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#### **TUESDAY**

School board: The Plvmouth-Canton Board of Education is expected to name its top choice for district superintendent in a special meeting at 7 p.m. at the McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth.

#### SATURDAY

Holiday Open House: The Canton Historical Society will host its annual Holiday Open House and Bake Sale from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.at the museum on Canton center Road at Heritage Drive. Call (734) 495-0811.

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## There's still time to join Cheer Club

Florida Vacation Barbie, Elmo's Express, the board games Sorry and Clue and a small-sized cupboard full of canned and boxed foods.

Those are some of the donation's we've already received for the Ply-

mouth-Canton Observer's Cheer Club. Here are some of the generous people who have stopped by our office with donations during the first week of our annual Cheer Club campaign:

Terry and Susan Gronau, Paul and Bette Bieritz, Emerson and Diane Coates, and Al and Joyce Thuernam,

Please see CHEER CLUB, A2



Looking for a new job? Find a great one that's just right for you in the Employment Section of today's

HomeTown Classifieds



## Trial ordered for 3rd defendar



The last of three men charged in the murder of Canton resident Gary Urban was bound over for trial Wednesday. The restaurant manager was shot and killed during a Nov. 10 robbery outside a Dearborn Heights steak house.

BY SCOTT DANIEL

A third Detroit man will stand trial in the Nov, 10 shooting death of Canton resident Gary Urban

Vernard Meadows, 20, was bound over to Wayne County Circuit Court Wednesday by 20th District Judge Mark Plawecki. Meadows is charged with first-degree murder, armed robbery and conspiracy to commit armed

robbery.
Lance Ray Rodgers, 20, and James Erick Lee, 21, face similar charges. Rodgers, who police contend shot Urban seven times, is also charged with one count of felony firearm.

Circuit Court arraignment for Rodgers and Lee is scheduled for Wednesday. Meadows will likely be arraigned Dec. 15.

The three men face up to life in prison if convicted of the felony

A trial date will be three to six months down the road, said Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Joe Jansen. He was unsure whether a plea agree-

ment would be reached before then.
"That's not my call," Jansen said.
Urban was killed Nov. 10 outside a Dearborn Heights Ponderosa Restau-

rant where he worked as a manager. He was shot seven times, including

Please see TRIAL, A2



I want: Julia Ryan, 41/2, shares her wish list with Santa Wednesday.

## Light it up

Hundreds cheer tree ceremony, Santa's arrival



Wow! Jack Spencer, 3, gazes with wide-eyed wonder at one of the two clowns as they tied balloon hats for the children during the annual Christmas Tree lighting Ceremony at Fire Station No. 1 in Canton. Below, Santa waves to the crowd after arriving on the podium.

December nip was in the air outside of Canton's Fire Station No. 1 Wednesday.

Cheeks were red, noses cold and the breath of hundreds could be seen. But the arrival of jolly St. Nick, a.k.a. Santa, warmed the hearts of both young and old.

Mr. Claus traded in Rudolph, Blitzin and Donner for a ride in a shiny red fire truck. He didn't disappoint a crowd of more than 300 that showed up for the township's annual

tree lighting ceremony.
"Td like to thank the people of Can-

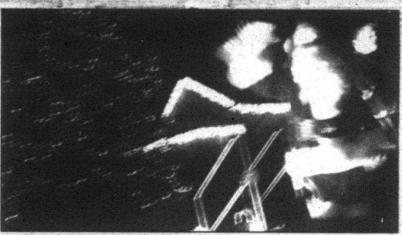
ton for inviting me back this year," said Santa, who looked as robust as ever. "My elves at the North Pole are busy right now making all of your

The holiday season got an official start as Supervisor Tom Yack lighted the large, highly decorated evergreen adjacent to the Canton Historical Society's museum. Of course, he had a little help.

"Five, four, three, two, one," yelled a group of enthusiastic youngsters prior to the flipping of the switch.

Hay rides, choir singing, ice sculpting, pictures with Santa, stuffed ani-

Please see TREE LIGHTING, A3



## Canton Police crime lab set for remodeling

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

From the dark ages to modern times. That's where Canton's Police Department is hoping to take its evidence processing lab over the next few months. According to Public Safety Director John Santomauro, few changes to the facility have been made since the building opened in 1985.

"We want to bring it up to the level of technology it should be at," he commented. "We want to bring the technology up to the capabilities of our peo-

Township trustees recently approved a pair of funding measures to do just that. About \$25,000 will be spent on

improvements.

Santomauro said the current lab is too small and poorly equipped to allow for continued efficient police work.

Examination of physical evidence, body fluids and fibers as well as fingerprints are typical kinds of processing done in the lab. A total of 14 officers, two sergeants and a lieutenant use the

"The room has outlived its usefulness," Santomauro said. "It's not properly laid out and ventilation is poor.

The lab will be outfitted with a fuming chamber. Many chemicals that produce harmful gases are used in processing evidence. The chamber will protect technicians by whisking fumes away. It will also make their work

# 'We want to bring the technology up to the capabilities of our people."

> -John Santomauro, public safety director-

more efficient, according to Santomau-

Some evidence, such as fingerprints,

must be processed without being disturbed in a vacuum setting. Without the fuming chamber, the department has actually used a fish tank for some print work. The new equipment will speed up the job, Santomauro said.

"State-of-the-art facilities will cut time and expense," he added.

The chamber unit will cost just under \$9,000. New cabinets will be the department's other major expenditure

Santomauro told trustees the lab's current cabinets couldn't be saved.

"There's no way to renovate what we have," he said. "They've got to be taken

Many of the existing cabinets are made of metals not compatible with chemical processing, for example, New cabinets will have a Formica finish.

A computer work station, stainless steel counter tops, refrigerator for chemical storage, tile floor and eye cleaning station are among other reno-

vations scheduled for the lab.

## Township, county brace for winter

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oe.homecomm.net\_\_

While winter doesn't officially begin until Dec. 22, Canton and Wayne

The two governments took a step in that direction late last month. Canton Trustees approved an agreement that calls for the county to plow and salt nearly nine miles of township road-

County are preparing for snow and ice

The roads, which include sections of Sheldon, Lotz, Warren and Lilley, are considered local streets, township

Please see WINTER, A3



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN Positive outlook: Economist David Sowerby addresses the Canton Economic Club Wednesday at Summit on the Park.

## Sowerby: Economy should chug along

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER STAFF WRITER tschneider@oe.homecomm.net

For those who think there's no end in sight for the meteoric rise of the stock market. David

Sowerby has news for you. The great bull market ended nearly two years ago, the vice president and portfolio manager for Loomis Sayles & Co. told an audience of about 125 Canton Chamber of Commerce members

and guests Wednesday at a Can-

ton Economic Club Luncheon. But that's no reason to be bearish about Michigan's economy, which should continue its stellar performance of the past decade right through the new millennium, said Sowerby, formerly an economist with Comer-"At the end of the day, for

Michigan businesses and investors, its still a positive environment," said Sowerby, a Farmington Hills resident. He added that the economic

expansion of the 1990s, particularly in southeastern Michigan, has dispelled a number of myths. Among them.

A need to follow the Asian economic miracle of the 1980s for Michigan to succeed,

Please see ECONOMY, A3

## Defendant's home hit with Trial from page A1 firebomb; no one injured

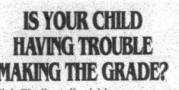
Canton woman charged in the death of a friend was firebombed early Thursday morning.

According to township police ports, a bomb made of a beer bottle filled with gasoline and a yellow dish rag stuffed inside was tossed through the kitchen window of Sarah Cappuccitti's ome about 12:30 a.m.

No injuries were reported. The omb, which reports said had been lit, apparently blew out said. before crashing through the window of the Copeland Circle

Police discovered the bomb on the kitchen floor of the home in present throughout the home.

several pieces. Reports said a strong odor of gasoline could was Cappuccitti is charged with former employee, a Detroit man, manslaughter in the Sept. 20 death of Canton resident Alisha



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a result of this buildup, muscles may treatment is performed in close a result of this buildup, muscles may be proine to aching. In theory, the deep pressure exerted by massage helps push fluid through areas in the musculature where waste has become trapped. Orinking water helps the process along, due to the fact that hydration increases blood.

P.S. The prescription to drink eight glasses of water a day is a good one, whether you are receiving a massage or not.



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COP CALLS

Roberson. She was behind the wheel of a Ford Tempo that crashed into a tree near I-96 and Levan roads, according to wit-

Police have no suspects in the bombing of Cappuccitti's home. About \$250 worth of damage was done to the home, reports

More than \$2,000 worth of payroll checks were stolen from at 35th District Court in Ply-Masco Tech on Haggerty Road Thursday morning, according to

where the checks were kept at

Two workers saw a 34-year-old A 45-year-old Canton woman's 1999 Ford Taurus suffered \$150 " near the desk of a secretary worth of damage Wednesday.

discs from Meijer Thursday.

to pay the price on the box.

Canton police issued her an

appearance date of Jan. 3, 2000

The vehicle, which had a rear window busted out, was parked on the shoulder of Ridge Road south of Cherry Hill at the time of the incident, between 7:30 and 9 p.m. Reports said the woman was attending a prayer session.

about 10:25 p.m. on his way to make a bank deposit. He was carrying \$1,307 in Canton police are investigating

cash as well as gift certificates. Urban called 911 after being He talked with a Dearborn A 50-year-old Canton woman Heights officer at the restaurant, was charged with retail fraud giving him details of the incident after attempting to steal more than \$100 worth of compact

before passing out. He died a short time later at Garden City Reports said the woman Hospital of multiple wounds. removed a small kitchen appli-Wednesday's preliminary ance from its box, then stuffed a examination was held to deterdozen CDs inside. She then tried mine if probable cause existed

was leaving the restaurant at

that Meadows killed Urban. As with Rodgers and Lee, Jansen used a taped interview between Dearborn Heights Police and Meadows to establish probable cause:

Detective Sgt. Mike Petri began the interview by telling Meadows he knew he had helped set up the robbery of Urban. He added that Lee and Rodgers pointed the finger at him as coming up with the idea and plan-

"They lied when they told you

five times in the back. Urban | Neither me or James didn't know (Rodgers) shot the guy. I didn't know Gary was dead until the next day."

I planned the robbery," Meadows told Petri, according to Wednes day's testimony.

met with them the night before, "It all started from there," Meadows said on the tape. "They brought it up, Boo (Rodgers) and

Meadows later admitted to being in the car with Lee near the Ponderosa before, during and after the shooting. "Neither me or James didn't

know (Rodgers) shot the guy,' said Meadows. "I didn't know Gary was dead until the next Meadows was an employee of the restaurant at the time of the

As the 40-minute interview progressed, he seemed to admit

-Vernard Meadows, in statement to police

to more and more involvement in

Meadows told Petri he helped He told the officer that he had open Urban's bank bag the next day but still maintained that he wasn't the mastermind. "I didn't plan the robbery," he

Meadows' attorney, Craig Daily, argued that the taped interview shouldn't be admitted into evidence because his consti-

tutional rights were improperly

Judge Plawecki overruled him. Daily then argued that because Petri had lied to Meadows about various facts of the investigation during the taped interview, it shouldn't be admitted.

The judge again overruled him. Plawecki then ordered

## Cheer Club from page A1

all of Plymouth; and Debbie and Bob Beebe of Canton.

and returning "members"

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our Cheer Club in mind.

#### Canton Observer



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The Plymouth District Library Plymouth Michigan 48170

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Clowning around: Clowns Buster and Elmo make balloon hats for the children.

Tree lighting from page A1

"I wanted to bring my son to my family."



painted on her face by Katy Tucci, 14, of D&M Studios

"There seems to be a lot of to help entertain children. He

## Sing-along: Ashlee Gillikin (from left) Alexandra and Lorraine Warner, all 8, sing along with members of the

PCEP choir prior to the tree lighting. Below, Sean Lee, 7 months, takes in all of the excitement inside the fire station, as he sits on grandpa Len Jamiga's lap.



#### Lots of volunteers chipped in five years," said Elmo. "Everysmall troop of Boy Scouts. new life into ceremonies. "It really took off about three "It's good to keep the boys out- to make it a nice time for every- one in my family is a clown." Former congressman Pursell retires as EMU regent

years ago," Zevalkink said of the side and active," she said, noting

tree lighting. "We had about 400 the train and hay rides that took

Judging from the smiles of to Canton, is pleased with the

Michelle Staber, a 14-year things that go on for families,"

Canton resident, attended for she added. "This is a really nice

Carl Pursell, vice chair of the Eastern Michigan University
Board of Regents, announced his Gov. John Engler in 1993. "It's board, Pursell has served retirement Tuesday, Nov. 16 at time to pass the baton."

lighted the two-hour event.

son wants to see Santa."

said. "It's a tradition."

something special," said Canton

resident Loraine Yoneda. "My

Debbie Zevalkink, Yack's

administrative assistant, co-

chaired the event. She was

pleased with how the evening

turnout every year," Zevalkink

The tradition, however, almost

of low attendance. Along with

Bob Dates and Mary Ann Stew-

perished a few years ago because a success.

mal giveaways, face painting There seems to be a lot of things that go on (in

and lots of hot chocolate high-

"We seem to have a nice people last year. I think we're place near the fire station.

close to that tonight."

art, she recently helped inject the first time. She brought a time for my family."

kids and parents, the event was community's spirit.

During his seven years on the

the regents meeting in Livonia. Pursell, of Plymouth, said it felt educational policies committee. "Everything comes to you at good to announce his retirement His appointment was through has benefited economically and the right time in life," said in Livonia because he was once a Dec. 31, 2000.

board, Pursell has served as its tions," said Philip Incarnati, curvice chair and as the chair of the rent chair of the board.

-Loraine Yoneda,

Yoneda, a relative newcomer

township resident

interests from all of his posi-"Because of him the University

Diane Krzeminski was one.

She worked as Santa's helper as

My job is to pass out the

he posed with kids for pictures.

candy canes," she said, adding

that working conditions were

pretty good. "Santa is the best

But the real attraction for her

was seeing all the smiling little

"I work with kids all the time,"

"Elmo" the Clown was on hand

"I've been a clown for about

Krzeminski said. "I just love

made numerous balloon animals

ranging from bears to snakes.

#### Economy from page A1

You can't grow the economy without experiencing inflation;

The tradeoff for low unem-

ployment is rampant inflation: The stock market couldn't duplicate its bull run in the 1980s with an equally spectacular rise in the '90s.

The next year to 18 months looks average or above average in terms of the Michigan and U.S. economies, Sowerby said, especially if inflation is kept in check. "There is no bigger killer to Michigan business than high inflation. This is still a capitalintensive, manufacturing econo-

But Sowerby said the overall performance of the stock market n contrast to the economy has actually been tepid for at least the last 18 months. Record highs on the NASDAQ exchange this month and a near-record Company and Canton Chamber of Commerce Presiclose Friday in the Dow Jones dent Tony Kwilos talk with speaker David Sowerby, an Industrial Average are the economist, following his presentation. result of a few sectors - or even while the top 15 stocks in the movies." the stocks in the index have rate long-term picture.

computer glitch will likely have demonstrations and disruptions come at too high a price little effect on the local or at the World Trade Organization

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN Insight: Jonas Hood (from left) of the Edward Jones

individual companies - driving national scene with the excep- conference in Seattle to mergers the entire market. For example, tion of a couple of bad TV of financial institutions and the

was 7 percent. This year to date, day coverage to the point that Sowerby also gave out a few

recent end of a federal regula-Standard and Poor's 500 index He was also critical of the tion that prevented banks from all gained 28 percent or better media coverage of the economy, selling other financial products during 1998, the median return saying it sensationalizes day-to- like insurance and securities.

the median is 1 percent and half people can't get a true and accu- stock tips - both buy and sell and said his ompany's overall actually declined in value, he Following his 25-minute talk philosophy was building a porthe answered questions on topics folio with "value" companies as Sowerby joked that the Y2K ranging from the impact of opposed to "growth" stocks that

## Winter from page A1

engineer Tom Casari said. the cost," he added.

"Primary" roads, such as Ford Public Services Director attention from snow plows and the county "dropped the ball" salt trucks during storms. Traf- last winter. Canton, in particufic volume dictates such designations, according to Casari.

participated in the program. The Since then, the county has township's share of mainte- taken steps to beef up service. nance costs will be \$37,367 this More than \$60,000 was spent The largest portions of cover- and provide better communicaage come on Sheldon and Lilley. tions. New phone lines were also County crews will keep both installed at county yards for

Beck to Ridge. that treats them like primary while, are intent on providing vehicles purchased. roads if we pick up 50 percent of more efficient service this win-

and Canton Center, receive first Cameron Priebe recently said and fire stations will take priorilar, was one of the last communities dug out from a major storm It's the fourth year Canton has that hit in early January.

on radios to equip all vehicles

Lotz will be plowed from Michi- during storms. gan to Palmer and Warren from A fleet of new trucks has also ered nicely

been ordered. A total of 14 high "The county has a program Wayne County officials, mean- speed plows were among the

> Priebe said truck routes have also been fine-tuned Roads with close proximities to hospitals

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack expects improved service this "I think they learned a valu-

able lesson," he said. "We feel confident they'll do a good job." Yack felt the county improved on plowing and salting times as last winter progressed.

"I think they went back to a clear from Michigan to Ford. local governments to contact level of service we were all used to," he said. "I think they recov-

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## Train derailment ties up area traffic

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Traffic in Plymouth was held up for about an hour and 15 min-utes Friday afternoon when more than a dozen CSX railroad cars derailed, blocking two of the

city's nine railroad crossings.

CSX spokesman Bob Sullivan said the train of two locomotives and 99 cars was heading from Saginaw to Grand Rapids when the derailment occurred.

"A total of 14 cars derailed, but all were upright and inline, meaning none totally flipped

lem. Thus far we don't have a cause for the derailment."

Another CSX worker said all

CSX operations is minimal. We'll be able to work around the

The biggest impact of the derailment was on motorists trying to pass through Plymouth as the Farmer Street and Main Street crossings were blocked during the entire noon hour.

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over," said Sullivan. "Nothing spilled and clean-up crews are

the cars derailed in the CSX

Duracell and the National Sciered device and submit an offience Teachers Association are cial entry form, wiring diagram inviting sixth through 12th and photos of the invention by grade students nationwide to Jan. 12. Entry forms are availwith \$160,000 in savings bonds. To enter, students must www.duracell.com/Fun\_Learndesign and build a battery-pow- ing/index.html.



Role players: Newcomers Karen Linnen and Jill Zoz play turtle doves during "The 12 Days of Christ-

A Christmas-time concert for the Newcomers

Spirited per formance: The East Middle School Eighth Grade Chorus performed Wednesday at the Canton Newcomers annual holiday meeting. Pictured (from left) are Monica Mukeriee, Lester Booker Jr. and Christine Denstedt during "The 12 Days of Christmas.



A little help: Student chorus member Stefanie Mallasche nabs a Canton Newcomer, Chris Kiihne, to sing "Up on the Housetop."



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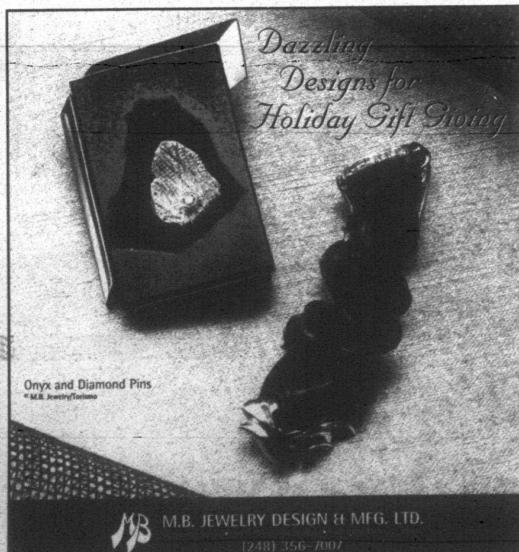
result or acting in a manner that is near-ly certain to bring about a particular criminally. If you state indicts and tries result. One thing to bear in mind is that the person who injured you on criminal intentional torts usually have a shorter charges, it does NOT mean that you are statute of limitation (time in which to not also able to sue him or her for damsue) than negligence actions. Thus, time ages in a civil suit. When in doubt, is of the essence when contemplating please ask your attorney

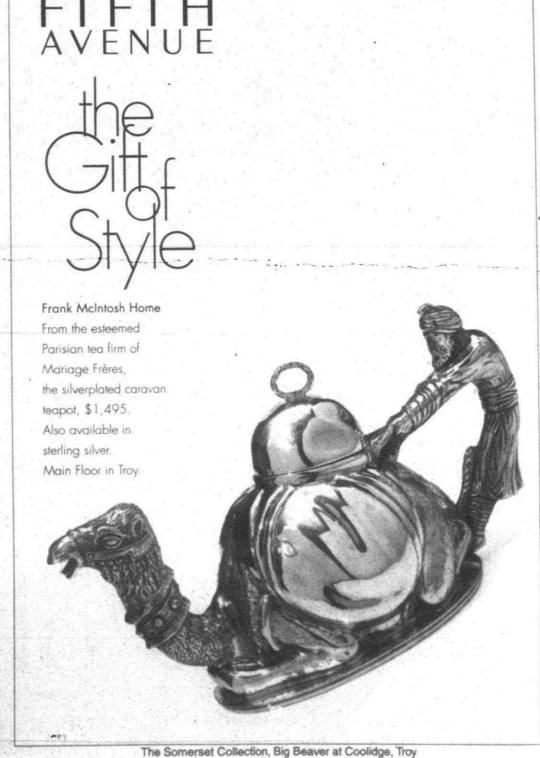
HINT: The intentional infliction of emotional distress is a willful tort that invo outrageous conduct, which causes severe emotional pain or discomfort.

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Fairlane Town Center, Dearborn

## Rouge advocate wants restriction on flood plain permits

Michigan residents may remember the television footage from this fall of the North Carolina floods, where heavy rains created overflows of millions of gallons of pig waste housed in

advise the Michigan Department "necessity of public safety."

The council is a public adviso-Craig, a Livonia resident who ry body established by the DEQ from building on a flood plain." chairs a habitat committee on that is comprised of citizens, city

the Rouge River Remedial Action or township representatives, follow the trend that "you don't Plan Advisory Council, expects businesses, environmental advomess with the flood plains." to introduce a motion at the next cates and academia. It makes Craig expects the council will the Rouge was identified as an council, community leaders or council meeting on Dec. 15 to recommendations to the DEQ.

Craig said the council should He hopes the DEQ can provide other month.

input as well.

The RAP was developed after study the motion, which the "area of concern" by the Interna-"The flood plain issue is an habitat committee members tional Joint Commission, a binaof Environmental Quality to issue that is happening national—wanted introduced because they restrict approval of flood plain ly," Craig said. "The Mississippi want the flood plain issue diswater quality oversight in the permits, specifically in the Rouge flooding a few years ago exposed River watershed, and only in the flood plain problems there. work in developing the Remedial Lakes. U.S. District Judge John In North Carolina, they had Action Plan to clean up the Feikens also oversees the absolutely terrible consequences Rouge and improve water quali-cleanup progress through

"They may say 'we don't want you to mess with the 100-year (storm) event,' but right now, we don't have anything," Craig said. Land is characterized by surveyors and engineers with elevations categorizing flood plains ty, including stormwater runoff. updates at court hearings every according to the frequency and severity of storm events.



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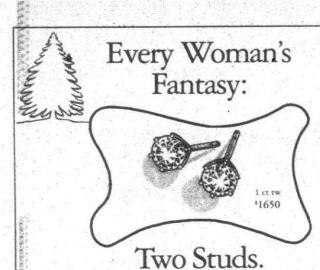
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Marines, home based at Camp Lejuene, N.C. The 1995 graduate of North Farmington High School of Farmington Hills Mass., Joined the Marine Corps in June 1997.

#### ARRIVED

Air Force Senior Airman Kenneth S. Paquin has arrived for on, the son of Edward F. and duty at Yokota Air Base, Tokyo, Linda R. Sutton of Plymouth, is Japan. Paquin is a ground radio one of more than 170,000 active communications apprentice with buty Marines celebrating the the 374th Communication Squadron. He is the son of Scot his month. Sutton is currently M. Paquin of Canton and a 1995 in a six-month deployment to graduate of Plymouth Canton



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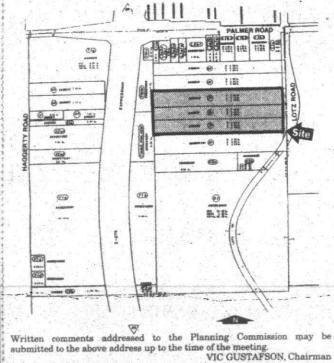
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Condominium Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton, that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 6, 1999 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. to consider the request by the petitioner to permit the following proposed variance to the Condominium Ordinance for the project known as variance to the Condominium Ordinance for the project known as ROSEWOOD ESTATES SITE CONDOMINIUMS located on the west

The petitioner has requested a variance pursuant to Article 4, Design rds Section 4.1A4. Street and Alleys, Cul-de-sacs, to exceed th maximum 1,000 feet in length for the interior street by 162 feet for a total of 1,162 feet for parcel nos. 098 99 0016 000 and 098 99 0017 000:



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Services for Anna E. Sabo, 96. of Tucson, Ariz., (formerly of Plynouth) were held Dec. 4 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Joseph Mallia officiating. Burial was in Our Lady of Hope Cemetery, Brownstown

> She was born June 1, 1903, in Pennsylvania and died Nov. 29 in Tucson. She retired in 1966 after 35 years with GM in Detroit. She was very involved and enjoyed being with her grandchildren and great-grand-

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Mary Ann McNamara. Survivors include her son, William A. (Connie) Sabo of Tucson; son-in-law, Michael William McNamara of Plymouth; six grandchildren, Dr. Michael (Nancy) McNamara of South | ters, Deborah Teichman of Lyon, Peggy (Gerry) Mato of Farmington, Bridget McNamara of Rochester, Martha (Danny) Braun of Mio, Mich., Kevin | American Cancer Society. (Kelly) McNamara of Brighton and Patrick McNamara of Wyandotte; and 26 great-grandchil-

Memorials may be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell

Funeral Home, Plymouth. HARRY CARL HAAXMA

Private services were held for Harry Carl Haaxma, 85, of Ply-

Mr. Haaxma was born Aug. 29, 1914, in New York and died Nov. 27 in Ann Arbor. He was a retired plastic engineer for Haaxma and Associates of Plymouth. Haaxma and Associates

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is a consulting company. Mr. Haaxma came to the Plymouth community 24 years ago from Redford Township. He was a member of the Michigan S.S.C.A. sports car club. He sports cars and raced cars at Waterford and Watkins Glen, N.Y., among other tracks. He was a past member of the South Redford school board. He attend-

ed Lawrence Technological Uni-He was preceded in death by nis daughter, Juliana. Survivors include his wife. Olive M. Haaxma of Plymouth; and two daugh-Northville and Kristina (Kenneth) Black of Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Local arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell

Funeral Home. HELEN A. STEVENS

Private services were held for Helen A. Stevens, 98, of Plymouth. Burial was in Highland Cemetery, Ypsilanti.

She was born Aug. 17, 1901, in Dundee, Mich., and died Nov. 29 in Novi. She was an English teacher at Plymouth High School after her graduation from Michi-

gan State Normal College in | worked as a sheriff in law Ypsilanti in 1923. She began teaching in the 1920s and taught

until the late 1930s. Her late husband owned and operated Harold E. Stevens Heating and Air-conditioning in She attended the First Presby

terian Church of Plymouth and was a charter member of Chapter AI P.E.O. Sisterhood since enjoyed flying planes and racing | 1936. She enjoyed knitting and made sweaters and hats during World War II. She also worked with the Red Cross and enjoyed making crafts.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold E. Stevens. Survivors include her son. James H. (Donna) Stevens of Plymouth: one grandson, Craig (Mary Leslie) Stevens of Alexandria. Va.: one granddaughter, Nancy (Richard) Meyers of Highland Park, Ill.; and two greatgrandchildren, Ellen Elizabeth Stevens and Samuel Casson

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth or to the Chapter AI P.E.O. Sisterhood. CHARLES W. SPRATT

Services for Charles W. Spratt, 75, of Canton were held Dec. 2 at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton, with the Rev. Jack Quinlan of St. John Neumann Church officiating.

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He was born June 5, 1924, in Detroit and died Nov. 29. He | Birmingham.

Survivors include his four daughters, Sharon L. (Carl) Doolittle, Vicki L. (Phillip) Goldsmith, Kathleen M. (Dennis) Zuccaro and Deborah J. (Donald) Flath; one sister; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchil-

FREDERICK A. SMART IV

Services for Frederick A. Smart, 54, of Bloomfield Hills were held Dec. 1 at St. Ives Catholic Church, Southfield, with the Rev. William D. Sinatra officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

He was born April 23, 1945, in Chicago and died Nov. 27 in Veteran's Hospital, Detroit. He served in the Air Force during the Vietnam War with the First Field Maintenance Squadron until his honorable discharge in April 1966. He graduate from Seaholm High School in Birmingham and attended Henry

Ford Community College. Survivors included his mother Ann M. Smart of Bloomfield Hills; one sister, Lee Ann Kich of St. Paul, Minn., and one brother, Charles O. Smart of Canton.

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## Public Service Commission gets an earful on outages

BY RICHARD PEARL

We'll do the best we can. Farmington Hills after hearing a barrage of complaints from elected officials and residents about ongoing problems with Detroit Edison's electrical power service.

The three-member commission came from Lansing to the William Costick Center in the Hills to conduct the second of three metropolitan-Detroit factfinding sessions - the first took place earlier Monday in Dearoorn, the last is slated for Thursday in Rochester. The hearing's focus: The long-

standing and well-documented consumer problems with the big utility regarding continuing power outages, poor customer service and complaints about poorly trained repair crews. "We will try to get some things

John Strand. He noted, however, that while the PSC's purpose is to regulate the state's utilities, it is governed by state law and by interpretations of those laws by state

resolved," said PSC Chairman

courts. In view of that, Strand said, he and fellow commissioners David Svanda and Robert Nelson and their staffs will study the information, then "sit down with Edison and see if we can reach some kind of settlement."

"If not, it will become a con-Appeals Court and likely will take several months to resolve. Seemingly, "The Courts of

Appeals are always trying to figure out where our authority ends and where it begins," he said. In fact, "The Michigan Supreme Court told us last year

that we are 'creatures of the Legislature." Strand said. "Being that, if the state says

The roughly 2 1/2-hour hear-That, in effect, was what the ter - the second PSC session Michigan Public Service Com- there since 1998 on the same mission said Monday night in subject - drew about 80 people, and staffers.

Among the officials were Hills Mayor Nancy Bates; her predehim because another top execucessor, Aldo Vagnozzi, county commissioners David L. Moffitt tive came to last year's hearing. and Terry Sever, and Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen said DTE needs to be pushed Keen McCarthy. Heading up the group from

Edison - now known as DTE Energy - was Robert Buckler, president and chief operating officer of the firm's power-transmitting division

Bates, the Hills' recently elected mayor, turned up the heat on Edison at the outset.

#### Quality of life

"Our private citizens' quality of life is being challenged" and Hills businesses are threatening to leave due to DTE's failure to provide reliable electric power service, the mayor charged in opening the hearing.

"This is simply not acceptable and it cannot continue," she said. "We are past public relations and feel-good talk. It is time this issue be resolved.'

One way, Bates told the PSC, is for Edison to "be at least as inconvenienced" as its customers: Make it pay during tested case" that will go to the power outages for electric generators and dry ice to prevent food

"Until it hurts Detroit Edison as much as it hurts citizens, nothing will happen," she said. Vagnozzi said though there's a

new Hills mayor, there's "no change in the intensity" of the quest for a resolution. He suggested the establish-

ment of a PSC citizens advisory

we have the power" to do some-thing, then "we do." committee so the PSC could "get input from the average citizen – the one whose electricity goes off ing in the William Costick Cen- at 10 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day, just when they're putting the turkey in the oven." Strand told Vagnozzi the PSC

including present and former can't, under existing law, buy elected officials and a contingent the dry ice and bill Edison, but of some 20 Edison executives that a proposal by Sen. Matt Dunaskiss may change that. Vagnozzi said the presence of DTE's Buckler didn't surprise

> Moffitt (R-Farmington Hills into using underground lines for "more reliable delivery" of power He also urged the company to spend more to keep up with Oakland County's growth.

#### 'Nitty-gritty answers'

Sever (R-Farmington Hills), who pushed for and got a county called for "some nitty-gritty



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Listening: David Svanda, John Strand and Robert Nelson sit on the Michigan Pubcommission task force on Edison, lic Service Commission. They were at the Costick Center to listen to residents' comments about Detroit Edison and local power problems. Hours later, parts of northwest Detroit and Oakland County lost electricity.

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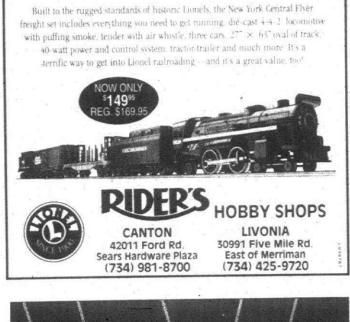
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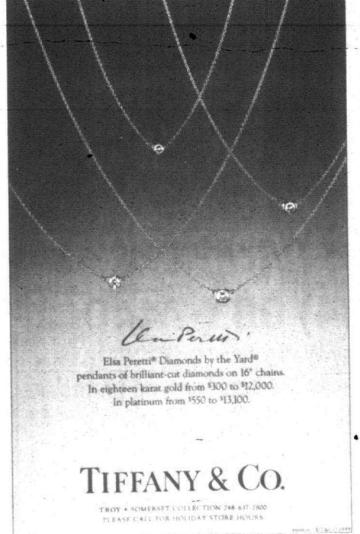
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## HEAT advises care to prevent a holiday auto theft

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ance fraud and carjackings. "This time of year people become distracted by hectic schedules, revving up to a fever pitch as the holidays approach," Miller said. "These holiday safety tips are to remind shoppers to stay alert and not forget about safety-concerns, so that everyone has a happy and safe holiday." HEAT offers these 10 holiday

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#### CMU holds open house

Central Michigan University is hosting an open house 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday for prospective students, area chamber of commerce members and human resources professionals at its new Livonia center, 38695 Seven

The CMU center, in one of three office buildings behind Cookers, offers a variety of programs for bachelor degree completion, master's degree and certificate programs in metro Detroit for more than 25 years.

The university annually has about 1,200 enrollments in Livo-

Open house visitors will be able to talk with CMU staff and pick up program materials. Business leaders and human resources staff will be able to explore partnerships between their organizations and the university. CMU frequently tailors programs to meet specific business or employee needs.

For more information about the open house or Central's metro Detroit degree programs, contact CMU at (248)244-1200.

answers ... The wait is long

Keen McCarthy, vice-chair of the Conference of Western Wayne County, which represents 600,000 residents, said she learned Edison "is playing one community off against the other" by telling each that the other has more pressing problems

Now that communities are comparing notes, "we're getting worried," she said

Dana Whinnery, Hills assistant city manager, told the PSC the power outages stretched across Farmington Hills. Buckler looked pained follow-

ing the hearing.

"They are not the company l know," he said of the DTE employees Edison customers described Monday night as rude, indifferent and poorly trained.

But he also acknowledged, "A lot of customers (in the Hills area) have too many power out-

And even though DTE spends \$500 million on transmission and distribution of electrical power and is rated among the best in the country in general reliability, "that does not mean anything to the people here."

Overall, he stated, "There are some things we're going to have to figure out how to do things

Ron May, DTE vice president of energy delivery and services, reiterated the company's claim that it's the trees - "the mature large trees" which make the Hills area so attractive - that also cause the problems.

When they die or are hit by lightning, they can fall onto power lines - problems homeowners don't consider when

planting them.

He said DTE readily provides information - at greenhouses and elsewhere - telling concerned residents which are the best trees to plant, and where, from a slow-growth, low-growth perspective

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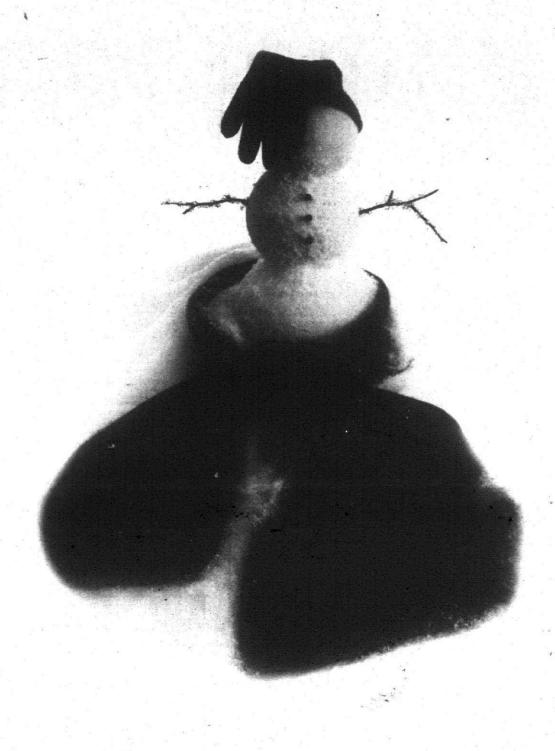
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## Engler lauds work done by community colleges

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.ne

One quarter of students enrolled in community colleges already have undergraduate degrees from universities, Gov. John Engler noted Tuesday evening on the Orchard Ridge campus of Oakland Community College. His talk was part of the college's Distinguish Speakers

Yet those students, he said, sign up for community college courses to get further job training, "I suspect, to pay off the loans they took out to get those four-year degrees."

The comment underscored Engler's belief that community colleges will continue to "play a pivotal role" in preparing students to enter Michigan's "dynamic economy."

The state is enjoying an economic boom at present, the governor said. He noted Michigan has recently seen unemployment figures as low as 3.2 percent. He compared the strength of the economy currently to that of the late 1950s or early '60s.

Because much of the economic growth is in high-tech areas, and because community colleges specialize in preparing students for work in fields such as engineering, technology, applied science and math, the colleges "have exactly what is required.'

Community colleges train students for what he called "gold collar jobs," technically-oriented occupations receiving high pay and benefits.

And because the economy is so good, OCC students "have the ability to be choosy" in deciding what jobs they will take.

The role of community colleges is not well understood," he said, "even on campus." But the state does. Since taking office, he said, Michigan has increased appropriations to its 28 community colleges by 44 percent, at a time when inflation rose only 25 percent. He said that on a perpupil basis, the increases in funding work out to a 50 percent increase. Additionally, facilities at colleges have been improved as part of an effort to make sure they have the resources they will need in the future.

More help is on the way. At present, state and federal tax credits return a significant portion of tuition costs to students, but Engler said increased credits "are coming" that could make enrollment at community colleges virtually free.

Engler also expressed strong support for M-Tech programs. OCC was one of the first to receive state assistance for its own M-Tech center, located on the Auburn Hills campus of the college. Ground was broken earlier this fall with Engler's help.

M-Tech centers work with businesses to design training that is specific to companies needs, he explained.

"For example, one company may need 15 weeks of training. The next company in the door may need a 19-week trainingprogram. Through M-Techs, you don't have to wait for the turn of the semester," he said.

Engler predicted such centers will also take courses off-campus, right to the companies' own buildings.

Engler noted that not all areas of Michigan currently have community colleges. Livingston County, just to the west of Oakland, is one example. Engler said it is his goal to provide community college coverage to all areas of the state.

Engler also said he believes the state should improve "credentialing," that is the granting of certificates for students who have received training in specific job areas. He also called for the standardization of courses, through work quality programs such as ISO 9000, so that classes at various colleges can be compared.

Certificates and standardization would allow for "portability of skills," which he said will be increasingly important in the future "global marketplace."

By this credentialing and benchmarking, we could add value to the degrees you receive," he said.

Questioned by the audience about his plans for the future, Engler said that when his current and final term ends, he does not plan to run again for elective office. He also said he has no

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plans of stepping up to a national-level office

Engler will be term-limited out of office at the end of 2002. That would end a political career that started in 1970 when he was first elected to the state House. Eventually, he was promoted by voters to the state Senate and finally to the governor's office in

Speculation has often placed

Engler as a potential congressional candidate, or a presidential running mate or cabinet appointee. But Engler said he won't seek such positions.

"I've been in public service a long time," he said. "I'm eager to try something else. I'm looking forward to that opportunity, so I'll be taking a non-governmental role when my term is over."



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#### SPORTS SCENE

#### **NAHL** stars are best

The North American Hockey League all-stars got a goal from Frank Werner of the Springfield Junior Blues 1:09 into the third period, off an assist from Andy Burnes of the Compuware Ambassadors, and that proved to be the game-winner as they edged the U.S. Hockey League all-stars 2-1 to win the USA Hockey Top Prospects Tournament Wednesday at Compuware Arena.

It was the third-straight win for the NAHL stars in the Top Prospects Tournament, which also features an all-star team from the American West Hockey League and a Viking Cup prospects team.

The NAHL stars first goal in the title game was scored in the opening period by Jim Slater of the Cleveland Barons. The difference, however, was provided by Ambassador goalie Craig Kowalski, who stopped 29 of 30 shots to earn the NAHL stars Top Prospect of the Game award.

The NAHL stars were 3-0 in the tournament.

#### Hoff all-region

Mari Hoff, a senior midfielder for the University of Michigan's women's soccer team and a Plymouth Salem graduate, was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Great Lakes Region third team for the second straight year.

Hoff finished with seven goals and four assists (18 points) for the Wolverines. She was one of four U-M players named to the all region teams.

The Wolverines posted a 17-6-1 overall record, and were 8-1-1 in the Big Ten.

#### SC award winners

Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team enjoyed a superb season, reaching the No. 6 ranking in the NJCAA while posting an 18-2-2 record. Along with that came several honors, both nationally and within the team.

The team's Most Valuable Performer, as voted by the players, was keeper Shannon Brooks. The Ann Arbor Huron graduate posted a 0.72 goals-against average, surrendering just 15 goals — which placed her 10th in the NJCAA.

Brooks also earned honorable mention All-American honors.

The team's Defensive Award was shared by a pair of sophomores: Shannon Konarski, a marking back from Milford, and Tracy McIntyre, the Lady Ocelots' sweeper from Woodhaven. Konarski also moved forward enough to collect five goals and 11

McIntyre was named second team

SC's Offensive Award was shared by Kelly Connell, from Plymouth Canton HS, and Danielle Shaffer, from Linden. Connell totaled 14 goals and 24 assists; Shaffer had 15 goals and

The Ocelots' Coach's Award was presented to stopper Karlma Lundquist.

#### Among the leaders

The Michigan Community College Athletic Association has issued its weekly statistics for basketball, and several Schoolcraft College players rank with the leaders.

SC's men's team was 3-2 entering the week. Robert Brown was second in the MCCAA's Eastern Conference in scoring (18.5 points per game) and fifth in rebounding (8.5), while Dwight Windom ranked seventh in scoring (15.0), tied for fourth in steals (3.0) and second in rebounding (10.0).

Reggie Kirkland led the conference in assists (5.5) and field goal percentage (75.0), was second in three-point shooting (60.0), tied for fourth in steals (3.0) and was ninth in scoring (12.0). Brian Williams led the conference in steals (4.5) and was fifth in assists (4.0).

Lamar Bigby was fourth in scoring (17.0) and Chris Colley was first in free throw shooting (90.9 percent).

SC's women were 1-2 overall entering the week. Carla Saxton (15.4 points), Angelica Blakely (14.6) and Janelle Olson (13.8) were third, fourth and fifth respectively in scoring in the conference, and Antone' Watson was first in assists (7.6), fourth in rebounding (7.4) and fifth in steals (3.0).

Blakely also led the conference in blocked shots (2.4), while Olson was second in assists (4.0).

#### **BASKETBALL PREVIEW**

## Chiefs could move up in WLAA

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

What Plymouth Canton brings to the mix that is the Western Lakes Activities Association basketball race is a dash of uncertainty.

The Chiefs have experience, with six players returning from a team that won eight of 11 regular-season games in the WLAA. But there are some key losses, too, foremost among them Joe Cortellini, a sharp-shooting guard who connected on 42 percent of his three-pointers while scoring 17 points a game. Cortellini is currently playing for Albion College's junior varsity.

Losing your top-shooting perimeter player would cause consternation with most teams. Add to that the loss of key role players like Brian Smolinski, Nathan Rau, Juan Cortes and Jerry Gaines (an underclassman who opted not to return), and most people would question if the Chiefs could match last year's 12-10 mark.

But there is another element adding to the cloudiness regarding Canton's position in the WLAA basketball hierarchy: transfer Kenny Nether, a 6-foot-5 senior forward who played last season at Southfield HS.

"He's a good player," said Canton coach Dan Young. "We were lucky to get him.

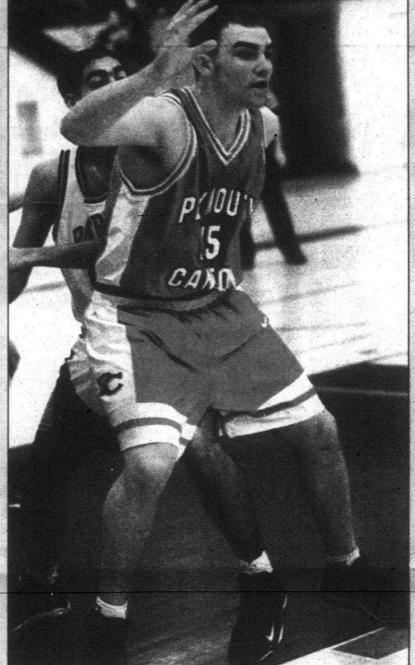
"We like him. He seems to fit in real well. He's a perimeter player, but he can go inside. He is definitely a nice addition to our team."

If Nether develops into a double-figure scorer, the Chiefs could be better than last season. His size should help defensively and on the boards, areas Young is always hoping to improve

What makes it even more intriguing is that Nether isn't counted on to single-handedly take the Chiefs to another level. With four other seniors and two juniors returning with varsity experience, there are reasons to believe in Canton.

Leading the returnees is senior post-player Jason Waidmann, a 6-5, 235-pounder who averaged 14 points and 6.5 rebounds a game last season. "He's got good hands and he's a good passer," said Young. "He's hard to guard in the post."

Other seniors are 5-10 off guard Mike Major, a solid shooter who aver-



TAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLE

Post-up power: Canton's Jason Waidmann averaged 14 points and 6.5 rebounds a game as a junior. Improving those numbers could make the difference for the Chiefs.

aged 10 points a game, and 5-7 point guard Jimmy Reddy, an "outstanding ball-handler and improved shooter" who averaged 4.0 assists per game last season.

One of the key players for the Chiefs could be senior Dan McLean. A 6-2 forward who started some as a sophomore and most of last season, McLean's value is his versatility.

"He does all the little things, all the

dirty work for us," explained Young.
"He's a tireless worker who makes
good things happen. He's a good passer, a good driver ... he'll be a big
part of what we're trying to do."
McLean can rebound, he can score,

he plays defense, and he can start or add a spark to the offense coming off the bench. Indeed, he'll be asked to do all of the above this season.

The two juniors who saw plenty of action last season as sophomores are 5-9 guard Oliver Wolcott, who averaged three assists a game in limited action last season, and Nick Cabauatan, a 5-10 guard who can score.

Five juniors move up from the

junior varsity: forwards Andrew Holmes (who stands 6-5) and Rob Parker (6-4); swing player Joe Davis (6-2); and guards Jay Sofen (6-0) and Rian Barker (5-10).

Now: What about the WLAA? What will it take for Canton to remain a part of that upper echelon, battling for the championship?

"We're trying to be better defensively than we were a year ago," said Young. "We want to guard better on the perimeter. So many teams in our league play three or four guards at a time.

"We have to be more consistent

with our overall play. All really good teams play well together offensively and defensively. If we do that, we have a chance to be pretty good."

The elements for a solid team are

The elements for a solid team are all there. Question is, is it enough in a league like the WLAA?

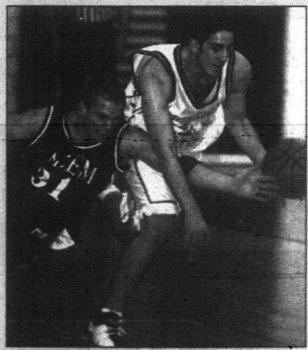
"This is just such a strong league,"

This is just such a strong league, noted Young. "On any given night any given team can beat another if it isn't ready to play."

North Farmington, the defending champ, returns several key players, including 6-6 pivotman Emir Medunjanin and 6-5 forward Adrian Bridges. Walled Lake Western, which finished

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## Rebuilt Rocks seeking to challenge



STAFF PROTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Unabated effort: Andy Kocoloski (left) could help give Salem one of its best backcourts ever.

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

The cast is almost entirely different. Will the results follow suit?

Don't count on it. Any coach in the Western Lakes Activities Association worth his whistle knows Plymouth Salem will always be a force to reckon with in boys basketball.

That's due to the efforts of Bob Brodie and his staff, who year in and year out put a winner on the floor. In Brodie's 16-year tenure as head coach, the Rocks have a winning percentage "around .750" according to the guy who has built this program. Indeed, a losing record is a rarity for a Salem team; only twice since Brodie has been head coach has such a travesty occurred.

So even without the top six players (seven seniors in all) from last season's squad, which advanced to the Class A state quarterfinals, there's no reason to count out the Rocks.

"We just try to get the next

SALEM

group ready," said Brodie, the Observer's coach of the year two years running. "We attend a team camp and play about 30 games over the summer. And we play in that Metro Detroit Nike League.

"We'll take this group and mold them as best we can, allow them to create their own

identity."

Last year, Salem went 20-5.

Can the loss of such seniors as

Aaron Rypkowski, Rob Jones,
Tony Jancevski, Adam Wilson,
Jake Gray, Mike Korduba and

Andy Brandt be overcome?
Brodie is optimistic. "Potentially, I look for this team to be better than last year," he said. "Record-wise, they might not be. But they're a competitive group. They impressed me at times this summer."

This should be generally the same kind of Salem team Brodie and his staff manage to churn out almost every year, led by seniors who have been carefully developed and injected into the lineup.

There are four current seniors who saw plenty of playing time last season as juniors (although none started). They're counted on to step up and keep the program in high gear.

Leading that group are twin brothers Matt and James McCaffrey, who stand 6-foot-6 and 6-7, respectively. Matt might have worked his way into the starting lineup last season prior to the state tournament had he not been sidelined by a dislocated shoulder against Westland John Glenn.

Their size should give the Rocks a much-needed presence, around the basket.

At guard are 5-10 Ryan Cook and 5-9 Andy Kocoloski, both seniors. Each saw playing time last season, and each is expected to make major contributions this season.

"Athletically, they're as good

See SALEM OUTLOOK, B6

## Canton jolts Salem in season-opener

Unexpecte

Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem opened their wrestling seasons Thursday at Monroe, and there was a surprise for both.

It came when they met each other on the mat. Final score: Canton 45, Salem 34.

"I'm still suffering from the shock," said Canton coach John Demsick, whose team also defeated Farmington 41-33. "But I'll survive, no doubt."

Farmington 41-33. "But I'll survive, no doubt."

Kyle Pitt, Greg Musser, John Pocock, Joe Faraoni and Phil Rothwell were all double-winners for the

In the win over Salem, Pitt at 103, Dustin Armor

WRESTLING

at 112, Pocock at 140, Faraoni at 145, Scott McKee at 152, Rothwell at 215 and Derek McWatt at heavy-weight all won on pins.

Pitt beat Salem's Mike Goethe in 1:15; Armor topped Nick Moniodis in 3:00; Pocock won over Steve Dendrinos in 3:59; Faraoni was a winner over Brian Saltzer in 4:35; McKee beat James March in 1:57; Rothwell bested John Early in 1:12; and McWatt

stopped Zach Jensen in 1:17. Canton's other winner was Musser over Lucas

Stump, 1-0, at 130.

"We're pretty excited about that," said Demsick.
The guys outperformed themselves. They're good, hard-working kids who refused to quit. A lot of them did an excellent job wrestling.

"We've got a lot of respect for Salem. They consistently have a strong team and are well-coached. Our guys really put out their best to win this."

Salem got pin wins from Rob Ash in 3:30 over Doy Demsick at 125; Josh Henderson in :59 over Jon Palmer at 135; Phil Portellos in 4:50 over Shahein Rajee at 171; and Mike Popeney in 3:40 over Derek

See WRESTLING, B3

## Albion routs Madonna; Schoolcraft wins

wasted trip.

Madonna University's men's pasketball traveled to Albion College Wednesday for a nonleague game, but the final outcome indicates it was a wasted trip: 78-40 in favor of Albion.

The loss dropped Madonna's record to 1-7 overall. The Crusaders fell behind from the outset and trailed 37-21 at the half. As bad as that was, things just got worse in the sec-

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ond half: The Britons outscored Madonna 41-19 in the second

Only one Crusader reached double figures in scoring in the game - Chad Putnam (from Redford Thurston) had 12 points and a team-high four rebounds and three blocked shots. Jason Skoczylas added nine points and

Cox had five points, four assists Albion got 14 points from Tim

cent) compared to 14-of-44 for

Albion also made 6-of-15 three-

pointers (40 percent) and 14-of-

Czarnecki, 13 from Jon Vander Schoolcraft men romp Wal, and 10 apiece from Travis Five players scored in double Balzer and Eric Petroelje. figures to lead Schoolcraft Col-The Brits outrebounded lege's men's basketball team to Madonna 40-18 and converted an 85-60 victory over the Albion 29-of-54 floor shots (53.7 per-

the Crusaders (31.8 percent). Lamar Bigby led the Ocelot entourage with 18 points. Rob

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Mike Massey had eight. Aaron 15 free throws (93.3 percent), Brown added 15, Dwight Win- for it, losing to Mohawk College while Madonna hit just 2-of-14 dom had 12, and Chris Colley 69-62 in overtime on Nov. 26 and threes (14.3 percent) and 10-ofand Reggie Kirkland scored 11 19 free throws (52.6 percent).

SC, which converted 24-of-33 free throws (73 percent), led 42-

Lady Ocelots falter

Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team traveled to the College junior varsity Wednes-Durham Big Eight Classic last weekend in Oshawa, Ont., but

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to John Abbott College 73-64 on Nov. 27. The two losses left SC with a 1-4 overall record.

In the loss to Mohawk, the 16 at the half. Lady Ocelots led 29-26 after one half but couldn't hold it.

Mohawk tied it at 57-all at the end of regulation, then outscored SC 12-5 in OT. Antone' Watson led the

Ocelots with 16 points; she also had eight rebounds, six assists and four steals. Janelle Olson added 13 points, eight boards, five assists and two steals, and Carly Wright had 12 points and six rebounds. Angelica Blakely added eight points, 12 rebounds and three blocked shots.

SC outrebounded Mohawk 61-44, but committed 28 turnovers (compared to 21 for Mohawk). Mohawk also made 16-of-29 free throws (55.2 percent), while SC vas just 2-of-11 (18.2 percent).

Against John Abbott, the Ocelots fell behind 40-27 by the end of the first half and never ecuperated. Carla Saxton paced SC with 17 Soints and 11 rebounds, while Olson had 13 points and four assists and Wright totaled 11 points and eight boards.

Agam, SC had trouble keeping possession, committing 35

#### WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASKETBALL Tuesday, Dec. 7

Dearborn at Churchill, 7 p.m. Franklin at Garden City, 7 p.m. Wyandotte at Stevenson, 7 p.m. John Glenn at A.A. Huron, 7 p.m. Canton at Wayne, 7 p.m.

Salem at Monroe, 7 p.m. enaissance at N. Farmington, 7 p.m. Redford Union at Thurston, 7 p.m. Clarenceville at Cranbrook, 7 p.m. Huron Valley at Taylor Light, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10

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Luth, Westland at Annapolis, 7 p.m. Clarenceville at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 11 (Country Day Showcase) Redford CC vs. Belleville, 4 p.m. Farmington, N. Farmington, TBA. **ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE** 

Sunday, Dec. 5 Whalers at Owen Sound, 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10

Whalers vs. S.S. Marie at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11

Whalers vs. Erie Otters at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 Whalers at Kitchener, 6:30 p.m. PREP HOCKEY

> Monday, Dec. 6 Salem at Novi, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7 Ladywood vs. Kingswood

at Ply. Cultural Center, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8 Stevenson vs. Northville at Edgar Arena, 6 & 8 p.m. Churchill at Cranbrook, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 Redford Unified vs. Allen Park

at Redford Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10 at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m Canton vs. Farm. Unified at Farm. Hills Arena, 7:30 p.m Stevenson vs. W.L. Central

it Lakeland Ice Arena, 8:20 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 11 Canton vs. W.L. Western it Lakeland ice Arena, 5:20 p.m. Salem vs. W.L. Central at Ply. Cultural Center, 7:30 p.m. Redford CC vs. Park Tudor (Ind.) at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Monday, Dec. 6 Madonna at Northwood, 7 p.m. ichoolcraft at Lake Mich., 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 10 Madonna at Bethel (Ind.), 6 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 11 Adrian JV at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m. Middonna at Bethel (Ind.), 3 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Wednesday, Dec. 8 K zoo Valley at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Saturday, Dec. 11

Portage Northern Tourney, 8:30 a.m. F.H. Harrison Invitational, TBA.

TBA - time to be announced.

St. Agatha and Canton Agape Christian.

## Clues seem to indicate that there is a coyote scavenging in the area



another axle that turned out to be a den

10-to-50 foot tall spruce trees

The light cream color of the

dried grass in contrast with

the dark evergreen of the

While following a deer trail

along the edge, I found a deer

As I walked further along the

edge I flushed an accipiter

hawk, either a female sharp-

ned or a male cooper's.

Just a few more steps along the trail and I flushed a medi-

um sized owl. It did not look

dark enough to be a great

horned owl - my guess was a

This meadow is off the beat-

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by park maintenance, so ani-

mal life is mostly undisturbed

in this area. That is probably

why I was finding so many

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spotted some trash in the cen-

ter of the meadow. Upon closer

examination I saw a plastic

nilk jug that had been chewed,

each, some scrap metal and

cloth, a deer antler and a rac-

coon skull. All the grass sur-

nding the trash was matted

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barred owl.

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the vicinity I felt I had found a

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I began to survey the area

That is when I saw the spokes

saw several trails radiatin outward in all directions Trails were radiating from the den of the coyote through the undisturbed grasses of the meadow in a very similar man

Coyotes have a varied diet that certainly includes scavging dead deer.

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This same area is where two park employees actually saw a coyote run across the park

All these clues suggest that it is the den of a coyote, even though I did not actually see Putting signs together to

identify wildlife is like being a detective and solving a crime with only clues left by the bad Many times there are too few

clues to make an intelligent guess, but this time I had the satisfaction of feeling pretty confident in my assumption. For now I will have to be sat-

isfied with the evidence left behind, because I know coyotes are wily, but maybe someday



Tough to beat: Canton goalie Brad Arsnov was difficult to beat in the nets against Stevenson, stopping 24 of the 26 shots he faced.

## Chiefs hang in there, but fall to Stevenson

Kevin Marlowe (18 saves) was sharp in goal Wednesday, leading host Livonia Stevenson to a 2-0 victory over Plymouth Canton in a Western Lakes Activities Association hockey match played at Edgar Arena in Livo-

The Spartans improved to 2-1 verall, 1-0 in the WLAA with the win. Canton is 2-2 overall, 1-I in the league.

Stevenson's Bryan Dery scored an unassisted short-handed goal at 3:04 of the first period. Sophomore Matt Calus tallied

his first varsity goal from Dave Bonello at 8:58 of the second Brad Arznov was solid in goal

for the Chiefs, making 24 saves. "It was basically a penaltyfree, good hockey team," Stevenson coach Mike Harris said. "For a first-year team, Canton was

PREP HOCKE

"We played more disciplined and kept our composure better than we did in the Redford Unified game (a 2-1 loss). We talked about self-control going in."

Turn scored a pair of goals Wednesday to lead Livonia Churchill (1-0, 1-0) to a Western (1-2, 1-2) at Edgar Arena. Nate Jakubowski, Adam Krug and

Ryan McDonnell also scored for the vic orious Chargers, who led 3-0 after one Kevin Gessler had a pair of assists,"

while Jakubowski, Matt Krug and Sean-Smith added one apiece. Goaltender Matt Williams earned the

## Wrestling from page B1

Miller at 189 Andrew Bennett also defeated Mike Bonner 10-0 at 160 and Ron Thompson won 20-5 at 140 and Chris Hosey by void at 119.

Faraoni had a major decision Against Farmington, pin winners for the Chiefs were Pitt over over James Clarahan, 16-2 at Bryan Proven in 1:29 at 112; 145, and Rothwell got an 8-6 vic-Doy Demsick over Robert Ens- tory over Kyle Domagalski at terday in :58 at 119; and Musser 215. over Aaron Turk in 1:37 at 130.

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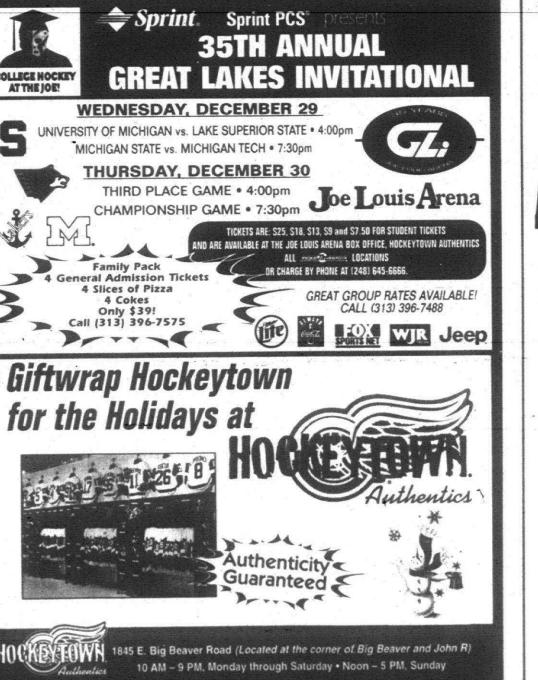
over host Monroe, with wins by over Scott LeRoy, 2-1 at 152: Jensen over Matt Morris, 9-5 at heavyweight; and void wins by-Nick Moniodis at 112 and Craig-Blair at 171.

Canton, now 2-0, travels to the Novi Round-Robin Tournament Other winners for the Rocks at 9 a.m. Saturday. Salem, 1-1,



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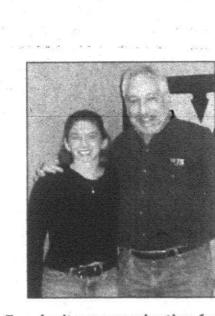


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## Herrington, top gridders earn accolades

#### ALL-AREA

#### ALL-OBSERVER FOOTBALL FIRST-TEAM OFFENSE

Sr. Mike Morris (6-2, 275), Redford CC r. Steve Dominguez (6-3, 265), Redf. CC r. Nick Samples (6-6, 260), John Glenn list of outstanding players.

sr. Josh Abels (6-2, 280), Garden City Tight End/Wide Receiver Sr. Brad Buckler (6-0, 181), Lv. Stevens

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Br. Kent Taylor (6-2, 230), Farm. Harrison Sr. Jeff Moore (6-5, 220), Catholic Centra n. Dominic Freda (5-9; 210), Stevenson sr. Scott Rycerz (5-11, 195), Farmington sr. Jake Tharp (6-3, 235), Westland Glen sr Brian Brinsden (6-2, 240), Farmington

r, John Van Buren (6-0, 212), Stevenson

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sr. Lou Hadley (5-11, 165), Farm, Harriso

sr. Dave Painter (8 1, 153), Liv. Franklin

ir. Mark Willoughby (6-1, 180), Redf. CC

ir. Cedric Mann (5-6, 145), Red. Thurston

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competition at the end of the year, they were up to the task of beating those teams like (Livonia) Stevenson, Country Day and the last three playoff teams." The consensus opinion is that

Herrington and his staff did one of their best coaching jobs. "The coaching staff put in a lot of hours and thought, trying to Stevenson: Tim Baugher, Mike Pilon, lick Coffman, Mike McClain, Joe Ordus rankfin: Paul Grech, Joe Ruggiero, Chris prepare for each game," Herrington said. "We probably did more

preparation for every game than we ever did. Coach (Steve) Dollaway's scouting reports were very thorough and really helped us prepare. - -"The key to our season was special teams. Right from the

start, our special teams were outstanding. Coach (John) Witkowski did an excellent job."

Herrington owns a career record of 271-58-1 spanning 30 seasons, all at Harrison. The Hawks have appeared in the playoffs a state-record 18 times and posted a 52-8 record.

Herrington, whose teams have averaged nine wins per season, plans to be back for a 31st with 300 wins on the horizon.

"I haven't thought much about that, but it would be a nice goal to go for," Herrington said. "We'll just look forward to next season

and see what the boys can do. "I think we'll have a fine team next year. I don't know if the results will be as good, but we'll have experienced players coming

Other coaches leading their teams to successful seasons and receiving consideration were Greg Hudkins (Clarenceville), Mike Salter (Garden City) and John Bechtel (Farmington).

#### **FIRST-TEAM OFFENSE**

You didn't see Farmington Harrison ranked among the top football teams in the state last August. Neither did the Hawks have anyone on the preseason

But there they were at the end once again. When it was all over. the Hawks were back on top as state champions. Coming off back-to-back Class

BY DAN O'MEARA

A championship seasons, Harrison had just one full-time starter back and was not considered a strong contender to win a third straight.

> Hawks not ed for 1999 came early adversity to do just that. Harrison won three in a row for the

John Herrington

and captured its 10th state title when it defeated Grand Rapids Creston in the Division 3 final Nov. 27.

For the job he and his coaching staff did to remake the Hawks into a championship team. Harrison's John Herrington has been selected Observerland Coach of the Year.

"I think we were more talented than some people think," he said. "We did have four or five really outstanding players. The great thing was how other players stepped up and did the job.

The Hawks, who forfeited two victories for using an ineligible player, were 2-4 and facing early elimination from playoff contention. But they won their final three regular-season games, including wins over Division I ualifier Livonia Stevenson and

Division 5 champ Country Day, o qualify as a wild-card team. The Hawks went on to have a Cinderella-like finish, winning their last last eight games,

including five in the post-season. "It was really gratifying to see helps his foot work. the improvement the kids made said. "A lot of players were asked got a lot stronger," coach Mike Salter

against Wyandotte, we went behind

Nelson caught 20 passes for 400 John Kava, RB, Catholic Central: Kava this year he also became a powerful runyards and five touchdowns. He also was amassed more than 2,000 yards rushing ner."

Mike Morris, OL, Catholic Central: Morris did a lot for the Shamrocks, and some of it he did through pain. The three-year starter played the last several games with a cast over his broken hand. He injured his shoulder and sat out the second half of the playoff win over Livenia Stevenson, but he played the follow ing week against Walled Lake Western. Nimble on his feet, Morris played

tackle on both sides of the ball. He had 45% tackles, including 4% sacks. The strongest CC player, he bench presses 420 pounds and runs the 40-yard dash in 4.9 seconds. Iowa and Toledo are among the teams recruiting Morris. "He went through a lot of pain just to

get out there," CC coach Tom Mach said. "Colleges are looking at him as a defensive player, but I think he's good enough to play offense or defense. He "I looked at him as the kind of impact player Doug Brzezinski (Philadelphia

Eagles) was. He controlled his side of the line and was able to chase down backs; he has the speed for defense. Steve Dominguez, OL, Redford CC: Dominguez anchored the other side of the line for the Shamrocks. He started

two years at left tackle on offense and also excelled when playing defensive first time tackle this season. Dominguez recorded 15 tackles. "He's very hard-nosed, a great base

blocker, excellent one-on-one," Mach said. "He has very good technique and great temperament for the game." Nick Samples, OL, Westland Glenn: A varsity performer since his freshman year, Samples' junior season was cut an outstanding punter, too. short in a second-round playoff win over

Detroit Henry Ford when he suffered a able to get our defensive backs in the knee injury. The tackle underwent successful surgery last month and is on the road to recovery. Samples was only one of two juniors make the All-WLAA squad.

"We're counting on Nick to rehab and of the ball for the Spartans. come back strong next year," Glenn. great year. "We brought him up to the varsity as

we wanted to work with him early." Josh Abels, OL, Garden City: Abels was voted Garden City's most valuable player on the offensive line the last two

seasons. The strongest player on the hands to make every catch with textteam, Abels started two years on the book form. He was our go-to receiver." He also played defensive tackle in short-yardage situations, registering 12 Falcons, rushing for 1,167 yards and 15 solo tackles, including one sack, with touchdowns on 195 carries, He made Salter said. "He has great moves and five assists. Playing tennis in the spring 37 plays that went 20 yards or more. studder steps, He's the best back we've

year. He put on more muscle mass and 105 attempts. One of the strongest players on the said. "For a big guy, he has very good team, he also started at defensive back. Nobody had a better year running the was the area's second-leading rusher feet; he moves well. He's a very good He was in on 56 tackles, had 11 pass football than Jones, who was never held with 2,025 yards on 179 carries (11.3 pass blocker; he sets up well with breakups, intercepted two passes and under 100 yards in any of the 12 Glenn "On fourth-and-1 from the goal line times for a 35.4 average.

Josh and scored. On fourth-and-4 any tougher than he is," coach John yards on 311 carries and 22 touchagainst Lincoln Park, we went behind Bechtel said. "He never came off field; downs this season. He averaged seven for over 400 total yards in that game Josh and got the first down. When we he never missed a snap from center. He yards per carry. He also broke Tony need yardage, that's who we'd go to." made big plays when we needed it all Boles' single-game rushing mark with Brian Nelson, WR, Farm. Harrison: year long.

Harrison had-returning at the start of more impressive he was, because he us," Gordon said. "Teams knew he was definitely our goto guy." the season. He was a two-way regular. liked playing that way. He's a hard- going to get the ball a lot, and he still playing free safety on defense in addi- nosed kid; he's just a great high school piled up the yardage.



punted 37 times for a 36.4 average. On tailback. He totaled 1,334 yards in 197 defense, he was one of the leading tacklers with 102 hits, and he led the team with eight interceptions.

"He was our best pass receiver," He rington said. "He had to play tight end when our tight ends got hurt, but he's really more of a split end. He turned into "He knows coverages well and was

standing hands. If he was near the ball, he would catch it." Brad Buckler, TE, Livonia Stevenson: The senior was a stalwart on both sides

He led Stevenson with 15 receptions when we needed it." best offensive lineman. He just had a team's leading tackler at linebacker (91) and had four sacks. "Brad was just relentless on

a ninth grader and maybe that was too defense," Stevenson coach Tim Gabel soon, but he had the size (6-6, 260) and said. "He played every down just this side of out-of-control, which caused him to win our weekly 'Big Hit' award four times in 10 games. "On offense, he uses incredibly soft

Grant Weber, QB, Farmington: Weber was the main offensive threat for the "Josh has improved a lot since last three touchdowns, completing 55 of remember, either playing with or coach-

> blocked a field goal. Weber punted 26 games. That's not bad for a converted "I'm not sure anybody in the area is ... Jones had a school-record 2,183

"The more physical the game was the

4-of-4 passing for 120 yards, and he in two years as the Shamrocks' starting Mike Macek, RB, Redford Union: Few players in the state have better highcarries this year for a 6.6-yards-per-carry average in 10 games. He scored 13 year starter on both sides of the ball. touchdowns. As a starting linebacker he Hobbled by a leg injury midway

had 41 tackles and one sack. through the year, Macek still gained Kava's outstanding high school 844 yards, for an average of 6.4 pe career ended on a down note. He sat carry, and six touchdowns. He also out the district championship game scored three times on special teams, against Walled Lake Western with a runs that covered 98, 93 and 54 yards. spinal problem. Macek caught seven passes for 168 "He's one of the best backs we've

make Garden City High in the early

1980s, no running back has enjoyed a

Extremely quick at getting to the line

better season than Sparks had this fall.

downs. Both are single-season records.

first-team, All-Observer wide receiver

289 against Plymouth Canten. - -

with two fumble recoveries.

yards and two touchdowns and filled in ever had," Mach said. "He has a great at quarterback, completing four of 18 combination of speed and power. He's the type of back who can run over you score. He also excelled at linebacker or around you. He never played in a losfinishing with 185 career tackles, 13 sacks, and seven interceptions. tough yards but also broke the big one Macek owns most RU records on

offense, accounting for 4,622 total Mike Sparks, RB, Garden City: Since yards and 53 touchdowns. He amassed Garden City West and East formed to 3,146 yards rushing and scored 39 touchdowns. He also caught 29 passses for 476 yards and five TDs. Macek also handled the punting. "Mike is one of the best players I've

of scrimmage, he rushed for 1,494 yards ever coached in 20 years," RU coach in 250 attempts and scored 18 touch-Glenn Scala said. "He did whatever it took to give us the advantage and win Sparks also played outside linebacker the game. He never gave up, even this on defense, recording 54 solo tackles. year, when he was hurt a few games including two sacks, and 17 assists (pulled hamstring), he played as hard as "Mike hits holes hard and, after he hits the hole, makes people miss,"

Just a sophomore, Shaw is already rewriting the record books for the Trojans and is one of the reasons Weber also passed for 654 yards and had in Garden City as far back as I can Clarenceville was undefeated during the regular season. With the torch passed from all-stater Eric Jones, RB, Westland John Glenn: Walter Ragland (Adrian College), Shaw

downs. Shaw rushed for a season-high

300 yards in 27 carries against Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, while accounting "Offensively, as he went, we went Clarenceville coach Greg Hudkins said

"As the season progressed, we upped "Eric just had a tremendous year for

> "He's one of the hardest-working kids we have in the weight room. If he stays





**RB-Tim Shaw** 



Farmington Harrison



K-Jeremy Catarine Westland John Glenn





#### he also caught a touchdown pass. "He has good quickness for a defensive lineman," Herrington said. "He's a good pass rusher, and it was very tough

"As a fullback, his best quality was

name to the list. College coaches like

"He was probably one of our greatest

All-Observer football team from page B4

Kevin Woods, RB, Farm. Harrison: Woods was Harrison's offensive leader with 1,519 rushing yards and 23 (he wore No. 23) touchdowns on 248 car- to run against him. ries for an average of just over six yards

his blocking ability, but he was also a He also averaged nearly 19 yards on good, short-yardage runner.\* kickoff returns and more than 15 on Jeff Moore, DL, Catholic Central: Prior nunts. He ended his career with 2,429 to the season, most observers felt the rushing yards and 34 touchdowns. Shamrocks had two potential Division I I thought he stepped up big in the college players in their senior class state championship game and ran with Morris and Kava. You can add Moore's

adding Woods appears destined to play his potential and are impressed with his in the Mid-American Conference. ability every time they watch tape. "Northern Illinois was here today and Moore played some as a junior but LB-John Van Buren really likes his potential. He has great prospered this year, recording 48% tackspeed; he can break tackles, as he did les, including 4% sacks. He returned one in the Silverdome, and he cuts back of two fumble recoveries for a TD.

surprises this year," Mach said, "H and Bowling Green, as well as NIU. stepped in and did a tremendous job. Jeremy Catarino, K. Westland Glenn: would say, overall, this season he was The senior handled the kicking and punthe best defensive end we saw. ing duties with equal effectiveness. "He has excellent movement and Catarino, an All-WLAA selection, hit good technique. He controlled his side 29 of 30 extra points and 10 of 13 field with great tenacity. He's a great goals. His kickoffs went to the 7-yard

a lot of authority," Herrington said,

Woods has trips planned to Toledo

against the grain well."

ine on average while 14 reached the Dominic Freda, DL, Stevenson: The end zone. He also averaged 35 yards per All-WLAA pick came up with 68 tackles. punt with a long of 68. (tied for third on the team), two sacks "In the off-season, Jeremy worked and two safeties for one of the area's harder than any kicker we've ever had," top defenses, which didn't allow more Gordon said. "He did as much drill work than 100 points (in 10 games).

\*Dominic made the jump from a "He had a quality senior year, and steady player a year ago to a real force he's one of the most dedicated ever to this year," Gabel said. "He has great play at Glenn." awareness for a defensive lineman. His great technique and quickness allowed FIRST-TEAM DEFENSE him often to go unblocked into the offensive backfield."

Jeremiah Hicks, DL, Catholic Central: For two years, Hicks was hard to move n the middle of the defensive line. good on defense. The defensive tackle A co-captain, Hicks led CC's down Hnemen and was second on the team

with 53% tackles, including 4% sacks. "He's a great leader, extremely quick and agile," Mach said. "He was a very difficult guy to block; he stayed low to the ground. He made a lot of great, outstanding plays over the last two years." Kent Taylor, DL, Farmington Harrison: Taylor started at defensive tackle and fullback, anchoring the defense and pro-

viding key blocks for Woods on offense. room," Bechtel said. "His main job was Taylor, the strongest player on the to keep people off the linebackers, and Harrison team, had four sacks and 51 because of that he didn't make a lot of tackles. He carried the ball 37 times for tackles. 168 yards and seven touchdowns, and

Scott Rycerz, DL, Farmington: Rycerz

was one reason the Falcons were so

played bigger than his size, using

strength and technique to plug the mid-

A three-year starter, Rycerz had 17

fullback, he rushed for 302 yards and

"He was a diehard in the weight

four touchdowns on 66 carries.













LB-Brian Reid **LB-Rory Crittenden** 

technique and great pad level. Nobody was able to knock him off the football. He stalemated offensive linemen or the way he did was a compliment to his moved them backward, and a lot of dedication, and it says a lot about him times he was being double-teamed. as far as getting ready for the season. They didn't have any choice; they had to deal with him. That's one reason (Rory) den was a one-man wrecking crew for the Falcons, anchoring the strong side Crittenden made so many tackles."

dle and make trouble for opposing Jake Tharp, LB, Westland John Glenn: two-way player who made first-team All-Observer last year. Tharp recovered les and assisted on 60 more. first hits and 52 assists. He played all from knee surgery to enjoy a banner but one game despite a broken wrist, which limited his play on offense. As a

> Glenn with 72 first hits and 57 assists. He also had six fumble recoveries and five interceptions. Offensively, he was one of the Rock-

blockers. "Jake had to come back from recon-\*One his greatest assets was his structive knee surgery and had to work because we put him head-up on the







Redford Thurston

hard in the off-season Gordon said. "To come back and play Brian Brinsden, LB, Farmington: Brins-

**DB-Nick Hall** 

**Farmington Harrison** 

of the defense. The three-year starter recorded 16 sacks; he had 41 solo tack A high-ankle sprain prevented Brins den from playing offense more than he

"He's probably the most dominating run defender at his position in the state," Bechtel said, "His size and ets' most powerful one-on-one drive strength made him dominant over there,

tight end and he was our only two-gap player. He had to destroy the tight end's tackler with 150. He had 96 assists. block and take on whoever came next, nd he was great at it."

372 yards in 93 carries and seven

and a tackler," Gabel said, "He com-

bines athleticism with a genuine under-

standing of football and game-planning.

He's been a pleasure to coach."

to the entire defense.

sing situations."

The senior was voted Defensive Player

which he returned for a touchdown.

"We expected a lot of John this year

linebacker around than Rory," Becht John Van Buren, LB, Stevenson: said. "He had pretty good people aroulte Another Spartan who excelled on both him, but he was obviously at the foot sides of the ball, Van Buren was a threeball. He knew where to go and had the year varsity starter. He was second on athletic ability to get there and make the team in tackles (68) and is Stevensomething happen." on's second all-time career tackler. Offensively, the fullback rushed for

"Last year Rory was an offensive guard (when Farmington installed the wing-T offense), because we thought wi needed our best athletes there. When we were looking for a backup quarteron both sides of the hall and he met hack this year (coach Tim) Schafer said every expectation as a runner, a blocker he should be the backup. (First-year coach Darrell) Harper said: 'You must'in been nuts having this kid play guard Look at his athletic ability.' He's a great athlete who can run."

"I'm not sure there's a bette

Eric Stupyra, LB, Garden City: Stupyra Brian Reid, LB, Redford Thurston led the Cougars in tackles this year. Reid was a three-year starter, excelling at fullback and linebacker this year. He after finishing second as a junior. He finished with 68 solos, including 10 sacks, led the Eagles with a school-record 142 and 31 assists. He had one fumble tackles, including 26 for losses.

recovery and one pass interception. He also led the Eagles in rushing Stupyra was a wingback on offense gaining 715 yards in 154 carries and He rushed for á 4.9-yard average, gainscoring six touchdowns. For his career ing 133 yards in 27 attempts. He Reid gained 1,210 yards and had 10 aught four passes and had an astoundtouchdowns. He had 297 career tacking 34.5-yards-per-catch average. les, 39 for losses. Safter coaches the outside lineback-"What makes him unique is his great

ers and knows how much Stupyra meant ability to find the ball," Thurston coach Bob Snell said, "He practices and plays "He's a very hard-working player; he's with great intensity. He entered every hard-hosed and wants to be in on every practice looking to get better. play," Salter said. "He's a great outside

"He was a little undersized as a full blitzer with good instincts for the ball. back but did everything 100 percent full He takes on blockers and is very tough speed ahead. If you didn't hit him big with your pads, he was going to make against the run. We liked to blitz him in yards. If he was 6-2 and 220 pounds Kalen McPherson, LB, Clarenceville: he'd be a blue-chip recruit."

Nick Hall, DB, Farmington Harrison

of the Year in the Metro Conference and Hall played strong safety and was one of the hardest hitters in the area. He was was the Trojans' leading tackler with 113 total. He also recorded seven sacks one of Harrison's top tacklers with 88: and three fumble recoveries, one of he also had three interceptions. As the starting swingback on offense McPherson also averaged three to Hall caught 10 passes for 227 yards and

> hurdlers in track. "Nick is an extremely talented athlete," Herrington said. "He has all the qualities to play college ball; he can run;

on the kickoff team, and he was the was outstanding at inside linebacker the ball on offense."



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The two-time, All-WLAA selection led did. He rushed for 280 yards and two touchdowns on 53 carries. and he read his keys so well. "He was the key in our defense,

four knockdowns (blocks) per game and three touchdowns. Hall is a post player stood out as an offensive guard. n basketball and one of the area's best "Kalen is the kind of kid who just goes at you 100 percent all the time." Hudkins said. "We had to spot him ground: He's just a tough, fierce com- he can jump, and he's strong, "He's a big hitter, too. He was great Rory Crittenden, LB, Farmington: Crittenden is a versatile athlete who played best hitter coming out of the secondary. several positions during his career but He also has good hands; he can catch

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age categories received a watch. and Mike Callaway came in sec-

In the 50-59 group, Joseph 249/702 while Ken Deneau, 66.

## Salem outlook from page B1

as any guard tandem I've ever the starting quarterback on defense had," said Brodie, "and I've had some good ones." The fifth starting position cur-

Ryan Nimmerguth, who stands Of course, on Brodie's teams there isn't usually that much separating starters from substi-

tutes. All are expected to con-

Those who should aid Salem's inside game are juniors Barry Flavin (6-5). Rvan Havdon (6-4) and Nick Tochman (6-4), Jeff Haar, a 5-10 junior, will see plenty of action at guard, and his other teams did so well. "We senior Gabe Coble, who stands 6- ran the ball well last year, and

Plymouth Salem, a state tour-

nament quarterfinalist last sea-

son, lost most of its lineup to

graduation, but the Rocks usual-

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second, also has the bulk of its athletic and loaded.

y reload without missing a beat. state for a year - returning, and

And Farmington Harrison and 6-5 junior Aaron Marshall, a

Farmington both appear to be transfer from Buffalo, N.Y.

could be a contributor.

lineup back.

Salem's football team; in the until this year. Others to watch are 6-2 guard

Mark Bolger and 5-10 guard

Scott Discher, both juniors.

What separates this team from last year's is that roles are less clearly defined. "We don't have that pure shooter or that big rebounder inside," said Brodie "But the versatility is better on this team."

He still plans to do the things we'll run the ball this year," he dressed and ready to play every Coble finished the season as said. "We'll apply pressure on night," said Brodie. "There are

the Rockets as a sophomore

before going to school out-of-

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last season. Although the Rocks advanced to the Sweet Sixteen in the state tournament, they could finish no higher than third in the transfers.

Two of their losses came against North Farmington, the league champion; another was against John Glenn, with Northville inflicting a fourth.

"I know we have to come

no weak spots on our schedule.' Indeed, the WLAA appears placed second, both return the bulk of their starting lineups

from a year ago. John Glenn and Plymouth Canton also appear formidable, thanks in part to some talented

So where will Salem fit in? Brodie would make no rash predictions. "I'm looking for this team to follow in the footsteps of its predecessors and continue winning," he said.

If this team can follow those steps, it will write its own impressive legacy.

How good it will have to be to

that in a negative way. He's not a blind

> own guy and has a certain way of going about his business. "Sometimes he speaks his own mind and marches to a

not huge into awards. I'm not trying to make the paper. just figure if you work hard, It's the same approach

(1996), the Rockets finished

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Where it will all lead is diffipast, he has never been healthy cult to predict. Despite Salem's more competitive than ever, enough after football season to overall success through the North, the defending champ, and rently belongs to another senior: get through basketball tryouts years, it must be remembered Walled Lake Western, which that it's never easy to win in the

Proof is readily available from

Canton outlook from page B1

"This is a real solid league, "This team has a chance to be Then there's Westland John one-through-12," said Young. So good, if it plays up to its capabili-Glenn, which has 6-8 senior who does he pick to be at the

Yaku Moton - who played with top? "Heck no," he answered. "I'm make a run in the WLAA is a not going that route. question only time can answer.

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o-nonsense, business-like

"Marc's not going to popularity contests," said. "And I don't mean

follower. He's his

different drummer. But I know one thing, if somebody backs

Dugas used when he was at John Glenn.



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There is the question of unbiased and statistically adequate studies to confirm the efficacy of the

esting sufficient to confirm or disprove that point. However, the same review tailed to find any product these over-the-counter medications can reverse or repair the osteographitis itself.

Presently, most physicians remain skeptical of a role for alternative medications in the treatme

## Former Rocket gets all-league honors

The 6-foot-3, 325-pound ight tackle for Northern

overall and 6-3 in the GLIAC "I'd say we played real well, everybody played pretty much up played to the best of their ability this season," said lugas. "We were in every

you into a corner, I want him Despite a painful turf toe, suffered in the second game of

hings look good for us next year. We have just about our entire offense back with the Dugas is not one to toot his wn horn. He puts his football

the season, and a chipped bone in his foot, the Westland John

to maneuver his size-16 feet en route to All-Great Lakes Inter-

legiate Athletic League hon-

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lecals (for good plays) in his ocker, not on his helmet. "I just like to play the game and work hard," he said. "I'm

deht Al Gore to take part in the shot 253-228-268 for a 749 actu- 223/750. Marvin Holly, 44, of award ceremony for Rosa Parks. al. He figured the lanes out Garden City took second with His stretch limo took up much better than myself and a 268-209-235/712. almost half the parking lot, but whole lot of others. it was late last Monday night

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Alternative medication. Further doubt arises as chemical analysis of these alternatives falls to find anything in them that you could reasonably expect would have medical value. Exceptions exist to the above statisments. Review of the use of Glucosamine and Chrondrottin Suffata, SAM and SAMe provided sufficient evidence to indicate they may lessen the pain of osteoarthritis. Medical studies are now underway subjecting these alternative medications to

For herbals such as Ayurvedic, tripyteryglum, ginger root and the like, medical community doubt s high, for the reasons noted above.

Wonderland Lanes (Livonia) Senior Men's Invitational: Don Martin, 256 Craig Carpenter, 236/629; Ken Peer, 231;

Newton, 200/575.

Friday Seniors: Larry Slavin, 226-217/567:

200/511: Bob Charbonneau, 203/561: Joe Bugeia, 571.

The man stood and there were plenty of other

Star Bowlerettes.

wheeled down had to get the first two strikes in

the pocket at all three to finish with eight in a

Cloverlanes in row. Her games were 258-279-

the lane and the last frame to reach 800.

fedora and bowling was just a Tournament and Party last Sat-

fun hobby for former world urday at Thunderbowl Lanes

heavyweight boxing champion was a complete success, based on

Evander Holyfield as he and sev- the turnout of more than 500

·A few minutes before meeting

Evander Holyfield. I watched as

shoot an 805 series in the All

It was her first 800 in adult

competition, something she had

done twice as a youngster. She

She did better, going out with

•The Old Timers 69th Annual

unable to attend due to an

It is expected that he will be

fully recovered and able to come

The overall champion this year

was in the area with Vice Presi- was Ernie Segura Sr., 66, who Ditto, 49, won with 269-258-

in for the year 2000 event.

and Lisa McCardy of Hazel park

tall at the spaces.

approach, flexed

stepped toward

swing and the

sixteen-pounder

smashed into

The man was wearing a black

I watched as he had several

graphs for anybody who asked.

Judging by his athletic ability,

I would say that if he chose to

take up bowling seriously, he

Holyfield lives in Atlanta and

Woodland Lanes (Livonia

Monday Seniors: Chuck Simpson, 200;

Lyndon Meadows: Carol Pozan, 215/540.

Local 182: Frank Bertani, 221-210-

Ford Parts: Dave Cervenak, 298/768; Jim

Merri Bowl (Livonia)

Wednesday Sundowners: Myrna Landre-

Donna Kress, 226/598; Stacy Templeton,

Wednesday Toast & Coffee: Karen Milligan,

All Star Bowlerettes: Lisa McCardy,

279/805; Louise Johnson, 260/735; Aleta

Sill, 245/709; Tina Barber-Judy, 253/673;

St. Aldan's Men: Bob Racey, 215/631;

Dan Gjernes, 230; Cliff Merritt, 255/617; Joe

Metro Tuesday: Carrol Sheridan, 224/620;

Mike Poke, 246; Mike Klauza, 232; Paul

Tuesday Seniors: Joe Newton, 299-225-

Naujokas, 223; Joe Wanielista, 245.

Migda, 255/662; Pete Fani, 259/679.

The late archery deer season

runs through Jan. 2 statewide. A

late antierless-only firearms sea-

son will be held Dec. 18-Jan. 2

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firearms season will also be held

Dec. 18-Jan. 2 on most private

Muzzleloading season runs Dec.

Dec. 10-19 in the Lower Penin-

Duck season runs through Nov.

zones and through Dec. 7 in the

Late elk season runs Dec. 7-14

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areas of the northern Lower

through Jan. 1 in the Lower

A special late pheasant season

the southeastern part of the

Rabbit season runs through

Squirrel season runs through

March 31 statewide.

Jan. 1 statewide.

runs through Dec. 15 in much of

30 in the North and Middle

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Bagrie, 279-290/760; Charles Sprosek,

Morning Stars: Fran Multiken, 206.

Men's Trie: Vern Florers, 300/752.

Doug Amold, 203; Don Boetter, 221.

249/680: Ambrose Smith, 212.

203/518; Jayne Chase, 557.

Michelle Anger, 277/653.

Knox, 267/704.

Blythe, 202.

Happiness Is: Susan Rodev, 247/692.

eral friends went bowling.

could be very good at it.

his broad shoul-

248/686; Ed Dudek, 665; Jess Macciocco, Wonderland Classic: Don Haase, 258/709; 279/702; Brad Strange, 259/744; Darrell Greg Cohen, 279/714; Mark Sitko, 275/715; Don Parks, 259/711; Ron Eisenbeis, 733;

Mitch Jabczenski, 723.

Haist, 670; Ray Card, 267; Larry Ezerkis, 268; ville, 228/523; Jean Pashakarnis, 212/528; Jeff Koshen, 267/659 (150 pins o/a). Westland Bowl Sunday Sleepers: Tom Johnson Jr.,

Nite Owls: Alan Biasutto, 267/712; Rick

279/790; Terry Tesarz, 279; Larry Collins. 235/556; Dorothy Zancanaro, 201/554; VI 278/702; Rich Trullard, 278/742; Ryan Wil-A.M. Ladies Trio: Patricia Bowles, 191; Jarlis Tavormina, 178, Carol Daniel, 173.

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665. Windsor's Scotty Laugh- scratch Tournament series. land, 69, a previous winner, came in third with 663. For the 70-74 category, it was

took second-place honors with Brunswick Blue Ribbon Group

Frank Darabos, 73, first with 217 and under in yearbook and 661, followed by Burt Price, 74, The 75-79 group had George

Dahlstrom, 75, both from the

Mayflower Senior Men's Classic League. Chico took first with ond with 634. Louis Balint, 80, at 604 for the 217/583. first prize and Joe Paulus of

Walter Schultz of Plymouth 99, was recognized as the oldest of all competitors and he bowled

During the awards cere-

Next year he will qualify for the 100-year-old group, in which there has only been one bowler Each winner in the various Oskarek Jr., 51, won with 706 last year.

> Don Hayes, 62, win with 287 - as President of the Old Timers Bowling Association of Greater 209-197/693 and Joseph Mas-Detroit for the coming year. In the 65-69 group, it was Bob

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Julius Maisano, 267; Paul Koenig, 700; Chris

art. 265/703; Dan Heffeman, 257/677.

Hamill, 268/683; Tony Mauti, 267; Bob Stew-

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Brugman, 689

Pat Okerstrom, 225/602.

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Hedger, 213; Donna, 204/575. Country Couples: Keith Suda, 216; Ed Greenfield Mixed: Rich Nizza, 225-211/626: Ryan Wilson, 207-248-222/677

> Country Preps: Derek Wesch, 175; Robby Rhinehart, 164; Rachel Dubiel, 122. Country Juniors: Ryan Meyers, 186: Jordan

> Klegon, 233-215/618. Ryan Lash, 257/612-

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(Chico) Chicovsky, 77, and Jack for more information. · High School bowling report! November 30 at Mercury Lanes, Stevenson High boy's team took 268-274-224/666 and Jack sec- 19 of 21 points vs. Crestwood led by Tim Allen, 245; Josh Smith, The 80-over category had 224-212/616 and Joe Campo

The Livonia schools' unified girls team took 29 of 30 points west Bloomfield in second at against Crestwood led by Melissa Wilson, 190/509 and Ali Cichon, 502.

Upcoming schedule for the Southeastern Michigan High School Bowling Conference Western Division: 4 p.m. Dec. 8 at Cherry Hill Lanes, 4 p.m. Dec. 15 at Merri Bowl: 10 a.m. Dec. 19 at Ford Lanes; 4 p.m. Dec. 22 at Cherry Hill Lanes; and 4 p.m. monies, yours truly was installed Jan. 7 at Oxford Lanes.

The eight teams in the conference represent the following high schools: Stevenson, Crestwood

216/633; David Lazarus, 259/608; David

Shanbaum, 243/603; Mark Feinberg, 210

Dahlstrom, 277-243/680; Dale Hayes, 221:

232.217/670 Frank Palmier: 258/645

Charles Lawrence, 219-241-238/698; Tony

Ben lanetta, 234/655; Stan Gagacki

244/650; Walt Arsenault, 243/648; Bud

Friday Seniors: Frank Federico, 266/708;

Monday Seniors: Ted Mack, 245-247/717

St Val's Mens: Gary Thorp. 288/720; Jim

Ford Parts Men: Jamie Jones, 256: You

Howard Davis, 258/669; Tim McCarthy

244/660: Jarv Woehlke, 653; Gary Nagle,

Duff, 259/718, Gary Shatter, 247/700; Mike

Dimambro, 238/687; Robb Sierminski

245/649; Bill Britton, 264/621,

Nowicki, 259-252/733.

Golchuk, 259/607.

Kraemer, 224/637.

Wednesday Men's Senior Classic: Jack

#### **BOWLING HONOR ROLL** Youth/Adult: Gavy Sheimke, 247-234-

selle 62 second with 651.

The next group, 60-64, saw

Arnold, 65, first with 257-196-

230/669: Kathy Hill. 214: Candy Tuttle. 200.

Friday Preps: Brandon Garcia, 124.

Friday Juniors: John Geisler, 143.

Saturday 11 a.m. Preps: Katelyn Ingraham.

Country Lanes (Farmington)

Moncrieff 211/579

Oak Lanes (Westland) Friday Functors: Cliff Richards, 258-229-Back Forty Mixed: Carl Grimes, 289/710; 215/702; Joe Cabrera, 596; Ed Dely, 202. Monday Canton Seniors: John Kozleski 267/758; John Bierkamp, 708; B.C. Nunnery, Chuck Thompson, 227; Pam Mack, 203/518. Thursday Juniors/Majors (youth): Chad M.E.A. Mens: Chuck Cruz. 299/747: Frazer Swanger, 257; Buel Ryan, 251; Greg Romej, 173; Bethany Atwell, 120.

Second place finishers got a ond with 701.

Tuesday Night 6:00 Men's: Ken Eldred 300/728; George Brewer, 259; Gerald Wnuk.

Friday Night Suburbanites: Cora Conroy.

Johnson, 215/574; Brenda Overbay, 552.

The only one missing was Joe A new era: Lou Ivancik (left) hands over his gavel as

In the under-50 group, Charles

Harry Buhl, 222/593; Mary Bowman, 225/706; Gary Pack, 229-258-215/702; Bev 225-247/627; Linda Símpson, 231-208-

strikes and made most of the Norris, 91-year-old legend off the outgoing president of the Old Timers Bowling Associa-

spares between signing auto- old Stroh's team era who was tion to new president Al Harrison (right).

Match Play: Crindy Marcath, 257/697; 218/582; Todd Schemanske, 215/618. Kathle Maser, 255/688; Carol welsh, 673, Thursday Suburbanites: Jill Barr. 233. Gina 167

E/O Herd Times: Paul Massie, 239/618; Klein, 280/709; George Juszczyk, 727. 146. Dick Brown, 237/578; Gary Shiemke, Kings & Queens: Kevin McQuarrie, 234 233/662; Marge Villerot, 228/589; Betty Steve Willoughby, 236/635; Michelle Dziekan, 190/501. Suburban Prop. Travel (men): Raigh Wal-

Hurley, 229.

St. Collette's Men: Kevin Bambridge, 245-

PrimeTime: Sherman Cochrane, 225/633; 277/583; Tim Lakatos, 249/633; Carl Brothers, 209/523; Nancy Pano, 204, Judy Camerella, 280; Terry Fischer, 723, Mark Gorosh, 167; Caitlyn Sidor, 153; Kerriann

Monday Nite Men: Joe Parks, 284; Steve 214/554; Eric Dipietro, 180; Diane Thomas,

Ken Smith, 212-233/656; Jim Taylor, 222. Sunday Goodtimers: Keith Oswald, 223; Larry Lipson, 208, Ray Buchafter, 214, Tony Aluto, 222; Sam Havis, 221.

University Men's: Jim Schaeffer, 299; Tony

192/521; Sandy Richter, 207/500; Karer Country High School: Doug Ginotti Waara, 194/547; Denise Gorman, 213/555 Westland Center Men: Randy Blankenship 237/656, Mike Jacobs, 244/646, Dan

Pielecha, 236, 655; Jim Popek, 266, 736 Thursday Men: Bod Bogotay, 269; Mitch Jabozenski, 299/804; Larry Franz, 279.

St. Linus Classic: Al Dobies, 276-223-214/723 Dan Bollinger, 258-214-230/702: Dave Clark, 215-243-227/685; Rob Fielek, Gross: Steve Hoberman, 248-278/722. Allen 200-243-226/669: Al Joslin, 233-225/653. Ladies Friday Nite Classic: Kim Even, 234 Country Keglers: Patrick McComb. Sandy Freeman, 224/603, Lee Weinstein. 211 257/702. Sue Siemiesz, 237-245/662:

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and a motor vehicle permit are Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kens-

## Former Stevenson coach moving to Michigan

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER

Walt Barrett will always be a Livonia Stevenson High Spartan, but now his allegiance is to the Maize and Blue.

The former Stevenson boys coach and player is on the ground floor of building the men's varsity soccer program at the University of Michigan. Michigan will be implementing its first men's varsity sport since 1932.

Barrett, who served the past two seasons as an assistant under Brian Tinnion at Eastern Michigan University, will assume similar duties at Michigan under Steve Burns.

"This is very rare to be involved with something that hasn't been done before at Michigan," said Barrett, who guided Stevenson to two state championships (1991 and '96). "We're going into uncharted waters, but it's exciting.

"We've already had overwhelming interest from players around the country and nonplayers congratulating us and wishing us well."

Burns, who coached the highly successful Mid-Michigan Bucks of the U.S.L., also served as club coach for U-M and has worked with Barrett in the Olympic SOCCER

Development program.

"Walt sees how special Michigan is from the outside and he brings excitement and adds to my excitement to building our program," Burns said. "Walt is a tremendous salesman and he is going to pitch our program to the nation's best players.

"And as far was Walt goes, he brings more name recognition in the state than me. He also complements my weakness and will be a big help filling my holes. We always had a good relationship working together in the ODP program."

Barrett will concentrate his duties on recruiting, promotion and building a strong defense.

"We think we can establish a fan base and we're going to have a booster club," Barrett said. "It's a new frontier, but we hope to play a heart-stopping brand of soccer that the people can relate to at Michigan."

The Wolverines will be a fullyfunded NCAA Division I program in 2000. They will also play a complete Big Ten schedule next fall.

Although the schedule is not yet set, Michigan will play some of its games on campus (at the women's field). Night games are also slated for nearby Elbel Field in Ann Arbor. Friday or Saturday night games under the lights are a strong possibility. The Wolverines may also fill few home dates on the road.

"We may be barnstorming a little bit at the some of the local high schools," Burns said. "I could envision us playing Michigan State at Canton High School. I think a game like that in an area, which is known as a hotbed for soccer. It would create a lot of interest."

Barrett also plans to document and chronicle much of Michigan's first varsity soccer season.

"Our theme is the 'Original 22,' "Barrett said. "We're bringing in 22 players next year and those guys will be part of history. We're going to be videotaping a lot of our first season."

Barrett would like to see the Wolverines be competitive nationally in the near future.

"Gradually we're going to be releasing new scholarships so the program will mature and progress intelligently," he said. "Within three years we expect to compete for the top recruits and be able to play with the big boys."

Going to Michigan fulfills a lifelong dream for 39-year-old Barrett, who has coached at nearly all levels of soccer for the past 15 years.

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His record is outstanding, including a 25-4-1 mark as ODP coach (where he captured four regional titles in five years). He also coached a club team, the Michigan Blazers, to a 127-24-18 record in five seasons. His 1997 team reached the U.S. Youth Soccer Association national finals.

At Stevenson, Barrett was 125-15-23 in six years. He guided the Spartans to a pair of state Class A titles, along with one runner-up finish (1993). Under Barrett, Stevenson also won three Western Lakes, three regional and four district crowns.

regional and four district crowns.

In two seasons at Southfield
High, Barrett was 23-5-2. His
1987 squad reached the state
Class A semifinals.

"It was hard to leave Stevenson, but Eastern Michigan was a great stop for me because it helped me understand the Division I game," Barrett said.

Burns believes he has the

Burns believes he has the right component in Barrett to help put Michigan soccer on the

"The athletic and academic reputation precedes us and makes our job easier," said the new head coach. "Our main premise is to make sure these kids are of good character. That's the kind of team we want to put on the field."



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## **Dugas**

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11-1 before being ousted in the state Class AA semifinals.

"For coach (Chuck) Gordon (at Glenn) the only thing that matters is that you come and play hard every day," Dugas said. "And if you make that a priority, something good will happen.

"And you just have to treat people the way you want people to treat you."

Dugas is majoring in physics with an eye on an electrical engineering career.

"Marc is a very good student,"

Holm said. "The teachers really respect him for the work he does."

Adds Marc: "I'm not really playing to be a pro. It would be

fun to get a chance, but I'm going
to school to go to school."

Playing Division II football in
Marquette wasn't a tough sell for

Marquette wasn't a tough sell for Dugas.

"I really enjoyed my (recruiting) visit, they had a record snowfall amount that weekend," he recalled. "I like the snow. I've done some snowboarding and snow-shoeing. It's been great and I've enjoyed meeting all the new people."

Dugas, who was often limited in practice to one or two days a week because of his foot problems, enjoyed his best game of the season Oct. 23 against Grand Valley State in a 52-14 yictory. That's when he more than held his own against CLIAC Defensive Lineman of the Year Dan Gibbons, an All-Stater who played at Birmingham Brother Rice and Ohio

"Marc has ugly feet and it's no surprise he has foot problems," Holm said. "He would limp on and off the field, but when the whistle blew he managed to play

very well.

"He brings some toughness whether he's hurt or not. He's just a tough, physical player. He's a brawler-type of offensive theke".

Dugas didn't exactly knock the socks off the NMU coaches coming out of high school, but they liked some of his intangible qualities.

"When we saw him in high

school he didn't have the perfect technique," Holm said. "But when we evaluated him we saw that he was very competitive and that he would battle."

Dugas is blue collar for sure with a warrior-like mentality.

#### SOCCER

#### Soccer sign-up

The Canton Soccer Club will have open registration for its spring season from 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16 in the lower level meeting room at the Canton Township Hall.

The league is open to boys and girls, five to 19 years-old. Costs range from \$45 to \$100, depending on age and division, and is

due at time of registration.

Registration forms are available at the Summit at Heritage Park. For more information, call the Canton Soccer Club at (734) 455-9946.



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LINDA ANN CHOMIN

#### **Theater Guild** needs help

teve Belcher isn't trying to be. dramatic when he says The Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford is about to fold. Belcher joined the group six months ago after he realized the dire straits that the community theater is in. He and president Matt Ripper are optimistic about the future but they also realize that without help the theater's days are

They're hoping for an infusion of new members who aren't afraid to work hard to get the theater back on

"We're calling on interior designers, technicians, costumers, anyone who'd like to help us rebuild the theater," said Belcher, a Redford resident. "We're the opposite of every other group in the area. We have a home we just don't have the people. We need to build a core of individuals.

#### Upcoming production

Belcher and Ripper said revenue from the theater's production of "Godspell" in February and March will add to the coffers. But they've also set other plans into motion because this will be their only production this season. In addition to possibly holding a Cabaret-style fund-raiser for which they'll need singers and dancers, Belcher and Ripper have begun to invite community theater groups without a home to produce their plays at The Theatre Guild. It will not only help keep the lights on and the roof repaired but build a network of fellow theater lovers.

"I'm continuously optimistic but have gaping doubts that it will work," said Belcher, who's been repairing and cleaning the facility in his spare time. "I'm optimistic if we have a flow of talent we can do it but right now there's nobody to do any work."

#### Theater history

Founded in 1953 by Pat Secor and originally sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission, The Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford produced a full season of plays until a few years ago when they began losing membership. Belcher would like to extend an invitation to those former members to come back and help rebuild the theater. Only he and Ripper are left along with Ruth Davis and Jennifer Rembisz, the director of "Godspell."

"Basically we need help everywhere from someone with business management skills to technicians, and someone to handle props and tickets," said Belcher. "We'd eventually like to do

children's theater." The theater also plans to continue its association with the Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) program at Livonia's Churchill High School. Last spring, CAPA students performed "Anne Frank" at The Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford. Belcher and Ripper would like to invite other schools to use the facility because it allows students the opportunity to experience the world of semi-professional the-

"You learn sociology and psychology skills studying a character," said Ripper. "Theater is a learning experience and you learn to rely on other people to do it. Community theater is important because it opens people's mind to

creative horizons." "It makes people laugh and cry and what more could you ask," added Belcher. "It's a great social alternative to what's out there on the streets. It's organized and inexpensive."

#### Helping hand

Membership in The Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford is \$16 a year. The public is invited to a board meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8 at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford.

If you can help the struggling community theater in any way, call the Guild and leave your name, number and area of interest at (313) 531-

"I was so desperate I put a sign in a window with a noose around it and the words please help me," said Belcher. "Out of 100 calls you might get five people who are serious but it's a

beginning." If you have an interesting idea for a story, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send email to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net





## All aboard the Artrain

#### **Art exhibit reflects NASA explorations**

On view: 78 pieces of art on exhibit on Artrain.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Norman Rockwell's "Man's First Step on the Moon' strikes awe in viewers especially when they learn the large scale oil was painted as a cover for Look Magazine three years before Neil Armstrong set foot on the lunar

It was imagination like Rockwell's that led man to think he could one day walk on the moon. Pres. John F. Kennedy's 1961 directive made space exploration a

Artrain USA, the nation's only traveling art museum, offers an inside look at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) program in an exhibit that recently rolled into Ann Arbor. "Artistry of Space" features works from the NASA and National Air and Space Museum art collections in three gallery

Of the 78 paintings, drawings, prints and

sketches on exhibit in the train, Rockwell's work is the Shuttle, and deep-space exploration. exception in that it was not created as part of the NASA Program. Begun in 1962 by NA James Webb, the program invites artists such as Andy Warhol, Robert Rauschenberg, and Peter Max into the inner sanctum of the astronauts, scientists, engineers and architects.

Artrain USA president Debra Polich thinks the American people, young and old alike, will relate to the

fascinating works reflecting the passions aroused during the unmanned space explorations and the 240,000 mile, nine-day trip to the moon.

"This exhibit marries art, science and history," said Polich, who grew up in Westland. "Science is not devoid of art. That's the reason NASA started the art program. They had photos and technical evidence, but something was missing - the human emotion that this project

Deep blue walls set the tone for "Artistry of Space." Launched in Washington, D.C., in July, the space art

exhibit will visit more than 100 cities in 40 states during the threeyear tour. Susan Lawson-Bell, former curator of the National Air and Space Museum, selected the works from the 800 created by more than 250 American artists between 1963 and 1999. Lawson-Bell concentrates on three eras in the railroad car exhibit sponsored by DaimlerChrysler: art inspired by the American lunar missions, the Space

Polich's favorite piece is Henry Casselli's watercolor, When Thoughts Turn Inward." The portrait captures John Young in an introspective moment before the 1981 launch of Columbia.

"The view we have of these heroes almost takes on a persona that's bigger than the rest of us," said Polich.

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Moment of silence: (Upper left) Henry Casselli's watercolor, "When Thoughts Turn Inward," captures John Young in an introspective moment before the 1981 launch of Columbia.

Imagine: (Top photo) Norman Rockwell painted this oil, "Man's First Step on the Moon," as a cover for Look Magazine three years before Neil Armstrong set foot on the lunar surface. (Normal Rockwell Family Trust)

Glant step: (Photo above) A silkscreen of Buzz Aldrin on the moon by Andy Warhol.

#### Artrain USA

What: The nation's only trave ing art museum on a train returns with the "Artistry of ... Space." Admission is free, but donations are encouraged. When: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, and Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 11-12. Where: 1100 N. Main, Ann Arbor, Call (734) 747-8300. Related activity: Children may make their own artwork 1-5 p.m. in the Creation Station art center in the NEW Center. Co-sponsored by the Ann Arbor Art Center, the Creation Station offers children the chance to paint ceramic tifes and create sandpaper prints for \$1.

#### DANCE

## Dancers stage Tchaikovsky's enchanting tale

By LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER Ichomin@oe.homecomm

Britteny Turner always dreamed of dancing in "The Nutcracker." Turner, along with hundreds of little girls and boys from Livonia to Canton and Rochester Hills, will have the opportunity to live their dreams when several upcoming productions turn stages into enchanted worlds of Sugar Plum Fairies and life-size dancing dolls.

A Bloomfield Hills resident, Turner joins with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Ballet Internationale for 12 performances of Tchaikovsky's classic ballet at the Detroit Opera House. Her experience playing a munchkin in the Wizard of Oz at the Fox Theatre in April helped the 11-year-old dancer overcome jitters at open auditions for the DSO's "Nutcracker."

"It was a dream come true," said Turner, who studies dance at Annette and Co. in Farmington Hills and the American Dance Academy in Commerce. "I was kind of nervous at the beginning of the audition but toward the end I felt confident."

Turner, a student at West Hills Middle School, is one of 85 local dancers filling the roles of party-goers, pages, mice, dolls, harlequins, soldiers, shepherds



Holiday classic: (Above) Haley Albertsen and Thomas Job bring Tchaikovsky's beloved ballet to life. (At right) The Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Ballet Internationale present "The Nutcracker" at the Detroit Opera

and snowflakes in the DSO production. Ballet Internationale; under the direction of Eldar Aliev, brings together dancers from Russia, Ukraine, Turkey, Italy, Japan, Korea, Austria, Latvia, Columbia, Armenia, Uzbekistan and the

U.S. Ogulcan Boro-va of Turkey, a bronze medalist in the world's oldest ballet competition Bulgaria; Chieko Oiwa, a Japanese dancer who won the Asia Pacific International Dance Com-

petition, Irina Komarenko from Ukraine's renowned Donetsk Ballet, and Russian dancer Alexei Tiukov, gold medalist in the Arabesque International Competition in France, will share the roles of Prince and Sugarplum.

"I'm having a lot of fun," said Turner who began rehearsals for the Waltz of Flowers two months ago.

Turner will have plenty of local dancers to keep her company on the Detroit Opera House stage. Also in the production are Cameron Groenewoud, Plymouth; Blaise Badynee, Livonia; Robbie Parks, Redford; Carlie Harrison, Garden City; Micha Mathews and Noelle Hardy, Farmington Hills; Holly Fusco. West Bloomfield; Sarah Tilden and Megan Tallman, Rochester Hills; Angela Gaabo, Rochester; Paige Hardie and

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#### "The Nutcracker"

- Detroit Symphony Orchestra with Ballet Internationale Thursday, Dec. 9to Sunday, Dec. 19, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, Dec. 9-11 and 16-18, 2 p.m. Saturdays, Dec. 11 and 18, and 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays, Dec. 12 and 19, at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, \$14-\$60, (313) 576-5111/(313) 874-SING
- Livonia Civic Ballet, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, at the Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt, Livonia. \$13, \$10 seniors/ students, \$8 ages 5-9. (734) 427-9103.
- Livonia Symphony Orchestra with Dearborn Ballet Theatre, 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy, Livonia. \$15, \$10 students/ children. (734) 421-1111/ (734) 464-2741/ (248) 645-6666.
- Plymouth Symphony Orchestra with. Plymouth Canton Ballet Company, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11. and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy and Canton Center, Canton. \$17 adults/ seniors, \$10 students through 12th grade, and \$5 Sugar Plum Teas that follow Saturday-Sunday matinees, (734) 451-2112,

#### "Casselli's able to capture that persona behind the hero."

American heroes One would never guess by looking at Tony England that he's one of the heroes of the space program. As he prepared to talk to school children visiting the exhibit, the former NASA astronaut was anxious to see the artists' impressions of his experiences. A professor at the University of Michigan, England said 1967-72 and 1979-1988 were

NASA space program. "I'm, always impressed by art because it adds something that photography can't," said Engand. "I admire Artrain for bringing this to the public."

intense years for him in the

Car One focuses on NASA's formative years - Mercury, Gemini and Apollo. From Hereward Lester Cooke's sketch of Houston Mission Control Center technicians monitoring the 1969 moonwalk to a 1969 oil. "Power to Go," by Paul Calle, the images stir excitement in the viewer. Using vibrant color and sweeping brushstrokes, Calle conveys the power behind Apollo 11's Saturn 5 booster rocket with its

Stand back from Atilla Hejja's 1984 oil, "The Light Ship," to states and the District of fully take in the breathtaking Columbia have visited the train,

Katie Weed, Franklin; Michelle

Kasprick, Molly Wagener, Jaclyn

Hildebrand and Rebecca Fisher,

Company

role of Clara.

sight of Challenger's first nightlaunch. Hejja's dynamic painting focuses on the vehicle thrusting skyward above the Kennedy Space Center.

Car Two records NASA's greatest achievements: the space shuttles Discovery, Atlantis and Endeavor, and the tragic loss of the seven members of the Challenger crew in 1986. Greg Mort's graphite drawing relays the sadness of the moment by depicting a shrouded spacecraft. The 1989 score for an orchestra and jazz suite written by Jane Ira Bloom after the tragedy sounds hope for the future.

Car three focuses on recent and future initiatives including the planetary probes Mariner, Pioneer, Viking, Voyager, Magel-lan, Galileo, Mars Pathfinder, and the Hubble Space Telescope John Solie witnesses the assembly of the telescope in the white room in a 1988 acrylic, Linda Draper gives an up-close view of

astronauts performing extravehicular activities in space in 1994. Stephen Sprouse's dress mirrors elements of Martian landscape. **Artrain history** five F-1 engines.

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Troy; Kamari Patrick and Jasmine Harris, Southfield; Megan working with Dawnell Dryja Okoniewski, Oxford, and Britagain. Drvia dances the role of Sugar Plum Fairy in the Plytany Buchanan, Adam Brenner and Ryan Steele, Walled Lake. mouth Canton Ballet Company production. Albertsen studied Plymouth Canton Ballet alongside Dryja, a member of the Cincinnati Ballet, at the Burklyn Ballet Theatre in Vermont this Haley Albertsen is dancing in summer. Quillan Nagel, a memtwo Nutcrackers this season. Not ber of the Cincinnati Ballet bad for someone who put on her plays Dryja's Cavalier. Born and first pair of ballet shoes 2-1/2 trained in Canada, Nagel's years ago. It was Angie Chaddanced everywhere from New wick. Albertsen's teacher at York City to Paris, Beijing, and Bunny Sanford's School of Dance with the Washington Ballet in in Livonia, who encouraged the

Washington, D.C. 12-year-old to audition for a part "I learned a lot from Dawnell in the production by the Plyand from Dawn (Greene compamouth Canton Ballet Company and the Plymouth Symphony ny artistic director)," said Albert-Orchestra. Albertsen and Emily sen. "Dawn is very encouraging, and I appreciate having mentors York, a Canton dancer, share the like (fellow dancers) Bonnie Par-"Angie encourages me to go to rish and Lindsay Moore. They're all the auditions," said Albert- always helping me with my sen, a straight-A student at steps."

acting. It's really fun. I like Clara with Albertsen because it doing all the partnering and the Pas de Deux.' Albertsen is looking forward to

Plymouth. a lot of emotion."

with the company will help her along the way to becoming a professional dancer one day. "When I first started dancing,

Barvshnikov was my biggest role model," said York, who's already danced at Disney World. "He jumped so high."

allows them to exchange ideas and feelings about the character. Academy in Garden City. She now takes six classes a week at Joanne's Dance Extension in

which is based in Ann Arbor.

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gan Council for the Arts to reach

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USA seeks to enrich lives

"I enjoy being able to dance and act all at once," said York, a student at Central Middle School in Plymouth. "Dancing really gives me time to be myself and when I'm down it, cheers me up. In the first act in the party scene, I get to act a lot and show

York thinks the knowledge

The Plymouth Canton Ballet

Julia Pyko, Bloomfield Hills; "I'm learning all new dances and er." She likes sharing the role of ideas held over from Mariud Petipa, the story line and some choreography from the version set by Dimitri Romanov, and the The 13-year-old York began her rest by Greene. Greene has been studies at the American Dance working with this ballet every year since 1984 when she directed the New Dawn Ballet Company downriver. Adjustments are made each year in the choreography, props and acting. New this year are the costumes Greene

> "It's hectic," said Greene, who recently began Metro Shores Ballet Company for downriver dancers. Albertsen is also dancing in their "Nutcracker" produc-

sewed for the Arabian number.

"Thanksgiving weekend is she's amassed while working always the biggest rehearsal. The new conductor (Nan Washburn) will be there, and we'll set

> Livonia Symphony Orchestra

Dancers from Livonia to Lincoln Park will bring Tchaikovsky's Magic Kingdom to Company version of "The life when the Livonia Symphony Orchestra and Dearborn Ballet

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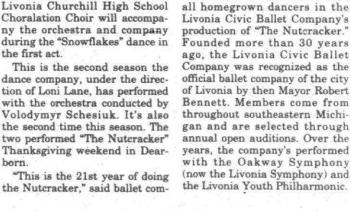
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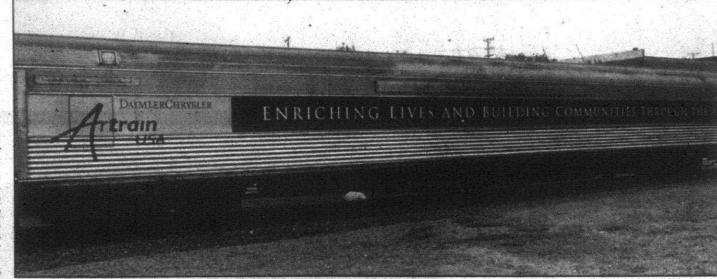
pany mistress Tracy Siwiecki "The company allows dancers to have a semi-professional experience.

Livonia Civic Ballet

all homegrown dancers in the Livonia Civic Ballet Company's production of "The Nutcracker. Founded more than 30 years ago, the Livonia Civic Ballet Company was recognized as the official ballet company of the city of Livonia by then Mayor Robert Bennett. Members come from annual open auditions. Over the







Artistry of Space: Artrain houses a space art exhibit featuring works by Norman Rockwell, Andy Warhol and

magical when Artrain shows up. "In Healdesburg in Sonoma Valley they refurbished an old metropolitan museums, Artrain abandoned train depot. An artist was sent into the schools to work through the arts. Artrain USA with students. Art from these expanded its tour nationally in kids was hung all over town. The 1973 with support from the community came together to do National Endowment for the this, but Artrain was the cata-

"A peanut mill in North Car-"In the beginning they had to olina was turned into an arts create an arts organization center. It's people working side before our train would come into by side to make this happen. A their community," said Polich. lot of them don't have art pro-

"The things that happen are grams. We look for communities Nancy Weiss in the exhibit's last which will best benefit from our car, are underwritten by Target program. Yes, we're introducing to teach children about line, people to visual arts but also color, and subjects.

developing programs in commu-nities that don't have them." "Without DaimlerChrysler, we wouldn't be able to do it," said Money from corporate and pri-Artrain USA spokesperson vate contributions, foundations, Laura Drew. "There's no locomo tive, so we rely on CSX, Union and grants account for 80 per-Pacific, Norfolk Southern, and cent of the nonprofit Artrain's budget. Funding from sponsor Burlington Northern railroads to DaimlerChrysler will keep the move the cars from location to "Artistry of Space" exhibit location. Everyone's interested in rolling through 2002. Education space. Maybe space will introprograms, including demonstra- duce people to art and vice tions by local artists such as versa.



Nutcracker: Emily York

dances the role of Clara in the production by the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company and the Plymouth Symphony

Orchestra.

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ART SHOWS & FESTIVALS ANNUAL HOLIDAY ART FAIR The 29th annual fair takes place 10

a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11 and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at Oaklar Community College, Building H. Farmington Hills. (734) 662-3382. **BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART** CENTER

Weekends of special holiday sales. The "Small Works" fine art sale runs through Thursday, December 30 in the DeSalle Community Gallery with more than 200 works priced under \$300. The pottery sale is Thursday to Saturday, Dec. 9 to 11. Hours are Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays, noon to 4 p.m. in December, 1516 South Cranbrook Road, Birmingham.

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Trail, Plymouth. (734) 455-8838. AUDITIONS & CALL FOR

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**CANADIAN BRASS** Performs 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield. Clinton Twp. (810) 286-2222.

CEREMONY OF CAROLS The Women's Chamber Chorus the Chamber Maids presents a concert at p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford Twp. (313) 534-7730 CHANUKAH CONCERT

p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 at the Jewish Community Center, 6600 Maple, West Bloomfield. CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD The Pacifica String Quartet performs a 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7 in the Library of Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine,

Bloomfield Hills. To reserve tickets call **DEHAVEN CHORALE** Handel's Messiah 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec 11 at Old St. Mary's in Greektown, Detroit. (810) 323-2895. **DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS &** 

STRINGS Holiday Brass, 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at Christ Church Cranbrook. (248) 362-9DCW. DETROIT CONCERT CHOIR

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Messiah, 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5; The Color of Christmas featuring Dionne Warwick, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday Dec. 9-11. Orchestra Hall, Detroit. 313) 576-5111 **DSO NUTCRACKER** The Detroit Symphony Orchestra and

Ballet Internationale perform the PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE Nutcracker Thursday, Dec. 9 through Sunday, Dec. 19 at the Detroit Opera Open registration begins Dec. 14 for House, Detroit. (313) 576-5100. FEAST OF CAROLS 19-March 11, 407 Pine Street, 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at the Royal Oak First United Methodist Church, 320 PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS

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Dec. 5 at he Historic Trinity Lutheran Chorus presents its 37th annual con-Church, 1345 Gratiot, Detroit; 8 p.m. cert at 8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 10 in Varne Recital Hall on the Oakland University campus (248) 370-3013.

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Church in Fraser (248) 988-0604. EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE HANDEL'S MESSIAH The UMS Choral Union performs 2 p.n Holiday Dance Spectacular at 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 at Hill Auditorium, 825 Saturday, Dec. 11 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12 at the Lake Orion Performing forth University Ave., Ann Arbor. (734 Arts Center, Lake Orion, (248) 362-

764-2538 HARLEM NUTCRACKER December performances 3 & 7 p.m. LAKES AREA CIVIC BALLET Sunday, Dec. 5 at Detroit Opera Housresents "The Nutcracker" 7:30 p.m. 1526 Broadway, Detroit. (734) 764 Friday Saturday, Dec. 17-18, Clarkstor High School Auditorium, 6093 Flemings

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School, 26524 John R., Madison

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Church, 2411 Iroquois, Detroit. (313)

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Dec. 12 at the Southfield Center for t

he band performs 8 p.m. Wednesday:

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Maple Rd., Birmingham; 8 p.m.

HOLIDAY CONCERT EVENTS The North Farmington High School and A DAY AT THE DIA O.E. Dunckel Middle School perform at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 and 7:30 p.m. The Southfield Public Library and the Thursday, Dec. 9 at North Farmington DIA are offering a free shuttle bus from High School, 32900 West 13 Mile Road the library to the DIA at 11 a.m. Farmington Hills.

Saturday, Dec. 11 for adults and chil-JACKSON CHORALE dren. 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. 248) 948-0470 Annual Christmas Concert 8 p.m. CHRISTMAS VIGIL SUPPER Saturday, Dec. 11 at Central United Methodist Church, Waterford. (248) A traditional family wigilia is at 6 p.m. LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

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of Jesus at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. Dec 10-12 at the First Baptist Church ingham. (248) 644-0550. NATIVITY PAGEANT

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USED INSTRUMENT SALE Farmington Public Schools offers this sale open to anyone willing to buy or sell band or orchéstra equipment

8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, East Middle School Cafeteria, 25000 Middlebelt, armington. (248) 489-3412. WASSAIL FEAST Royal Court begins 6:30 p.m. Dec. 9-1, 17.18 with an open bar in the

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by Dec. 15 to St. Nicholas Workshop St. Mary's College, 3535 Indian Trail Orchard Lake, MI 48324. A fee of \$7 payable to St. Mary's College) shou de included. Specify which language response should be made. English. Polish, Albanian, Macedonia or Ukrainian, (248) 683-0518

WHISTLE STOP PLAYERS The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents the children's theater group in lans Brinker and the Bird's Christmas Carol, 2 p.m., Dec. 5 at 774 N.

Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 416-4ART. MUSEUMS

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Detroit (313) 833-7900. TROY MUSEUM loval Oak (248) 647-7709 Through March 30 - \*Going West LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY Michigan Cavalry in Indian Wars." 60 Wattles, Troy. (248) 524-3570. CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM LEMBERG GALLERY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY Through Jan. 2 - "I made this jar...

The Life and Works of the Enslaved irmingham. (248) 642-6623. African American Potter, Dave. 315 E LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800. UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSEUM OF ART rough Jan. 2 - When Time Began to trains in the exhibition cases. Livonia Rant and Rage: Figurative Painting from Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile

> MANISCALCO GALLERY hrough Jan. 8 - Imaginary Expressionism, a group exhibition 7329 Mack Ave., Detroit. (313) 886-

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Gullen Mall. Wayne State University. 334-6038 OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA

hrough Jan. 17 - Views and Visions. n exhibit of the Milford Village Fine Pontiac (248) 858-0415.

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Through Jan 5 - Mona Lisa Mania. 29173 Northwestern Hwy. Southfield +248 356 5454. REVOLUTION

Woodward, Ferndale, 248-541 1914. SISSON ART GALLERY Through Jan, 14 - Unconformity Unlex pected Layering Henry Ford

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Through Jan. 12 - Herbert Gentry: ifferent Wants, Different Wishes. 161 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 642-HABATAT GALLERIES

Through Dec. 31 - new work by Kreg Kallenberger, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-2060. HILL GALLERY Through Dec. 31 - Donald Sultan:

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rough Dec. 11 - Suzanne McClettano orrespondence, 538 N. Old Woodward Through Dec. 30 - Audrey Harkins vatercolors in the Fine Arts Galler Through Dec. 29 - Bob Roderick LGB

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EXHIBLTS (OPENINGS) Opens Saturday, Dec. 11 - An exhibi-Rolon: New Works and Constructions tion of photography by Millard Berry. 137 West Maple, Birmingham. (248) Ratph Rinaldi and Bill Waters. Opening

Through Jan. 9 - Collars and Cuffs: The Opens Friday, December 10 - Graduate orks in Progress exhibition. 28 5400

hrough Dec. 20 - Document USA, a survey of art at the end of the millenn GALLERY m. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

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PEWARIC POTTERY Library, University of Michigan-Dearbor Through Dec. 31 - "Earthy Treasures campus. 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn. the annual holiday show and sale 0125 East Jefferson, Detroit, (313) BIRMINGHAM UNITARIAN CHURCH Through Dec. 12 - Paintings, drawings

watercolors of Todd Marsee 774 N Through Dec. 24 - oil paintings by Lila

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al baskets by Ferne Jacobs and Carol Eckert and mixed media lewelry by Andrew Cooperman, 202 East Third WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY Through Jan. 8 - Shirley Crane Galline

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Main, Ann Arbot. (734) 665-8224. .

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p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, 215 E.

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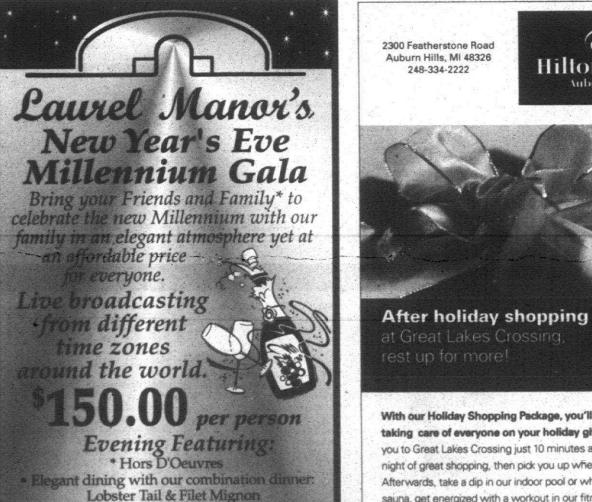
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Choralation Choir will accompany the orchestra and company during the "Snowflakes" dance in the first act. This is the second season the dance company, under the direction of Loni Lane, has performed with the orchestra conducted by Volodymyr Schesiuk. It's also

the second time this season. The two performed "The Nutcracker" Thanksgiving weekend in Dear-

throughout southeastern Michigan and are selected through years, the company's performed with the Oakway Symphony

Season's lavish art books

make glorious gift ideas

Here is a roundup of

best art books covering

Kostenevich is the curator of

modern European art at the

museum in St. Petersburg, Rus-

sia, so who better to have as a

guide to its wealth of French art

from 1860 to 1950? The tour only

Matisse and 40 by Picasso; the

tally of other artists represented

The author's stories about the

For further enjoyment of

French art, two more modestly

priced books take a look at

Monet and Bazille: A Col

laboration" (High Museum of

Art-Abrams, \$24.95) is about the

relationship between Claude

Monet and his fellow artist Fred-

eric Bazille as they struggled to

develop the new style of painting

And "Faces of Impressionism

(Baltimore Museum of Art-Riz-

zoli, \$50) by Sona Johnston et.

al. is related to a current exhibi-

This last title is echoed to very

different effect in "Masks: Faces

John W. Nunley and Cara

Turning the pages can bring

one face-to-face with a 5,000-

or the most celebrated film mask

of recent years, that gleaming

black head of Darth Vader. A

another movie villain, Hannibal

There are contemporary fenc-

ing masks, masks of Samurai

warriors and headpieces of

medieval armor, ceremonial

masks of African tribesmen and

drama and contrast, the masks

executed in a dazzling variety of

record of mask usage, worldwide,

"Art in Venice" (Abrams,

and about 500 color plates take

materials. The text surveys the

The range presented is full of

American Indian dancers

from prehistory to today

that became Impressionism.

painting, buildings and

some of this year's

even crafts.

Abrams, \$75), edited by starts with some 60 works by

Lovers of Egyptian art need and illustrated meanders richly,

look no further. This sumptuous via Manet and Monet, Gauguin

book gives the reader a private and Rodin, and on through a

tour of a priceless collection, the familiar litany of revered names.

intriguing civilizations. Its works smoothly combine individ-

overview covers early and late ual history with art history, and

periods, more than 5,000 years the illustrations include six gate-

their lives and loves.

from the disease.

making calls."

late," said Stevenson.

can't afford the test.

"It's something that all women

can be proud of, especially

women of color, when they see

what these women had to go

through just to pave a way," said

In a fitting tribute, proceeds

from the production will benefit

the Lifeline Information & Sup-

port Network for the Fight

Against Breast Cancer. Steven

son's sister and mother died

"The reason my sister and

mother passed is that they had

no information. They didn't

know what to do until it was too

"This show draws women

together, puts the information in

front of them, and when they

leave, they read it and start

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an insider's comments about

"On the Air!" exhibit, which allows museum-goers to take a walk through time and the area's radio and television broadcast history. The program is free with

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LOCAL INTEREST Northville resident James E. Person Jr. will discuss and sign copies of his book, "Russell Kirk, A Critical Biography of a Conservative Mind," noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, at the Little Book Shoppe on the Park in Plymouth. Person is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and noted thinker Russell Kirk, who also lived in Plymouth as a youth. Kirk developed a unique philosophy of conservative values and perspectives. The Little Book Shoppe is located at 308 S.

Author David Carson, who wrote "Rockin' Down the Dial The Detroit Sound of Radio from Jack the Bellboy," will sign copies of his book at the Detroit Historical Museum. The signing is scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, in the Louise C. Booth auditorium of the museum. Carson, whose book was recently published by Troy-based Momentum Books, will be joined by a few of the radio personalities featured, including current WOMC-FM morning man and Detroit radio institution Dick Purtan, former WXYZ and WJLB radio personality Jack Surrel and veteran WJR and WJBK radio personality Clark Reid. The program is presented in con-

junction with the Museum's new

tured within the book's covers bring the understated beauty of southeast Michigan's crown jewel as near as the living room coffee table. Meet the author and see the stunning photos for yourself at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Farmington Hills Borders. 30995 Orchard Lake Road. Call

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Kindermusik educator at Evola

"They were supposed to mop floors and have babies. These women made a stand against the system, men - black and white -

lo anything," he said.

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women," said Stevenson, a for-

mer vice president of Motown

Records who helped advance the

careers of Stevie Wonder,

Martha and the Vandellas and

"They fought to be somebody

The strength of these women

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these ladies," said Robinson.

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Divas dish it out

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Individually, each woman

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Marvin Gaye.

"Lady Day" have left him flat. Still, he's intrigued by the premise of "Sang Sista' Sang," a musical production by Motown legends Smokey Robinson and Mickey Stevenson which opens at the Music Hall Center for Performing Arts on Tuesday. "It proves that Billie is unfor-

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When Birmingham resident

Bill Dufty talks about the leg-

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gettable," said Dufty Indeed, the six African-Ameri-

can divas profiled - Holiday, Bessie Smith, Josephine Baker, Dinah Washington, Dorothy Dandridge and Mahalia Jackson - are as legendary for their passionate voices as they are for their tragic lives.

Motown mentors

Stevenson, the show's writer and producer, said the inspiration for this production, which incorporates drama, comedy and music, came after researching the lives of early blues singers,

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certs of the season takes place 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, Joy and Canton Center Roads, Canton. The Plymouth Canton Educational Park's annual Holiday Concert features the High School Festival Singers and Symphony Orchestra and the Plymouth Counselors Chorale from Our Lady of Good Counsel Church collaborating on Vivaldi's "Glo-

Tickets are \$2, \$1 students/seniors, with a maxinum of \$5 per family. Call (734) 453-0326

The Festival Singers, under the direction of Don Daniels, have made two recent appearances at Carnegie Hall. Ensembles from the choir have performed with the Plymouth Symphony, Plymouth Oratorio Society, Ann Arbor Cantata Singers, and the Michigan Sinfonietta.

the last two years, nearly doubling in size under the leader-

ship of Catherine DePentu. The Plymouth Counselors Chorale is directed by Michele Johns, a faculty member at the University of Michigan School of Music. The chorale recently completed its third European tour. The 74-member choir ranges in age from 17 to 80 and takes prides in singing more than 200 pieces in English, Latin, French, German, Polish, Czech and

African dialects. YOUTH CONCERT

The Livonia Youth Philhar monic presents their "Winter Splendor" concert at noon Saturday, Dec. 11 at Churchill High School Auditorium, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy Road, Livo-

Tickets are \$6 adults, \$3 seniors/students, and available by calling Wendy Bernard at (734) 591-7649 or Linda Jackson at (734) 422-6439. The program features selec-

tions from Wagner to a Star Wars medley. Auditions for the youth orchestra will be held Saturday, Jan. 22. For more information or to schedule an audition call

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

Bernard.

The Livonia Arts Commission offers everything front trains to watercolors in December at the Livonia Civic Center Library. 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road.

Livonia watercolorist Audrey Harkins exhibits her paintings in the Fine Arts Gallery through Thursday, Dec. 30

'Sang Sista Sang' a tribute to six soulful divas made her mark performing at "Then I thought about the

> Josephine Baker and Mahalia Jackson When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Dec. 7-9; 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10; 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11; 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sun day, Dec. 12

> What: Sang Sista Sang, a musical celebrating the talent of Bessie

Smith, Billie Holiday, Dinah Washington, Dorothy Dandridge

Where: Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Tickets: \$20.50-\$31.50. For information, (248) 645-6666, (313)

Proceeds will go to the Lifeline Information & Support Network for the Fight Against Breast Cancer.

achieved triumph despite est," said Stevenson mmeasurable pain. Collectively,

points well taken by co-producer they all were all fighters. Smokey Robinson, who gave "They had problems as kids Motown its first million seller, which made them say 'Never Shop Around," in 1961. again," said Stevenson. "Their After seeing Stevenson's early stories are so similar, right down productions in Los Angeles, the to being abused early in life."

former Miracles frontman was so Hollywood has kept the legimpressed that he provided the ends of Holiday, Baker and Danfinancial backing to send the dridge alive with motion picture and made-for-TV movies about their lives and loves. "I thought it was such a won-

In "Sang Sista' Sang," the derful thing. I'm a fan of all women are allowed to meet with "The play is not only good each other for the first time.

ence generations of blues singers "They've all passed away and including Holiday and Janis none of them realize that they're dead vet. They're just going through - for lack of a better 1965), the Goddess of Love term - some bitch-stuff on each recently popularized in an HBO other to see who was the great-

Are the egos about to fly? How couldn't they with the likes of Baker (1906-1974), known as the Duchess of Europe, who was so loved in France that at her death, she was given a 21-gun salute. (The only woman of American birth ever to receive the honor.)

assertive style, went on to influ-

Dorothy Dandridge (1922-

arts school offers two two-week

session for junior high school

students, two two-week sessions

for high school students, two

dent "Cover Girl." And, of course, there was Holi And then there's the Empress day (1915-1959), who had one of of the Blues, Bessie Smith (1894the most notable voices of the 1937), who began her career singing in the streets for pennies and, with her sensuous, self-

Harlem's Cotton Club. Dan-

dridge went on to be the first

African-American woman nomi-

It was Dandridge, Dufty said

who was the first actress consid-

ered to play Holiday in the movie

version of "Lady Sings the

Blues" when the movie was first

proposed soon after the book was

published in 1956. The role even-

tually went to Diana Ross in the

Dinah Washington (1924-

1963), the Queen of the Blues,

and Mahalia Jackson (1912-

1973), the undisputed Queen of

Gospel began their careers

singing in church. But they both

went on to bigger things: Jack-

son once brought down the house

at Carnegie Hall and Washing-

ton was Mercury Records' resi-

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1972 movie.

nated for an Academy Award.

Charitable ties Despite their musical success

The response thus far has been tremendous, said Steventhe divas' lives descended into tragedy. "Sang Sista' Sang" captures the soul and pain of these six women, and gives viewers an

"It's almost as good as hearing someone sing your song."

Hilton Suites

(11)

Bob Roderick of Livonia displays his personal collection of LGB trains in the circular show-Wednesday, Dec. 29. Library hours are 9 a.m. to 9

p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

**HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS** The Plymouth Community Arts Council hosts a luncheon with Santa at noon Wednesday. Dec. 8. Tickets are \$10 per per son. Seating is limited so call early, (734) 416-4ART. **ADVENT CONCERT** 

Vanguard Voices present concerts at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 at Cherry Hill Pres byterian Church, 24110 Cherry Hill at Telegraph, Dearborn.

Tickets are \$10, students/seniors/groups of 10 or more. Call (313) 317-6566.

ON EXHIBIT

Debra Danko, a former Livonia resident now living in Grand Blanc, is exhibiting eight of her quilts in the art gallery of the Department of Industry and Consumer Services in the State Capital Building Complex in Lansing through March 17.

Danko, who received a 1999 The Plymouth Canton Educa- ArtServe Michigan Creative tional Park Symphony Orchestra Artist Grant, also has floral Library gallery through Dec. 31 Danko has exhibited her quilts internationally and recently won First Place in the Innovative Wall Quilt category at the Pacifc International Quilt Festival in Santa Clara, Calif.

The Livonia Civic Chorus presents "Once Upon a December" p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19 at Clarenceville High School Auditorium on Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia.

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gy will make our visitors return,

and return more often through-

84 feet wide, complemented by

cutting edge digital sound. It

out the year," added Brown.

(PRNewswire) - Visitors will The Magic of Flight' comes to life on a screen get a Christmas bonus this year 60 feet high and 84 feet wide, complemented by when Henry Ford Museum cutting edge digital sound. It brings together the opens its new IMAX Theatre to the public during the holidays. thrill of flight and jet aircraft with the science Although the museum and viland history of flying.

lage will be closed during Christmas, the IMAX Theatre at Henry Ford Museum, invites the public to share in its impressive display of movie magic 365 days

"We recognize that Christmas is a major day for moviegoers. We want to be as accessible to our patrons as any other movie theatre would be," said David Brown, Director of the IMAX

With more than one million visitors to the museum and village annually, it is expected that the new theater will be an even bigger draw for new and younger audiences. It will give visitors, familiar with the institution's tradition of telling innovative

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Tickets for "The Magic of members and children under the children under age 4, \$6.

age of four. Theater prices are separate from museum or village ets are available. For more information, call (313) 271-1570.

The theater opened on Nov. 19 field Village and the IMAX Thewith the film "The Magic of atre are located at Oakwood Flight" on Nov. 19, and is the Boulevard and Village Road in first 2D and 3D IMAX Theatre Dearborn, Michigan, just west of the Southfield Freeway (M-39) "The Magic of Flight" comes to and south of Michigan Avenue life on a screen 60 feet high and (U.S. 12).

Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village is open 9 a.m. to 5 brings together the thrill of p.m. daily. Closed Christmas flight and jet aircraft with the day. Admission to Henry Ford Museum or Greenfield Village The IMAX Theatre is open \$12.50 for adults; \$11.50 for begin at 9 a.m. with the final visit us on the Internet at

Combination tickets for Henry Ford Museum or Greenfield Vilshow is at 9:30 p.m. "The Magic lage and IMAX Theatre are adults \$17.50, seniors 62 and children under 4 \$6.00 Henry Ford Museum and

Flight" are \$7.50 for adults, Greenfield Village and IMAX 66.50 for seniors 62 and over and Theatre adults \$28, seniors 62 children ages 5-12, and \$6 for and over \$27, kids 5 to 12 \$19,

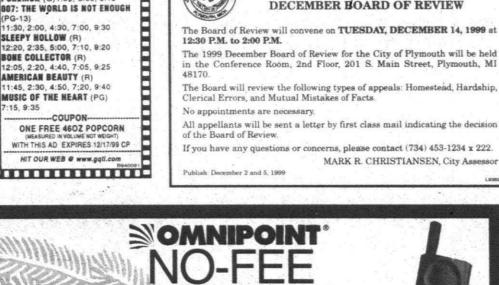


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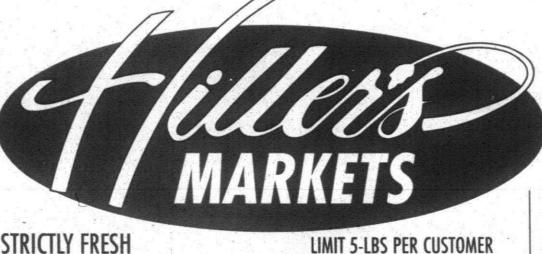






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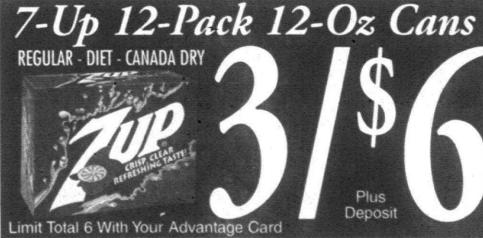
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#### Stocking gifts abound in local stores

Stuffing Christmas

stockings is a ritual,

but don't underesti-

tailor each one to the

There's a plethora

of pint-sized mer-

chandise out there

designed to tickle just

about everybody on

your list without

burning a hole in

recipient.



your pocket. Since we're in the midst of the holiday shopping season, I thought I'd put together a list of stocking stuffers aimed at easing the process of finding the right item for the right person. Good luck and happy

For the hard-to-buy-for:

- Emergency survival kit for the car, \$17.95 at Moosejaw Mountaineering in Birmingham

- Magnetic grocery list for the refrigerator, \$9.95 at Barnes and Noble stores

- Photo cube for a stylish display of photographs, \$5 at Old Navy stores For the pet lover:

- Antlers for dogs and cats to don during the holidays, \$2.50 at Adventures In Toys in downtown Birming-- Dog cookie mix with cookie cutter

to bake the pooch a personalized bone. \$9.95 at Harrison Luggage in Berkley For the gourmet: - Hot pepper raspberry jelly, \$5.25

at A Matter of Taste in Commerce Township - American Spoon's winter compote, \$8.50 at The Great Harvest Bread Co.

in Birmingham - Peppermint straws for cocoa and other winter beverages, \$4.95 at Caribou Coffee stores

For the outdoor enthusiast: - "M-Go-Blue" or MSU cocoa mix, \$8 at The Village Barn in Franklin - Fleece hats, \$19.95 at Moosejaw

For good little boys and girls: - Black paper note pads, \$4, with

"Milky" white pens, \$1.25, both at Write Impressions in Royal Oak - Pokémon key chains, \$5 at Adven-

tures in Toys - Plastic airplane spoons, \$3.50 at The Union General Store and Sweetshop Cafe in downtown Clarkston

For the millennium-mad: - Millennium time capsule filled with chocolate cookies, \$12 at The Basket Shoppe in Berkley - Millennium snow globe, \$5 at Old

- Millennium chocolate champagne bottle, \$14.99 at Omaha Steaks stores For the feminine and romantic:

Shop in Farmington Hills - "Unwined Vinotherapy" body oil made with grapes, \$12 at Lori Karbal

Chenille gloves, \$8 at The Sock

For the man-in-your-life: - Anything tiny - a pair of Ralph

Lauren socks - from The Claymore Shop in down own Birmingham (they promise to wrap each stocking stuffer for you!).

- Football and golf ball, by-the-slice soap, \$7.50 at Lori Karbal For the stressed-and-seeking-

-Deep Steep herbal bath tea in sweet rose milk, \$5 each at Lori Kar-

- Orange and mango massage cream, \$5.99 at Attitudes in West

- Homeopathic stress mints and pick-up drops, \$5 at The Discovery Channel Store at the Somerset Collection in Troy - Stress relief jelly, \$10 at Bath &

Body Works stores - Gingerbread tea, \$5.95 at Caribou

Coffee stores For holiday revelers - "And So This Is Christmas," tape, a

ollection of music featuring Babyface and Harry Connick Jr., \$5.99 at Target - Pine and cranberry candle votives

99 cents each at Wicks 'N' Sticks

For the teen-in-your-life: - Rhinestones for the hair, \$10 at The Sock Shop

- Body glitter and Candy Stick lip gloss, \$5 each both at Limited Too

- "This Is Christmas" compact disc by 98 Degrees, \$14.99 at Harmony

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## Holiday appearances **Gift-wrapping takes** center stage

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

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It's the thought that counts? Don't judge a book by its cover? First impressions are everything?

While all these sayings hold weight, they present a paradox when it comes to gift-giving and, more importantly, gift-wrapping.

While the item inside the box certainly matters, how a gift is presented seems to have taken on greater importance these days. It only makes sense. We live in a time when it's possible to buy containers for our containers and write memos in fonts that grace wedding invitations.

Hoping to help local shoppers present their holiday gifts in a manner befitting the times, West Bloomfield's recently opened organization and storage store, Organized Living, is holding a series of gift-wrapping workshops this month.

Slated for Dec. 11 and 18, the seminars will teach participants how to create unique gift packages, pack and send holiday gifts and make interesting bows. "I think it's easier not to be creative," said Jan Wilmot, Organized Living's assistant manager. "It's also a matter of convenience."

Though time and convenience explain why many people resort to solid-colored wrapping paper and stick-on bows, most people simply fear the outcome of creative experimentation, said Wilmot, who conducts many of Organized Living's gift-wrapping workshops.

"Once you see it, see how it's done and examples of gift packages, you're much more comfortable that you can do it." she said, encouraging area shoppers to attend a seminar or visit the store, which is overflow ing with examples of creative holiday packaging. The store also carries everything required to wrap

gift and a plethora of unique packaging options om reversible, European sheets of wrapping paper to elegant, red velvet gift boxes. While specific techniques for making holiday pack-

ages more decorative and unique will be covered in organized Living's workshops, Wilmot said a few asic principles - paying attention to details, personlizing gift packages and experimenting with colors and patterns - make all the difference. Creative gift-wrapping, like home decorating, only

requires a little extra time, energy and thought, she said. "I can't draw. I can't paint. But, all these things I just did look great. It shows a lot about my personal taste. ... And, the person who is going to receive the gift knows I took the time."



Inspiration: From unique boxes to festive bows, Organized Living has plenty of examples of creative holiday packaging.

Wrap it!

What: Holiday gift-wrapping workshops

When: 10 a.m. Dec. 11 and 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Dec. 18

Where: Organized Living, 7230 Orchard Lake Road at 14 Mile Road in the Gateway Center in West Bloom-Workshops are free, last 30

minutes and cover different subjects, from creative giftgiving to creating holiday workshop, call (248) 538-

## bows. For details about each

drop-off information, call (248) 443-5311

SANTA VISITS JACOBSON'S Children who visit and speak with Santa receive a special gift at Jacobson's stores in Birmingham and Rochester Hills, noon-5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8 and Saturday, Dec. 11, Children's Depart-

Livonia Mall hosts the Plymouth Academy Children's Choir at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6 and the Calvary Baptist Church Youth Choir at 3 p.m., Saturolers from the Church of Holy Spirit perform members of the Mitcham Chapel choir perform out the mall, 5-6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11 For additional information, call (734) 476-1160.

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Hagelsteins Bakery in Royal Oak,

Berkley and Clawson does not sell

Sander's bumpy cake. The local bak-

ery does make and sell a similar

cake but does not use Sander's for-

We need information about the

- John Willard Bloody Mary season-

- A place setting of Minton china in

- A sheer, mesh cosmetic bonnet

A Milton Bradley game made in

with a zipper to protect clothing from

er Building formerly carried the pottery).

- "White Christmas" china that is or

- A doll named Ellie from the Faith-

stores last year for Jo Anne.

the black "Saturn" pattern for Allison.

phone number for Andrea.

that sharpens knives for Gertrude.

ironing board cover for Marlene.

helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback. 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. When we find an item owned by another reader, rather than for sale at a store, we will call you. But, please, be patient; we handle an over-WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR: whelming number of requests each week. WHAT WE FOUND: Dimensions Kitchen catalog with a

- Used bridesmaids' dresses can be bought at Rosebuds Consignment Bridal Exchange, 7655 Highland Road in Waterford, (248) 666-3035.

- Three B'rer Rabbit cartoons are containers for Mary.

- A silver-colored "Nerolizer" from shown on Walt Disney's movie video "Song of the South."

the movie "Men in Black" that was - An individual reader called us with available at Burger King restaurants for information about musical birthday cake plates. - A half-slip undergarment to wear ing and a 18-by-56-inch, non-standard

beneath cullotes or a split-skirt for Cecelia, who lives in Redford - A female mannequin is available at the Detroit Fixture Store on West Eight

Mile Road in Detroit, (313) 341-3255. - One copy of the 1943 Fordson make-up for Alice. High School yearbook is available from

the 50s called Pirate and Traveler for - The game Mille Bourne is sold through the Betty's Attic catalog (item A recipe book with blank pages #BE40303), (800) 294-4068. and index tabs for Janice. - A reader called with information

about making a helix from plastic "Crown Ducal" pottery made by A.G. Richardson in Staffordshire, England is - "Diane" pattern dishes are available sold for Mary Jane. (L.B. King in the Fish-

from one of our readers.

FIND & SEARCH NOTES was sold through the Spiegel catalog for - We need Nancy (regarding 1999 Susan Seddon Boulet calendar) to call us with her phone number. ful Friends doll group sold at Target

- We no longer need information about Hudson's Santa bears and Campbell's 200 soup labels.

- The telephone number at the Vani-

ty Fair store at the Birch Run shopping outlet is (517) 624-6055. - A reader has a 1994 Hudson's anniversary bear with a fur-lined jacket

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tah all-nylon wind breakers for Candy. - A reader has 29 Hawaiian leis to - Another reader would like know how

- A store where 12-by-12-inch carpet tiles with self-adhesive backing (in to recycle or donate cellular phones.

gray and brown) are sold for William.

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School yearbook (located in Nazareth, Mich.) for Margaret.

- 1997 and 1998 Barbie ornaments (two of each) for Mary. - A store where "Straw Hat" perfume by Faberge is sold Helen.

- A store where photo albums, which hold new sizes of photos, are sold for Mary.

- A store where a Regal bathroom rug, 55 to 60-inches in length by 28 to 32 inches in width, can be purchased

- A store where furniture decals are sold for Grace.

- A doll from the 60s called Little - A store in the Farmington area Miss No Name (in a burlap dress) for - A yogurt maker with 6/8-ounce - A 1960 Detroit Holy Redeemer

High School yearbook and Norell lipstick, #19, for Gary. - A store where freezers are sold for

- A store where Sander's hot fudge is sold for Mrs. Cavanaugh.

- Land Before Time dinosaurs for Travis and Trevor - A 1994-95 Christopher Radko Third Day of Christmas ornament for

- A Rainbow Brite doll for Sally - Sunshine Biscuit's iced ginger-

bread men cookies for Diane. - Three hand rails for concrete steps for Kim.

A store where a Hair Ball (like a - A store where English Ironstone Kosh Ball) with straight or curly hair in blue, orange, yellow, and purple can be purchased for Laura

- A Santa bear with bag pipes that was sold this year at Jacobson's stores for Margaret. - The Little Women doll Amy for Eve-

- A rhubarb recipe from a recipe book published by Tupperware 15

- A Timex wind-up watch for - An electric potato peeler for Janet. women or a similar watch made by - A set of Bookhouse books for Bar another company for Tony, who lives in

- Milton Bradley's Pizza Game for - A store where bayberry candles - Two front parts for a He-Man Cas-A store or catalog that sells Cheetle for Marge.

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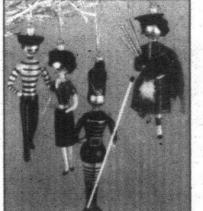
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Northstar Express trolley service between Southield's Northland Center and area businesses begins Monday, Dec. 6. Sponsored by the Southa.m.-2:30 p.m. Dec. 6-9 and Dec. 13-16. Shoppers may use the trolley service, which includes a box lunch en route to the mall, from designated Southfield businesses. For details, including pick-up and

1-3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12.

CHOIR PRESENTATIONS

day, Dec. 11, both near the Sears fountain, Also, carthroughout the mail. 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 and

Purchase your holiday treats at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church's Sixth Annual Cookie Walk, 9 a.m. church is located at 36075 Seven Mile Road between SANTA BEAR APPEARANCE

Laurel Park Place in Livonia serves as a drop-off place for Toys for Tots donations. Please bring new toys to the mall between 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 14. For more information, call (734) 462-

Meet designer Gena Conti and view her collection at Nordstrom, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 11 a.m.-

cation the following Sunday.

meter and deck parking is free after 6 p.m. **CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS** Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts a presentation

Dec. 5 at Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn,

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER CHRISTOPHER RADKO EVENT Christopher Radko's United for Peace ornament is introduced at Jacobson's in Rochester Hills. Also, customers receive a Radko ornament with Radko purchase of \$50, noon-3 p.m., Trim A Home depart-

Hersh's in The Boardwalk in West Bloomfield hosts a trunk show of Margaret O'Leary sweaters, knits and separates through Dec. 8, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. For more information, call (248) 626-7776 TUESDAY, DECEMBER

eiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy,

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tions from St. John, John Hardy, Steven Lagos, Bibi

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JEWELRY TRUNK SHOWS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6

oliday wear at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., St. John Collections, second floor. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9

ST. JOHN CRUISE & HOLIDAY SHOW

CELEBRITY FASHION SHOW ocal celebrities, including WXYZ-TV 7 news anchor Guy Gordon and WDIV-TV 4 reporter Lila Lazarus, strut down the runway in holiday fashion at the Northland Center in Southfield to benefit the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Tickets include lunch and a chance to bid in a silent auction and cost \$30. For more information of to purchase tickets, call (248) 353-6444. DIAMOND TRUNK SHOW

Astrein's Creative Jewelers, 120 W. Maple in down-

town Birmingham, hosts a trunk show of contempo

rary diamond pieces by Jewelers Aspery & Guldag through Dec. 11 and a Swiss watch trunk show on Dec. 10. For show times and more information, call

Enjoy free food samples from Max & Erma's restau

11 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for

## Shopping and thrills await at Mall of America

BY MARY QUINLEY SPECIAL WRITER

Looking for a holiday one-stop option where you'll accomplish lots and enjoy yourself under the same roof? It's possible at Mall of America in Minnesota.

You can shop, visit an aquarium, play video games, compete in a stock car race, see a movie, ride a roller coaster, shop some more, and, get married (there's a wedding chapel).

Tve been there twice with several family members," said Holly Tornow of Plymouth. "We always found bargains. And, the fact that Minnesota doesn't charge a sales tax on clothing, made it a better deal."

The stores, including upscale and novelty varieties, furnish a great excuse for an extended weekend getaway.

Here's a peek at what you'll find in the nation's largest retail and entertainment complex.

The Mall of America, in Bloomington (a suburb south of Minneapolis-St Paul), is shaped like a square. Four major department stores. Bloomingdale's, Macy's, Nordstrom and Sears, hug the outside corners.

There are three retail floors and a fourth-floor entertainment district. In the center of the mall is a seven-acre theme park; beneath the surface of the complex is an aquarium.

What's the best strategy to navigate this mega-mall with its more than 500 stores? You'll need four days, recommends

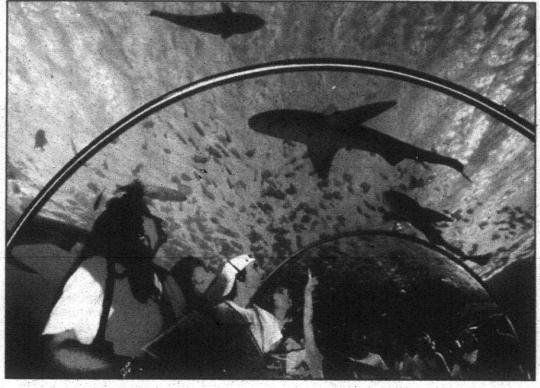
"We actually spend one day on each of the three shopping floors, she said. "On the last day, we hit the stores we missed and the ones we 'must go back' and visit."

Merchandise runs the gamut from sleek swimwear and bowling balls to exquisite jewels and funky furniture.

Thinking about buying in-line skates? Try them out on a rink at Oshman's Supersports USA. If locomotives interest kids, wander into The Great Train Store. Chico's, Ann Taylor and Victoria's Secret cater to women.

Watch for Daffy Duck in the Warner Bros. store. And, if you or someone you know is a fan of Mary Engelbreit, peek inside the shop with her name over the door

"I tell people, if you can't find something, look for it at Mall of America," said John Lambrecht, public relations coordinator of the Bloomington Convention & Visi-



Best lookout: UnderWater World, which is beneath the surface of the Mall of America, provides visitors with a diver's eye view of thousands of aquatic creatures.

#### **Getting to the Mall of America**

Northwest Airlines offers several flights daily from Detroit Metro to the Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport, Bloomington is next to the airport. Northwest and the Mall of America offer \$50 off a round-trip airfare of \$100 or more to several destinations, including Detroit. Restrictions apply. Call (800) 225-2525 and mention Code PR969.

■ Take a one-day trip from Detroit to the Mall of America on Dec. 7, 8 or 15. The price is \$149.90 (includes air, transfer to the mall and other perks). Call your local travel agent or HMHF Fun Vacations at (800) 669-4466.

For information on the Mall of America, call (612) 883-8800 or visit their Web site: www.mallofamerica.com.

All hotels in Bloomington provide shuttle service to the mall. Some hotels are within walking distance of the mall.

The Bloomington Convention and Visitors Bureau offers a 'Dream of Discounts" brochure good through March 2000. Call them at (800) 346-4289 or visit www. bloomingtonmn.org

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Bring the family, he suggests. Everybody will have a good

Camp Snoopy not only has a roller coaster, there's a log ride (yes, you'll get wet), carousel and kiddie rides. Or let the youngsters play at the Lego Imagination Center.

This four-story showplace allows guests to create, marvel at the full-size Lego models and buy

It's noisy. It's electrifying. And teens love it. The NASCAR Silicon Motor Speedway experience allows visitors the opportunity to sit in the cockpit of a stock car and jockey for position with 29 others with simulated racing machines.

Not really in the mood for the roar of 700-horsepower engines? Then head to UnderWater World. Walk inside the aquarium and

listen. The gentle rush of running water creates a soothing atmosphere. Here, you'll observe a fabulous collection of more than 350 species of aquatic creatures.

In the acrylic tunnel, equipped with a moving walkway, sturgeons, sharks and stingrays surround you. Be sure to wave to the octopus before you leave the aquarium.

Hungry? For a quiet lunch, check out Nordstrom's Cafe. There's also a '50s diner, a kidfriendly steakhouse, the Napa Valley Grille, traditional fast-food restaurants and numerous other

If you're considering a visit, Maureen Cahill, director of public relations at Mall of America said: "It's easy if you plan. First, look us up on the Web. Then you won't be so overwhelmed."

Typically, Monday and Tues-



Kids' delight: The LEGO Imagination Center, a fourstory LEGO showplace, is equipped with LEGO bricks to play with, models to look at and sets to buy



For the kids: Knott's Camp Snoopy, the largest indoor family theme park in the nation, features 28 rides and adventures, entertainment, and appearances by the Peanuts Gang.

day are lighter days, she said. Parking is plentiful and there's enough space in the mall to accommodate large crowds.

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#### **CHRISTMAS TRAIN RIDES**

The Grand Traverse Dinner Train, a 1950 passenger train that offers scenic tours near Traverse City with dining experiences, has scheduled a holiday trip. "Victorian Christmas" leaves at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11. Participants are encouraged to come in Victorian costumes. The trip will include a special Christmas dinner. Cost is \$68 per person. Call (231)

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#### FOCUS ON WINE



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#### Go Portside for the millennium

oing back to the 1960s, an average of three vintage years each decade have been declared by Port houses. The third in this decade, and perhaps the last in this century,

A long-standing tradition has Tay-lor Fladgate and Fonseca Ports announce their intention to "declare" their latest vintage on St. George's Day, April 25 each year. The "declaration" process takes place two winters after harvest; sufficient time to assess the wine's complexity and

Historically, Cockburn's has been more conservative than other producers in declaring vintages. But all three of these producers "declared" 1997 as truly excellent.

It was a year in which the growing season started with snow falling in the upper reaches of Portugal's Douro

River Valley, home to its famed Porto. Yet vines flowered five weeks earlier than usual. Fonseca's winemaker David Guimaraens noted that "yields were down 30 percent, particularly for older vines, and led to very concentrated musts. High quality was evident from the start. There's good integration of the spirit and powerful, attractive aromas

Much of this is due to the quinta (vineyard) where the grapes originat-

#### Standouts

Taylor Fladgate standouts are Quinta de Terra Feita and Quinta de Vargellas.

Those of Fonseca come from Quinta de Santo Antinio, Quinta do Panascal and Quinta de Cruziero. For Cockburn's, the top is Quinta dos Canais.

These quinta names are not idle mention. In an undeclared vintage, wines from a single quinta are often bottled. To make the best buy, it's

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WINE PICKS

Looking ahead to some special red wines to drink, collect or give as holiday gifts? Cabernet sauvignon from California's 1995 and 1996 vintages are outstanding, but some of the 1997s we've tasted merit serious consideration.

Our sure-fire picks are listed by price.

#### E \$50 and above:

- 1995 Shafer Hillside Select Cabernet Sauvignon Stags Leap District \$110
- 1997 Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District, Napa Valley \$50 ...

#### # \$25 to \$50:

- 1996 Chateau St. Jean Cinq Cepages \$33 (a blend of all five Bordeaux var etals with 75 percent cabernet sauvi-
- 1996 Stags' Leap Winery Cabernet Sauvignon \$32
- 1997 Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon. Rutherford \$26

#### # \$25 and under:

- 1997 Byington Cabernet Sauvignon Bates Ranch \$24"
- . 1996 Villa Mt. Eden Grand Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon \$20
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- 1997 St. Francis Cabernet Sauvignon
- \$16 • 1997 Quintana Cabernet Sauvignon \$15
- 1997 Robert Mondavi Coastal Cabernet Sauvignon \$12.50
- 1997 Beringer Founder's Estate Cabernet Sauvignon \$11

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What to watch for in Taste next week:

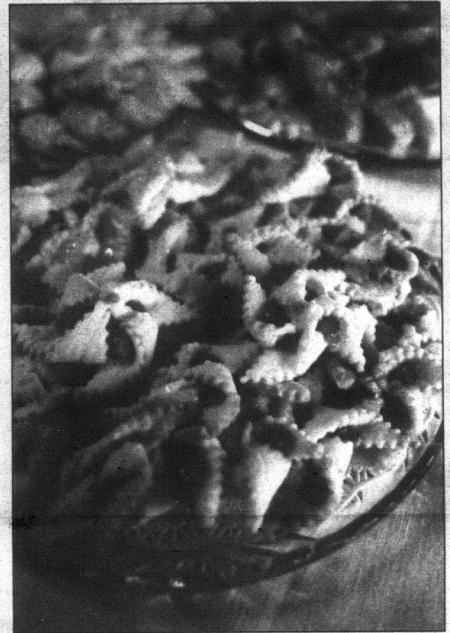
- 2 Unique
- Main Dish Miracle

When: The Cookie Walk begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 11 Where: Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 Seven Mile Road Cost: Cookies sell for \$8 a pound and nut rolls are \$8 each, Home made bread, frozen and fresh pierogi, priced individually, are also sold For Information: (248) 476-3432

# PATHWAY TO CHRISTMAS TRADITION



Passing on the tradition: Evelyn Olszewski credits her grandmother for showing her the technique for making kolacky, one of the most popular cookies (pictured at right) sold at the Cookie Walk.



On a roll: Anna Smerechnak (pictured left to right), Helen Hall, Beverly Karol, Luba Smerechnak, Maria Zagari, and Angie Gillum work together to make kiefles that will be sold at the Cookie Walk.



he creamy creations pastry lovers come from all over metropolitan Detroit to buy at the Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church Cookie Walk in Livonia on Dec. 11 are surpassed only by the rich legacies of the doughy recipes. Evelyn Olszewski, the

wooden spoon and mixing bowl behind one of the most popular Cookie Walk entries, credits her grandmother for showing her the technique of making

ground nut filling. Growing up she stood at the apron strings of her mother, Margaret Frenchek, watching her slowly add the ingredients and mold the dough into stars. But, the little girl grew to be her

kolacky, a cookie with prune, apricot or

grandmother's apprentice.
"I would help her," Olszewski explains

"It was just something that I took for natural that (learning the recipes) was something that you did," she continued. The varied recipes she has today were

handed down from her mother, her grandmother and others are variations from her husband's family, especially his grandmother.

Most Cookie Walk regulars don't know who's responsible for the dough that has origins from Eastern Europe. Olszewski said she isn't quite sure where the recipe hailed from originally, because of border changes among countries over the years. She does, however, trace it to her grand-mother, who came to the United States when she was 14.

"My grandmother came over here probably around the turn of the century," Olszewski said. "I don't know if she brought the recipe with her or if it was a recipe she got from her aunt who was living here.

"I guess I never really thought about it as a legacy," the Plymouth resident said. "It was a tradition in my family that has gone on. At Christmastime and Easter-time these special cookies were made. It just seems that they're part of my background, Eastern European.

Her baking prowess came in handy, too, when she was working a few years ago as an industrial nurse for Kmart and business people from Czechoslovakia were in town.

"Someone in the organization asked if I could bake some pastries that would be familiar to them, she said. I made nut rolls, poppy seed rolls and kolacky. They were really very happy, because they said they only get these at holiday

Olszewski spends half a day making

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## Rating the diets: Diet for the new millennium

LIVING BETTER

BEVERLY

Tis the season to rate the popular weight loss methods or diets of the last decade, and focus on living better sensibly for the new millennium. Let's take a look at some of these programs along with their potential impact on your health.

#### **Atkins Diet**

This diet has recently reinvented itself since its birth in the 1970s. It restricts processed or refined carbohydratessuch as foods high in sugar, breads and pasta, cereal and starchy vegetables.

The rationale behind the Atkins program is that diets high in sugar and refined carbohydrates increase your body's production of insulin. When insulin levels are high, the food you consume is readily converted to body fat.

In addition, Atkins claims that high carbohydrates meals leave you less satisfied than those that contain adequate fat. The diet also boasts a "lifetime of body fat burning" along with alleviation of fatigue, irritability, depression, joint and muscle pains, and headaches.

#### Sugar Busters

This diet, written by four physicians at Tulane University, steers you away from "insulin stimulating foods" such as potatoes, pasta, white bread, white rice, carrots and corn. The diet's rationale is that significant quantities of sugar are converted in our digestive system from carbohydrates and starches. In addition, fructose (the sugar in fruit) eaten at the wrong time or in the wrong combinations can create both digestive and metabolic problems.

#### The Zone

Developed by Dr. Barry Sears, this diet focuses on the link between diet and the body's hormone, insulin. Sears reasons that eating an appropriate balance of carbohydrates, protein and fat induces the body to produce ideal levels of this hormone. If insulin levels are maintained in a therapeutic zone, you can avoid the effects of too much insulin including weight gain and low energy

In order to get a scientific viewpoint, I asked Rochester Hills registered dietitian, Nancy Kennedy, past president of Nutrition Entrepreneurs of Michigan, to -comment on these programs.

According to Kennedy, "The biggest

drawbacks of these diets are that people totally focus on weight loss and not their health. We know that diets high in animal fat, as promoted by many of these programs, is a risk for heart disease, cancer and osteoporo-

"In addition, many individuals have reported diminished ability to exercise as the limited carbohydrates have depleted their glycogen

Although some individuals have reported improved cholesterol as a result of following these diets, the actual lowering is mainly attributed to the weight loss itself. The weight that is lost is mainly muscle mass needed to preserve metabolism.

As individuals regain their weight once they "go off" the diet, the regained weight is mainly fat. If your body has a high fat composition, this makes it difficult not only to maintain your weight; but also to lose weight in the future. In addition, there isn't any research to show that the preciseness and rigidity of these programs, particularly The Zone, helps your metabolism in any

Kennedy also notes that in all three of

these programs, the whole concept of insulin is misconstrued. The authors blame a high carbohydrates diet for causing insulin resistance, when in fact, it is increased exercise that will help

your body become more responsive to insulin, not drastically cutting out carbo-

The authors also state that everyone who is overweight is insulin resistant, which is why cutting out carbohy-

drates works. Actually, only 25 percent of overweight people fall into this category, so there is no support for cutting out carbohydrates as a blanket remedy

for weight loss. The Sugar Busters program, in particular, focuses on the glycemic index as a way to control weight. Here, the glycemic index is misconstrued, as eating foods that have a higher glycemic index would cause a ready conversion to fat. However, not only was the glycemic index a small study conducted several years ago, it looked at single foods. Obviously, we don't eat single foods at a time, we eat combinations, which would change the glycemic index and make it

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try blender or two knives until the

mixture becomes crumbly. Stir in-

the beaten eggs and vanilla. Add

the yeast mixture and blend thor-

oughly until mixture forms a hall

If mixture is too wet or sticky, add

stiff. Cover with plastic wrap and

least 3 hours or overnight. Dough

Sprinkle in 1/2 teaspoon of the

sugar and continue beating until

peaks start to form. Sprinkle in

another 1/2 teaspoon of sugar and

continue beating until stiff peaks

In a medium bowl, combine the

walnuts, remaining \* cup sugar

and honey. Add enough warm

form. Set aside.

more flour, 1-2 tablespoons at a

time. Dough should be slightly

place in the refrigerator for at

Eastern European cookies are holiday treats

milk to moisten the mixture. Fold

in the stiffly beaten egg white.

At baking time, remove the

lough from the refrigerator. Let

stand at room temperature about

using about 1/2 teaspoon shorten-

To roll out the dough: In a small

bowl, combine the flour and sugar.

Lightly sprinkle the work surface

Cut a small piece of dough and

roll-out into a rectangle 1/8 to 1/4

inch thick. Cut dough into 3-by-3-

inch squares or smaller if desired

Place about 1 teaspoon of the fill-

To make a pinwheel shape, cut a

ing mixture in the center of the

with a few tablespoons of the

flour/sugar mixture.

Preheat the oven to 350°F

Grease several baking sheets

ing for each.

## Cookie from page D1

the dough that calls for 10 cups of flour, which makes an awful lot of kolacky. But keep in mind, Olszewski explained, that her grandmother had nine children.

For the annual cookie walk, Olszewski triples her grandmother's recipe and winds up we sold them out so fast that I with 1,000 some cookies. When make more now," said Hyrila she's baking for the church's who has been making the recipe Cookie Walk, Olszewski also gets a lot of help, forming the cookies and adding the filling, from other women in the church.

"And my husband has really become involved with this," she explained. "When we make it at the church he does the mixing of the dough."

Wine from page D1

Another big seller at the Cook- feels like my cookie," she

Plymouth. She plans to make 2,800 kiefle for the sale this "The first year (of the Cookie Walk) I made about 1,500, but

Anne Hyrila, who also lives in

for 25 years. She enlists the help of 16 church members to keep the sweet tooths at the Cookie Walk

In fact, Hyrila was taught the

kiefle recipe from another church member. But Hyrila has been making them for so long "it lot of dough for the church, too.

ie Walk is the kiefle made by explained

"They are a lot of work and people don't want to go through all that work for them," Hyrila said. "And you get quite a bit in a pound at the Cookie Walk. It's a lot less work for them."

At home, Hyrila makes kiefle for special family occasions, like baptisms, Easter and graduation "But, my daughter, Arlene

Sudia, is more of a baker than I am," Hyrila said. A bag of cookies here, a nut roll there, turns out to bring in a

six years ago and has become an to be followed for it to be successimportant fund-raiser to help raise money to build a new church on the site at west Seven Mile Road between Farmington and Newburgh roads.

The Cookie Walk was launched

"The first year we made \$4,000 and every year we've gone up on it," Jury said. Holy Transfiguration Ortho-

dox Church was established 10 years age when suburban members of St. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church in Detroit decided to relocate to Livonia with their pastor the Rev. Michael Matsko.

"The members are all second The Cookie Walk is a far cry generation of different nationalifrom a run-of-the-mill bake sale ties and they have the recipes Just like any good recipe, the that come from their mothers

directions are precise and have and grandmothers," according to Anne Jury, who heads the Cookie Walk with Olszewski and The routine goes like this:

"More than 10 nationalities are represented in the church, including Eastern Orthodox, Russian, Romanian, Greek, Ethiopian, Italian, Macedonia and converts from other nationalities," Jury said. "We're asking every family to make seven recipes. And out of the families we have we almost have a 90 percent turnout. The Cookie Walk has involved bringing the members of the church together and forming camaraderie of doing something together."

See related recipes on D3

## Diet from page D1

good to remember the top ones 1997 Sandeman Vau Vintage from important producers.

#### Aging Port wines

After two years in old wooden casks and bottled unfiltered, vintage Port typically demands at least 10-15 years of bottle age to soften its powerful tannins and permit the robust fruit elements to marry and harmonize. Vintage Port is usually considered

fully mature after 20 to 30 years. Can you wait that long? You should try with at least a few

Both the 1997 Taylor Fladgate and Fonseca are about \$75. Cockburn's is approximately \$60. Money spent now will be handsomely rewarded in a taste jury still out. experience 15 to 20 years down

However, the house of Sandeman understands that a growing number of Porto wine lovers are looking for exceptional, rich, fullbodied wines, well-balanced to drink at an earlier stage of

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For any of you who have cellared Ports, Taylor Fladgate's Director Adrian Bridge offered

- 1977, best of the '70s and
- 1983, just coming around ■ 1985, the best of the '80s;
- drinking 2010 to 2015 ■ 1994, immediately attrac-
- 1997, very concentrated;

\$34, tasting quite good now, but it will be better appreciated in

his 20-year assessment:

- beginning to drink well
- 1980, lightest of the '80s and should have been consumed
- five to 10 years from optimum ■ 1992, long lived; optimum
- tive, plump, full fruit; longevity
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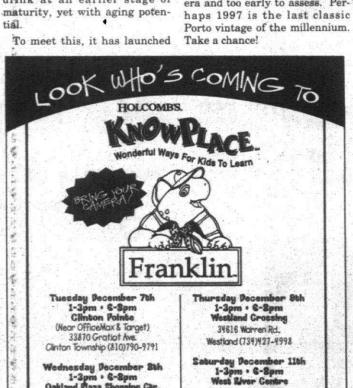
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#### New wine book picks

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Clarke's "Pocket Wine Guide 2000," (Harcourt Brace, 1999,

To research a bubbly for the celebration. millennium

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 ohone, mailbox 1864.

'Christie's World Encyclopedia of Champagne and Sparkling Wine" by Tom Stevenson, (The Wine Appreciation Guild, 1999. \$50) is a good read. Stevenson guides you through the maze of the world's best bubblies and offers his global assessment on a 100-point scale.

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spoons) 1/2 teaspoon shortening for each baking sheet Assembly

1 teaspoon plus 1/2 cup

3 cups finely ground walnuts

Warm milk (about 2-3 table-

sugar, divided

2 tablespoons honey

1/2 cup sugar

1/2 cup flour will rise slightly. Powered sugar To prepare the filling: Using a To prepare the dough: Dissolve mixer, beat the egg white until

Sprinkle in a pinch of sugar. Cover with plastic wrap and set aside in a draft-free place. It will become bubbly in 10-15 minutes.

the yeast and warm milk in a

Meanwhile, in a large bowl, combine 5 cups of the flour, sugar and salt. Cut in the margarine or shortening and butter using a pas-

See related story on Taste

ANNA RATICA'S KOLACKY

1 1/2 packages (1/4-ounce

1/2 cup warm milk (110 to

5 to 5 1/2 cups all-purpose

1 cup (2 sticks) margarine

1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted

3 eggs, lightly beaten

1 teaspoon vanilla

(shortening may be substi-

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BLUEBERRY LEMON

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1 1/4 cups whole wheat flour

2 tablespoons lemon juice

1/2 cup brown rice syrup

1 teaspoon dried grated

4 teaspoons baking powder

lemon rind (or 1 table

1 1/2 cups fresh or frozen

1/4 cup quick-cooking oats

1 tablespoon toasted wheat

1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg

2 teaspoons brown rice syrup

To make topping, combine oats,

juice, and set aside for 2 minutes

sibly story on Taste front.

2/3 cup soy milk

1/2 cup oat flour

spoon fresh)

blueberries

1 egg white

Topping:

teaspoons)

120 degrees)

Pinch of sugar

1/4 cup sugar

tuted)

butter

Filling

1 teaspoon salt

flour

size) yeast (about 3 1/8

Dough

Combine the flours, brown rice syrup, baking powder, and lemon rind, and stir to mix well. Stir in

egg white. Fold in the blueberries Coat an 8-inch square pan with

Bake at 350°F for 35-40 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Recipe yields 9 servings.

#### BUTTERCUP SQUASH, PARSNIP AND CRANBERRY BEAN STEW

- 1 tablespoon canola oil 1 cup sliced celery (about 2
- 2 or 3 garlic cloves, minced 1 chipotle pepper, minced
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- 4 large tomatoes, cored and diced-

1 1/2 tablespoons paprika

Salt and pepper to taste 2 cups peeled and diced but

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2 cups peeled and diced parsnips (about 2 large) the lemon juice mixture and the 12-16 pearl onions, peeled

nonstick cooking spray. Spread the batter evenly in the pan, and sprinkle with the topping.

- medium stalks) (large jalapeno pepper that

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1 tablespoon dried oregano

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ery, garlic, and chipolte. Sauté 3-4 minutes. Add tomatoes, paprika, oregano, and salt and pepper; cook about 8 minutes more over low heat, stirring frequently until

In a saucepan, heat oil; add cel-

Add squash, parsnips, onions, carrots, and water; cook, stirring occasionally, until squash and parsnips are tender, about 30 minutes. Stir in beans, corn, and broccoli. Cover and cook 5-10 minutes Recipe yields 4-6 servings

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heat to 110°F. Add the yeast and

Separately cut the butter into

the flour and make a well. Sepa-

rately again mix the egg yolks

Add the egg yolk and sour

cream mixture to the butter and

flour well. Add yeast mixture

Make 24 balls. Roll each ball

out into a circle and cut each cir-

cle into eight wedges. Add filling

on the widest part and roll it like

a crescent. (Bake on parchment

Bake at 375°F for 10 to 12

When you're ready to serve

and fold in like a pie crust.

mix. Set aside until it rises.

with the sour cream.

## Nutritious dishes will help you keep diet promises

minutes

8 oz. Medium or firm tofu 1/2 teaspoon salt 2 tablespoons lemon juice 2 tablespoons canola oil or

safflower oil

2 tablespoons water or

2 medium onions, finely

(about 3 cups)

1/2 teaspoon paprika

to taste

1 lb. Domestic white mush

rooms, thickly sliced

freshly ground black pepper

paste)

sesame oil

2 tablespoons minced fresh dill weed or 1 teaspoon 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon dried dill weed tahini (sesame seed 3 cups cooked buckwheat

> wheat noodles 2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley

tamari sauce

dried thyme leaves

groats, brown rice or buck

corner of the square. Bring every

Place on baking sheet and bake

12-14 minutes or until the edges

Remove from the oven and trans

fer cookies to a wire rack to cool

When cool, store in an airtight

container. Just before serving,

sprinkle lightly with powdered

Kolacky, 1 cookie per serving.

8 cups of flour

1/2 cup of water

8 egg yolks

sour cream.

Makes about 7 dozen 3-by-3 inch

3 cups (1.5 pounds) of unsalted

1 cup plus 3 Tablespoons of

Two packages of dry yeast

are just starting to brown.

other corner to the center and

press into the filling.

In a bowl, combine shiitake mushrooms and boiling water. Cover and soak for 1 hour.

Squeeze liquid out of mush-

rooms; cut off stems and discard

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Reserve mushroom-soaking liquid 1 teaspoon fresh thyme Combine tofu, salt, lemon juice, leaves or 1/4 teaspoons

oil, and tahini in a food processor. Process until smooth; set aside. Add onion: sauté until almost

Slice caps as thinly as possible

tender, about 3 minutes. Add sliced shiitakes and white mush rooms, pepper, and paprika; continue to sauté about 5 minutes. Add 1/2 cup reserved mushroomsoaking liquid, wine, and tamari sauce. Cover and cook over low heat 5 minutes:

Stir in tofu mixture, thyme, and dill weed. Cook until slightly thickened. Serve over hot groats. rice, or noodles. Garnish with parsley and additional paprika

Recipe yields 4 servings.

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3/4 cup sour cream

1 egg

1 egg

1 teaspoon almond extract

1/2 cup raspberry preserves

flour bottom and sides of 9- or 10-

try blender or fork, cut in mar-

garine until mixture resembles

coarse crumbs. Reserve 1 cup of

1/2 cup sliced almonds

8-ounce package cream

cheese, softened

1/4 cup sugar

inch springform pan.

## Ruspberry coffee cake a breakfast treat Banana tart part of chef's legacy

Among the 175 recipes collect-

in "Pillsbury: Best Muffins & ick Breads" (Clarkson Potter, 19.95) is Raspberry Cream-Cheese Coffee Cake. In case you need to visualize its creamy appeal, the cake is illustrated in one of the book's many color pho-

As well as being attractively presented, the book is full of practical details. Each recipe tells you how long it will take to make, and includes a nutritional

With this recipe, the editors point out that apricot preserves go equally well with the creamcheese filling, and remind readers to always store in the refrigerator baked goods that have cheese fillings.

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1 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour 3c. 3/4 cup sugar

crumb mixture. To remaining crumb mixture, add baking powder, baking soda, salt, sour cream, almond extract

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and 1 egg; blend well. Spread bat-1/2 teaspoon baking powder ter over bottom and 2 inches up 1/2 teaspoon baking soda sides (about 1/4 inch thick) of 1/4 teaspoon salt greased and floured pan.

In small bowl, combine cream cheese, 1/4 cup sugar and 1 egg; blend well. Pour into batter-lined pan. Carefully spoon preserves evenly over cream cheese mixture

In small bowl, combine reserved crumb mixture and sliced almonds. Sprinkle over preserves.

Bake at 350 F for 45 to 55 min-Heat oven to 350 F. Grease and utes or until cream cheese filling is set and crust is deep golden brown. Cool 15 minutes; remove In large bowl, combine flour and sides of pan. Store in refrigerator. 3/4 cup sugar; mix well, With pas-

and coordinated by chef Charlie Trotter; the handsome color photos were made by Tim Turner. Makes 16 servings. There are some 60 of Clark's

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recipes and another 50 con-Nutrition information per servtributed by friends such as Trotter, Alice Waters, Daniel Boulud ing:@ 320 cal., 18 g total fat (7 g and Jacques Pepin. saturated fat), 45 mg chol., 250 mg All royalties from the sales of sodium, 1 g dietary fiber. the book go to benefit the Patrick

Clark Family Trust, a nonprofit fund created to assist in the education and support of Clark's five young children This recipe is a mouthwatering variation of the traditional

banana cream pie.

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"Cooking With Patrick Clark"

(Ten Speed Press, \$35) is subti-

tled, "A Tribute to the Man and

His Cuisine." It combines Clark's

recipes with those of a host of

affectionate, admiring col-

42, was a renowned chef at sev

eral New York City restaurants

notably at Tavern on the Green.

He created a wide variety of

dishes, and his menus featured

Roasted Clay Pot Chicken and

The cookbook was conceived

Pecan-Banana Tart (recipe fol

such favorites as Fried Oysters

Clark, who died in 1998 at age

#### PECAN-BANANA TART

1/2 cup butter, cold 1 1/2 cups ground pecans 1 cup plus 3 tablespoons granulated sugar

11/4 cups plus 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour

Pinch of salt 5 egg yolks

2 cups plus 1 tablespoon milk 1/4 cup butter at room temperature

1/2 cup heavy whipping cream 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla

extract 2 tablespoons cornstarch 2 ripe bananas 36 toasted pecan halves Confectioners' sugar for dust-

To prepare the tart: Combine the cold butter, 1/2 cup of the ground pecans, 1/3 cup of the granulated sugar, 1 cup plus 3 tablespoons of the flour, and the salt in a food processor until crumbly. Add 1 of the egg volks and 1 table spoon of the milk and process until the dough forms a ball. Roll out the dough to 1/8-inch thick and cu into a 9-inch circle. Line an 8-inch tart pan with the dough, place on a sheet pan, and refrigerate for 1 hour. Preheat the oven to 375 F.

golden brown To prepare the pecan cream: Combine the softened butter, the whole egg, the remaining 1 cup ground pecans, 1/2 cup of the gran ulated sugar, the cream, and 1/4 teaspoon of the vanilla in a mixing

Bake for 10 to 12 minutes, or until

mixture in the bottom of the tart Bake at 350 F for 10 minutes, or until the pecan cream is set. Remove from the oven and set

To prepare the pastry cream: Bring the remaining 2 cups milk and 1/3 cup granulated sugar to a boil. Whisk together the remaining 4 egg yolks and 1/3 cup granulated sugar in a bowl. Sift the remaining 2 tablespoons flour and the cornstarch together over the egg yolk mixture and whisk until smooth. Add the remaining 1/4 teaspoor vanilla and one-third of the milk mixture and whisk until combined Return the remaining milk mixture to a boil. Pour the yolk mix ture into the milk, stirring contin uously, until thickened and remove from the heat.

To prepare the tart: Cut the bananas into 1/4-inch-thick slices and arrange in a single layer over the pecan cream in the tart shell. Spoon the pastry cream over the bananas and smooth with spatula Lower the oven heat to 350 F and bake for 10 minutes. Remove from the oven and cool slightly, then refrigerate for at least 1 hour.

Cut the tart into 6 slices and place a slice in the center of each of 6 plates. Arrange the toasted pecans on each slice and dust with fectioners' sugar.

## Low-fat cooking: Italian broiled salmon

This aromatic salmon is as eautiful to look at as it is to eat. It's low in fat, with only 8 grams per serving, and is quick to pre

pare: 10 minutes' advance work and 12 minutes in the oven. ITALIAN BROILED SALMON

3 lemons 1 pound salmon fillet 1/3rd cup finely chopped

fresh parsley 2 tablespoons butter

1 1/2 teaspoons finely chopped fresh garlic Two 15 1/2-ounce cans Great

Northern beans, rinsed and drained Heat broiler. Spray broiler pan

with no-stick cooking spray. Cut 1 lemon into 6 slices. Place salmon and lemon slices on prepared pan, skin-side up. Broil 5 inches from heat, turning once, until fish flakes with a fork (12 minutes to 13 minutes).

Meanwhile, grate peel on remaining 2 lemons to make about 4 teaspoons of zest. Squeeze the lemons and reserve the juice.

Combine lemon peel and parsley in a small bowl

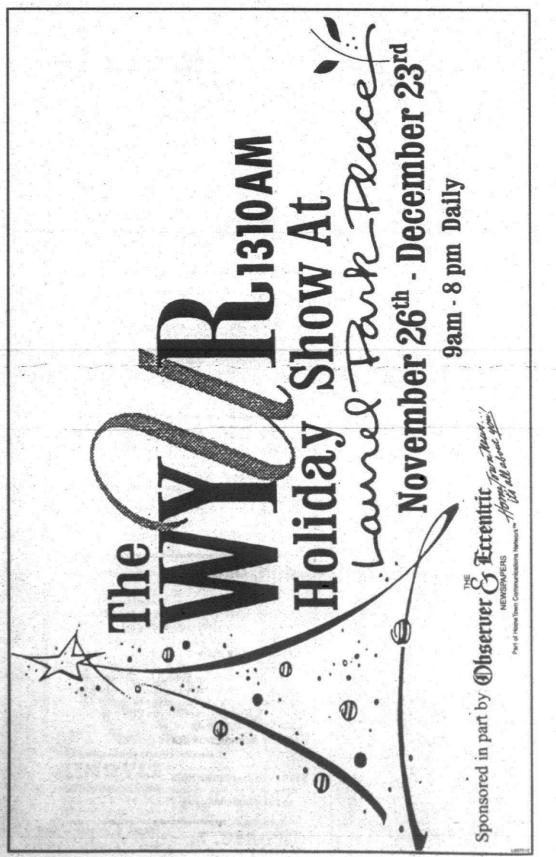
Melt butter in a 10-inch skillet until sizzling; add garlic. Cook over medium-high heat 2 minutes Add 2 tablespoons lemon peel mixture and beans. Continue cooking until heated through, 4 minutes to 5 minutes

To serve, place fish, lemons and bean mixture on serving plate; sprinkle with lemon peel and pars ley. Drizzle with reserved lemon ce. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 350 cal., 34 g pro., 34 g carbo., 12 g dietary fiber, 8 g fat, 60 mg chol. 310 mg sodium

Recipe from: Land O' Lakes Inc.





# Health & Fitness

The Observer

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#### **Everything in moderation** BRIEFS Dietitians offer hints for eating during the holidays

St. Mary Hospital will offer free blood pressure screenings from 1-3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6 in the lobby of the hospital. St. Mary is located at Levan and Five Mile Road in Livonia.

Screening

#### Alzheimer's Assoc.

The Alzheimer's Support Group of Alterra (Clare Bridge of Livonia) will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6. Lisa Grey from the Alzheimer's Association will be our guest speaker for the evening. Alterra is located at 32500 Seven Mile Road. For information call (248) 426-7055

#### **Chemical sensitive**

The Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Friends will host a free support group, today, from 2-5 p.m. (Sunday Dec. 5) at 14550 Stonehouse in Livo nia. The group is for anyone who is hypersensitive to chemical/environmental irritants. For a newsletter call (248) 349-4972.

#### Reading people

The Association for Psychological Type is sponsoring a program titled "The Art of Speedreading People," a review of training materials developed by Paul Tieger and Barbara Bar on-Tieger the best selling authors of "Do What You Are, Nurture by Nature" and "The Art of Speedread. ing People," will speak from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9 at the First United Methodist Church (1589 West Maple at Pleasant St.) in Birmingham. Cost

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Renovating recipes Replace some or all of the heavy cream in your recipes with evaporated

nowing that the average person skim milk. gains between two and 10 pounds Replace all or part of the oil in from Thanksgiving to New Years muffins, cakes, quick breads or brownis depressing enough to make you not ies with applesauce or prune puree. For example, if your zucchini bread But registered dietitian Darlene Zimrecipe calls for 2 cups of oil, use 2 cups of applesauce instead. With every 2 merman says it is possible to get

cups of oil you eliminate, you cut 960 through the holidays without the guilt calories and 112 grams of fat from the and the extra notch on your Since much of the fat in cake is in belt buckle. the frosting, top your favorite cake "Don't set

with fresh fruit, a fruit sauce, or a vourself up for sprinkle of confectioner's sugar. failure. If your recipe calls for nuts, cut the vourself up for amount in half and toast them. Toastsuccess," said ing nuts brings out the flavor so you

Zimmerman. only have to use half as much Establishing In most recipes two egg whites can realistic goals replace one whole egg.

Use low fat or skim milk instead of improve a per-For low fat pie crusts, use crushed son's health is graham crackers moistened with fruit

> "Enjoying the holidays without gaining weight isn't as difficult as you may think. All it takes is a little know-how and an extra ounce of control," says

pressure and cholesterol levels," said Gail Cox, registered dietitian from Botsford's Health Development Net-"Losing weight at the holidays might work, says you should start planning be an unrealistic expectation but mainaround Halloween how you hope to taining your present weight is more manage your food intake during the

> "Fast forward to January and think about how you want to feel then. Do you not want to gain any weight, can you afford to put on a couple of pounds

expectations

■ Gail Cox, registered dietitian from Botsford's **Health Development Net**work, says you should start planning around Halloween how you hope to manage your food intake during the

gain 10 pounds?" said Cox. "It may take some strategic planning but looking ahead will help you navigate

ugh the holidays." The first matter Cox encourages clients to deal with is the realization that "overindulging" is a normal part of living. "Learn to forgive yourself. You'll again but I wouldn't beat myself up over doing it."

Handling additional food encounters New Years celebration with more than an empty stomach.

Don't starve yourself before a gathering or you'll just eat more. Don't skip breakfast and lunch.

Freeze food gifts or give them

Serve fruit with traditional holiday oods so there's a nice mix between healthy staples like fruits and vegetables and heavier fare such as cakes and icy entrees. "You'll be full without the calories if you keep fruits and veggies around and snack on those in between lunch and dinner."

If you're going to make a resolu-

Years to make a change.

After a meal go out for a walk. Don't sit down. "Going for a walk will give you a brighter perspective. If you sit down after you eat you're more inclined to keep eating." At a social event, socialize. Con-

centrate on meeting and greeting and not the food.

Cox says she follows the "anything goes for two days rule."

"I pick just two days during the holiday season to eat what I want and not worry about it. Like Christmas and New Years day and then the rest of the time I make a conscious effort to maintain some control. If I look ahead on how I want to feel a month from new I get a better idea that an unlimited amount of eating is not the best choice

Everything in moderation!" Darlene Zimmerman, MS, RD, is a get up the next day and start all over registered dietitian who started her own private practice in 1995. She creat ed "Eat Right for Life" - a seminar series designed to motivate, educate is easier if you go to an office party or a and empower people to obtain optimal health by making sensible food choices. She is an adjunct instructor at Madon na University, a member of the Ameri can Dietetic Association and president elect for the Nutrition Entrepreneurs of Michigan. For information about her

program call (248) 347-4285. Gail Cox is a registered dietitian with Botsford Health Development Network in conjunction with Botsford Hospital of Farmington Hills. She will be teaching an innovative weight manage ment program called "The Solution" beginning in January. For more infor mation call the Botsford Center for Health Improvement, HDN, 39750 Grand River Avenue, Novi, MI (248)

or are you going to be depressed if you tion start now. Don't wait until New

## Beating the holiday blues with a positive attitude

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON STAFF WRITER

Relieving stress at the holidays is easier said than done. The busy ifestyles we carve out for ourselves are often a chaotic blend of work, family, social responsibilities and volun-It's not unreasonable to think that

the key.

ing 5 or 10 percent of your body weight

might make a big enough change ... a

change that would lower your blood

She makes several suggestions for

people who just can't resist the goodies

by making substitutions and additions

to recipes. Several might just surprise

Zimmerman.

"Make small

changes. Los-

the holiday season doubles the stress and anxiety we already feel due to these added pressures. Berkowitz. Sounds awful, doesn't it? Aren't the holidays supposed to be a festive time

with family and friends? Bari Berkowitz, a psychologist with

says staying grounded isn't out of reach whether you're just starting to feel the heat or are at the end of your rope.

nsight Outpatient Services of Livonia,

"Society, the media and TV places

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all

hospitals, physicians, companies and residents

Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o

"A Heart to Heart Conversation for Mothers and

Daughters on Puberty and Growing Up." This class

accurate information about the normal physical and

emotional changes that girls will experience as they

enter puberty. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education

Support for cardiac patients and/or their significant

tion and camaraderie are the focus. Call 458-3242 for

Dr. Ed Taub will present a step-by-step wellness pro-

gram titled "Balance Your Body, Balance Your Life,"

at 7:30 p.m. on Detroit Public TV to educate and

motivate viewers to take steps to change the way

they live. The program airs on PBS as part of the

A Life is in Your Hands: Heartsaver/Airway Obstruc-

tion Classes. Both day and evening classes available. \$20 fee. Community EMS, 25400 Eight Mile Road,

Southfield. For more information and to register,

other will meet at 7 p.m. Dec. 6. Discussion, educa-

provides mothers with daughters ages 9-12 with

The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livo-

nia 48150, e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or .

active in the Observer-area medical community.

faxed to (734) 591-7279.

SUN, DEC. 5

PUBERTY/GROWING UP

MON, DEC. 6

HEART PALS

information

**BALANCE YOUR BODY** 

December 1999 pledge drive.

AIRWAY OBSTRUCTION CLASS

call (248) 356-3900, ext. 255.

TUE, DEC. 7

Center, Ann Arbor from 1-5 p.m.

on us to have the perfect Christmas and Thanksgiving. That's so unrealistic. Nine times out of ten that doesn't happen and we

"The key is bringing the values back into the home and not buying into what we perceive or what we are made to perceive is the perfect

Berkowitz referred to a recent "family gathering" she had with her hus- that they'll remember."

hand and three children as a way of illustrating how easy it is to scale back on the what she calls "all the fuss." "Create simple rituals for your famithat with my kids and found out they

didn't want what I thought they did. Most of the time children, especially those whose parents both work, might want to spend quiet time with them," said Berkowitz.

The Livonia psychologist suggests watching a movie or playing a game one evening as a family. "People don't realize - that's the gift. Spending time with your children doing simple things. It's not the toys, because most of the time they're forgotten or broken in a week. It's the time you spend, together,

Acknowledging the holidays are her busiest time meeting with clients, Berkowitz suggests slowing down long enough to find out what's really impor Sit down with them and find out tant to everyone. All that fuss and the what they want to get out of Christmas money you spend can be quite unfulfill this season. What are their goals. I did ing. "You wake up the day after Christmas to a big letdown and you're \$5,000 in debt. It can be a very sad time of

The holidays can be particularly depressing for people away from their nilies or who have lost a loved one. Berkowitz encourages them to visit friends or have friends over to their use. "People who are lonely tend to isolate themselves. Get out and keep

If you are suffering and in need of support, Insight Outpatients Services, located in Livonia, can be reached at (248) 367-0405.

#### MEDICAL DATEBOOK

#### **FATING DISORDERS**

A new support group for persons recovering from an eating disorder or for person who are in need of peer group support at 7 p.m. Dec. 7, 14, 21 and 28. Open to both men and women. Call (734) 458-3395 for additional information.

#### BREASTFEEDING

A one-session class providing information to expectant parents on the many aspects of breastfeeding. Class meets at 6 p.m. Call 458-4330 to register. ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Informative as well as supportive, this group meets

the first Tuesday of every-month. 7 p.m. Botsford Center, 21450 Archwood Circle off Folsom Road, between Grand River and Eight Mile Road), Farmngton Hills. For more information, call (248) 477-

#### **HEART TO HEART**

Heart to Heart Discussion/Support Group: "Laugh Your Way Through the Holiday Blues "This relaxed forum enables patients and their families to gain knowledge and insight into heart disease. No charge 2-3 p.m. Botsford General Hospital, Conference Room 3 West, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 477-6100.

#### WED, DEC. 8

#### OSTEOPATHIC MANIPULATION

Drs. Jenny and Alan Schenne, Botsford osteopathic physicians, will demonstrate osteopathic manipula tion as well as stretches you can use at home to increase your flexibility. They will describe how osteopathic manipulation can be used to alleviate sinus blockage and breathing problems.

preregistration required. Botsford General Hospital, Classroom 2 East A and B, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. For more information or to register, call (248)

#### tionships for yourself and others. From 7-8:30 p.m.

to reduce pain in the back, hip and joints and to treat constipation. Meets at 1 p.m. Space will be limited so

#### **ESTATE PLANNING**

St. Mary Hospital will be presenting a Carelink Lecure on Estate Planning from 1-3 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. Paul Lubienski, J.D., will discuss what a will, trust and power of attorney is as

busy," said Berkowitz.

#### Call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT A support group for family members, friends and caregivers of person afflicted with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders. Free, sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association. Group meets at 7 p.m. in Classroom #3 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building. Call 458-4330.

well as the advantages and differences. There is no

charge for this lecture but registration is required.

#### BREATHER'S CLUB A support group for persons and/or families with respiratory problems. Meets at 7:30 p.m. in Classroom

#3 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building and is free. Call 458-3481 for information. RELATIONSHIPS Valuing Ourselves in Relationships." This presentation will focus on relationship dilemmas that are par-

ticular to women and show how you can enrich rela-

#### at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. BEAT GOES ON...

"And the Beat Goes On ..." Free cardiovascular education classes that provide helpful information for people with or without heart disease. This week's topic will be "Managing Your Stress." From 6-7:30 p.m. at Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor.

#### CARELINK LECTURE

"Let's Talk About Estate Planning", from 1-3 p.m. No fee. Call St. Mary Hospital, (734) 655-8940 for infor-

#### DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

The St. Mary Hospital Diabetes Support Group will meet from 7-8 p.m. to discuss "Low Blood Glucose --What You Don't Know Can Hurt You." There is no-

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## Datebook from page D5

cost. Call (734) 655-8940.

#### THUR, DEC. 9

LOW BACK PAIN Oakland Physical Therapy, P.C. will present a lecture for all individuals interested in preventing low back pain, especially those with pain that interferes with daily living, sports or occupation. Objectives will be to identify positions and postures to avoid and prevent low back pain; demonstrate the most stable position of spinal alignment for exercise and functional activity; and describe the most appropri ate strengthening and stretching exercises to achieve spinal stability. Program begins at 7 p.m. at the Providence Park Medical Center (Physician Office Building), 47601 Grand River Ave., Suite B 124 in Novi (at Grand River and Beck Roads). There is no charge for this class, but class size is limited. RSVP by calling (248) 380-3550.

**HEALTHQUEST SEMINAR** Free Healthquest seminars will continue at the Canton Summit on the Park in the Art II Room every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. through Dec. 16. There will not be a meeting on Thanksgiving Day. Seminars are sponsored by the Canton Seventh Day Adventist Church and are pre sented by health professionals: Jason Goliatch, M.D.; Aroldo Aragones, Ph.D., clinical psyhology; Rudy Gomez, M.D.; Brenda Schalk, registered dietitian and Michael Doucoumes, director of Breathe Free Plan to Stop Smoking. The topics include exercise/weight control diet/nutrition, stress control. cancer prevention, heart disease, and diabetes. For more informa-

#### tion call (734) 844-8660. WONDER WALKERS

St. Mary Hospital is offering a health talk at Wonderland Mall as part of their sponsorship of Wonder Walkers, a walking club at the mall. Participants will learn ways to make better eating choices and about the role cholesterol plays in our diet on from 9-10 a.m. in the Wonderland Mall Community Room. There is a no fee. Call the Community Outreach Department at

**DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY** Learn how you can designate a

Patient Advocate who can act on your behalf regarding medical decisions should you become incapacitated. Program is held from 7-9 p.m. at the Providence Medical Building - Farmington Hills/12 Mile. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

**FATER'S CHOICES** The Eater's Choice group will discuss cholesterol education from 9-10 a.m. at Wonderland

#### Mall. No Fee. Call St. Mary Hospital at (734) 655-8940. PEDIATRIC LIFE SUPPORT

A Life is in Your Hands: Pediatric Basic Life Support & Airway Obstruction Classes. Both day and evening classes available. \$20 fee. Community EMS, 25400 Eight Mile Road, Southfield. For more information and to register, call (248) 356-3900, ext. 255.

#### JAPANESE PLAY GROUP

This monthly play group, designed for moms with infants up to 18 months of age, provides a supportive environment where they can share concerns and engage in activities that strengthen the mother/baby bond. Facilitated by a nurse and a Japanese translator. 1 p.m. \$10 donation. Botsford Center for Health Improvement, HDN, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. For more information, call (248) 477-6100.

#### FRI, DEC. 10 MUSIC SOOTHES

Mind/Body/Spirit Classes: "Music Hath Charms to Soothe." Ellen Bryan, a music therapist, will demonstrate ways to use music to lift your mood, motivate you through your tasks, relieve anxiety, and relax tension. 12:30 p.m. at Vladimir's Banquet Hall, 28125 Grand River Avenue, Farmington Hills. \$9 Generations members, \$10 non-members, prepaid by December 7. For more information or to regis-

(248) 471-8020

Imagine if your dress code required this every day of the week.

While playing. While eating. While sitting at your desk at school. To prevent

head injury due to atonic seizures, or drop attacks, many children with

epilepsy wear protective helmets. Of the more than 2 million Americans with epilepsy, 30 percent are children. Please take a moment to find out what you

can do to help erase the stigmas they face every day. For more information

about epilepsy or the programs and services offered by the Epilepsy

Foundation of Michigan, please call 1-800-377-6226.

The Detroit Medical Cer

imprehensive Epilepsy Progran

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SAT, DEC. 11 LYMPHATIC/DETOX WORKSHOP Attend the Ultimate Lymphatic

and Blood Detox Workshop with a raw food dinner buffer from 1-7 p.m. The Tree House for Earth's Children, 22906 Mooney St. Farmington. Call (248) 473-0624. Learn the basic principles of anatomy physiology and fluid dynamics of the human lymphatic system; recount indications and contra-indications, therapeutic intervention with Manual Lymphatic Drainage;

#### MON, DEC. 13

learn how to detox the body; and

discuss deep cellular supple-

ments. 6.5 CEU's available for

nurses and for massage thera-

pists. Cost is \$50, single; \$90

YOUNG MOTHER'S SUPPORT The Young Mother's Assistance Program (Y-MAP) will host their December support group from 6-8 p.m. at Newburg United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail) in Livonia. For information call (734) 513-7598. Meetings are always held on the second Monday of each month. Y-MAP provides moms an opportunity to meet with other young parents and share feelings and experiences with each other. Speakers are invited to share topics of interest including posi tive parenting, substance abuse, job search, education and more. Child care is provided by licensed care givers at no charge. A light dinner and refreshments

#### will also be available. **BASIC LIFE SUPPORT**

This course is intended for those 12 years and older interested in learning basic knowledge of the heart and lungs, signs and symptoms of a heart attack and stroke, adult CPR and choking rescue skills. Does not meet the requirements for daycare providers. \$25 course fee includes manual. Class runs from 6-9 p.m. at the Providence Medical Center - Providence Park (Assarian Cancer Center) 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

#### TUE, DEC. 14

**BREAST CANCER SUPPORT** The St. Mary Hospital breast cancer support group will meet from 7-8:30 p.m. Call (734) 655-

**HEALTH PROFESSIONAL CPR** This course is designed for healthcare professionals who hold a current Healthcare Provider Card issued by the American Heart Association or Red Cross. Adult, child and infant CPR and choking rescue techniques are covered. \$25. Class runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m at the Mission Health Medical Center in Livonia (37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh). Call

#### WED, DEC. 15

(877) 345-5500 to register.

LARYNGECTOMY SUPPORT For people who have had or are going to have surgical removal of their vocal cords (laryngectomee) and their family and friends. In coordination with the Michigan Cancer Foundation Support Services. Meets at 2 p.m. free of charge. Call (734) 458-3381. ADULT CPR

#### ducted at 6 n m at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road (between Ford and Warren Roads) teaching one person res-

Three hour evening class con-

cue through a film, lecture,

demonstration and return demonstration. Call (734) 458-BEAT GOES ON ... "And the Beat Goes On ..." Free cardiovascular education classes that provide helpful information for people with or without heart disease. This week's topic will be "Integrating Exercise Into Your Lifestyle." Location: Michigan

#### Arbor from 6-7:30 p.m. CAREGIVER SUPPORT The St. Mary Hospital caregiver

support group will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. No Fee. Call (734) 655-8940. MALL WALKING Botsford's Livonia Mall Walking

Club: Free December blood

pressure screening. Enjoyable,

Heart & Vascular Institute, St.

Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann

#### exercise. Blood pressure screenings available the third Wednesday of every month, 8-10 a.m. Livonia Mall is open to walkers 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Saturday; 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday. Located at 29514 Seven Mile

low-impact, climate-controlled

Road (at the corner of Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads.) For more information, call (248) 477-

#### THUR, DEC. 16

THE SOY STORY Learn more about the benefits of soy, different types of soy products and how to cook with soy. \$10 fee. Program begins at 6 p.m. at the Providence Medical Office Center in Novi. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

#### BREASTFEEDING CLASS St. Mary Hospital will host a breastfeeding class from 7-9 p.m.

Call (734) 655-1100 to register. BASIC CPR COURSE A Life is in Your Hands: Basic First Aid Classes. Both day and evening classes available. \$35 fee. Community EMS, 25400 Eight Mile Road, Southfield. For more information and to register, call (248) 356-3900, ext. 255.

#### SAT, DEC. 18

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT A Life is in Your Hands BLS/Airway Obstruction Classes. Includes instruction on adult, infant and child CPR. Both day and evening classes available, \$25 fee, Community EMS, 25400 Eight Mile Road, Southfield. For more information and to register, call (248) 356-3900, ext. 255.

PEDIATRIC LIFE SUPPORT A Life is in Your Hands: Pediatric Life Support with Basic First Aid Classes. Both day and evening classes available. \$55 fee. Community EMS, 25400 Eight Mile Road, Southfield. For more information and to register, call (248) 356-3900, ext. 255.

#### TUE, DEC. 21 STROKE/ANEURYSM SUPPORT

For those who had or have a

cerebral aneurysm or stroke Family members/ friends welcome. Group will meet at Garden City Hospital to promoted a sharing interaction (free of charge). Call 458-4396 for infor-

#### WED, DEC. 22

MENDED HEARTS A national support group for patients with heart disease and their families. Each meeting offers support in coping with the various challenges of heart disease. Fourth Wednesday of every month, 7-8:30 p.m. Free of charge at Botsford General Hos pital, Classroom 2 East B, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 471-8870.

#### FRI. DEC. 31

Get a running start into the Year 2000 by participating in Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network's 30th annual Family Fun Run/Walk on Dec. 31, at Belle Isle. The activities begin at 5 p.m. with a children's one-mile run/walk and an open one-mile run/walk. A four-mile run is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., followed by a four-mile race walk/fitness walk at 5:35 p.m. and a Y2K 2K run/walk at 11:55 p.m. In addition, BCBSM and BCN are also sponsoring an alcohol-free teen dance party from 6-10 p.m. at the U.S. Marine Corps Training Center (Brodhead Armory), 7600 E. Jefferson Ave. More information on the event may be obtained by calling 313-886-5560 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., or through the Web at www.activeusa.com

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## observes Christmas



is 690,229.

tricky.

Santa

him an e-mail.

maybe a hundred of them.

where dreams really can come

Back then, conwere agonizingly slow -28.8 bps if you were lucky. But one of my observations then was that "the optimism of Christmas is exactly the sort of stuff

#### DEC. 29, 30

**BLOOD DRIVE** During the holiday times the Southeast Michigan Red Cross supply of blood is especially short. Garden City Hospital will host a blood drive at the Allan Breakie Medical Office Building from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Donors are asked to call (734) 458-4330 to make an appointment.

Y2K WALK/RUN

## Even cyberspace



he spirit of rial offered here is substantial. much alive in

Christmas Creativity and fun are the very themes for the many family-oriented activities games, letters to and from Santa, pictures and I first started artwork kids can scan in and writing about send to the site for posting and the Internet lots of other wonderful Christand Christmas mas stuff. Web sites back Radio Santa Claus

in 1994 when (http://www.nettiradio.fi/test/san the net was in ta/eng/eng.html) - You have to its infancy. visit this Web site, which is based in Finland. Be sure to lisnection speeds ten to the RealAudio story from Santa, in a thick Finish accent.

Christmas Around the World (http://christmas.com/worldview/) - Part of a larger site, this feature offers a clickable tour of that permeates cyberspace, some 200 different nations and regions of the world and how different cultures celebrate Christ-

I wasn't thinking of e-commerce and this incredible boom Santa Tracking sites - There in online shopping that we're are many sites which will now seeing. I only wish I was "track" Santa's delivery on that perceptive. No. I was just Christmas Eve. Most won't be waxing about that mystical way fully operational until midthe net can turn the emotional December but kids love to watch and exciting into virtual reality. Santa's progress around the For the net is a place for world. Some are quite involved dreamers and anticipation. So is with colorful graphics and inter-Christmas. And as the net has activity and require free little grown since those early days, so Java programs you download have Christmas Web sites. Last right to your PC. The three I year the AltaVista search site like the best are the Norad returned links to a little more tracking

than 229,000 webpages men-(http://www.noradsanta.org/), tioning Christmas and Santa Santa Tracking.com (http://www.santatracker.com/). This year the number of pages and Claus com (www claus com)

Religious Christmas So what follows is far from an (http://www.execpc.com/~tmuth/ exhaustive study. To come up st\_john/xmas/main.htm) - You with my recommendations, I've need to be sure to check out this only been able to check out site, just to have the proper perspective. This is a Web site My hope in doing this is that where you can read the original parents will sit down at the com- Christmas story from Luke's puter with their children and Gospel, and get lyrics to Christspend some quality time togethmas hymns, read Christmas er dreaming and anticipating as dramas and look at a collection they visit my selections for this of photos from the little town where it all started 2,000 years

But be patient. Some of these ago ... from where it all began. sites are getting more than a Here's a few more of the Net's half a million visitors a day and more creative Santa sites. making the connection during "North Pole.Com peak traffic times can be a bit (http://www.the-north-pole.com/) Claus.Com"

Here then, are my Christmas (http://mrclaus.com/) Web site recommendations for "Santa. Com (http://www.santa.com/) "Yes, Virginia, there IS a (http://www.santa.net) - Year

Santa Claus." (http://www.barricksinsurance.com/virginia.html)

active things to do. Decorate a Mike Wendland reports about tree. Find Santa's sleigh. Send computers and the Internet for NBC-television stations coast-to-North Pole for Kids coast. His radio show is heard (http://www.northpole4kids.com/ every weekend on TalkRadio ) - Like several other sites, this 1270, WXYT. You can reach one claims to be Santa's "offi- Mike through his Web site at cial" site. But the depth of mate- www.pcmike.com

#### **BUSINESS CALENDAR**

Items from the Observerland area for the Business Calendar per, 36251 Schoolcraft Road. Livonia, MI 48150 attention Business Calendar.

after year, the Santa Net Web

site just gets bigger and more

fun. There are all sorts of inter-

#### WED. DEC. 15 **AAH INVESTOR MEETING**

The AAII Eastern Michigan Chapter will host J. Michael Lipper who will give an overview on mutual fund analysis. Registration will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the program starts at 7 p.m. at the Bloomfield Township Library (Lone Pine Road and Telegraph). Cost is \$15 for members; \$20, non-members. Contact

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L Business Network Internation als regular meeting is from 7-8:30 a.m. The Laurel Park Chapter gathers at Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road in Livonia. The Metro Livonia chapter meets at St. Maurie

Cookie Corej at (248) 646-9509.

Catholic Church, 32801 Lyndon in Livonia. For more information

#### THUR. DEC. 16 **BUSINESS PLAN WORKSHOP**

Preparing a business plan, business plan workbook, sources of help and example of a business plan will be offered: Class runs from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$40 per person at the McNamara Federal Building, 477 Michigan Avenue, Room 895 in Detroit, Call SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) to register (313) 226-7947.

#### FRI, DEC. 17

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L Business Network Internation

al's regular meetings is from 7-8:30 a.m. The Livonia chapter meets at Senate Koney Island on Plymouth Road near Stark, Call the BNI office at (810) 323-3800 for information

#### Dr. Audrey Bruell is announcing the opening of her new dermatology office at: 37605 Pembroke in Livonia 734-591-7931

Dr. Bruell is a board certified Dermatologist. She is also a staff physician with Providence and Beaumont Hospitals, specializing in

- · Light Sheer Laser Hair Removal
- · Power Peel 2000m
- · Skin Rejuvenation Peels General Dermatology

## Storytelling used in business setting

Project Innovations, a Farm- and understand an event or personalities," said Michelle activities such as storytelling,

into their strategies. Project Innovations recom-

lems and develop trust. The company, such as leadership, pany has explored the hidden integrity or service. As employrelationship between business ees share their personal stories, and the arts and is working with values take on visual living tions site creativity and innovaclients to incorporate the two descriptions; and vital bonds are tion as requirements in this fastformed.

"Used strategically, storymends the use of "strategic sto- telling is an essential tool for like employee characteristics rytelling" throughout communications to help employees see of different authority levels and er-Dunnings is convinced that tions.com or call (248) 476-7577.

ington Hills based meeting facili- expectation. Employees are Napier-Dunnings, senior facilitatation company, is using the encouraged to clearly and dra- tor for Project Innovations. "The ancient art of storytelling to help matically share a story that process is particularly important businesses implement change, describes a core value that is when planning a company's improve processes, solve prob- critical to the success of the com- future direction, developing long-term strategies and forming new teams."

> As more and more corporapaced business environment, it seems that some of these child-

creating collages and putting thoughts into pictures are a few of the keys to effective corporate communications. Project Innovations is a meet

ing facilitation company formed in 1992 with offices in Farmington Hills and Lansing. The company specializes in training and . leadership development for organizations throughout the United

#### **BUSINESS MARKETPLACE**

#### New 7-Eleven

7-Eleven recently celebrated the grand opening of a new store in Westland with ribbon cutting ceremonies featuring Scott Veldhuis, Economic Development Director of Westland.

#### Boost to business

Papa Romano's, a Farmington Hills-based pizza business, in cooperation with McIlhenny Company, the maker's of Tabasments. In radio spots running through December, a Regis Philbin sound-alike asks a contestant the million-dollar ques-

"Other than traditional top- Ekstrom Industries, Inc. of pings, what is the number-one Farmington Hills, raised condiment Americans put on \$25,000 for needy neighborhood their pizza?". The answer is elementary schools. As estimat-Tabasco® Sauce. Franchises are ed 5,000 school children are benreporting to be receiving positive efiting from this 'Adopt-a-School' co® Sauce, is echoing the highly-feedback from customers who program, a corporate giving prosuccessful "Who Wants to Be a receive a free two-liter of Pepsi gram that celebrated the Brooks

Millionaire," television show in and an 1/8 oz. bottle of Tabasco® Company's 124th anniversary in their radio and TV advertise- Sauce with their pizza order. Money raised

Supporting safe driving Hundreds of employees at nine **American Speedy Printing** operating units of the Brooks Centers in southeast Michigan Family of Companies, including area teaming up with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) to sponsor the 13th annual "Tie-One On For Safety - Red Ribbon Campaign." The campaign officially runs from Thanksgiv-

ing to New Years Day.



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# The NEW Farmer Jack Granus Granus Opening Wednesday, Dec. 8th at 7 A.M.

Canton Center Rd. at Cherry Hill

## **Gourmet Coffee Cafe**

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Relax, enjoy fresh brewed gourmet coffee from around the world at our coffee shop. Now you will be able to purchase and enjoy 5 different varieties of fresh roasted coffee brewed fresh daily from Hazelnut Vanilla to Colombian Supremo. You never have to be without the highest quality, freshest coffee obtainable anywhere. Visit us today!

Open Daily 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.



#### Hot Dinners To Go!

Capture the taste of home cookin'! Over 9 varieties to choose from daily! Just to name a few ...Rotisserie chicken and ribs, our famous wing drummies, macaroni and cheese and southern style potato wedges. Quick service - just pay at the deli register and go!



#### The Butcher Shoppe...Only the Best

At our service counter our butchers are ready to take orders for customized requests...as well as offer cooking instructions and recipes. Our beef and pork are trimmed lean to 1/8" trim. More lean meat for your money!



#### The Corner Bakery

Hot from the oven sweet delicious cakes, breads, rolls and pastries. Who could possibly resist our fabulous bakery? We're willing to bet you can't...in fact, we know you can't. For any special occasion, for any amount of people, our bakery will design a cake you'll be proud of!



#### Post Office & Service Center

Post Office to conveniently handle all your postal needs. CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER...purchase money orders, wire funds through Western Union, rent carpet cleaning equipment and receive one-day photo processing.



#### Full Service Old Kent Bank

Enjoy the convenience of banking where you shop. Auto loans, checking and savings accounts, mortgages, home equity loans, alternative investments, home improvement loans, even an ATM machine, all waiting to serve your personal needs.



#### The Seafood Cove

"Jet Fresh" seafood rushed fresh to us everyday. From Cape Cod to San Francisco, our buyers are at the docks early every morning selecting the best of the catch. Every catch is rushed to us in special refrigerated containers.



#### The Floral Shop

Our Farmer Jack Floral Shop has a perfect fresh gift idea to fit any occasion or to brighten any day. If there's something special you want made up, talk to our expert Florist. Watch for all the holiday decorating ideas to make your holiday parties easier to plan.



#### Complete Pharmacy

Our Full Service Pharmacy inside Farmer Jack is ready to serve you 7 days a week. Drop off your new or current prescription and we'll take care of all the rest with our free prescription transfer service. Most major health care programs are honored.

Your corner drugstore...just around the aisle.







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