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I-275
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update

Construction suspended

Construction was suspended for three days on I-275 this weekend for the holiday break, but that means little change for holiday motorists. Northbound traffic will continue to ride on three lanes, crossed over to the southbound side.

On Wednesday, contractors closed the ramp from northbound I-275 to Six Mile Road, and opened the ramp from northbound I-275 to Seven Mile Road. Contractors were delayed in completing the ramp from Eight Mile to northbound I-275 after someone drove around barricades late at night and on part of the ramp where cement had been poured only hours before, according to Robin Pannecouk, spokeswoman for the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The ramp exiting to Six Mile Road may re-open Tuesday. Late last week contractors were working to make adjustments in the lane closure on the ramp from westbound I-696 to southbound I-275 to allow easier travel for motorists.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Meeting: The Canton Newcomers will hold its first meeting of the season on Sept. 8 at 7 p.m. Meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month following September's meeting. The Canton Newcomers Club is a social, civic and charitable organization designed to acquaint women with other women in the Canton area. Meetings are held at the Sunflower Village Clubhouse at 45800 Hanford Road.

Road closed: The Michigan Department of Transportation has closed Palmer Road at I-275 for approximately one month to work on the bridge overpass.

MONDAY

Labor Day: All township administrative offices are closed for the holiday. Offices reopen at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

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Real life, real farm



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Empty shelves: Sara Wright of Plymouth, 7, holds a kitten named "Princess," after returning from a swimming outing at the Mack Pool in Ann Arbor. Wright is one of many children that visit the Real Life Summer Day Camp & Farm in Canton. For more pictures and a story on the camp, turn to page A4.

Development continues fast pace in Canton

BY SCOTT NEINAS
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Canton is still under construction.

It's hard to drive down any major road in Canton without seeing bulldozers, piles of dirt or wood-framed structures that mark progress.

As more and more land is turned into subdivisions by developers, commercial growth is usually a step behind.

It's almost impossible to keep track of all the new businesses going in at almost every corner.

Unless it's your job.

"It's been this way ... since I moved here in 1971," said Township Supervisor Thomas Yack. "Except for the recession in the early 1980s, Canton has basically been under construction. There's been peaks and plateaus, but seldom a valley. The current activity is representative of the last decade."

Yack said the development is needed

to service new neighborhoods and the township's general population growth. Canton's 1990 census count was 57,000. The 2000 figure will be approximately 75,000, according to Southeast Michigan Council of Governments data (SEMCOG).

Township Planner Jeff Goulet said as long as Canton's residential areas grow, commercial buildings will follow. "Within the next five years, we'll stay pretty busy," he said.

So far this year, according to SEMCOG, a net total of 641 building permits have been issued by the township. The five-year average (1994-1998) for building permits in Canton is 816.

Of course, only so much can be built.

According to the township's Master Plan, certain areas are designated for specific uses such as commercial, industrial and residential. Ford Road,

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Canton: Under construction



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HELEN FURCAN/STAFF ARTIST

School administrators agree to 5-year pact

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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After two years of tough negotiations, school administrators Thursday night ratified a 5-year contract agreement with Plymouth-Canton Schools.

"After the school board election, the new board dropped its demand for merit pay, which was a main sticking block," said Plymouth-Canton Administrator's Union president Jim Burt, principal at Eriksson Elementary in Canton. "I also give credit to (interim superintendent) Ken Wolcott, who recognized the importance of getting a compromise."

"This is a very positive move for the administrators, the district, the community and the young people we serve," said Wolcott. "The consistent help and

support of the district's administrative team is essential in the delivery of quality educational services to the more than 16,000 students of the Plymouth and Canton communities."

Brian Wolcott, district athletic director and chief negotiator for the union, said a majority of the more than 40 administrators voted for the pact, which is retroactive two years.

"We earlier agreed to pay increases of 2 percent for the past two years, and we'll get 2.5 percent this year," said Wolcott. "We still have to negotiate pay increases for the final two years."

Wolcott said a lot of ground was covered during the two years of negotiating, with many contract language issues settled.

"We received parity with the teachers in pay and

other issues we felt were necessary," said Wolcott. "I think the two years it took to come to an agreement speaks to the resolve of the administrative team."

"It was tough," added Errol Goldman, assistant superintendent for employee relations and personnel and chief district negotiator. "The board did drop its stance on the merit pay issue, but it still took some time to compromise on the economic issues."

Burt believes the contract settlement will help in opening the door to finding a quality permanent school superintendent.

"Everyone in the district realizes if we want a quality superintendent we need to have labor peace," Burt said.

The Board of Education is expected to ratify the agreement at its Sept. 14 meeting.

Seniors tango, waltz way to summer's end

BY SCOTT NEINAS
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They danced the summer away.

Senior citizens at Canton's Summit on the Park, had one last fling, the Summers End Dance, recently.

The mid-afternoon party attracted dozens of jitterbuggers, foxtrotters and waltzers from Canton and elsewhere.

Bob Nichols, from Canton, looks forward to the dances.

"It's a way to get out and enjoy yourself. When your a senior, you have a lot of time. You don't need much of an excuse," to get out, he commented.

These dancers have lived long enough to see the popularity of swing music go full circle.

Watching them move with dignified style and grace, it's obvious that the post-war rhythm never left them.

Kathie Gornick of Plymouth held nothing back as she tore up the floor with her regular dance partner of two years, Frank Sulha.

"My favorite dance is the tango, the dance of love, executed beautifully by two people," she said.

Wearing matching black and white outfits, one could tell they'd done this before. Sulha said they go to 20 dances a year.

"We've worked out some of our own routines," Sulha said. "Any man would be thrilled to dance with her."

"I can compete and beat anyone on channel 56," added Gornick, referring to an annual ballroom dancing competition.

Mary Roy, a jitterbugger from Canton, took a more cautious approach.

"I'm taking a temporary break from the jitterbug. I have to be careful with my knee," she explained.

A one-man band had the place jumping from start to finish.

"For a single guy...He's very talented," Nichols said.

Canton Senior Program Coordinator Dianne Neihengen was visibly pleased with the turn out.

"It's a lovely opportunity for people to come to," she said. "Just enjoy music and refreshments and have a wonder-

Please see DANCE, A3



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMAN

The magic of dance: Kathie Gornick of Plymouth kicks it with dancing partner Frank Sulha of Brownstown during the Canton Senior Center's End of Summer Dance held Friday August 27 at Summit on the Park. The seniors danced to the music of John Sterbenz, aka "Solitaire," enjoyed cookies and punch and celebrated the nearing of the autumnal equinox.

Furniture, pottery highlight new show

One of the Midwest's finest antiques shows returns to the Novi Expo Center Sept. 10-12. Seventy premier exhibitors from across the United States will be displaying fine antiques, collectibles and vintage decorative items for every taste and budget. Exhibits will include fine art glass and pottery, antique furniture, fine estate gems and jewelry and countless other items presented by dealers who do not display at other area antiques shows.

The Novi Expo Center is located just off I-96 at Exit 162, one mile west of I-696 and I-275. Show hours are 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Weekend admission is \$6, with parking and children 16 and under free. Call (248) 348-5600 for additional information or directions to the Expo Center.

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Good cause: Sherri Anderson of Canton, 7, holds up two pony tails of her formerly long hair which will be donated to the Locks of Love program. Stylist Siham "Sam" Jasmund, left, of the Cardinal Barber Shop in Redford and Sherrie's mom Nancy look on.

Canton girl cuts hair to help others

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The wishes of a 7-year-old Canton Township girl finally came true Friday, and the gesture to significantly shorten her long blonde hair will help someone else through a difficult time.

Sherri Anderson's decision to cut her hair started about six months ago, when she heard her mother, Nancy, reading an article to her father, Gary, about a program called Locks of Love.

The program takes donations of hair to make wigs for financially disadvantaged children under the age of 18 with medical hair loss, said Nancy Anderson. The wigs are often used by children with cancer or leukemia, she said.

"I heard my mom reading to my dad and I asked her what she was reading," said Sherri.

Anderson, a second-grader at Isbister Elementary School in Plymouth. "My mom explained it to me and it sounded like a nice thing to do. I told her I wanted to do it."

But that was about six months ago, Nancy Anderson said.

"She kept bringing it up for six months and I finally agreed," Anderson said. "I was hesitant, initially, because her hair is pretty much my pride and joy. I loved her hair."

"I was pretty excited for her until I saw her first pony tail cut," Anderson said. "Then I had

mixed emotions. It was difficult to watch and tears began to well up in my eyes. Then I had to watch her hair cut twice."

The girl's hair was cut Aug. 27 at the Cardinal Barber and Hair Salon Redford Township where stylist Siham "Sam" Jasmund says she has been trimming Sherri's hair since she was about two years of age.

"She (Sherri) was excited because she was doing a good thing," Jasmund said.

Mother watched with some anxiety and her father taped the event for family history.

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Shoulder tendinitis is a problem for hundreds of thousands of Americans, and women and people with sedentary jobs appear to be at higher risk for this painful condition. Fortunately, new research shows that those who suffer from tendinitis of the shoulder can gain short-term relief with ultrasound treatment. According to researchers at the University Hospital of Vienna, ultrasound breaks down the calcium deposits that cause shoulder tendinitis. Nineteen percent of patients who received ultrasound treatment by 15 minutes at a time in 24 sessions over 6 weeks found that the calcium deposits had dissolved in their shoulders. In a follow-up nine months later, the calcium deposits had cleared up in 42% of those who received the ultrasound.
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Let's dance: Delores and Leroy Hrlie of Canton celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary at the End of Summer Dance.

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ful time.

"It was a fun afternoon."

Prizes were given out for baldest head, oldest man and woman, most recently married couple, and most grandchildren.

Don Hosman spared the Baldest Head selection committee from a tough decision.

"There was no contest, he just stood up and walked to the front," Neihengen said.

No one protested and the prize went to the Canton resident.

"I looked around and didn't see anyone bolder than me," Hosman said. "No one else stood up."

Prizes were donated by the

Old Country Buffet, whose mascot, the OC bee, turned out for the event with coupons and gift certificates for contest winners.

The Summit will be closed Aug. 30-Sept. 6 for routine maintenance. Senior programming returns the day after Labor Day, Sept. 7.

Local businessman Toarmina remembered as loving father

BY JULIE BROWN
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Lou Toarmina doesn't hesitate when asked what he'd like people to remember about his dad, Frank Toarmina.

"That he was a good friend and family man," said the younger Toarmina of his dad, who died at age 71 on Monday. "He had a great laugh and sense of humor." His father loved the grandchildren and was just a nice man that everybody liked.

A funeral Mass was set for Thursday morning at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Westland. The elder Toarmina had founded Mickey's Dairy Twist and later, with son Lou, Toarmina's Pizza. Frank Toarmina and wife Marie, known as Mickey, had eight children. The Toarminas recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

"That's what the ice cream stores were named after," Toarmina said of his mother's nickname. There are now three ice cream stores and 18 pizzerias.

"He was kind of the inspiration behind Toarmina's Pizza," Toarmina's dad helped him establish the business after college.

"It was his lessons that really made it successful."

Frank Toarmina was vice president of his union at Uniroyal Tire Co. He served in the U.S. Army just before the Korean War.

He was an original member of Westland's Downtown Development Authority and served on an early commission to study environmental concerns.

Frank Toarmina had had a heart attack in early July and never recovered. He was recently taken off his medication. His family told him it was time to go, he smiled and left. "It was very peaceful."

His son remembers how well he treated others. "He befriended everybody that came up and

■ 'He had a great laugh and sense of humor. He loved to be the last one to leave a party.'

Lou Toarmina
—Son

bought an ice cream cone."

His father emphasized the importance of family and faith in God.

"He loved to be the last one to leave a party," Frank Toarmina wasn't satisfied with the status quo, his son said.

"He was so proud of his kids when they did something well," Lou Toarmina said the family will carry on the traditions of his dad. He envisions Frank in heaven "looking down, making sure everybody's all right." He'd also meet his parents.

Frank Toarmina was born Dec. 21, 1927, in Detroit.

Survivors include: wife, Marie G.; sons, Peter (Laurie) Toarmina of Saline, Lou (Gina) Toarmina of Westland, Frank Jr. (Amy) Toarmina of Wayne, daughters, Pat (Gary) Root of Canton, Sande (Terry) Spada of Gregory, Mich., Mary-Lynn (Leonard) Shoko of Canton, Dr. Rosemarie (Ron) Tolson of Canton and Pamela Toarmina of Westland, sister, Roseanne (Don) DeLaurier, and grandchildren, Frank, William, Lisa, Dominic, Tony, Crystal, Barbara, Rebecca, Marie, John, Michael, Zach, Jacob, Sarah and Ryan.

Funeral arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home, Westland. Burial is at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights. Memorials may be made at Mass offerings or to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia 48154-5010.

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Did you know?

■ Sunday, Sept. 12, is Grandparents Day

■ The dot over the letter "i" is called a tittle

■ Ingrown toenails are hereditary

■ The word "set" has more definitions than any other word in the English language

■ A pregnant goldfish is called a twit

■ Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur

■ An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain

For your listening pleasure Here are some books on audio tape available from the library

■ "Manner of Death" by Stephen White
■ "The Maya Angelou Poetry Collection"
■ "The Message: New Testament" by Eugene H. Peterson
■ "The Miracle of Castel Di

Sangro" by Joe McGinniss
■ "Moon Music" by Faye Kellerman
■ "No Time to Die" by Liz Tibbers

Illustrated fiction for kids Here are some books of interest to young readers:

■ "The Fox's Kettle" by Laura Lavston
■ "Hurricane" by Jonathan London
■ "The Peddler's Gift" by Maxine Rose Schur

Q & A
Q: Why do firehouses have circular stairways?

A: In the days of yore when fire engines were pulled by horses, the horses were stabled on the ground floor and figured out how to walk up straight staircases.

Oprah's Book Club fiction

■ "How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents" by Julia Alvarez
■ "Geographies of Home" by Loida Maritza Perez

■ "Your Blues Ain't Like Mine" by Bebe Moore Campbell
■ "Billy" by Albert French

■ "Time's Witness" by Michael Malone

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Check out these new Web sites

■ www.thefillmoreessions.com

■ www.gmew.com

■ www.greenbuildings.com

■ www.coon.com

■ www.womenconnect.com

Hot topic of the week

Throughout the summer, Canton teens participated in several activities, including book discussion groups and a class on making Web pages. Teens recently attended a sewing dancing program at the Canton Public Library. Upcoming events for teens include three programs during the nationally celebrated Teen Read Week, Oct. 17-23.

The theme for the week is "Reading Rocks," and programs include making clocks out of (re-)making your own make-up making greeting cards for sick kids, and a book and magazine exchange. Teens can also participate in "Who Rocks?" contest during Teen Read Week, in which they must guess the mystery musicians posted in the teen area.

@ the Canton Library is compiled by Laura Doring of the library staff. The library is at 1200 S. Canton Center. For more information about library programs and services, call 397-0999.

Assisted living complex wins planning approval

BY RICHARD PEARL
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Work on Waltonwood at Cherry Hill, the 209-unit retirement residence complex with the late-19th-century shingle styling, could begin late this fall or early next spring.

The proposed complex, which received site plan approval Aug. 24 from the Canton Township board of trustees, will be on about 13 acres of land that wrap around a bank and offices on the northwest corner of Cherry Hill and Lilley roads.

Approval of both the site plan and final planned development district plan, recommended by the township's planning commission, was granted after a brief discussion.

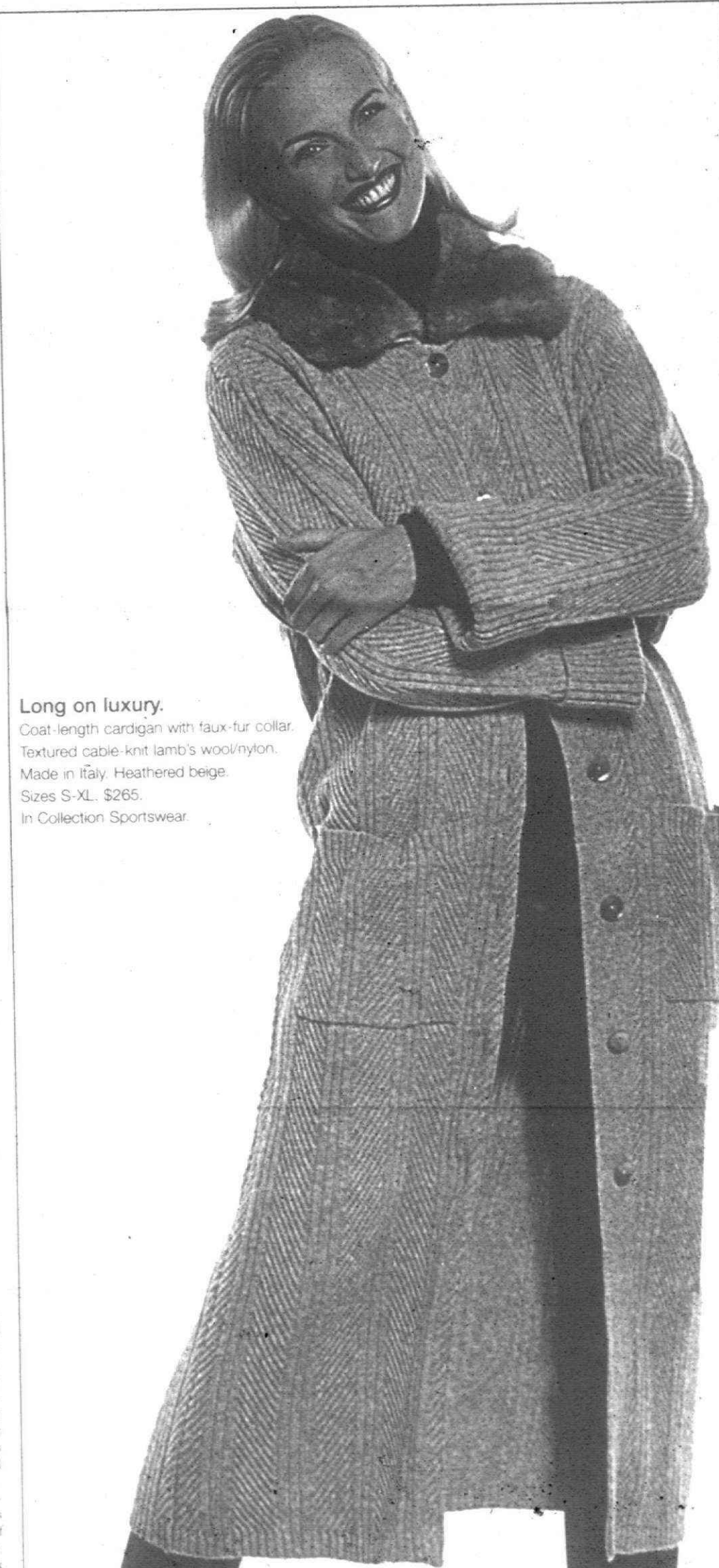
The complex will be comprised of 159 congregate-care apartments in a three-story section on the northwest portion of the site and 50 assisted-living units in a single-story wing adjacent to Lilley.

A single-story service hub will connect the two buildings, which are designed in a style of architecture that was popular in the late 19th century. The style often was used for summer homes, resorts and hotels.

Thirty-three of the proposed 248 proposed parking spaces were changed into a banked landscape behind the single-story building, at the request of the planning commission.

A pedestrian connection to adjacent commercial property also is being included, at the commission's request.

Plans call for two construction phases: First, the three-story congregate-care building and central service hub, plus all paving, landscaping and other site improvements, followed by the single-story assisted living building.



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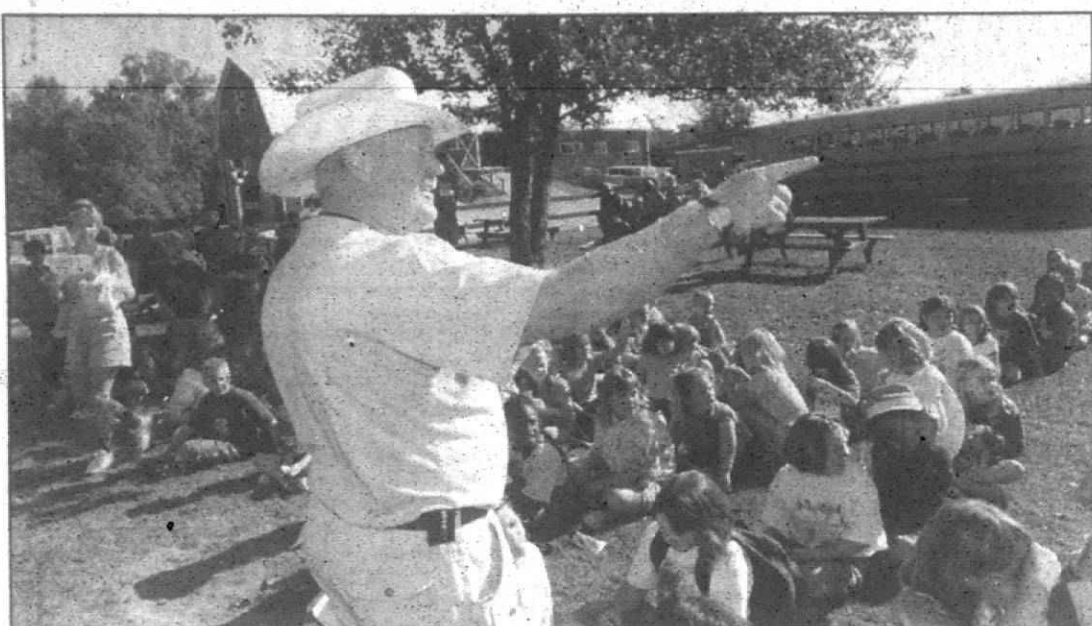
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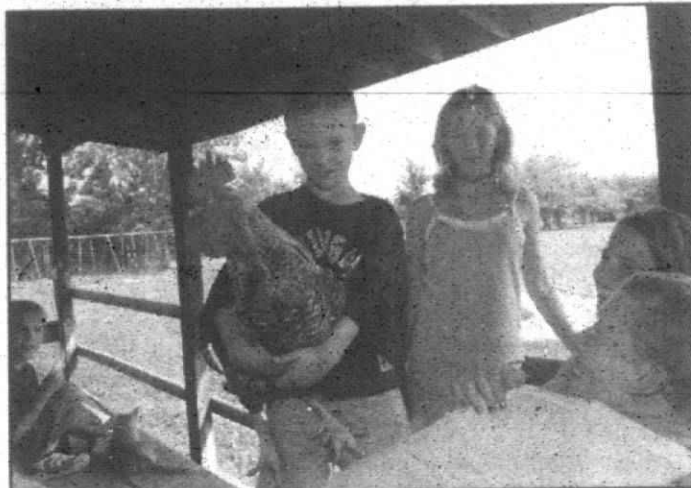
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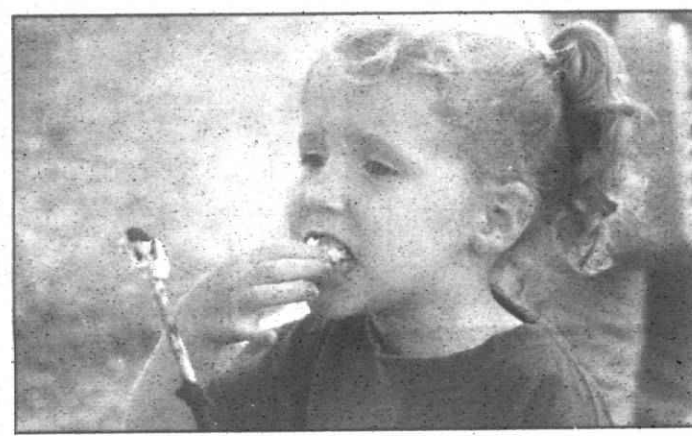
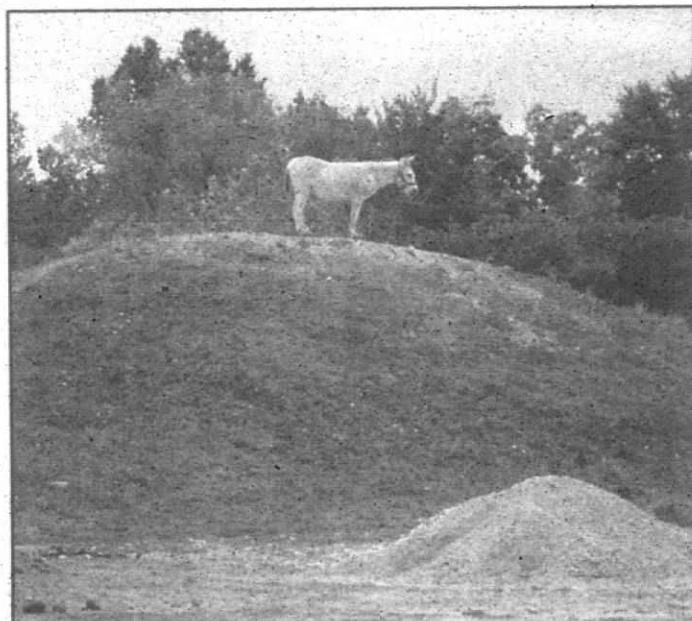
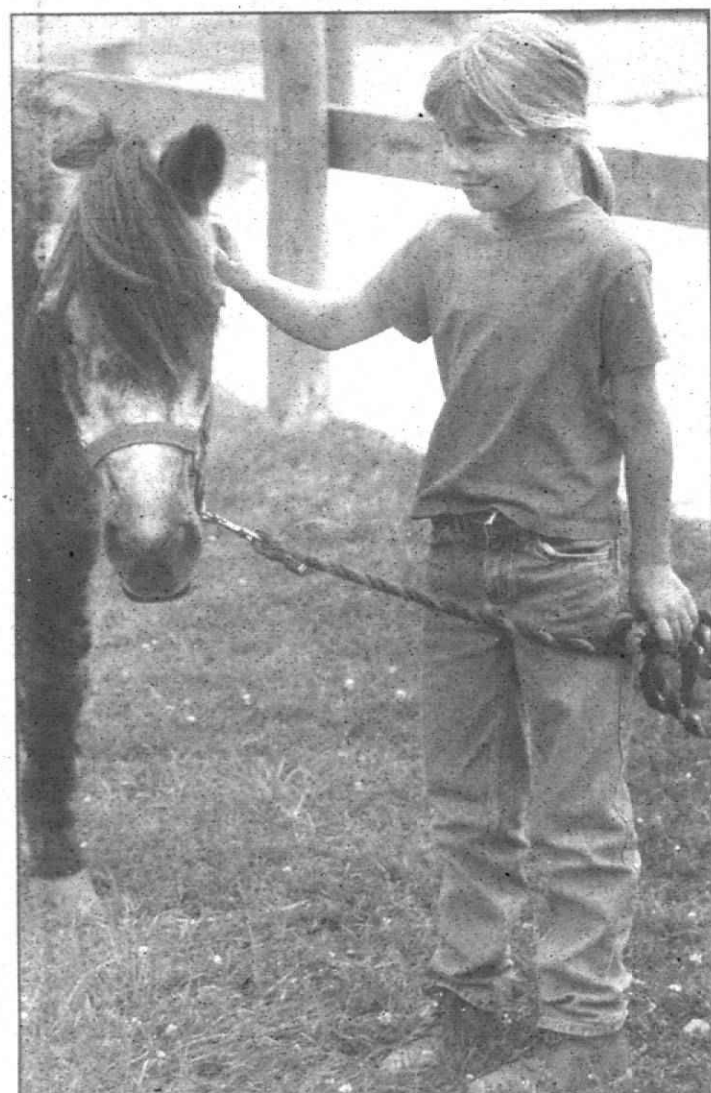


Listen: (Left) Don "Mr. Don" Fraser starts out the morning with announcements. His wife, Mary Ann, is at left. (Below left) Melanie Bussell of Ann Arbor, 8, listens to a counselor while she stands with "Blackie," a grey pony she rides during the open riding session.



Chicken?: Alex Eloitt of Westland, 7, holds a rooster while Jennifer Robinson of Ypsilanti, 7, Lauren Lozen, 12, and Aaron Fraser, 16, both of Canton, watch him.

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Caring, kindness taught at farm

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Pulling off Geddes onto the tree-lined drive, if you look up on the hill to your right about halfway down, you'll most likely see "Smokey," the donkey, standing like a sentinel at the gate to the Real Life Summer Day Camp & Farm in Canton.

"That donkey is always up on that hill," said Real Life Program Director Mary Ann Fraser. Fraser and husband Don host a 10-week day camp for area children aged 5-14. "He's kinda, like, our mascot."

Donkeys, horses, goats, cows, pigs, chickens, roosters, peacocks, rabbits, cats and a dog named "Ginger" bring the total number of animals at the farm to "oh, probably over a 100 when you count all of the hens and kittens and all," said Real Life Director Don Fraser, better known to the kids as "Mr. Don."

"Everybody say 'Sshhhhh,'" bellows Mr. Don, in an effort to get everyone's attention repeatedly throughout the day. And the children all quiet down and repeat the shushing noise, directing their attention to where the blonde-haired, husky, cowboy hat-wearing farmer stands over the crowd of kids.

In addition to three children of their own — Sara, 17, Aaron, 16, and Robin, 13 — the Frasers host 150 kids per day, with many of the campers staying a week or two at a time. Parents can enroll their children in the camp for a single day, the whole 10 weeks, or any combination of days or weeks. Many campers attend year after year.

The 60-acre farm is licensed

Dress Up: Shelby Wisner of Plymouth, 9, holds a cat named "Delilah," whom she dressed as a princess for Animal Dress-Up Day.

by the state and maintains a ratio of one counselor to every 10 campers. In addition to learning about caring for animals, campers have the opportunity to learn horsemanship, archery, crafts and art projects. They hike and swim (at a remote location) and go on field trips to nearby attractions.

"I just hope we can continue on," said Mr. Don. "We're getting pressured by development around us. We're looking at year-round day care in the near future."

"My parents started this farm (in 1948), and now we're doing it. I hope that we can provide this service for another generation."

Guardian: (Above) "Smokey," the donkey sits atop his hill at the entrance to the farm. (Below) Maura Dunleavy of Plymouth, 5, enjoys a marshmallow on the campfire during lunch. Fridays are "Cook-Out Day," and campers are encouraged to bring hot-dogs, hamburgers and marshmallows to roast on the fire.

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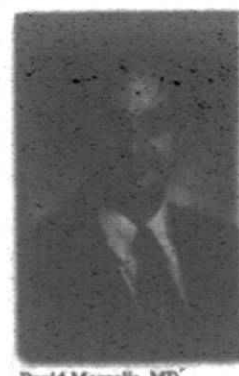
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New billing procedures for utilities can begin this fall

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A request by Michigan Consolidated Gas to be allowed to change its billing practices — and as a result change the billing practices for all state gas and electricity utilities — will proceed this fall despite complaints the proposal was not adequately publicized.

Gary Kitts, chief administrative officer for the Michigan Public Service Commission, said



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utilities themselves to consumer advocacy groups and environ-

mental organizations — filed written comments about the proposed changes by the deadline in August.

Residents can still submit comments, Kitts said, but the PSC may not consider them in its deliberations.

Attorney General Jennifer Granholm complained last month that the change hadn't received adequate publicity because it was labeled as just a change in billing practices. Instead, she argued, it was tantamount to a rate increase

because the effect would be, in some cases, an increase in fees and deposits by a third to 50 percent of their current rates.

MichCon is asking that due dates for utility bill payments be cut from 21 days to 17. The grace-period for late payments, before a late fee is charged, would be cut from five days to one. Reconnect fees would also be increased.

If the customer has been disconnected once previously in the last three years, the deposit required for reconnection would

increase to three times, rather than two, the amount of the customer's peak monthly bill, rather than the average bill. Deposits for new customers would increase from twice the average bill to three times the peak monthly bill.

If approved for MichCon, the rule changes would apply for all Michigan gas and electricity utilities, including Detroit Edison and Consumers Power.

MichCon spokeswoman Amy Messano explained the reason for the change is that some cus-

tomers have been "gaming the system," taking advantage of the utility's "tax collections," by waiting until just before shut off to pay their bills.

Kitts said the PSC will take up the request this fall. If it agrees to at least some of the changes, it will turn the plan over to the Office of Regulatory Reform and the Secretary of State for review. Sixty days later, the PSC will reach a final conclusion. Approved changes would go into effect by the end of the year.

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The schedule is published and available by calling (734) 462-4448. The entire continuing education schedule is available at www.schoolcraft.edu/mi.us on the World Wide Web.

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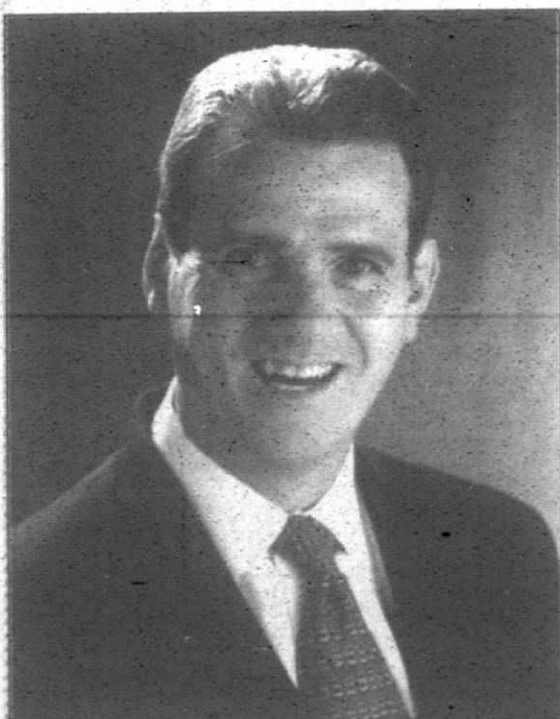
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for example, is primarily zoned for commercial and retail projects.

Yack said he wants to avoid developing too much in boom years so the township's tax base doesn't deteriorate during slow times.

"Communities like Livonia and others that have mile roads full of strip development ... it's going to be tough for those communities to sustain that" during a recession, Yack said.

A medical center, two video stores, a supermarket, two drug stores, four fast-food restaurants, a produce market, two office supply stores, two banks and three gas stations are all either being built or have plans

in the pipeline to be built next year.

Here are some of the new commercial projects coming to Canton soon:

■ Canton Center and Cherry Hill. In addition to the Farmer Jack and Blockbuster Video, a Dairy Queen and a pizza parlor will move in.

The corner strip mall still has room for "a couple more tenants" according to sources working on the site.

■ Canton Center, north of Cherry Hill. A University of Michigan Medical Center building, with doctors' and administrative offices, will open next summer.

■ Haggerty and Palmer. Arbor

Drug/CVS along with a produce market and a daycare center will anchor the Palmer Crossings shopping center.

■ Ford and Lilley. Construction on an Office Depot near the Super Kmart should begin soon. A Flagstar Bank on the northeast corner is under construction now.

■ Ford and Morton Taylor. Office Max has finished construction and will open Sept. 9.

■ Ford and Canton Center. A Rite Aid drug store should open soon on the southwest corner of the intersection. Also, look for a new Taco Bell to be completed there soon.

■ Canton Center and Saltz. Community Bank of Dearborn plans on building a branch on the west side of Canton Center road, south of Ford Road. A company spokesperson couldn't release the exact location, but the only open space is north of Saltz, south of Ford Road.

■ Canton Center and Michigan. Work on a 7-Eleven gas station should begin this fall. Plans for a Home Depot-anchored shopping center are before township planners. Construction on a Wendy's restaurant should start within the next two weeks.

Canton man swindled

A 23-year-old Wayne man told Canton police Aug. 31 he believes another Wayne man has used his identification to withdraw approximately \$19,450 from his account at a Canton bank.

The man said he left his ID in another friend's car in April and that, after the friend was arrested, the suspect had possession of the vehicle.

He said the withdrawals began in late April but that he only found out when he closed his account June 7 at the National City Bank, 41652 Ford Road. The alleged withdrawals were made on ships obtained inside the bank, police said.

Police said there was no evidence of forced entry.

Gun, computer

A Canton man told police his Browning 870 12-gauge shotgun worth \$220 and a \$2,400 IBM Thinkpad laptop computer were taken from the locked trunk of his 1994 Ford Probe sometime between Aug. 30-31.

However, he said, a cellular phone mounted inside the car, which was parked at his residence on Kingsway, was not taken.

Police said there was no evidence of forced entry.

Stereo stolen

A Canton man told police his 1997 Honda Civic was parked at his residence on Kingsway, was not taken.

Police said there was no evidence of forced entry.

Help wanted: Fife, drum corps

BY SCOTT NEINAS
STAFF WRITER

"They're not just whistling 'Yankee Doodle Dandy'."

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A resident of the Holiday Estates mobile home park told police someone pried open the hatch on his 1991 Ford Probe the night of Aug. 29-30 and stole stereo equipment and other items totaling \$1,650.

Reported taken were a \$400 stereo amplifier, a CD player and changer, \$300 each; one speaker worth \$150 and a 10-inch bass speaker worth \$200; and a \$300 radar detector.

Say no more

A Canton police officer pretty much learned all he needed early Friday morning when he stopped a man in a 1997 Honda Civic who had been weaving eastbound on Michigan Avenue without headlights and asked him where he was going.

"Ypsilanti," said the man.

"Where are you coming from?" asked the officer.

"Ypsilanti," said the man.

The man registered a 211 on the breath test — more than double the legal limit in Michigan — and was charged with operating under the influence.

at Greenfield Village, Charlevoix, Grayling and Ft. Malden Ontario. A performance is set for Labor Day in Hamtramck and this Friday at the Plymouth Fall Festival from 4:30-5 p.m.

Corps members also march at holiday parades around Detroit and special events like (former Serbian war prisoner) Lt. Christopher Stone's Welcome Home celebration in Capac, Mich.

The corps' reputation precedes it even on the East Coast, remarkable considering fife and drum units there are as common as lobsters and maple syrup.

"There are a lot of groups on the East Coast, but most of them have only a dozen or so members. They're not used to seeing a group our size," said McKeegan.

At musters (camps at which fife and drum corps from all over the country gather and perform), members from other outfits "would come running to us" to have jam sessions, McKeegan said.

"Just like any other band, fife and drum groups share some of the same standard songs of that era," McKeegan said.

The group performs at 40-50 events a year, including festivals

Opponents call hazardous waste well 'a severe risk'

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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A state representative and a county commissioner want to stop a proposed injection well in Romulus that would house liquid hazardous wastes.

Environmental Disposal Systems has proposed a plan to construct and operate the well, to be located at 28470 Citrin Drive in Romulus, near I-94 and Inkster Road. The site would be the first commercial hazardous waste disposal well housed off-site, away from the waste generator, in Michigan.

The EDS facility would accept liquid hazardous waste from off-site generators for disposal in deep injection wells. The wells would be 4,000 to 5,000 feet beneath the surface, drilled deep into the Mount Simon formation, which extends from Mt. Pleasant into Ohio.

Liquid hazardous wastes such as acids, solvents and leachates would be injected under pressure into the well.

State Rep. Raymond Basham, D-Taylor, said the well was not needed to store hazardous

wastes, noting the distinction for the firm using the site to make money and not to dispose of waste created by the company.

"This is strictly 'for profit' and all about the almighty dollar," Basham said.

"It could hold some of the most toxic materials known to man. These wastes could even surface seven or eight miles from the site and affect drinking water."

Before the site is approved, a state site review board studies the potential impact the facility has on the local community.

That process takes about six months and includes a formal public hearing and numerous open meetings in which the public can offer comments.

The state Department of Environmental Quality also reviewed the application for compliance with design and operating standards set by the state. The DEQ

found that a Romulus injection well to house liquid hazardous waste complies with technical requirements.

The site review board will recommend that the DEQ either issue or deny the permit. The DEQ then initiates another public participation process to receive comments on its tentative decision.



Basham said the wells affect "everyone between Mt. Pleasant and Ohio."

"This well will be located in a sandstone region, which is very porous," Basham said. "So it would affect everyone in the area. Pascal's Law applies, which means (a leak) will follow the path of least resistance."

The injection well is located

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within a heavily populated area, Basham said.

County commissioner John Sullivan, D-Wayne, whose district includes Romulus, said there were many risks associated with hazardous waste wells.

Sullivan was appointed recently by Wayne County commissioners as an alternate to the site review board. Commissioner Ed Boike, D-Taylor, was appointed by commissioners as delegate to the board. Boike chairs the commission's Committee on Environment, Sewers and Drains.

"Because the waste must be transported from the site where it is generated, there is a severe risk of accidents and spills," Sullivan said. "There is a risk of contaminating underground sources of drinking water."

"If the wrong concentration of hazardous waste is injected into a well, it could result in combustion or corrosion. A disastrous situation could result if a waste generator tried to ship a small amount of waste into a disposal well that is not approved for."

An accident or spill could force evacuation of Detroit Metro Airport, I-94 or I-275. "It just does not make sense to locate these hazardous waste wells in such a heavily populated area," Sullivan said.

Sullivan is concerned because the site review board is comprised of eight gubernatorial appointees. Only Gov. John Engler can put a stop to the injection well, Sullivan said.

"Although I will be sitting on the board as an alternate for the county, there is nothing that the local community or I can do to stop the opening of this facility unless Governor Engler's appointees would oppose the facility."

Sullivan and Basham encouraged residents to write to Engler.

Residents can write Gov. John Engler, State Capitol, P.O. Box 30013, Lansing, MI 48909 or e-mail migov@exec.state.mi.us.

Commission OKs \$2.7 billion budget

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Wayne County commissioners approved a \$2.7 billion budget Tuesday that brings a very slight rollback in the millage rate — about 0.0223 mills.

For the owner of a \$150,000 home with a taxable value of \$75,000, that means about \$167 less in taxes to be paid to the county on the next tax bill.

A proposed increase in payments to jurors from \$15 to \$30 a day was removed. That meant \$2.6 million went instead to fund job vacancies.

Commissioners also decided to fund one "cybercorp" — that is, an officer in Wayne County Sheriff

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Department's Internet crime unit, instead of the five originally suggested by the commission's Committee on Ways and Means. That committee deliberated over the budget with county department heads and division directors.

Commissioners also placed \$42 million in a contingency fund for the juvenile justice facility from the \$48 million in the community justice fund. The remaining \$6 million was placed in youth prevention.

Other changes included more money for five assistant prosecuting attorneys for County

Prosecutor John O'Hair, and personnel for County Clerk Teola Hunter.

About \$2.9 million was earmarked for a salary adjustment for court employees, part of a Michigan Supreme Court ruling, in which justices found the state did not have to fund the reorganization of Wayne County Circuit Court and Detroit Records Court.

Money was budgeted for attorneys to conduct legal research and investigations for indigent clients. Also, a drug court program to match available state money will receive \$50,000, and \$347,000 will go to Probate Court for a guardianship review under a judge's discretion, and three security officers.

Sheriff gives safety tips for schools kids

By now, many school districts in western Wayne County have returned to school.

Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano reminded children that they should remember to be safe while traveling to and from school. They should always walk on the sidewalk, cross only at crosswalks, and always stop, look and listen before entering a crosswalk.

The Wayne County Sheriff Department issued several other tips:

■ Cross only on green or "walk" lights at controlled intersections.

■ Wait for the crossing guard to return to you to help you cross.

■ Walk your bicycle at all crosswalks.

■ If no sidewalk is available, walk against traffic closest to the curb.

■ Look down driveways for backing cars.

■ Wear something bright, such as a yellow poncho, when it's dark, snowy, foggy or raining.

■ Walk with friends when possible.

■ Walk directly to and from school.

■ Stop, look and listen at all railroad crossings before crossing.

The Wayne County Sheriffs also advised youngsters that they shouldn't wear a headset while they are walking. They also should not play on railroad tracks or street or inline skate in the street or business district.

The Sheriff Department also reminded children that they shouldn't talk to

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Group launches drive to put vouchers on fall 2000 ballot

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Vouchers — referred to as Opportunity Scholars, which could be cashed in for \$3,100 to \$3,500 worth of education at a private or even religious school — may be on the election ballot in Michigan in November of 2000.

A Lansing-based coalition called Kids First! Yes! launched a petition drive this week to gather the necessary signatures to place the constitutional amendment before voters for approval next year. The group has 180 days to get the necessary 302,711 signatures.

The proposal would automatically allow parents and students in 38 of Michigan's "worst performing" school districts to get vouchers, funded with taxpayer dollars, which could be cashed in at private schools. Additionally, the plan would allow voters in

any school district to approve a voucher plan locally and require teacher testing in all schools, public or private, that accept vouchers.

District performance would be determined by drop-out rates. Those districts that graduate fewer than two-thirds of enrolling students would be singled out for the automatic vouchers.

"Those that are graduating 68 percent, that is nothing to crow about," said Jeff Timmer, manager of the campaign. "But those that are at 67 percent and below, they need help. These kids need a chance. Most of them are disadvantaged economically and victims of geography. Because they live in a certain zip code they are forced to go to a school that everyone knows isn't educating the kids."

But the petition drive has also drawn a sharp response from

educators, civil libertarians and child advocacy groups who announced Monday they would form a coalition of their own to oppose the petition drive. That group will be known as All Kids First.

"This is a deceptive attempt to funnel public tax dollars to private and religious schools," Margaret Trimer-Hartley, a spokeswoman for the Michigan Education Association, said. "There are 220,000 students in private schools, kids going to schools like Cranbrook, who would be eligible for this with one vote from the Legislature, our very conservative Legislature. That would drain \$772 million away from the public schools."

Although voucher proponents talk about choice, Trimer-Hartley said residents already have a choice.

"Vouchers have been cleverly packaged as a plan to help the

poorest kids from the poorest, most troubled school districts. But it is precisely these kids who will be hurt most by a weakened and abandoned public school system."

"In addition, winners under the proposed voucher scheme are those parents who already send their children to private schools, most of which are parochial," according to a statement issued by her coalition.

Private schools could, with vouchers, avoid accountability in the operation of their schools. They could also choose their students selectively, perhaps by testing or religion. Special education classes would not be required of the private schools, Trimer-Hartley said.

She argued that at present, 90 percent of Michigan students attend public schools. And polling has shown 71 percent of parents prefer improvements to

the public schools as opposed to finding alternatives to it.

Voucher proponents argue the plan would directly benefit students in the worst school districts.

"Those school districts should be troubled because they're not doing the job. We are targeting them. They deserve to have the heat turned up on them."

You know, the Detroit school system has a budget of about \$5 billion. They ought to put that money to use and educate kids," Timmer said. "And this will spur them on or they are going to lose customers."

Other southeast Michigan school districts singled out by the petition drive for vouchers include Pontiac, Clintondale, New Haven, Van Dyke, Highland Park, Hamtramck, Inkster, Ecorse, River Rouge and Dear-

born Heights District No. 7.

Back in 1970, Michigan voters amended the state Constitution to specifically ban vouchers and parochialism. This amendment would reverse that earlier vote.

Lining up with Kids First! Yes! to support vouchers are organizations like the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Family Forum, Michigan Catholic Conference, the Anderson Economic Group and Citizens for Traditional Values.

Lining up with All Kids First to oppose the drive are groups like the American Association of University Women, the American Civil Liberties Union, the Detroit Branch of the NAACP, the Jewish Community Council, the League of Women Voters, and the Michigan Parent Teacher Association.

UM-Dearborn rated a top-10 regional college

The University of Michigan-Dearborn was rated among the top 10 public regional universities in the Midwest in the U.S. News & World Report annual guide to colleges in the Aug. 23 issue of the publication.

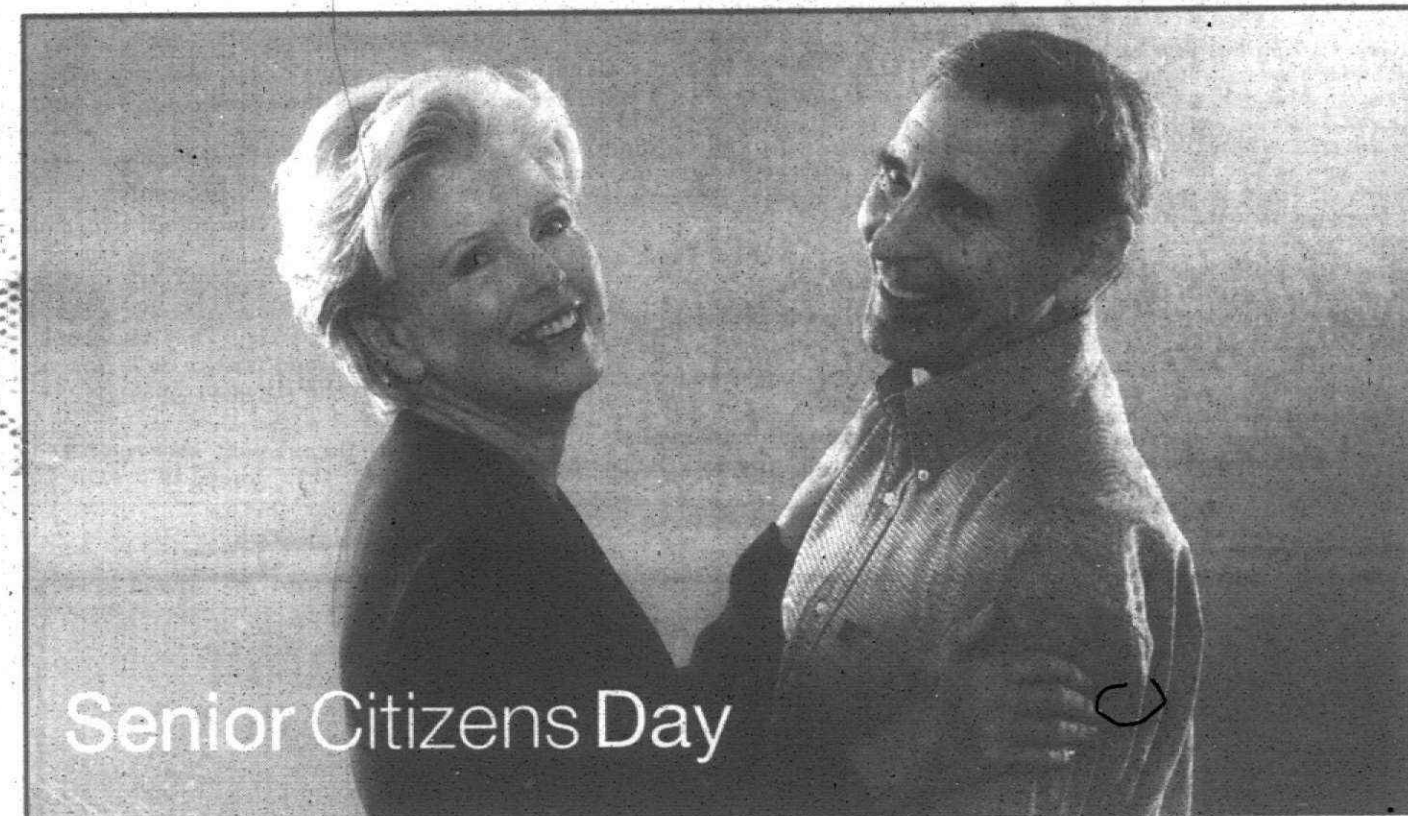
In addition, UM-Dearborn Col-

lege of Engineering and Computer Science was rated among the top undergraduate engineering schools in the country.

The magazine ranks colleges in numerous categories. In the category of regional universities in the Midwest, including public

and private institutions, UM-Dearborn was rated 30th. Among public regional universities in the Midwest, UM-Dearborn was ranked eighth. Oakland University, at ninth, was the only other Michigan college listed in that category.

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ANKLE SWELLING

Many people equate ankle swelling with arthritis. The fact is that rarely is enlargement of the feet or ankles the result of arthritis. Most arthritis related ankle problems reveal themselves by pain. Some swelling accompanies the pain, but it is small compared to the person who has concerns because of ankle swelling.

In most cases, the cause of enlargement is poor circulation, specifically venous circulation. If you have problem with your arteries to the ankles, you have intense pain, and the ankle and foot become small and cold. If heart failure or kidney disease is the cause for your ankle swelling, you usually have difficulty breathing made worse on exertion. Your problems moving bring you to medical attention, not your swollen ankles.

When poor venous circulation is the cause, you find your ankles are swollen at night and near normal in the morning. During the day, the ankles enlarge, usually painlessly, unless the swelling crowds your shoes.

Sitting makes the swelling worse and walking improves it. The reason is that when you walk the leg muscles act like little pumps to take the blood back to the heart.

To prevent or control swollen ankles, the best measures are walking for the reason noted above, keeping your legs slightly elevated when sitting - a foot stool will do, and wearing support hose throughout the day. If you use such stockings, put them on immediately when you awake and before your feet touch the floor. The support hose are easiest to apply at that time, and the even pressure started early exerts the best effect.

These measures usually suffice, and make taking medicine unnecessary.

Dentistry in the 90s

by Herbert M. Gardner, D.D.S.

GIVING KIDS AN ASSIST

While a power-assisted (electric) toothbrush does not necessarily do a better job than a manual one, it can make brushing a little more enthusiastic about children. Once children start brushing without parental supervision (about age six or seven), a power-assisted toothbrush may motivate them to brush longer than they would without one. Parents can have their children begin using a power-assisted brush with a rotating head once most of their baby teeth are in (around age two or three). The bristles should be positioned against the teeth and moved along the gum line, ensuring coverage of the entire tooth surface. Children should spend at least two minutes brushing their teeth to be sure they are adequately clean.

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LEGAL SENSE

By Mark Slavens, P.C.
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RECOVERING DAMAGES

Those who are injured as a result of another's liability or negligent behavior are entitled to recover damages. Special damages, so named because they can be calculated with a certain degree of precision, consist of compensation for past and future medical bills and lost wages. General damages, which cannot be so precisely calculated, include compensation for the pain and suffering, past and future, endured by the injured party. Finally, there are punitive damages that, although not available in all states, are worth mentioning. They uphold the principle of public policy that a negligent party may be held liable for more money than it would take to compensate the injured party, serving as a warning to other negligent wrongdoers.

If you have been injured by a defective product, the intentional or unintentional act of another party, or due to another's negligence (failure to act in a prudent manner), you may have a case. The specifics of your accident need to be evaluated by your attorney, who will then tell you if your case has merit and should proceed.

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Shiraz rhymes with Oz

It's fitting that Oz, Australia's nickname, rhymes with shiraz, the Aussie name for syrah. There's also no doubt that shiraz is today's "hot" red wine from Australia!

Shiraz is Australia's most widely-planted premium red wine grape and its premier wine. Americans are fast discovering its taste. Shiraz is becoming better known in the U.S. than varietally-labeled syrah. If you've not tried it, we're suggesting some of the best to get you started.

One theory about syrah's origin is that it was brought to France's Rhone Valley from Shiraz in Persia. For most Australians, using the name syrah, too closely associates their version with the French. Down Under folks are cut from their own cloth. So are their wines, particularly shiraz.

What to expect

From its many growing districts throughout Australia there are a number of styles. Peppery and spicy wines come from central and southern Victoria. Concentrated, intense, full-bodied, lush and dense wines are from the Barossa. Coonawarra, Clare and parts of central Victoria present a red cherry, minty, smooth style. From the Hunter Valley, shiraz can have red fruits, pepper and spice. But some are powerful, beefy and earthy.

Multi-district blends, usually labeled South Eastern Australia, are multi-faceted and can range from light to full-bodied. Some are approachable and meant for early consumption. Others are long-lived. "Flavors run the gamut from spicy, pepper, raspberry, plum, blackberry, mulberry, olive to jammy," explained Peter Gago, Penfolds winemaker. "Whether the wine has these or not depends largely on which flavors were present in the grapes at harvest. Much of this has to do with where the grapes were grown."

Not all shiraz bottlings are big wines. If skin extraction is limited during fermentation, the wine will have a lighter body. It will be low in tannins and have spent time in older oak or no oak at all. These are drinkable now shiraz. Tops in this style are Wynns Shiraz (100 percent Coonawarra) at \$13, Lindemans Pathway Shiraz \$13, Deakin Estate Shiraz \$12.50 and Rosemount's diamond label Shiraz \$12.

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Wine Picks

Pick of the pack: 1996 Zaca Mesa Syrah \$18.50. This syrah is uniquely California. Try it in comparison to an Aussie shiraz to better understand styles.

■ To learn more about style, compare four chardonnays, two from different regions of California, one Italian and one from the Burgundy region of France (labeled Bourgogne): 1997 Alexander Valley Vineyards (Alexander Valley) Chardonnay \$24; 1997 Byron (Santa Maria Valley) Chardonnay \$19; 1998 Antinori Castello della Sala Chardonnay (Umbria) \$13; and 1997 Regnard Chardonnay Bourgogne \$15. ■ If you flat out like California chardonnay (and what's not to like?) this collection is sure to have one for you: 1997 Gundlach-Bundschu Sonoma Valley Chardonnay \$16; 1997 Gundlach-Bundschu Sengiacomo Vineyard Chardonnay \$18.50; 1997 Estancia Reserve Chardonnay, Monterey \$20; and 1996 Franciscan Cuvée Sauvage Chardonnay, Napa \$35.

■ Rosh Hashana, the festive Jewish New Year celebration begins this year at sundown Friday Sept. 10 marking the start of year 5760 in the Jewish calendar. For this celebration and Yom Kippur to follow on Sunday, Sept. 19, we recommend two excellent kosher lines of wines. Portant de France with Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot around \$10 and Reserve St Martin Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon also around \$10. All these wines are certified Yayin Mevushal (universally kosher), signifying that the fermented wine has been flash pasteurized.

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It's crunch time

Fall is almost upon us — meaning colorful leaves, brisker weather and apple season.

This summer's warm, wet and sunny weather brought a bumper crop of apples about 2-3 weeks earlier than usual, local growers say. In Oakland; Wayne and the surrounding counties there are numerous choices for apple lovers who either want to pick their own or just grab a bag for eating or for making pies.

McIntosh, Paula Red, Jonagold, Jonathan and Cortland apples are among the first harvested locally, according to growers. Other varieties, such as Red and Golden Delicious, Spy and Granny Smiths are harvested later.

Linda Erwin, owner of Erwin Orchards & Cider Mill in South Lyon, has already had two u-pick weekends for customers, thanks to the early apple crop and favorable weather. Erwin's has been open 79 years.

In addition to having u-pick apples and raspberries, and selling cider, doughnuts, caramel apples and sundaes, the orchard also hosts a variety of family-oriented events.

A customer appreciation day is planned Sunday, Sept. 12 and will feature puppeteer Rod Snow as well as open-air apple butter making and a performance by "Poka Dot" the clown. Children's events are also planned.

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CIDER MILLS AND APPLE ORCHARDS

Always call ahead to check availability of fruit. The Michigan Department of Agriculture publishes a directory of most of Michigan's farm markets. To get your copy, call (517) 373-1058 or send your request to the department, P.O. Box 30017, Lansing, MI 48909. U-pick farms and cider mills are listed on the Michigan Apple Committee's Web home page.

<http://MichiganApples.com>

Here are some nearby apple orchards and cider mills to visit.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

■ **Spicer Orchards Farm Market and Cider Mill**, (810) 632-7692 — U.S. 23, (three miles north of M-59 to Clyde Road, exit east 1/4 mile). Open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. U-pick apples, cider mill, craft shop, animal barn, picnic and play area, pony rides and hayrides on weekends. U-pick pumpkins available in October. www.spicerorchards.com

MACOMB COUNTY

■ **Blake's Big Apple Orchard**, (810) 784-9710 — One mile south of downtown Armada at North Ave. and 33 Mile Road. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. U-pick apples, cider, animal farm. Pony rides on weekends.

■ **Blake's Orchard and Cider Mill**, (810) 784-5343 — Run by same family as Blake's Big Apple Orchard, 17985 Armada Center Road. Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. U-pick apples, cider, animal petting farm, children's events.

OAKLAND COUNTY

■ **Erwin Orchards & Cider Mill**, (248) 437-4701 — Between Milford and South Lyon, 61475 Silver Lake Road. Open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. U-pick apples and cider. Erwin's Country Store nearby. www.erwinscountry-store.com

■ **Franklin Cider Mill**, (248) 626-2968 — Corner of 14 Mile and Franklin Road, (one mile west of Telegraph). Open 7

a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Cider, hot doughnuts, home baked apple pies, candy and caramel apples.

■ **Goodison Cider Mill**, (248) 652-8450 — 4295 Orion Road, Oakland Township, north of Rochester. Open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Cider, picked apples, baked goods, honey, picnic and playground area, gourmet shop.

■ **Long Family Orchard & Farm**, (248) 360-3774 — On Commerce Road (west of Bogle Lake Road) Commerce Township. Open 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Friday; noon to 6 p.m. weekends. Fresh picked Paula Red apples available, call for availability of u-pick apples.

■ **Paint Creek Cider Mill & Restaurant**, (248) 651-8361 — Three miles northwest of Rochester on Orion Road (between Adams and Rochester roads). Cider mill open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Sunday. Restaurant open 5-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, lunch and 5-10 p.m. dinner; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, brunch; 5-8 p.m. dinner. Historic old grist mill setting. Cider and doughnuts for sale.

■ **Rochester Cider Mill**, (248) 651-4224 — on 5125 Rochester Road, two miles north of Rochester. Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily through the end of October; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Sunday in November. Freshly pressed cider.

■ **Yates Cider Mill**, (248) 651-8300 — 1990 E. Avon Road in Rochester Hills, (near 23 Mile Road at Dequindre). Open daily 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Cider, picked apples, doughnuts.

WAYNE COUNTY

■ **Apple Charlie's**, (734) 753-9380 — Six miles south of Detroit Metro Airport, New Boston 38035 South Huron Road. Open daily 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Cider. U-pick apples, petting farm, pond, pavilion

and bands on weekends.

■ **Parmenter's Northville Cider Mill & Winery**, (248) 349-3181 — 714 Baseline, Northville. Open daily 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Cider, doughnuts.

■ **Plymouth Orchards & Cider Mill**, (734) 455-2290 — 10685 Warren Road, Plymouth. Open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. through October; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in November. Cider and apples for sale, doughnuts, country store.

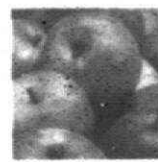
WASHTENAW COUNTY

■ **Dexter Cider Mill**, (734) 426-8531 — 3685 Central, Dexter. Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, closed Monday. Cider, fresh picked apples, caramel apples, apple pies, unique apple items, such as jellies, jams and teas.

■ **Obstbaum Orchard & Cider Mill**, (248) 349-5569 — Four miles west of Beck Road, Salem Township, between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Call for additional details or visit www.obstbaum.com on the Web.

■ **Wasem Fruit Farm**, (734) 482-2342 — Eight miles south of Ypsilanti, call for directions. Open 9 to 6 p.m. daily beginning Sunday, Sept 5 until Halloween. U-pick apples.

■ **Ward's Orchard and Cider Mill**, (313) 482-7744 — South of Ypsilanti, take I-94 to Huron St., go south 4 miles. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday until Tuesday, Sept. 14 when daily hours begin. U-pick apples, cider and doughnuts available beginning Tuesday, Sept. 14. Country Fair begins Saturday, Sept. 18 and runs week ends through Oct. 31. Features live entertainment, children's activities. Different event each week-end call for details.



These fruits and veggies are medicinal

BY BEVERLY PRICE
SPECIAL WRITER

How can you lower your cholesterol, reduce the risk of heart disease and still love what you are eating? Let's take a look.

In a recent study, kiwifruit was ranked number one in nutrient density. Kiwifruit contains twice the vitamin C of an orange, and all the potassium of a banana. It is also a good source of magnesium, vitamin E and fiber. These nutrients can help prevent heart disease.

Purple grape juice contains resveratrol, a phytochemical unique to grapes (found mainly in the skin), that may help prevent heart disease. It is rich in antioxidants called flavonoids which help to keep arteries open and prevent oxidation of cholesterol that can lead to plaque formation and artery damage.

Avocados are high in fat, but most of the fat is monounsaturated which actually helps protect the arteries. It also lowers cholesterol and improves the ratio of good HDL to bad LDL cholesterol. Rich in glutathione, this antioxidant can zap free radicals from your body.

Broccoli is still one of the healthiest foods you can eat. It is rich in folic acid, which reduces homocysteine in your blood which may be responsible for attacking arteries and encouraging clots and plaque. All nuts are rich in heart-protecting magnesium and full of antioxidants. People who eat small amounts of nuts regularly are less apt to have heart disease. However, Brazil nuts are unique in that they are a rich source of selenium, an antioxidant that helps increase energy and boost immunity.

Flaxseeds are exceptionally rich in omega-3 fatty acids which helps protect you from cardiovascular disease. Omega 3's keep blood platelets from sticking together and building up on artery walls. Flaxseeds also help to lower cholesterol and triglycerides.

Most Americans only eat 10-12 grams of fiber per day. You need 25-35 grams per day. Eating more wheat bran and whole grain products will help protect you against heart disease. In fact, increasing your fiber intake by 10 to 15 grams can lower your heart attack risk by 20 percent.

Packed with high-quality protein, tofu contains phytochemicals unique to soybeans called isoflavones. In particular, the isoflavone genistein helps to lower cholesterol. Treatment of high cholesterol with soy protein has become a standard mode of therapy in several European countries.

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Jewish New Year offers promise of sweetness

BY LISA BRODY
SPECIAL WRITER

Ask anyone getting ready to celebrate Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year which begins this year at sundown on Friday, Sept. 10, and concludes at sundown Sunday, Sept. 12, and they will likely tell you that this year it's falling too early, only a few days after Labor Day. They're not quite mentally ready to pull out their wool suits to wear to temple and synagogue services, to begin the process of renewal. Next year, if you ask them, they will likely tell you it's falling late.

Actually, Rosh Hashana always falls at the right time because like all Jewish holidays, Rosh

Hashana follows the Hebrew calendar, which is lunar, and begins on the first of the month of Tishri.

Rosh Hashana symbolizes new beginnings, new hopes and aspirations in the new year. Falling early in autumn, for many people it is a time of closure; the end of the loose, free-wheeling days of summer, which leads to school days, routines, schedules. It is also a time to evaluate the goals and achievements of the past year, and determine the direction to take your life in the coming year.

This is because Rosh Hashana not only begins a new calendar year for Jews, but is also what

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Holiday preparations: Jessie Bean (left to right), Allie Gordon, Justin Bean, Jackie Bean, Jake Gordon (holding spoon), Sam Gordon, Jamie Bean, Debbie Gordon and Max Gordon, make a dessert for Rosh Hashana.

Apples from page B1

A "Pumpkin Jubilee" Sunday, Oct. 10 will feature a kids' pumpkin walk, a pie eating contest and pumpkin and raspberry recipe contests.

For those appreciating the more spooky things in life, Erwin's will present haunted barns and a special "animated" bars for younger children in October. Cash prizes will be awarded for good costumes and costumed visitors will receive free caramel apples. Those buying one bag of apples will receive a wagon ride.

As for pasteurization, Erwin

said most customers have given the idea a thumbs-down. Most customers specifically look for cider that hasn't been pasteurized.

"They feel they still want an unaltered cider," Erwin said. Bob Steinhilber, owner of Goodison Cider Mill, 4295 Orion Road in Oakland Township, said the newest addition at the cider mill is technology designed to make cider safer to drink. Two years ago, 66 people in three Western states and Canada were sickened from drinking unpasteurized apple juice, which had

been tainted with *E. coli* bacteria. A modified version of an ultraviolet light process used for purifying drinking water and some swimming pools is now being used to purify Goodison's cider.

"It kills the bacteria without pasteurizing the cider," Steinhilber said. "When you heat cider, its character and flavor is changed."

This change addresses concerns about *E. coli* risks but also addresses customers' concerns about taste, Steinhilber said.

The process kills more than 99 percent of the bacteria. At Goodison's, customers can buy pre-picked apples, baked goods and honey in the gourmet shop. Families can bring children to the playground or have lunch in the picnic area. Goodison's is open Labor Day weekend through Christmas.

At Franklin Cider Mill, on the corner of Franklin and 14 Mile roads in Franklin, owner Susan Perry says the emphasis is on tradition. The 166-year-old cider mill still has its original water wheel, though it's no longer used

to power the cider mill. The mill is a national historical site. "It's one of the oldest and largest operating water wheels in the country," Perry said.

Treats made at Franklin Cider Mill include fresh picked apples, hot doughnuts, homemade pies, fresh produce, caramel apples and, of course, the cider. At Franklin, pasteurization isn't wanted by either the owners or the customers.

"We have a clean product," Perry said. "It should not have to be pasteurized. It's not a natural product once you start pasteurizing it. It's a good, clean and healthy natural product."

Plymouth Orchards & Cider Mill, 10685 Warren Road opened in 1982 but has offered u-pick apples for 26 years, said manager Peg Given. Plymouth Orchards allows visitors to check out exotic birds such as peacocks and farm animals in the petting farm. When the pumpkin harvest kicks off, visitors can pick their own.

See recipes on Page B3.

New Year from page B1

Jews call Yom Hadim, the Day of Judgment.

According to Jewish tradition, in heaven there is a symbolic book in which all of man's deeds are written. On one side are his good deeds; the other, his bad. Jews believe that on Rosh Hashana, the book is opened, and God evaluates every person's behavior. During the ten days of the High Holy Days, which culminate on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, the book is kept open. On Yom Kippur, Jews fast for 24 hours, allowing neither food nor drink to pass their lips, so intent are they in praying to God for repentance for past wrongs, asking Him to inscribe them in the Book of Life.

For Jews, food is intrinsically woven into holidays and traditions. Rosh Hashana is celebrated with family and friends, either at an evening meal or at a lunch following synagogue or temple services.

Yom Kippur begins with a large meal prior to Kol Nidre services; it is a heavy meal designed to hold you through a day of fasting. At the conclusion of Yom Kippur, a dairy meal is enjoyed at a breakfast celebration. Symbolically, apples and honey are tasted, offering everyone a "sweet New Year."

For Dr. Jim and Debbie Gor-

don of West Bloomfield and their four children, Allie 11, Max 8, Jake 7, and Sam 5, Rosh Hashana is a time for maintaining long-standing family traditions, and creating special ones of their own.

"This is our New Year," explains Debbie. "We talk as a family about what we can do better, what we have enjoyed in the last year, and what we are looking forward to this year."

On Rosh Hashana, the Gordons attend family services at Temple Israel in West Bloomfield, and then usually go apple picking together in the afternoon.

"Last year we went on a hay ride, and then went apple picking," says Debbie. "We came home and baked apple crisps." Later, they visit a relative's home for a festive meal.

The Gordons children assist Debbie in preparing a delicious meal for breaking the fast on Yom Kippur, which they have at their house. "And I am very lucky. I have great sisters-in-laws who cook wonderfully!" she laughs.

This year, the holidays will be bittersweet, for Debbie's cherished grandmother passed away in August. But she and her kids will bake and enjoy her grandmother's special Fresh Apple Cake and Apple Crisp recipes, promising continuity, and a sweet New Year.

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Shiraz from page B1

Medium-bodied styles gain complexity from the influence of longer aging in newer oak. Full-bodied, richly-flavored and the most complex shiraz comes from old vines. They are big and intense with ripe berry, red fruits, chocolate, tobacco and lively spicy characters. McLaren Vale boasts some of the oldest, still bearing shiraz vineyards in the world. Its magnificent older vineyards are producing some of Australia's most-celebrated shiraz.

More brands to know
Rosemount's stable of shiraz-based wines numbers seven different bottlings and draws on its

prized McLaren Vale vineyards for its Reserve Shiraz (worth a search) from old-vines. Rosemount names another of its McLaren Vale shiraz wines Balmoral \$40. It's labeled Syrah, not Shiraz.

"We chose syrah to reflect elegance and the wine's supple texture," Rosemount's winemaker Philip Shaw said.

D'Arenberg has become one of the most significant producers in the McLaren Vale. Today, fourth generation Chester Osborn is at the helm of his family's winery. Footbolt Old Vine Shiraz \$17 from D'Arenberg utilizes 80- to 110-year-old vines. An outstanding wine at this

price. Within Penfolds wines, there are other shiraz of great stature such as Shiraz Bin 128 \$26, Kalimna Shiraz Bin 28 \$26, St. Henri Shiraz \$28 and Magill Estate Shiraz \$50. Why so many different bottlings of shiraz under one brand?

The principal reason is the character derived from the unique place where the grapes are grown. Australian producers are believers in blending the same grape variety from a number of regions to make the best wine. Yet at times, they want to preserve the matchless character of a unique vineyard or region. The more unique the vineyard,

the higher the price. Shiraz has many faces, whether that's a regional wine, a single-vineyard showcase or a multi-vineyard blend. Since the Australian winemaking philosophy includes blending to a consistent style each year, vintage is not as important as it is in other wine regions of the world. One thing is sure, if it's shiraz, it must be Oz!

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

Medicinal from page B1

A recent report on several studies which looked at the effects of soy protein on blood cholesterol in over 740 people showed that eating 47 grams (3.4 servings) of soy protein per day resulted in a significant lowering of cholesterol.

Start your family out right this fall, by incorporating these medicinal foods into everyone's diet!

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Look for her column on the first Sunday of each month in Taste. See recipes on Page B3

Wash produce before eating

"All fresh produce should be carefully washed with clear running water before consuming," says Sylvia Treitman, home economist for the Oakland County, Michigan State University Extension, Food and Nutrition Hotline. Due to the recent concerns about fresh produce being a possible cause of bacteria outbreaks, the best advice for consumers is to wash all produce carefully.

"Never use soap, or detergent on fresh produce," adds Sylvia. Using soap or detergent when washing produce may result in

stomach problems, since soap is not meant to be ingested.

Tips for safe cleaning of produce:
Place fresh leafy produce in a colander and rinse well making sure to clean all sides of the produce, or fill a clean sink with clean cool water and let the fruits and vegetables soak for a few minutes. Finish with a running water rinse.

Scrub fruits and vegetables that grow below ground very well with a vegetable brush. Also use a clean knife when cutting into any produce so bacteria on outside is not carried to the inside. (This is very important in cleaning potatoes, carrots, parsnips, rutabagas, squash, watermelon cantaloupe.)



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Dishes made with Michigan apples are a fall treat

See related story on taste front.
APPLE CRUMBLE BARS
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1 cup all-purpose flour
1 1/2 cups whole wheat flour
1 1/2 cups quick cooking rolled oats
1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/4 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 cup margarine, melted
2 tablespoons light corn syrup
1 can (21 ounces) Michigan apple pie filling
1/4 cup orange marmalade
1/4 cup chopped marshmallows, cherries, drained
Vegetable cooking spray

In medium size mixing bowl, combine flour, oats, sugar, soda and cinnamon. Stir in margarine and corn syrup, mixing until thoroughly combined. Remove 1 cup mixture and set aside for topping.

Nutrition information per serving: 3-by 1 1/2-inch bar, 160 calories, 4 grams fat, 0 milligrams cholesterol, 29 grams carbohydrates, 75 milligrams sodium, 1 gram dietary fiber.

Variations: Substitute one can (20 ounces) chopped, sliced Michigan apples, drained for pie filling. Add two tablespoons flour and 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar

Press remaining mixture into bottom of 13-by 9-by 2-inch baking pan coated with cooking spray.

Bake at 350°F for about 12 minutes or until light golden brown. Remove from oven.

In medium size bowl, cut Michigan apple pie filling with pastry blender or knife until apples are diced. Stir in marmalade and cherries. Spread mixture evenly over hot crust. Sprinkle with reserved topping.

Bake 25 minutes longer or until top is golden brown. Cool completely before serving. Yield: 24 bars.

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with marmalade and cherries. Continue with above method. OR substitute 3 cups diced, peeled Michigan apples for pie filling. Add 2 tablespoons flour and 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar with marmalade and cherries. Continue with above method.

Suggested Michigan apples to use: Empire, Gala, Golden Delicious, Ida Red, Jonagold, Jonathan, McIntosh or Rome.

APPLE DATE BREAD
1 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 cup whole wheat flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon apple pie spice
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 eggs
1 cup diced, peeled Michigan apples
1/2 cup unsweetened Michigan applesauce
1/3 cup diced dates

Bake at 350°F for about 45 minutes or until golden brown and wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Remove from pan and cool on wire rack. Drizzle with powdered sugar glaze, if desired. Serve cut into 1 1/2-inch slices. Yield: 16 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: One slice, 110 calories, 3 grams fat, 27 milligrams cholesterol, 20 grams carbohydrates, 115 milligrams sodium and 1 gram dietary fiber.

1/2 cup broken walnuts; optional
Vegetable cooking spray
In small bowl, combine flour, salt, baking powder, soda and spices. Set aside.

In large mixing bowl, combine sugar, oil and eggs until smooth. Stir in Michigan apples, Michigan applesauce, dates and walnuts. Add dry ingredients, mixing until combined. Spread in 9-by 5-by 3-inch loaf pan coated with vegetable cooking spray.

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Variation: Substitute 1 cup diced, canned, sliced Michigan apples for fresh apples.

APPLE GINGERED FISH (LOW FAT, LOW SODIUM)
1 pound orange roughy or salmon fillets
1/2 cup Michigan apple cider or Michigan apple juice
1/2 teaspoon minced garlic
1/2 teaspoon grated fresh ginger root
Apple Relish
1 cup diced, red Michigan apples
1/2 cup diced mango
1 sliced and quartered kiwi
1/4 cup sweet and sour sauce
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
1/4 teaspoon grated fresh ginger root

Wash fish and cut into serving pieces. Combine Michigan apple cider, garlic and the 1/2 teaspoon ginger root. Place cider mixture and fish in airtight container or plastic bag and refrigerate one hour.

While fish is marinating, prepare relish. In small bowl, combine relish ingredients. Cover and refrigerate.

Grill or broil fish until fish flakes and is done. Serve hot with apple relish.

Nutrition information per serving: 3 ounces fish, 1/2 cup apple relish: 150 calories, 1 gram fat, 23 milligrams cholesterol, 18 grams carbohydrates, 111 milligrams sodium, 2 grams dietary fiber.

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Southwest Vegetable Burritos, fruit salad good for you

See story on Taste front.

Kick off fall with our Vegetarian Extravaganza. Beverly Price, registered dietitian and owner of Living Better Sensibly is offering a delicious

evening of nutritious recipes 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15 at Norup Middle School in Oak Park, Coolidge near Lincoln. The cost is \$40 per person. Call Berkeley Community Education at (248) 544-5815 to register.

SOUTHWEST VEGETABLE BURRITOS
6 whole wheat tortillas or lavash
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 medium sweet or yellow onion, coarsely chopped

Preheat oven to 350°F. Wrap tortillas or lavash in aluminum foil. Bake 15 minutes or until heated through.

Meanwhile, heat oil in a large non-stick skillet over medium high heat. Add onion, bell pepper, broccoli, and garlic to skillet; cook 3 minutes, stirring frequently. Add salsa and cumin. Cover, reduce heat and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 5 minutes. Stir

onion, coarsely chopped for 3 hours. The onion soup mix will steam its flavors into the burrito.

Slice against the grain, at a 45 degree angle.
Serve with gravy on the side.
Recipes compliments of Nancy Brown of Bloomfield Hills.

1 large red bell pepper, coarsely chopped
1 stalk broccoli, finely chopped
2 cloves minced garlic
1 cup salsa
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1 (15 oz.) can ShariAnn's Organic Refried Beans (any variety)
1 ripe avocado
1/2 cup chopped cilantro
1 cup Monterey Jack style soy cheese, shredded

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beans into vegetable mixture; cover, cook until heated through, 5 minutes. Peel, seed, and dice avocado; place in small bowl and set aside. Remove vegetable mixture from heat; stir in cilantro.

To assemble burritos: Spoon about 1/2 cup vegetable mixture down center of each warm tortilla; top with avocado. Sprinkle with cheese if desired. Roll and serve immediately. Yield 6 servings.

FRUIT SALAD PLATTER WITH STRAWBERRY VINAIGRETTE
Kale or lettuce leaves
1 cup sliced strawberries and/or white raspberries
1 cup grapes, whole
2 kiwi/fruit, peeled and thinly sliced
1 orange, peeled and sectioned
2 bananas, sliced
1 medium peach, plum, or nectarine sliced

Line a serving plate with kale or lettuce leaves. Arrange half of the strawberries and/or raspberries, the kiwi, orange sections, grapes, bananas, peach, plum, or nectarine slices, and apple or pear slices decoratively over kale or lettuce.

For dressing: In a blender place remaining strawberries and/or raspberries, vinegar, water, and brown rice syrup. Cover and blend or process till smooth. Drizzle a little of the dressing over salad. Serve with remaining dressing. Yield: 6 servings.

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Managing asthma

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Stroke prevention

The Livonia Family Y will host Life Line Screening's Stroke Prevention program. The state-of-the-art ultrasound tests include a Carotid Artery scan, an Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm scan, and a test to detect peripheral arterial disease. Also, bone density screening for women only will be offered for the detection of osteoporosis. Interested persons must register at least 24 hours in advance. Please call (800) 407-4557 to schedule an appointment for the tests on Tuesday, Sept. 14. The tests are offered for \$35 each, which compares to between \$300-\$500 for similar diagnostic tests offered by hospitals and imaging centers.

Macrobiotic recipes

Macro Val will host healthy cooking classes in her home, based on macrobiotic recipes and meal preparation. Learn step-by-step instruction during this hands-on experience. "Fun Foods" will be demonstrated from 6-9 p.m. Sept. 8 including cinnamon rolls, flaming volcano, tempeh sandwiches and lemonade. Sept. 15 from 6-9 p.m. "Late summer dishes" will be prepared such as buckwheat burgers, herbed parsnips and peach pie. To register call (734) 261-2856.

Bone density tests

The F & M drug store at 35715 Warren Road in Westland will be the host site of an osteoporosis screening/health screening from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 11. No fasting is required for the cholesterol test. Osteoporosis cost: \$10; cholesterol test, \$8. Call (800) 543-WELL to register.

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Databases (upcoming calendar events), Medical Newsweekend (appointments/awareness hours in the medical field), and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items, from hospitals, physicians, companies). We also welcome newsworthy ideas for health and fitness related stories. To submit an item to our newspaper you can call, write, fax or e-mail us.

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Acupuncture helps channel natural energy

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According to traditional Chinese medicine, the human body contains an energy system that follows specific pathways called meridians or channels. Meridians can be likened to rivers that run through the body to nourish tissues.

This natural energy that flows through or along these meridians (six yin and six yang) is called qi (pronounced chee). One of the most common methods of stimulating one or more of the 12 channels is through the use of acupuncture.

Ancient technique

Truly an old form of healing, acupuncture was first discovered in China in 2696 through 2598 B.C. by Huang Di, "The Yellow Emperor," who was the third great emperor of China.

Acupuncture is the gentle insertion of hairfine thin needles (sterile and disposable) into specific points of the body to stimulate the flow of energy. When there is an interruption to the flow of qi disease can occur.

The obstruction leads to a restriction in the nourishment of tissues and therefore acupuncture is used to stimulate the channels and restore the necessary energy, blood and moisture to that area. Each of the 12 channels is associated with a particular organ in the body such as the heart, liver and gall bladder. There are a total of 361 acupuncture points, each correlates to a specific function.

According to Senior Staff Anesthesiologist Dr. Vikas Shah of Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, the kidney controls bones, bone marrow, joints, hearing, hair, will and motivation. "When these pathways are manipulated, the obstruction of qi can be removed and the energy can be enhanced by manipulating the needles with heat or electricity," stated Shah.

The Henry Ford anesthesiologist has been using acupuncture to treat patients in the Pain Management Clinic at the Detroit hospital since he was certified following an intensive acupuncture course at the University of California - Los Angeles in October of 1998.

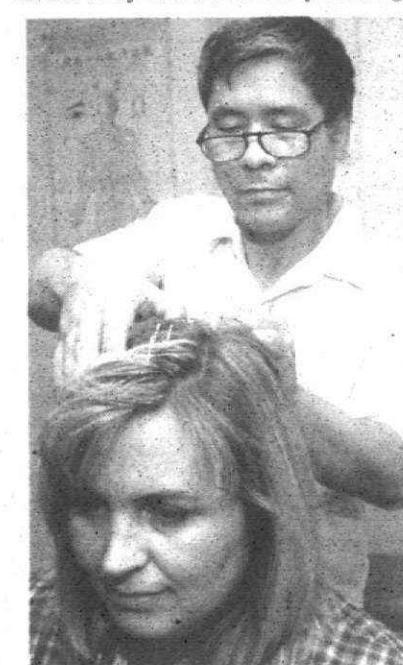
Shah said acupuncture is an effective form of pain management because it does not involve medication or have any residual side effects. People who suffer from fibromyalgia and lower back pain make up a large percentage of the individuals treated by Shah at the Pain Management Center.

"Conditions such as tinnitus and migraines can be treated with acupuncture," said Shah. "I tell people not to be surprised if we insert a needle to activate the kidney channel

if they have back pain. There are 12 channels that the energy flows through."

Pain management

"Acupuncture is good for treating pain," said acupuncturist and Chinese herbologist, Qian Wang, O.M.D. (Doctor of Oriental Medicine). "And a lot of people have pain," said Wang, 57. Wang moved to the United States in the early 1980s eventually settling



To the point: Debbie Bald of Royal Oak is a regular patient of Qian Wang of Redford. Wang, an acupuncturist and herbologist, applies scalp needles to the back of her head (left) to treat problems she has with double vision and multiple sclerosis. Bald has also been treated by Wang for a persistent cough (complemented with Western medicine). The needle Wang inserted in the middle of Bald's eye brows is primarily used for relaxation purposes.

in Redford in 1987 where he continues to offer acupuncture treatment out of an office in his home. He studied Chinese tui na (pronounced tweena) from Dr. Cha Jian in the city of Hang Zhou, China from 1974-1976 and studied acupuncture and traditional Chinese medicine with Dr. Wu Tian Yao from 1976 to 1980. He was certified by the National Commission for the Certification of Acupuncturists in 1987 and maintains membership with the Acupuncture Coalition of Michigan and the Acupuncture Society of Michigan.

In addition to acupuncture, Wang is skilled in tui na, chi gong, Chinese herbs, cupping, moxibustion and nutrition to treat and prevent various ailments and disease.

"I use needles on specific points of the body that makes the energy go to the blockage and open it and relax the area," said Wang. Other methods of improving the flow of energy throughout the body include pressure, rubbing, running one's hands in the direction of the meridian flow, suction cups (cupping), herbs, vitamins, minerals, glandular extracts, specialized exercises, manipulation of specific muscles, burning moxa (moxibustion).

Redford resident Pamela Brodersen became a patient of Wang's after seeing an advertisement in the popular alternative magazine phenomenon, NEWS, for the use of acupuncture as a technique in quitting smoking.

"I was pretty open to experimenting with different holistic types of medicine in my 20s," said Brodersen, "so it didn't seem unrealistic for me to try acupuncture."

Brodersen said the "proof was in the pudding," for her after her first acupuncture treatment. "I haven't smoked since, and I didn't have any cravings for nicotine."

The fear of needles

Shah said he encounters patients who are hesitant to try acupuncture because they think it's going to hurt. "When you have all these needles stuck in your face or head, people always think of pain," said Shah. "The needles are very fine and once the first one is in, you don't notice them."

Acupuncture needles remain in the acupoints of the body on an average of 30 minutes, said Shah depending on the degree of the condition. The anesthesiologist said many patients undergo between four and six acupuncture treatments, and he suggests they not pass judgment on the outcome until at least the third treatment.

While acupuncture has slowly been gaining in popularity in the Western countries over the last two decades, traditional health institutions have closely scrutinized its effectiveness as a method of pain management.

However, promising results have emerged showing efficacy of acupuncture in controlling adult post-operative and chemotherapy nausea and vomiting and in post-operative dental pain.

"There are other situations such as addiction, stroke rehabilitation, headache, menstrual cramps, tennis elbow, fibromyalgia, myofascial pain, osteoarthritis, low back pain, carpal tunnel syndrome, and asthma where acupuncture may be useful as an adjunct treatment or an acceptable alternative or be included in a comprehensive management program," according to a statement released by the National Institute of Health.

Acupuncture resources

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■ American Association of Acupuncture/Oriental Medicine
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Cataqua, PA 18032
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■ National Commission for Certification of Acupuncturists
P.O. Box 97925
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Web sites:
■ Acupuncture.com
www.acupuncture.com
■ Alternative Health News Online
www.alternativehealthnews.com
■ National Institute of Health
www.nih.gov
■ True Qi Institute for Complementary and Alternative Medicine
www.cam.healthcare.utb.ca

St. Joe's to offer storefront health education in mall

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System will bring health education services to the community in a new way by opening a 3,300-square-foot storefront in Briarwood Mall in Ann Arbor this fall. Saint Joseph Mercy Health Stop will house a classroom, consultation rooms, office space for community education staff and a kitchen for cooking classes. "We're redesigning the way we deliver

community health education," explained Denise Williams, SJMHS director of Community Education. "By providing health education services in a more consumer-centered retail setting, we will be better able to respond to community needs."

"Since the mall is highly accessible by bus lines and major highways and is open seven days a week, it helps us

improve access to our services. Our new location will enable us to establish new relationships with customers as well as improve our existing customer relationships," said Williams.

Program offerings will include general health education, individualized consultations, health screenings, nutrition classes, cooking classes, weight management classes, physicians lectures,

worksite wellness services, disease management information, exercise classes, information on alternative therapies and more. Modest fees will be charged for some classes and services.

Financial for construction of Saint Joseph Mercy Health Stop is being provided through community philanthropic support.

Kidney for sale, new virus make Internet news this week



Here we go again. Alerts are going out across the Internet this weekend over a new computer virus officially dubbed "high risk" by anti-virus software maker Network Associates.

The virus, called the "Thursday" or W97M.Thurs.A virus, was first discovered nearly two weeks ago. It wasn't given much notice until the last two days, when it was reported at financial institutions in the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, France, Poland, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Latvia and Poland.

It primarily affects Word 97 documents. Although easily

eradicated by anti-virus software, if it is not detected, experts say it can cause the deletion of all files on the C: drive, including subdirectories.

How serious should you take it? Consider the "high risk" designation by Network Associates. Only three other viruses have received a "high risk" rating over the last year. And you have surely heard of all three — Melissa, CIH/Chernobyl and ExplorerZip — because of the tens of thousands of people affected by them.

Make sure your antivirus software is up-to-date. I recommend checking the manufacturer's Web site at least once a month and downloading the updates because each day, experts say dozens of new computer viruses are introduced into the Internet. Speaking of the Internet, wish it a happy birthday this weekend. It is now officially 30

years old. It three decades ago, on Sept. 2, 1969, when a small and skeptical crowd gathered inside professor Len Kleinrock's lab at the University of California, Los Angeles to watch as meaningless bits of information silently flowed along a 15-foot cable between two bulky computers. That was the technology that started the Internet.

Who'd have ever thought what changes in communications the technology would bring ... for good and bad?

In the latter category this week came the bizarre story of an online kidney auction on the popular e-Bay Web site. e-Bay had to — excuse my expression — pull the plug on a Florida man's plan to sell one of his kidneys to the highest bidder. The offer was removed after reaching \$5.7 million in bids.

The seller, identified as "hchero" from Sunrise, Fla.,

started the bidding at \$25,000 on Aug. 26. The description read: "Fully functional kidney for sale. You can choose either kidney. Buyer pays all transplant and medical costs. Of course only one for sale, as I need the other one to live. Serious bids only."

e-Bay said it deleted the message offer because it has a policy against selling body parts.

Shop a lawsuit online. Another unusual Internet feature can be found on the WebTalkToAMillionaire.com (www.talktoamillionaire.com) Web site, which describes itself as a place for successful people to network, find business partners, obtain financing or pitch proposals to prospective investors.

Found on this site is a "Shop Your Lawsuit" section, where people looking for legal representation can post the facts of their case on the Internet for attorneys to review.

Among some of the current lawsuits being shopped: ■ Walter in California notes his wife just inherited a bundle and wonders if it's time to get a divorce attorney to get his share before she moves to another state.

■ Gwen in Ohio wants to file a wrongful discharge suit because her employer fired her for refusing to fake invoices.

No longer do some lawyers have to chase ambulances for business. Now, they just have to surf the Internet.

Free Y2K booklets. I just finished writing a pair of Y2K informational booklets for Omega. One deals with how to protect your home PC from Y2K problems. The other deals with protecting your business. They are both free and can be downloaded direct from the Omega Web site (www.omegacomm.com).

Internet seminar

Next Saturday I'll be teaching my free "PC Mike/WXYT Internet 101" seminar at Lawrence Technological University, 21000 W. 10 Mile, Southfield. The session will run from 10 a.m. to noon and cover the basics of using e-mail and search engines as well as how to screen out pornography and inappropriate material. It's free, but you must have a reservation. Call the 24-hour seminar hot line at (248) 423-2721. I'll also be giving away my free Y2K booklets.

Mike Wendland reports about computers and the Internet for NBC television stations coast-to-coast. His radio show is heard every weekend on TalkRadio 1270, WXYT. You can reach Mike through his Web site at www.pcmike.com.

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supplies, new construction materials, etc. Informal monthly meetings are held at various locations. The next is scheduled from 2-5 p.m. at the Good Food Company - West at 42615 Ford Road, Canton (1/2 mile west of I-275 at Lilley Road). For a newsletter call (248) 349-4972.

MON, SEPT. 13

WEIGHTLIFTING CLINIC
Learn techniques for proper and beneficial weight training. This clinic is for the beginner as well as the advanced trainer. Stay up to date in the latest in weight training. Clinic runs Monday, Sept. 13 through Friday, Sept. 17. Call Complete Health & Fitness in Westland at (734) 524-9822 for details. Members and non-members alike, welcome.

TUE, SEPT. 14

STROKE PREVENTION
The Livonia Family Y will host Life Line Screening's Stroke Prevention pro-

gram. The state-of-the-art ultrasound tests include a Carotid Artery scan, an Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm scan, and an Ankle Brachial Index test (to detect peripheral arterial disease). Also, bone density screening for women only will be offered for the detection of osteoporosis. Anyone interested must register at least 24 hours in advance. Please call (800) 407-4557 to schedule an appointment for the tests. The tests are offered for \$35 each, which compares to between \$300-\$500 for similar diagnostic tests offered by hospitals and imaging centers.

WED, SEPT. 15

FOOD FOR THOUGHT
St. Mary Hospital is offering a class on fast and easy meals at home. The "Food for Thought" nutrition education program will offer a cooking demonstration by professional chef Craig Brown who will also share menu ideas, recipes and short cuts for nutritious and quick meals at home. The class will be held from 7-8 p.m. at Bentley Center, 15100

Hubbard at Five Mile in Livonia. Cost to attend is \$6 and \$5 for those over 55. Registration is requested. For more information, please call (734) 655-8940.

THUR, SEPT. 16

HEALTH SCREENINGS
St. Mary Hospital will be offering posture, vision and hearing screenings from 10 a.m. to noon and posture and vision screenings only from 6-8 p.m. in West Addition A and B and Pavilion Room A. There is no charge to attend and registration is not required. For more information, please call (734) 655-2655.

VACCINES FOR CHILDREN
Providence Hospital and Medical Centers is sponsoring an immunization clinic for children from 4-7 p.m. in the Mission Health Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road, at Newburgh. The fee is \$5 per child and covers all vaccines your child needs (except chickenpox). Don't forget to bring your child's immunization records. Call (877) 345-5500.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

Items from the Observer and area for the Business Calendar can be sent to: Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150 attention: Business Calendar.

WED, SEPT. 8

CREW MEETS MONTHLY
CREW-Detroit, a professional commercial real estate group, is holding its monthly meeting at Hotel St. Regis, 3071 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit at 11:45 a.m. topic will be "Re-Tooling the GM Building." Lunch is \$19 for mem-

bers; \$29 for guests. Sponsored by TrizecHahn. For more information call Margaret Van Meter (313) 465-7642.

AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY PROJECT
The Concept Automotive Industry Project "A look at the dynamic forces reshaping the automotive industry will be provided by Lee A. Snage, global leader of automotive industry services for Ernst & Young, at the Sales and Marketing Executives of Detroit (SME/D) monthly meeting. Begins at 5 p.m. at the Troy Marriott Hotel, 200 W. Big Beaver Road, Canton (248) 643-6590.

SAT, SEPT. 11

SECRETARY CERTIFICATION
To prepare secretaries for today's competitive corporate environment, Schoolcraft College offers a series of Continuing Education classes designed to prepare secretaries for the Certified Professional Secretary Examination. They include behavioral science, human resources, business law and economics. Classes begin Saturday, Sept. 11. Walk-in registration is in room 200 of the McDowell Center Sept. 7, 8 and 9 from 9

a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sept. 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Classes meet Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for fees ranging from \$49 to \$95. Call (734) 462-4448.

WED, SEPT. 15

INVESTMENT STRATEGIST
Eugene A. Miller, chairman, president and CEO of Comerica

Incorporated will speak on the "Comerica Current Outlook" at the meeting of the Investment Analysts Society of Detroit. Call (888) 822-4008.

THUR, SEPT. 23

AFRICAN WORLD EXPO
"Doing Business in Africa: A Cultural Experience," the last in

a series of workshops before the African World Expo, will examine the cultural aspects of doing business in Africa and feature a gourmet African meal. The workshop begins at 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23 at Schoolcraft College. Cost is \$45 per person. To register call (734) 462-4438.

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Oakwood Welcomes
Yasser M. Awaad, MD, MSc
Director, Pediatric Neurology and
Movement Disorders Program

Oakwood is pleased to welcome Yasser M. Awaad, MD, MSc, and the new Pediatric Neurology and Movement Disorders Program. Dr. Awaad brings his medical expertise and more than 21 years of experience to Oakwood where he will care for infants, children and adolescents with a variety of neurological problems including: headaches, seizures, head trauma, learning disorders, cerebral palsy and many other diseases. Dr. Awaad also specializes in the evaluation and management of children and adults who experience tic, Tourette syndrome, dystonia, spasticity and other movement disorders.

Dr. Awaad is a member of the American Academy of Neurology, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Movement Disorders Society and the National and International Neurology Associations. He completed his Pediatric residency and Child Neurology fellowship at New York University Medical Center and comes to Oakwood from Children's Hospital of Michigan. He utilizes state-of-the-art therapy to treat children with specific muscle disorders, including oral medications, Botulinum toxin injections and intrathecal Baclofen pumps.

In addition to his pediatric neurology practice and role with the Movement Disorders program, Dr. Awaad is also joining Oakwood's new Program for Exceptional Families - a multidisciplinary program that provides comprehensive, coordinated care for children with chronic, complex disorders and disabilities. He is currently seeing patients at his office in the Oakwood Waterworks Building on Michigan Avenue in Dearborn. To schedule an appointment today, please call 313-791-4323.

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Oakwood

Magazine names Valassis as top company for working moms

Working Mother magazine recently reserved a spot for Valassis Communications, Inc. of Livonia on their 14th annual list of "100 Best Companies for Working Mothers."

1999 marks Valassis' premiere on this prestigious list.

"At Valassis, our greatest strength as a company is our people," remarked Alan F. Schultz, chairman, president, and chief executive officer. "We are constantly striving to help our employees — women and men alike — balance work and family."

The result is an energized, enthusiastic workforce that continues to deliver outstanding results quarter after quarter, year after year."

Management noted that since 1996, the company has seen 21% revenue growth, 281% growth in net earnings, and share price appreciation of 275%.

"The programs we have put into place over the years, particularly the work/life balance we have been focusing on over the past year, have paid off in great performance for our company, high employee retention rates, and great employee morale," concluded Schultz.

Working Mother chose 1999's 100 Best Companies based on six criteria: leave for new parents, flexible work arrangements, child care, work/life bal-

ance such as counseling and support groups for employees, opportunities for women to advance, and compensation.

Editors looked at a range of supportive company offerings, including health insurance premiums, availability of time off to care for sick children, and extras such as on-site gyms and other conveniences. An independent research firm was contracted to compile the data and conduct analyses on behalf of Working Mother magazine. After being scored on a total point system, all companies that scored above a base number of points were submitted to a panel of judges for final selection.

Dawn Northrup of Valassis' market-

ing department commented, "I've always wanted to have a family and maintain a challenging career. Valassis has provided the flexibility, programs and the facilities necessary to make my transition back to work easier. It has really made a difference, and both my work and family life are more rewarding."

The "100 Best Companies for Working Mothers" list will be published in the October issue (on newstands Sept. 7 - Oct. 12) of Working Mother magazine and can also be found on its Web site www.workingmother.com.

Working Mother magazine, The Voice of Authority on work/family issues for

more than 20 years, is published by MacDonald Communications Corporation. With more than 2.5 million readers, the magazine's news-making and breaking reporting — including ongoing national market research studies and its annual ranking of the "100 Best Companies for Working Mothers" — has helped define Working Mother as the number one national business magazine written for executive mothers.

Valassis Communications Inc. is an established leader in the marketing services industry.

For more information, visit the company Web site at www.valassis.com.

Neurology program targets young children

Pediatric neurologist, Yasser Awaad, M.D., who, in partnership with Oakwood, has created the Pediatric Neurology and Movement Disorders Program. This unique program provides treatment options to infants, children and adolescents for a variety of neurological problems, including headaches, seizures, head trauma, learning disorders, cerebral palsy and others.

The program also specializes in the evaluation and management of children and adults who experience tics, Tourette syndrome, dystonia, spasticity and other movement disorders," said Awaad, "including oral medications, Botulinum toxin injections and intrathecal Baclofen Therapy."

Awaad comes to Oakwood from Children's Hospital of Michigan, where he directed

'This program provides treatment options to infants, children and adolescents.'

their Movement Disorders Clinic. He previously served as an attending neurologist for Children's Harper, Sinai-Grace and Hutzel hospitals.

The PNMD program is located at the Oakwood Waterworks building, 21031 Michigan Ave. (west of the Southfield freeway) in Dearborn. For an appointment call (313) 791-4323.

OPEN HOUSE DELAYED

Construction delays have prevented Arthur's Place, a specially designed fitness and lifestyle facility for persons with arthritis and connective tissue disease, from opening as scheduled. Arthur's Place is located at 47659 Halyard Dr. in Plymouth.

"The Community Open House, which was scheduled for this Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11 and 12, has been postponed until construction is completed and we are able to schedule tours," said Dan Colaluca, operations director.

"Meanwhile, people are welcome to call us at (734) 254-0500 for further information about Arthur's Place and to be put on our mailing list."

Arthur's Place expects to open in October. They maintain a Web site at www.arthursplace.com.

Say it with
Flowers



by Steve Mansfield
DRY, DRY AGAIN?

When people follow the instructions that come with most flowering house plants that direct them to allow the soil to dry between waterings, they may be unwittingly doing their plants a disservice. Experts believe that plants suffer damage when allowed to dry out and blooms begin to wilt. Each time a plant wilts, it can be expected to lose one to four days of flowering life. Instead of watering plants "when dry," plant owners should consider watering them two or three times a week. Potted chrysanthemums, for example, will flower longer in rooms where the humidity is 55 percent or higher. They like a location with plenty of light and temperatures between 65 and 70 degrees.

House plants are attractive, easy to maintain, and are natural air filters. What more could one ask for in a houseplant? Whether you want to decorate, say "thanks," or "get well soon," say it with a plant or flowers from HEIDE'S FLOWERS & GIFTS, 995 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. To arrange worldwide wire service, call 453-5140. Best wishes this Labor Day from HEIDE'S FLOWERS & GIFTS.

HINT: Avoid placing flowering house plants near radiators and other places where heat could dry them out.



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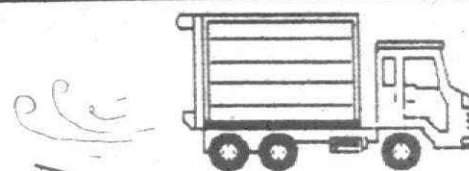
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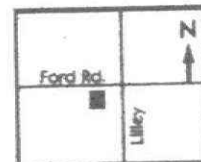
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Plymouth artists have a family flair

Alicia Maturen paused mid-sentence to let her grandmother Phyllis Hochlowski say "how beautiful" the Plymouth ceramist looked in her wedding gown on June 12.

It was hard to tell if Maturen was blushing because of the comment, or the one following about the exhibit the two were sharing with Jana Conger, Hochlowski's daughter and Maturen's mother.

Their works are featured in "Three Generations," a mixture of painting and clay, through Friday, Sept. 24 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

"The show is very tasteful," said Hochlowski, a 76-year-old Plymouth resident who began painting in 1985. "Alicia's work is very avant-garde and Jana has exhibited nationally and internationally so it was kind of an honor to show with them both." You might have seen Conger's and Maturen's work

at Art in the Park in Plymouth in July. Conger, who grew up in Plymouth and now lives in Brooklyn, Mich., captures wildlife in watercolor. Maturen primarily creates vessels and figurative sculpture in clay, but also paints.

Family affair

At an early age, both were inspired



Riding high: Carousels are a favorite subject of Phyllis Hochlowski.



Body by: Alicia Maturen created this figurative work from clay.



Wildlife art: Jana Conger is best known for painting wildlife such as this zebra.

by a family of professional artists, sculptors, poets, and musicians. Conger, who taught ballet in the Plymouth area for 12 years, went on to become well-known for her paintings of birds, monkeys and tigers, she's exhibited at the Carnegie Mellon Museum in Pennsylvania, the Sotetsu Gallery, Yokohama, Japan, and Buffalo Museum of Science in New York. Not to be missed are Conger's portraits of a braying zebra and an African wild dog.

Maturen began doing figurative sculpture during graduate studies at Instituto Allende San Miguel de Allende in Guanajuato, Mexico. Maturen, who received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of

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Wheel-thrown: Mary Byers deftly shapes clay into vessels which she will later fire using the raku method.



Raku ware: This is just a sample of the decorative works Mary Byers will bring to the Artists and Craftsmen Show.

What: The Artists and Craftsmen Show, presented by the Plymouth Community Arts Council, features 123 exhibitors.
When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11 and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12.
Where: Central Middle School, Main Street and Church, Plymouth.
Cost: \$2 donation, \$1 seniors/students. Call (734) 416-4278.

Mary Byers' eyes never drift from the clay spinning at her fingertips. Concentration is paramount to building a symmetrical vessel from a lump of clay.

Byers, a Canton potter who hopes one day to turn her craft into a business, silently forces the clay upward to heighten the bowl. She is busy preparing for the Plymouth Community Arts Council's Artists and Craftsmen Show Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 11-12. It's no easy task, because Byers' potter's wheel is wedged next to her clothes dryer. She won't be wedging clay on top of her dryer for much longer though. Byers and her husband Leo, who also does clay, are looking forward to having a studio to work when they move into their new home in May.

In the meantime, because her working space is so tight Byers glazes and fires her clay at Schoolcraft College in Livonia where she takes ceramics classes with John Murphy, a Redford potter who exhibits internationally.

"The hardest part for me was learning to center the clay," said Byers, who uses the raku method developed in Japan in the 16th century.

The pieces are removed from the kiln heated to 1,850 degrees F. and placed in a container with combustible material such as sawdust. The container is then covered and the pieces left to smolder in the smoky environment for about 12 minutes.

"It's very spectacular to see the pieces come out of the kiln," said Byers. "The pieces are literally just glowing. I like raku because the glazes just have such depth in them."

Byers took her first ceramics class while studying for an occupational therapy degree at Western Michigan University. She didn't try her

Potters throw works together for Fall Festival

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN • STAFF WRITER

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hand at clay again until years later when a community education class rekindled her interest in the medium. Two years ago Leo gave her a potter's wheel for Christmas.

"Raku pottery has a mind of its own," said Byers. "You never know how it's going to turn out. It's how the raku gods feel. You think you can fire in the same way but it won't turn out the same."

The surprise in many of Byers' bowls comes from looking inside. A bird's nest complete with three eggs, a dolphin, fishes swimming in seaweed, and a rose lie on the bottoms of several of the bowls. Byers also likes to decorate the exteriors with sea horses and other subjects. Glazes from white crackle to metallic color the vessels adorned with decorations that scroll around the lips and body. Byers stresses these are "decorative pieces, not safe for food or water." She suggests placing dried flowers, candles or potpourri in them instead.

"They're very labor intensive but I always liked to make them special," said Byers.

Holiday themes

Carole Morrison's hand-painted ceramics require a great deal of labor as well. Some of the pieces she's bringing to the show took her as many as 22 hours to paint. But Morrison doesn't mind because painting saved her life. When the Rochester resident suffered a spinal cord injury in a car accident several years ago, her husband Larry encouraged her to pursue her hobby of hand-painting the ceramics he poured into molds. Before the accident, Morrison had worked in banking for more than 30 years.

"I thought I was going out of mind," said Morrison. "I'm not the type of person who can sit and do nothing."

Morrison specializes in holiday themes. Her 42-foot table will feature pilgrims, Indians, and a dog and cat praying together at a Thanksgiving table, and Christmas and Halloween items including ghosts piled on top of one another.

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'Art & Apples' becoming annual rite of passage

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER

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Less than a week to D-Day, and Sally Mattson isn't showing the slightest indication of stress. No visible perspiration. Not even a shaking hint of anxiety in her softly modulated voice.

Apparently, preparing for the pending invasion of 100,000 people at the annual "Art & Apples Festival" in Rochester Municipal Park, Sept. 11-12, has become passé by now.

Well, maybe not passé. There's always the unpredictable Michigan weather to worry about.

"We've started to pay attention to the Weather Channel, but we haven't organized a prayer group (for good weather) — yet," said Mattson of Rochester Hills, special events coordinator at the Paint Creek Center for the Arts in Rochester.

A mild mist surely wouldn't cause too much concern. But torrential rains could lead to an outbreak of anxiety attacks and as much as 30 percent loss in attendance and revenue.

While thousands of art devotees surely know about the annual arts festival now in its 34th year, it's not as widely known that Paint Creek is the organizing dynamo behind "Art & Apples."

The art center located on a sleepy residential street in an historic clapboard house — a few blocks from downtown Rochester — will bring together more than 300 fine artists, entertainment on two stages and enough apple pies to feed a small island country.

(Nearly 3,000 pies are expected to be sold as part of a fund-raising effort by the Older Persons Commission of Rochester.)

For many in the northern suburbs, strolling amid an idyllic landscape at "Art & Apples" is an annual rite of passage into autumn. Mattson, who is in her second year as coordinator of the festival, has been coming to Rochester Municipal Park on the weekend after Labor Day since the late 1970s.

"People just know that in mid-September, there's going to be 'Art & Apples,'" she said. "It's been the tradition."

Fine distinction
For over three decades, "Art & Apples," which began as a biennial show of arts and crafts held inside a tent decorated with Christmas lights, has been transformed into an impressive lineup of

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THEATER

'Titanic' steams into Detroit on September 7

"Titanic: A New Musical" opens Tuesday, Sept. 7, and continues through Sunday, Sept. 26 at the Fisher Theatre, 3011 W. Grand Blvd. at Second, in Detroit. Performances 8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Tickets \$32.50 to \$70, available at the box office. Call (248) 645-6666 to charge tickets, or (313) 872-1000 for more information.

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

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Theater is make believe, but when a play is based on something that really happened, the Titanic, cast members have to go overboard to bring the story to life. It doesn't help that "Titanic" was the 1998 movie of the year.

"You're not seeing the movie, you need to separate yourself from that," said Liz McConahay who is portraying Alice Beane, a second class passenger in "Titanic" the Tony Award-winning musical opening Tuesday at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit.

Like the award-winning film, this "Titanic" steams along a familiar course, telling a story people never seem to tire of hearing.



JOAN MARCUS

All aboard: The cast in a scene from the Tony Award-winning musical, "Titanic: A New Musical"

"Part of the appeal is that this is an authentic, historical event that happened in this century," said McConahay who talked on her cell phone as she walked from the Kennedy Center where the show was playing in Washington D.C. to a restaurant where friends were waiting. "People had close rela-

tives who were on that boat; they're fascinated by the reality of their situation. It's hard for us to imagine that happening. There's an allure of telling a true story. It requires research because it really happened."

When the Titanic sank on April 15, 1912, over 1,500 lives were lost. "Titanic: A New Musical" introduces the audience to some of the people who were on that boat.

"We have a few representatives of each class," said McConahay. "There were vast, vast differences. People in the first class were very rich."

Her character, Alice, is married to Edgar the owner of a successful hardware store in Indianapolis. Respected in their community, Alice is a social climber who wants to hobnob with the rich and famous. Even though she and her husband are traveling second class, she's thrilled to be sailing on the Titanic's maiden voyage.

"People identify with her, and appreciate her," said McConahay about Alice. "She's not a real person, but a composite of the type of people who would have been traveling second class on the Titanic."

Music plays a big role in telling the story. "It's very

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ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

CHILDREN'S ART EXHIBIT
D & M Studios will host its annual children's art exhibit Tuesday-Sunday, Sept. 7-12 at 8691 N. Lilley Road at Joy, Canton, call (734) 453-3710.

Students created the more than 700 works during summer art camps. From pastel lions to circus elephants, the works bear the camps' theme, "Circus! Circus! Under the Big Top!"

Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, noon to 7 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Upcoming events include Shirley Moore's ceramic classes for preschool through adults, and Jim Ripelle's pastel and charcoal classes. D & M offers a variety of art classes at the studio, the Plymouth Cultural Center, and the Summit on the Park Community Center in Canton.

WATERCOLOR CLASSES
The Plymouth Community Arts Council begins watercolor classes Wednesday, Sept. 8 at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth.

Beginning and advanced sessions are available. To register or for more information, call (734) 416-4278.

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH
The Livonia Arts Commission is hosting photography, paintings, jewelry and colored pencil exhibits at three venues in September. For information call the community resources department, (734) 466-2540.

Plymouth sculptor/jeweler Sharon Bida displays her jewelry through Thursday, Sept. 30 in the exhibition cases on the second floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington.

In the Fine Arts Gallery, in the room next to the cases, Bloomfield Township residents Suzanne and Kevin Bauman show mixed media paintings and photography through Wednesday, Sept. 29. An opening reception to meet the Baumans takes place 2:30-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11. The public is invited. Library hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday. Call (248) 723-9220.

NEEDLEWORK LECTURE
The Needlework and Textile Guild of Michigan present a slide/lecture by Florida weaver Donna Rhodes 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14 at First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham.

It is open to the public for a \$5 guest fee. For more information, call (734) 475-5851 or (248) 363-5697.

In addition to teaching, Rhodes produces a hand-dyed line of surface design fibers.

REDFORD ARTIST EXHIBITS
Cheryl Conlin exhibits paintings 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10 and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12 at the 40th annual Grosse Pointe Festival of the Arts at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore Drive. Admission is free. For information, call (313) 882-4626.

Conlin is also exhibiting her paintings, along with leopard, tiger and zebra furniture, through September at the Wyland Galleries, 280 Merrill, Birmingham. Hours are noon to 7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, until 9 p.m. Thursday-Saturday. Call (248) 723-9220.

receiving individual instruction in master classes. Students will present songs and arias, and be coached on their performance.

Piano classes are offered for ages preschool to adult. Preschool Music Adventure is an introduction to rhythm, movement and music for children ages 4-6 who are not yet in first grade. The Piano Academy Elementary Division offers students in grades 1-4 a one-hour group lesson and half-hour private lesson each week. Piano Academy Intermediate focuses on middle through high school students who receive 45-minute private lessons weekly and a monthly master class with Don Morelock. Private and group piano lessons are offered for adults on an individual basis.

For more information or to register, call (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218.

KINDERMUSIK REGISTRATION
Evola Music is now taking registrations for its Kindermusik classes at 7170 N. Haggerty Road, between Joy and Warren, Canton. Kindermusik offers a complete program where children (newborn to age five) and parents learn through music and movement. To register or for more information, call (734) 455-4677.

Classes will also be available in pre-piano (ages 4-6), group piano (ages 6-8 and 9-11) and

group violin (ages 7-14).

CHORUS FUND-RAISER
The Plymouth Community Chorus is raising funds by selling the Entertainment Ultimate Book containing hundreds of two-for-one and 50 percent discounts on dining, travel, shopping, movies, special events, sports, and more.

The cost is \$40. To order books delivered to your home, call Stan at (734) 459-6829, or visit Carlson Wagonlit Travel, 44427 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, (734) 455-5810. Proceeds help fund the chorus's educational and charitable activities.

ART MARKET
The Art Market, sponsored by the Northville Arts Commission, marks its 13th anniversary with a selection of fine art ranging from hand-colored photography, Victorian stained glass, fiber art, metal and clay sculptures, jewelry, and paintings 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19.

Among the exhibiting artists are Kathy Sandberg, and Ken and Linda Barnes, pottery. Jennifer Ripelle, painted wood tiles (newborn to age five) and parents learn through music and movement. To register or for more information, call (734) 455-4677.

Classes will also be available in pre-piano (ages 4-6), group piano (ages 6-8 and 9-11) and

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of Michigan, Ann Arbor, teaches art at the Milan Federal Prison. She and her mother, Jana, frequently exhibit together in shows such as the Wyandotte Art Fair, Art on the Avenue in Dearborn, and the Algonac Fine Arts Fair in which Maturen won first place in 1996. Not to be missed are Maturen's portrait of her sleeping dog, and the clay figures exhibited on the floor of the lobby and on a pedestal inside the gallery.

"I'm grateful for the talent that rubbed off on me growing up," said Maturen.

Hochlowski learned to love painting early on as well since both of her parents were painters. Hochlowski exhibits in a number of juried fairs each year and frequently donates her work to organizations in Plymouth.

Hochlowski's fondness for iridescent shows in the various purple, yellow and pink paintings of the flower. Also not to be missed are her carousel horses.

For a show that came together quickly, "Three Generations" is surprisingly well-thought out and features a variety of mediums and subject matter. Grandmother, daughter and grand-

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"Kids love these because when the strobe light is on it, it reflects off their faces," said Morrison.

Plymouth Fall Festival
Held in conjunction with the 44th Plymouth Festival of the Artists and Craftsmen Show is only one of dozens of activities taking place during the annual festival produced by 30 community-based nonprofit organizations.

At the festival you can enjoy a classic car and motorcycle show, the chili cookoff for the Michigan State Championship title, rides, and music by community and country groups 5-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11 and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12. For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-1540.

The festival also features a 2-3 p.m. Sunday performance by The Chappels, a gospel group led by Plymouth Police Chief Robert Scoggins.

"There will be dancing in the street with the Couriers and the Del Kaufman Big Band Express on Friday," said Curtis Lamar, festival chairman. "It's the same family fun and entertainment that everyone's come to expect. It's a great time to get together and have a good time. We have the best food of any of the Michigan festivals with the chicken barbecue and pancake breakfast."

Village Potters Guild
If you're still in the mood for more art, the Village Potters Guild offer functional bowls, mugs, plates, and decorative pottery such as vases and raku in booths in front of the Plymouth Historical Museum, across the street from Central Middle School, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12. Demonstrations run noon to 4 p.m. both days.

"We'll have people throwing chunks of clay weighing as much as 25 pounds," said Margaret Nowak, a Livonia ceramist who's coordinating the Guild exhibit. "The demonstrations really draw a crowd. We'll be letting people know we're here and about our classes."

Nowak, a recent graduate of the art therapy program at Wayne State University, will bring garden art bearing the images of European and Greek goddesses. Nowak teaches a class, "Self Exploration Using Art," at Schoolcraft College and Washtenaw Community College.

Potters Guild member Kathy Sandberg of Plymouth will have wall pockets, mirrors, vases, candle holders, and chip and dip sets for sale.

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artwork from artists throughout the U.S., including about a dozen local artists.

In the last 10 years, "Art & Apples" has been consistently listed among the top 30 fine art festivals in the country.

Noting the distinction between "arts and crafts" and "fine art" isn't merely a game of semantics. "We show contemporary art," said Mattson. "Generally, the art makes people think, and challenges them. The focus is high-quality art."

Visitors won't find Holiday gift items. Nor trendy crafts.

"We want to be known as a fine arts and fine crafts festival," said Mattson.

But clearly, the display of artwork has more of the feel of what might be found in a marketplace rather than a gallery or museum. Apparently, Mattson's emphasis on "high-quality art" is a way for "Art & Apples" to distinguish itself among the proliferation of art and crafts shows popping up in neighborhood parks and other public spaces.

Enterprising impact
The festival, which was initially established to promote the local apple-orchard economy of Rochester, has turned into a large-scale logistical jigsaw puzzle.

"The day of the festival, we shoot from the hip," said Mattson, who will lead a patrol of volunteers roaming the park grounds, outfitted with first-aid kits and walkie-talkies.

This year, there will be a suggested \$5 donation at the entrance, rather than a required admission. While some Rochester residents were upset about having to pay to enter the public park, the admission revenue helped to offset the \$35,000 fee for city services.

To raise additional revenue to its biggest fund-raising event, Paint Creek has increased the number of sponsors for "Art & Apples." This year, 21 sponsors have paid \$1,500 to \$30,000 to have their name associated with the festival.

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symphonic and emotional," said McConahay. "The score is so rich and gorgeous. You can feel the speed of the ship in the stoker number. It's amazingly soulful."

Unlike the movie, the theater version requires some work on behalf of the audience.

"You show up, engage in the story, and do your part," said McConahay. "Things are very real, riveting. It's a really great time."

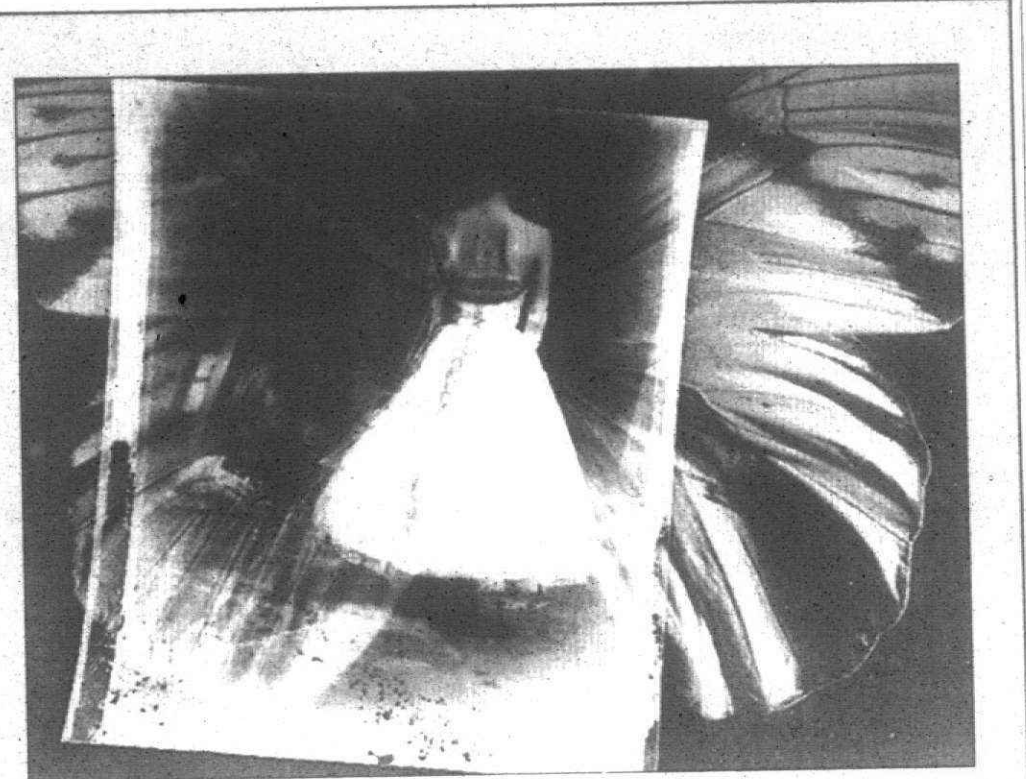
There 43 cast members in "Titanic," 18 women, including McConahay, and 25 men. Many of the ladies evening gowns are copies of gowns worn by first class passengers on the Titanic. The life vests are copies of life vests found in the wreckage of the Titanic. Buttons on crew uniforms were recreated to match those used on White Star uniforms of that time.

"Titanic: A New Musical," winner of five 1997 Tony Awards, including best musical, is based on a story and book by Peter Stone, music and lyrics by Maury Yeston.

The musical opened on Broadway on April 23, 1997 at the Lunt-Fontanne Theatre. If you would like to explore "Titanic: A New Musical" online, visit www.dodger.com/titanic

Noteworthy Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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Beyond the frame: Todd Murphy's new paintings are on exhibit Sept. 10-Oct. 5 at Robert Kidd Gallery, 107 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 642-3909.

information call Denise Bush at (248) 278-2397 or Ron at (248) 473-1538.

TINDERBOX AUDITIONS
All ages audition for productions, including Annie, The Little Princess, The Little Prince, 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit. (313) 535-8962.

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

UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY
Caribbean salsa, ethnic food and crafts, Sat. and Sun., Sept. 11-12 in Detroit's Clark Park. Founded by Casa de Unidad, the festival celebrates Mexican Independence Day and Grito de Dolores, a landmark day for Puerto Rico.

NAVEL ACADEMY
Introduction to Belly Dance for all ages and skill level. Classes meet weekly. 32832 Merritt Drive, Westland. (734) 422-1246.

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

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Open registration now for fall classes which run Sept. 20 through Nov. 13. Classes held at PCCA, 407 Pine Street, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

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

CLASSES
ART MUSEUM PROJECT
The University of Michigan-Dearborn is offering public, non-credit studio art classes and workshops beginning Sept. 18. For a free brochure with fees, scheduling information, course descriptions, and registration information, call (313) 593-5058.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
Summer classes in drawing, painting, pottery, and many other media at the center, 47 Williams St., Pontiac. Adult and children's classes available. (248) 333-7849.

DETROIT BALLET
Classes in child and adult classical, ballet, tap, and jazz. Adult beginners welcome. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine Mile Road. (248) 474-3174.

DETROIT WINDSOR DANCE ACADEMY
Fall registration through Sept. 10, classes begin Sat. Sept. 11 at the new home of the DWDA at New Center One, 2nd Floor, 3031 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit. (313) 963-0050.

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE
All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older. Road, between Crooks and Livonias roads, Rochester Hills. (248) 852-5850.

FAR CONSERVATORY
Registration for Fall term begins Friday, Sept. 10 for the therapeutic and performing arts programs. 1669 West Maple, Birmingham. (248) 646-3347.

GEIGER CLASSIC BALLET
Newly refurbished dance studio.

GODSPELL
Tinderbox Productions presents Godspell. Sept. 10-11, 17-18 at 8 p.m. and Sept. 12 at 2 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Cathedral Theatre in Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit. (313) 535-8962.

CHUCK MANGIONE
Fughehorn master Mangione and Alexander Zonjic headline St. Mary's College's "Jazz on the Lake." The program begins at 2 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 12, with the concert beginning at 4 p.m. St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, for tickets, call (248) 683-1750.

SONGS OF THE CIVIL WAR
The Community Concert Association of Troy presents Robert Trentman, 8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 11 at Athens High School, John R. at Wattleys, Troy. For information call (810) 979-8406.

DANCE
EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE
Outdoor performance in Rochester Municipal Park at the Art & Apples Festival, 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 11.

DRAMA
OAKLAND UNIVERSITY
"Vodka Platonic" and "Bad Ju Ju & Badacious Tat-tas," original one-act plays by OU graduates Steve Price and Matt Sigard run 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Sept. 10-11 and 2 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 12. Oakland University's Varner Studio Theatre, Rochester. (248) 370-2030.

EVENTS
BEVERLY SILLS
The Greater Detroit Chapter of Hadassah presents the famed soprano 11 a.m. Tues. Sept. 14 at Temple Israel, West Bloomfield. (248) 683-5030.

GUY FAWKES BALL
The Cranbrook Academy of Art Women's Committee presents its 23rd annual Guy Fawkes Ball Saturday, Nov. 6, Cranbrook Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

PEWAB POTTERY
Opens Sept. 9, "Body Parts," and "Incubation 2" through Oct. 5. Opening reception 6-8 p.m. Thurs. Sept. 9, 10126 East Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954.

SOUTHEAST CENTRE FOR THE ARTS
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CONCERTS
DODD WORTH SAXHORN BAND
Recreation of a mid 19th century American brass band, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10 at the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth. (734) 453-5280.

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Spirit of Kensington: Canton photographer Ted Nelson celebrates wildlife and the landscape of Kensington Metropark in his recently published book "The Nature of Kensington." More than 100 color images capture the spirit of the 4,300 acres where this fauna was born. The book is available at Little Professor Book Centers, Borders in Farmington Hills and Novi, Barnes and Noble in Northville, or from Nelson for \$32. Call him at (734) 394-1261 or send e-mail to nelsonted@aol.com

Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3329.

FOR KIDS
JINGLE BEL, INC.
Drama, singing, and movement workshops for children ages 3-15. Sessions start Tuesday, Sept. 7. For a list of courses or more information, call (248) 375-9027. Register through the Rochester Avon Recreation Authority at (248) 656-8308.

KINDERMUSIK
Story Time with Miss Karen. 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7 at Plymouth Coffee Bean, 884 Pennington, Plymouth. (734) 454-0178.

MUSEUMS
CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
Nature Place open for daily activities, also "Scream Machines: The Science of Roller Coasters," exhibit through Monday, Sept. 6, 1221 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. 1:877-GO-CRANBROOK.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
"Common Man, Mythic Vision: The Paintings of Ben Shahn" through Oct. 31. "Where the Girls Are: Prints by Women from the DIA's Collection" through Sept. 26. Ancient Gold: The Wealth of the Thracians. Treasures from the Republic of Bulgaria through Aug. 29. 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART
Through Sept. 12 - Touchstone: 200 years of artists' lithographs. Through Sept. 26 - "Paris Circa 1900." 525 S. State, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-0395.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)
BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER
Opens Sept. 11 - Iwahashi Takashi: The Rockies, a photography exhibition through Sept. 30. Opens Sept. 10 - The Birmingham Society of Women Painters fall exhibit, through Sept. 30, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

CENTER GALLERIES
Opens Sept. 10 - Dysfunctional Sculpture featuring artists from New York, Los Angeles and Detroit through Oct. 9. 301 Frederick Douglass, Detroit. (313) 664-7800.

CREATIVE RESOURCE
Opens Sept. 8 - Art of Paper, collecting original prints through Oct. 11. Artists' reception: 6:30-8:30 p.m., Fri. Sept. 17, 162 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-3688.

ELEEN KAYROD GALLERY
Opens Sept. 10 - "Mixed Review" featuring works of mature artists through Oct. 29. Hannan House, 4750 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-1300.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY
Opens Sept. 10 - An exhibition by Todd Murphy, Glen Michaels and Beverly Mayerson through Oct. 5. Artists' reception: 6-8 p.m., Fri. Sept. 10, 107 Townsend Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

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DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Through Oct. 1 - "Skin Deep," an all media juried exhibition, 212 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8224.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY
Through Sept. 11 - Exhibit of new prints by artist Judy Pfaff, 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-8250.

LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY
Through Sept. 25 - Altered Realities by B. Ragley, 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6716.

LIVONIA ARTS
Through Sept. 30 - Artist Sharon Bida features original jewelry creations; photography by Kevin Bauman and mixed media paintings by Suzanne Bauman. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia. (734) 466-2490.

COLORED PENCIL SOCIETY OF AMERICA
Exhibits. Livonia City Hall lobby, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia. (734) 466-2540.

NETWORK
Through Oct. 8 - Decades: John Glick, Carol Green, Kathryn Shartbaum, Martina Thies, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-3911.

OAKLAND GALLERY
Through Oct. 7 - Super Kids Arts & Learning Exhibit, 1200 North Telegraph Road, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

PARK WEST GALLERY
Through Sept. 23 - Works by Joan Miro, 29469 Northwood, Southfield. (248) 354-2343.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Through Sept. 17 - Celebrate Michigan Artists, 407 Pine Street, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

PLYMOUTH ART COUNCIL
Through Sept. 24 - Three generations of women present their works at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon Rd., Plymouth. (734) 416-4278.

ROYAL OAK LIBRARY
Through Sept. 30 - Robert Tucker's "Collage Correlations in Mind." Royal Oak Public Library, Eleven Mile and Troy, Royal Oak-Scarab Club. (313) 831-1250.

SWANN GALLERY
Through Sept. 11 - Michael Kula: Paces of Schizophrenia, 1250 Library Street, Detroit. (313) 965-4826.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY
Through Sept. 25 - Jean Lau: What have you done for me lately? Works in painting, prints, and pastel. 215 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-2287.

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
Through Dec. 31 - Talking Shoos: Detroit's Soulful Sings, photographs by David Clements. Opening 5-9 p.m., Fri. Sept. 10. Walter P. Reuther Library, Woodcock Gallery, Cass Ave. at Kirby, Detroit. (313) 577-2662.

VOLUNTEERS
ANIMATION NETWORK CLUB
Looking for artists such as animators or comedians who would like to be featured on cable. For more information contact Jane Dabish, president, P.O. Box 251651, West Bloomfield, Mich. 48325-1651. (248) 626-2285.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Gallery Service volunteers to greet and assist visitors in museum galleries. Training sessions at the DIA, 1303 3rd St., Detroit. Sept. 11 in the Holes, Room 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-0247.

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND
Seeks volunteers to help with non-performing activities. Contact: MCB, Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Detroit. (313) 449-0376 or <http://www.mcb.org>

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)
A.C.T. GALLERY
Through Sept. 11 - "Magnificent Obsessions," curated by local artist Sherry Moore, 35 East Grand River Street, (313) 961-4340.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Through Oct. 2 - "See West," an exhibit of artists from Western Michigan. Opening reception: 6-8 p.m. Sept. 10, 117 W. Liberty. (734) 996-8004.

CARY GALLERY
Through Sept. 11 - Exhibit of works by the late Erma Butterworth, one of Michigan's top watercolorists, 226 Walnut Blvd.,

The World just got a Little Smaller. But the Internet is still GROWING.

Everyone you know is on-line, every business has a website, every child an e-mail address.

You're bombarded by slick advertisements about everything from going-global to using some cute little dog to find stuff on the Internet.

The boss keeps telling you how much you can save in broker fees by trading on-line, and your bartender agrees.

But you could care less whether you use Yahoo!, Fetch, Ask Jeeves or Excite as long it finds that website your golfing buddy was talking about.

On the other hand, the trend-watchers care a great deal about who's trading on-line, what kind of person uses Fetch vs. Ask Jeeves and how many e-mails you send/receive in a given day.

Paul T. Cook, CFA Senior Portfolio Manager, Munder Capital Management, for the Munder NetFund appears as an Internet technology analyst regularly on CNBC's Market Watch, CNN and CNNFN.

Cook holds a BA in Materials Logistics and an MBA in finance from Michigan State University, and is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

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- E-commerce and its effect on the value chain.
- The implication of the Internet for old economy industry sectors.

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Obtain a full appraisal of your diamond

Dear Jewelry Lady:
I'm a September baby, so my birthstone is sapphire. I've heard the term "fancy sapphire." Does that refer to cut or mounting?
Sapphire Blues

Dear Blues:
The Jewelry Lady understands your confusion. The term "fancy" generally refers to how we look when we get really decked out.

But when gemologists refer to "fancy sapphires," they mean sapphires of any color other than blue or red.

Sapphire is of the mineral group corundum. Blue corundum is simply called sapphire. Red corundum is called ruby.

Sapphires of any other color are considered "fancy sapphires." The color range is quite broad and includes pink, orange, gold, purple, yellow, green and white.

Dear Jewelry Lady:
I thought huggie-style earrings were supposed to be comfortable. But, when I tried on a pair, they pinched and hurt more than any other earring I've ever tried on.
Pinched Lobes

Dear Pinched:
Huggie earrings come in attractive hoops of all styles, shapes and sizes. They wrap around the lobe and are secured to the ear with a curved wire that latches on to the back side of the earring.

When they fit properly, they are extremely comfortable. When they are too small for your lobe, they can, in fact, pinch. Actually, the Jewelry Lady has encountered a huggie-earring with a wire so thick it was impossible to wear. (Not to worry, there was an attractive alternative huggie that fit!) So take heart and keep shopping. There is a huggie out there that will look — and feel — great on your ears!

Dear Jewelry Lady:
I have a beautiful diamond ring that was appraised at \$12,000. It has two large diamonds of .90 carat and .80 carat in weight respectively. The ring also has baguettes and 22 small diamonds. Do you know of any jeweler who would be interested in buying my ring at a very good price?
Too Many Diamonds in Farmington

Dear Too Many Diamonds:
If the price is good enough, there are a number of jewelers who would be interested. However, from what you have described, the Jewelry Lady strongly suggests you get a more complete appraisal from a qualified gemologist.

A good appraisal will include much more information about each large diamond including: color, clarity grade; an evaluation of how well it was cut relative to ideal proportion; and a diagram of its natural inclusions.

It also would be a good idea to get an independent appraisal from a jeweler who has no intention of buying your ring. Ask for both replacement and immediate market values. After that, visit several jewelers who carry estate pieces to determine who might pay the most.

Dear Jewelry Lady:
Why are gemologists so hung up on flaws when they're only visible with magnification? If I can't see it, it doesn't bother me.
Fearless of Flaws

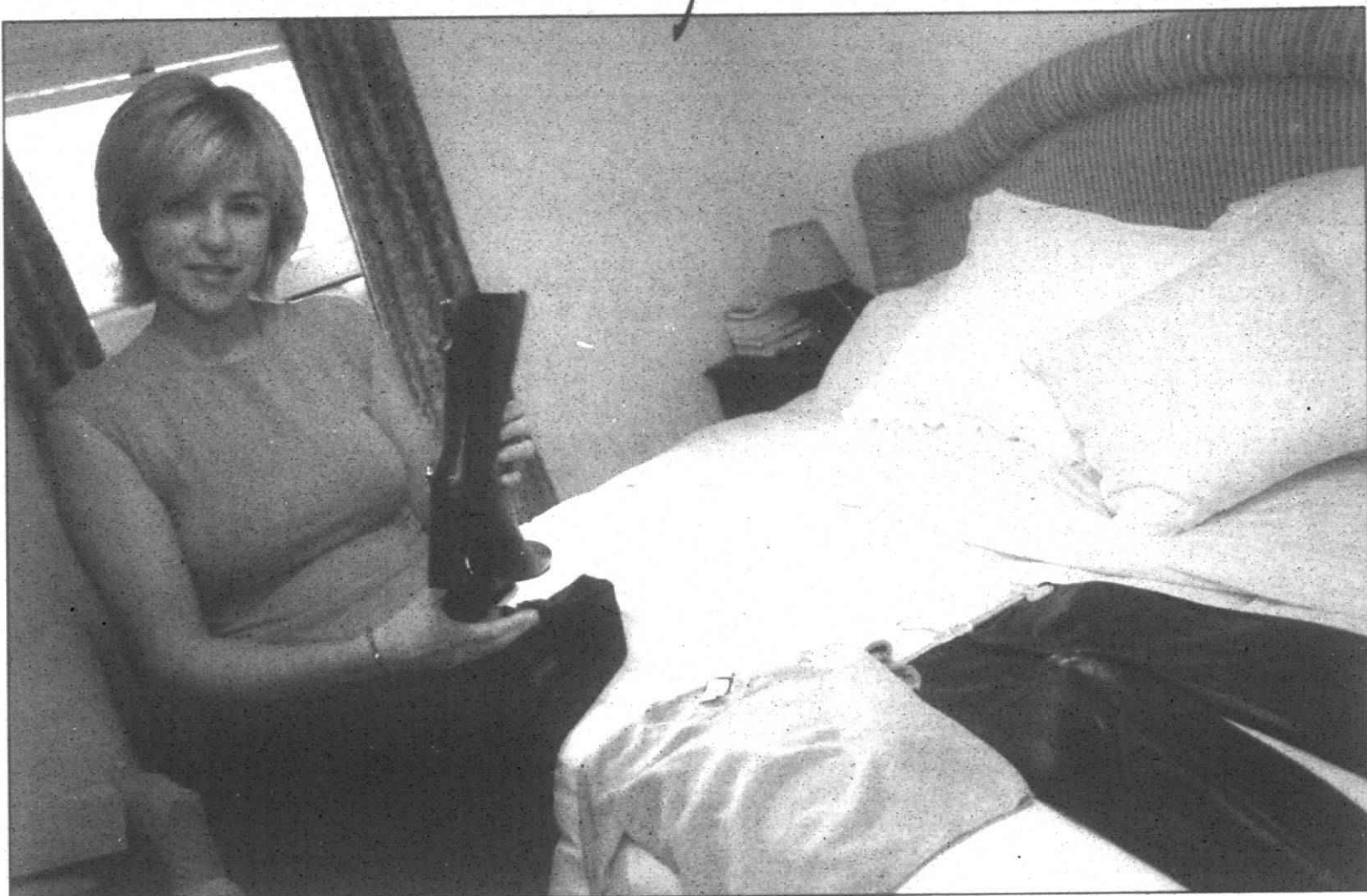
Dear Fearless:
You are absolutely right. Gemologists spend a lot of time identifying and plotting flaws — what they call inclusions — on charts. Many of these flaws are entirely invisible to the naked eye. So, what's the hang-up?

Whether you can see them or not, these inclusions affect the value of a stone. Flawless stones are generally more rare, and therefore, more valuable than those with imperfections.

Also, gems with inclusions that aren't apparent are more valuable than those with obvious imperfections. However, there is one exception. Amber, which is fossilized tree resin, is most valuable when it contains a fully-formed fossilized insect. It's rare. Figure it's valuable.

Send questions and topics of interest to the Jewelry Lady by e-mail, rogers@oe.com, fax (248) 582-9223, or mail c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

In their own style



Taking stock: Caroline Gilchrist of Birmingham is thrilled about her fall wardrobe purchases, hip boots, sweaters and more.

Simple, casual clothes are chic, too

By NICOLE STAFFORD
SPECIAL EDITOR

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Jeans are not an option for Caroline Gilchrist, a French-Canadian born and raised in Montreal who considers herself a casual, simple dresser.

The French simply don't wear blue jeans, says the Birmingham resident and wife of Detroit Red Wings player Brent Gilchrist.

But what about those oversized red and white team jerseys worn faithfully by avid Red Wings fans?

"Did you see one in my closet?" asks the mother of two boys, shaking her head.

"I leave the Red Wings stuff to the men in the family."

Though Gilchrist considers herself a casual dresser, her interpretation of less-than-dressy is chic and sophisticated. In other words, dressing casually doesn't exclude being in style and having polish.

"It's a pretty casual wardrobe, but I always like a little twist, a little edge," says Gilchrist, clipping through her words with a bouncy French accent.

By "twist" or "edge,"

Gilchrist means interesting and unusual details, like ruffled bottom hems on khaki pants or a unique neckline on a plain black sweater.

To update her fall wardrobe, for example, Gilchrist purchased a solid black turtleneck with a flowing, versatile cowl-neck.

"This is going to be great," she says, laying the turtleneck flat on her bed to look it over.

Dressed in cropped black pants, a fitted, sleeveless gray shirt, strappy black sandals and minimal jewelry, Gilchrist dashes back to the small walk-in closet she shares with her husband to grab other favorite clothing and her new purchases for fall.

"I have to share," she says, feigning a pout.

But the thought quickly loses its steam, and Gilchrist's eyes light up again. "Do you want to see my favorite skirt?"

Gilchrist rejects the notion that she exudes style. "People say I do. They say I am this 'French girl,' she says. 'I've never really thought about this style stuff. ... I just like clothes.'"

And, she does.

Gilchrist emerges from her closet with a simple, three-quarter length, black skirt. "I'll just wear it with a little sweater and a pair of heels," she says.

Likewise, her favorite pair of pants are simple in design and basic black.

Other items she relishes taking out of her closet to admire are a new pair of brown leather boots by Costume National, all types of shoes (her shopping weakness), an embroidered black purse and a pair of shiny black trousers she calls her "rock 'n' roll pants."

Having a pair of black pants that fit well is essential to any wardrobe because they can be worn day after day with different pieces for variety, says Gilchrist.

Other essentials for Gilchrist's fall wardrobe include cashmere sweaters in solid, mostly neutral, colors and stylish, high-heeled, leather boots in brown and black.

Arguably, Gilchrist's emphasis on basic clothing items underlies her entire style formula: buy mostly basic pants and skirts, use shoes, handbags and unique tops to express your own personal style and abide the season's trends.

'People say I do (have style). They say I am this French girl. ... I've never really thought about this style stuff. ... I just like clothes.'

Caroline Gilchrist
—of Birmingham

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Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday. THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

FALL TRUNK SHOW
The Apple Tree Room, 32749 Franklin Road in Franklin, hosts a trunk show of Brighton leather handbags and accessories and Marya Lyce Ferree fleeces jackets and coats, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. For information, call (248) 851-9862.

WARDROBE SEMINAR
Update your wardrobe at a seminar featuring Jones New York's fall collection at Hudson's, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., The Man's Store, first floor. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

DAHLIA SHOW
Meadowbrook Village Mall in Rochester Hills holds its Annual Dahlia Show, a judged display of more than 1,000 blooms presented by the Southeastern Michigan Dahlia Society through Sept. 12, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. on Saturday and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday, throughout the mall.

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CHILI & SALSA COOKOFF
Join the fun at the Michigan State Chili Championship and Salsa Competition during Plymouth's Fall Festival in downtown Plymouth. The winner advances to the World Championship Chili Cookoff in Nevada. To enter the contest or obtain event information, call (734) 455-8838.

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Friends of Belle Isle present RIVERSCOPE 2000, an annual luncheon fashion show to benefit the Belle Isle Nature Center. Donation fee is \$30. For information and tickets, call (313) 331-7760 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Show begins at 2:30 p.m., Belle Isle Casino. SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

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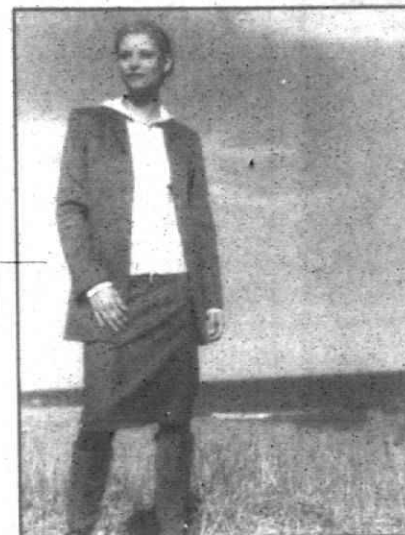
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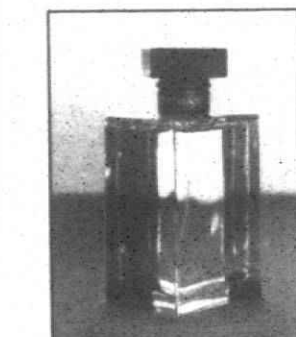
Versace flair: If you can't afford the clothing, give Versace's relatively new soft wear lip-stick a try, \$20 at Neiman Marcus.



The new suit: A hooded cardigan, \$350, puts a spin on classic fall pieces, a cashmere jacket, \$495, and slim flannel skirt, \$235. All by The Worth Collection. To meet with a company representative, call (203) 966-8203.



Jester's touch: Troy fiber artist Debra Olbrantz's silk and rayon jester pillow is rich in color, cranberry and gold, and big on fun, about \$75 at Bellissimo in downtown Rochester.



Modern man: Romance, Ralph Lauren's new fragrance for men became available Sept. 1. The scent bears notes of crisp herbs, musk and exotic spices, \$40 for 1.7 ounces at Hudson's.

Style from page C6

Interestingly, Gilchrist doesn't buy or wear much jewelry. Diamond stud earrings, a watch and her wedding ring work well for her, she says.

Gilchrist's style formula also informs her shopping habits.

Early in the fashion season — but not obsessively early — she visits a handful of favorite local stores, Tender and Lori Karbal in downtown Birmingham, and Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue at the Somerset Collection in Troy.

She also makes a point of shopping in Toronto and Montreal. Clothing in those cities has a European look and, given the exchange rate, can be purchased at almost half the price, she says.

Favorite designers include Jill Sander, Alberta Ferretti, Miu Miu, Ann Demeulemeester, TeenFlo and Joseph.

Early in the fashion season, Gilchrist typically purchases a few staples — a pair of boots, a cashmere sweater, a pair of pants — and all of the unique clothing pieces she wants for the year. More unusual pieces sell out and aren't likely to go on sale, she says.

Throughout the year, especially after Christmas, Gilchrist looks for bargains on wardrobe basics.

"Why should I buy something (basic) for full price when I can get it on sale and it's the same thing every year," she says. "And, it's really fun when you've been eyeing something and then you get it on sale."

Style profile

Personal style: Casual but chic

Essential to have: Black pants that fit well

Shopping weakness: Shoes

Would never wear: Jeans

Favorite stores: Tender, Lori Karbal, Neiman Marcus, Saks Fifth Avenue and stores in Toronto and Montreal

Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it.

WHAT WE FOUND:

— Laundry sock clips or rings can be found at the Legg's, Hanes and Ball stores at the Birch Run and Port Huron outlet malls.

— Down-filled quilts can be remade at Traurigs, 6827 Arlington Drive in West Bloomfield, (248) 668-0662.

FIND & SEARCH NOTES

— If anyone or any organization is interested in obtaining tea bag tags, we have at least one reader, if not two, who would like to give them to you. If you're interested, call us with your telephone number so we get you all together.

— Also, if anyone else is interested in Glemby's shampoo, let us know.

— We were able to find these items for our readers: a window display mannequin and Peach Hyacinth Bath Bubbles.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

— A 1950 St. Teresa High School yearbook for Katherine.

— A life-size stand-up or large poster of Dick Clark and other memorabilia for a high school party for Jeri.

— Estee Lauder's bath oil, "Youth Dew," for Mrs. Feldman.

— The shampoo "Gee Your Hair Smells Terrific" for Judy.

— Jill Sanders cologne for men for Jackie.

— Mason crème in a blue jar for Nancy.

— A diamond nail file for Irene.

— Detroit Western High School yearbooks from 1963 to 1967 for Carlo.

— Breeze in a green bottle for Janet.

— A baby doll that opens and closes her eyes and says "mama" for Virginia.

— Oscar de La Renta "Ruffles" cologne for Lori.

— Revlon Ultima II Face Blush in "Frosted Honey" or another color for Thelma.

— Chaus sportswear for Shirley.

— A barber shop in Oakland County with a horse styling seat for children getting hair cuts and store where brass letters for use in a manual engraving machine are sold for Karen.

— Shaded cloth material to make awnings for recreational vehicles for Rod.

— A 1973 Waterford Mott High School yearbook for Edith.

— A store where Kemp's Smoothie (an ice cream and yogurt product) is sold for Pat.

— A Mrs. Beasley doll for Dawn.

— A store where plastic doorway covers for use during remodeling are sold for Donna, of Westland.

— A Shell pest strip for Bob.

— A replacement glass for a tip-glass coffee carafe (with silver holder) for Linda.

— Hal Lindsey's "A Pathetical Walk Through the Holy Land" for Debbie.

— A City of Rochester Christmas ornament of the Chapman House from 1998.

— "Review" books from 1988 and 1991 and a St. Joan of Arc Elementary School yearbook from 1974 for Tom.

— Birmingham Seaholm High School yearbooks from 1969 and 1971 for Donna.

— A "Julie" comforter, pillow sham and curtain set (with a little girl motif) for Shirene.

— A 1964 Bentley High School woman's class ring for Linda.

— Minit Rub lotion by Proctor Gamble for Phyllis.

— A portable wine stage cabinet with a minimum capacity of 200 bottles for Joe of Livonia.

— Compiled by Sandi Jarachas

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TRAVEL

Take a 'Walkabout Excursion' not too far from home

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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Mary Stevens and Christine White had a lot to talk about on their 50-mile walking tour of the Cornwall coast in England's west country.

So much that they decided to start a business together akin to their English hike up the coast. Hence Walkabout Excursions, a Washtenaw County-based company that provides city and nature walking tours that include dining and cultural experiences throughout the Ann Arbor area.

As social workers, both in private practice, Stevens and White say they have seen a dramatic increase in the "disconnection" their clients have between their professional careers, family life and Mother Nature.

"People are so wrapped up in the demands of work and family that they're missing one of the most basic connections they can have to the outdoors — walking," said White. "You'd be amazed at the number of people who live in Ann Arbor but have no idea how close they are to dozens of natural resources, such as wooded paths, rivers, and parks."

The pair say it then seemed only natural for them to establish Walkabout Excursions. A shared love of hiking, familiarity with the Ann Arbor area and their belief that nature has a way of restoring one's own inner peace made it easy for the two to further the "walkabout" concept by initiating tours throughout the Ann Arbor area.

Guided tours begin this month with a "Gardens, Trails and Town" walk. For \$145 the eight-hour tour begins at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens to explore the trails and conservatory before being transported to Parker Mill — known for its old grist mill and paths through the woods.

The group will wind their way along the Huron River to Gallup Park before heading to the Gandy Dancer, followed by a casual stroll by a number of historical buildings



Tour guides: Mary Stevens (left) and her friend and business partner, Chris White, founded Walkabout Excursions, which offers upscale walking tours throughout the Ann Arbor area. Above, they are pictured on a hike of their own along the Cornwall path in England.

leading to Main Street where participants have the opportunity to shop and browse with a break at the Sweetwater Cafe.

The tour is capped off with a stop at an Ann Arbor brewpub.

The eight-hour themed walkabout is one of the more indulging compared to the simplified two-hour "Outdoor Art Walkabout" that directs participants by buildings and homes that reflect the history and varied architecture of Ann Arbor.

"This city is brimming with galleries, shops, natural features like the Arboretum and fine dining establishments that Walkabout

Excursions will be a natural complement to the Ann Arbor area," said Stevens.

White and Stevens have targeted potential clients within a five-hour radius of Ann Arbor from out-of-towners, wedding parties and participants of business retreats to visitors of local academic institutions (Concordia, Eastern Michigan University, University of Michigan, Washtenaw Community College) and anyone else.

Other themed walks include half, full-day and weekend getaways that consist of stops at the Arboretum, outdoor art settings

(sculptures, statues, reliefs), Gallup Park, University of Michigan's north campus, Main Street and Kerrytown shopping and casual and gourmet eateries.

Customized outings are available on request, White said. She and Stevens are developing corporate retreats, team building outings and spousal programs. The tours offer a variety of walking experiences and durations. Transportation is available along the way if a walker finds it necessary to take a break.

Two people representing Walkabout Excursions will accompany each group in addition to the occa-

Sample excursions

Walking tours for the body and soul feature a variety of upscale hikes through the nature trail systems of the Ann Arbor area as well as the downtown and highlighted stops at historical homes, outdoor art, galleries and unique shops. The following is an example of the fall 1999 schedule:

■ **Historical Buildings Walkabout:** Sept. 12, Oct. 17 or Nov. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon, \$25. Walkabout guides will highlight selected buildings and homes that reflect the rich history and varied architecture of Ann Arbor as we travel the tree-lined streets.

■ **Gardens, Trails and Towns:** Sept. 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., \$145.

■ **Nature and Nightlife:** Sept. 24, 5-10 p.m., \$95. A uniquely Ann Arbor taste-treat — the Fragel — opens this TGIF walkabout. A leisurely guided hike through the Arboretum, a 123-acre treasure nestled in the heart of the city, is followed by a guided outdoor art walk as you make your way to a dinner at one of Ann Arbor's fine restaurants. After dinner browse some of the city's unique shop and galleries. End the walkabout at a bristling brewpub.

■ **Fall Color Getaway Weekend:** Oct. 8-10, \$325 per person (double occupancy). This weekend is highlighted by hikes through the Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Parker Mill park, tastes of Ann Arbor's local cuisine, walks by the Huron River, historical homes and outdoor art. Sunday begins with a sunrise walk and ends with a delicious brunch.

■ **Fall Color Walkabout:** Oct. 20 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$95. Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Park Mill park are the perfect setting to enjoy the fall colors. Walk along the tree-lined Huron river to Gallup Park where you savor a gourmet picnic. After lunch to the University of Michigan's North Campus for a guided tour of outdoor art.

■ **Halloween Singles Walkabout:** Oct. 30, 2-10 p.m., \$145. A crisp autumn hike on the trails of Nichols Arboretum set the stage for this spooky Walkabout Excursion. Walk through a historical cemetery making your way to the Gandy Dancer. After dinner wind your way past historical buildings and go trick or treating at selected Main Street shops and galleries. At the end of the walkabout, relax at a brewpub. Costumes optional.

■ **Holiday Walk and Shop Walkabout:** Dec. 1 or 8, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., \$95. Give yourself the gift of a unique holiday shopping experience where shopping is combined with discovering the sights and sounds of an Ann Arbor dressed for the holiday season. We begin our excursion on Main Street with a beverage and snack before exploring selected stores and galleries. Historical buildings and the Kerrytown shopping district are highlighted on our way to lunch at the Gandy Dancer. Resume holiday shopping along Liberty and State Streets, closing the day with a stop at one of the city's coffee shops.

sional local artist, architect or historian who possess the knowledge to add extra enthusiasm and expertise to the tour.

"It's amazing how close you are to so many natural resources, yet within a short distance to all the energy the downtown has to offer,"

said Stevens. "Ann Arbor really sparkles."

See excursion schedule inside. For more information about Walkabout Excursions call (734) 623-4440 or e-mail walkabout@mediaone.net

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The 1999-2000 Michigan fall/winter calendar of events and travel guide provides 700 events listings, the names and locations of more than 100 cider mills, and a map that reflects peak fall-color periods regionally throughout the state. The free

guide is available by calling (888) 78-GREAT.

The status of fall-color conditions are available at the same number, beginning Sept. 15.

Updated fall-color conditions, provided by AAA Michigan, will be recorded weekly on Wednesday

afternoons until the end of Michigan's fall-color season (traditionally, the end of October).

For assistance with planning fall-color tours and to obtain general Michigan travel information, travelers may call to talk to travel advisers, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 11

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users may visit Travel Michigan's Web site at www.michigan.org

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Lightning strike

The Plymouth Lightning '87 girls U-13 select soccer team took second place in their division at the Dearborn Soccer Tournament Aug. 28-29.

Plymouth defeated Saline 5-0, lost to Livonia Meteors 5-0 and beat Brighton 3-1 to face the Meteors again in the finals. Plymouth lost 2-0 in the finals.

Members of the Lightning are: Jen David, Jennifer King, Clare Selden, Jeniece Waite, Katie Welch and Pam Wisniewski of Plymouth; Gina Buiocchi, Erin Dreps, Jessica Hessel, Kristen Holden, Amy Lajoie, Staci Maltby, Sarah McCormick, Stephanie Price, Rebekah Sauers of Canton; Becca McNeilance of Novi; and Jane Kruszewski of Northville.

Invitational champs

The Canton Cougars premier soccer team was crowned as champions of the under-12 boys division at the eighth annual Dearborn Invitational Soccer Tournament Aug. 27-29. The Cougars had a perfect 5-0 record in the tournament.

After winning their division, they beat a tough Midland Raptors team 2-1 in the semifinals. In the finals they defeated the Lakes Area Warriors of West Bloomfield 4-1.

Team members are Victor Ammons, Robert Antich, Sean Cavanaugh, Andrew Ciantar, Alex Duca, Blake Foster, Joe Halewicz, Chris Lidster, Jon Pomorski, Curtis Rose, Drew Ross, Dan Russell, Justin Sheridan, Nick Siekirk, and Brad Zonca. The team is coached by Rick Pomorski and trained by George Demergis.

Booster meeting

The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will have their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Room 165 of Plymouth-Canton HS. Fund-raising goals for the upcoming year, as well as plans for Homecoming and for the current season will be discussed.

All parents of Canton football players are encouraged to attend. Future meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month in Room 165 of Canton HS.

For more information, call Dan Murphy at (734) 416-8117.

PCJBA registration

Boys and girls in third-through-eighth grades going to school in the Plymouth-Canton school district, or living in Canton Township, can register to play basketball in the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association the next two Thursdays.

Registration will take place from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 9 and Sept. 16 at the East Middle School gymnasium. The league season lasts about 10 games plus the tournament. Players can keep their team jerseys. All players will play part of every game and not all of any game. Tryouts will be conducted before teams are organized to equalize rosters.

Note: High school students interested in a referee's job should register the same days. Any parents interested in coaching should register the same days.

Punt, pass, kick

The annual Punt, Pass and Kick football contest will get underway at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18 at Griffin Park. The top finisher in each division advances to the next level of competition, and the top two finishers in each division receive awards.

Competition will be for both boys and girls, in the following age groups: 8-9 years old, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15. There is no fee to compete and no residency requirements; however, a copy of the competitor's birth certificate is required.

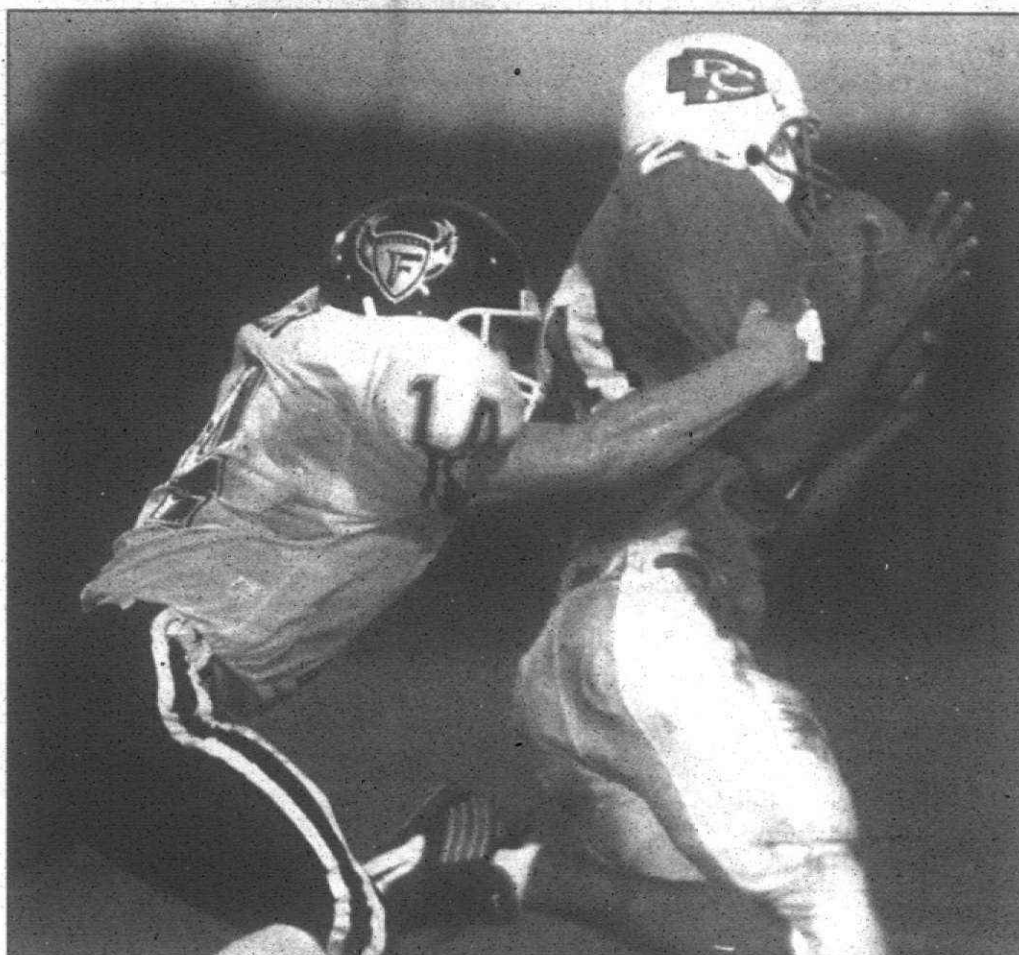
Registration will begin at 12:15 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17 at Griffin Park (Sheldon Road side). For further information, call (734) 397-5110.

Correction

In the Grid Picks column that appeared in all Observer editions last Thursday, it was incorrectly reported that Livonia Churchill's Rob Wilson scored both touchdowns in the Chargers win over Redford Union.

Wilson, who is a junior, scored one of Churchill's touchdowns; senior Brandon Garlacz scored the other, on a 22-yard diving grab of a John Bennett pass.

Out of sync



STAFF PHOTO BY SHARON LEMIEUX

Falcons cruise past Chiefs, 27-0

BY ED WRIGHT
SPECIAL WRITER

Farmington High's innovative "no-huddle" offense may attract the spotlight, but it was the Falcons' old-fashioned "no-yardage" defense that made the most noise Friday night against Canton.

Anchored by interior linemen Ebiware Jenkins and Kyle Domagalski, and linebackers Brian Brinsden and Ben Lukas, Farmington's defense stymied the Chiefs' power running attack and led the Falcons to a 27-0 victory.

Farmington improved to 1-1 with the win, while the Chiefs dropped to 1-1.

Farmington Coach John Bechtel was understandably pleased with his team's performance, but he added there is room for improvement — a sobering thought for the rest of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

"This was an important game for us," Bechtel explained, "but they're all important until we get six wins and qualify for the playoffs. I was proud of the kids tonight, but we can play better. We're going to have to play better."

"We beat a very good team tonight. I'm expecting a lot out of our defense this year, and tonight they lived up to

those expectations."

Second-year Canton Coach Tim Baechler didn't mince words when asked to evaluate his team's effort.

"This was without question the worst game we've played in the two years I've been here," Baechler sighed. "We had too many dropped passes (four) and we made too many mistakes at key times in the game."

"We did all right defending their no-huddle offense — that wasn't the problem. We only have three kids that go both ways, so it wasn't a conditioning thing."

Following a defense-dominated first quarter, Farmington senior quarterback Grant Weber capped a nine-play, 52-yard drive on the Falcons' first second-quarter possession with a 1-yard quarterback sneak. Steve Wayne's extra point made it 7-0. Weber, who finished the game with 71 yards rushing and 83 yards through the air, was 3-for-3 passing during the drive.

"Grant played his tail off tonight," Bechtel said. "We didn't get him out on the perimeter as much as we would have liked, but considering it was only

the second game he's played at quarterback, I thought he played extremely well."

The Falcons' defense made sure the momentum stayed on their side of the field by holding the Chiefs to three non-productive runs and a punt on their next series.

Taking over at their own 29-yard line, the Falcons engineered an impressive nine-play, 71-yard scoring drive. Senior Mike Addison punctuated the drive when he took a pitch from Weber at the Chiefs' 12-yard line, cut back towards the middle of the field and eluded two Chiefs at the goal line to score the Falcons' second touchdown. Wayne's second PAT increased the lead to 14-0.

The drive was kept alive by a fourth-down offside penalty against the Chiefs.

With two seconds left in the first half, Weber reached paydirt for the second time when he snuck it over from the 1. A botched snap on the extra point left the score at 20-0.

Farmington didn't waste any time proving that its first-half performance was no fluke. The Falcons took the second-half kickoff and efficiently

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FOOTBALL

Canton can't keep pace with Marian

No coach, or player, appreciates losing. But there are those losses that are acceptable, if they come against a good opponent and your own team put up a good fight.

On Thursday, Plymouth Canton's girls basketball team visited a very good opponent, playing a non-league game at Birmingham Marian — the defending Class A state champion and a state finalist the last three years.

The Chiefs lost, 60-48. But while the Mustangs

GIRLS BASKETBALL

more than filled the description as a good opponent, Canton's effort left coach Bob Blohm calling this anything but an acceptable performance.

"I really thought we could have competed a lot better," said Blohm, his team now 1-1. "Our rebounding, ballhandling and defense were all lacking. We gave

up way too many easy shots to that team."

From the opening quarter on, the Chiefs trailed Marian — although never by much. The Mustangs opened up a 13-9 lead at the end of one quarter and expanded that to 26-20 at the half.

Canton came back with a 20-point third quarter, but that hardly pleased Blohm, since his defense-first team surrendered 20 points as well.

"That's just way too many," he said. "We just had a

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Salem remains in title hunt

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It's over.

The style of play that epitomized Plymouth Salem girls basketball the past few years — getting the ball down low into the post to an assortment of players, all over 6-foot tall — is now a memory. At least according to Rocks' coach Fred Thomann.

"With our size deficiency, we're going to try and use our basketball skills more to our advantage," Thomann said.

One would think Salem will use a five-guard lineup during large parts of the season. Well, don't believe it.

The Rocks will be undersized only in comparison to their teams of the past. Of the 10 players on Thomann's current roster, six are 5-9 or taller.

HOOP PREVIEW

That hardly sounds like a "size deficiency."

Salem posted an 18-5 record last season, tying Farmington Harrison for the Western Lakes Activities Association title. The Rocks, with second-leading scorer Andrea Pruett battling the flu, were beaten by West Bloomfield in the state regional.

With the graduation of Pruett and Christine Philips, Thomann lost his two 6-footers. But he has an impressive array of talent returning, starting with 5-9 senior forward/guard Tiffany Grubaugh.

One of the WLAA's premier players, Grubaugh led Salem in scoring with a 15 points-per-game average. She also

grabbed six rebounds and dished out 3.5 assists a game.

"She has great court presence," Thomann said. But is her game even better this year? "I think so," the Salem coach answered. "She's very confident right now."

With Pruett and Philips gone, one might think the bulk of the scoring responsibilities would fall to Grubaugh. Again, don't believe it.

One player who should help fill the gap is Bree Pastalaniec, a 5-10 forward who was sidelined last year after suffering a knee injury during pre-season workouts. Pastalaniec underwent surgery and went through nine months of rehabilitation before receiving the go-ahead to play in June.

"She's an outstanding defender," said

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FOOTBALL

No offense: Rocks stall, then fall

The Rocks scored first. And that was it.

On Friday at Walled Lake Western, Plymouth Salem's offense stalled by the middle of the first quarter and could never get restarted as the Warriors pulled out a 17-3 triumph in a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover football game.

The loss left Salem at 0-2. Western, one of the favorites to win the WLAA, is 2-0.

The win didn't come easily for the Warriors. Salem used a 49-yard return of the opening kickoff by Andy Kocoloski to start its first possession in Western territory, at the 42-yard line. Quarterback Matt Fair scampered 21 yards on the first play to the Western 21, and Salem pushed it inside the 10 before the drive stalled.

Fair then booted a 20-yard field goal and with 10 minutes left in the first quarter, Salem was ahead 3-0.

On the Rocks' next possession, Fair and Jason Furr hooked up on a 60-yard pass play to the Western 30-yard line. That was the high point in the game for Salem.

Two running plays pushed the Rocks back to midfield and forced them to punt, and after that the offense never threatened.

Western tied it at 3-3 on a 30-yard field goal by Alan Muktar with 11 seconds left in the half. It stayed that way until the fourth quarter; the Warriors finally broke it open when Cody Cargill raced 60 yards for a touchdown with 10 minutes left to play, giving them a 9-3 lead.

The clincher came with 1:33 left. Western quarterback Chris Payton went 11 yards into the end zone for the TD; Payton then tossed a two-point conversion pass to Steve Bell to make it 17-3.

Salem, which had negative yardage on 10 of 15 first-half running plays, was limited to 22 yards on the ground on 18 attempts. Kocoloski gained 24 on eight carries. Fair completed 3-of-10 passes for 92 yards, with one interception.

Western's Cargill gained 187 yards on 20 attempts, and Payton had another 60 on 10 tries. Payton also completed 3-of-6 passes for nine yards.

Defensively, Salem's Dan Jones stopped one Warrior drive by recovering a Payton fumble at the Salem 15.



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Top scorer: Tiffany Grubaugh (23) led Salem in scoring in '98.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY PREVIEW

With their top runners back, Rocks should be team to beat

Chiefs have the proper stuff to make a run at WLAA title

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In 1998, Plymouth Salem's girls cross country team finished second in the Western Lakes Activities Association. That was good news.

Now it's time for even better news. Because seven of the Rocks top nine runners are back and primed for the start of the season.

"We're real excited for this year," said Salem coach Dave Gerlach. "We've got terrific senior leadership. They worked their butts off this summer and came into camp in great shape. I told them I can mold this team if I have the time, and by coming into camp in such good shape we started ahead of schedule."

Still, malleability is no substitute for talent. The ideal formula is to have both at your disposal, Gerlach will.

Six Rocks finished in the top 25 at last season's WLAA meet. Five of them return.

Seniors Shae Potocki, Brynne Degeen, Rachael Moraitis and Rachel Jones placed in the top 15 at league. All return for their senior seasons.

And there's more. Other seniors who are back are Aisha Chappell, Miranda White and Lisa Jasnowski. Then there's sophomore Kelly Solano, who

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placed 24th at league meet as a freshman. Solano is recovering from a knee injury suffered during soccer season; she should be back by mid-season.

Others who could crack the starting lineup are juniors Heather Wittington and Anna Monodis, sophomore Kim Wood and freshman Lauren Loftus.

"We have a team goal," said Gerlach. "We feel we have a chance to win the conference (title). We've never done that before, and we want to change it."

Despite their formidable lineup, it may prove to be a difficult goal to realize for the Rocks. Defending WLAA champ Livonia Stevenson is still the team to beat; the Spartans have Andrea Parker, the top runner at conference meet a year ago, returning.

Walled Lake Central will be challenging, too, with Ashley Prince and Brianna Turcsanyi, who were third and fourth respectively at league, coming back.

And Canton, the fifth-place finisher at league meet a year ago, has the bulk of its lineup returning.

"We feel the teams to beat are Livonia Stevenson and Walled Lake Central," said Gerlach.

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Stevenson has a quality team and a quality program, and Central has two sophomores who can fly.

Both also have another factor favoring them: "Both Stevenson and Central have something that I don't have — a true frontrunner. Central has two."

"If we have a tight enough pack that runs right behind another team's frontrunner, we can beat people," said Gerlach.

He certainly won't be tied down by a lineup. Gerlach has 14 runners who could run varsity sometime this season. "They all have potential," the Salem coach said. "I feel we can put seven runners in the top 15 or 20 at league meet."

Will that be good enough? Maybe not — after all, six of the top 12 runners at last season's league final were from Stevenson.

"It all depends on what other teams have," admitted Gerlach. "We've got the work ethic this year. We have many, many seniors who really want this. In a way, they want to make (school) history."

"Now we've just got to go out and do it."

Western nips Canton by a stroke

A single stroke kept Plymouth Canton from opening its Western Lakes Activities Association golf season at 2-0.

The Chiefs played Western Division rival Walled Lake Central at Western's home course, Bay Pointe, Thursday and lost, 212-213. Combined with their win over Farmington Harrison Wednesday at Hilltop, they were 1-1 for the season.

"Yeah, that was a tough one," said Canton coach Tom Alles. "It's tough to play them out there. It's a good test of golf."

"We got some good scores. We usually don't break 220 out there. I told our guys if we could break 220, we'd have a chance."

The Chiefs did bounce their five scores within four strokes. Derek Lineberry had their best score, a 40. Next best was Derek Vermeulen at 42, followed by

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Andrew Wagner at 43 and Jon Johnson and Nick Lariviere at 44 each.

Scott Williams paced the Warriors with a medalist-earning score of 37. Other Western scores were Craig Jones, 41; Ralph Martello, 42; Steve Sobiech, 45; and Ryan Schultz, 47.

"All the kids played hard," said Alles. "It's just one of those things that happen."

On Wednesday at Hilltop, Canton used its balanced scoring — four golfers carding 43s or better — to beat Western Division rival Farmington Harrison, 208-215.

Harrison's Matt Lee earned medalist honors with a 36. Next

CC beats U-D

Redford Catholic Central shaded the University of Detroit-Jesuit, 164-168, Wednesday in a Catholic League golf match.

Medalist was Ryan Yost with a 38. Evan Curie shot a 40.

Glenn tops Wayne

Justin Fendele's 1-over 37 at Fellows Creek helped Westland John Glenn defeat Wayne Memorial, 203-212, Thursday.

Keith Fukuda was two strokes behind Fendele at 39. Matt Darnell shot 41. Jason Broadrick 42 and Richard Sudek 44. It was the Rockets' first dual meet of the season.

Greg Baracy led Wayne, 0-3, with a 39 with Greg Laws two strokes behind. Jeff Drys had a 42, Ryan Green 43, Matt Nowak 47 and Josh Joseph 47.

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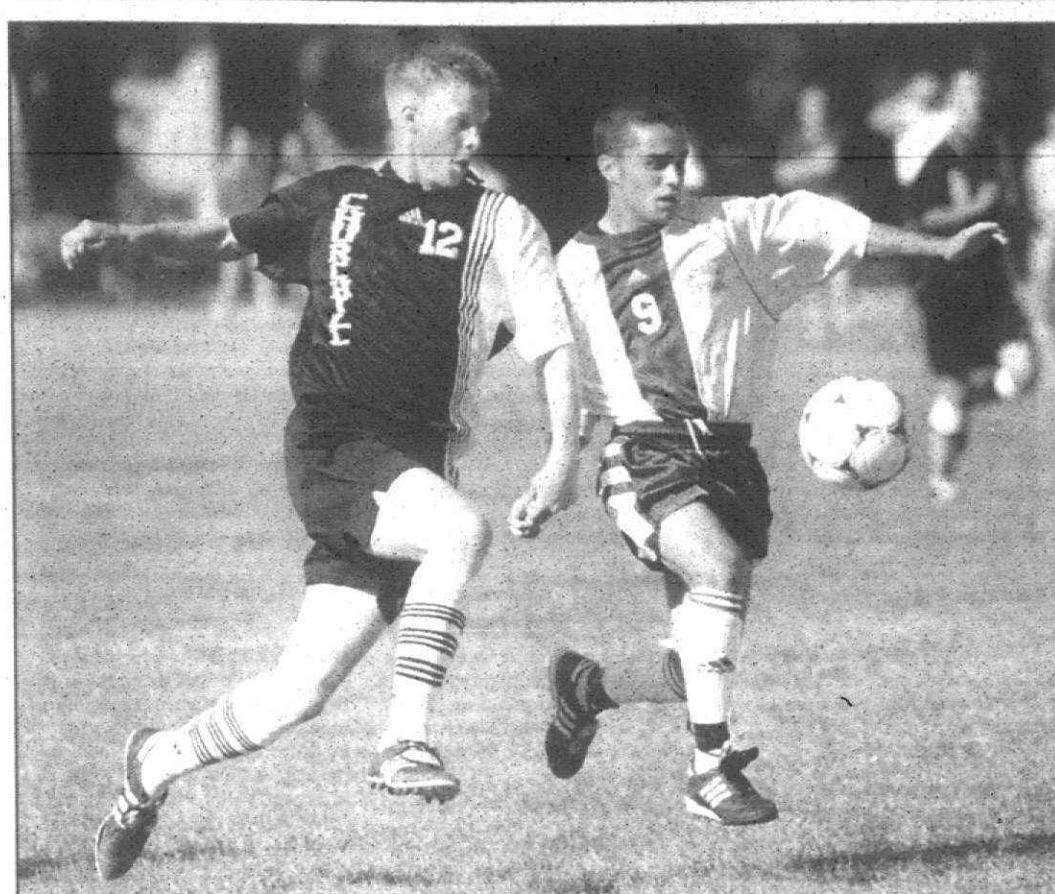
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Breaking away: CC's Patrick Griffin (right) tries to escape Churchill's Eric Scott, something the Shamrocks did well in posting a 4-1 victory.

Madonna rips Alma

Madonna University's volleyball team improved its record to 3-2 with a lopsided victory over Alma College Friday, 15-2, 15-4, 15-4 at Madonna.

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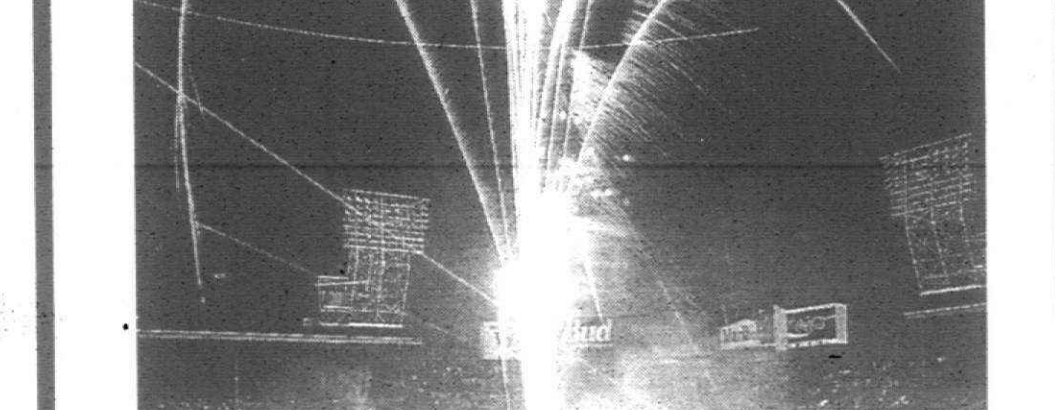
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Still unbeaten

CC triumphs over Churchill, 4-1

The only word Dana Orsucci could find to describe it was "amazing."

Senior Ken Toporek scored two goals Thursday to lead host Redford Catholic Central to a 4-1 victory over Livonia Churchill.

It was the third victory in three games for the Shamrocks and Toporek has totaled nine goals in the trio.

"Three games, nine goals; it's amazing," Coach Orsucci said of Toporek's performances. "He's off to an unbelievable start. That's not a bad average."

Seniors Sean Lanigan and Josh Brooks scored a goal apiece. Catholic Central has looked very good so far.

"Right now, early on," Orsucci said, "the signs are looking really good so far. I'm really, really pleased with the attitude. Their work ethic is tremendous."

"We're really coming together as a team. All 20 are functioning as one. So 3-0 is not bad for us. Plus we've scored about 15 and let in one."

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SC SOCCER

Now if only the real games can match these scrimmages.

And not just in results, although those were pretty good for Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team. The Lady Ocelots completed their pre-season slate of games by playing Madonna University to a scoreless tie Tuesday at SC.

"It was pretty well played by both teams," said SC coach Bill Tolsted. "I was a very physical game. And I don't have any problems with that."

"Both teams were aggressively pursuing a win."

Particularly strong play was turned in by keeper Shannon Brooks, who, according to Tolsted, "kept us in the game with a very strong performance in net, including stopping two break-

aways."

The offense again had trouble finishing on some solid scoring opportunities, the one problem that has persisted throughout the scrimmages.

Still, it should have served as a good tune-up for the regular season opener this weekend at Tri-State Tournament, hosted by Prairie State College in Chicago Heights, Ill. SC played Prairie State Saturday and Millikin University Sunday.

The Ocelots earlier scrimmages, at Northwood University and at Alma College, ended in wins for SC. They beat Northwood 2-1 Aug. 25 and Alma 3-2 on Aug. 28.

Tolsted told his team after their win over Northwood, "Good teams find a way to win and you did." Danielle Shaffer accounted for both SC goals in the triumph, which came despite the Timberwolves advantage in shots.

It was a different story against Alma. The Ocelots outshot the Britons 39-12, but managed to convert just three of those chances — which proved to be just enough for the win.

"Again, with more experience we will convert more of those shots to goals," said Tolsted. "In both games we played with intensity and exhibited improving tactical skills."

Kristina Senuich (from Plymouth Salem) scored two goals and Shannon Konarski added one in the victory.

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LIVONIA RANGE
The newly renovated Livonia Archery Range is open to the

public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The range is also open Tuesday's and Thursday's by appointment only through the end of November. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS
The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS
A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

SHOOTING SPORTS

SPORTING CLAYS

Wings & Clays will host a sporting clays shoot on Sunday, Nov. 14, at the Bald Mountain range in Lake Orion. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

SEASON/DATES

BEAR
Bear season opens Sept. 10.

DEER
Archery deer season opens Oct. 1.

GOOSE
A special early Canada goose season runs through Sept. 10 in the Upper Peninsula and Sept. 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.

SQUIRREL
Squirrel season opens Sept. 15.

FISHING
Fly tying. Hook Line & Sinker bait shop in

Lake Orion will hold fly tying classes every Wednesday and Thursday until the beginning of the fishing season. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

ROD BUILDING
Hook Line & Sinker bait shop in Lake Orion will hold fishing rod building classes every Wednesday and Thursday until the beginning of the fishing season. Call (248) 814-9216 for more information.

HUNTER EDUCATION
Wayne County Sportsman's Club will be offering two hunter education classes at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. Classes will be offered Oct. 23-24, and Nov. 6-7. Call (313) 532-0285 to register and for more information.

FLY TYING
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.

MORE FLY TYING
River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times. For more information and to register call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

CLIMBING CLASS

An introductory climbing course for the novice and first-time climber is offered at REI in Northville. The class covers basic indoor climbing safety, technique, equipment and terminology. The course is free and available to adults and children. Call (248) 347-2100 for current schedules and additional information.

CLUBS

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

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Bass pro overcomes his slow start



BILL PARKER

Rochester bass professional Art Ferguson had a so-so outing on the final day of the Bassmaster Top 100 Pro-Am last weekend on Lake St. Clair and finished eighth in the final standings.

"It was a weird day out there," said Ferguson, who last month placed 18th in the B.A.S.S. Master's Classic. "I had a lot of potential situations but nothing really panned out. It was a weird day."

"All-in-all I had a great tournament and I thank God for that."

Ferguson overcame a slow start to place in the top 10. He was 41st after the first day with a five-fish limit that weighed 14

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hard time defending tonight. We couldn't piece things together. We were inconsistent."

Canton, now 1-1, had three players reach double-figures in scoring, led by Janine Guastella with 15 points. Katie Schwartz and Anne Morrell added 10 apiece.

Problem was, Guastella and Morrell both fouled out; so did Ashley Williams.

Morrell did do a superb job checking Marian's Crystal Andrews in the first half, allowing her to score just two points — despite a four-inch height advantage. Andrews caught fire in the second half, however, scoring 18 more to finish with a game-high 20 points.

Katie Solner added 13 points and Tara Shepherd had 11 for the Mustangs, who are also 1-1. Canton converted 14-of-25 free throws (56 percent) to Marian's 15-of-22 (68 percent).

"There were times when our play was picture-perfect," summarized Blohm. "It just wasn't often enough."

Flat Rock 62, PCA 24: The Rams built a 23-2 lead by the end of the first quarter and breezed from there Thursday against visiting Plymouth Christian Academy.

The loss left the Eagles at 0-2. Flat Rock is 1-0.

Kelly Gross led the Eagles with nine points. Tiffany Mitchell paced the Rams with 15 points; Beth DeCorte had 14.

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more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at 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 refreshments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDIES
Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

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

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

SOLAR
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

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marched 67 yards, scoring on a 6-yard run by junior fullback Dave Peterson. Wayne's extra point finished the game's scoring.

Canton threatened early in the fourth quarter when, on a fourth-and-5 play, junior quarterback Oliver Wolcott hooked up with wide receiver Ian Riley on a 51-yard pass play that took the ball to the Falcons' 7-yard-line.

However, two short runs and two incomplete passes later, the Falcons' impressive defense held again.

"I'm disappointed," Baechler admitted, "but we'll be right back out there tomorrow working hard to get ready for our next game."

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Thomann. "She always has been. She runs the floor well, she shoots well and she can take it to the basket."

Those two would be enough to make any team impressive, but what Thomann likes is the Rocks' backcourt. "We have a great guard situation," he said. "We have four players who are extremely capable. They are interchangeable."

All four played varsity last season. Included are a pair of seniors, 5-6 Lindsay Klemmer

("She's the consummate point guard — she defends well, she's a great assist player and she's great at taking it to the rim") and 5-4 Monica Mair. There's also 5-3 junior Katie Kelly and 5-7 sophomore Kelly Jaskot.

On the forward line, Thomann will insert 5-9 Dawn Allen and 5-11 Jenna VanWagoner, both juniors who played varsity last season, and a pair of 5-9 players called up from the junior varsity: Jill Dombrowski, a junior, and Mary Lou Liebau, a sophomore.

While perhaps not as impres-

sive talent-wise as previous teams, this Salem squad is still loaded. "We have a lot of great athletes and we're going to let them show it," said Thomann. "I think we're capable. We're a veteran team. They've been through the wars, they know what it takes."

To get by in the WLAA it will take a lot, indeed. Thomann labeled Plymouth Canton, which returns six of its top eight players from a team that went 16-6 in '98, and Northville, with its

twin-tower combination of Meredith and Janell Hasse (both over 6-foot), as favorites.

As well as Salem. Despite its lack of size.

The Rocks open the season at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Ann Arbor Pioneer. They play Novi in the opening round of the Northville Tournament at 6 p.m. Thursday; the other game features Northville against Redford Bishop Borgess at approximately 7:30 p.m. The consolation final will be at 6 p.m. Saturday, with the championship game following.



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10% Reg. Scheduled Services, Carpet, UPH, Ducts
Horton Plumbing Plymouth
Free Laundry Tub & Faucet with Repipe
I Do Windows Redford
First Clean Free with Pre-Paid Service
KTP Designs Inc. Berkley
One Hour Free Interior Design Consultation
New Beginnings LLC Livonia
10% Off Painting Two or More Rooms
Summer Plumbing & Sewer Royal Oak
\$15 Off Service or SRS \$20 Off

\$ Jewelers

Bright Jewelers Canton
50% Off 14K Gold Chains 734-844-2404
Chinn Jewelry Royal Oak
We Will Pay Your Sales Tax Excluding Loose Diamonds
Doble Jewelers Berk/Bhm/Fern/Claw/Hunt
Miners Den Royal Oak
Free Watch Battery (One Per Custom)

Woods Pleasant Ridge/Royal Oak

1/2 Off Ring Sizing (excluding Platinum)

\$ Landscape & Maintenance

Bill's Outdoor Care Canton
Commercial Snowplowing Contract 10% Off
D.A. Alexander & Co. Livonia
10% Discount
Saxton's Garden Center Plymouth
10% Off All Hand Garden Tools

\$ Pizza

Cottage Inn Pizza Birmingham
2 Large Pizzas W/One Item \$12.99
Papa Romanos Ferndale
\$1.00 Off Bambino Bread with any purchase
Pizza One Ferndale
2 Small Pizzas for \$8.99 + tax
Rallo's Pizza Royal Oak
\$1.50 Off Large Square Pizzas

\$ Restaurants

Alexander The Great Westland
10% Off Entrees - Not Valid on Specials
Christine's Cuisine Ferndale
10% Off Any Dinner Entree (Carry Out Only)
Clubhouse BBQ Ferndale
Free 2 Liter of Faygo with Any Purchase (\$7 Min.)
Code 30 Coffee Cafe Inc. Redford
\$1.00 Off Any Flavored Latte
Dairy Queen Royal Oak
10% Off Total Bill
Deli Delite Royal Oak
15% Off Purchase of \$10 or More
Don Pedro's Redford
10% Off Food Over \$10 (No Other Offer)
Duggans Irish Pub Royal Oak
10% Off Total Food Bill With \$10 Purchase or More
Hot Trick Pub/Deli Berkley
10% Off Any Food Purchase
Max & Erma's Birmingham
10% Off Purchase, excluding alcohol & gratuities
Mitch Housey's Livonia
10% Off Your Bill - Lunch or Dinner
New King Lma Farmington Hills
10% Off Total Bill 248-474-2781
Paynes Berkley
10% Off Total Food Bill With \$10 Purchase or More
Samuel Hoffman's New York Deli Clawson
10% Off Total Food Bill
Steve's Deli Bloomfield Hills
\$10.00 Off Any Catering Order
Subway Berkley/Ferndale
\$1.00 Off Any Footlong Sub
Woody's Diner Royal Oak
10% Off Total Food Bill With \$10 Purchase or More

\$ Retail

A Shady Business Walled Lake
10% Off Any Lamp Purchase
Alcove Hobby Shop Royal Oak
10% Off Any Purchase

Alexanders Framing Royal Oak
15% Off Any Purchase
Alta's Greenfield Market Southfield
5% Off Any Meat or Produce Purchase
America's Vitamin & Nutrition Berkley
10% Off Any Purchase Every Day
Beads S.R.O. Royal Oak
10% Off Purchase of \$10 or More
Border Outlet Canton
10% Off In-Stock Only 734-397-6326
Bourlier's BBQ & Fireplace Ferndale
10% Off Replacement Parts
Chet's Rent-A-Car Berkley
10% Off Any Rental
Champion's Cellular Warehouse Southfield
10% Discount
Chris Furniture Livonia
10% Off All Lamps
Circa Berkley
10% Off on All Circa Antiques & Collectibles
Contract Design Group Royal Oak
10% Off New Orders/Carpeting/Linoleum
Crossing Bridges Berkley
10% Off Candles, Incense & More (Books/Sales excluded)
Dimitrie Upholstering Royal Oak
10% Off Complete Order
Dining Furniture Ltd. Roseville
10% Off Regular Prices
Dolls and Trains Lathrup Village
10% on Selected Items
Express Photo Livonia
20% Off Processing, 25% Off Enlargements
Four Seasons Garden Center Oak Park
10% Off Reg. Price Shrubs & Perennials (not w/discount)
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Frentz & Sons Hardware Royal Oak
10% Off Purchase
Henderson Glass Berkley
10% Off Any Purchase, excluding sale items
Independent Carpet One Westland
10% Off Labor
J & K Trophy & Engraving Livonia
10% Off All Awards, Signs & Gift Items
Just Waiting Maternity Shoppe Berkley
10% Off Any Purchase excluding Sale Items
Kitchen & Bath Depot Royal Oak
Free Professional Design Time (2 hours)
Marry's Groom-A-Pet Birmingham
20% Off Retail Supplies (does not include grooming)
Mattress King Pleasant Ridge/Madison
Heights/Troy
10% Off Any Purchase
Metro Bikes Inc. Berkley
10% Off All Accessories (excluding sale items)
Metropolitan Uniform Berkley
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Nile Gallery Berkley
10% Off Any Purchase
Once Upon A Child 5804 N. Sheldon, Canton

10% Off Any Purchase 734-459-6669
Pascha Books & Gifts Livonia
10% Off Purchase of \$50 or More
Paperbacks Unlimited Ferndale
10% Off All Hardcover Books
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20% Off Storewide 734-981-7500
Reruns Consignment Livonia
20% Off Any One Item
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Free Lighter W/Purchase of Carton of Cigarettes
Talking Book World Lathrup Village
Up to \$10 Toward 1st Purchase or Rental (new Customers)
Tasty Health Berkley
50c Off Fruit Smoothies & 10% Off Supplements
The Framery & Gallery Troy
20% Off Art, Merchandise, Incoming Frame Orders
Thomas Brothers Carpet Clawson
10% Off Carpet & Vinyl Purchase
Training Effect Fitness Store Birmingham
10% Off Equipment Purchase 25% Off All Accessories
Village Peddler Plymouth
10% Off Storewide

\$ Services

All Service Mechanical Berkley
\$27 Off Any Repair
American Estate Sale Berkley
Free Household Liquidation Consultation
Bill & Rod's Appliance Livonia
\$10 Off In-Home Appliance Repairs
Buttons Rent It Royal Oak
\$5.00 Off Total Rental Price (Mon-Fri)
Carmack Appliance Garden City
10% Off In-Home Service
Citgo Birmingham/Ferndale
6 Lighters for \$1.00
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50% Off Registration Fee 313-562-1203
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Robert Coburn Century 21 Assoc. Royal Oak
Free Market Consultation
The Dancer Connection Canton
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