC), 2:03.55; 3. Stephen Powell (Ohio 129-5.0.

> Assoc.), 2:04.31 1,500-meters: 1. Manvir Gill (Raptor C), 4:22.75; 2. Donnie Warner (Raptor mum Output), 11.93; 2. Tanea Green Assoc.), 42-0.5; 2. Naysa Gockenbach TC), 4:25.44; 3. Stephen Powell (Ohio

Intermediate boys

Assoc.), 4:30.41. 3,000-meters: 1. Abdi Adam (Toledo Alive), 9:17:01; 2. Michael Montgomery mum Output), 24.53; 2. Tanea Green - Assoc.), 118-6.0; 2. Stacle Lemke (Lake 4x800-meter relay: 1. Miami Valley TC, (Ohio Assoc.), 9:59.72; 3. Tyler Thompson

> (Ohio Assoc.), 10:03.27. 3.000-meter race-walk: 1. Brian Davis (Ohio Assoc.) 17:08.80.

Byrne (Ohio Assoc.), 4-11; 3. Katle Young Pole vault: 1. Kim Wise (Michigan (Ohio Assoc.), 14,48: 2. Brandon Woodson Grimm (Ohio Assoc.), 1:00.18. (Lake Erie Assoc.), 14.98; 3, Byron Win-

Long jump: 1. Zakiya Harris (Lake Erie bush (Ohio Assoc.), 15.08. Assoc.), 17-11.5; 2. Keanna Fields (Lake Cheetah TC), 12.01; 2. Katrice Walton Erie Assoc.), 16-11.5; 3. Taylor Washing (Ohio Assoc.), 58.14; 2. Byron Winbush rick (Ohio Assoc.), 2:32.85. (Ohio Assoc.), 58.62; 3. Nick Spurlock

Triple lump: 1. Jillian Brown (Ohio (Lane 4 TC), 1:02.66. 4x100-meter relay: 1. Maximum Output, mum Output), 24.69; 2. Jennifer Lawson Assoc.), 30-8.5; 3. Angela Dahiel (Ohio 43.45; 2. Unity Life Striders, 45.40; 3. Excell TC, 50.95

4x400-meter relay: 1. Maximum Output. Assoc.), 47-1.50; 2. Jillian Weiner (Ohio 3:33.21; 2. Toledo Alive, 3:39.54; 3. Capi-gan Assoc.), 13:46.40; 3. Kristy Bruner

High jump: 1. Brandon Woodson (Lake Discus: 1. Becky Breisch (Michigan Erie Assoc.), 6-4.25; 2. Joshua Voorhes 800-meters: 1. Lauren Dozier (Swift TC). Assoc.). 141-10.0: 2. Jillian Weiner (Ohio (Excell TC), 5-8.75; 3. Charles Goodlow

(unattached), 5-8.75. Pole vault: 1. Michael Richmond (Ohio Assoc.); 2. Kyle Roy (Michigan Assoc.); 3. 1,500-meters: 1. Brittyn Vollmar (Ohio Assoc.), 93-4.0; 2. Jillian Weiner (Ohio Ryan Shannon (Grand Rapids TC). Long Jump: 1. Dallafrancis Moore (Ohio (Ohio Assoc.), 1:09.68.

Assoc.), 20.9.0; 2. Rafael Manriquez (Ohio

100-meters: 1. Johnnie Drake (Maxi- (Lake Erie Assoc.), 20-4.25.

TC), 32-10.25. Shot put: 1. Stephen Lammers (Ohio Assoc.), 5-8; 3. Amanda Young (Ohio Assoc.), 46-9.50; 2, Brian Bing (Gina's Assoc.), 5-1. Thunderbirds TC), 44-1.50; 3. Andy Walker (Eastside Pride TC), 43-9.75.

Discus: 1. Jonathan Meenach (Ohie Assoc.), 142-4.0; 2. Stephen Eammers ginia). 3. Courtney Johnson (Ohio Assoc.), 15.20. Cheetah TC), 50.69; 2. Steven Tucker (Ohio Assoc.), 129-9.0; 3. Tim Nguyeh (Ohio Assoc.), 128-8.0. Javelin: 1. Shawn Amett (Ohio Assoc.), 800-meters: 1. Abdi Adam (Toledo 148-9.0; 2. Justin Conly (Ohio Assoc.), Estrict (Main Attraction TC) 17-1.50

Alive), 2:01:04; 2. Vershawn Miller (Swift 132-5.0; 3. Linton Lewis (Ohio Assoc.), Young womens 100-meters: 1. Melanie Williams (Maxi-

> Chic (Capital City Striders), 12.33. 200-meters: 1. Melanie Williams (Maxi-

Morris (Michigan Assoc.), 25.16.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Jason Hodges (Michigan Assoc.), 59.28; 3. Jennifer Assoc.), 48-10.0. 800-meters: 1. Kia Flowers (Main

Attraction TC), 2:24.35; 2. Imani Williams (Ohio Assoc.), 10.81; 2. Derrick Johnson Assoc.), 41-6.5; 2. Adam Bray (Lake Erie 400-meter hurdles: 1, Jason Hodges (Maximum Output), 2:29.27; 3. Abby Ham-1.500-meters: 1. Abby Hamrick (Ohio

> Assoc.), 5:02.15; 2. Shelby Pride (Ohio Assoc.), 5:15.24; 3. Molly McNally (Lake Erie Assoc.), 5:31.52.

3.000-meters: 1. Shelby Pride (Ohio Assoc.), 11:37.55; 2. Kristi Wheble (Michi-

West Virginia), 16:12.29. 100-meter hurdles: 1. Lebren Martin

nati All-stars TC), 15.80. 400-meter hurdles: 1. Lebren Martin (Ohio Assoc.), 1:05.41; 2. Erica Reese (Ohio Assoc.), 4:18.53; 2. Jimmy Middle-

4x400-meter relay: 1 Maximum Output.

REGIONAL JUNIOR OLYMPIC TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS Assoc.); 20-4.5; 3. Virgil Lee Robinson 3:51.71; 2. Cincinnati All-stars, 4:32-68: 3. Lade 4 TC, 4:41.80. Triple jump: 1. Edward Brown (Stingers High jump: 1. Christina Estrict (Main

Pole vault: 1. Stephanie Teeple (Michi-

gan Assoc.): 2. Anna Vandrie (Grand Rapids TC); 3. Jennifer Jenkins (West Vir-

Attraction TC), 17-5.25; 3. Christina Larkins (Ohio Assoc.), 57.15.

Assoc.), 33-6.5; 2. Lauri Pietz (Ohio 4x400-meter relay: 1. Dayton Gem Elite, Assoc.), 27-1.25:

Shot put: 1. Alexis McCall (Lake Erie 3. Toledo Alive, 3:27.87. (Ohio Assoc.), 36-4.25.

Discus: 1. Beth Hochstetler (Ohio Cothren (Ohio Assoc.), 6-0.75. son (Detroit Cheetah TC), 113-5.0.

400-meters: 1. Erica Burks (Main Javelin: 1. Richelle Wardell (Lake Erie

Young mens 100-meters: 1. Jeremy Richardson (West Virginia), 10.89; 3. Martin Jackson Assoc), 38-2.0; 3. Brent Pickering (Ohio (Ohio Assoc.), 10.92.

200-meters: 1. Jererhy Richardson (Ohio Assoc.), 21.85; 2. Martin Jackson (Ohio Assoc.), 50-10.25; 2. Larry Piggee (Grand Assoc.), 22.05; 3. Eddie Whitehead (West Rapids TC), 50-10.25; 3. Joshua Whisman

Virginia), 22.16. 400-meters: 1. Jesus Wardi (Dayton Gem Elite), 50.32; 2. Jonathan Mullins-Hall Assoc.), 184 7.0; 2. Jason Caldwell (Lake (Ohio Assoc.), 50.38; 3. Chris Bowman Erie Assoc.), 161-4.0; 3. Brian Knippen

(Unity Life Striders), 50.84. 800-meters: 1. Jason Thurman (Detroit (Ohio Assoc.), 14.80; 2. Joi Hall (Ohio Cheetah TC), 1:57.77; 2. Jeremy Auer 150.7.0; 2. Matt Coniy (Ohio Assoc.), 148-Assoc.), 15.59; 3, Delilah Johnson (Cincin- (Detroit Cheetah TC), 1:59.48; 3, Kai Mur 6:0; 3, Jeffrey Finegan (Ohio Assoc.), 144-

ray (Eastside Pride TC), 1:59.72. 1,500-meters: 1. Bartholomew Smith

(Capital City Striders), 1:08.98; 3. Joi Hall ton (Capital City Striders), 4:35.32; 3. Kentucky Warriors, 10-minutes, 42.88-sec-Ryan Shoemaker (Ohio Assoc.), 5:06.93. onds: 2. Eastside Pride Track Club. 5.000-meters: 1. Bartholomew Smith 11:35.96

(Ohio Assoc.), 16:38.96; 2. Justin Keyes Red Glare TC), 18:23.83. 3,000-meter race-walk: 1. Dan Dalton

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Ohio Assoc.), 14:52.48. 110-meter hurdles: 1. Eddie Lee Larkins

(Ohio Assoc.), 14.71; 2. Justin Stokes (Unity Life Striders), 14.83; 3. Tarrence Daugherty (Detroit Cheetah TC), 14.90. 400-meter hurdles: 1. Javin Tucker (Day

Long jump: 1. Kia Flowers (Main Attrac- ton Gem Elite), 54.88; 2. Matthew Weaver tion TC), 17-6.75; 2. Tara Conley (Main (Detroit Cheetah TC), 56.57; 3. Eddle Lee

4x100-meter relay: 1. Maximum Output. Triple jump: 1. Adriana Leigh (Ohio 43.25; 2. Capitol City Comets, 44.21.

3:20.99: 2. Detroit Cheetah TC, 3:24.13; High jump: 1. Jordan Chapman (Michi-

(Cincinnati Ali-stars TC), 12.15; 3. Ciarra (Ohio Assoc.), 36-5.0; 3. Molly Winter gan Assoc.), 6-2.75; 2. William Woodard (Kentucky Assoc.), 6-0.75; 3: Scott

Pole vault: 1. Robert Tant (Capital City (Cincinnati All-stars TC), 25.03; 3. Angka Erie Assoc.), 116-11.0; 3. Kimberly Samp Striders); 2. Jordan Chapman (Michigan Assoc); 3. Wayne Ratliff (Ohio Assoc.). Long jump: 1. Brandon Howard (Capitol Attraction TC), 57.95; 2. Angka Morris Assoc.), 108-11.0; 2. Safiya Hodari (Ohio City Comets), 22-3.0; 2. Jason Munsch (Ohio Assoc.), 21-11.0; 3. Antuan Hall

> Ohio Assoc.). 21-8.75. Tripte jump: 1. Jason Munsch (Ohio

Assoc.), 38-0.0. Shot put: 1 Jason Caldwell (Lake Erie

(Ohio Assoc.), 48-10.0. Discus: 1. Tzouanakis Tony (Kentucky-(Ohio Assor) 158-1.0

Javelin: 1. Brian Knippen (Ohio Assoc.). 3.0

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Youth girls 4x800-meter relay: 1. West

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Attraction TC), 5-8; 2. Ryan Bennett (Ohio (Ohio Assoc.), 14:06.59; 2. Eric Smith

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BY STEVE KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER

Wrestling and baseball only

eem to go hand in hand when a batter rushes the pitcher's

That's not the kind of play that attracted Jack Falvo to America's Favorite Pasttime so those who knew him growing up are probably wondering what turned him on to baseball and softball.

Jack was strictly a wrestler as a kid, good enough to compete at Western Michigan University after earning all-state honors at Dearborn Fordson.

It had to be his cousin, Redford Township resident Mark Falvo, formerly the Dearborn Divine Child baseball coach who is now an assistant coach at Henry Ford Community College.

Switching his allegiance, he spends springtime coaching the Farmington Hills Mercy girls softball team, on which his daughter Dana plays, and summertime coaching the Michigan Lake Area Rams 10-under team, for which his son Jonathon plays.

Joining the cousins on the Rams' coaching staff are Nick Falvo, Jack's oldest son, and Tom Whiting. The Rams, with three players from Redford and three from Farmington Hills,

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"I always say to Jack 'Remember who taught you this game," Mark said, laughing. "Sometimes it's bad for him because he'll go up to the plate and the pire will say 'Are you related to Mark?' and He'll say, 'Wait, before I can answer that, is that good or bad?"

Mark and Jack have sons the same age who two years ago played on different teams. Last the second round where they dis year the elder Falvos decided to sponsor

Nick played for the Rams growing up. Sean Falvo is rage with three hits, including Mark's son and Jonathon is Jack's son. "We had an all nine-year-old

team last year and took our the Rams with five runs. lumps, I think we won six games," Mark Falvo recalled. The kids hung together, had Falvo said. fun, improved so much. If you had told me a year and a half ago this team would win districts and be 29-9, you'd get a lot of bets against that. Everyone told me just wait a year, there'll

It's all about you!

be a big difference, and boy has there been. We've gotten bigger and better, and it's a pleasure to ratch." The Rams, financed by Dan

Varon, recorded a 4-1 record to

win the double-elimination dis trict. The Rams won their first two games Thursday, starting with a 25-8 victory over the Rochester Rockies. The final score is

deceiving, very deceiving. Remarkably, the Rams scored 18 runs in the top of the sixth to turn a 7-7 score into a rout.

"They were all base hits, no 'gimmes,' " Mark Falvo said.

The win sent the Rams into posed of the Detroit PAL Pirates consolidate teams, and Nick 38-0, a game called after four Falvo secured the Rams as a innings because of the mercy

> Nick Davenport led the bartwo doubles, and Brandon Malinowski added two hits. Tom

Whiting (Farmington Hills) led "We were bunting in the last couple innings just to get outs,"

The Rams started Friday with a 7-6 win over the Grand Rapids

Braves, scoring a run in the bottom of the sixth to break a 6-6

tie.

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The Rams suffered their first

setback, 8-1, to the Saline Horsingle by Jonathon Falvo nets in the next round that afternoon, but with only one loss still fourth. received a berth in the district's championship game. Morris walked, stole second base

Because the Rockies and Hornets received first-round byes. they had to play each other in the semifinal The Rockies beat the Hornets and jumped to a 3-0 lead with three runs in the top of the first against the Rams in the champi

9-5, for the championship. Drew Davenport settled down after the shaky first and went on to pitch a complete-game five

five strikeouts. "When you walk one hitten

of trouble," Mark Falvo said. The Rams rallied impressively

They scored one in the bottom

ble by Davenport. "The two little guys (Falvos)

'thumpers' on after that,' " Mark Falvo said

that scored Evan Morris (West Bloomfield), who had doubled and advanced to third on a bunt

onship game. But the Rams recovered and beat the Rockies,

hitter, walking only one with

you're going to keep yourself out

of the first on walks to Jonathon Falvo and Sean Falvo and a dou-

can run and we put the

The Rams cut the deficit to 3-2 on a ground out by Sean Falvo

The Rams erupted for six runs

throughout the game.

in the bottom of the fifth for the championship. . Sean Falvo started the rally with a single and stolen base. A base hit by Davenport and walk

to Steve McCollum loaded the

A walk to Duane Henderson forced in a run for a 4-4 tie.

Morris' three-run triple gave the Rams a 7-4 lead. Plinka brought Morris home with a bunt. Plinka scored the final run on Jonathon Falvo's

The teams traded runs in the

The Rams' run came after

and went to third on a wild

pitch. Nick Plinka's (Redford)

ground out scored him to cut the

Rams' deficit to 4-3.

ground out to shortstop. The Falvos have their sons on the team, of course, and another player from New Boston who almost seems like family to

Mark Falvo: Jonathon Cervenak. Cervanek's older brother, Mike Cervenak, played shortstop for Falvo at DC before going on to star at University of Michigan.

The younger Cervenak plays "A lot of times at this age you get on first base and second and third are automatic bases with

steals," Mark Falvo said. "But

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NATIONAL LEAGUE SCHEDULE

(all double-headers at 6 p.m.)

Thursday, July 22: Diamonds vs. Hor

nets at North Farmington; Cyclones vs.

Thunder at Livonia Stevenson; Knights

vs. Cobras at Livonia Churchill: Lasers

Saturday, July 22: All-Star Game at

Shiawassee Park in Farmington, 7 p.m.

vs. Lancers at Livonia Ladywood.

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with Jonathon, he can make the the throw down there and can get people out at second and

The Rams were allowed to draft one player from the district to take to regionals and they elected to take Saline pitcher Casey Dishman, an easy choice according to Mark Falvo.

"He's beat us three times this year," he said. "We asked the kids who they wanted to take and it was him unanimously.] don't care what level you're play ing. The guy who makes the biggest difference is on the

Mark Falvo gives the players parents and Varon a good deal of the credit for the team's success.

"The key to any little league or ounger team is the parents," he said. "Both the mothers and fathers are at the ballgames, al positive. The most important thing is to have fun at this age Dan is very supportive, loves the game of baseball, especially the young kids."

The Rams finished the Little Caesars League with a 17-6 record for second place.

The Falvos won't coach togeth er again until next summer because this combination just won't work in softball. Marl Falvo said.

"I don't think the girls could take me," said Mark, laughing.

AMERICAN LEAGUE SCHEDULE

(playoff games at 6 p.m.)

Thursday, July, 22: First place vs

Second place at Farmington Hills Mercy

(Diamond No. 1); third place vs. fourth

place at Livonia Ladywood; fifth place

vs. sixth place at Farmington Hills

Mercy (Diamond No. 2); seventh place

Saturday, July 22: All-Star Game at

vs. eighth place at Livonia Franklin.

Shiawasse Park in Farmington, 7 p.m.

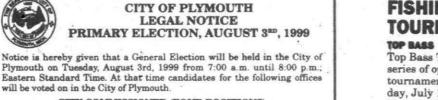
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SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Also to be voted on will be separate ballot issues for the following: VACANCY POSITION FOR CITY COMMISSION (2 years)

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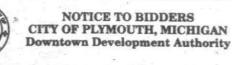
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Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan Downtown Development Authority will receive sealed proposals and bids until 2:00 n.m. local time on Thursday, August 5, 1999 for the following SOLID WASTE AND RESOURCE RECOVERY PROGRAMS to include commercial refuse pick up and recycling options

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Linda Langmesse City Clerk 201 S. Main Plymouth, MI 48170

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State Park on Sunday, July 18.

Participants are asked to meet

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parking lot behind McDonald's

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Lake Road, in Bloomfield Hills

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BASS ASSOCIATION The Downriver Bass Association

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

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information

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The River Bend Sports Shop Fly Tving Club meets every other week in Southfield. Call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474 for more information.

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PONTIAC LAKE Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in

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there is no pre-registration. Call Elmer Daniels at (734) 729-1762 or Steve Randles at (734) 422-5813 for more information. Addi tional stops on the Top Bass Tournament Trail are July 31 or Sanford Lake, and Aug. 14-15 on Wixom Lake.

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold its annual Tournament for Toys. a two-man team open charity bass tournament 5:30 a.m. Sunday, July 18, on Lake St. Clair. Entry fee is \$80 per boat. To register and for more information call Roy Ran dolph at (248) 542-5254. Oakland Bass Masters will hold additional tournaments Aug. 8 on Orchard Lake, Aug. 29 on



Lobdell Lake, and Sept. 26 on

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Ages 8-12 will learn about the outdoors during this program, which begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 31, at Independence Oaks. The club will also meet Aug. 28.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS Maybury State Park, Proud

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SIMPLY PUT

Romantic SWF, 60, 5'2", brown more. Ad#.3131 118lbs.. with hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, travel, the theater, long Settle down with this SWPCF walks and more, would like to meet a trustworthy SWM, who enjoys cooking, travel 55-65, with similar interests, and church activities. She's Ad#.5555

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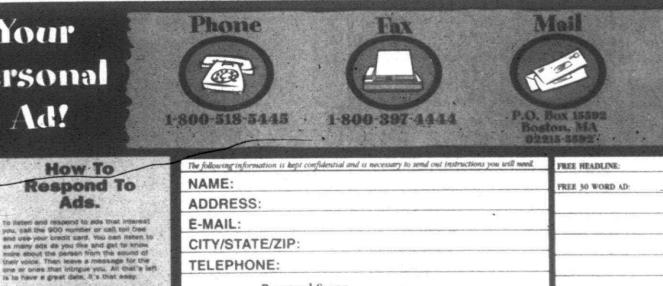
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Nobody on the Dabco Tool softball team spoke of creating a dynasty like the one they eclipsed Sunday when the team won the annual Farmington Founders Festival tournament.

The Dabco Tool players were too happy celebrating their new role as 1999 champions after ending years of frustration as they watched Velluccis win five straight titles.

"We've been playing in this thing for 12 years; it's just good to finally win," said Dabco Tool pitcher Rich Fruitman, who was named the tournament's most valuable player by his teammates.

"We came up short every year. We'd always make it to Sunday and then lose to Vladimir's or Vellucci (which played under the Compuware name this year)."

Dabco Tool was undefeated but lost the first game of the finals to Vladimir's, 10-9. But it rebounded with a 15-11 victory in the winnertake-all contest at Founders Park.

The best finish we ever had was third, so it's great to finally come through and win it," Dabco Tool player/manager Jeff Temple said. "It's the first time I've been on a championship team. To win the hometown tournament is a big thrill.

Dabco Tool defeated Sand's Lounge, Greene's and Vladimir's on Saturday and then Shamrocks in the winners bracket final Sunday while Vladimir's was fighting its way through the losers bracket, knocking out defending champion Vellucci along the way.

"It was still a rough road ahead with the heat and humidity," Vladimir's manager and tournament icon Mark McDonald said. "We had three more to get to the final to win it all."

Vladimir's defeated Shamrocks, 294 12, to earn the right to face Dabco Tool in the finals, but McDonald wished there had been a mercy rule in the losers bracket final.

"We had to play seven innings when the game was out of reach after the first inning," he said. "That played on our minds, because we were all gung-ho to get it done in five and play Dabco. That wore us down a little bit."

Vladimir's led all the way in the first game of the championship round, but Dabco Tool rallied with four runs

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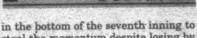
seeds during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Thurs-

day, July 15, at Highland. CONSTELLATION HIKE

class, which will be held at 7

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steal the momentum despite losing by a run, 10-9.

"We knew we could hit eventually," Temple said. "We were still up; we really thought we could take it. I think there was more pressure on them, because they had to beat us twice.

Dabco Tool started the second game with three runs in its first at-bat. Its lead grew to 7-0 in the third inning, and it doubled with a seven-run fourth.

"What gave them confidence was they came back and made the first game closer than it should have been," McDonald said.

"That made them believe they could keep the ball rolling, and that's exactly what they did. And they sorta held their breath when we had that big inning.

With Dabco Tool ahead 15-2, Vladimir's rallied to score nine runs in the bottom of the fifth to make the game interesting.

But Vladimir's never scored again, leaving runners at the corners in the sixth and going down in order in the seventh

"It wasn't safe by any means," said Temple of the four-run, 15-11 lead. "But, if you give a team one big inning, you can usually hold them. I still felt confident, and I'm sure all the other guys did, too."

Fruitman, who has been refining his craft since he started

pitching in the intramural softball program at Michigan State University in 1982, stopped Vladimir's when he needed to. Dabco Tool had a 20-17 edge in hits.

"I wanted to throw strikes and let the pliys behind me catch the ball," he said. "I was trying to throw a knuckleball and let the wind take it and bring it in over the

RBI. Rob Dace had two hits and knocked in three runs. Dean Temple, Duane Horecki, Bryan Bossco, Jeff Temple. and Fruitman added two hits each. Pope and Dean Temple also'scored three runs apiece. Horecki and Bossco had single RBI on base hits.

"We were hitting the ball a lot better this year," Jeff Temple said. "Plus, Fruity was pitching real well. He had a shutout in one game and a couple others he only gave up four or five runs. That's why we voted him the MVP of the tournament."

Vladimir's Kurt Perry was 3-for-3 and Brian Smolinski 3-for-4; Greg Tome drove in three runs with a sacrifice fly and a double; Dave Timmis and Dave Tome had two hits each. Dave Schultz, Perry, Mike Gibson, Mike Rudin and Dave Tome had RBI singles.

"We knew we could chip away (at the 14-0 deficit)," McDonald said. "Our mentality was 'Cut it in half and go from there.

"The key was when we didn't get the big two-out hit in the bottom of the sixth (with runners at the corners). (Greg Tome, who hit a flyout to center field) didn't pull the ball enough. It would've been a home run if he pulled it a little more. When we didn't get that, it sorta deflated our momentum."

In Vladimir's 10-9 win over Dabco Tool, Timmis hit a pair of RBI doubles; Dave Tome had two RBI with a double and a sacrifice fly; Rudin drove in two runs with a solo homer and a sacrifice fly. Ronnie Bol, Dave Schultz, Greg Tome and Mike Petrovich had one RBI each.

BY MARTY BUDNER STAFF WRITER

John McEnroe won't be there, but Jimmy Connors and Bjorn Borg will be in action. Add such players as Mats Wilander, Yannick Noah, Mel Purcell and court comedian Mansour Bahrami and you have an attractive field of senior tennis stars.

Officials are hoping that group of aging, but still competitive and very highly recognized, tennis players will serve up plenty of entertainment this week in the fifth annual Mentadent Joe Dumars Champions tournament at the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club.

The Mentadent Senior Tennis Circuit tournament. that is combined with the Joe Dumars Celebrity Tennis Classic, began last night and is slated to conclude Sunday afternoon with championship finals in both singles and doubles play.

The first three senior tournaments were played at the Fairlane Tennis Club in Dearborn. Officials moved the tournament to Bloomfield Hills last summer and

the players are happy to return to the regal BOH

complex this year. "I'm looking forward to returning to Bloomfield Hills," said Connors, who lost last year's singles championship to McEnroe. "The fans love the tennis and it's always been a great place to play.

Purcell, who is currently sixth overall in the senior tour standings, is coming off a second-place finish at the recent circuit stop in New York, A former Wimbledon quarterfinalist, Purcell has been a steady performer on the senior tour like he was as a regular touring professional.

"I played three tournaments since '94, and every year since then I've averaged about eight tournaments a year so basically you can say I've pretty much been a (senior tour) regular," said Purcell, who is the head tennis coach at Murray State University (Kentucky) during the winter months.

"I got to the finals of the

New York tournament about a month ago, beating (Andres) Gomez, (Guillermo) Vilas and McEnroe, so if you hang around long enough you're going to get a few good wins. You know, some weeks the guys aren't in the best shape as they are maybe the week before just being 40 years old. Some days you wake up feeling a little stronger than others.

"I've been lucky enough to make a few hundred thousand dollars on the tour. That's something I didn't think I'd be able to do when I retired in 1990," he said. The tour's been a good thing for everybody who's been involved." The top-seeded Connors

plays his first match 7 p.m. Friday against the winner Thursday's match of between Vilas and Johan Kriek. Connors is the senior circuit's top player and has won two of the seven domestic events this season.

Borg is scheduled to play his first-round match 1 p.m. Thursday against John Fitzgerald. Borg and fellow Swede Wilander combined to win 18 Grand Slam title during their playing days.;

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plate.' In the final game, Dabco Tool's Buddy Pope had four straight hits and ended up 4for-5 with four RBI; Alex Sarafin was 3-for-4 with two

this program, which 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 16, at Maybury.

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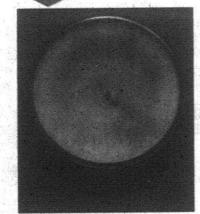
FRIDAY

Comedian Bill Barr performs 7:30 p.m. at Heritage Park, in the Canton Recreation complex, 1150 S. Canton



Center Road, south of Cherry Hill. Musical comedy impressionist Ron Parker will open the show. No charge; call (734) 397-5110 for information.

SATURDAY



Elizabeth Lurie of Farmington Hills will sell functional wares and this wall piece at the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair on South and East University and Church streets. The fair, one of three, is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information about the Ann Arbor Art Fairs, call (800) 888-9487 or visit the Ann Arbor Convention and Visitors Bureau Web site www.annarbor.org

SUNDAY



The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, led by David Alan Miller, presents "A Song of Broadway"

Musical: Brad Ellison (left to right) portrays Albert Peterson, M. Brian Odgen, Conrad Birdie, and Rebecca Hyke, Kim MacAfee, in Stagecrafters Youth Theatre's production of "Bye Bye Birdie."

Youth theater rocks with





BY SUSAN B. TAUBER STAFF WRITER stauber@oe.homecomm.net

t do an Elvis-like rock-n www.reli idol, his manager and secretary, an overpowering mother and a bunch of all-American kids in saddle shoes add up to?

The fun, upbeat, family musical, "Bye Bye Birdie," book by Michael Steward, music by Charles Strouse and lyrics by Lee Adams.

Stagecrafters Youth Theatre is presenting seven performances of this entertaining show beginning 7 p.m. Friday, July 23. All performances are at the historic Baldwin Theater, 415 South Lafayette in Royal Oak.

Additional performances are 7 p.m. Saturday, July 24 and Thursday through Saturday, July 29-31. Sunday matinees are 2 p.m., July 25 and Aug. 1. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for youths 17 and younger. For informa-

aspects of theater." "Bye Bye Birdie" also represents the first time Stagecrafters Youth Theatre is doing a full-fledged cal production instead of a mo

scaled-down children's show. "This musical is a big undertaking for these kids," Pierce of Royal Oak

added. "Because of the size of the show, it's the first time we're having a youth theater production run for two weekends.

Pierce, who seems to always be at the theater working at the sewing machine or putting together costumes from used clothing, has known many of the youths in the show since they ere eight years old

Brad Ellison, 17, is one of these.

The Royal Oak resident has acted with youth theater since he was eight. Since he graduated all High School this year, this is his last youth theater show. He plays Albert, the manager of Birdie, an Elvis-Presley-like heart-throb who's on his way to join the armed forces. Ellison is going to Oakland University in the fall, where he'll major in music theater.



roll idol Conrad Birdie (M. Brian Ogden) seems to contemplate his future since he has been drafted.

He's also busy rehearsing for the part of Joseph in Stagecrafters' upcoming production of "Joseph and the Amaz-

Although he's only 13, Justin Noroyan of Farmington Hills has many Stagecrafters productions under his belt.

"I tried out for this play because I thought it would be a fun thing to do this summer," said the Warner Middle School student. He's happy with his role as the younger brother, Randolph, in the MacAfee family.

"I like this role because the character is younger. He's not into the boygirl thing yet," Noroyan said.

Please see BIRDIE, E2

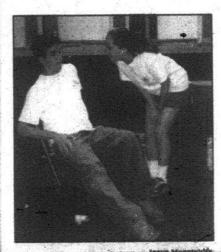
Young thespians 'act up' at Cranbrook

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER kwygonik@oe.home

Jessica Gorchow of Troy spent three summers studying acting at the Crack brook Theatre School, but this year she's working in the costume depart ment.

"It was fun," said Gorchow about the summer program she attended in junior high. "It was a chance to meet kids that were not from my school. I was always interested in theater. You learn a lot through doing scenes from plays and attending classes. In the final week, you present a show. It's the best experience, it's a little stressful, but it prepared me for theater in high school

Students in Cranbrook Theatre School's junior division, grades three through eight presented the musical "Bye Bye Birdie" July 20-21. On Monday-Tuesday, July 26-27, the senior division, grades nine-12, will present



Acting: Michael Williams and Heidi Bennett perform "The Tide that Binds" a short play by John Rutherford.

What: Cranbrook	"Our Town."
Theatre School, senior division, presents "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder, 8 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, July 26-27, Where: Outdoor	The perfor- mances are the culmination of the program that began the third week of June. Stu- dents in the junior
Greek Theatre, Cranbrook Campus, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets: \$5 at the door. Call (248) 645-1576 for more	division attend for five weeks, and the senior division six weeks. "Students come from all over the metro area," said

featuring vocalists Lisa Vroman and Brent Barrett 7:30 p.m., at the Meadow Brook Music Festival on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. Tickets \$8 to \$50, call (313) 576-5111, (248) 377-0100, or (248) 645-6666.



Cool jazz takes center stage at the seventh annual Birmingham JazzFest Thursday-Saturday. Free concerts will take place in the heart of downtown Birmingham at Shain Park, south of Maple Road, between Henrietta and Bates streets. Key-boardist Jeff Lorber performs 7 p.m. Saturday. Participating nearby restaurants are also featuring jazz performers. Admission is free. For more information, call (248) 433-FEST. See schedule on page E4.

tion call (248) 541-6430.

We have a group of 36 very talented and energetic kids on stage and that many behind the scenes for this show," said director Deborah Landis-Sigler. "I'm really proud of what they're going to present to the public."

"All of the actual work is being done by the kids," added youth theater chairwoman Margaret (Peg) Pierce (her daughter, Katie, is in the show). "Besides the actors on stage, the kids are also working behind the scenes on props, production, lights, sound, costumes and more. We feel it's important to give them experience in all



Family ties: M. Brian Ogden (on bike) portrays Conrad Birdie, who gets involved with the MacAfee family, played by Justin Noroyan (left), Brian Thibault, Shauna Mancini and Rebecca Hyke.

program director information. Joyce Morehouse Bloomfield of Hills. "Everyone gets a speaking part.

Each child has one moment in the sun.

The philosophy is "learning by doing." Students attend classes and practice doing scenes from a variety of plays. They get a lunch break and chance to swim in Lake Jonah on campus, which is really a pool.

"We believe everyone can use theatrical skills," said Morehouse. "We're not interested in producing stars, but

Please see THESPIANS, E3

SUMMER THEATER Shakespeare festival creates intimate outdoor setting

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER fprovenzano@ mm.net

The popular and critical success of Academy Award-winning "Shakespeare In Love," "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and the anticipation of the soon-to-be-released "Titus Andronicus" only validates what Shakespearean actors, scholars and admirers have known: The 16th-century bard from Stratfordupon-Avon with a gift for lush poetry and a turn of a phrase is eternally relevant.

The outdoor setting of this year's Michigan Shakespeare Festival, beginning tonight, and continuing through Sunday, Aug. 8, honors the tradition of theater to "reach out" past the stage and make drama accessible to anyone willing to listen.

Don't expect slick Hollywood productions.

"The joy of Shakespeare is coming to terms with the language," said John Neville-Andrews, artistic director of the festival,

Set amid the rolling hills of Ella Sharp Park in Jackson, the festival is hardly along the beaten trail for metro Detroiters. Then again, Stratford, Ontario isn't exactly a spin down I-75

The five-year-old festival, which expanded from two to three weeks this year, strives for authenticity.

What: Michigan Shakespeare Festival When: Thursday, July 22 to Sunday, Aug. 8 Where: Elia Sharp Park, 3225 Fourth Street, Jackson

"Hamlet" --- 8 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Friday, 30, Sunday, Aug. Thursday, Aug. 5, Saturday, Aug. 7; 2 p.m. Sunday, July 25, Saturday, July 31, and Sunday, Aug. 8.
 Thursday, July 32, and Sunday, Aug. 8.
 Thursday, July 29, Saturday, July 31, Friday-Saturday, Aug. 6-7; 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24, Sunday, Aug. 1, and Aug. 8.

Tickets: \$10 and up. For information, call (517) 788-5032

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West Bioomfield Parks and Recreation needs volunteers for a Shakespeare-In-The-Park presentation of a "Midsummer Night's Dream."

The performance is scheduled 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 15 at the Drake Sports Park, Drake Road south of Maple Road in West Bioomfield. To volunteer, call (248) 738-2500.

Nine performances of "Hamlet" and "Tweifth Night" will be performed on a wooden stage with minimal props where the only amplification will be the sound of voices bouncing off the back stage wall.

"(The Shakespeare Festival in Stratford) started in the middle of nowhere with a few tents," said Neville-Andrews, who teaches drama at the University of Michigan, and is searching for local venues where

the plays could be performed after the festival

"This is the way theater was performed in Shakespeare's time.

The 17-member cast will perform "close to nature, competing with the sounds of birds, planes flying overhead and hoots Classic act: Stephen

actors look up at day.



a nearby baseball Davies performs the title field. The stage is role in "Hamlet" at the set at the bottom Michigan Shakespeare of a hill where Festival, which opens Fri-

an elevated audi-

ence. The venue

can seat as many as 300.

"We make it an intimate experience for our audi-

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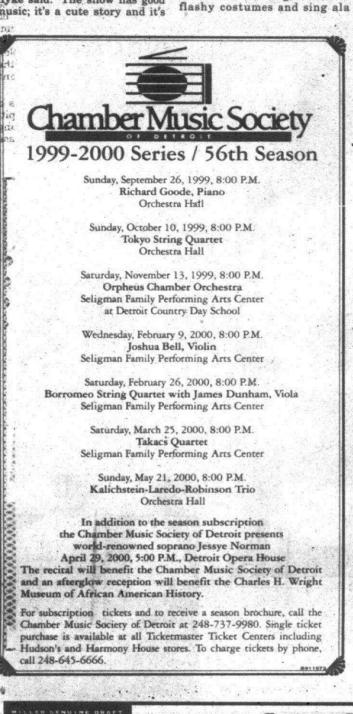
Birdie from page E1

Rebecca Hyke, 16, of Rochester Hills is playing the role of Kim, the typical American girl chosen to receive the "last kiss" from Birdie before he enters the armed forces.

"This is a fun musical to do no matter what role you have," lyke said. "The show has good

easy for all different people to relate to. "We've worked really hard on added the Rochester High

School junior. This is her first show with Stagecrafters. M. Brian Ogden, 18, is playing Conrad Birdie. He gets to wear



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Birdie role in a production at Berkley High School. "I'm having so much fun doing

this show," he said. "I'm much more relaxed so I think I'm doing a better job the second time around.

Festival from page E1

Both Ogden and Dayna Jarae Dantzler, 17, of Warren who's

ence," said Gillian Eaton of Ply-

mouth, who directs the up-tempo

"It's a challenge for our actors

to make sure that the audience

sn't distracted," she said. "If you

can make Shakespeare personal

and human, (then) doing modern

Eaton, who won plaudits for

theater is like falling off a log."

farce "Twelfth Night."

playing the role of Rose, are leav-ing for Western Michigan University in the fall. They're majoring in music theater

Although he's got another year before he starts college, Brian Thibault, 17, of Ferndale already plans on acting being his main source of income when he's an adult. Performing Mr. MacAfee in this show, he hopes, will bring

May, recently cofounded, "Shakesperience," a company

that produces and teaches the

On weekends, the actors will

have to shift gears quickly from

farce to tragedy in performing "Twelfth Night" and "Hamlet."

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him one more role closer to his dreams.

Other supporting characters are Shana Gagnon (Mayor's Wife) of Rochester Hills, Craig Hemming (Mayor) and Sara Lennox (Ursala) both of Berkley, Kristin Phillips (Mrs. Peterson) of Warren, Shauna Mancini (Mrs. MacAfee) of Sterling Heights, Blair Mellow (Hugo

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Peabody) of Huntington Woods. Sara Geralds (Gloria) of Madison Heights, Joel Pietrzak (Harvey Johnson) of Clawson and Chris Moultrup (Mr. Johnson) and Bianca Vorves (Sad Girl) both of Royal Oak

The ensemble includes Carolyn Lusch of Redford, Erin Brolley of Birmingham and Ashley Miles of Southfield.

"When you pick up on Shake

professional actors." Participating in theater, Morehouse believes, helps children learn to work together as a team. improves self confidence, and an audience. dents showcase what they learned in classes that week by performing for family and friends. The senior division concentrates more on acting than the junior division. All of the students work with a dance instructor to learn how to move on nothing but concentrate on theater during this time," said Morehouse who has taught English at Cranbrook Kingswood

Upper School for the past 13 years, and is a member of the St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook. "The students can focus and memorize something overnight. Most of us are doing this because we love theater," said Morehouse. John Rutherford is producing "Our Town" and is head of the senior division. "Everyone has a team," he said. "This is my eighth summer. I teach theater at Warren Fitzgerald High



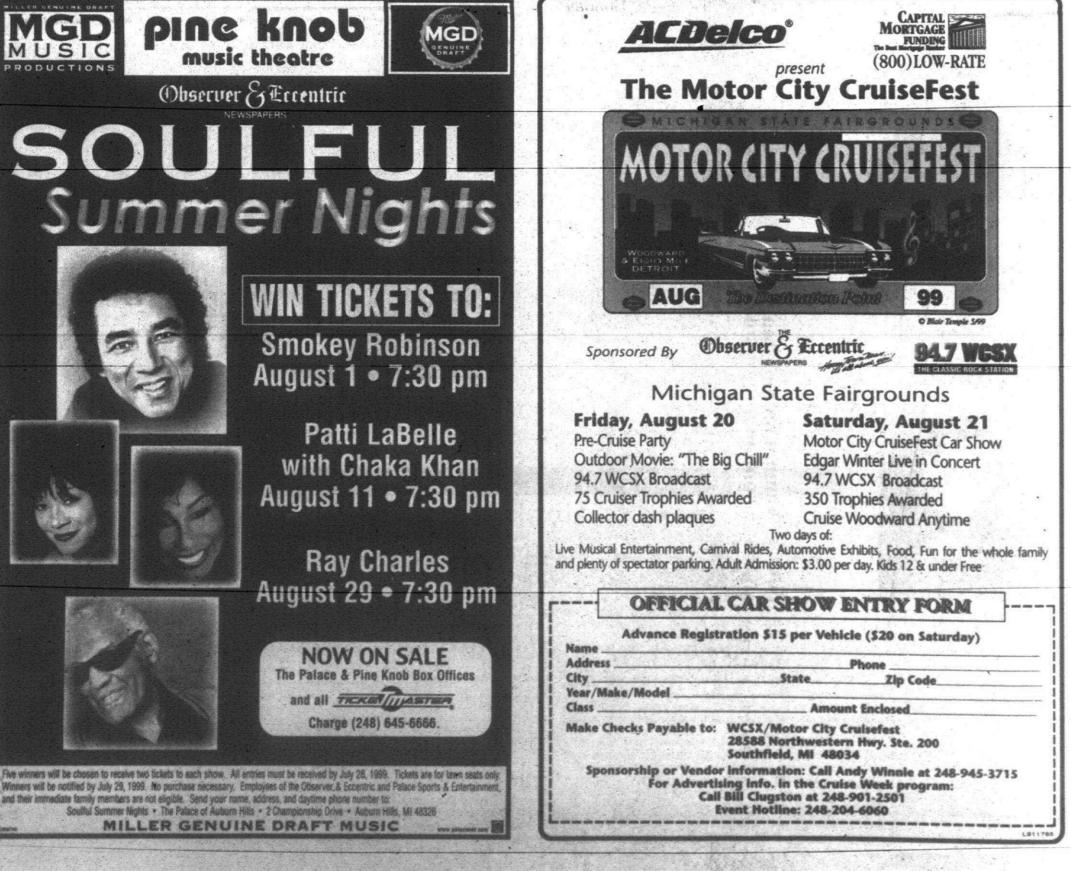
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Dedicated volunteers work to restore Wayne Theatre

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Few things in exciting new eras as perforlife can evoke a mance and cultural centers. Of date with a wrecking ball. feeling of desola- course, with ample financial tion like an backing, any old lonesome abandoned the- prairie can be turned into a glit-

From the high-profile renovaine a time when Gem Theatre — to the communiand memories of blend of vision, dedication and

At the risk of sounding like tabloid TV or one of those bestseller of the moment self-help books, there are fascinating stories that fuel every restoration Virtually unused for decades. difficult to imag- tions of the Fox Theatre and project. It is a case of "Theatres. the dream of turning the Michi-. . and the people who love them gan Avenue structure into a culmarquee ty-based plans for such venues too much." You'll see that kind of tural center is kept alive by an gleamed, town as the Civic in Farmington - devotion in the renovation effort annual fund-raiser. Fittingly, it's success hinges on a sustained of a long-neglected theater in an a haunted house that thrives on edition of Detroit Public TV's performance rather than gore BACKSTAGE PASS, airing at and special effects. 7:30 p.m., Sunday, July 25.

But, more often than not, to the 1920s, when it served as a atre show, but competitors with reminding myself of the many available cash is the major showplace for vaudeville per- advertising dollars are making it says Welch. successful renovations of aging obstacle. As a result, theaters formers and film shorts. When difficult to raise the support that become dry cleaning outlets or the silent movie era had passed, we have in the past. Our show is

pharmacies, or have an eventual it became the first movie house Detroit to Jackson, according to ented," says Welch. Bob Welch, one of the passionate members of a volunteer organization intent on renovation.

"I would love to bring in The Wayne Theatre dates back \$50,000 from our haunted the-

different than others because it's sought to move the project along. with sound in a stretch from more theatrical and family ori-

One thing that makes the volunteer effort so noble is that there are no expectations that the Wayne will someday be a huge profit center.

Performing arts center

"My dream is that we can provide a performing arts center that can be used by the many colleges and high schools in the area. In addition to staging high quality productions, it could also be a venue for the visual arts,"

He adds that grants are being

Volunteers and fund-raisers can only take you so far.

It's easy to root for the folks who have worked to create a future for the Wayne Theatre.

"Sadly, Detroit architecture tends to be disposable. With so much work that remains to be done, the dedication of the members of the organization to restore the Wayne is admirable, says Lex Kuhne, who hosts the BACKSTAGE PASS segment about the theater.

Its destiny may not be as money machine or a money pit A niche as a center where youn artists can develop and showcas their talent would be just fine.

Thespians from page E1 giving students new skills, munities and varied backalthough some kids do become grounds. We're all working together to do one thing, put on a play. It breaks down barriers and boundaries. Students improve their acting skills, and become more tolerant of others. Each helps them speak clearly before year presents new challenges and accomplishments, we try to On Monday nights, the stu- work on weaknesses and move students to areas that are less comfortable to them."

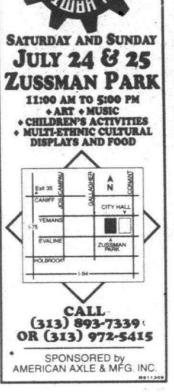
> In college, Gretchen Alexandra played the part of Emily in "Our

"I have wonderful memories," said Alexandra who is directing the Cranbrook Theatre School, senior division, production of the "I love the fact that we do play at the outdoor Greek Theatre

"I enjoy seeing the play come to life," she said. "I love having the chance to work in theater. It is my passion and love."

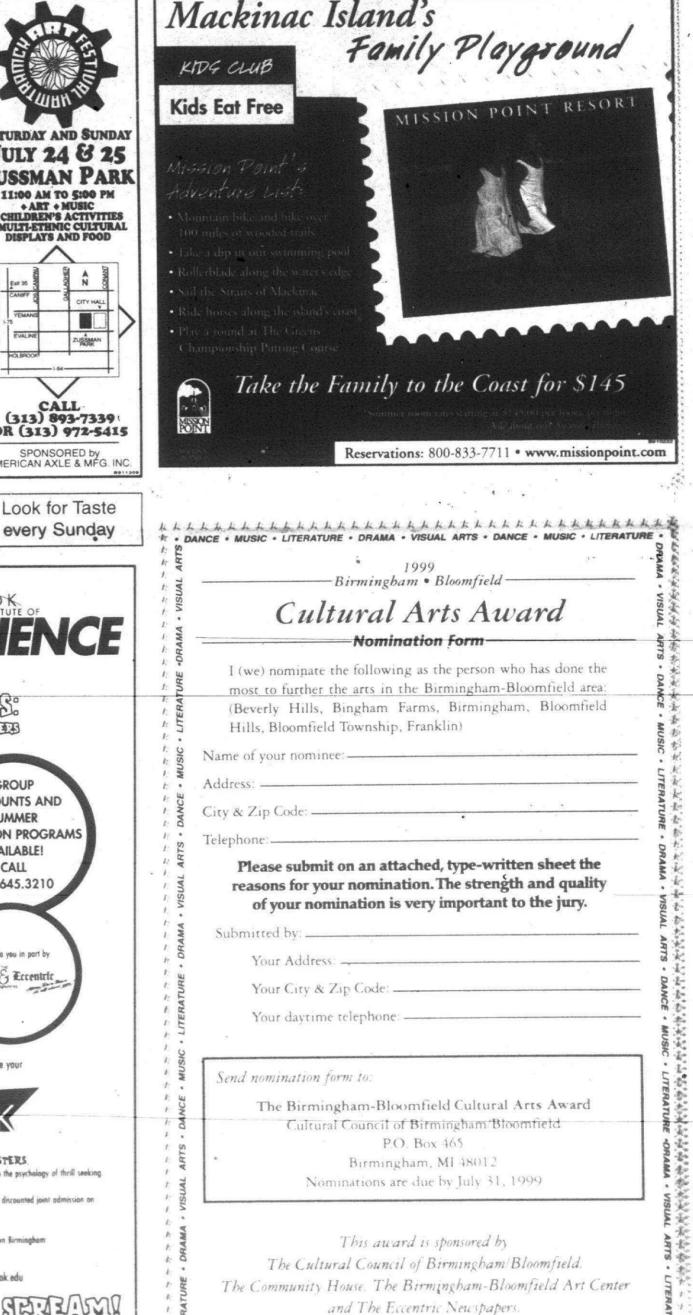
A language arts teacher, Alexandra, who is assistant director of the senior division. enjoys watching the students grow. "The kids choose to be here," she said. "It teaches them how to focus, to work together as a group and meet deadlines. They learn how to present themselves well in front of people. part, we work together as a Any kid would benefit from being here.

"A lot of the kids graduate from the program and come back School. The summer program to teach, and help. It's nice to see

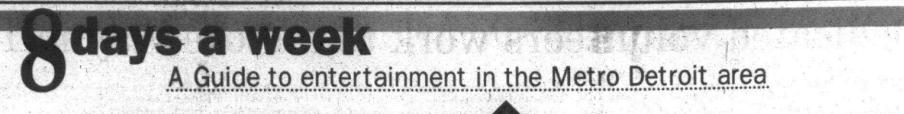




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"Belles," July 30-Aug. 15, 8 p.m. ridays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays, at the Historic Park "The Burgh," northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road. Southfield. \$8, \$7 seniors/children. (248) 827-0701

STARR PRODUCTIONS Waiting for Godot," 2 p.m. Sunday

July 25 in the Outdoor Amphiteatre ehind the Longacre House, Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile Farmington Hills. Free, but donation equested. (248) 546-2582

DINNER THEATER DAVE & BUSTER'S

Aystery Dinner Theater production of "A Friendly Game of Death," 8 p.m. Saturdays through Aug. 14, at northeast corner of M-59 and M-53, Utica \$32.95. (810) 930-1515

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

CRANBROOK THEATRE SCHOOL Senior division, grades 9-12, will present "Our Town" 8 p.m. Monday Tuesday, July 26-27 at the outdoo Greek Theatre, 400 Lone Pine Road nfield Hills, on the Cranbrool

ampus. Tickets \$5 at the door **VOVI THEATRES**

Beauty & The Beast," Friday-Sunday July 30-31 and Aug. 1, at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 West 10 Mile, Novi, \$8, \$7 advance, (248)

347-0400 TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS Schoolhouse Rock," 2 p.m. and 7 .m. Friday, July 30, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral Theatre in Masonic

emple, 500 Temple, Detroit. \$2, \$4, 5, (313) 535-8962 SPECIAL EVENTS

ARTISANS AFTERGLOW

The Ann Arbor Artisans' Market Art Fair Afterglow will be held 5-10 p.m. Saturday, July 24 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 25, David Swain and his band play swing, blues, jazz and rock 6-10 p.m. Saturday, acoustic guitarist Ken King performs traditional and modern folk music noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, wide variety of arts and crafts will be for sale, at the City Market, 315 Detroit Street in

Kerrytown. DEPOT TOWN CRUISE NIGHTS Hundreds of street rods rumble int Depot Town 6-9 p.m. Thursdays through Sept: 9, Cross Street In

(psilanti. (734) 483-4444 or www.ypsilanti.org F'S RECORD AND CD MUSIC COLLECTIBLES EXPO

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 25, Royal Oak Elks Hall, 1-75 and 11 Mile Road, Royal Oak, Free. (248) 546-

MICHIGAN SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Featuring performances of "Hamlet and "Twelfth Night," Thursday-Sunday July 22-25, Thursday-Sunday, July 29-Lug. 1, and Thursday-Sunday, Aug. 5 8, in Jackson: \$12, \$8 ages 12 and younger. (517) 788-5032 or

http://www.michshakefest.org or t ard@michshakefest.org AOTOR CITY COMICS

CONVENTION Comic books, non-sport card, action figures, toys, Beanie Bables, and Pokemon.10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday July 25, at the Knights of Columbus 9801 Farmington Road, between



All stars: Marcus Belgrave and the Detroit Jazz All Stars perform 7 p.m. Friday, July 23 at Birmingham JazzFest in Shain Park.

Schedule

Concerts taking place in Shain Park, downtown Birm- Woodward, (248) 642-9400 ingham, south of Maple Road, tween Henrietta and Bates Streets. A trolley will make rounds to restaurants on Friday & Saturday. Admission is free. For more information, call (248) 433-FEST.

Thursday, July 22

7 p.m. - Alexander Zoniic and Friends Friday, July 23 7 p.m. - Marcus Belgrave

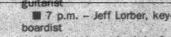
and the Detroit Jazz All Stars 9 p.m. Friday, July 23 -Tim Weisberg, flutist

Saturday, July 24 11 a.m. - Chautauqua Express for KIDS

1 p.m. - Vocalist Kimmie 2:30 p.m. - Randy Scott.

4 p.m. - Jazz planist

Pamela Wise and the Afro Cuban All Stars 5:30 p.m. - Ken Navarro,



Here is the schedule for groups playing at restaurants in downtown Birmingham during Jazzfest.

Seven and Eight Mile roads, Livonia. \$2. (248) 426-8059

REDFORD THEATRE Film "Shall We Dance?," with guest organist Gus Borman, 7:30 p.m. organ overture followed by 8 p.m. film Friday, July 23, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. overtures with 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. films, Saturday, July 24, Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser Road Detroit. \$2.50. (313) 537-2560 or http://theatreorgans.com/mi/redfc SWEET ADELINES REUNION The Great Lakes Chorus of Sweet Adelines International invites past members to a 40th anniversary and reunion party, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, at Gino's Surf Banquet Center, 37400 East Jefferson Avenue. Harrison Twp, \$25. Great Lakes Chorus was formerly called the Macomb County Chapter, Utica-Rochester Chapter and The Charmonizers. (810) 790-0008/(810)

BENEFITS CRANBROOK HOUSE AND

566-5965

GARDENS 6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3147

BARBEQUE & BREW AT THE ZOO 6-10 p.m. Friday, July 30, Australian themed outback party including cool out, entertainment by Blue Moon Boys presented by the Wild Thing Society, at the zoo, 8450 W. 10 Mile at Woodward, Detroit, \$15, to benefit the Detroit Zoo's tree kangaroos. (248) 541-5717 RIDGEDALE PLAYERS

Garage Sale and Car Wash, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 31, at the yhouse, 205 W. Long Lake Road Troy, To benefit Ridgedale Players Scholarship Fund. To donate items of

Thursday-Saturday, July 22-* .. 24 Bad Frog Tavern - 555 Old 9 p.m.-midnight, Thursday Soul Mechanix

19 p.m.-midnight, Friday Kristyn Smithe & Blackstone 9 p.m.-midnight, Saturday - The Notebenders Bates Street Cafe - 380

Bates (248) 644-5832 9 p.m.-midnight, Thurs Sat. - Charles & Gwen Scales Big Rock Chop & Brewouse - 245'S: Eaton, (248) 647-7774

8 p.m. & midnight, Thursday-Sat. - Larry Nozero 6:30 & 10:30 p.m., Thursday-Sat. - The Warren Com-

Dick O'Dows - 160 Maple. (248) 642-1135 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

rsday - Mack Jazz Trio 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Frilav - Dan Cathane & Friends Edison's - 220 Merrill Street, (248) 645-2150

8:30 n.m.-midnight, Thurs-8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday - Rob Pipho Jump-Swing

Quartet 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday Dwight Adams Quartet Forte - 201 Old Woodward,

for questions, (248) 988-7049 **ROARING 20'S CELEBRATION** 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, at the **Omni Detroit Hotel, 1000 River Place** To benefit Variety- The Children's Charity, (248) 855-6777

FAMILY EVENTS BEN SPITZER

Juggler and magician, 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 29, Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., Plymouth. \$4, \$3 children. City residents receive \$1 off. (734) 455-6620 DETROIT'S 298TH BIRTHDAY

Cake and ice cream, and perfor mances by The Chenille Sisters (1:15 p.m.), The Sun Messengers (11:05 a.m. 12:40 p.m.), magician J.R. McAtee (1:50 p.m.), Mosaic Youth Theatre (11:45 p.m.), on the grounds of the Detroit Historical Museum and Detroit Public Library, on Woodward Ave., between Kirby and Putnam. (313) 833-7912 or www.detroit cal.org

ZEEM The "Yo-Yo Man" performs 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 22, Plymouth Cultura Center, 525 Farmer St., Plymouth. \$4, \$3 children. City residents eceive \$1 off. (734) 455-6620 FREE

SUMMER CONCERTS LOCK CONCERTS

Farmington Community Concert Band 7:30 Friday, July 23, at the bandshell rille, (248) 349-7640 GAZEBO CONCERTS Motor City Brass Band, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, at Burgh Historical Park, Civic Center Drive

and Berg Road, east of Telegraph

(248) 594-7300 9 p.m.-1 p.m. Thursday-Saturday - Ursula Walker & Buddy Budson Max & Erma's - 250 Mer rill Street, (248) 258-1188

9 p.m.-midnight Thursday Saturday - Tim Flaherty Trio Midtown Cafe - 139 Woodward, (248) 642-1133 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

Thursday-Saturday - Dee Dee McNeil Trio Ocean Grille - 280 Old Woodward, (248) 646-7001

7-11 p.m. Friday & Satur Phillip Ogletre Jazz Trio-Peabody's - 34965 Woodward, (248) 644-5222

9 p.m.-midnight Friday & Saturday - Paint Creek Jazz Phoenicia - 588 Old Wood-

ward, (248) 644-3122 Thursday-Saturday – Bob

Townsend Hotel - 100 Townsend, (248) 642-7900 8:30 p.m.-midnight Thursday-Saturday - Kurt Kunzat & Keith Malinowski

220 - 220 Merrill Street. (248) 645-2150 8 p.m.-midnight Thursday Paul Vorn Hagen

9 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday Paul Vorn Hager 🛢 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday -Bill Heid

Southfield. (248) 424-9022 "IN THE PARK" Alexander Zoniic & Friends, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Shain Park,

Birmingham. MOTOR TOWN MUSIC FESTIVAL Noon to 9 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 24-25, features Thornetta Davis

among others, at Dearborn City Hall Park, Michigan Ave, at Schaefer 'MUSIC IN THE PARK" oon Wednesday, July 28, Gratitude Steel Band, in Kellogg Park, Main Street, between Penniman and Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, In case of rain, concert will be held in The Gatherin next to the Penn Theater, (734) 416

AART "MUSIC UNDER THE STARS" Ernest Matchulet- Next Generation Band (favorites) 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, at

enmead Historical Village lewburgh, south of Eight Mile Livonia; Bob Durant Band (Big Band sound) 7:30 p.m. Thursday July 29, at Wilson Barn, Middlebe and W. Chicago, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia. (734) 466-2540 **NOVI CONCERT BAND**

7 p.m. Friday, July 23, at McHattl Park, South Lyon. "SUMMER IN THE CITY" Shawn Jacobs The Amazing Egghead,

comedy, magic, juggling, 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 23, Birmingham City Hall, Pierce and Martin, west of S. Old Voodward. www.imaginat

WESTLAND CULTURAL SOCIETY toy Cobb & the Coachmen, 6 p.m. Sunday, July 25, at the Westland Library Performance Pavilion, behin Westland Public Library, 6123 Centra City Parkway, north of Ford Road, between Wayne Road and Newburgh Free. In case of rain, concerts will be held inside Bailey Recreation Center. (734) 722-7620/(734) 522-3918

Birmingham, Free, 21 and older,

With Oleta Adams and Pieces of a

Dream, 8 p.m. Friday, July 23, Chene

Park, Detroit. \$35 and \$35. All ages

With Brian Culbertson, 8 p.m. Friday,

luly 23, Royal Oak Music Theatre.

8 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, Corson

Arts, Interlochen. \$17.50-\$29.50.

With Heavy Weather, 9:30 p.m.

TEDDY HARRIS JR. QUINTET

at the Bird of Paradise, 207 S.

HEIDI HEPLER AND MICHELE

With Todd Curtis, 7-11 p.m.

Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 662-

older. (734) 996-8555 or

the door, (313) 576-5111

BILL HEID TRIO

Auditorium, Interlochen Center for the

Thursday, July 22, Blind Pig, 206-208

S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$6, 19 and

http://www.blindpigmusic.com (avar

8:30 p.m. Friday, July 30, Orchestra

Hall, Detroit. \$10 in advance. \$15 at

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 23-24

Thursdays-Fridays, Too Chez. 27155

Sheraton Dr., Novi. Free. All ages.

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8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, July

Company's Tavern Bar, 475 N.

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30, Edison's, 220 Merrill St.

vocal/piano/bass/drums)

(248) 645-2150

(248) 642-1135

(313) 886-8101

(248) 474-4800

GARY SCHUNK TRIO

piano/bass/drum

336-6350

JANET TENAJ TRIO

MATT MICHAELS TRIO

p.m. Thursday, July 22, at the

JAZZHEAD

(acid jazz)

MACK JAZZ TRIO

Birmingham, Free, 21 and older

9 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Dick

O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road,

Birmingham, Free, 21 and older

10 p.m. Saturday, July 24, Memphis

Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak

Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300

9 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at Jimmy's.

123 Kerchevel, Grosse Pointe Farms.

With Jack Brokensha (vibes), 8-11:30

Botsford Inn. 28000 Grand River Ave

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, July 29.

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Hwy, Southfield. (248) 351-2925

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July 22-24, at Forte, 201 S.

and older. (248) 594-7300

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12 Mile, Southfield, (248) 351-2925

WORLD MUSIC

10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, July 23. The

Deck at Second City, 2301 Woodward

Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and

older. (313) 965-2222; 8:30 p.m. to

Whitmore Lake. Free. 21 and older

9 p.m. Friday, July 30, The Deck at

Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave

Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older

8 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Magic Bag

Cover charge. 18 and older. (248)

544-3030 or http://www.themag-

11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Thursday

July 22, The Plaza, one block west of

Please see next page

22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale

9 p.m. Thursday, July 29, Dick

O'Dow's, 160 W, Maple Road.

(248) 642-1135 (Irish)

12:30 a.m. Friday, July 30

(734) 449-0040 (reggae)

(313) 965-2222 (reggae)

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NEW ORLEANS KLEZMER

Barnstormers, 9411 E. M-36

Birmingham. Free, 21 and older

With Dan Kolton and Tom Brown, 9

p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursday-Saturday

Woodward Ave., Birmingham, Free. 21

Kurt Krahnke, bass, 11:30 a.m. to 3

8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at Big Fish

700 Town Center Dr., Dearborn. (313

Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived

with dinner, and \$5 drink minimum

SHEILA LANDIS/RICK MATLE

Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills,

Royal Oak, \$32,50, 21 and older.

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CLASSICAL DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA "Handel and Vivaldi" with conducto Jaime Laredo, 8 p.m. Friday, July 23; "Mozart-in-the-Meadows" with conductor Jaime Laredo, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 24; "A Song of Broadway" with conductor David Alan Miller, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 25; "Symphonic Blockbusters" with fireworks and cor ductor David Alan Miller, 8 p.m. Friday, July 30, all at Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$13-\$50. (313) 576-5111 or http://www.detroitsymphony.com

POPS/SWING

TOMMY DORSEY ORCHESTRA Appearing 7 p.m. Friday, July 23 at Excalibur Banquet Center, 28875 Franklin Road, Southfield, Tickets \$25 per person, cash bar and hors d'oeuvre menu available. Buddy Morrow conducts, Call (248) 358-3355 for ticket information. JIM PARAVANTES & MERIDIAN Frank Sinatra Tribute," 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Fridays-Saturdays through August, at Andiamo Italia West, 6676 Felegraph Road at Maple, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300 STARLIGHT DRIFTERS 10:30 p.m. Friday, July 30, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St.

Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5060 (Western swing)

AUDITIONS/ **OPPORTUNITIES**

BIRMINGHAM CONCERT BAND Looking for adult musicians (woodwind, brass, and especially percussion players) of all ages to begin rehearsals 7:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, at Groves High School, Birmingham. (248) 474-4997

B.W. PRODUCTIONS Auditions for male and females for musical/comedy gospel stage play. no past experience necessary but a plus, training will be provided. (313) 865-2375

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE Summer dance day camp for boys and girls who have completed grades 1-6 luly 19-30 and Aug. 2-13; also intensive master classes in advanced ballet and pointe with lacob Lascu 10 a.m. to noon Monday Friday, Aug. 16 20, at the EDE Center for Dance, 1541 Hamlin Road, between Crooks and Livernois, Rochester Hills. (248)

HARTLAND PLAYERS

852-5850

Auditions for six men and five women for Neil Simon's "They're Playing Our Song," 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1 and 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 2, at the Hartland Music Hall, 3619 Avon, Hartland. (248) 889-1152

MICHIGAN DANCE EXPRESS Hosts its Summer Dance Camp July 25-29 at Camp Copneconic in Fentor for ages eight and older, camp combines four hours of daily dance train ing with traditional summer camp activities such as swimming and boating, styles include ballet, tap, jazz, and lyrical along with classes in modeling, production and swing.

(734) 397-9755/(313) 562-1203 RIDGEDALE PLAYER Auditions for five women for the musi cal comedy "Nunsense," 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 26, bring tap shoes and be prepared to sing a selection from the show, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake, between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. For performances Sept. 10-26. (248) 362-4305/(248) 543-

SPIRIT OF DETROIT CHORUS Looking for new members of all ages to rehearse and become new men bers of the ladies group that sings four-part harmony in the barbershop tradition, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile west of Inkster Road, Livonia. (313) 937-2429

SUMMER DRAMA CAMPS Ages 5 and up join the Whistle Stop layers for sessions 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 9-13, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council 774 N. Sheldon, at Junction, \$100. \$75 PCAC members. (734) 416-4ART

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

0903 (jazz)

248) 424-9022

TASILIMAH BEY 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Saturdays, at Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe. 29244 Northwestern Hwy., north of 12 Mile, Southfield. (248) 351-2925 (ragtime piano)

Doug Deming & The Blue Suit Blues

Band, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, at

the Detroit Zoo, northwest corner of

Woodward and 10 Mile, Royal Oak.

Free with zoo admission. (248) 398-

Sunday, July 25, on the lawn of the

Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000

CONCERTS ON THE LAWN

Imperial Swing Orchestra, 7 p.m.

Evergreen at Civic Center Drive.

DAVE CARTHANE AND FRIENDS

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 23-24

Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road,

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NIGHTS

The Hush Party with resident DJs

Mondays; and Club Color, featuring

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5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$5. 18 and

Latin dance night, 9:30 p.m. to 12:30

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rant/bar, 114 E. Washington St., Ann

Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 213.

(free before 10 p.m.), at the club,

Melvin Hill and Cent, 10 p.m.

older. (313) 832-2355 or

http://www.alvins.xtcom.com

ARBOR BREWING COMPANY

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Swing-a-billy" night with dance

lessons, dancing, 7 p.m. Sunday, July

25, with DJ Del Villarreal, at the club,

206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$8 in,

advance, \$10 at the door, 19 and

and Detroit Bachelor DJs, 9:30 p.m.

older; "Solar" night DJ Craig Gonzale;

Wednesday, July 28, \$6, 18 and older

(734) 996-8555 or http://www.intuit

solar.com or http://www.blindpigmu-

CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET

Flashback" night with "The Planet",

WPLT on level two (Clutch Cargo's).

techno and house on level four, 8:30

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Hip-hop and dancehall reggae dance.

Wednesdays at the club, 3129 Cass

Funk, hip-hop and top 40 with DJ Mac

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night Fridays; Alternative dance with;

DJ Matt Saturdays; Alternative dance

uesdays; gothic, industrial and retro

with DJ Paul Wednesdays. Free. at

the club, 1815 N. Main St. (at 12

Mile Road), Royal Oak, Free before

10 p.m. nightly. 21 and older. (248)

589-3344 or http://www.thegroove

Dance night for teens ages 15-19, 840

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"Good Sounds," with music by The

onehead Collective and images by

Magic Stick, 18 and older, Free; -

"Work Release," Rock 'n' Bowl happy

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Garden Bowl. Free, 18 and older: "The

Bird's Nest," punk rock night with live

performances, 9 p.m. Mondays at

"Soul Shakedown" with DJ Big Andy

9 p.m. Tuesdays at Magic Stick. Free

"Back Room Mondays," service indus

p.m. to 2 a.m. Mondays. Free, 21 and

older; "Community Presents" with res-

ident DJs, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tuesdays.

Overload," 9 p.m. Fridays. \$6. 18 and .

Mark Flash and Brian Gillespie, 9 p.m.

to 2 a.m. Saturdays. \$6. 21 and older.

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and older: X2K dance night, 10 p.m.

Wednesdays in The Shelter. \$6.21

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tries employee appreciation night. 9

Magic Stick. Free. 18 and older

21 and older: (313) 833-9700

\$3. 18 and older: "Maximum

all at the club, 3515 Cani

Hamtramck. (313) 396-0080.0

ST. ANDREW'S/THE SHELTER

Saturdays: "Incinerator," 9 p.m.

and older. St. Andrew's and The

Shelter are at 431 E. Congress.

gnition" dance night, 9 p.m

Saturdays at the club, 2115

Woodward Ave., Detroit, Cover

or http://www.statetheater.com

and live bands, 8 p.m. Thursdays;

Latin/House dance night, 9 p.m.

charge 18 and older (313) 961 5451

"Cruise Night" with hot rods, Harleys,

indays; intermediate swing lessons

9 p.m. Tuesdays; and beginner swing

lessons, 9 p.m. Wednesdays, at the

club, 28949 Joy Road (two blocks

east of Middlebelt Road). Westland.

Cover charge. 21 and older. (734)

"Viva La Noche Latinal" with dance

lessons from 910 p.m. followed by

dance night, Fridays, at the club, 29

S. Saginaw St., Pontiac. (248) 334-

Detroit. (313) 961-MELT or

http://www.961melt.com

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24 KARAT CLUB

513-5030

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Gutterball 9 n.m. Saturdays at

Thomas Video, 9 p.m. Fridays at

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Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and

old school funk on level three, and

p.m. Saturdays, at the club, 65 E.

18 and older. (248) 333-2362 or

http://www.961melt.com

night with DJ Chino, 8 p.m.

older. (313) 833-6873 or

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http://www.golddollar.com

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Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays,

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R.O. Daniels, 6-10 p.m. Sunday, July 25, The Grand Cafe, 33316 Grand River Ave., Farmington. Free. All ages. (248) 615-9181

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July 22, 29, at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main Street Plymouth. (734) 453-0750 for specific events and programs.

DANCE

ADVANCED CONTRA DANCE 8 p.m. Friday, July 23, minimal walk throughs, music by the Contrapreneurs, at the Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. south of I-94, Ann Arbor, \$7, (734)

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COMEDY CONCERT IN THE PARK Bill Barr, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 23. musical comedy impressionist Ron Parker opens the show, in Heritage Park, behind the Canton Twp. Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill Free (734) 397-5110

Keith Ruff and Vince Vicelli, Thursday-Saturday, July 22-24 (\$10); Paul Venier and Alyce Faye, Thursday Saturday, July 29-31 (\$10), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill. 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Wednesdays Thursdays, 8 p.m.

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at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road Dearborn. (313) 584-8885 MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE

Jimmy Ham, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 30-31, at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$8 advance, \$10. (734) 996-9080 MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays Thursdays (\$6) 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices subject to change. (248) 542-9900 or

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ter, noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 7 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays, at 5020 John R (at Warren), \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger. IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-

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concerts 8 p.m. Wednesdays, July 21 28 at the Anderson Theatre in the nuseum (313) 943-3095; the village s celebrating its 70th season with a nost of activities, and exhibits such as Abraham Lincoln's assassination chair and a life mask made 60 days before his assassination, at the muse um, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily \$12 50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7 50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5

free. (313) 271-1620 MEADOW BROOK HALL Tours 10:30 a.m., noon, 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. daily (except July 30 to Aug. 4) through August, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester \$8, \$6 seniors age 62 and over, \$4 children ages 5-12. Luncheon in the Dining Room 11:15 a.m., noon and 1 p.m. Monday-Friday. (248) 370-3140

ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM "Something Old, Something New Wedding Gowns of the 19th and 20th Centuries," on display 1-4 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays through Sept 25, at the museum on Van Hoosen Farm, 1005 Van Hoosen Road, one mile east of Rochester Road off of Tienken Road, Rochester Hills. \$3, \$2 seniors and students. (248) 656-4663

POPULAR MUSIC

GNOSTIC FRONT 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 24, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431

E. Congress, Detroit, \$10. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (rock)

AIR MARGARITAVILLE p.m. Wednesday, July 28, as par roy Parks and Recreation Department's Summer Concerts at the Troy Civic Center, 500 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy, Free, All ages,

(248) 524-3484 (Jimmy Buffet cov **APPLES IN STEREO** With Beulah, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 29, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St. Ann Arbor. \$8. 19 and older. (734)

996-8555 or http://www.blindpigm sic com (roots rock) JOHNNY AWESOME BAND 9 p.m. Saturday, July 24 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 25, at Zim's Irish

Tavern, 1350 Lapeer Road, Oxford. (248) 969-9467; 8 p.m. Friday, July 0, at Old Hickory, 7071 Bennett ake Road, Fenton. (810) 735-7630 (acoustic rock) BEAMSHIP 9 p.m. Friday, July 30, 313 Jac, above

Jacoby's, 624 Brush St., Detroit. Cover charge, 21 and older. (313) 886-7860 or http://www.staticrecords.com/313jac (rock)

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS 9:30 p.m. Saturday, July 24, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor \$6, 19 and older, (734) 996-8555 o http://www.blindpigmusic.com; 9 p.m. Friday, July 30, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, 25750 Novi Road, Novi Free. 21 and older, (248) 735-4011.

http://www.fifthavenuebilliards.com THE BIHLMAN BROTHERS

9 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, 25750 Novi Road, Novi Free. 21 and older. (248) 735-4011

THE BIZER BROTHERS 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, July

30-31; at Champ's Pub, 140 E. Grand River, Brighton, (810) 227-4443 BLACK BEAUTY 9 p.m. Friday, July 23, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St.

Rochester, Free, 21 and older, (248) 50-5060 (rockability) THE BLEND 9:30 p.m. Friday, July 23, at Coppe

Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. (248) 21700

BLUE CONFUSION 9 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, Dick

O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham, Free, 21 and older 248) 642-1135 (blues) **BLUE ROSE** 9 p.m. Saturday, July 24, Cavern Club 210 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover

harge, 21 and older. (734) 332-

9900- 9 n.m. Friday Saturday, July 30-31. Fritt's Pub. 77 N. Main St., Mount Clemens, Free, 21 and older. (810) 469-0878 or http://www.bluerose.iuma.com or eroseband@hotmail.com (blues)

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CHEAP TRICK 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 23, Pine Knob

Music Theatre, 1-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township, \$20 pavilion, \$10 lawn All ages. (248) 77-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com (rock

CHER With Cyndi Lauper and Wild Orchid 30 p.m. Friday, July 23, and

Saturday, Sept 11, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr Auburn Hills. \$75.25 and \$45.25 special Superfan seating available. cents from each ticket goes to chari y. The July 23 show is sold out All

ages. (248) 377-0100 or tp://www.palacenet.com (pop CHICAGO 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 27, Kresge

Auditorium, Interlochen Center for the Arts, Interlochen. \$21.50-\$36.50.

(616) 276-6230; With the Doobie Brothers, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 30, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township, \$35,25 pavilion, \$18,75 lawn, All ages. (248) 377-0400 or http://www.palacenet.com (rock) COWBOY JUNKIES

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MELT or http://www.961melt.com

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Oak. Free, 21 and older. (248) 543

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With Workhorse and Redline, 9:30

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p.m. Friday, July 23, Magic Bag.

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8 p.m. Sunday, July 25. Pine Knob

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27. Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75

and Sashabaw Road, Independence

All ages. (248) 377-0100 or

RON PRINCE AND HARDTIME

With Leo Kottke, 8 p.m. Friday, July 23, Kresge Auditorium, Interlochen Center for the Arts, Interlochen \$17,50-\$29,50, (616) 276-6230:8 n.m. Wednesday, July 28, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$22.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn. All ages. (248) 377-0100 or

http://www.palacenet.com (alternapop/twang) THE CULT

With New American Shame, 8 p.m. hursday, July 29, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron St., Pontiac. \$27.50 in advance. All ages. (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com (rock) DOMESTIC PROBLEMS

With Harmony Riley, 9:30 p.m. Friday July 23, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$6. 19 and older 734) 996-8555 or http://www.blind-

pigmusic.com (rock) THE DONNAS With Delta 72 and The Crumbs, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 29, Magic Stick the Majestic complex, 4140

Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8. All ages (313) 833-9700 (punk) ELIZA 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 23-24,

C.K. Diggs, 2010 Auburn Road, Rochester, Free, 21 and older, (248) 853-6600 (acoustic rock) ELLIOTT

With Fireside, 7 p.m. Thursday, July 22. The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8. Al ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (rock **BIG DOG AND THE WOOFERS** p.m. Saturday, July 24, Boathouse Billiards, 770 N. Lapeer Road, Lake Orion. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 693-4100; 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 30-31, The Alibi, 3350

Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. ree. All ages. (248) 478-2010 or http://www.freeyellow.com/mem pers2/bluebite/page1.html (blues) FLETCHER PRATT

With Cloud Car, 9 p.m. Friday, July 30. Magic Stick in the Majestic com plex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$7. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 (alternapop)

FISH From the English pop band Marillion. 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac Canceled. All ages. (248) 335-8100 or http://www.961melt.com

rock/pop THE GATHERING

:30 p.m. Thursday, July 29, The helter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance. All ages, (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (gothic) GORDON BENNETT

7 p.m. Thursdays in July, Gamework: inside Great Lakes Crossing, 4316 Baldwin Road, Auburn Hills. Free. A ages. (248) 745-9675 (rock) GROOVE WITH IT

9 p.m. Tuesday, July 27, Dick Birmingham, Free, 21 and older (248) 642-1135 (blues)

10 p.m. Sunday, July 25, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300

IRON MAIDEN

With Monster Magnet and Clutch. p.m. Saturday, July 24, Pine Knob Music Theatre, 1-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township, \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn All ages. (248) 377-0100 or ttp://www.palacenet.com (rock

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(248) 669-1441 (rockabiliy) LYLE LOVETT 8 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Kresge

Auditorium, Interlochen Center for th Arts, Interlochen, \$17 50 \$32 50 (616) 276-6230 (country LUSCIOUS JACKSON

With Cibo, Matto, 8 p.m. Tuesday Mul-27. Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron St. Pontiac \$15 All ages (248) 333 2362 or http://www.961melt.con

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833-9700 (rock MAN OR ASTROMAN

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7.30 p.m. Thursday, July 29. The Ark 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor \$15 in advance. All ages. (734) 761-1800

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'Twice Upon a Yesterday' a light diversion

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Scheduled to open Friday, July 23

Kirstie Alley, Ellen Barkin, Kirsten

Comedy about a small town's obsession

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Supernatural tale of terror about a pro-

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

The Observer & Eccentric/THURSDAY, JULY 22, 1999

BY JON KATZ SPECIAL WRITER

Once in awhile, amidst the fireworks surrounding the huge summer releases, a film comes along that's a small but brilliant sparkler

"Twice Upon a Yesterday" opening Friday at the Landmark Maple Theatre in Bloomfield Hills isn't it.

However, while this "Twilight Zone" and "Sliding Doors" copycat doesn't sizzle, it doesn't exactly fizzle either.

"Sliding Doors" gave us two Gwyneth Paltrows and two alternatestime lines: what if she made the train home instead of missed

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it, and caught her live-in garbagemen come along and boyfriend in bed with the other take Vic to their dump, blindfold woman? In "Twice Upon a Yesterday," it's less complex: what if garbage begins to glow and start you got a chance to go back a few quoting from "Don Quixote:" days and not make the same mistake twice?

Also set in London, "Twice ... " offers up Scottish actor Douglas Henshall as Vic Bukowski, a cocky young actor who confesses a dalliance to his live-in girlfriend Sylvia (Lena Headey, Guinevere in the "Merlin" miniseries). When she kicks him out, he stumbles into a pub and hours later stumbles out to sleep it off in an alley.

Two mysterious Spanish

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him, spin him around as the "Don't look for this year's birds in last year's nests." Then they add, "Your heart is a kite entangled in a tree; go untangle it."And before you can say "Rod Serling," he's transported back several days earlier to undo the damage.

Oh, if it could only be that simple. Vic changes his ways, only to find that some of those ways were what attracted Sylvia to him in the first place. Losing Sylvia again, he finds the beauti-

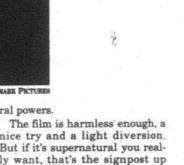
ful Louise (Pelélope Cruz, one of romantic fable from Spanish ral powers.

Spain's leading actresses). He novelist/songwriter Rafa Russo. wonders if Sylvia was worth it, Its mostly English cast is nice try and a light diversion. and more importantly, where can earnest and energetic, with But if it's supernatural you realyou find a garbageman when you American Elizabeth McGovern ly want, that's the signpost up in a small role as a barmaid who ahead. Your next stop: "The Twi-"Twice Upon a Yesterday" is a may or may not have supernatu- light Zone."

> research facility. There, they are men aced by the sharks they have created

intent. Stars Samuel Jackson. Schedule to open Friday, Aug. 6 "THE IRON GATE" A giant metal machine falls to Earth in 1958 and frightens the residents of a

small town in Maine, until it befriends a 9-year-old boy named Hogarth. Animat



Romantic fable

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(Douglas Hen-

shall) a second

chance for love

in "Twice Upon

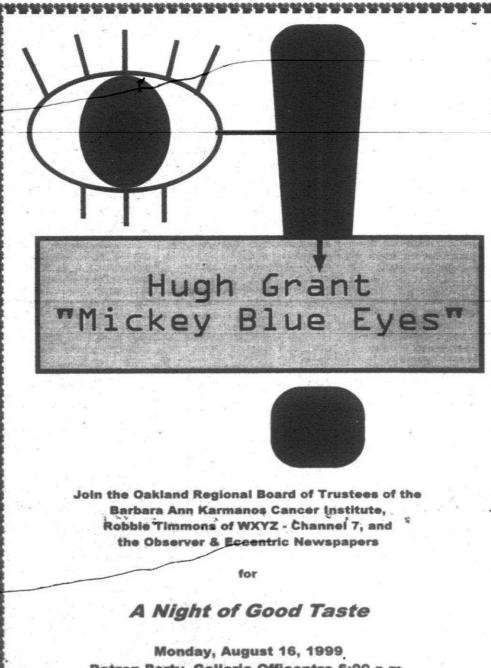
A Yesterday."

offers Victor

Adventure comedy based on the popular cartoon character, a security guard blown aprat and then rebuilt into a mar with many talents and accessories. Stars Matthew Broderick, Rupert Everett. Scheduled to open Friday, July 30 "DEEP BLUE SEA" Group of researchers working on a cure for cancer using materials from genetically enhanced sharks becomes strand

"INSPECTOR GADGET" which now surround them with deadly

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STREET SCENE Musical duo on the road to success with first CD

Steven and Abha Dearing never dreamed there would be so many small details involved with producing their own CD. Their excitement built steadily

as they talked about the endeavor recently. Sitting side by side,



Take One: Abha and Steven Dearing play music from their new CD. "Take One," at the Ann Arbor Art Fairs.

except for the few times when ing their first CD were many, their enthusiasm got the better of them and they stepped on each other's sentences. Then one of them would gently nudge the

The intense conversation was the exact opposite of the mellow guitar and flute selections on Take One." The CD is easy listening music, the kind that makes you want to close your eyes and lay back.

If you'd like to hear their music live before purchasing the CD at Border's in Birmingham, Off The Record and Repeat The Beat in Royal Oak or Harmony House Classical in Ferndale. catch the Plymouth duo at the Ann Arbor Art Fairs on Friday, July 23. The Dearings will be joined by dozens of other entertainers in different areas.

throughout the three fairs. "There were so many things we didn't anticipate, securing copyright permission and a bar code," said Steven. "Just when we thought we were done, another thing would come up."

The Dearings' choice of a photographer to shoot the image for the cover was easy. They chose Jim Steele, the same Detroit "photographer who took their wedding pictures a year ago in April." Their neighbor across the street, Nikki Lorence, did the graphic design.

Steven, a classical guitarist, and Abha, a flutist, stepped into a Cleveland studio to record the mix of repertoire from Ravel and Bizet to Latin selections, and an original composition by Wayne State University professor James Lentini certain they were the husband and wife duo ready, at least musically. For seemed in complete harmony Abha, the returns from produc-

First step

"It was our first step into the professional world," said Abha. other and they were back in "And to be professionally mixed

What: Abha and Steven Dearing perform music from their new CD, "Take One," at the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair. They're among the nearly 30 entertainers, including Three Men and a Tenor, Bakra Bata and Mr. B, featured at four performing areas at the fair.

When: 10:50 a.m. and 11:40 a.m. Friday, July 23, on South University near the Tappan Street intersection, Ann Arbor. There are also performance areas on the corner of East and South University and Church Street

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and mastered was thrilling."

Steven's take on the session differed slightly. That's okay with Abha because the two respect each other's opinions.

"Playing in a studio is like playing in a tin can," he said. You don't have reverberation. You can't hear yourself. My favorite part was when it was done. In the studio, we were four feet apart. We usually perform career forward. While the duo right next to each other. It was play weddings nearly every tough because we really had to listen to one another. I couldn't hear her breathe. When she breathes, I know when to come

Engineered by Bruce Gigax at Audio Recording, the CD took less time than expected which was important to the Dearings who weren't spending their own money. An anonymous sponsor picked up the cost in exchange for a promise that the Dearings repay the money when they mation about the Dearing Con-

"It was very concise." said Abha. "We played each of our pieces three times. Our engineer said, we're one of the most prepared groups he'd worked with."

Potpourri of styles

From their eight hours of literature for guitar and flute, the Dearings chose selections that would propel their performing week, concerts, like ones last year at the Plymouth Community Arts Council and The Community House in Birmingham, are fewer and far between. They hope the CD will pave the way for future performances. With the help of a computer they purchased two months ago, Steven is searching the web for lists of promoters presenting concerts throughout the U.S. He is then able to e-mail them with inforcert Duo.

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Fantasy for Flute and Guitar

"Fantasy for Flute and Guitar" is prestigious vocal group, the Mer a special addition to the CD. Steven was a master's student at Wayne State when he met Lentini, who chairs the guitar department there.

"This is the first time the Fantasy had ever been recorded." said Steven. "When he gave it to published vet. It's fortunate because we're fond of the piece. All he asked was that I save the give him a copy of the CD."

Lentini's gift to Steven preced ri," said Abha, "so someone who ed his meeting Abha nearly five dents at Wayne State University. marketing reasons. So in the Today, Steven teaches guitar at future we could send it to a vari- the University of Windsor and Macomb Community College. A private music teacher, Abha i choir director at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills. This Written in 1981, Lentini's fall, she will direct the school's cyaires.

> "It's kind of nice because I was a Mercyaire," said Abha who will perform with Steven at the school in fall. "It's also important for our students to see us per form.

Added Steven, "Not just to lis me in 1994, it hadn't even been ten to what we're saying but to see what we do."

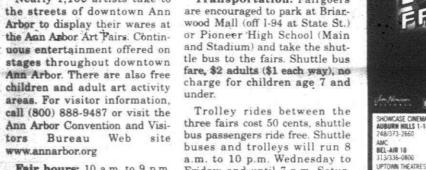
The Dearing Concert Duo's CD is also available at Repeat the programs we played it on and Beat and The Coffee Studio in Plymouth.



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Spanish cuisine served at new Hola! Tapas Cafe

BY ELEANOR HEALD SPECIAL WRITER

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In Spain, even the smallest village has at least one spot where locals gather to enjoy tapas, drinks and conversation with friends. Now, on a larger scale, you can enjoy a fairly authentic Spanish experience at Hola! Tapas Cafe in Pontiac.

Spanish dishes are today's "in" food. A Spanish-theme restaurant means a U.S. metro area is dialed into the world of international foods.

Make no mistake, I'm talking about Spanish cuisine, not Mexican, and there's a world of difference.

In mid-June, owner Nino Cutraro transformed Baci Abbracci in Pontiac from an Italian restaurant. He said "Hi" (Hola!) to decidedly Spanish. The little Xs and Os etched on glass dividers still speak to the hugs and kisses translation of baci abbracci, but a loving touch is OK in any language!

Interior face-lifts opened up the main dining room to the bar/dance floor and produced a female flamenco dancer in brilliant red dress on the wall. Gone are the white table cloths. Now terra cotta covered with white butcher block, tables offer the feeling of casual, a place to gather with friends, kick back and order rounds of tapas and a cou-

Holal Tapas Cafe

Where: 40 W. Pike Street, Pontiac (248) 253-1300. Hours: 5-11 p.m. Tuesday: Thursday; until midnight Friday and Satur-

day. Menu: Spanish all the way from tapas (little dishes of Spain), four types of paella and entradas (main courses) prepared a la brasa (roasted), a la plancha (flame grilled) or a la sal (baked in salt). Entertainment: Thursday DJ Salsa night at 9 p.m. Live Latin music Friday and Saturday evenings at 10 p.m. Cost: Tapas \$3-8; Paella \$9-13; Entradas \$13-17. Reservations: Accepted.

Credit cards: All majors accepted

ple of paellas — food to be frittata. shared. la Plancha, grilled sea scallops

Tapas originated around the 19th century in Andalusia, the most-laid back region of Spain. It was a bartender's practice to top a sherry glass with a cover (tapa) to keep the contents free of flies. The custom progressed. and today, tapas are the rage of Spain. They can be as simple as a dish of olives, fried salted almonds, jamon Serrano or Manchego (traditional Spanish cheese) to an elaborately prepared hot seafood dish.

Hola! Tapas Cafe offers 10 tapas frias (cold) and 10 tapas calientes (hot). Tortilla Espanola is one of the cold, or more precisely, room-temperature tapas. This tortilla is nothing like the Mexican. It is more like an omelet with potato, onions and green peppers, akin to an Italian

for dinner that included a sherry copa for each of us that came with tapas, paella Valenciana, a bottle of quality Spanish red wine and a shared flan for

dessert. At Hola!, without the sherry, you'll pay \$10 per person for the paella, \$30 for the most rea-

ciana (chicken and pork), de Ver-

duras (vegetable), and Fideau de

Mariscos (macaroni-like pasta

Pretty close to authentic! At

one of Valencia's star paella

restaurants, my husband Ray

and I paid just under \$40 U.S.

with seafood).

onably-priced Spanish wine and \$4 for the flan. Close, but driving up the cost is the wine, which at its source was much cheaper. Handicapping for our airfare, your drive to

Pontiac for a near-Valencia experience is priced fairly. Among entrees, the most interesting is the Dorada a la Sal, red snapper baked in salt and served with alioli sauce. It, too, is made to order and requires a prep time of 40 minutes. Amuse your taste buds with tapas while you wait. On a low sodium diet? Don't fret. The salt crust is not eaten, it's just the medium used to bake this Mediterranean-style fish specialty.

Interesting Spanish desserts include two unique: Arroz con Leche, baked Spanish rice pud-



At your service: Executive chef Bradley Kimelman, (left) and sous chef Bud Saley prepare authentic Spanish cuisine at the new Hola! Tapas Cafe in Pontiac.

kitchen staff including executive chef Bradley Kimelman, a 1981 OCC culinary department graduate, who has been executive chef and general manager at a number of area restaurants before Hola.

Nino's brother Luigi Cutraro is banking on this because he's opening Sangria, a similar Spanish-theme restaurant in Royal Oak on Lafayette at the corner of Fourth Street, in a few weeks.

EATING OUT IN THE SUBURBS

Here are some restaurants we've recently featured on the Dining Page.

Shivers Cafe - 34365 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (in the Stark Plaza, on the southeast corner of Stark and Plymouth Roads), (734) 421-6090. Open year round. Summer hours are 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Monday -Thursday; 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday; 1-10 p.m., Saturday; 1- 9:30 p.m., Sunday

Menu: Bagel sandwiches,

homemade soups, salads, quiche and desserts (brownies, cookies, pies, cakes), ice cream, frozen yogurt and a selection of coffees, teas and juices

Cost: Inexpensive. Credit cards are not accepted. Everything on the menu is available to go.

Buca di Beppo - 38888 Six Mile Road, (between Haggerty and I-275), (734) 4-MANGIA, 462-6442. Open seven days a week, dinner only; 5-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 5-11 p.m. Friday; 4-11

p.m. Saturday; 4-10 p.m. Sunday. Reservations accepted before restaurant opens for that day. Advance reservations accepted during restaurant hours. No call ahead seating.

Among hot tapas, try Vieiras a

with saffron sauce, topped with

roe mayonnaise; Calamares Rel-

lenos, stuffed squid with multi-

colored peppers, onions and

sausage in a light pescadora

sauce; and Pincho de Solomillo a

la Pimienta, grilled tenderloin of

beef brochette rolled in cracked

Having spent several weeks in

Spain and some days in Valencia

(paella's capital) recently, I've grown very fond of paella. In

Spain, one of the ways you know

paella is made to order is that

the menu requests allowance of

30 to 40 minutes for its prepara-

tion and the minimum is a two-

person order, priced per person.

This is precisely what Hola!

Tapas Cafe does for its four pael-

black pepper.

Menu: Classic southern Italian

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dishes. Cost: All courses are served family style. Salads (a small Caesar serves four) cost \$6.95 to \$13.95; pizzas range in price from \$9.95 to \$17.95; pasta prices are \$7.95 to \$19.95; and entrees range in

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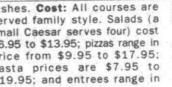
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Cutraro's friend Chef Julia, a

native of Vigo in the Galicia

region of northern Spain. Chef

Julia is director of the culinary

school in Vigo, Spain's largest

fishing port. She created all the

recipes and taught Hola's

raspberry sauce.

Menu: Middle Eastern cuisine. Cost: Entrees range in price from \$3.99 to \$14.99

Reservations: La Shish maintains a "call ahead" policy, especially on the weekends Credit cards: All majors accepted.





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