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Tall tales: They've had nicknames like "Tree," "Jolly Green Giant," "Big Bird" and "Stretch," been asked if they play basketball and how the weather is "up there." But that's only some of the things faced by tall people. / B1

Fun-raising funds: Kelli Sonquist is looking for a few young professionals interested in having fun, raising funds for children with disabilities and joining Young Variety. / B1

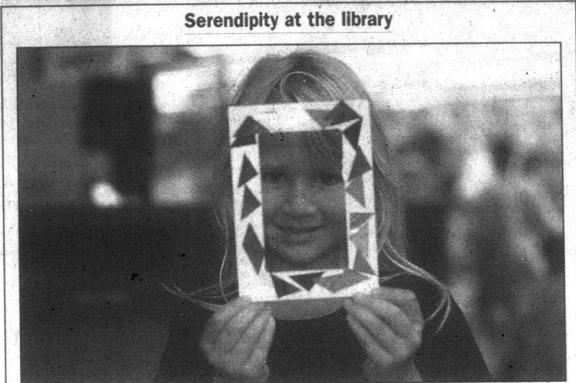
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ENTERTAINMENT

Music: Lilith Fair, this weekend at Pine Knob Music Theatre, celebrates women in music./E1

Theater: West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Commission presents "A Midsummer Night's Dream" performed by **Repercussion** Theatre 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 15 at Drake Sports Park. / E1



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Frame-up: Paige Morris of Smyrna, Del., shows off her new picture frame Tuesday outside the Canton Library. At right, Stephanie Misevich, 2¹/₂, looks hesitantly at the photographer while sister Jamie, 41/2, plays with her butterfly wand. The library's youth department set up its "Serendipity Table" Tuesday outside the library entrance, inviting children to make picture frames and "Butterfly Wands," all part of the ongoing children's program.



3 parks to get facelift

The Canton Township Board of Trustees has approved \$400,000 worth of improvements at Griffin, Independence and Flodin parks.

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oe.homeo

Canton will spend nearly \$400,000 for improvements at three of its parks.

Tennis and basketball courts will be replaced, playscape and practice soccer fields added by next spring. According to Canton Administrative and Community Services Director Dan Durack, the work is definitely needed.

"They're all projects that were due," he said. "These are our neighborhood parks. On any given day, they're used quite a lot.'

Canton's Board of Trustees approved three separate park improvement moves Tuesday:

A total of \$12,000 was OKd for architectural services for Griffin Park renovations. The township plans to spend \$150,000 at its oldest park.

Funds in the amount of \$57,130 were earmarked for Independence Park. Practice soccer fields will be added.

Playscapes will be replaced at Griffin and Flodin parks. Durack said approximately \$160,000 will be spent on those projects.

Poor drainage and age have taken their tolls on tennis and basketball courts at Griffin.

Underlying water has caused courts to heave and crack, Durack said. Clay soil is a primary culprit, he added

Crews will rip out existing surfaces, regrade

Please see PARK PROJECTS, A4

Township tax rate unchanged for 20

By SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oc.homecomm.net

Tax rates will not increase in 2000 for Canton residents.

The Township Board of Trustees Tuesday set millage rate limits not to exceed 1999 levels. The final millage rate will be determined Sept. 28 and the Board will adopt the new budget in early October.

"We do a good job of holding the line on costs and being a good steward of public funds," said Canton Finance and Budget Director Tony Minghine.

A public hearing on the millage rates will be held Sept. 14 at the township administration building

A millage rate of 9.05 is now the highest the township can charge homeowners for fiscal 2000. At that rate, a home with a taxable value of \$100,000 would be taxed \$905.

Under Michigan's Proposal A, a home's taxable value is 50 percent or less of its current market value, depending on the national inflation

rate and how long the residents have owned the property. According to Minghine, it's possible

the final millage number could be slightly lower than 9.05.

This year, the police department's special assessment is 5.0 mills. The

Please see TAXES. A6

Campers prove they're able to learn, have fun

BY SCOTT NEINAS STAFF WRITER

Camp Able is one place where kids are glad to spend the summer at

locating the main door of a museum, the kids learn skills impossible to acquire in a classroom. "When they're struggling, you want

buying their own movie tickets, or

REAL ESTATE

Gung-ho: Homeowners have found what they can accomplish by working together. / F1

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school

Fiegel Elementary on Joy Road is this year's site for the summer day camp put on by Canton Township's therapeutic recreation department.

The camp teaches mentally and physically challenged kids, ages 8-16, basic skills that most people may take for granted.

"Some of the same kids have been coming here for years and they love it," said Lu Roeder, a camp coordinator.

They also have a lot of fun. Fishing, story telling and making s'mores are just a few of the activities that the resourceful staff prepares during the eight-week program.

The group breaks camp often. So far this year they've visited Metro Airport, the Spring Valley Trout Farm and the COSI museum in Toledo.

Other outings included trips to local bowling alleys, a laser tag center and weekly trips to the beach at Kensington Park.

The trips are unique opportunities



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Indoor adventure: Campers Justin and Megan relax in one of the tents during storytime.

for campers to learn social and functional skills Ironically enough, the best way to help the kids is to not help them at all, Roeder says.

Whether it's ordering their own food.

to help them ... but it's important for them to learn to do things for themselves," Roeder said.

Counselors work with the kids directly to teach social skills. Conversation basics such as greetings and compliments are taught individually.

The staff also works with the kids in group settings.

"We encourage them to interact, we'll start conversations and help them along with keeping it going, things like that have to be broken down," Roeder said

"We play a lot of games, it helps them interact and teaches them patience," she added.

Water fights, on the other hand, usually don't require prodding.

Armed with water balloons and. water guns, good-natured skirmishes break out frequently.

"One person will grab a cup of water, that's how it all starts," Roeder said.

Please see CAMPERS, A3

Labor leader's untimely death stuns colleagues

Dance instructor, 54, revered by her students

MARY HELEN STEWART

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oe.hoi mm.net

Canton resident and UAW Vice President Walter "Jack" Laskowski died Sunday of a heart attack.

Laskowski, 59, was attending a board meeting of Delta Dental of Michigan, for which he served on the board of directors, at the time of his death. The meeting was being held in the mid-Michigan town of Lewiston. "Speaking on behalf of the Officers

WALTER 'JACK' LASKOWSKI

International Executive Board members and the membership of the UAW, we are shocked and saddened at the untimely death of Vice President

Laskowski," UAW President Stephen P. Yokich said in a Monday statement. "Brother Laskowski's leadership

made a tremendous contribution to our union through his role as a UAW officer, as a member of our International Executive Board and as the director of

Please see LABOR LEADER, A6

BY SCOTT NEINAS STAFF WRITER

Mary Helen Stewart, Canton's legendary dance instructor, died at Annapolis Hospital Monday, Aug. 9.

Stewart, 54, owned and operated Masters of Dance Arts on Canton Center Road for 25 years. She taught competitive dance and ran production groups for dancers of all ages, from beginners to professionals.

Debby Ash, a former student who now operates her own dance studio with another Stewart protégé, said the studio is one of the most respected in the area.

"She touched a lot of families She was one of those teachers that you never forget," Ash said

Stewart resided on Westminister Way

She is survived by her husband of 32 vears, Donald; daughter, Tiffani; son, Brandon; her mother, Mildred Potter; and sisters, Betty Jenkin and the Rev.

Please see DANCE INSTRUCTOR, A2

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Man dies behind wheel Dance instructor from page A1 Victoria J. Westphal. Visitation is from 1-9 p.m. while driving on I-275

A 42-year-old Westland man died in the early morning hours of Aug. 5 while driving on southbound I-275.

According to Canton Police reports, Dorian Sabbath was pronounced dead shortly before 4 a.m. at Annapolis Hospital in Garden City. His Lincoln Mark VIII was

found by police resting against the east guard rail of northbound I-275 just north of Van Born Road. Police found Sabbath slouched over his wheel unconcious. Officers and later Canton

paramedics performed CPR on im but were unable to revive him, reports said. Police believe Sabbath was driving southbound I-275 when he lost control of the vehicle.

The vehicle crossed a grass median and struck the guard rail before coming to rest a short distance away. There were no witnesses to the accident, reports

Police said Sabbath didn't die of injuries from the accident. An exact cause of death hasn't been determined, according to police.

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She told police that an unknown person took a stereo and VCR from her home sometime between 2 p.m. Aug. 4 and 8 a.m. Aug. 5. Reports said the woman returned home Aug. 7 at which time her brother notified her of the break-in.

Graffiti

Miller Elementary School was the victim of graffiti Aug. 7.

An anonymous caller notified Canton Police shortly before 6 p.m. Officers discovered numerous graffiti markings on the

school's south side. Damage was estimated at \$300. Police have no suspects.

Larceny

A 69-year-old Belleville man's golf clubs and bag were stolen from Fellows Creek Golf Course

Reports said the man dropped his clubs off outside the clubhouse at about 8:15 p.m. He returned to pick them up 30

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Embezzlement

More than \$4,000 of home recording equipment was stolen from a Ford Road warehouse between May 1 and Aug. 6, according to police reports. A 22-year-old Ypsilanti worker at the warehouse reported the items missing to police. He said a total of seven pieces of equipment, valued at \$4,264, had come up missing since May. The man thinks that an employee

may have taken the equipment, reports said Police are investigating the incident.

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Canton Police received a total of 277 calls for service for the weekend of Aug. 6-8. Two dozen calls were for fami ly/civil troubles, 20 false alarms were recorded and 16 traffic crashes. Eight incidents of malicious destruction of property

today at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road. Funeral services are 10:30 a.m. Friday from the funeral home. Part of Stewart's legacy is that no fewer than 15 former students of hers have dance studios

in the Detroit metro area. Donald said she's had at least 12,000 students walk through her doors over the years. "She was very well known," he

said. "Her students have gone on to Broadway, motion pictures, Vegas, everywhere." After returning Sunday from

Las Vegas, where her troupe had won 37 medals at a national ompetition. Stewart's health failed suddenly Monday morn-

She was rushed to the hospital at 10:30 a.m. where doctors treated her for a blood clot that started in her leg and worked its way to her heart and lungs. She died that afternoon.

"She's the most unbelievable person," said Brienne Hesse, a former student. "She's changed more lives than anyone I've ever

Mary Helen Stewar

known. She's had a huge impact

on my life." The dance studio was a meeting place for family and former students as people began arriving from around the world to pay their respects.

Linda Patrick, another former student, flew in from Oklahoma where she runs a dance studio. "If it weren't for her, I wouldn't be in the business I'm in.

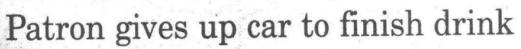
if it weren't for her. I wouldn't be in the business I'm in. She's the most inspirational, kind-hearted individual I've ever known.'

studio owner and former student

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Stewart was born in Detroit and raised in Dearborn. At the age of 9, she began taking dancing lessons at the Continental Dance Studio. When she was 17, she began teaching dance at the studio for 15 years before moving to Canton

She twice served as president of the Dance Masters of Michigan and was Regional Director for Dance Education of America. which is now setting up a scholarship memorial fund in her



He paid an extra \$45 to enjoy

sure must have been good.

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER

before and after scho

ARED BELL

Whatever a Canton Township man was drinking Saturday night at the Lower Town Grill

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it, city of Plymouth police said. from a resident on nearby North Mill, police found a 1998 Ford blocking the driveway and conpopular tacted the restaurant/bar to see if its owner was there. A barmaid told the 49-year-old

customer that police were man's total "bar bill" for the requesting he move his car.

DANCE

According to the officer's report, the man got up, walked to the establishment's window Responding to a complaint and looked out. He then returned to his table and sat down with his "beverage of choice

> Police responded by impound ing the car, which tacked an extra \$45 in towing fees onto the night





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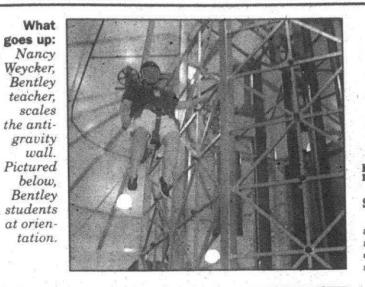
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Blast-off Students from Bentley, Gallimore head west to Space Camp

BY NANCY WEYCKER

Sunday, Aug. 8 We met at Salem High School at 3:30 a.m. to wait for parents and students to arrive. We loaded up kids and luggage and took chool buses to Metro Airport. Since this was a Southwest charter flight, they allowed the buses to ride right up to the plane for boarding. We didn't

even have to check in. There was an air of excite ment everywhere as we set out on our new adventure. Califor nia, here we come! For all of us, this was going to be a once-in-alifetime experience. We couldn't wait to get to Space Camp.

The plane flight was long and we arrived a little tired. Charter buses picked us up at the Oakland Airport and brought us to Space Camp.



then the students registered little homesick but they worked and settled in. The teachers it out with help from their came over in the evening to say teachers, camp counselors and

We had an orientation and time. Some of the children felt a

p.m. in the camp habitats. We are all looking forward to another great day at Space Camp

Monday, Aug. 9

We teachers started out our day with a rehearsal of our mission at the training center. We went inside the Space Shuttle and were given our job assign-ments. I am the pilot. It is a very interesting job with a lot of esponsibility.

After breakfast, we went on a tour of Lockheed Martin. This space museum was very interesting and we learned a lot while visiting there. When we returned, we went into the learning center and took the hair up the Zero Gravity Wall.

All the teachers had a lot of fun. We also took group photos this afternoon to take home as

Camp is 'fun – and maybe scary'

BY KYLE FELDSCHER

BENTLEY STUDENT CORRESPONDENT Following is the transcript of an interview with Space Camper Jacob Larry:

Question: What are you looking forward to most at Space Camp? Answer: The training exercis-

Question: How do you feel about twisting and turning on the anti-gravity machine? Answer: It sounds like fun,

but maybe it will be a little Question: What did you enjoy most about the plane flight?

Answer: The scenery Question: Which Space Camp would you rather attend, Florida, Alabama or

California? Answer: California because it is a beautiful state and I have relatives there.

Question: How do you feel about being so far away from home?

Answer: I feel both happy and

Question: How do you feel about the simulator and

other training equipment. Answer: I want to try them. Question: How do you feel own shuttle launch?

cially interests you? Answer: Yes. It makes me

Question: How do you feel

other students? Answer: A little excited and a

Question: Do you have anything you'd like to say to

have sent us all to Space Camp? Answer: Thank you and you

Campers from page A1

S'more time: CamperKaren enjoys a chocolate, marshmallow and graham cracker treat.

the staff's job easier.

derful to see that."



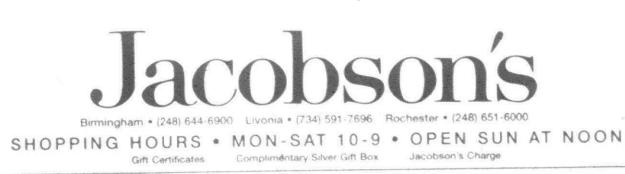
The camp, which runs from present at all times, a good num-8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., is a break in ber considering they look after only 15 kids. the routine for the participants. All of them are either in school

"Parents are really impressed or have jobs and all the kids stay with the ratio," Roeder said. In the Fall, the department with their families, which makes runs programs for teens and "The parents work with the young adults Halloween and kids to teach them their respon- Valentine's Day parties, movies. the events lined up so far Sign-

sibilities ... they don't leave it all a trip to Wiard's Orchard and up to us," Roeder said. "It's won- Christmas shopping are some of At least five counselors are ups begin in September



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about participating in your Answer: I'm looking forward to it. I love the idea of having the responsibility Question: Is Aviation Challenge something that espe-

want to be a pilot when I grow

about living in a habitat at Space Camp with several

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goodnight and help with bed- friends. It was lights out at 9 souvenirs. clearance

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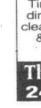
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Judge will hear about storm water clean-up plans mits are: Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms, Bloomfield Hills, Com-problems, Schrameck said. BY KEN ABRAMCZYK The permit also outlines a pub- ordinance **ENVIRONMENT** Wayne County commissioners lic education plan. STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net Oakland County commission-

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State and county environmental officials are expected to inform U.S. District Judge John Feikens on Monday about progress on the Rouge River Wet Weather Demonstration Project. The court hearing generally packs. Feikens' courtroom with observers, as many of the 48 communities in the Rouge River watershed send representatives

to hear Feikens inquiries about Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw county officials, the state Department of Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency report to

Feikens schedules court hearings every two months. Feikens is overseeing a lawsuit filed by the EPA against the communities to clean up storm water flowing from communities into the

Roy Schrameck, district director of the DEQ's surface water quality division, expects state DEQ officials will update Feikens on the status of stormwater permits, sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) and river

The permits, issued by the state, are required for the stormwater discharges into the river, but are "voluntary" in that communities have a hand in writing their own programs about how they will clean up the discharges and illicit connections of sewage to storm sewers. Discharges also contain fertilizer and pesticides from lawns, and small amounts of oil and

grease from parking lots. As of this week, the state has issued 29 certificates of coverage under the stormwater permits. Two others are ready to go, while

Bird-watchers meet Sunday

Bird-watchers can enjoy the view at Crosswinds Marsh in Sumpter Township from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. Sunday.

The "Crack of Dawn Birding Club" meets the first Sunday of the month and offers an excellent opportunity to meet other bird watchers in the area. More than 141 species of birds have been seen at Crosswinds Marsh, including the bald eagle, pere-

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two more have issued final comments to the DEQ. Ten other permits are being negotiated with other communi-

"This is a voluntary stormwater program," Schrameck said. "We don't have one similar to this in Michigan, and there's not one in the United States. We're treading on 'untrod' ground with this program. We're making this program, and we're also designing it, so it's taking a lot longer."

ers recently approved money for nance that would require an a study on the cost of a septic tank inspection program. A county drain official expressed concerns about the expense of such a program at a Rouge River Remedial Action Plan Advisory Council meeting in June. Oakland County officials learned of a \$15 million grant available for local that to happen, because we want communities there to address a program to improve the environmental concerns.

are considering a similar ordiinspection at any home at the point of sale.

cleanup as regulatory agencies don't want to appear heavyhanded in enforcement. "If we get dictatorial, then people can walk and we don't want

Rouge," Schrameck said.

approved a septic tank inspection agency in negotiations on per-

merce Township, Lyon Township, Melvindale, Southfield Township, Van Buren Township, Ypsilanti Township and the Washte-Progress is slow on the river's naw County Road Commission.

The DEQ is reviewing Birmingham's proposed stormwater instead of applying for a permit. Schrameck did not know whether it would be approved.

About 45 locations of SSOs also shed. The DEQ is working with on municipal collection systems.

Some of the problems stem from internal hydraulic problems within municipal collection systems and/or the inability of the communities to discharge their contract capacity to the North Huron/Rouge Valley interceptor program. It outlined a program system, according to a state 'report given to Feikens two nonths ago.

Schrameck believes a pump station will address that problem have been discovered that illegal- and engineering consultants Washtenaw County has The nine communities and one ly discharge in the Rouge water- hired by communities will check



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EFFREY RAYMOND WOODS

Services for Jeffrey Raymond Woods, 41, of Canton were Aug. 7 in the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia.

He was born Jan. 17, 1956, in Detroit. He died Aug. 4 in Canton. He was a painter He was preceded in death by

his father, Raymond C. Ghent. Survivors included his mother, Dorothy A. Woods of Canton; one brother, Michael G. (Maria)

Woods of Ypsilanti; one nephew, Gordon Woods, and one niece, Amanda Woods

JOAN E. BURGER Services for Joan E. Burger, 57, of Plymouth Township were Aug. 10 in the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev Tamara Seidel officiating. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery,

Livonia. She was born April 24, 1942, in Detroit. She died Aug. 6 in Plymouth Township. She came to the Plymouth community from Garden City in 1970. She

Labor leader from page A1

ments, including the Daimler-Chrysler Department." Laskowski was first elected

UAW Vice President in 1995. - Home in Canton. He was re-elected three years

Laskowski joined the union in 1958 when he went to work at a Bay City auto factory. His father. Walter, was also involved with the UAW and narticipated in the union's first strike in 1936.

Laskowski was born April 8, 1940, in Bay City. He was a graduate of Saint Stanisiaus High School in Bay City, where he became an all-state basketball player.

Services for Laskowski are made by McCabe Funeral scheduled for today at St. Home, Canton.

many important UAW depart- John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton. A visitation and prayer service were held yesterday at McCabe Funeral

Survivors include his wife, Sally Laskowski; three sons, Greg Laskowski, Tim (Jennifer) Laskowski, Mike Laskowski; three brothers, Tom (Julie) Laskowski, Al (Judy) Laskowski, Terry (Anne) Laskowski; and two sisters, Mary (Germaine) O'Daniel, Clara (Tom) Strz-

elecki Memorials may be made to C.A.U.S.E., 3303 W. Saginaw , Lansing, MI 48197. Local arrangements wee

was a teacher in the South Redford School District. For the past 10 years, she worked out of her home as a bridal consultant under the name of Cameo Wedding Chapel Inc. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth and a member of the Association of Bridal Consultants. She loved to travel, loved music, computers and had a great passion for her business. She was a wife of 29 years. Survivors include her husband, Robert Burger of Plymouth Township; one son, Robert Burger II of Lansing; and one brother, Edgar Lacey of

Morenci, Mich. Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, Ply-

BEN J. STANTON

gelical Church Alliance. He was a resident of Plymouth for 31 years. Mr. Stanton was a

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sergeant in the Army Air Corp. during WW II. He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Minnie Shapiro; one brother, Harry Shapiro; and one sister, Gloria

Survivors include his/wife, Jamie) of Wayne, Daniel Cambridge, ton; four sisters, Lilyan Alpern Southfield, Silvia (Shirley) Stern Blake and Drew, Anna and

Memorials may be made to Wycliffe Bible Translators, P.O. Box 2727, Huntington Beach, Calif. 92647 or Boys & Girls Bible Clubs, 21122 Indian St.,

82, of Marlette, Mich. (formerly of Plymouth) were Aug. 8 in Marsh Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Parker officiating. Burial was in Riverside Ceme-

Detroit. She died Aug. 5 in Kings AFC Home, Marlette, Mich. She lived most of her life in Plymouth and Central Lake, Mich. moving to Marlette in 1994 She was a member of the Bell Tower Church, Ellsworth.

her brother, Stanley Allen. Survivors include her husband, Howard; three sons, Hugh

(Rose Marie) Daly of Alaska, Lawrence (Nancy Jo) Daly of Indiana; one daughter, Susan (Al) Clymer of New Mexico; two step-daughters, Joan (Earle) Cherkosly of Plymouth, Diane (Mark) Hoagland of Sylvan Lake: two brothers, Walter Allen of Tipton, Donald (Shirley) Allen of Miss.; four sisters, Margaret Merritt of Plymouth, Mildred Wesley of Plymouth, Marjorie McKillip of Arizona. Madeline (Howard) Hunt of Arizona.; 11 grandchildren; 17 great-grand children; two step-grandchildren; and one step-great-grand; child

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association or United Hospice of Marlette.

JOHN R. AHO Services for John R. Aho, 55, of

Pinckney (formerly of Plymouth) were Aug. 11 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Hamburg with the Rev. Ron Rein officiating.

He was born Dec. 21, 1944, in Newberry, Mich. He died Aug. 5 in Oakwood Hospital. He was a general sales manager for Borg-Warner in Detroit. Before moving to sales he was employed at Ford Motor Co. for 17 years. He was an incurable romantic and an optimist. He worked hard and played hard and was very numorous. Mr. Aho loved to ski and to play golf. He was a mem-ber of L.G.C.C., Schussmeister's. Ski Club, the Society of Automotive Engineer's and he founded the Pinckney C.R.O.P. Walk. He was a member of the Shalom Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife, Denise; four children, Johnny (Michelle) Aho of Pinckney, Mike

Heitbrink of Pinckney, Jay (Tanya) Aho of Detroit, Andrew Aho of Plymouth; one brother, Mike (Mary) Aho of Newberry; and two granddaughters, Christina and Sierra.

Memorials may be made to John Aho Memorial Fund c/o Shalom Lutheran Church. Arrangements were made by Bell-Borek Funeral Home, Ham-

burg. CAROLINE M. GOODALE

Services for Caroline M. Goodale, 92, of Plymouth were Aug. 5 in Michelson Memorial Methodist Church with the Rev Jeff Jaggers officiating. Burial was in Elmwood.

She was born June 9, 1907, in Tacome, Wash. She died Aug. 2 in Mercy Hospital-Grayling. She was self-employed in the grocery-bakery-delicatessen business. She was a member of the Nichelson Memorial Methodist Church. She was a life member of the Eastern Star-Plymouth and the White Shrine. She was previously awarded the Michi gan State Fair Homemaker of the Year Championship.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Loren Goodlae Sr. and three sisters. Survivors include his three daughters, Caroline McMullen of Bentleyville Pa., Barbara (Douglas) Shaw of Wilmington, N.C., Beverly (Robert) LaVoisni of Brooklyn Mich; one son, Loren (grace) Goodale Jr. of Grayling; 16 grandchildren; and 26 greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Grayling

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but could be lowered. "We think we'll be able to do a reduction in the police mileage. Minghine said.

The department's overall budget for 1999 is \$9.5 million. Minghine said that number is somewhat misleading in that police had several large one-time equipment purchases. Currently, the department is looking at a budget of \$9.08 million for 2000. As for fire, a special assess-

ment of 2.94 mills will likely be made. The department's budget is \$5.27 million this year. A jump of nearly \$300,000 is

planned for 2000. Canton's continued growth allows the department to increase spending with out raising taxes, Minghine said. Millage is much more important to police and fire revenues than Canton's general fund, he added

As much as 90 percent of the departments' budget comes from taxpayers. Just 14 to 16 percent of the township's general fund is from tax revenue.

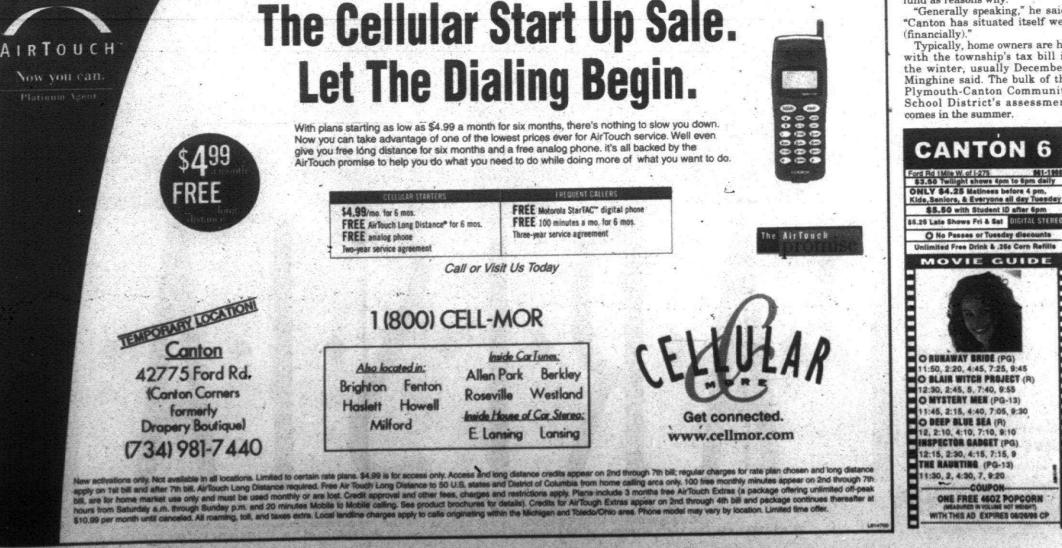
A much greater portion, 46 to 51 percent over the past five years, comes from state revenue sharing. Various fees generate about 30 percent of the general fund each year. Canton's 1999 general fund

budget was approximately \$14.9 nillion. Minghine it's simply too early to say if that number will crease or decrease

He doesn't expect the township tax rates to change much in the next few years. Minghine cited growth and strong fund balances or police, fire and the general fund as reasons why. "Generally speaking," he said,

"Canton has situated itself well (financially). Typically, home owners are hit

with the township's tax bill in the winter, usually December, Minghine said. The bulk of the Plymouth-Canton Community School District's assessment

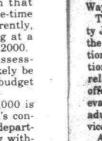


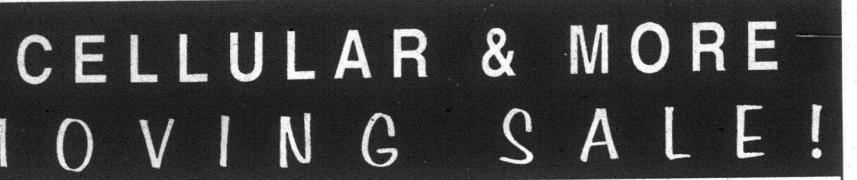
Juvenile justice program will use tethers, education

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nouth Services for Ben J. Stanton, 84, of Plymouth were Aug. 12 in the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Roland DeRenzo of Calvery Baptist officiating. Burial was in Mr. Hope Cemetery, Livonia. He was born June 11, 1915, in Detroit. He died Aug. 8 in Livo-nia. He received his degree from Detroit Bible Institute in 1953.

He also founded the Pulpit Supply Service. He owned and operated the Reliable Barber Supply and worked at this until he became ill. Mr. Stanton retired in 1987 as custodian in the Ply-mouth-Canton Schools where he had worked for 11 years. Mr. Stanton was affiliated with the Calvary Baptist Church of Can-ton and a member of the Evan-

tery, Plymouth.

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Southfield, MI 48034.

Wayne County budget. The Wayne County Commission conducted budget hearings in July with county officials from each department, then commissioners began budget deliberations this

Commissioners are expected to approve a new budget by Sept. 1.

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.ne

Starting Oct. 1, Wayne County will administer the juvenile justice block grant, a major change in this year's budget for the Department of Community Jus-

Wayne County will receive about \$55 million to \$60 million from the state to finance juvenile delinguency services for more than 3,000 youths. Another \$55 million will come from the county's general fund.

State legislation called for the state to have exclusive responsibility for "abused and neglected" children and the county to have jurisdiction over the youth delinquency population, instead of the

Wayne County expects to use care management organizations and juvenile assessment centers to help juvenile delinquents with drug or alcohol problems, according to Greg Roberts, executive assistant with county Executive Edward McNamara, who met with Conference of Western Wayne officials in May.

"When we look at what happened in Colorado and what happens in Wayne County, a lot of people asked what we can do to stem the tide of violence and crime," Roberts said. "We believe Wayne County has the answer." The Department of Community Justice also is responsible for the administration and coordination of the detention, intervention and prevention programs related to juvenile and adult offenders. It will monitor and evaluate its programs related to adult and juvenile justice ser-

Approximately 35 new positions have been budgeted in the juvenile justice division for the



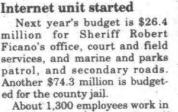
new \$47 million juvenile detention facility near Greektown in lowntown Detroit.

The adult probation services expect to increase community sanction services for offenders such as tethering, supervision, special alternative incarceration at boot camp and at 'the detention facility

"There has been a significant increase in the use of these sanctions and continued emphasis on the monitoring and enforcement of recommendations to the court will result in a continued upward trend," states one of the goals from Jeriel Heard, director of the Department of Community

Probation services will increase computer access for probation officers to communicate with each other, the regional office and with central administrators in Lansing. Community justice officials hope agents can better supervise clients and monitor their behavior. For juveniles, the Benjamin Carson Academy, housed inside the juvenile facility, is expected to provide juveniles with classes in English, language arts, math, science, 'social studies, physical education, art and technology.

The juvenile detention facility will house 196 beds within 12 . units and cost an estimated \$135 Detroit. million to operate



the Wayne County Sheriff Department. Ficano said he has asked coun-

y commissioners to consider an ordinance to establish the Internet Crime Unit as permanent positions. The unit of four offiers has investigated the illegal use of the Internet by sexual predators. Staffing at the jail also

remains a top budget priority along with narcotics investigations, Ficano said. In 1998, 855 people were arrested on drug charges by the sheriff's department

This year's budget maintains the status quo. Ficano also encouraged a technology partnership with the county's Information Processing Department on the transition into Y2K.

Prosecutor seeks funds

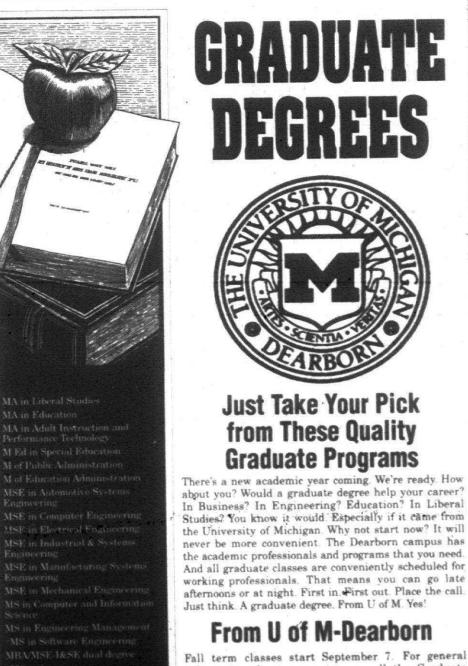
Prosecutor John O'Hair appeared before the county commission in July, wanting a \$500,000 budget increase to pay for five additional prosecutors.

One of the prosecutors' goals is to solve 25 unsolved homicides by March 31, 2000, and develop cooperative programs to reduce the homicide rate in Detroit by 20 percent.

O'Hair's \$25.7 million budget includes about 270 people, with more than 150 prosecutors, in divisions ranging from trials and case dispositions to special operations. That budget increased from \$24.6 million in this year's amended budget.

The Victim Services division in questing two additional community services specialists through the Victims of Crime Act, stationed at precincts in

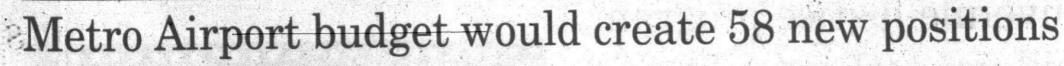




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BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

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Officials at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport have included 58 new positions for the airport's proposed 1999-2000 budget, ranging from 12 airport operations assistants to two electrical technicians.

Those positions represent the largest increase in personnel out of any of the county departnents

The 58 positions also include eight airport maintenance workers, eight laborers, five airport operations supervisors, five customer service agents, three environmentalists, five department managers, two department supervisors, two division deputy

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directors, two electrical technicians, two foremen, two typists and a clerical specialist and a department administrator.

Detroit Metro's operations are budgeted at \$178.9 million, an increase of \$15 million, which includes administration, external relations, concessions and quality assurance, maintenance, noise compatibility, properties, planning and facilities.

A new concessions and quality assurance division will oversee requests for proposals for the midfield terminal for food and beverage service and retail stores by the end of 1999.

The busiest department will probably be the division of properties, planning and facilities.

That department will oversee the five-year capital plan to improve the airport. Those improvements will be financed through Passenger Finance Charges, which is a surcharge on each airline ticket sold, grants from the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Aviation Administration and state of Michigan grants.

A five-year capital plan outlines \$494 million in airport improvements to be completed this year, including south access road projects, such as the Rogell Drive connector and north tunnel and roadway, and construction of the new runway and taxiways, parking garage and power plant.

On Wednesday, work crews building the new Midfield Terminal were scheduled to erect the project's first structural steel, as part of Northwest Airlines' construction of the new facility. The 74-gate terminal is expected to be completed in late 2001.

Susan Kopinski, deputy chief financial officer, responded to several questions last week from the commission about the airport construction fund, including PFCs

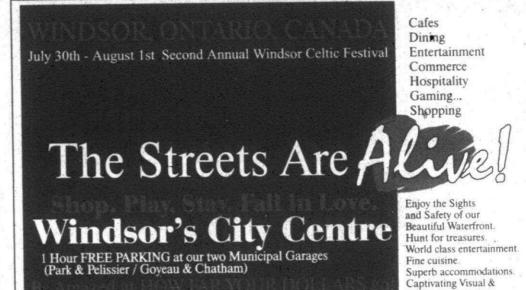
"There are no changes in PFC activities," Kopinski responded. "The current rate remains at \$3 per enplaned passenger. PFC revenue is budgeted at \$41 million for fiscal year 2000.

There is legislation pending in Washington, D.C., to increase the PFC but nothing has been settled as of this time.

Kopinski was asked whether security checkpoints were "sufficiently manned.

"Security checkpoints are the responsibility of the airlines," Kopinski said. "However, there is sufficient airport police to patrol the terminals and react quickly in case of a security breach. The manpower for this function was taken care of in this budget."

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Parks employee honored for work

A longtime Wayne County parks employee who has advocated the restoration of the historic Nankin Mills site in Westland and preservation of parklands in Wayne County has been honored as Pubic Servant of the

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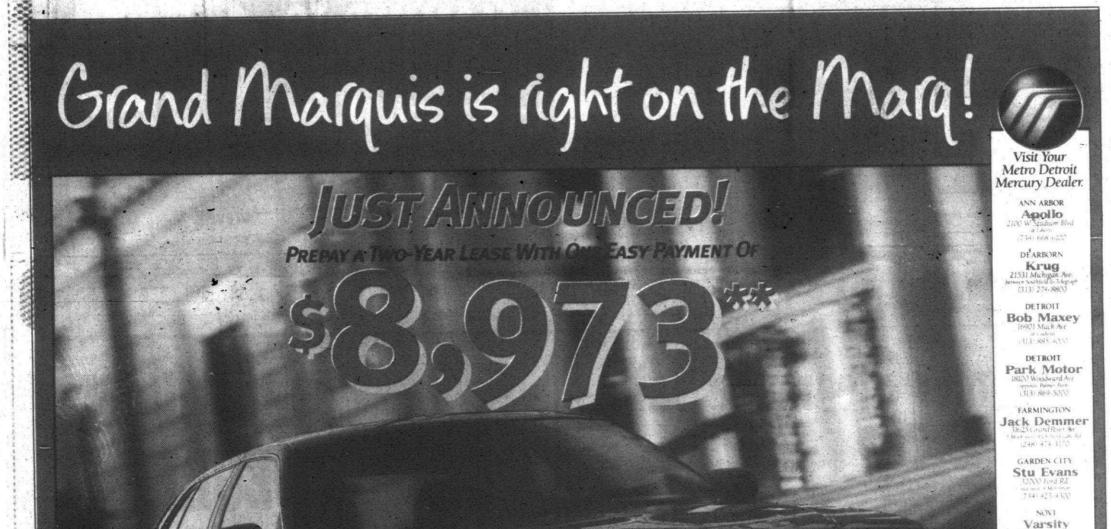
her notable accomplishments, employment longevity and community service. The Public Administration aland purchased through the Foundation is an affiliate of the Michigan Natural Resources University of Michigan-Dear-

and beyond the call of duty, and

born. The award was presented on June 24 at the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments General Assembly,

A landscape architect for 21 years, Darga was an original member of the Southeast Michigan Land Conservancy. Darga also served as grant coordinator and secured the first piece of land purchased through the Trust Fund.

Darga, a Michigan State University graduate and Detroit native, is the mother of two children, Alex and Anna, and the wife of Wayne County Engineer Michael Darga.



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Wolverine Riders take the big curves on 2 wheels

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW STAFF WRITER rechtingw@oc.homecomm.net

Sometimes the clichés are true.

Garden City resident Orman "Pappy" Patterson, 79, has been riding motorcycles since 1936, except for a few years when World War II interfered. "I got a brother named Harley Davidson Patterson," he said.

Not to mention a son and grandson who ride.

Livonia resident Warren Shirey is the owner of 13 motorcycles. A motorcycle rider for 50 years, one day he wished he had all of his old bikes back. "So I quit selling what I had," he said.

Romulus resident Bob Hughes has logged more than 240,000 miles in 29 years of riding, 112,000 of them on a single 1988 Kawasaki Voyager. He also has a Kawasaki Eliminator 600 that he rides to work.

Redford resident Bonnie Andes says the phrase, "If I have to explain it to you, you wouldn't

On the road again: Redford resident Bonnie Andes, shown here on the Yamaha Virago 750 at right, didn't start riding until she was 50 years old.

Wolverine Riders

The Wolverine Riders meet on the first Sunday and third Saturday of each month from April through October at Richard's Restaurant in Livonia, taking in a ride after breakfast and/or a business meeting. The next meeting begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 21.

They also take "ice cream rides" every Wednesday and throw in several longer out-ofstate rides.

A monthly newsletter is published throughout the year. During winter months, the members meet for dinner at various restaurants and rent a hall for a Christmas party.

Dues are \$30 a year. To inquire about joining the Wolverine Riders, show up at a meeting or call President John Behnke at (734) 522-8246.

understand," illustrates her reasons for riding. "It's wonderful. I like the freedom of it. Now I know I can run away from home."

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These are typical members of the Wolverine Riders motorcycle club, whose enjoyment of riding is as much a passion as an artist's desire to paint.

Founded by former Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry (among others) in 1987, the Wolverine Riders currently comprise some 69 two-wheel aficionados, including several women. The club was born, in part, as a receptacle for riders who "were tired of having to have one kind of bike to join an organization," said Westland resident Jim Bowes, a co-founder with Berry.

Many of the members have ridden together for years, and they've switched from sport bikes to cruisers to touring bikes as they've gotten older. Most of them are on the backside of 50, with many of them riding Gold Wings, Voyagers and other comfortable touring bikes. But they get around as much as anyone and more than most. Sit with them a while and you'll hear stories about rides to Florida, California, South Dakota and everywhere in between.

Although the Wolverines are starting to look like an AARP club, President John Behnke is quick to say that young members are welcome. He wasn't even sure this article should mention the average age of members for fear it would discourage younger riders from joining.

It doesn't matter how young you are, how much experience you have or what kind of bike you drive, he said. The Wolverines will be happy to ride with you.

The riders meet twice a month at Richard's Restaurant on Plymouth Road west of Newburgh in Livonia. From there they embark on a ride that sometimes ends with an ice cream lunch in Jackson and other times keeps them away from home until 8 p.m.

On Sunday, Aug. 1, they left



Follow the leader: John and Ellen Bryant of Hamburg led the second group of six motorcycles on the Sunday ride to Jackson.

Richard's Restaurant at 10:15 a.m. in two groups. Dexter resi dent Mary Green, a rider with 27 years of experience and no serious accidents (knock wood, as she does when she says that), led the way on her 1982 Honda CB900 Custom. Behind Green were three Gold Wings and this reporter on a Yamaha 535 Virago. The second group, led by John and Ellen Bryant of Hamburg, contained one Gold Wing, two Voyagers, a BMW dresser, a Yamaha 750 Virago and the only sport bike in sight, a Honda 650 Nighthawk ridden by Tim Salowitz.

Although these people ride some of the biggest motorcycles in captivity, they still enjoy curvaceous roads and stayed on them as much as possible. Indeed, this reporter's skills were challenged in keeping up with Green as she cut through See WOLVERINES, A11



Hard riders: Bob and Ellen Hughes of Romulus have put more miles on their Kawasaki Voyagers than many people put on their cars.



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Q: What is the fear of the number 13 called? A: Fear of the number 13 is

called "triskaidekaphobia." Variously believed to be a lucky or unlucky number. August has the only Friday the 13th of 1999. Every year has at least one Friday the 13th, but never more than three.

The source for this information is Chase's 1999 Calendar of Events

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by Paul D. Staudohar

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BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER mm.net

Jasmina Cocalic, 27, is still learning English, but her face lights up when a translator asks if she likes being in the U.S. In Kosovo, there weren't such

basics as food and clothing. She was among participants in a recent English as a second language class at Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia. Classes, which meet twice a week, started a couple of weeks

"These people are going to need that before the kids can go to school, before the adults can get work," said Janet Newcomer of Farmington, chairwoman of the Kosovar Refugee Resettle-

sored by one family, Raso and Jasmine Zverotic of Westland, originally from Albania but now living in the U.S. They sponsored their parents and siblings. "So they each have brothers and sisters here as well." said Newcomer. Family members of the siblings, including an infant, have arrived in Westland as

helping in its six-month commit ment. Leases have been signed for two apartments and a house; church members worked with companies to furnish the homes. Appeals within the congregation and outside have helped,

"There is really nothing for them to go home to," said New- for the church's support, Newcomer, who hopes to encourage don't know if the Kosovars will want to stay in the U.S. "They want to be in their own

homes. They're refugees."

Leaving home

The Kosovars were told to leave in the middle of the night, given just 15 minutes to gather elongings. "Luckily, the whole family was able to escape," she said. They spoke no English, but sign language has helped in

The Zverotics speak English and the Serbian language, and year-old daughter Melissa is a ig help translating in classes. Classes will continue all summer with volunteer teacher Sue Shepard, with space for up to 20 refugees and six signed up now.

The program is being offered through the Episcopal church. 'Honestly, it's been a godsend for them," Newcomer said. "The Episcopal church is doing a good ob of teaming churches with people who can help them."

The Kosovars have been here whirlwind," said Newcomer, who works for the Phoenix Group, in database management, in Farmington Hills. "It's an amazing thing when you think about .

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They are proud people accustomed to help primarily from family, she said, but are grateful comer said. Margaret Walker, a project would work. She got a

"I made a few phone calls to the United Methodist Women and some friends," said Walker, a Westland resident. They collected the essentials, and loved surrounding the baby with warmth and love.

ty," Walker said, adding that some of the baby clothes selected were too small, with givers assuming the child would be

Rev. Melanie Carey, associate pastor at Newburg and a Livonia resident. They're looking for something where English proficiency isn't a priority. "And something that they can make enough money where they can get on their feet."

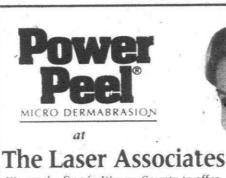
"We were able to find some peo ple who were just wonderful, Carey said of health profession without English.

The Kosovars are Muslims, so don't worship at the Methodist church in Livonia. The sponsoring family has a mosque.

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Report shows area roads are safer

The roads of southeast Michi- miles traveled - decreased in number for the fifth year in a and 49 place to drive your car.

The number of traffic accidents in the seven county region decreased by 13,000 in 1998 when compared to the previous year, according to a report issued last week by the Southeast Michigan Council of Gov-The total number of crashes

in the region last year was 186,693, according to the report titled "1998 Southeast Michigan Crash Summary Statistics." The report is compiled annually by SEMCOG from accident reports filled out by local police, sheriffs State Police.

The regional total in 1997 was

fact that vehicle miles traveled increased from 41,679 million in 1997 to 42.512 million in 1998." SEMCOG concluded in the

report Other conclusions reached in the report:

third year in a row. Overall, southeast Michigan accounts for failed to wear restraints. departments and the Michigan 51.8 percent of all injury crashes in the state.

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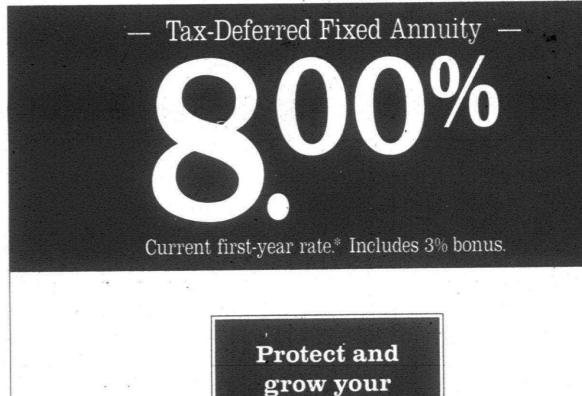
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something they'd regret the next home. Yet she once broke her foot falling off a horse Andes explained that she has but seven of the 11 riders chose three years. "I got started back roads toward metro Detroit because I turned 50 and I was If they had to explain why, you single and the kids were grown," wouldn't understand

now they keep it under 15 over to admit in falling off of them.

The ice cream marked the end of the day's formal group ride, to continue together, taking the

Area clerk honored for 30 years at township hall

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI SPECIAL WRITER

Born and raised on a farm in **Plymouth Township**, Marilyn Massengill has worked at township hall for 30 years - first in clerical positions in the building and supervisor's office and final-

ly chosen by voters twice to be their township clerk. "I never dreamed I would be in

an elected position," Massengill,

at the start of a recent Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meeting that was attended by her family and friends "She's done a tremendous ser-

vice for the community and we're wishing her many more years of helping to keep the township the place we'd like it to be," said Supervisor Kathleen Keen

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said during an emotional tribute McCarthy. Massengill, 64, thanked the people who have supported her, especially her mother, Georgia Rowland, who was also born in the township.

"She's worked hard to reach a goal," Rowland, 85, said. "She's honest and sincere and I think those are the most important things of all. And I think her father and I taught her some of that."

After growing up on the farm, Massengill and her husband, Richard, bought a house on Joy

seldom-traveled road to a very difficult load to get out of the driveway.'

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Road in 1957 where she has lived ever since. Over the years she has seen a tremendous amount of changes in Township

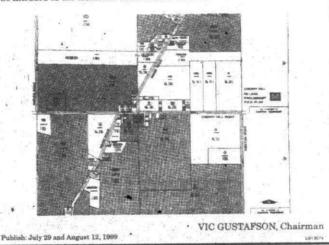
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phone calls that the equipment building department. She stayed isn't working," she said. "Politics there 13 years before becoming was not my forte, but now that planning commission secretary. I've gotten into it, I've rather When Esther Hulsing, the townenjoyed it. In the overall picture ship clerk at the time, decided to retire Massengill saw an oppor- it's been a good job.'

"I decided to run for the job

because I wasn't real fond of the

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Her biggest challenge, she

said, is making sure elections

"Your goal is to get through

election day and not have a lot of

money," Massengill said.

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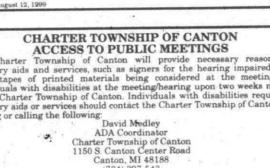
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Task force on violence turns to schools for ideas

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE

School violence is a problem that "almost defies solutions," according to state Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton.

"Usually, those of us in the legislature think we have the good ideas. We come up with our one or two concepts and say, 'OK, now everyone is going to do this.' When it comes to an issue like school violence, it would be foolish thinking to believe we could solve the problem that way," he said

Instead, the Michigan Senate's S.A.F.E. Schools Task Force wanted to create a "clearinghouse" for ideas about programs designed to address violence. The final report of the task force issued last week, serves primarily as that.

Having surveyed school districts across the state about the school violence and conflict resolution programs they already have in operation, the report outlines the programs as described by local schools. Among the area school dis-

tricts whose programs are detailed in the report are Rochester Schools, Farmington Public Schools, Walled Lake Consolidated Schools and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Along with compiling the pro-

gram information, the task force created a website - at www.gop.senate.state.mi.us/senator/emmons/ - where the report and later updates will be posted.

Task force assigned

In the wake of the shooting this spring at Columbine High School in Colorado, State Senate Majority Leader Dan DeGrow. R-Port Huron, assigned the 17member task force to review the subject of violence in the schools.



State Rep. Loren Bennett

The Legislature also created an Office of Safe Schools within the Department of Education at that time. Although the initiative grew out of the Columbine shooting, the task force report did not limit its work to that type of inci-

"A 9-year-old third-grader on the playground one day tried to bang a child's head against a cement sidewalk and then that," she explained. "But for attempted to strangle a little girl. Kept for after-school detention, he told the teacher. 'It's for the initiation. You need to hurt as many people as bad as you can to join the gang." task force chair Joanne Emmons, R-Big Rapids, wrote in her introduc-

"This shocking story sent shivers down my spine because the third-grader was at the rural school of my childhood. If gangs and violence were here, then there is no student or school which can be assumed safe." Along with Emmons and Ben nett on the task force were Sens.

Leon Stille, R-Spring Lake, Bev-

erly Hammerstrom, R-Temperance, Dale Shugars, R-Portage, that individual school districts on the core ethical values which response teams have five sub-Virgil Smith, D-Detroit, and should: Robert Emerson, D-Flint. Also 🛛 Develop crisis response serving on the task force were plans. Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard, Okemos School agencies to develop the crisis Superintendent Dr. Dan Wertz plan. and Hazel Park School District Administrator Jon Archibald.

"I was very intrigued, Emmons said. "We heard about some programs that deal with children in ways that I didn't nars offered around the state on know children could be dealt

with. Emmons said she was most operated by the Allegan County Intermediate School District. The program views parents as the child's first teacher. So it provides mentors to assist parents in teaching skills to their threats of violence. youngsters, from birth to age 5.

that will improve reading and earning skills later on. Task force staff aide Patty them. Hertich said she expected reaction to the report to be somewhat

"mixed." "A lot of school districts have been working on this issue and for them, they may look at the report and say, 'Been there, done any school district that is just getting started, this should be a really wonderful tool."

The task force did make several recommendations for new legislation. The panel recommended that the Legislature should take up a bill to allow for the sharing of information between mental health agencies, schools, and law enforcement regarding the conduct of students. It also called for a bill stating that any child who commits an act of cruelty to animals or an arson should be "guaranteed intervention ser-

Recommendations

Work with law enforcement

Contact the Michigan Psychological Association for more information on potential violent behavior warning signs.

Participate in training semiviolence prevention.

Office of Safe Schools, which is is a community-based effort tion. The room is designed to ntrigued with a program being set to begin operations in Octo-

> ber to: Maintain and update the violence prevention website.

Consider a hotline for students to report suspected acts or

Categorize and dispense crisis plans and S.A.F.E. Schools plans to districts which request

Create an advisory committee to ensure that violence prevention programs are credible.

Develop "best practice guidelines." based on research to advise school districts which pre vention plans are the most effect

tive to put in place. Sen Shirley Johnson, R-Royal Oak, said she has been working on a proposal with Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, to toughen penalties for threats made against schools. At present, such threats count only as misdemeanors. Johnson and McCotter plan to introduce the bill shortly

School ideas

Local programs noted in the eport included

The Peer Mediation Hotline n Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. An anonymous tip line The Character Counts program in Plymouth-Canton

The panel also recommended Schools. This program is based icy in Farmington Schools. Crisis acter" - trustworthiness, respect, and citizenship

Community Circle, for teach conflict resolution and decision-making skills.

The task force called for the ton Public Schools. The program have committed a minor infracdesigned to provide education, early identification, referral and support services to "at risk" students ■ The Crisis Management Pol-

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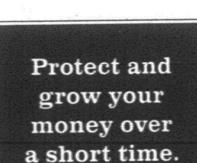
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Positive Peer Intervention in grades K-5, in Rochester Com- Walled Lake Consolidated munity Schools. The program Schools for grades 7-12. Two sepuses role playing, videos and arate classes of boys and girls, other instructional techniques to each containing 15 students, learn to deal with conflict.

The Options Room in Walled The Elementary Student Lake Schools. Students are sent Assistance Program in Farming to an "Options Room" when they help students understand the choices they made that caused the situation and provides them with the skills to avoid furthes conflict





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ice arena No reason to rush into deal

the rush is on to find a new operator for the township's planned ice arena at the Canton Softball Center. And while the Observer understands the urgency to get the project back on track, we urge caution on the part of local officials and hockey hopefuls.

Much as they'd like to see it, there's no real need to have a rink up and running by the fall of 2000, particularly if it leads to a nondescript facility with questionable financing. Taking the time to put together a solid deal with an experienced, reputable operator and erecting a first-rate building should be priorities for all concerned - even if it means waiting another season before the first face-off.

The timetable for the arena was pushed back last year after changes in the site and overall scope of a sports campus-type development in Canton. Originally slated for Haggerty Road, the township and developer Griffin Properties agreed to move the ice arena to the newly purchased softball center on Michigan Avenue

A second setback has been the collapse of negotiations with owners of the Plymouthbased Arctic Pond. Trying to put together a contract since May, the potential operators have pulled out of the deal, citing the township's unwillingness to contribute financially and the fact that food and beverage rights for the planned arena are already spoken for, going to the softball center's Diamonds Bar and Grill.

Tom Yack, Canton supervisor, said last week the project would go out for bids by Friday. He is expecting up to 10 proposals and would like the township board to narrow that list to three before selecting an operator. Construction could start as soon as next spring. "We've got to get cracking if we're going to have the arena up for next September," he said

Nobody in the township, to our knowledge, is suggesting quality be compromised for the sake of a fast-track deadline. And officials are still talking about a two-rink facility with full amenities that would have additional uses. Also, Canton has a well-established track record for putting up first-rate recreational buildings.

But some, including members of the Canton Hockey Association, had hoped for more progress by this point. They point out a lack of ice time at area rinks and the additional demand having an arena in their own back yard would undoubtedly create.

Remember, though, that Canton's ice arena, regardless of when it opens its doors, will be coming well into the hockey boom of the last decade. Older community facilities which lack more modern amenities are failing to fill ice time and even some of the newer buildings - Novi's year-old rink being the most prominent example - are struggling to make ends meet.

By striking the right deal, Canton's ice arena stands the best chance of becoming a state-of-the-art facility that will please users and taxpayers alike.

One more plea to stop sprawl

There is a stretch of M-14 between Plymouth Township and Ann Arbor that's a visual oasis from our urban clutter of housing developments, mega-malls and office complexes. In summer the groves of trees are thick, deep green. Between the trees you can see a few aging farm buildings and in the open areas you're likely to see cattle, sheep and horses grazing. In the fall the trees turn brilliant fiery reds, glowing yellows, deep umbers. And when winter comes and the stiff winds blow across the highway, the landscape after a fresh

snow has a stark beauty. In September, Salem Township officials will consider a proposal for bringing water and sewer services to this area. Mall developer Al Taubman recently bought 200 acres at the M-14-Gotfredson interchange as a possible site for a new shopping center. Others also have designs on developing that area. For many this rush to development is inevitable, the onward march of progress.

It is hard for a newspaper to argue against development. We benefit in many ways. More

mean potentially more advertising. We understand that new construction means jobs. We know that as the population grows, we need new housing.

We understand that land owners expect and deserve a fair market return on the land they

But we also know that once green land is lost, it's lost forever. We know that we pay a high price as a society when we take away that greenbelt

Al Taubman has been a generous steward of his fortune. He has recently been a major benefactor to the Detroit Institute of Arts and the University of Michigan, where his donations will their rural area provides for those who are particularly strengthen their architecture program

The paintings at the DIA are spectacular, but about to lose.

the greatest landscape painting pales beside that stretch of M-14 in all its autumn glory. And sometimes the best architecture in the

world is no architecture at all - as many forward-thinking architects have argued for decades. We need open spaces, trees to reinvigorate the air, farm land to separate urban areas, parks that are left natural. Some cities, such as Portland, Ore., have even factored greenbelts into their regional planning.

Do we really need yet another unattractive shopping mall with acres of blacktopped parking, surrounded, as inevitably it would be, by one lookalike housing development after another. Briarwood, Laurel Park, Westland, Wonderland, Twelve Oaks and a seemingly endless string of strip malls seem to provide more shopping than we really need, though we're sure that the Taubman company has marketing studies that show otherwise. They're the most successful mall developers in the world, and they know where the profits are. But at what a cost, to the greenbelt and to the urban areas left behind.

While we move ever westward and northard the central city and the older suburbs are being left to decline. There are still areas in these cities for development and redevelopment. There is a great opportunity for designing and building new urban centers, not over farm and park land but within the older cities themselves. Perhaps development is inevitable, perhaps

we can never escape the famous Joni Mitchell line in "The Big Yellow Taxi": "They've paved paradise and put up a parking lot."

But we ask the Salem Township officials to consider all the ramifications of what they are, almost certainly, about to do. We ask that they consider the lifestyle they now enjoy for themselves and the special quality enhancement lucky enough to drive through. Understand clearly what you and we are



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Fence ordinance is fine

This is in response to (the Observer's) opinion on the fence ordinance. We were surprised when our neighbors erected a six foot wooden fence beside our chain linked fence a few years ago. Like the Ladell's, we also got the bad side of the fence and we also got the maintenance!

None of which were our choice. The weeds were four feet tall before I just couldn't stand the sight of them anymore. So, I've been maintaining it for the past few years and believe me, it is very difficult to maintain!

I'm all for the three foot buffer between the new and existing fences. Maybe it would be an unpleasant reminder that they are indeed responsible for the maintenance of their own property. There are other alternatives to making a yard more private besides a six-foot

If they feel the need to erect a six-foot privacy fence, how approachable will they be to remind them to maintain their property? What makes you think they'll want to maintain that part of their property they can't even

Cathy Vettese

Canton

Smoking concerns

Po Philip Morris Inc.: I just wanted to commend you folks on what a marvelous marketing job you are doing. In the Livonia school system, all kids go through the City of Livonia or City of Westland DARE program. In spite of all the DARE programs, the Surgeon General's warnings, the parental advice and example, even in spite of physical evidence that my 14-year-old son could not run as fast at the end of the school year as he could at the beginning, you can see teenagers smoking all around the Livonia Franklin High School

In spite of the laws forbidding minors to purchase tobacco and stores to sell tobacco to minors, teenagers are still smoking. In the city of Westland, teenagers can buy tobacco products ... and these kids are walking around in public smoking. Outrageous prices don't deter them. Even television ads depicting the disgusting effects of smoking have had no effect on my son and his many friends. You have the power of peer pressure on your side and what a wonderful tool it is. Your people should be very proud of themselves for the continued success of your business. I hope

they are rewarded with a lucrative profit sharing program.

I was also thinking that maybe another clever marketing tool you could use is to give out coupons with each purchase worth \$1 toward funeral expense. Maybe you could get the gum and LifeSaver people to go in on it with you because the kids always try to mask the smell of smoke on their breath with their products. The kids could just store the coupons in one of their Airwalk shoeboxes someplace where their families can find them when they are needed in the not too distant future

Say, do the children of Philip Morris employees get a discount on cigarettes?

Westland mother

Protect freedoms

mmediately following high-profile crimes nmitted by gun-toting vermin, emotional clamoring for more gun restrictions drown out reason and liberals attack pro-liberty individuals as "gun nuts."

In response, our government willingly passes laws trampling on personal freedoms. This scenario has played out many times in the last 20 years, turning guns into the most regulated product in the United States. Today, it is * harder to acquire a gun legally than at any other point in our country's history and lawabiding citizens are at the mercy of armed criminals wandering our streets. When will this perpetual cycle of failed laws end?

If insanity is the act of doing the sam thing over and over but expecting a different result, perhaps we need to re-evaluate who the "nuts" are in this debate.

Steve Sutton Farmington

Cell phones risk safety

Far too many accidents are caused lately by drivers using a mobile phone while operat-

ing a vehicle. Nothing can be that important that it can't wait while they pull off the road. There are far too many other risks, on our overloaded highways we don't need to add another.Congress needs to make this illegal and see that it is enforced.

.I'd like to feel this is one risk I can forget. **Ross Rhinehart** Livonia



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POINTS OF VIEW

Ban fertilizer around lakes to keep the bottom sandy

46 been to Michigan before and I love yer Great Lakes," a guy named Jack Murphy told me in a slow Texan drawl. This visitor from San Antonio, located in the heart of one of the famed "Sunbelt" states, was telling me why he liked to travel to a "Rusthelt" state like Michigan. I had to

know more. "We've got the Gulf, a course, and I like go swimmin' there. But, as soon as you jump in the water, you have to do this ..." Murphy made a comical

face, scrunching it up to clamp his eyes and mouth tightly shut. It's the salt water, he explained. "It makes yer eyes sting. It tastes nasty." "Ya don't have to do that in the Great Lakes. They are so much nicer

to swim in." I met Murphy in Dearborn just one day before I, my wife, our three kids and two dogs were scheduled to jump in the family van and head off on our annual pilgrimage to Michigan's great northern forests. Each year we make the trek to an old log cabin on the north shore of Higgins Lake.

If Murphy likes the Great Lakes,

gins. And I recommended it to him. If you are not familiar with it, Higgins is one of this state's most beautiful recre-

he'd love Hig-

ational inland lakes. God must MIKE MALOTT have had swimmers in mind when he put it there. It's crystal clear. The lake bottom, nearly all sand, is

quite shallow, waist to chest deep, for about 100 yards off the shoreline before it drops off. The result is a huge area where young and old can wade out and do a bit of splashing around

But I'd be lying if I told you all was well with Michigan lakes, even Higgins. In the past few years, I've noticed signs of stress even in that great northern lake

little clumps of seaweed that are beginning to take hold on the bottom tit's a sure sign nutrients are mak-

ing their way into the lake. And if it's happening way up'north, imagine what the problem is like in southeast Michigan

Well, in this area, in fact, it is othing new. Lakefront homeowners in the Detroit metro area have been battling with excessive weed and algae growth in their swimming holes for years. It has long since reached the point that many area lakes are suffering from "eutrophication," that is accelerated aging.

Much of the problem is due to run off from development, carrying with it the nutrients that spur the weed and algae growth. There are also natural sources. Bird droppings around the lake, for instance, certainly add to the nutrients in the water.

Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Fownship, told me recently that 80 percent of pollution in lakes in this area is from humans, mainly the result of sewer overflows and failing eptic systems.

I know the Department of Environmental Quality thinks that's the primary problem at Higgins Lake. It has been pressuring the cabin owners

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there to install sewers to replace all the old septic systems crowded around the lake. I'm in favor of that, out most other cabin owners there object to the costs. And I can appreciate that. The expense of sewers would be hard on some people's pocketbooks.

Still, there is one source of pollution that could be eliminated today and would not cost anyone a penny. In fact, it would save homeowners nonev

It's lawn fertilizer.

I can't figure out exactly why people drive three hours to spend their time at a cabin in the northern woods manicuring a tiny patch of grass. But some do. And it seems that more of them are doing it these days.

In southeast Michigan, where most of the landowners live on the lake year-round, the problem is worse. For some reason, many feel the need to coiffure their lawns right to the edge of the lake. I don't get the point. Isn't a shoreline lot supposed to be a little sandy with relatively sparse vegetation ... like a beach?

When it rains, much of the fertilizer - if not most of it - ends up in the

lake, fertilizing seaweed and algae rather than the lawn. For some reason, the state has yet

to ban the use of lawn fertilizer near lakes, although clearly it should. There should be a 100-yard, or perhaps even a 200-yard, no-fertilizer zone around all lakes, streams, rivers and watercourses in the state.

Lawmakers may argue such a han would be hard to enforce, but I can't see why it would be any more difficult than enforcing the state's ban on burning leaves, enacted in part for the same reason: to keep rain runoff from flushing ashes and partially burned leaves into the lakes.

Some homeowners would howl over such a restriction, just as they did with the burning ban. But whose interests does it serve, really, to have a pool-table-like yard right to the water's edge?

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Sandy defined courage

While the PCCS board is developing policies and procedures for naming district facilities, it's important that people know how the school board came to their decision to give Phase III the name, Sandra Sagear. It's also a good time for people to learn more about Sandy.

First, it may seem that the school board made a hasty decision, but they had Sandra Sagear's name (and background information) in front of them for several weeks before they voted to assign her name to Phase III.

I submitted Sandra's name to be considered for the new elementary school. At that time, I also included letters of support and a petition signed by people in the community, which included parents, Plymouth-Canton school employees, and people without

school-aged children. When I told peo-ple about Sandra Theard man, many

stories about their families and friends who also fought polio and other disabilities

The school board did not violate any oolicy or procedure. The final decision o name any building has always been a board decision. The only thing that as changed over the years has been that the amount of input from the comnunity has increased. -

Sandy was a 1969 graduate from lymouth High School (PHS). Sandy died about six years ago. As a toddler, Sandy contracted polio. After recovering from the acute phase of the illness, she was able to walk wearing braces and attend public schools.

I had the privilege of going to school with Sandy Sagear. She was kindhearted, caring, and a good friend. She wasn't the first person with polio to go to school, nor was she the first person at PHS on crutches. Although, you could say she made it through school by the seat of her pants.

Remember that PHS (now Central Middle School) is a three-story building. Think back 35 years: there was no elevator, no backpacks, but there was a dress code. Sandy got to classes on the second floor by going up the staff stairs, next to the cafeteria. Because of her braces, it was difficult for Sandy to walk forward up the stairs, so she walked up the stairs backwards or she would sit down and scoot up the flight of stairs on her fanny... and in a skirt. She did that every day for three years. Friends helped by carrying her crutches and books up the stairs, but once on the second floor, she managed on her

I can't remember ever hearing Sandy complain or ask for special priv

ileges. She just wanted to go to school. Sandy died about six years ago from complications of post-polio syndrome. I want to thank the P-C school

board for voting to name Phase III, "The Sandra Sagear Bealding." I hope

that they are able to develop a policy and confirm this vote very soon. My regret is not that they acted on this with enthusiasm, but that I waited so long to take this story to the school board. I should have been there 33 years ago.

I understand that policies and proedures are important, but does namng this building violate any policy?

The board didn't try to correct a past mistake with this decision; they simply wanted to honor the memory of a young woman for her dedication to education, who persevered in spite of a difficult and unfair situation.

If there's any doubt that Sandy deserves her name on an athletic uilding, she should have earned a letter jacket a long time ago for earning a high school diploma using her mind and body. (When Sandy was 11, she had a back operation, 12 vertebrae were fused to prevent complete curvature of the spine; she spent the next

year and a half in a body cast in a host pital.) In high school, she climbed up 18 steps every day, and back down again for three years, using her arms and back, not her legs. She displayed physical courage every day of her life. Take a moment. Think about chil-

dren on the first day of school; look at, school through the eyes of a child. Think about children on those days when they're feeling sad or lonely, too short, too slow, or too dumb to learn anything at all. If our intent is to have schools for children to grow and learns in, then we need a name that has the power to inspire ... and to remind us to appreciate and celebrate education. andy's determination, hope, patience and courage will be as much a part of Phase III as the bricks and glass.

> Debra Madonna Plymouth

GM tech center will stay here with or without tax abatement

don't get it. I've been reporting numerous disputes for the Observer Newspapers about city council members feuding on whether they should approve a property tax break for a company planning to build a new structure. Frankly, my dear, most others don't care. In nearly all cases, the planned development or expansion may mean a shorter or slightly longer commute for the employees of that spec

For those who are job-hunting or looking for professional advancement, the developments may mean new career opportunities. But the opportunities would be there anyway - unless the company intends to move from southeast Michigan to northeast Ohio.

What generates this discussion is the ongoin dispute between the cities of Warren and Troy on a planned General Motors expansion of its sprawling tech center in Warren.

The Troy city council has repeatedly refused to approve a waiver for GM to expand its Warren facility - a waiver that is required under a 1974 state law providing property tax breaks for

The state policy, which may have made sense then but now is clearly outdated in this age of global competition, was to encourage businesses to locate in Michigan instead of another state. The tax break, if approved by the local city officials, would allow the company to cut its property tax bill for a maximum of 12 years if it creat-

But if a company received the break in Community A, for example, and years later wanted to move 10 minutes away to Community B, the

latter had to obtain a waiver from the former The Troy-Warren feud reminds me of the silliness of the policy. Some 22 years ago, the Livonia city council was caught in a political vise when Ford Motor Co. asked for the tax break to help pay for a \$313 million addition to

its transmission plant Remember, the addition was nearly the same cost of the just-opened Renaissance Center in

downtown Detroit. Several officials questioned the need for the tax break since Ford had already started construction on the addition

What would the company do if the council



LEONARD POGER

If GM is serious about expanding its sprawling tech center, built in the mid-1950s, let the company proceed without the tax break. After all, what else will it do? Build a new tech center in southeast Asia?

refused to approve the tax break?

It would fill the holes already drilled in preparation for the expansion and move the transmission work to an existing plant in southern Ohio, said a councilman who, by a nice coincidence, was a Ford engineer.

The squeeze was put on the council by the plant's UAW officials who wanted to create new jobs in western Wayne County.

The company, with the union's help, pre-

vailed, and the tax break was approved. Let's face it. The tax abatement issue is one for the politicians to argue over, but it rarely

does anything for most of their residents. If GM is serious about expanding its sprawl-

ing tech center, built in the mid-1950s, let the company proceed without the tax break. After all, what else will it do? Build a new tech center in southeast Asia?

It's time for the state Legislature to drop the tax abatement law and let a company locate in Warren, Livonia or Garden City because it's a good business decision - not because the company can blackmail a city council for a tax break on a building it was going to build there any-

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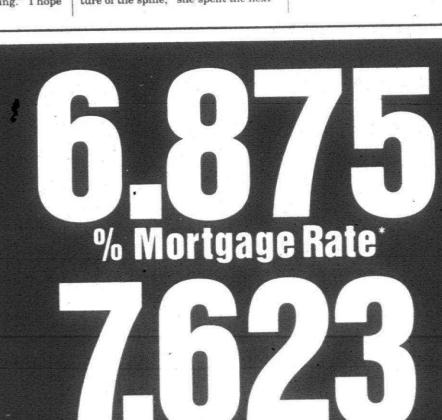
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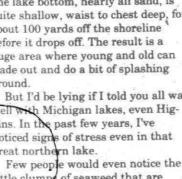
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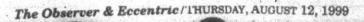
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JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

Sticky wicket of obligation, commitment

ou hear about a great job, right up your alley, so you apply for it. During the interview, the employer tells you that he would like you to sign a two-year work contract with them.

You have no problem with that because you think highly of this company. They are paying you big bucks and are giving you four weeks vacation per year.

But after a few months on the job, things change and you begin to feel like the boss doesn't listen to your ideas. Your enthusiasm wanes. You come home one night and tell your spouse, "I feel like breaking the contract with these jerks. They just don't know how to run a business

But you are surprised by your spouse's response.

"But honey, you are obligated to stay with this company. You signed on knowing you were going to commit to two years. Don't you feel any responsibility to them?"

You start to feel sick. How obligated are you to stick it out? Guilt sets in. Then you start to rationalize.

"Hey, Barry Sanders of the Detroit Lions broke his contract with management. And he stands to lose \$7 million. I'm not losing anything.

Your spouse over hears you mumbling. "And what do you propose to tell

We can help our children to fulfill commitments by sharing with them ... what will happen if they attempt to weasel out ...

having an adul-The man was assured daily by her that the woman was going to leave



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At the top: Lyn Smith of Dearborn (back row, from left), Frank Wright of Monroe, Steve Hoffman of Southfield, Sue Braun of Plymouth (second row, from left), Bev Sudds of Novi, Carol Bender of Livonia and Barb Turgyan of Canton (front row) see eye-to-eye with fellow members of the Tip Toppers Club of Detroit.

Height has its share of tall tales

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

hen you see a tall person walking down the street, resist the urge to ask, "How's the weather up there?" Or "Do you play basketball?"

The responses could range from saying "It's raining" and spitting to the weather question or "No, do you play miniature golf?" to the basketball question.

For people who have been nick-named "Tree," "Jolly Green Giant" "Big Bird" or "Stretch," those are the most annoying questions a person can ask them.

There's also a social club for those people who have hit their heads on hanging plants, struggled with short kitchen counters, crouched to fit their legs inside the back seat of a compact car or bought a more-expensive plane ticket just to get extra leg room.

The Tip Toppers Club of Detroit is

for tall men and women 21 and older. Females must be 5-foot-10 and males must be 6-foot-2.

"I've enjoyed making friends from all over the place," said Barbara Turgyan from Canton, who is jokingly called a "squeaker" by club mates because she just barely meets the height requirement

Area members say they've met a lot of people they can see eye-to-eye with - and many people they see eyeto-shoulders with

The club's tallest male is Jeff Wurst of Ann Arbor at 6-foot-10. Mardelle Young from Mt. Clemens is the tallest female at 6-foot-3. The tallest members nationally are David Rasmussen at 7-foot-3 and Kathleen McIntyre at 6-foot-9, according to the TCI Web site.

The Tip Toppers are part of Tall Clubs International, encompassing 65 clubs in the United States and Canada. Club activities include trav-

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eling to tall conventions out of state, "theme" parties, movie nights, camping trips and picnics. The club recently held a picnic at Bell Creek Park in Redford.

Formed in 1941, the Detroit club also publishes a bimonthly newsletter called "The High Topic.

School memories

Tall people, like others who are "different," tend to get teased in school

When Turgyan attended Mary Magdalene Catholic School in Melvindale, the nuns lined up all the students according to height. That meant she always went into Mass

"When I was in the first grade, I was the only student whose feet touched the floor (when sitting at a desk)," Turgyan said. "I had the biggest feet.

Her height prompted classmates to

call her names like "Stretch" and "Beanpole."

Turgyan was selected Miss Tall Detroit in 1993, following a family tradition. Her aunt was selected Miss Tall Texas in 1952, the year Turgyan was born.

Tall Clubs International selects a "Miss Tall International" annually. The reigning queen is Janet Hughes, "squeaker" at 5-foot-10.

Carol Bender of Livonia, who is 6foot-1, said the most unusual nickname she ever had was "G'ji" - short for "girl giant." The name, inspired by "Gidget" was given to her by a classmate at a Detroit school.

"My last name is a nickname in itself," she added.

Clothes shopping is a challenge for Tip Toppers. Their longer-than-average arms, legs, fingers and feet send them to specialty stores, catalogs and

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your children their obligations?

A friend of mine once told me about a situation in which a

man and a woman were

terous affair. husband "any minute



him.

When the day of reckoning arrived, the man, who had waited patiently for her to serve papers for divorce on her husband, found out that she decided at the last minute to return to her marriage and try to make it work. Why, he wondered. She loved me. She was going to leave the husband. How could she stay with him?

The reason was her commitment. She had made a promise and a vow to stay in the marriage no matter what, and when the rubber met the road. she fell back on the commitment she had made.

Do you notice how quickly we break commitments that we make? Do our children pick up on this and do the same? You bet.

Maybe we need to think about things that we commit to longer and harder before we say, "Yes, I'll do that." We can help our children to fulfill commitments by sharing with them in advance about what will happen if they attempt to weasel out of something before completing it.

I heard where a daughter wanted to drop out of karate in the middle of a semester, after the mom had spent \$75 on the lessons and bought a \$115 uniform for her.

The mom knew the commitment was an important lesson to teach, so she said, "Well, honey, you'll need to go to three-quarters of the lessons, and then you will have to pay me back for the uniform."

Her child not only fulfilled that part of the Bargain, but found a "buyer" for the uniform! A nice ending to the dilemma of how accountable are we.

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Frustration leads to start of Tip Toppers Club

The first official tall club in the United States was formed in 1938 in Los Angeles by artist Kae Sumner Einfeldt

At 6-foot-2, she had become frustrated with banging her legs on desks and with the difficulties of crouching to paint the dwarfs from "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" for Disney Studios.

She died in her sleep in 1996 at age 80. She started the movement by writing

and illustrating a Los Angeles Times column about the problems of being tall. Under the pseudonym "Kae Krysler," she invited other tall readers to contact her.

On May 1, 1938, she opened her home to eight others and the California Tip Toppers Club was formed. Within nine years, 15 clubs, under the collective name American Affiliation of Tall

Clubs, had sprouted up all over the United States and the first "queen," Miss Tip Topper 1947, was crowned.

One of the club's biggest success stories was in persuading Mattress Inc., a

California bedding manufacturer, to produce a king-sized bed. A Los Angeles newspaper ad pronounced: "Here it is, Tip Toppers. You asked for it! The King-sized Mattress!

Other extended length mattress sizes followed,

and some hospitals also began offering extra long beds for tall patients, according to the TCI home page. By 1974, the collective club name became "Tall Clubs International" and its queen "Miss Tall International."

A recent TCI convention held in Green Tree, Pa. drew Sandy Allen, listed as the world's tallest woman at 7-foot-7 3/4 in the Guinness Book of World Records.

A New York Times article reported she had to exit an airplane via a catering lift after being scooted out on her back. She uses a wheelchair

Please see CLUB, B2

Young Variety chapter has fun raising funds

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER STAFF WRITER ssteinmueller@oe.homecomm.net

Kelli Sonquist was a student in Philadelphia when a friend took her on a boat cruise planned by Young Vari-

The 25-year-old Livonia resident enjoyed her participation so much that she decided to start a similar group when she returned to Michigan.

Sonquist, who works as a graphics designer in Bloomfield Hills, said she was particularly moved by programs that included the children with special needs that the charity serves.

"It was pretty special," she recalls of one trip to an amusement park. "There was one boy in a wheelchair who came up to me and held my hand and wouldn't let go."

Sonquist is now president of the fledgling Young Variety program of the metro Detroit chapter of Variety - The Children's Charity.

Young Variety is a group of professionals, ages 21 and older, within Variety - The Children's Charity, an international group that helps children with special needs to better their lives.

Young Variety members help raise money for children with disabilities through social events while lending support to Variety's existing programs by volunteering their time and ser-

Something positive

The chapter met for the first time in January at the home of Sandi Pape, who is Young Variety adviser and Variety board member. Pape said she is thrilled by the formation of the new group

"I know young people who are just out of college are looking for ways to do something positive and get involved," said Pape.

Meetings are at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Bad Frog

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Brewery in the 555 Building on Old Woodward Avenue, Birmingham For more information, call Sonquist at (248) 334-0835, Ext. 149.

The group's social events will be more casual than the black-tie affairs held by the parent group, Sonquist said.

"People in my age group, their budget is not a \$200 event," said Sonquist. Happy-hour socials, volleyball games at the beach and group trips to Tigers games will be on the schedule.

The chapter is planning an "informal social gathering" at 7 p.m. Thursday. Aug. 26, at the Bad Frog, with food and a live band. The charge will be \$10 to cover the cost of the event. The gathering will be an opportunity to meet informally and get to know those involved in Young Variety, she said.

Songuist hopes the social will help draw more participants. Currently,



Please see VARIETY, B2 Kelli Sonquist

CRAFTS CALENDAR

istings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing a later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft. ionia 48150, by fax at (734) 91-7279 or by e-mail at smaon@oe.homecomm.net. For note information, call (734) 53-2131. STI ELIZABETH

Elizabeth's Episcopal Church looking for crafters for its utumn arts and crafts show 9

n.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 18 at the hurch, 26431 W. Chicago, between Inkster and Beech Daly roads.Call Kathy at (313) 937-

SACRED HEART

Saured Heart Church will have a raft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 6 at the church, 29125 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. There will free admission and bake sale. al Jennifer at (248) 426-6227. ST. DAMIAN

Crafters are needed for St. Damian Parish's fall arts and rafts show. The show will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 16 at the church, 30055 Joy Road Westand. Call (734) 421-6130.

ST. THEODORE St. Theodore Catholic Church is ooking for crafters for its annual maft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 16 in the Parish Social Hall,

8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Table rental is \$20. Call Mary at (734) 425-4421. ST. AIDAN

Crafters are needed for St. Aidan Catholic Church's 16th annual craft show Oct. 16 in the Activity Center, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Call (248) 477-8942 or

(734) 427-1427. ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE

Tables currently are available for St. Robert Bellarmine Church's 17th annual Christmas bazaar, slated for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 23, at the church, West Chicago at Inkster roads, Redford. Table rental is \$25. Call Joanne at (313) 937-0226 or Josie at (734) 522-2963. DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Crafters are needed for the Delta Kappa Gamma juried show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 23 at West

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Veterinary Note

Middle School, 44401 Sheldor Road, Plymouth. A single space is \$70 with table rental available and electricity free of charge. Call (734) 453-5145.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL The Livonia Churchill High School PTSA is accepting applications for its eighth annual fall craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 23 at the school, 8900 Newburgh Road, Livonia. For an application, call (734) 532-0022.

LIVONIA STEVENSON The Livonia Stevenson High School Booster Club is accepting applications for its 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 costs \$60. A limited number of spaces with electricity are available at no extra charge. Call (248) 478-2395 or (734) 464-1041.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY Madonna University is accepting applications for its Holiday Arts and Crafts Showcase 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6-7 in the Activities Center on campus. Booth space is available for \$50 for one day and \$90 for two days. Booths with electricity cost an additional \$5. Call (734) 432-5603.

ST. EDITH Crafters are needed for St. Edith School's fall craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the school, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia Booth rental is \$40. Call Diana at (734) 462-6037 or Jo Ann at (734) 464-9370.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

Crafters are wanted for St. Paul Lutheran Church's holiday craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the church, 20805 Middlebelt Road at Eight Mile Road. Table rental and/or space is \$25 (no charge for electricity, if available when application is received). Call (248) 476-0841 or (734) 591-0224.

ST. VALENTINE

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ANKYLOBLEPHARON

For up to 15 days after birth, a puppy's eyes normally remained fused along the eyelid

margins. The failure of one or both eyelids to open after this time is called ankyloblepharon. The condition can lead to a bacterial infection beneath the closed or partially closed eyelids. With an infection, pus forms and accumulates under the eyelids, and the puppy's eyelid

surface will bulge. Immediate treatment is important to prevent the comea from scaring or ulcering. In more serious cases, the comea could tear, resulting in vision loss. To treat

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. .Call (313) 255-0654 or (313) 255-6825.

Variety from page B1

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Young Variety has a core group forming one. of 16 people. "We are looking for members and volunteers, anyone who is group after attending an interinterested in coming to the meetings, or the social part of it," she said. "That's basically what we be 60. need to do ... build up our group." **Reviving the group**

A local Young Variety group used to be active, but as the keep bringing youth in and teer with a group like Variety, members got older, it dissolved, Pape said. That group had been established in 1932. Coincidentally, Pape had been looking into ways to resurrect the group group, Pape said. when Sonquist called the local Variety office to inquire about

Tall from page B1

itself." she added. Clothes shopping is a challenge for Tip Toppers. Their longer-than-average arms, legs. fingers and feet send them to specialty stores, catalogs and tailors - often out of state.

Tall Clubs International members, including the Tip Toppers, have lobbied to get tailors and custom shoe makers to lower their prices. They haven't had much luck, said Lyn Smith of Dearborn, who is 5-foot-11. "You're always paying extra

for length," Smith said. Retailers such as J.C. Penney cater to both tall men and women with specialty catalogs. Other clothing manufacturers have risen to the tall fashions challenge by offering "tall" and

"long" women's jeans sizes. Tip Toppers say it's become easier over the years to find clothes that fit. They remember places where they find clothes and shoes that fit and will return - even if it means driving to Bay City or Sharon, Pa., near Pittsburgh.

The Tall Clubs International. home page (www. tall. org) allows users to click on "links" to was a tri-sport athlete in high see a long list of extended-size school - basketball, volleyball clothing and shoe manufactur- and softball. ers. The site also allows them to

Pape said she had started thinking about reviving the of Utica and niece Jennifer national convention of Variety, where the average age seemed to

"I thought 'what happens when everyone retires and does not have the energy to do the work'," she said. "You have to involving them in the organization."

When Sonquist called, "she was just perfect" to lead the new

first meeting at Pape's house

were Pape's son and daughterin-law, Fred and Heather Pape Knight. The youngest member there was Pape's one-month-old granddaughter

Pape has also helped start another group within Variety -"Singles Variety," geared to those in the over-40 age group. It's rewarding to be a volun-

Sonquist said. "I believe children with disabilities are some of the most spiritual people in the world," she said. "The group draws peo-

Among those attending the ' ple with good energy." There is a \$25 annual mem-

II 'There's no shame in being tall any longer. It's a lot more acceptable from a social standpoint." Frank Wright

> ented family," she said, adding that her tall brothers were also athletic. Other tall people dislike the

who is 6-foot-3

question whether they are athletes or not. "(People) make an assumption

that because a person is tall they're on a sports team," said the height advantage helps in Wright, who played basketball in high school.

There is a dark side to being tall. It's Marfan syndrome, an inheritable disorder of connective tissue. Main symptoms include height, a long, thin face, slight build, disproportionately long limbs and loose joints as well as spine curvature.

The disorder also affects the eyes, making the lens dislocated or off-center and the cardiovascular system. The related heart problems can lead to aneurysms, heart failure and eventually death

There is no cure, no matter how early the disease is detected. An estimated one person out of 10,000 is afflicted. The National Marfan Founda-

Baseball League.

bership fee, with all proceeds

going directly to Variety - The

Charity has 50 chapters and

more than 15,000 members.

Locally, 1,000 volunteers sup-

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at Children's Hospital, SCAMP,

and The Orchard's Inner City

port the efforts of Variety.

Variety - The Children's

Children's Charity.

tion is the official charity of TCI. It can be reached by calling (800) 8-MARFAN

According to Bender, club mate Sue Tranchida, a Mt. Clemens resident who was 6oot-1, died of complications of Marfan in March.

Clothes shopping, Marfan syndrome and name-calling aside, Tip Toppers say they wouldn't trade their height for anything. "You can reach all the top shelves," Turgyan said.

Sue Braun of Plymouth said crowded locations.

"I like getting a bird's eye view," she said. Some said their height has helped their careers. Bender said being tall helped when she was a nurse and had to move elderly patients off their beds. She now works for a Livonia auto parts nanufacturer.

"Height can be an advantage in the interview process," she said, adding that taller people are sometimes viewed as being more capable.

But it helps to have the inner strength to back up the inches, Smith said.

"You can go into interviews with an air of confidence." she said. "We make real lasting first impressions." Smith said

Club from page B1 and suffers from poor circulation cally for tall children and teens. and atrophied leg muscles. For more information about A pituitary tumor removed age tall clubs or membership infor-21 caused her phenomenal mation, contact Tall Clubs Intergrowth. She is 44 years old and national at (800) 521-2512 or the ves in Indianapolis. Tip Toppers Club of Detroit at Tall college-bound students (734) 458-7887. The TCI Web can vie for scholarships offered address is http://www.tall.org. through local tall clubs, and The Detroit Tip Toppers' home there are also programs specifi- page is under construction. WOMEN'S HEALTH ISSUES TODAY OBSTETRICS SO. GYNECOLOGY PROMISING TREATMENT FOR CERVICAL CANCER rervical cancers early, when cute rates are Pap smears could detect more than 90% of esus Martinez, M.D. high. Unfortunately, all too many women do not schedule regular Pap smears, leaving them vulnerable to the disease. About 25% women with cervical cancer in the U.S. fall into the 'locally advanced' category. th tandard treatment for which has consisted of surgery and radiation. Now, however, cancer experts are recommending that chemotherapy be undertaken in conjunc with radiation when treating advanced cases. This recommendation is based on five new studies that show the combination treatment reduces death rates from the disease by 30% to 50%, providing sufficient reason to recommend the first substantive change in the treatment of advanced cervical cancer in 40 years. In our practice, we employ the latest and most effective diagnostic and treatme methods to ensure early detection and optimum health. If your test results sho ecancerous cell growth, the cure generally consists of just a few treatments p n an outpatient basis. Don't gamble with your life-if it's been over one year since you t pap test, call 313-565-9510 today to schedule a consultation and exam at o ffices, conveniently located at 1711 Monroe. Evening appointments available. P.S. According to a recent survey, about 20% of women between ages 18 and 64 years had not undergone a Pap test in the previous three years. 6.5 **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. E.D.T. on Thursday, September 9, 1999, at 201 South Main read aloud for

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Not only has shopping gotten easier, but it's gotten easier to be tall. Tall children and teens aren't getting teased as much as they used to be, Tip Toppers

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access their sites directly.

Acceptance improving

popularity and with fashion models, who are unofficially required to be tall.

reality for many Tip Toppers. Questions like "Do you play basketball" offend some tall people, but don't faze others. If someone asked Smith if she played bas ketball, she would tell them she

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Marion-Tomé

Denise Tomé and Omer Marion were married May 17 at St. Joseph Husband of Mary Roman Catholic Church in Las Vegas,

The bride is the daughter of Loretta and Orlando Bruni and the late Rudy Tome. The groom is the son of Lee Holland and Don Cerutti.

The bride and groom are employed at the New York New York Hotel in Las Vegas. The bride asked Loretta Bruni to serve as matron of honor. The

groom asked Michael Koniski to serve as best man. A reception was held at Fer-

raro's Restaurant. They are making their home in Las Vegas.

Schilk-Miloser

Tim and Linda Schilk of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter. Lisa Anne. to Marc Alan Miller, the son of Jody Jolliffe of Holly and Daniel Miloser of Port Huron. The bride-to-be is attending Schoolcraft College. She is

employed by Meadowbrook Insurance Group. Her fiancé is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University.

He is a social studies teacher at Belleville High School. A September wedding is planned at Newburg United

Methodist Church in Livonia

Berkowitz-Pelczar

David Berkowitz of Kingwood, Texas, announces the engagement of his daughter, Lynne, to Chris Pelczar, the son of Ted and Shirley Cuda of Livonia and Ed and Marilyn Pelczar of Ray,

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Kingwood High School in Kingwood and a 1997 graduate of Purdue University with a bachelor's degree in meteorology She is a first lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force and is stationed at Seymour-Johnson Air Force Base in North Carolina as a staff weather officer.

and a 1997 graduate of Purdue operations weather officer. degree in meteorology. He is a planned on Cass Lake.



second lieutenant in the U.S. Her fiancé is a 1993 graduate Air Force and is stationed at of Livonia Churchill High School Fort Bragg, N.C., as a special University with a bachelor's An October wedding is



The bride is the daughter of Loretta and Orlando Bruni and the late Rudy Tomé. The groom is the son of Rosa Anderson and Douglas Johnston. The bride asked Denise Tomé to be her maid of honor with Sylvia Johnston, Jessica Tomé

maids The groom asked James Johnston to serve as best man with Joseph Madaffer, Gregory Tomé and Derek Attard as grooms-

A dinner reception was held at They are making their home in Club Venetian. The couple hon- Livonia.

Mytyk-Brachulis

Sharon Mytyk of Novi announces the engagement of her daughter. Katherine Jean, to Michael Paul Brachulis of Livonia, the son of Albert and Marion

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Farmington High School. Her fiance is employed as a computer systems analyst with

American Natural Resources in Detroit A November wedding planned at St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia.

The groom is a 1996 graduate

of Boston College with a bache-

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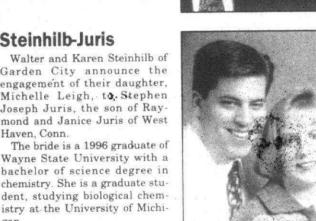
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A September wedding is planned at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Westland

eymooned in Anaheim, Calif.

Baron-Najjar

An August wedding is planned at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington for Kimberly Ann Baron of West Bloomfield and Sean William Najjar, also of West Bloomfield

The bride-to-be, the daughter of the late Elliot and Christine Baron, is a 1987 graduate of Redford Thurston High School, She is employed as an office manager and claims representative for LandAmerica Financial Group Inc.

Her fiance, the son of Shirley and John Najjar of Farmington Hills, is a 1989 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High owner of Vitamart in Farming-School in Redford. He is co." ton.

Richmond-Stewart

Don and Mary Ellen Richmond of Redford announce the engage ment of their daughter, Shelly Ann, to John Stephen Stewart the son of Dick and Jan Stewart of Troy

The bride-to-be is student in the master's program for fine arts at Wayne State University. She will graduate in December 2000

Her fiance is a graduate of Michigan State University with bachelor's in turf/grass management. He is employed as an operations managers at Turf Partners.

A May wedding is planned at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church in Redford.

VanDerHaven-Santia

Candy VanDerHaven of Northville announces the forthcoming marriage of her daugh- the director of purchasing for ter, Jennifer, to Richard Santia, Palmer Paint Products. the son of Marina Santia of Troy. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Michigan State University. Livonia.

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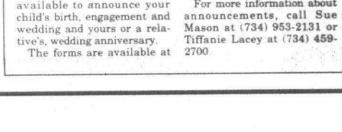
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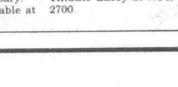
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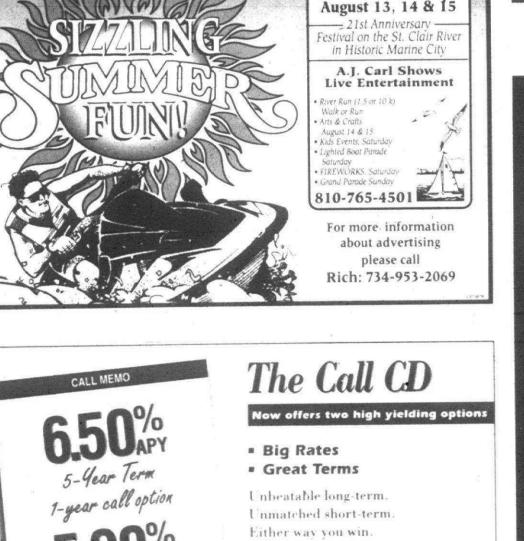
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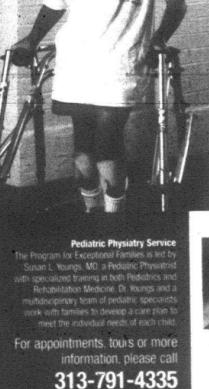
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WEEKEND

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FAMILY FISHING Maybury State Park will again host Family Fishing in August. Bring the entire family and join us at the pond 7-9 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 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 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; however, a state park motor vehicle permit will be required for entry to the park. For more information, call the park office at (248) 349-8390

SUMMER BIRD HIKES

Maybury State Park in Northville Township hosts 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 onewo hours. The hikes are open to all, regardless of birding 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 permit is required for entry. Call the park office on at (248) 349-8390.

CEDAR POINT Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsor-

ing a family trip to Cedar Point for Canton residents, Saturday, Aug. 21. Cost is \$29 per person, which ludes admission to Cedar Point and bus transportation. Bus leaves Summit on the Park parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and leaves Cedar Point at 8 p.m. Space is limited. Register in person, Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Registration ends Aug. 20, or when all tickets are sold. Canton residents can register until Aug. 16, then anyone can register. For more nformation, call (734) 397-

KID'S GARDEN DAY Maybury Farm will host.



Calmes of Canton won four medals in dance competition at last weekend's Highland Games. The 10year-old student was awarded first place for her Sword Dance; second for Scottish Lilt and Sean Tribhus: and third place for her Highland Fling. She credited dance teacher Cindy Campbell Kopinski of Plymouth for her success.

Northville Parks & Recreation will be hosting a U.S.T.A. Sanctioned youth tennis tournament for ages 12-18 years old. on Friday-Sunday, Aug. 20-22 at the Fish Hatchery Tennis Courts. Entry fee is \$35 for residents: \$38 for school district: and \$42 for non-residents. Applications are available at the Northville Parks & Recreation Office 303 W. Main. Northville. For more information, call Northville Parks & Recreation at (248) 349-0203.

CRAFTERS

the Redford Suburban Dancin' Feet registration will take place from 5-7 p.m., Aug. 19 at Summit on the Park Community Cenat Burton Manor, 27777

FORM

ENDAR

Crafters are needed for League's 26th "Festival of Fashion '99" beginning at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 21,

tion is now open for all levbeginning the week of Sept.

and registration materials, call Norma Atwood at (734) 354-9825. NEW MORNING SCHOOL

New Morning School has vacancies for the upcoming 1999-2000 school year. Openings are available in the Primary/Kindergarten program and the Middle school, grades six through eight. New Morning is the only pre-K through eighth grade school operating as a parent cooperative in the State of Michigan. New Morning is recognized for its individualized educational approach that fosters independent learning. nurtures self-esteem and teaches positive interpersonal skills. Classes begin Aug. 31. Before and after school day care is available. New Morning is licensed by the Michigan Department of Social Ser vices and certified by Michigan Department of Education. For more information and a tour of the facilities, contact the school at (734) 420-3331. New Morning is at 14501 Haggerty, just north of School

craft Road. SINGLES DANCES Dances occur 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays at Burton

Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft 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

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE The Plymouth Communi

v Chamber of Commerce offers a 24-hour hotline of pcoming 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 chairs, and one 6- or 8-foot table is available for \$50 for either Saturday or Sunday or \$90

for both days. Booths with electricity are an extra \$5. Call (734) 432-5603.

REGISTRATION Garfield Co-op has openngs 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 now in all classes for people 18 months through 5 years of age. Located in Livonia bordering Canton Plymouth and Westland. Call April at (734) 522-

VOLUNTEERS

The American Red Cross announces the rejuvenation of the HEROmobile program. The plan is to ouild public awareness of the Southeastern Michigan Chapter by honoring local heroes who have unselfishly responded to emergencies, which in turn may have saved a human life The Red Cross is looking for volunteers who would like to assist with this project. No experience necessary; training will be provided. The objective of each team is to present the Badge of Courage award or Certificate to a chosen recipient at their workplace, church or school. Each team will include a speaker, someone to preent the award, a photogra pher and a spokesperson. f you are interested or would like to get more information, call Cathy Kocian at (313) 833-2685.

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

Starting Over is a group 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) 662-5999

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 drop-in grief-support group that meets 6:30-8 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month, Call Becky Rouse at (734) 522-4244.

CAMPUS NOTES

announcement to Campus Notes, send the material, printed or typewritten to: Campus Notes, Plymouth-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main, Plymouth Mich. 48170.

DEAN'S LIST

named to the dean's list at the University of Dayton for the winter semester of the 1998-99 academic year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Lemkuhl of Plymouth.

Daniel Edward Hodge of Plymouth; Michael WHO'S WHO Ervin Roberson of Canton and Alison J. Albee | Katharine L. Ollinger of Canton was selected of Canton have all been named to the dean's list at by Concordia University St. Paul, Minn., as one of Vidovic of Canton and Britta Anderson of Ply- son of Mark and Christine Skalski of Plymouth.

must have at least a 3.5 semester or cumulative grade point average on a four point scale. Jill A. Everett of Canton has been named

to the dean's list at Bates College. He is a member Elizabeth Ann Lemkuhl of Plymouth was of the Bates baseball team. Hood spent the fall semester of his junior year in Rome, Italy. He is the son of Stephen and Sharon Hood of Plymouth. He is a 1995 graduate of Detroit Country Day School

the country's most outstanding campus leaders by mouth were all invited for membership in Wayne Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. She joins an elite group of students selected from institutions of higher learning throughout the United States. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ollinger.

PHI BETA KAPPA

than 100 juniors and seniors who were inducted | ematics presented predominantly in small classes into membership in Western Michigan Universi- at an accelerated pace. The goal of the program is ty's Theta of Michigan chapter of Phi Beta Kappa | to provide students who are interested in careers at a spring initiation ceremony.

State University's Phi Beta Kappa chapter

SCIENCE PROGRAM

Joseph Skalski of Plymouth has been accepted to Northwestern University's Integrated Science Program as a freshman for the 1999-2000 academic year. The Integrated Science Program is a Jason A. Danely of Canton was one of more | selective curriculum of natural sciences and mathin science and mathematics with a broad, quanti-Samir Shah, Robert Taila, Justin Allen tative background in these areas. Skalski is the

Territorial Road, Plyner social at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 mouth. The four-person scramble begins at 10 a.m. p.m. Friday, Aug. 13. at Carts, refreshments on the Steak and Ale. 40347 E. course, full dinner after Ann Arbor Road, west of I golf, prizes galore, Toyota 275. Plymouth. Adults ages 45 and over wishing Camry hole-in-one contest and Pro Air tickets hole-infurther information regardone contest. Price is \$100 ing this national organizaper person (\$35 is tax tion's activities, write to: leductible). For more Dearborn-Livonia Single tons, P.O. Box 2175, Fort nformation or to register, call Project Compassion at Dearborn Station, Dear-

(800) 626-9622.

The West Suburban

(NACW) will host its

ation of Career Women

Chapter of National Associ-

nonthly meeting at 11:45

Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth

a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at

Road, Plymouth. Cost is

\$18 for members and \$22

reservations or for more

information, call Tracey

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ter. Head instructor

Use additional sheet if necessary.

DANCIN' FEET

for non-members. For

NACW

Artifacts Art Clubs will present Summer Multimedia Exhibit through Aug. 15 at the Joanne Winkle man Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 North Sheldon, Plymouth. There will be Detroit-based artists in many medias and styles. For more information, call (734) 416-4278. **GOLF OUTING**

AROUND TOWN Project Compassion celebrates the International Canton Duck Derby" is fast approaching. Participants

born, MI 48123.

ART SHOW

Year of the Older Person with its 12th Annual Golf Outing on Monday, Aug. 16, at Fox Hills Golf and Conference Center, 8768 N CALENDAR 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

can "adopt" ducks for the Friday, Aug. 13, event at

Location:

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Additional info.

events such as concerts in the park. Cost is \$2 for one duck; \$5 for three ducks; or below and mail your item to The Calendar, Canton Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, \$11 for seven ducks. Each MI. 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the duck will be entered in the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions. derby and be eligible to win prizes including round-trip Event: airline tickets, autographed sports memorabil-Date and Time: ia, a \$1,000 bond, cam-

and other items. Call (734) 397-5110.

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DINNER SOCIAL tons will host its next dia-

To submit your academic honor or graduation Purdue University. To earn honors, students

the dean's list at Miami University. Matthew S. Hood of Plymouth has been named

Cheryl Reitz will be available for questions at 4 p.m. This is a one time registration. If you wish to participate you must attend. For further information contact Jennifer Varajon at (734) 397-5110.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT



it's third annual Kid's Gar-

e farm for a variety of

fun activities, stories and

plants and planting, and

which animals might be

helpers. Activity stations

will be located throughout

the farm. Maybury Farm

is located within Maybury

State Park on Eight Mile

Road, one mile west of

Beck Road in Northville

Township, A state park

motor vehicle permit is

equired for entry to the

park, but there is no addi-

tional charge for Garden

Day activities. For more

information, call the park

office at (248) 349-8390.

Maybury State Park will

'Michigan Birds of Prey" at

embers of Bird Rescue of

7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21.

Huron Valley, a licensed

bird rehabilitation organi

zation, will conduct a pre-

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them close up. This pro

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Mile Road, one mile west of

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ers Market. 7:30 a.m. to

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day, Aug. 21. Join us at



Everyday words and expressions connect us to our past

Here's a riddle for you things: jury-rig a broken item, ïrst-rate rumwith a squeegee,

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ON HISTORY

go to the doctor VIRGINIA and get a clean of the line. PARKER bill of health. attend a posh event and stay to the bitter end. How do all these activities con-

nect you to the past? everyday words and expressions that come to us by way of a seafaring vernacular that is hundreds of years old.

Our term "jury-rig," referring from the term sailors used for except that we traded a board for oak post to which a mooring line

vised, for example, a jury-rud- rubber. This week you der, a jury-mast, or - the term

may do several that has stuck - a jury-rig. "First rate," meaning excellent, derives from the British their wooden ships according to mage sale, clean the length and weight of ordyour windows nance on board. Ships that mounted the largest number of heavy guns were first-rate ships

"Rummage" referred to cargo. Unclaimed or damaged goods, or those that had not been paid for, were sold at "rummage sales" in warehouses along the docks. One Answer: They all involve might also "rummage" through the goods to find what they wanted to buy.

Sailors used a squeegee - a board attached to a long handle - to scoop water off the deck. Not to a stopgap fix, is borrowed much has changed in design,

temporary repairs. They impro-, metal and attached a strip of (rope) was attached. Thus, the around the water cooler lately, Port authorities issued a document, called a "clean bill of

health," if a ship was free of contagious diseases. A "foul bill of participate in a Royal Navy's practice of ranking health" was issued if there were any infections on board, but that guage. "Son of a gun" is another phrase didn't find a place in everyday speech as a "clean bill of health" has. There is more than one expla-

nation for the word "posh." One is that it dates back to diers because, historically, births steamships that sailed from England to India and the Orient. According to this legend, the best staterooms were on the cooler side of the ship as it traveled custom of allowing wives and - port outbound and starboard

nomebound - creating the acronym, "POSH." The bitter-end was not, as we might think, a painful conclu- vised by stretching canvas sion. A sailing ship had a bitt-an

NEW VOICES

inboard end of the line was you should know that sailors did called the "bitter-end."

Part of language

Many old seafaring terms have become part of our daily lanof these, but I've heard both sailors and soldiers claim this expression. An interpreter at Fort Michilimackinac said it referred to the progeny of solin local populations followed wherever men-at-arms went.

Naval historians say it goes back to the Royal Navy's former women of ill repute on board ships in port or even at sea. ever did it come from?" We may Makeshift compartments for women giving birth were improbetween two cannons.

If you've heard any scuttlebutt

much the same thing. They gathwater or other beverages - to exchange gossip and rumors.

Speaking of beverages, a "bootegger" was a smuggler, a term that did not originate with Prohibition. Sailors were known before that to hide goods in their sea boots to sneak them ashore.

We never stop to analyze expressions like these. They creep in an out of our daily conversations, taking on different shades of meaning. For some. the origins are lost in the mists of time until someone says, "That doesn't make sense. Wheronly guess at the derivation and wonder how close we've come.

Evolutionary process Language continues to evolve

a we coin new expressions to reflect (a) to-day life. "Pratrie-dogging," for example, refers to ered around a scuttle - a cask for people popping their heads water or other beverages - to above office cubicles to check out what's going on. And, of course, we all know what "channel-surfing" is. This particular use of a remote control to flip through TV stations is a habit that tests the hmits of many a marriage!

A hundred years from now, dare say, fewer people will work in office cubbyholes. Instead, they'll communicate from home, or the field, on networked, computerized systems. And people won't have TV channels. They'll probably select programs on

nand via voice commands. However, while traditional offices and channels may disappear, the terms "prairie-dogging" ind "channel surfing" may hang on. The first may come to mean anyone who jumps up quickly. The latter could one day mean in indecisive or antsy person.

"Wherever did they come "rom?" an inquisitive person will ask.

Perhaps it will take some his torian writing a column about the distant past to explain the subtle ways you and I have contoured our language.

Historian and author Virginia Bailey Parker has a bachelor's Township. Great-grandparents Linda May-Long and Terry May degree in history and a master's degree in historic preservation. She lives in Canton Township.

Redford announce the birth of den City. She joins a brother, Alec James Jan. 25. He joins a brother, Joshua Allen. Grandparents are Joyce Trombly of Archie and Sharon Davenport Novi, Richard Trombly of Munis-Sr., all of Wayne ing and Tim and Judy Gorman of Westland. Great-grandparents

are Bill LaBelle of Westland and Bernie Gootee of Plymouth. 26 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a brother, Matthias, 4. Grandparents are Lloyd and Pat Spalding of Saline and Frank and Fran

Rehling of Garden City of Canton announce the birth of Brian Michael Feb. 12 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital-Oakland. Grandparents are Nicholas and Antoinette Palise of Dearborn Heights and Robert and MaryAnn Victor of Canton.

Archie and Patricia Daven-

Hospital, Grandparents are Tim and Jill Gorman Jr. of 29 at the Birthing Center of Gar-Justin Miller, 4. Grandparents are Joseph and Ora Miller and Mike and Debbie Stevenson

of Canton announce the birth of Michael Paul March 10 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. He Mark and Colleen Rehling joins sisters Julie Michelle, 3 1/2 of Garden City announce the and Jessica Lynn, 2. Grandparbirth of Morgan Kelly March ents are Paul and Lynn DeJohn of Plymouth and Tom and Esther Stevenson of Salisbury. Md., formerly of Canton.

David and Kimberly Tranchida of Garden City announce the birth of Joyce Brian and Jacquelyn Victor Jean March 29 at the Birthing Center of Garden City. She joins two brothers, Mark, 9, and Austin, 7. Grandparents are land and Joe and Shirley Tranchida of Livonia.

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of Garden City. John and Lynnette Jankowski of Canton Township announce the birth of Lauren Michelle March 23 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a sister, Julia, 4. Grandparents are Angela Jankowski of Wayne and Mr. and Mrs. William Roo of Sault Ste. Marie.

Jeff and Kim Mussen of Livo-Frank and Karal Tilley of West- nia, formerly of Garden City, announce the birth of Joshua Kurt Dec. 7 at Botsford Hospital Vicki Meyers of Westland in Farmington Hills. Grandpar announces the birth of Andrew ents are Bruce and Sandie Benz port Jr. of Westland announce Vincent March 31 at the of Livonia and Herb and Nancy the birth of Kaila Marie March Birthing Center of Garden City Mussen of Palm Harbor, Fla.

Abogilal of Westland announce the birth of Nicholas Faris Abogilal Combs Nov. 13 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Rex at the Birthing Center of Garden and Linda Combs of Van Buren Hospital. Grandparents are 'are James and Virginia Saylors and Bonnie and Larry Livof Westland, and great, great- ingston.

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RELIGIOUS NEWS

Catholic dioceses eye computer link

Kranich was a programmer analyst and

A business administration major at

Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Kranich

Rapids Community College and has taught

Caron, until recently director of informa-

activities. The network will connect more

Livonia.

FLEA MARKET

tion at Lansing's largest law firm, will

use today's technology during the early network manager, will implement plans years of the Third Millennium to further the mission of the church, founded by Christ nearly 2,000 years ago. "Within five years, we will link every one

of the more than 1,000 Catholic parishes, schools, social services agencies, hospitals and other institutions throughout Michigan to a statewide computer network that will make it possible to deliver accurate, timely communications with each of them retail firms in Grand Rapids and Lansing instantaneously," said Sister Monica before joining the MCC staff in 1989. Kostielney, MCC president and CEO.

policy arm of the Catholic Church in also has an associate degree from Grand Michigan.

now linked by computer, and many parish- ing Community College. es, schools, and other institutions within each diocese have Internet capabilities," she said. "We hope to have everyone on administer the MCC Areopagus Network line by 2003."

for the statewide information network. Kranich will be responsible for developing major new applications, including an interactive Web site and data base, and

will oversee computer operations at MCC's Lansing offices. operations manager for several manufacturing, medical, insurance, banking and

Founded in 1963, the MCC is the public

"Michigan's seven Catholic dioceses are data processing and programming at Lans-

Nancy Kranich, manager of administra- than 1,000 Catholic churches and other years

istries of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville will have a divorce recovery workshop at 7 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. 19-Sept. 30, at the church and the five week series, "Getting It Right the Next Time" with Jacque Martin-Downs and Lynn Vaughn, 7:30-9 p.m. Thursdays. Aug. 26-Sept. 23. The divorce recovery workshop costs \$30. while "Getting It Right" costs \$40 for the complete series. The group will meet for

T.G.I.F. 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, at the Box Bar & Grille, 777 W. Ann Arbor Trail, and for the Concert in the Park (blues night) 7-9 p.m. in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. It also will gather for dinner at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at the Ground Round Restaurant 7050 S. Laurel Park Drive. Livonia, then attend a movie at the AMC Movie Theater at Laurel Park Place. Participants are responsible for the cost of dinner

and the movie. For more information, call Single Place Ministries at (248) 349-MOM TO MOM SALE

Aldersgate United Methodist Church will sponsor a Mom to Mom sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at the church, 10000 Beech Daly Road, Redford. Table rental is \$20. For more information, call the church office at (313) 937-3170

or Bruce at (313) 561-5145 n Newburg United Methodist Church will have a Mom to Mom Sale 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Shop or rent a table. For information call (734) 422-0149.

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. Sunand pork chop dinner on Aug. booths, live music and dancing to

BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

an "Open Mike Comedy Show" at Road south of Five Mile Road, Plymouth Township. There is no

charge. The group also meets at 10 a.m. Sundays for breakfast at

The Michigan Catholic Conference will 'tive services, and Ken Caron, wide area institutions throughout Michigan's 83

MCC's computer network is named after the rocky hillside in Athens where St. Paul stood in the year 55 and revealed the Resurrection to the Greek high court. The Arepagus was a place for hearing voices and sharing ideas, and St. Paul used its open forum to-fulfill his calling as an apostle.

Prior to his employment with Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, Caron was a computer network administrator and personal computer specialist with the Alro Group in Jackson and a paramedic firefighter with the Delta Township Fire Department. He also served as the fire department's computer administrator.

Caron attended Cleveland Institute of Electronics and Lansing Community College. He has been a Windsor Township (Eaton County) trustee for more than 10

> a grief support group, meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2, 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 Rosemary Kline at (734) 462-

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other Sept. 24-26 at the St. John's Family Life Center 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth

Township. The registration fee is \$50. Call Bill and Carol at (248) 528-2512 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524 or visit this Web site: www.rc.net/detroit/wwme. RUMMAGE SALE

Newburg United Methodist Church will have fall rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 2, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

PRAYER SERVICE "When I Call for Help," an interfaith prayer service in response to domestic violence, will be held 7-9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, at St. Colette Catholic Church, 17600 Newburgh Road, Livonia. The service will feature healing prayer, and there will be fellow ship and social, informational tables with professionals and materials available. Prayer teams also will be available after the service. Limited child care will be provided. For more information, call (734) 464-1436.

TAI CHI CLASSES The Taoist Tai Chi Society is forming new beginner Tai Chi

classes at Three locations, start ing Monday, Sept. 13. All classes will meet 7-8 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail Livonia, and St. Paul United Methodist Church 165 E. Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, and 7-8 p.m. Monday and Thursday at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 11 Mile Road, Farmington

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NEW BEGINNINGS The Rev. Phil Seymour will discuss "Dreams, Visions and Images" when New Beginnings.

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of Beech Daly, Redford, and

11:15 a.m. Sundays for Mass at

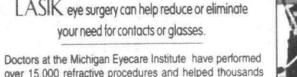
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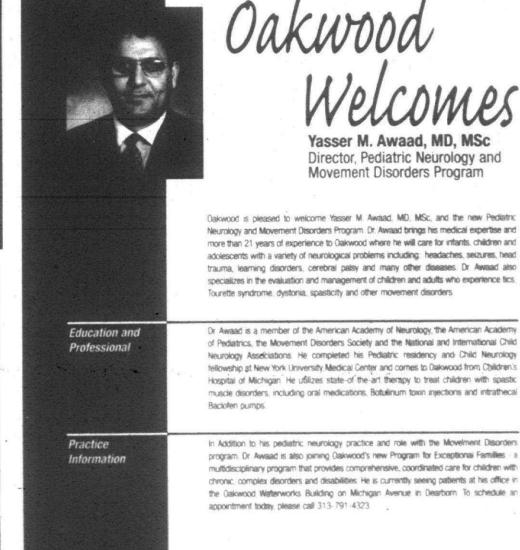
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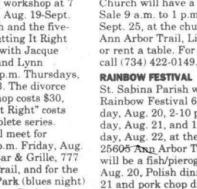
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day, Aug. 22, at the church, 25605 Ann Arbor Trail. There will be a fish/pierogi dinner of Aug. 20, Polish dinner on Aug. 22. Also featured will be a cash bingo, Las Vegas rooms, game the Dyna Dukes, Duane Malinowski, Misty Blues and Polish Kid and Co. For more information, call the church at (313) 561 1977

Bethany Suburban West, a

Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance for divorced and separated Christians, will have 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at St. Kenneth Parish Hall, Haggerty

the Redford Inn, Five Mile west

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Eight on top

The Michigan High School Baseball Showcase, held last Wednesday through Saturday in Grosse Pointe, was well-attended by the Plymouth and Canton communities.

Eight players from this area were part of the 150 who were in attendance. They were Nick Eigher, Steve Gordon, Adam Kolb, Jason Lukasik, Steve Stiles, Chris Trott and Ian Winter from Plymouth Salem HS, and Jon Johnson from Plymouth Canton HS

Players participated in three days of skill competition and games in front of college and pro scouts. Johnson, Kolb, Stiles and Winter guided their team to the tournament final before losing, 10-8. Winter, a catcher, earned game MVP honors after tossing out a runner trying to steal second and picking off another at first. Johnson and Gordon turned in solid pitching performances, Lukasik displayed a strong hitting talent, and Eicher was impressive all-around.

Lightning ends well

The Plymouth Lightning '81, a girls under-19 premier soccer squad, concluded its competitive soccer season by finishing second at the Cherryland Invitational July 30-Aug. 1 in Traverse City. The Lightning posted shutout wins over the Traverse City All-Stars, the Fraser Cougars and the Capital Area Red Star before losing to the Macomb Shelby FC in the final.

Most of the Lightning '81 players have graduated and many will continue playing soccer in college. Team. members are: Kelly Connell (Schoolcraft College), Emily Kaatz (Western Michigan University), Kristin Kopenski (Eastern Michigan University), Emily Neilendam (Madonna University), Vicki Palis (University of Michigan), Kristina Seniuch (SC) and Sarah Ware (WMU), all from Canton; Sarah Debien (WMU), Danelle Filips (U-M), Theresia Radtke (Kalamazoo College), Cheron Rice (EMU) and Andrea Weinman (WMU) of Plymouth; Nicole Angelocci (Michigan State) and Kristin Shea (Alma College) of Novi; Jessica Roberts (Alma) of Trenton; and guest players Amy Dorogi and Jessica Palis, both Canton HS players who are members of the Canton Flames under-18 team. The Lightning is coached by Glenn Kaatz and John Debien.

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The Canton Devil Rays, an 11-yearold boys baseball team in the Canton

It's a short tournament trip for DCI

It was a short, but not very sweet, stay at the AAABA Tournament for Decision Consultants,

Two and out.

That's the line on Decision Consultants, Inc. at the All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament in Johnstown, Pa.

The strong upper bracket of the 16team double-elimination draw for teams 20-and-under was not kind to the Livonia squad.

After making a strong run last sea-

Inc. The Collegiate Division champions in the Adray Metro Baseball Association managed a meager 10 hits in losing their first two games.

DCI, representing the Collegiate Divi-sion of the Adray Metro Baseball Association, dropped its opening two games of the 1999 tourney including a 7-2 loss Monday to New Orleans (NORD Boosters) and a 3-0 defeat Tuesday to Brooklyn, N.Y.

DCI had a total of just 10 hits in the two games.

In Tuesday's game at Franklin Field, son with a 4-2 record in the nationals, Brooklyn remained alive in the loser's

bracket behind the pitching of Richard Scalamandre. The right-hander worked 81/2 innings, allowing four hits, three walks and two hit-batsmen while striking out eight.

Adam Pace came on to get the final two outs and gain the save.

Livonia DCI squandered an opportunity in the third inning, failing to score with the bases loaded and one out.

DCI let one offensive opportunity slip away early in the game.

Chris McCustion and Troy Bergman each singled.

Matt Pike then was hit by a Kaplan pitch to load the bases. But cleanup hitter Eric Hardin, who struck out four

times, fanned and Rick Court's drive down the right field line was snared by Brooklyn's Michael Wilson.

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In the ninth, DCI threatened again but a base running mistake sealed Livonia's fate.

Dan Watchowski walked and Dan Hyott singled to put runners on first and second for DCI.

Zack Cornwell, a Farmington Hills Harrison product now playing for Central Michigan University, then fouled out and Greg Anglin was fanned on three pitches by Pace.

McQuistion then singled, but Watchowski was held up at third by

Please see DCI, C6

Developing his game Canton icer becoming one of nation's best

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.hom

Since school let out in mid-June, James Wisniewski has spent more time on ice than with his almost-one-yearold sister, Brianna.

That's what can happen when you're one of the nation's best hockey players. Particularly if your game plan is to stay that way.

Wisniewski had one week off to spend at his home in Canton between two major tournaments. From July 18-25, he was part of Team Michigan, which competed at the 12-team USA Hockey Select 15 Festival at the Ice Cube in Ann Arbor.

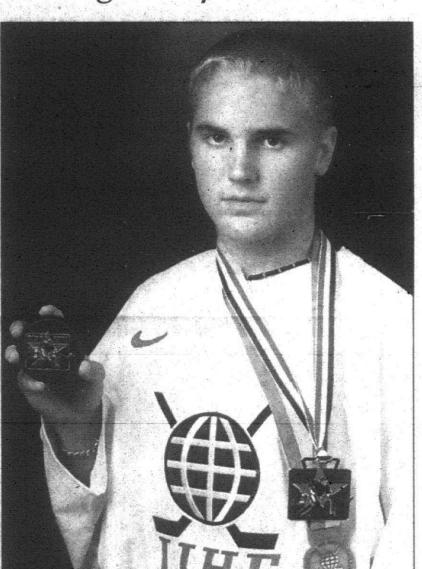
As such, Wisniewski roomed in the dorms at the University of Michigan with the best under-15 year-old players in the country. Team Michigan, one of four states with its own team (the rest were regional), made it to the finals before losing to the Team Pacific (from California, Alaska, Hawaii, Washington and Oregon) squad.

That's when he had that week at home before leaving for Nymburk in the Czech Republic for the International Ice Hockey Federation Development Camp. Wisniewski, a defenseman, was one of six players from the United States to participate in this full-funded program for under-16 year-olds; 50 countries were represented, with 102 players divided into six teams.

"For a month and a half," Wisniewski said, "I haven't really been home."

He has been getting an education, however. And his trip to the Czech Republic certainly supplied one. "I was dumbstruck," he said of the

international style of play. "The hockey over there is 10 times more difficult than in North America. It's not as physical. There's more skill, more skating." The international ice surfaces are much bigger than North American hockey rinks, which puts more of a premium on skating skills. And, as Wisniewski noted, "If you can skate, you can always learn to hit." And hitting was not emphasized. "I was getting penalties for just hitting guys," Wisniewski said. Which was a costly mistake, he noted. "Every penalty was a penalty shot." That explains, at least in part, the reason for the scores his Team Yellow ran up: 13-4, 15-5, 6-5, 7-2 and 4-0. All were wins, giving the Yellows the gold medal. As for Wisniewski, well, he did his part, scoring three goals and assisting on eight others. And he learned a lot, both athletically and culturally. "It was my first time overseas," he said. "You get to see who you're competing against. And I was surprised how many of those guys can speak English. There were guys who could speak three or four languages.



Baseball for the fun of it? Ridiculous!

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Big deal. Listhat long ago

that I was part of a baseball team that played every single summer day. Rain or shine.

field.

You do too? Well - I'll bet they didn't have dugouts like ours, constructed out of the finest scraps of wood available at near-

You did? And they were made

lot hotter in the summertime than wood. So there.

Anyway. We played every day. And sometimes there were 12 of us. We traveled, too. Played road games at such exotic locations as Vernon. Or Stellemar. Or even Embassy.

Where are those places? What do you mean? Okay, so they aren't exactly foreign cities. Or even towns. All right, all right -they're streets. But I'm telling you, those Vernon Vigilantes or whatever they called themselves - were pretty awesome.

practiced as much played, or pretty close to it. What's that? What do you mean you don't practice? Not ever? Well, that's a bit different. I understand, though. I mean, with a 70-game schedule, who has time to practice, to learn anything improve?

that plays 70

games every summer? ten: It wasn't all

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by housing projects.

I'll tell you somethin' else. I'll bet we practiced as much as you like the basics on how to play the game? Or what you need to do to

Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association, rolled to a 14-0 regular-season record and added three more wins in the playoffs to finish their season 17-0. For the season, the Devil Rays outscored their opponents 206-109.

Team members are Matt Kenison, Joe Maltese, Jeff Jendrusik, Tarik Khasawneh, Andy Barylski, Joe McCreary, David Jablonski, Patrick Goulet, John Powers, Brett Porter, Andy Larson and Brien Phillips. The team is managed by Joe Maltese and coached by Alan Porter and Tony Jablonski.

Hole-in-one

Frank Sanders of Canton, playing with a group of senior retirees at Indian Springs Metropark, got something he always wanted on Tuesday - a hole-in-one

Sanders, who is 69, used a six iron. to get his ace on the 123-yard 16th hole

Salem hoop tryouts

Plymouth Salem's girls basketball team will have tryouts for the upcoming season on Monday, Aug. 16 at the Salem gymnasium. Incoming freshmen will try out from 9-10:30 a.m.; sophomores, juniors and seniors will have their tryouts from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Physicals are required prior to trying out. For further information, contact Salem coach Fred Thomann at (734) 484-7746.

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Each day in his week-long trip included a practice and a game, meet-

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Award-winner: Canton's James Wisniewski hockey game is developing, world-wide. The team he played for was unbeaten on a trip to the Czech Republic; another was second at a national tourney.

ings and some other sports activity. did learn what he had to do better. His team was coached by Jiri Latal of the Czech Republic, a national team player who also played for the Philadelphia Flyers from 1990-92.

Wisniewski, who started skating when he was five and playing hockey at age eight, was one of two U.S. players on Team Yellow (the other was Patrick Eaves of Minnesota, whose father is an assistant coach with the Pittsburgh Penguins). Other countries represented on his team were Sweden, Belorussia, Japan, Romania, Scotland, Finland, Russia, Denmark, Germany, Czech Republic, South Africa, Mexico, Bulgaria, Slovakia and Switzerland.

Compared to the style he's used to playing, Wisniewski - who.standa 5-10 1/2 and weighs nearly 180 -- suddenly felt like a hitter, a fighter. But he

"I have to play the puck more and separate the player from the puck only when I have to," he noted. "I want to increase my speed and work on the skating part of my game. Speed and quickness - that's my main concern."

As for international players to watch, or stars of the future (the next Sergei Federov?), Wisniewski said, "The players that surprised me were from Finland. They impressed me a lot, they had a lot of speed."

And, at the other end of the spectrum: "The biggest disappointment to me was the Russians. I just don't see the resemblance (to former Russian stars) any more.

Çome fall, Wisniewski - a sopho-

Please see WISNIEWSKI, C6

Canadian wins Highland

Kurt Pauli of Farmington Hills finished, as he predicted, in fourth place in the athletics competition Saturday at the annual Highland Games celebrating Scottish heritage and culture.

The 150th anniversary event at Greenmead in Livonia included the best Highland Games athletes in the world.

Five-time Canadian champ Harry MacDonald was the overall winner. Petur Gundmonsson of Iceland was second and three-time world champion Ryan Vierra of California third. Warren Trask of Ontario and Frank Stasa of Carleton tied for fifth.

Pauli, 27, who won the Detroit-area Games the previous four years, was second in the 16-pound Scottish hammer, third in the 56-pound weight for height and fifth in the

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caber toss, 28-pound weight for distance and stone put.

"(Fourth place) was right about where I expected to be," Pauli said. "Three of the top guys in the world were ahead of me. If I had thrown real well, I might've had third place.

Pauli, who was first in the hammer toss until MacDonald uncorked a better throw, had a best effort of 133 feet. He threw the 56-pound weight over a 16-foot high bar; he threw the stone put 37 feet, six inches and the 28-pound weight 72 feet, three inches.

Pauli competes this weekend in Fergus, Ontario, and then travels to Iceland for an Aug. 21 competition.

Wait a minute, wait a minute Now I get it. We're not talking about the same thing here, are we? This isn't a 12-and-under boys baseball team, is it?

I knew it. I mean, that explains everything. You had me fooled there for a minute.

Imagine that. A team of 12. year-old kids traveling to places like Chicago, Omaha, Indianapo lis, St. Louis. Absurd.

And what was that you were going to play in? The World Series?

Yeah, right. And I'm the top candidate to replace Barry Sanders.

A bunch of 12-year-olds playing in big weekend-long tournaments. like that, without any practices. should have known better than to fall for that one.

Whoa - wait one minute. You're backtracking again. So you do practice? Sometimes for as much as 20 minutes before plays ing a game?

Geez. I bet you get a lot of repein at your position.

That last remark was a lesson in sarcasm, kid.

So - you got a coach? We did. My older brother. At least I think he was our coach. He was always telling us what to do, anyway. Especially when we were building that field of ours in an empty lot.

Please see RISAK, C7

A family affair For the Berrymans, baseball is more than just a past-time

BY STEVE KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER

When a player on the Michigan Lake Area Rams collegiate baseball team calls for "Coach" Berryman" near the dugout before a game, a couple people might answer Both may have a cigarette in

their hands but there's one glaring difference. One's a woman.

Rick Berryman is undoubtedly the figure head and final decision-maker for the Rams and Redford Union, but his wife, June Berryman, isn't there just to keep score.

The two, married almost 16 years, are inseparable on the baseball diamond, whether it's a high school game that RU is playing or an Adray Metro Baseball Association game played by the Rams.

They were also in the lead car in a caravan heading to the National Amateur Baseball Federation Regional, held last week in Baltimore, Md.

The Berrymans, who live in Canton, met when both were teachers in the Redford Union school district. Each advanced to the administrative level as June is now the principal at Stuckey Elementary and Rick is the assistant principal at Hilbert

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Junior High. They don't have children together but do have children from a previous marriage.

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Rick has a son, Brian, 22, who used to play for his father and step-mother and is now a pitcher in the San Diego Padres organization, and a daughter, Lisa, 24. June has a daughter, Tonya, 27,

who is almost as well known as June around the dugout. Tonya fills in when June can't

make it because of a school commitment. "She's not as thorough but I

have 20 years experience on her." June said. Her step-father chimed in, say-

ing "Tonya knows the game better than most men." A baseball game is truly a

family outing for the Berrymans. Their pet dog. Bailey, is a regular at most games and is making the trip to Baltimore.

She likely won't be allowed field access, so the Berrymans are prepared.

"We have to leave her in a room with a crate," June said. "We have to go to motels that allow dogs."

Rick said he didn't know of June's passion for baseball when they met, and even after they

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started dating, but "it was very much a bonus," he said. "She was a fan far before I met her." That must mean she knew all about Rick's pitching exploits at RU in the late 1960s before he went on to star at Eastern Michigan University.

Not quite. "I didn't have any idea." she admits. "But I was a baseball enthusiast. I used to go to 25 games a year at Tiger Stadium." Rick wasn't insulted by her lack of knowledge about his past. So when he tells people he won her over by being charming and handsome they might actually

believe him. June grew up in Detroit and graduated from Henry Ford High School before attending EMU about the same time as Rick. She played field hockey and swam competitively but did n't play any softball or baseball. The coaching combination began when Brian Berryman was playing in the North Redford Central Little League in the late 1980s

By the time Brian reached the Connie Mack Division circuit (18-under) June was making history, becoming the first woman coach at the World Series which Concealed Security achieved in 1995 in Farmington, N.M. "They had the TV crews and

everyone out there interviewing

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her and the players," Rick said. Rick and Lou Pirronello, the Concealed Security manager, are glad they listened to June when t came time to drafting a player for the post-season and she suggested Kris Gundrum.

knows the game of baseball

The player from the west side of the state responded with one of the team's better post-season performances, helping Concealed reach the World Series.

three names and she just liked his stats and what he can do. He went on to be a star at Western Michigan and is now playing in

June might have picked Gun-

recalling a player for his nickname, Iron Man, more than his given name. "I can't even think of his name right now but I know him as Iron Man, the name she gave him for all the innings he

June is always the only woman at an RU hitters and pitchers clinic who is there to give instruction and not just to pick up or drop off one of the students.

stance," Rick added. "I have a collection of baseball clinic tapes uations, is involved in strategies. making lineups.

book. She keeps the pitch count, knows what pitchers throw. How many throw the first pitch for strikes... We don't always agree. Sometimes she's right and sometimes I'm right."

And sometimes, they're both wrong. But isn't that the beauty (and frustration) of baseball? June calls baseball the "hardest, easy game there is, except

She and Rick play golf togeth er and she's won a round or two. Her first victory against her husband came on one of Michigan's

is much more satisfying for both,

for ourselves," she said. "I guess it's baseball because it's for the kids. I can't even tell you how many wonderful kids we've had. I've never experienced difficulty with any of the players, even at the onset.

had nice kids, nice parents. It's the kids with 'But' at the end of their name we try to avoid. The kid who can 'Do this and do that, but...' And 'but' usually describe a problem. We eliminate that player from our list.'

and it stuck," said Pironello, The player was Terry Bigham.

"She knows hitting, the correct

which I study and she's watched them all. She knows baseball sit-"She doesn't just keep the

for maybe golf."

toughest courses, the Bear in Traverse City. A win on the baseball diamond

however. "One we do for kids and one is

Rick agreed: "We've always

guy is late. There's guys on first and third, watch the fake throw.' She's aware of everything and the kids love her." originator

book, then, as the game progresses, there's little comments from her like, This guy ran the last time, this guy is all pull; this "She won the debate," Rick said. "We kicked around two or the minor leagues." As for the suggestion that

Pironello also remembers her being the unofficial nickname "She'd give someone a name Observer & Eccentric HOMETOWN Town News. Wabout you:

drum for his looks, Rick laughs

and says: "She wouldn't pick

anyone because they're cute. She

Said Pirronello: "At first when

I met her, I thought 'She's a

woman in baseball, what could

she possibly know?' First you

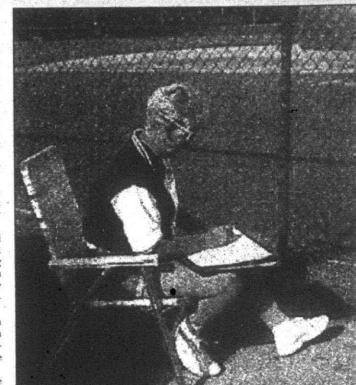
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Not just a scorekeeper: June Berryman has been more

than a scorebook-keeper for her husband, Rick. She

Wayne guard transfers Brian Williams, a 6-foot-1 guard from Wayne Memorial

Community College, according to coach Carlos Briggs. Williams spent last season at Kalamazoo Valley CC with former Wayne teammate LaVelle Guess. Williams will join SC recruits Dwight Windom (Dearborn Heights Robichaud). Mike

ishers.



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for those who have not. For more information call SoccerZone at (248) 374-0500. Socball league will also be offered by cerZone is located at 41550

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Race benefits blind

Race applications are now available for the 22nd Annual Birmingham Lions 10,000-Meter Run for the Blind. The race, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 19, in downtown Birmingham, will start at 9 a.m. at the corner of Merrill and Pierce.

The current entry fee is \$15 and includes a race T-shirt, awards, and beverages and food after the race. Registration is \$16 after Sept. 11 and \$20 on race day. Prior to Sept. 18, runners must register at Total Runner (29207 Northwestern Highway) in Southfield.

available at the Birmingham YMCA, The Varsity Shop, Oakland Athletic Club, CMI, and The Birmingham Community House.

In addition to the 10K, there will be a 5K and a one-mile walk. All money raised through this event benefits the training of leader dogs and their future life partners. For information, through Sept. 26. The session call Total Runner at (248) 354-1177

Hockey registration For individuals the fee is \$75 for players who have played at Registration is now under way

for recreational adult hockey leagues, which will play from September through March at the Arctic Pond in Plymouth, the Inkster Ice Arena and the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Leagues include the Rockets (over 21), the Golden Blades (over 50) and the Golden Eagles (over 48). To register, call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658.

Falcon 5K

The Falcon 5K, a five-kilometer run to be held in Dearborn, is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 21.

Pre-race entry fee is \$14 before Aug. 13); day-of-the-race entry fee is \$17 (7-8:30 a.m.). Awards will be presented to the top three male and female finishers in each age division: 14and-under, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39 40-49, 50-59 and 60 and over. All Race applications are also pre-registered 5K runners will receive a T-shirt; a limited number of T-shirts may be purchased the day of the race.

There will also be a one-mile (free) fun run, starting at 8:45 a.m. The Falcon 5K will follow at

Proceeds from the run will benefit the Divine Child Alumni Association. Checks should be made payable to DCAA Falcon 5K and mailed to: Falcon 5K, 25001 Herbert Weier Dr., Dearborn, MI. 48128.

For information, call Ron Debono at (734) 464-7145 or Dennis Vogel at (248) 888-9029.

profit organization dedicated to drills and team play for grades promoting youth running in 8-12. Michigan For more information; call Chuck Block at (248) 478-3596.

Baseball tryouts

•The Mudcats, a 13-and-under travel baseball team sponsored by the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association, will have tryouts for next year's team at 4 p.m. Aug. 29 at McClumpha Park, located on Ann Arbor Trail between Sheldon and Beck. The Mudcats play in the Washtenaw Amateur Baseball Association (WABA). For more information, call Bryan Boyd at (734) 420-0549.

•Experienced players are urged to tryout for a Livonia Travel youth competitive basehall team in the Little Caesars League from 1-3 p.m. (10-andunder) and 3-5 p.m. (12-yearolds) Sunday, Aug. 22 and 29 at Livonia's Bicentennial Park (field No. 8). For more information, call Bill Leins at (734) 261-4712 (10-and-under), Bob Olson at (734) 464-7930 (12-year-olds) or Bill Rabe at (248) 474-2739.

S'craft hoop camp

Schoolcraft College men's basketball coach Carlos Briggs courages Observerland-area ayers to participate in a camp om 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Thursday, Aug. 16-19 at the school's gym.

The camp will emphasize skill

who earned first-team All-Observer boys basketball honors during the 1997-98 season after averaging 18 points per game, has transferred to Schoolcraft

Williams (Detroit City), Rob Brown (Central Michigan/Oak Park) and Tony Jancevski (Plymouth Salem).

Run Like Wind 10K

The first-ever Run Like the Wind 10-kilometer race will start at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 4 at Nankin Mills Picnic Area in Hines Park (located on Hines Drive just east of Ann Arbor Trail). The pre-registration fee (received by Aug. 25) is \$15

(includes T-shirt). Late registration is \$18. Fees (without T shirt) are \$6 (pre-registration) and \$8 (late). Trophies will be awarded to

age-group winners, along with the top male and female (open and masters). Medals will go to the second- and third-place fin-

Proceeds will go to the Michigan Running Foundation, a non(To submit items for consider-

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Detroit Archers will hold a state 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 21-22, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

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JUNIOR ARCHERS A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Satur-

days at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.



SPORTING CLAYS Wings & Clays will host a sport-

ing clays shoot on Sunday, Aug. 29. at the Bald Mountain range in Lake Orion. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

SEASON/DATES BEAR

Bear season opens Sept. 10. GOOSE

A special early Canada goose season runs Sept. 1-10 in the Upper Peninsula and Sept 1-15 in the Lower Peninsula. Check the DNR's Early September Canada Goose Season Hunting Guide for special restrictions.

GROUSE Grouse season opens Sept. 15 RABBIT

Rabbit season opens Sept. 15. SOUIRREL

Squirrel season opens Sept. 15.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

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HEALTH CARE

B.A.S.S. Top 150 circuit will be Wednesday-Saturday, Aug. 25-28 on Lake St. Clair. Daily weigh-ins will take place at Metro Beach Metropark in Mt. Clemens.

TOP BASS

The final stop on the Top Bass Tournament Trail is the series championship, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 14-15, on Wixom Lake. Call Elmer Daniels at (734)-729-1762 or Steve Randles at (734) 422-5813 for more information.

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold a two-man team tournament on Sunday, Aug. 8, on Orchard Lake. To register and for more information call Roy Randolph at (248) 542-5254. Oakland Bass Masters will hold additional tournaments Aug. 29 on Lobdell Lake, and Sept. 26 on Lakeville Lake

METRO BASS 'N GALS Metro Bass 'N Gals will hold the Linda Carruthers Memorial, a two-person team open bass tournament, on Sunday, Aug. 15, on Lake St. Clair. Call Mary Ashteneau at (313) 981-3367 to register and for more information.

CLASSES/ CLINICS

SAGINAW BAY WATERFOWL CLINIC Tri-County Michigan Duck Hunter's Association and the Bay City State Recreation Area are co-hosting the fourth annual Saginaw Bay Waterfowl Clinic on Sunday, Aug. 15, at the Bay City State Recreation Area's Saginaw Bay Visitor Center. Call (517) 667-0717 for more

information. WAYNE WATERFOWL CLINIC The Wayne Waterfowl Chapter of the Michigan Duck Hunter's Association is holding a waterfowl hunting clinic beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 22, at the

Pointe Mouillee State Game Area in Rockwood. Call (734) 422-0583 for more information. ULTRA LIGHT BACKPACKING Recreational Equipment Inc. staffer Matt Duluk will discuss his hike across Isle Royale National Park during an ultralight backpacking exhibit beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 25 at REI. Call (248) 347-2100 for more information.

MORE HUNTER EDUCATION

Wayne County Sportsmen's Club will be offering two hunter education classes at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. Classes will be offered Oct. 9-10, and Nov. 6-7. Call (313)532-0285 to register and for more informa-

FLY FISHING SCHOOL The Riverbend Sports Shop in Southfield is sponsoring several fly fishing schools in the upcoming months. Held at the Huntsman Hunt Club in Dryden and Hunters Creek Hunt Club in Metamora, the schools include lessons in basic fly fishing tech niques including casting, knot tying, reading the water, playing, landing and releasing fish entomology and fly selection and more. Classes are scheduled for August 15 and 29, and Sept. 12. Class size is limited. To register and for more information call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-

Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

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FLY TYING

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ACTIVITIES

BALD MOUNTAIN HIKE Join members of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club on a five-mile hike at Bald Mountain State Recreation Area beginning at noon on Sunday Aug. 22. Call Dan Dahlin at

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS Metro-West Steelheaders meets

at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

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

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refresh ments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDIES

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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.

FLY TYING

The River Bend Sports Shop Fly Tying Club meets every other week in Southfield. Call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474 for more information.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Hours for archery and clay target shooting are noon to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 o.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Rifle range hours are 3 p.m. to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, Bald Mountain is

located at 1330 Greenshield Rd. which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information. PONTIAC LAKE

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Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range ours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more informa

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



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COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS Advanced registration is

required for all nature program at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information NATURE CLUB Ages 8-12 will learn about the outdoors during this program,

which begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at Independence Oaks:

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the prorrams at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake cal (810) 229-7067.

SUMMER EVENING STROLL Explore the park's natural and cultural history through a vari ety of weekly hikes and interpre tive presentations during this class, which will be held at 7 p.m. each Thursday through the end of August at Maybury.

NATURE FOLKLORE Take a look at nature from a different angle and learn about legends and folklore during this naturalist-led hike, which begins

7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, at Maybury.

FAMILY FISHING Bring the entire family for an

vening of fishing fun during this program, which begins at ' p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at May-

BIRD HIKE Observe and identify bird species seen throughout the park during this naturalist-led hike, which begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14. at Maybury. A similar program begins at 8 a.m. Saturday,

Sept. 11.

STATHERED FRIENDS Children and their families will take a closer look at how and where birds live through activi ties and a guided hike during this program, which begins at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at Maybury.

BATS OF MICHIGAN

Learn all about bats during this slide presentation, which begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, at Maybury. KIDS GARDEN DAY

Learn about gardening, weather helpful insects and animals during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at Maybury.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nomi nal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kens ngton, 1-800-477-3178. CHICKEN LITTLE'S NIGHT OUT Learn about summer constella tions and view the Perseid Mete or Shower during this campfire program, which begins at 9:30 n. Thursday and Friday, Aug 12-13, at Stony Creek.

FRIDAY NIGHT FOR FAMILIES Families can share a relaxing evening together surrounded by the sights and sounds of summer

during this program, which begins at 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13, at Stony Creek. SUMMER SOJOURN

Discover what's happening along the nature trails during this guided hike, which begins at 2

p.m. Sunday, Aug. 15, at Kensington. HURON RIVER CLEAN UP

Volunteers are needed to help

clean up the Huron River from Proud Lake through the Kensington Metropark during the 12th annual Huron River Clean Up, which begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at Kensington. The rain date is Saturday. Aug. 28. Call (248) 685-7129 for more information.



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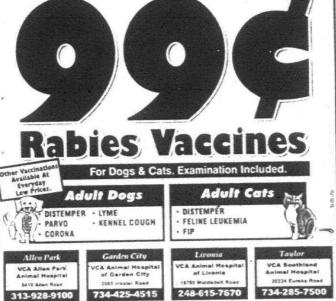
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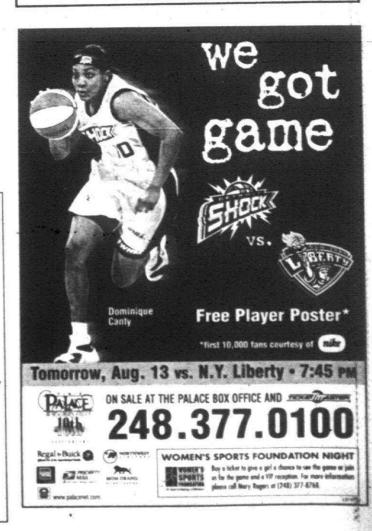
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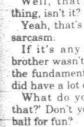
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WESTERN TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 4:00 P.M., MONDAY, JULY 26, 1999

Regular meeting called to order at 4:10 p.m. Present: Thomas Yack, Kathleen A. Keen-McCarthy, Richard Henningsen Agenda - adopted as amended.

Minutes of regular meeting of June 28, 1999 - approved. Minutes of study session of June 30, 1999 - approved Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$1,239,798.41 - approved Operations & Maintenance Report for June, 1999 - received and filed Operations Manager's Report for July, 1999 - received and filed. Brd Quarter FY 98/99 Revenue/Expenditure Report - received and filed. Request To Advertise For Proposals; Document Imaging - approved. est To Advertise For Bids; Local Area Network Server - approved Award to Contract; Portable Manlift - contract awarded to National Ladder

& Scaffold of Canton, Michigan. Award of Contract; Phase 3(A) Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Inspection contract awarded to National Industrial Maintenance, Inc., of Dearborn, Michigan.

1997/98 YCUA Treatment Rate Lookback Calculations Report - received and filed. Emergency Repairs to Middle Rouge Screw Pumps - approved. OMI Service Contract Renewal - approved incorporating attorney's

Salary Survey Recommendations for 1999/2000 - received and filed Closed Session - Discussion regarding land acquisition. The regular meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that as a result of Petitions of Property own within the Township signed by the record owners of land whose front footage constitutes more than 50% of the total front footage of the hereinafter described Special Assessment District and the Township Board of Charter Township of Plymouth proposes road paving improvements on Ridge Road between Ann Arbor and Powell Roads and to create a Special Assessment for the recovery of the cost thereof by Special Assessment against the properties benefited therein.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth has tentatively declared its ntention to make the hereinafter described improvement:

The project consists of approximately 3,600 feet of existing grave road along Ridge Road from Ann Arbor Road to Powell Road to be paved with bituminous concrete, consistent with Ridge Road north of Powell Road and Powell Road between Ridge and Beck. The project commences at the north right-of-way line of Ann Arbor Road and erly along Ridge Road to the southerly right-of-way ine of Powell Road.

s and parcels of land will specially benefit from said improvements and will constitute a Special Assessment District against which the cost of said mprovement shall be assessed:

The district limit for frontage consists of parcels with tax I.D. numbers 045-99-0001-701, 045-99-0001-702, 045-99-0001-703, 045-99-0002-000 (A1b), 045-99-0005-001 (B1), 045-99-0005-704, 045-99-3005-705, 045-99-0005-003 (B3), 045-99-0008-000 (D1b), 045-99-0009-702 (D3b,E1b,Q2b) located in the northeast ½ of Section 31, and 048-99-0009-000 (Q1a1a,BB1a), 048-99-0010-000 (Q1a1b,BB1b), 048-99-0011-000 (Q1a2BB2), 048-99-0012-000 (Q1b), 048-99-0014-000 (S1a), 048-99-0015-000 (S1b,S2) located in the southeast ¼ of Section 31. The district also includes Lot 277 through Lot 295, inclusive, of Ridgewood Hills Subdivision Number 3 as recorded in Liber 101 Page 29 to 32, Lot 306 through Lot 318, inclusive, of Ridgewood Hills Subdivision Number 4 as recorded in Liber 102 Page 1 to 3, and Lots 1 through 33, inclusive, of Pine Ridge Estates Subdivision as recorded in Liber 104 Pate 44 to 47, of T.I.S., R.SE., of Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth shall meet on Tuesday, August 17, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Offices located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, for the purpose of reviewing the said Special Assessment Roll, and hearing objections thereto. Said Rol may be examined at the office of the township Clerk during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of said hearing and may further be examined at said hearing. Appearance and protest at the hearing held to confirm the Special Assessment Roll is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the state tax tribunal.

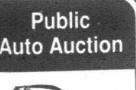
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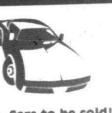
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the plans, specifications ctions of costs and Special Assessment District have been filed with the projections of costs and Special Assessment District and the office of the township and are available for public examination at the office of the Township Clerk. The projected costs of such construction is in the amount of \$644, 636.00. The Special Assessment District shall be responsible for 20% of the construction total (\$128,927.20), plus Township administrative costs. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that redetermination of costs for the proposed Special Assessment may be necessary and may be made without further notice to the record owners or parties in interest in the

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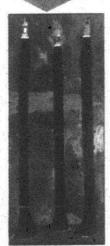
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Entertainment



Barry Manilow performs 8 p.m. at Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township, Tickets \$50 pavilion, \$10 lawn. Call (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

SATURDAY



"Common Man. Mythic Vision: The Paintings of Ben Shahn' are on exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call (313) 833-7900 for more information.





SRO Productions presents "Belles," featuring Tamara Gries, 2 p.m. at "The Burgh" on the northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Be



BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

> udging by the soft, melodic tone of Sinead Lohan's voice over the telephone, she's completely at peace. There was no hint of urgency or anxiety, even though the Irish singer-songwriter was just days away from embarking on a trip to the states to join Lilith Fair.

Lohan is just one of 18 artists performing at Pine Knob Music Theatre during Lilith Fair Saturday-Sun-day, Aug. 14-15. Lohan, who plays 4:50 p.m. on Saturday, is no stranger to the tour. She joined in on the acoustic stage for a few dates last summer.

"I'm really glad I'll have my band with me," said Lohan during a telephone interview from her home in Cork County, Ireland on Aug. 2. "It should be good."

Though the slot on this summer's Lilith Fair marks Lohan's fourth U.S. tour, this engagement will prove different from past travels across the country. A new mother, Lohan will be accompanied by her 4-month-old son Zack. She was just beginning to pack up and prepare when we talked



WHAT: Lilith Fair 1999, A Celebration of Women in Music

WHERE: Pine Knob Music Theatre, 1-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township

WHEN: Doors open 3 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 14-15. Music on the Main Stage begins at 4:30 p.m. each day

TICKETS: Still available for both shows \$79 and \$54 pavilion, \$34 lawn. Call Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

made her crowd a little more diverse and, it seems, you have seen more

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men in the crowd each year." Jennifer Knapp, a Christian rock songstress and Kansas native, is one performer who will be new to the festival this year. Just back from a mission trip to the Dominican Republic where she helped build a hospital, Knapp said she was ready to hit the stage at Lilith Fair. She got involved with the festival by showing an interest in performing on the tour.

"It was just one of those quirky things," said Knapp who will be performing on the Second Stage at 6 p.m., after Lohan. "It's an honor to be playing on the same stage with the women that inspired me musically

Those performers include Sarah McLachlan, Natalie Merchant and Indigo Girls. Knapp also admitted she's never had the opportunity to attend Lilith Fair, but this year she'll be a part of it.

"The biggest challenge will be communicating who I am as an individual, and my connection to God," said Knapp of her role on the tour. "The music really stands for itself.

She said she's honored to be part of the festival.

Accommodating fans

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Shakespeare in the park a family event

West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Commission will present Midsummer Night's Dream" performed by Repercussion Theatre.8:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 15 at Drake Sports Park, on Drake Road, south of Maple Road in West Bloomfield. Tickets \$2.50 in advance and can be purchased at the Parks and Recre-ation Commission building 4640 ation Commission building, 4640 Walnut Lake Road. Tickets \$3 on the day of the event. Free admission for children under age 5. Call (248) 738-2500 for more information.

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

When Judy Share-Vine saw an opportunity to present Shakespeare in a way the entire family could enjoy, she jumped at the chance. As the superintendent for the

West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Commission, Share-Vine was instrumental in bringing the Shakespeare-In-The-Park presentation, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," to Drake Sports Park Sunday. William Shakespeare's classic comedy touches on themes of unrequited love and mistaken identies. She said she's sure it will be "interesting to people of all ages."

"This is the very first year we've tried anything like this," said Share-Vine. "We have

I Judy Sharedone outdoor Vine was summer concerts, but this is our first time with a comedic performance. We think it'll be a great opportunity for everybody to experience this kind of theater." The performance will be presented by Repercussion Theater, an out-

instrumental in bringing the Shakespeare-In-The-Park presentation, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," to **Drake Sports** Park Sunday.

door touring the-ater group from Montreal, Canada

"It is for people of all ages and varying tastes," said Share Vine. "There's a kind of shadow that falls over classic theater like this show. Some people think 'it's not for me." This approach is really going to reach out and give a hand to people who love it, and people who are will ing to try it."

She said she would love to see Shakespeare-In-The-Park become an annual event, but the department will take it one step at a time This year, volunteers are assisting with setting up the show and taking tickets.

Sue Sobeck, assistant to the township supervisor, is one such volunteer. As a member of the Friends of the Parks and Recreation Commission, Sobeck said she is happy to help out with the event. She appreciates seeing Shakespearean productions

Road, Southfield. Tickets \$8, \$7 seniors / children, call (248) 827-0701.



Hot Tix: Revel in oldworld entertainment at the Michigan Renaissance Festival opening Saturday in the Renaissance village of Hollygrove off I-75, Grand Blanc exit 106 on Dixie Highway between Pontiac and Flint. The fair runs weekends through Sunday, Sept. 26. Call (800) 601-4848 or (248) 634-5552 for information.

Preparations at Pine Knob are also running smoothly, according to staff. Jeff Corey, spokesman for the venue said this is the third summer Pine Knob Music Theatre has hosted Lilith Fair.

"It seems it has always been popular from the beginning," said Corey. "Overall, the festivals we have hosted at Pine Knob have done very well."

Before her involvement in the project, Lohan said she hadn't heard about Lilith Fair. When she found out the tour consisted of all female acts, it was initially cause for some concern.

"I don't feel like I represent women...I represent human beings,"

she said of her music. Once she found out the tour is a celebration of women in music, she said she was more than happy to be a part of it.

Well run event

"It's a well run, well organized event," added Lohan.

Corey agreed and commented on the way the festival has changed over the past three summers.

"Sarah (McLachlan) seems to have diversified the line-up a little, more each year, bringing in a variety of musical genres," he said. "This has

to accommodate the rest of the Lilith Fair performers, space is a major consideration every year. The grounds at Pine Knob have to support three separate stages

"We have hosted a number of different festivals throughout the years so. as a venue, we are very adaptive to what the various types of these events," said Corey. "They have three different stages set up throughout the venue, the main pavilion stage and two smaller ones elsewhere on the grounds, along with various vendors booths and special interest group areas. We've handled it before and we

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"Years ago I saw an outside performance in Toronto," she said "It was a glorious thing. At the time they were doing 'Romeo and Juliet out in the open.

Sobeck said the Shakespeare-In-The-Park show will make "A Midsummer Night & Dream" accessible to children. She said the lessons in the stories are timeless, eternal, and just as relevant in the world today.

Big Daddy's Parthenon, 6199 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloom-

Please see SHAKESPEARE, F2

MOVIES

Actress reflects on 'Detroit Rock City'

Editor's note: Lin Shaye stars in "Detroit Rock City," a coming-of-age film that centers around four teenagers who embark on a wild adventure to attend a sold-out Kiss concert in Detroit. The film opens Friday at metro Detroit movie theaters. See film review on Page E6. Stephanie Angelyn Casola interviewed Shave by phone from her home in Los Angeles, Calif.

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

OME: How did you get involved in "Detroit Rock City?

Lin Shaye: "I auditioned. I'd heard about the story and I'm from Detroit. Knowing the Kiss song, it piqued my imagination and interest. The one thing I didn't know, Barry Levine and Tim Sullivan (producers of the film), they wanted me from the get-go."

O&E: Movie-goers may instantly recognize you as "Magda" from "There's Something About Mary" In this film you play another memorable character. What did you like most about your character, Mrs. Bruce?

Shaye: "I think I like most that she takes this journey and that she comes through it she really has to let go of her son

"I had a wonderful time. We rounded her out. She had her realization as well. That became my favorite part of the character...I love the look of the character, the wardrobe too

O&E: Tell me the truth, do you secretly listen to Kiss' music? What do you think of the band?

Shaye: "Yes, but what happened, I was not really a fan of their music I was a fan of the theatrics. I love the whole Kabuki thing



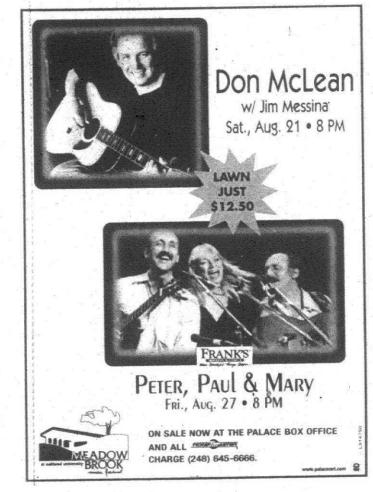
Rock-solid roots: Sam Huntington (left) and Lin Shaye in Please see ACTRESS, E2 a scene from "Detroit Rock City."

Lilith from page E1

this summer." Performing on the Second

Stage, Lohan will play several songs from her U.S. debut, "No Mermaid." released last year by Interscope Records. The album is actually Lohan's second effort, a follow-up to her 1995 album "Who Do You Think I Am" which was released in Ireland. On "No Mermaid" Lohan teamed up with producer Malcolm Burn (known for his work with Peter Gabriel and Shawn Colvin) to record 12 emotionally-stirring tracks at Clouet Street Studio in New

I think he did a great job," she said. "He's someone I wanted to work with." After mixing Burn's signature sound with her songs. Lohan said she's happy with the end result. She said the hot sum-



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Morrison, Tom Waits, Michael

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Sinead - O'Connor that is - as

some of her favorite musicians.

But she feels so many sounds

kind of lazy," she added.

first time.

"A lot of tracks are laid back, Saturday, Aug. 14 On the Main Stage: 5:30—6 p.m. Liz Phair Lazy is one word that doesn't 6:35-7:10 p.m. Queen Latifah seem to fit her vocabulary these 7:40-8:25 p.m. Dixie Chicks days. Hailing from County Cork, 8:45-9:40 p.m. Sheryl Crow Ireland, Lohan has been per-10-10:55 p.m. Sarah McLachforming for more than 10 years. She knew she wanted to be a On the Village Stage: singer in a band by the time she 4:15-4:35 p.m. Innocence Misfinished school at age 17. Enrolling in a music course, she 3:30-3:50 p.m. Jarah Jane was given the opportunity to 3:55-4:15 p.m. Badi Assad showcase her own songs for the 4:50-5:10 p.m. Sinead Lohan 6-6:30 p.m. Jennifer Knapp "I got the bug and I kept play-

Lilith Fair Line-up:

can influence her music, she Lohan said. said

"I suppose everything you listen to gets into your head, what-

what to do with. I didn't really

it was the biggest blurring of

reality and dream I've ever had.

"My dad still lives in Farming-

ton Hills, He's a painter. Max

Shaye. He's wonderful. I have

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The smells were still the same.

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they do, that primordial blood movie was shot in Toronto? thing that you don't really know Shaye: "I thought the

Sunday, Aug. 15 On the Main Stage: 5:30-6 p.m. Martina McBride 6:35-7:10 p.m. Queen Latifah 7:40-8:25 p.m. Dixle Chicks 8:45-9:40 p.m. Sheryl Crow 10-10:55 p.m. Sarah McLach

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III On the Village Stage: 3:30-3:50 p.m. Kari New-

house 3:55-4:15 p.m. Nelly Furtado 4:15-4:35 p.m. Wild Strawber-

4:50-5:10 p.m. Morley 5:10-6:30 p.m. Sozzi 6-6:30 p.m. Susan Tedeschi

Like the other acts at this year's event, Lohan's songs are sure to linger in the minds of ever was popular at the time," this year's Lilith Fair attendees.

Shaye: "I thought the whole

thing was in Michigan. (Filming

show during dinner to entertain the staff and other diners. It's all part of the family-oriented event. Ehrlich said Shakespeare-In-The-Park will attract more fami-

lies than individuals.

READER FEEDBACK

dinner for theater group mem-

"We've been very actively

involved in quite a few communi-

ty affairs," said Artie Ehrlich,

restaurant general manager. "We

Ehrlich is expecting 40 people

to attend. A surprise to him,

Repercussion Theatre offered to

perform some vignettes of the

think it's very important.

Shakespeare from page E1

field, is contributing to the pro-

gram by hosting a cast and crew to attend Shakespeare-

In-The-Park. Program

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"It's a good plan," he said of

Everyone is welcome to attend

Shakespeare-In-The-Park. Pro-

gram goers are encouraged to

bring lawn chairs or blankets to

sit on since the park does not

the event. "It offers quality time

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

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us. We want to hear from you. Here is what readers had to say about the new MGM Grand

listen to the music until this in Toronto proved to be a cheaper Detroit Casino. Sara Tolbert of Southfield thought it was — "super, fantas-

> "The buffet was better than any other buffet I have gone to in the area," she wrote. "The casino gives you the opportunity to have somewhere to go after midnight. Living in the Detroit area most people complain there is nothing to do after 11 p.m.

The only disappointment is the fact that the ATM machine has a tions." \$100 minimum. I am not a big gambler and there was no way l would have taken \$100 out at the casino. I would prefer increments of \$20, and if I wanted to take \$100 or less I would. Several people in the line for the ATM machine stepped out for this same reason."

Garey L. Ware of Livonia got his first experience of the MGM Grand Detroit Casino on Monday, Aug. Q. "While I was

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impressed by the interior, I was not impressed by their food," he wrote. "At approximately eleven o'clock I decided to go have some breakfast after winning at slots. To be blunt, the food was terrible. The eggs were caked up with added water. The sausages and ham were dry due to the overhead heat lights, which were used to keep the food warm. All of the food was cold. After paying over \$15. I was very upset. Also, I went to get a bagel, only to decide against it finding the bagel hard as a brick. Needless to say, I ended up eating for breakfast, black-eyed peas, greens, macaroni and cheese, and pork chops."

Except for the food, Ware wrote, "for the most part, the casino did meet my expecta-

Tell us what you think about Detroit Rock City" opening Friday at metro Detroit movie theaters. You can fax your comments to me at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, (734) 591-7279 or ea _ 1

kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net Send comments to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric News-. papers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

the world.""

Playing music was something

Prescott.

alternative, so it was mostly shot movie. I've really gotten into the music. It's still got a beat to it. in Cleveland and Toronto) They did the exteriors in Detroit. We It's got a form. It's not total did see Cobo Hall and the Fox tic!" "Gene Simmons is just the Theatre. There were various landmarks. "I feel (the movie) is representative of the Midwest in the 70s. Ohio and Detroit had the same feel. It's too bad, I thought it was

> the director, Adam Rifkin. I hope people will see into it - aside from the fact that it's an incredibly entertaining piece of filmmaking - (I hope) that people will take away from it a kind of a sweetness. When that actor...opens his hand (to collect their concert tickets) at the door,

Shaye: "I enjoyed working with

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No Knife cuts out of California, heads for Detroit

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

Mitch Wilson is trying hard not to laugh. He's calling from a telephone in a noisy cafe hallway somewhere in Austin Texas, but some

one else has caught his atten-

"There's this kid -- wearing all camouflage - standing right in front of me, yo-yoing," said Wilson, vocalist for the San Diegobased quartet No Knife. "He's like 'check me out, I'm around

For a band whose name was derived from a line the 1978 film, "The Deer Hunter," which depicted the Vietnam War, the camouflage kid was all too appropriate distraction. While Wilson neglected to elaborate on the exact line in the script which spawned the moniker, he said they were striving for a name that wouldn't conjure up pictures in people's mind's. No Knife's music alone would do

The band is touring the coun try in support of their third album, "Fire in the City of Automatons," released on May.

Wilson always knew he wanted to do. He joined his first band at tried to pick up a guitar his bandmates would tell him to put grabbed a guitar and never put it down again. By 1993, he had written several songs and needed the right vehicle in which to perform them. That vehicle became No Knife. After two lineup changes, three albums, and Knife established a strong chem-Ryan Ferguson, bassist Brian ments." Desjean and drummer Chris

language.

Wilson said the album was "a and Wales jumped in to write



Cutting edge: No Knife (left to right) is Brian Desjean, Ryan Ferguson, Mitch Wilson and Chris Prescott. The band, hailing from San Diego, will perform at the Magic Stick in Detroit on Thursday, Aug. 19.

age 15 as a singer. Every time he pared to previous albums "Drunk on the Moon" and "Hit Man Dreams." Rather than writit back down. Two years later he ing an entire song and sharing it with the other members of the band, the songs were written collectively. With the addition of Chris Prescott, Wilson said the band's sound changed.

"The difference in drumming styles is amazing," he said almost-constant touring, No "Chris has more of a Jazz influence. It's less bombastic. Now istry among its members: we're frying to layer and create singer/guitarist Wilson, guitarist space and notes and arrange-

No Knife worked with Australian producer Greg Wales to The result of that union can be create "Fire in the City of heard in the band's latest sonic Automatons." Fresh off of tour, exploration, a collection of 12 the band found out that Wales' songs rich in texture and poetic visa was about to expire. Without wasting a moment, the band

more collaborative effort," com- and record a new set of material.

"It worked out better we were under the gun," said Wilson, who describes some of the songs as experimental, happy accidents. Wales encouraged the band to stay open to the possibilities, to have an idea, but not set it in "We could be a little more

experimental," added Wilson. "As a result I think it breathes a little more. It's got a better energy to it. He's a blast to work with." Some of the songs Wilson likes most on the new album are those

that came together quickly, and somewhat on their own. "Mission Control" didn't have

vrics until about 30 minutes before it was recorded, Wilson said. "'Under the Moon.' was that way too, all of a sudden.'

Wilson said the lyrics to "Under the Moon" just "came into his head and didn't leave. The song paints its picture with words and music: "Under the moon/facing the water we drank wine/late night, fireside./ Under the moon facing the water we swan dive/late night, high tide."

"My favorite songs are written in five to ten minutes," said Wilson. "A lot of the themes, even though they're not always conscious, seem to be not falling in with the whole group mentality Other songs have a personal edge to them, dealing with life on tour.

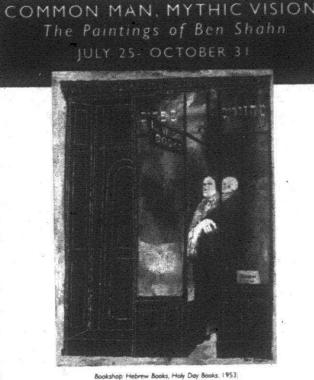
No Knife will stop in Michigan next Thursday for a show at The Magic Stick. The band last played at the club with Jimmy

"It was awesome, free bowling, they fed us," he said.

No Knife will perform 8 p.m.

Eat World on June 10. Wilson Thursday, Aug. 19, at the Magic remembers it fondly. Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are \$7 at the door. All ages are welcome. Call (313) for

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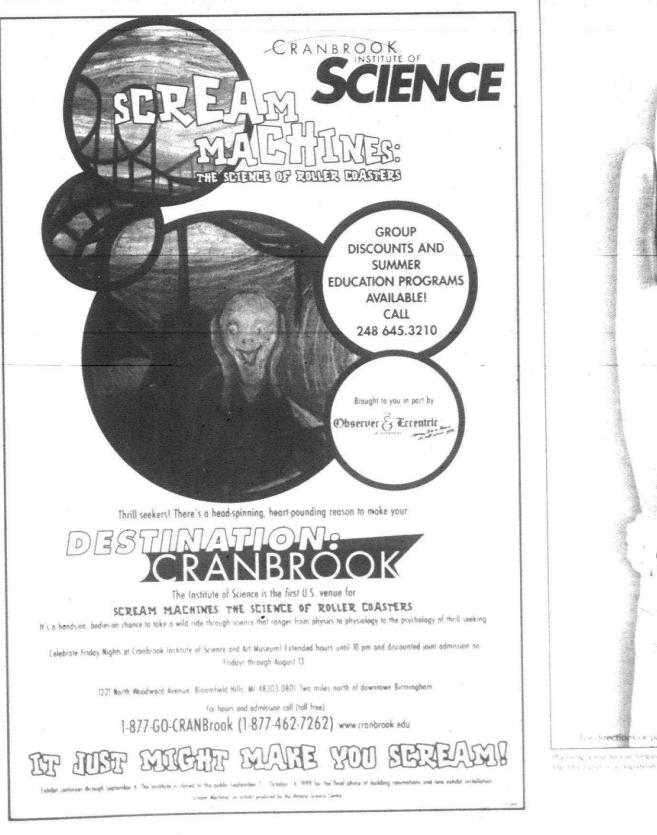
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Tuesdays-Fridays, Aug. 10-13 and 17-20, 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Aug. 25, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Aug. 29 and Sept. 12, 19 and 26, at the theater, 135 E. Main. Northville. \$6. (248) 349-8110

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at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 15 Lakeshore Dr., Grosse Pointe. \$5. (313) 822-0954 0 http://www.pewabic.com

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8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, Maybury State Park, meet at the riding stable parking area on Beck Road, south of Eight Mile. Northville. Free with state park motor vehiclke permit. (248) 349-8390

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Noon to midnight Friday-Sunday Aug. 13-15 (parade 11 a.m. Saturday from Woodward and Mack Ave), international perform ing artists, ethnic gallery, food. dance, children's activities. crafts, music, in Hart Plaza, Detroit. (313) 255-2226

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organist Jennifer M. Candea. 7:30 p.m. organ overture followed by 8 p.m. film Friday, Aug. 20, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. overtures with 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. films, Saturday, Aug. 21, Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser Road, Detroit, \$2.50. (313) 537-2560 or http://theatreorgans.com/mi/re

SUMMER EVENING SERIES Nature Folklore, 7 p.m. Thursday Aug. 12, and Bats of Michigan, 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, at Maybury Farm Demonstration Building, in Maybury State Park, on Fight Mile, west of Beck Road, Northville Twp, Free with state park motor vehiclke permit (248) 349-8390

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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 lefferson Avenue Harrison Two \$25. Great Lakes Chorus was formerly called the Macomb County Chapter, Utica-Rochester Chapter and The Charmonizers. (810) 790-0008/(810) 566-5965 WINDSOR INTERNATIONAL BUSKERS FESTIVAL

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Ford Motor Co. hosts a nostalgic celebration of hot rods, rock-n-

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BROWNSTOWN SUMMER FESTIVAL Featuring the Marvelettes and Platters, Friday, Aug. 13, and Shangri-Las and The Drifters, Saturday, Aug. 14, Thorn Park. Telegraph and King roads

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The Michigan United Conservation Club show, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18, Cohn Amphitheatre, adjacent to the Lewis E. Wint Nature Center at Independence Oaks County Park on Sashabaw Road, Independence Township, \$2.50. (248) 625-6473/(248) 858-1684 (TTY) or http://www.co.oakland.mi.us

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Black Beauty & Thornetta Davis, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18, at the Detroit Zoo, northwest corner of Woodward and 10 Mile. Royal Oak, Free with zoo admission. (248) 398-0903 (blues) DEARBORN SUMMER MUSIC

Dearborn Big Band, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, in Crowley Park. Free. (313) 943-2360 FRIDAY NIGHT FUN Heidi Hepler and Michele Ramo 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6, at

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Alexander Zoniic and the Barbara Agar Student Flute Choir, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, Shain Park, Birmingham "MUSIC IN THE PARK"

Noon Wednesday, Aug. 18, Guy Louis's Chatauqua Express, in Kellogg Park, Main Street, between Penniman and Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. In case of rain, concert will be held in The Gathering next to the Penn Theater (734) 416-4ART 'MUSIC UNDER THE STARS" Steve King & the Dittlies 7:30 n m Thursday, Aug. 12; Eric

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Rón Coden, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13, Birmingham City Hall, Pierce and Martin, west of S. Old Woodward, www.imaginationtheatre com WESTLAND CULTURAL SOCIETY

Bob Duran, 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug 15, at the Westland Library Performance Pavilion, behind Westland Public Library, 6123 Central 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

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- 8-16 for the musical comedy "Halloween Soup," 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at the theater 135 E. Main, Northville. For performances on weekends beginning Oct. 8 through Oct. 31.
- (248) 349-8110 MICHIGAN CLASSIC BALLET The ballet company of Bloomfield Hills holds auditions for the 1999-2000 season at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, Geiger Classic Ballet Academy, 782 Denison Court, Bloomfield Hills. All classically trained dancers ages 10 and older are invited to attend. Dancers are required to bring one teacher recommendation from their current dance school and a

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mances Wednesday, Nov. 24, Friday, Nov. 26 to Sunday, Dec. at the Detroit Opera House. (734) 615-0122

U.S. COMEDY ARTS FESTIVAL Open call for comedians to show case their routines later in the day, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, 269 E. Fourth Street, Royal Oak. Finalists perform at 8 p.m. in concert open to

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Her character, "Mrs. Bruce," mistakenly places Kiss' "Love Gun" album on her record player Furlong), Lex (Giuseppe and relaxes back into her recliner just as the music explodes from the speakers, sending her reeling in anger. Her son, Jam, will suffer the consequences.

Exploring the generation gap, the rivalry between rock and disco, teenage rebellion and the eternal quest for freedom, "Detroit Rock City" is a comingof-age comedy. Accompanying countless Kiss tunes, the film is filled with enough classic rock portrayed by Lin Shaye, an songs to inspire a sing-a-long. actress known for her role as Viewers are treated the sounds back to the band's heyday. It cel- Magda, the snoopy, ultra-sun- of the Ramones, Thin Lizzy, Van ebrates Kiss - costumed in tanned neighbor in "There's Halen, AC/DC and Detroit's own

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Without hesitation, the film pokes fun at false perceptions about the band. Carl Dupre's script contains references to the length of Gene Simmon's tongue, and comments about "the devil's music" in a comical manner. Blatantly obvious song references permeate the film - from characters obviously named for popular Kiss songs ("Beth" and "Christine 16"), to scenes punctuated with just the right music. One fight scene appropriately

plays out to Black Sabbath's Iron Man." While the film was set in Detroit, it was filmed in Toronto. The original "rock city" is marred by references to crime, many of which are sure to evoke laugh ter. In one scene, Mrs. Bruce chastises her son for buying tick ets to the Kiss concert and attempting to sneak off to Detroit

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relate to the pilgrimage these

Rock City."

mons in literature about the film. "I loved the script immediately. It was hilarious, it was heartfelt, but most of all, it was about the fans. And that was important to us, because Kiss has always been about the fans."

light-hearted cinematic romp through the minds of young rock fans. While Kiss followers are sure to enjoy the film, those who can't cope with a campy-vet-predictable plot should stay away

to thwart the Mob, but quickly finds himself laundering money and masquerading as the notorious mobster "Mickey blue Eyes." Stars Hugh Grant James Caan

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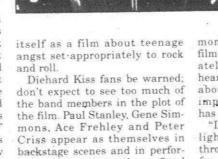
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Detroit, no less," she said. Like the colorful pages of a comic book, the look of the film is bright and flashy. With quick camera movements, split screens, and scenes that send sober heads spinning, "Detroit Rock City" brings back the campy atmosphere associated with such films as the Ramone's "Rock and Roll High School," while adding the sparkle of 70s style, reminiscent of a "Brady Bunch" marathon. The film uses story: from authoritarian hall

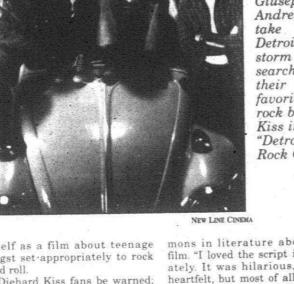
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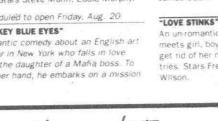
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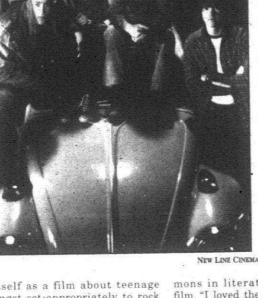
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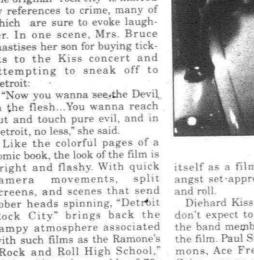
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Call it addicemerged when I found myself

curled up on the couch on a Saturday afternoon, unable to pull myself away from running a "Behind the Music" marathon, or revisiting teen idols on "Before They Were Stars." I tell myself "I'll turn it off right after Leif Garrett." I can't help it, I hang on every powerfully-nar-

rated word about anyone famous, anyone memorable at all. With the success and the dura-

I'm completely A&E has spawned several verhooked on docu- sions of their show "Biography." mentaries, rock- There are versions aimed at chilu-mentaries and dren, those that cover internanostalgic peeks tional interests, "Biography into the pasts of Extra" that focuses on cultural celebrities. The trends. The Web site (www. biogsigns of trouble raphy.com) boasts more than 20,000 personalities. What drives this quest for an intimate look

> into the lives of celebrities? my new position, this very questhe sense of nostalgia that music creates for listeners.

Nostalgia at its finest

Music can define our memories and with one single note trans-

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not be alone. The cable channel take me back to a high school party where a group of my friends played it continuously, singing and dancing in an uncontrollable manner until the sun came up. That was my first real

look at the sunrise. Live's album "Throwing Copper" was my first musical purchase in college, made the day I moved to East Lansing to attend Michigan State University I can't While becoming acclimated to hear "Selling the Drama" without picturing that tiny dorm room the television because VH1 was tion has bounced around my and re-living the tingling sensabrain for some time. Perhaps it's tion that comes with one's first taste of freedom. Nostalgia plays a part in New.

Line Cinema's new film "Detroit Rock City," which hits theaters Friday. Kiss fans will find it to be a musical romp into the late 70s. port our wandering minds to a I couldn't help but hum along to a moment in the past. Steve few of the songs in the film, and I ism, I've come to realize that each

tion of such programming I must Miller's "The Joker" will always could name almost all of them person has a story to tell. In col- But for a chosen few, these stories ered hair, the film plays on that marvel at the life that went on all set to music. notion of re-living the past.

A curious quest for knowledge

Using a different style, shows like "Behind the Music" and "Before They Were Stars" provide those musicians, actors, and public personalities we admire. They tell that "All American" story, where someone overcomes hard ship to triumph in the spotlight - and sometimes fall back into the shadows. These are the stories that allow us to connect to people we've never met, but feel like we know so well. In turn, we reflect on our own past.

Working in the field of journal-

around me - the loud neighbors spilling drinks from the balcony above, friends tossing a football in the street, students poring over textbooks. We are all shaped

immediately. From the bell bot, lege I would sometimes gaze out unfold under the watchful eye of toms to the Farrah Fawcett feath- of my apartment window and the media. And those stories are-

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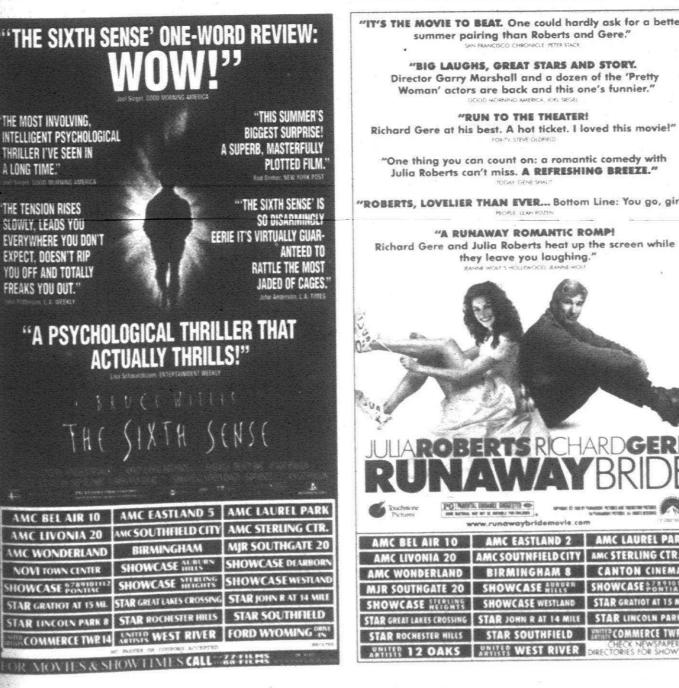
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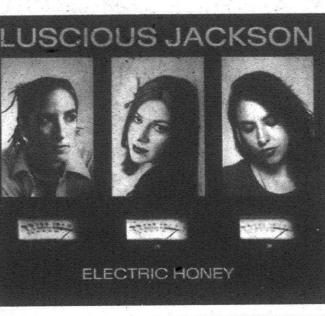
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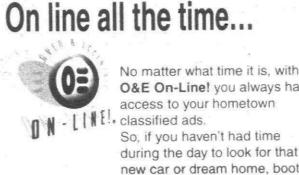
"Electric Honey" - Lus- I 'The latest single to hit radio waves. "Ladyfingers," echoes in the brain tempting listeners to replay it time and again.'

waves, "Ladyfingers," echoes in with Luscious Jackson's music. the brain tempting listeners to As suggested by the phoreplay it time and again. With tographs inside the CD lyrics like "If you need me to be which show Kate, Jill and sweet/then I can give you what Gaby at a much younger stage you need/'cause I know you in life - "Electric Honey" takes never came first baby," it's the' on a transformation and shows sort of repetitious, addictive a growth in the band's music. song that draws listeners in while retaining that definitive style

The same could be said of Like a spacy mixture of elecother tracks, especially "Sexy tric pop rock and hip-hop, "Electric Honey" is a danceable Each has a hook that displays dessert to treasure. Bring it out the sheer feminine strength at parties and treat your







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Panini Cafe and Grill offers lots of dining options

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER kwygonik@oe.b mecomm.net

Comfortable and casual Panini Cafe and Grill really is "your healthy choice." Open since May 24, the restaurant, formerly a deli, specializes in Middle Eastern cuisine.

You'll find some Americanstyle dishes on the menu, such as Pasta Chicken Parmesan and Battered Fried Fish, and sandwiches too including Grilled Chicken Melt, Ground Round, and N.Y. Grilled Rueben.

"We wanted to be loyal to the deli customers and kept some of the sandwiches," explained owner Adib Yassine who runs the restaurants with help from his wife, Silvana and a dedicated crew. "We took some of the old ideas and gave them a new concept."

An example is the Smoked Turkey Lavash sandwich thinly sliced turkey breast served with Swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, and herb mayonnaise, roll up in lavash bread.

"My mother was a good cook, and taught me a lot of her recipes," said Adib, 34, a product design engineer at Ford Motor Company who always wanted to open his own restaurant. "Engineering is great, but it's kind of an isolated world. I enjoy cooking and entertaining."

Adib applied engineering principles to this job, "quality is job one." He and his staff work to make sure the food is consistently good. "We set standards for freshness, cleanliness and pre-sentation," he said. "We do process checks, and implement changes if necessary."

Saturday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday. Menu: Middle Eastern cuisine with some American dishes, sandwiches, salads, fresh juice, cappuccino and espresso. Vegetarian friendly. Kid's menu for children age 10 and under. Cost: Lunch \$4.95 to \$9.95; dinner entrees \$7.95 to \$13.95. Combination platter for two, \$16.95. Credit cards: All majors accepted Seats: 50, all non-smoking **Reservations:** Accepted Carryout: Available Catering: Catering menu, 24 hours advance notice for catered items, minimum eight people per order. Gift certificates: Available

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Panini Cafe and Grill

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Hours: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

The work is hard, seven days a week, but rewarding. He and Silvana met on vacation in Mexico. She's from southern Brazil, he's from southern Lebanon.

"I knew he had his dream. I like to work here," she said. "I enjoy interacting with people."

Panini aims to please. "All of the food is made fresh in the morning with fresh ingredients," said Silvana.

Customers have lots of options. If you're in a hurry, check out the daily specials in the former deli case. There are a couple every day, that are ready when you don't have time to wait. "It's a complete meal to go," said Adib.

Or, if you've got a couple of minutes to wait, order something from the carryout menu.

Of course, you could always dine in, the setting is relaxing, and the service friendly.

Start with an appetizer you'll find the familiar hummus, baba ghannouj, falafel, and barbecue chicken wings, grilled Eggplant Parmesan, and Mozzarella sticks

Salad selections include tabbouli, Greek, and Raspberry-Almond - char-grilled chicken breast served over mixed greens with tomato and toasted almond; tossed with raspberry vinaigrette.

Lunch is served 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. All entrees are served with house salad or soup of the day.

"Grilled Chicken Tawook (skewers of marinated chicken) is our most popular dish," said Adib. Garden Vegetable Gallabah - seasonal vegetables sauteed with garlic, and fresh tomato, served over rice, is another appetizing selection.

Sandwiches are served with choice of soup, salad or fries. You're sure to find something to enjoy from Panini Vegetable Lavash or Panini Falafel to Turkey & Swiss on Rye and Panini Club.

Entrees are also served with house salad or soup of the day. Try the shish kabob, de-boned chicken breast, or char-grilled lamb chops. If you just can't

ni Vegetarian Platter - an assortment of falafel, vegetarian grape leaves, hummus, and baba ghannnoui, or Panini Combo Platter - skewers of chicken and beef kabob served with choice of rice, hummus or fries. Kids 10 and under can pick

make up your mind, select Pani-

from grilled chicken strips, chicken with marinara sauce, half turkey sandwich, or mozzarella cheese sticks, served with fries and a small pop.

Fresh juice, smoothies, in a variety of flavors, freshly brewed coffee, cappuccino and espresso, round out Panini's menu. For dessert choose from ice

cream with fruit topping, apple pie, and other sweet treats.

"I designed the catering menu," said Adib. "We're very flexible. Whatever your budget is, we can work around it."

The catering menu includes a sandwich tray with choice of soup or salad; meat and cheese tray; vegetarian tray; hot entree choices such as chicken or beef kabob served with choice of salad and appetizer; and lunch boxsandwich with choice of salad. dessert and beverage.

You can also order a fresh vegetable tray and large salads.

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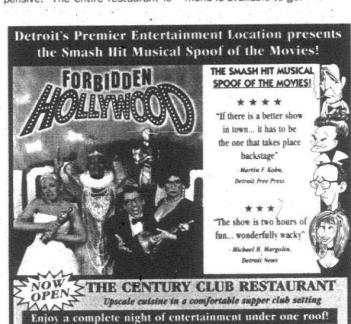
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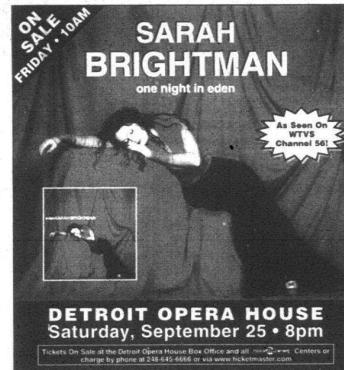
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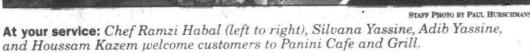
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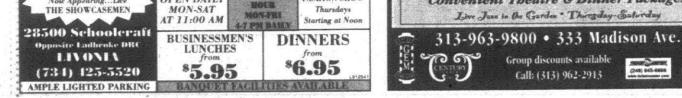


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