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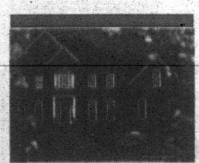
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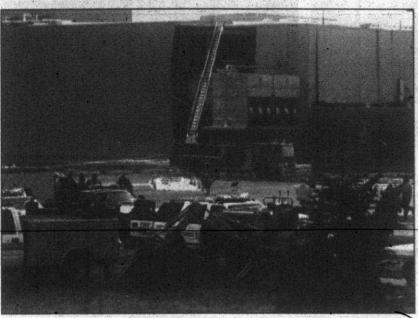


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HomeTown Classifieds!



Ammonia leak at plant injures



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUBSCHMAN

Damage control: MichCon workers dig underground to reach a safety valve in front of the Norquick food storage plant on Hag-gerty, south of Joy, where a Wednesday morning ammonia leak led to an explosion and small fire.



Two employees of Norquick Distributing and a Canton firefighter were hospitalized Wednesday following an ammonia leak and explosion at the frozen food storage facility on Haggerty Road, south of Joy.

An ammonia leak at a Haggerty Road business sent two workers and a Canton firefighter to the hospital and caused an explosion early Wednesday morning.

Township firefighters were called to Norquick Distributing on Haggerty Road just south of Joy at 6:53 a.m. and discovered two male employees overcome by fumes. The men were subsequently transported to Annapolis Hos-

"Their injuries appear to be non-lifethreatening," said Canton Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher.

Michael McManamon, 41, of Redford suffered first-degree burns on his hands and ears and reported difficulty breathing. Benjamin Brand, 22, of Mount Clemens reported minor respiratory problems.

In addition, Canton firefighter Jerry

Lica, 84, was treated for inhalation of

A build-up of ammonia fumes caused a violent explosion at approximately 7:50 a.m. A 20-foot wide hole in the building's northwest corner was opened as a result. A small fire followed. Township firefighters were able to quickly douse the flames, however.

Western Wayne County's Hazmat team was called to the scene. Rorabacher said utilities had to be shut off before Hazmat could enter the building and stop the leak. That was accomplished by early Wednesday afternoon.

"We're taking a very methodical approach to this," he commented. "We want the utilities secured before they go in to eliminate the possibility of any more explosions."

Firefighters sprayed water on the building throughout the morning to

Please see AMMONIA LEAK, A2

Speaking out: Lois Andres.

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Ridge Road,

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Monday.

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addresses the

Fred.

homemade chart of the proposed site

Class dismissed

Charter school rejected by commission again

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM

Residents and planning commissioners said they experienced déja vu Monday when a company wanting to build a charter school in Canton presented a second set of plans.

Related editorial, A14

The planning commission voted 6-0, with Bob Wade absent, to deny Grand Rapids-based National Heritage Academies' request for special land use approval. Commissioners said the project was too small for the amount of land and was not much different than the company's first proposal last March.

The charter school management company's request was to build a two-phase, 650-student school on a 10-acre site at Ridge and Warren roads. Ann Arbor, Pontiac, Jackson, Grand Rapids and Flint are among the cities in which National Heritage operates schools.

Please see CHARTER SCHOOL, A3



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Yack to seek fourth term as township supervisor

BY SCOTT DANIEL

All seven members of Canton's Board of Trustees plan to run for reelection later this year.

Supervisor Tom Yack will be seeking his fourth term. The township board which also includes Clerk Terry Ben-

nett, Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter and trustees Robert Shefferly, Philip LaJoy, John Burdziak and Melissa McLaughlin - has been intact since

"As long as I'm feeling good and contributing," said Yack, "I'll stay."

Those wishing to run for the board must file petitions with the county

clerk's office by May 16 at 4 p.m. The state Legislature is currently determining how many signatures each applicant will need to make the filing.

The primary will be held on Aug. 8 and the general election on Nov. Canton board members ran unopposed

in 1996. Yack said he sees his job as supervi-

sor as being always interesting.
"There's always new and exciting
things happening," he added. "I enjoy the variety and constant challenges we

Yack said he's unsure about his future after the next four years.

Please see YACK, AS

Tale tellers step up to the mike

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM

Once upon a time, bards told tales to attentive listeners gathered around fires, with each listener formulating their own version of the tale to pass along to their families and friends.

Years later such tales like "Beowulf," would be put to paper and become required reading for high school and college literature students. Canton ProjectARTS wants to revive those days

of yore with its second annual Storytelling Festival, planned for Jan. 22 at the Summit on the Park. The activities are scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. and run all day. Admission is \$5 for individuals, \$15 for families of three or more.

"Storytelling is innate in all of us," said Debra Christian of Oral Magic, a storytelling group involved in the day-long event. "It was our first way of passing down history. Christian lives in Superior Township and is a special education teacher with the Garden City school district. She has been a professional story teller for 15 years.

The festival will not only give people a chance to sit back and listen to stories, but also offer

Please see STORYTELLING, A2

Chiefettes are 'Millennium'-bound



High steppers: The Canton Chiefettes practice a routine Monday during a rehearsal for their annual variety show, "Kickin' Into the Millennium," which will be presented Saturday at the Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium at 1 p.m. and 7:30

al Heritage Academies' earlier attempt to build a charter school on Beck Road, east of Hanford

Location, location, location

Opponents' main concerns were with the project's size,

increased traffic, the vinyl siding

exterior, jeopardizing Ridge

Road's Natural Beauty Road

designation and fears of

In short, opponents said it was

their request - other than mov-

ing the location of the site from

Beck and Hanford to Warren

and Ridge," said resident Chuck

Suppnick, vice president of the

Northwest Canton Homeowners

Road resident Fred Andres said.

Wetlands along Fellows Creek,

easements and setbacks leave

only 4.78 buildable acres, he

The school's plan to re-sod the

roadside, install a sidewalk and

pave a small portion of Ridge

Road would violate the road's

natural beauty designation,

Ridge Road north of Warren

received Natural Beauty Road

"The site is too small," Ridge

.There is no real change in

decreased property values.

bad location.

Andres added.

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Ammonia leak from page A1

centrating.
The leak came from a large Rorabacher said

Stoneybrooke Apartments sit directly behind Norquick. Rorabacher said the atmosphere was being monitored for ammonia but he didn't believe an evacuation would be necessary.

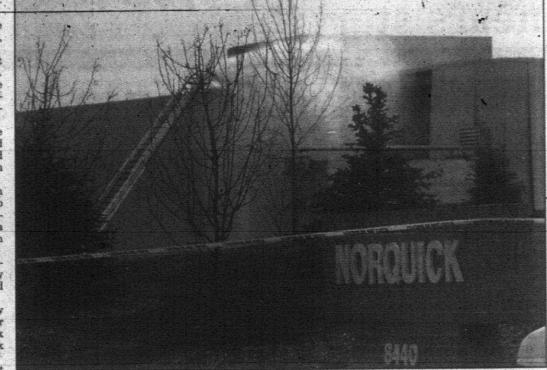
Norquick is a cold storage facility. It freezes and stores food products for Farmer Jack and Kroger, Canton Supervisor Tom The company started up in

Detroit in 1970, according to township tax abatement documents. It then moved to Livonia in 1976 and finally to Canton in Norquick operates a \$6.7 mil-

lion, 77,000-square foot facility on 17 acres between Joy and

The company is owned by William P. Connor. Both Connor and workers of Norquick It was the first such incident

at Norquick, Rorabacher said.



Ammonia leaks are not uncommon in that business, from what I understand," he plant on Haggerty, south of Joy, Wednesday morning. Two Norquick employees and a Canton firefighter were injured in the incident, an ammonia leak that led to an

Man charged for shaking infant

A Canton man is being charged with child abuse after a 6-month-old Inkster baby was

nultiple internal injuries. Daniel Jeffery Everts, 25, was with first degree-felony child

The incident occurred Jan. 5

at Everts' Canton Commons tion. Apartment, Township Police Sgt. shaken hard enough to cause

"We don't know what precipiarrested Saturday and charged tated the incident," said Ray- several internal injuries includ- has faced other child abuse

the mother of the baby's condi-

Charles Raycraft said Everts Garden City Hospital then sent a preliminary examination Jan. was baby-sitting the infant and Mott Children's Hospital in Ann 21 at 35th District Court in Plytwo other children under the age Arbor, according to township mouth.

ing a subdural hematoma and charges. The infant belongs to a co-worker of Everts' girlfriend, he Police say the child remains hos-

added. Raycraft said she notified pitalized but is expected to Everts is being held on a

The infant was first taken to \$500,000 cash bond. He will face · Raycraft said its unclear if

The infant was found to have Everts has a criminal history or

Robbers get cash, jewelry from home

Nearly \$4,000 in cash and more than \$3,000 in jewelry and clothing was stolen from a Canton man and friends at gunpoint

late Saturday. According to township police reports, a 20-year-old Westland man and two men described as being in their 20s, about 6-feet 1-inches tall and 275 pounds or more and bald are suspects in the robbery.

Reports said the Canton man invited the 20-year-old to his home in the 41000 block of Heathmore at about 8 p.m. At some point during the visit, the Westland man left the home and

went to his car. He returned a short time later and promptly drew a silver-plated semi-automatic handgun, reports said. The 20-year-old then ordered the Canton man to the ground as well as his two

Reports said the Canton man was then made to open his safe where cash and other items were

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include Christian 35th District

Court Judge Ron Lowe, "Mother

their own storytelling skills.

Storytelling from page A1

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tored. Leather jackets and wal- MDOF lets were stolen from the Canton man's friends. The three suspects then left

the home, reports said. There early Sunday morning. were no injuries reported. Anyone with information about the incident may call Canton Police at (734) 397-5344.

Home Invasion

A Canton woman's Woodmere Street home was broken into Jan. 6, according to reports.

An unspecified amount of jewelry and cash as well as a \$225 video game system were stolen. Reports said entry into the home was gained through a family room window.

identified only by name in the report, discovered her home ransacked shortly after 5 p.m.

Goose," Marc LeJarret and

Workshops and events include

■ 10 a.m., "Meet Mother

Goose," featuring a story teller

Jenifer Ivinskas.

More than \$1,000 worth of damage was done to five vehicles within minutes and the men at E & M Auto on Yost Road were taken into custody without

COP CALLS

Windshields on all of the vehicles, which were for sale on the covered in the vehicle. lot, were smashed by an

Two unidentified men were said. arrested by Canton Police early Sunday morning for possessing firearms while intoxicated.

An officer was on patrol on the drive of the Canton Softball 20 were registered. Center, reports said. The officer approached the men and asked what they were doing.

times, one of the men replied that they were going to "shoot off

■ 11 a.m., "Creating Creepy

■ 11 a.m., "Telling Tales"

2:30 p.m., "Building Charac-

■ 2:30 p.m. "Magic Tales and

2:30 p.m., "Meet Madeli

ter" workshop for adults;

dressed as the character;

workshop for adults;

officer drew his weapon and ordered the men to place their hands on the hood of his patrol Four Canton officers arrived

incident. A 7.62 mm semiautomatic assault riffle was later dis-

unknown person. Police have no intoxicants coming from the men. Breath tests revealed both were legally intoxicated at the time of the incident, reports

Civil and family trouble calls Michigan Avenue at 4:24 a.m. ment's request for service for the when he spotted a car parked on weekend of Jan. 7-9. A total of

> over the same period. A total of nine larcenies and eight mali

■ 7 p.m., family concert with

Tickets may be purchased at

the Summit on the Park, 46000

Summit Parkway, For more

Township Volunteer office at

(734) 397-6450 or the Summit at

special guests in costume.

Officers noted a strong odor of

Firearms possession

led the Canton Police Depart-

After asking several more cious destruction of property

Mountain Men."

(734) 397-5110.

Country Day School and a career as director of adult and community education for Plymouth-Helping science olympians

Panasonic Automotive has donated \$5,000 to the Science Olympiad Teams at Salem and Canton High Schools.

The donation will help pay for the teams' participation in regional competition and buy supporting resources.

Police-student collection drive

The Canton Police Community Policing Team 3 Canton resident Larry Masteller, a 1959 Albion oined up with Field Elementary students recent-College graduate, has been inducted into the y for a collection drive to help economically dis-

advantaged families this winter. Masteller was a starting running back on the Items collected included high-quality used Briton's 1958 MIAA champion football team and jackets, sweaters, boots, new gloves, school supmade All-MIAA in baseball 1957-59. His career plies, toy and books. Masteller went on to coach football at Detroit

Skating for a cause

Cause," is planned for 8-10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan

18. at Riverside Arena, 36635 Plymouth Money raised will benefit an experimental reatment for Jerry Ball, a 15-year-old with an operable brain tumor who has endured months radiation and chemotherapy.

For information call Bill Parmentier at (734) 451-1869 or Jerry Antczak at (734) 525-7521.

Librarians' choice

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The Poisonwood Bible" by

"I Know This Much is True"

"Prayers for Rain" by Den-

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al, it includes 10 days of ice fish-

ing contests, softball on the ice,

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parades, carnival, vendors, mon-

ster truck rides, arts, crafts and

fireworks. There will also be

snowmobile drag races during

the mid-week and the world's

longest Poker Run and Scav-

enger Hunt. There's something

piled by Laura Dorogi of the

library staff. The library is locat-

Hot topic of the week



■ The Plymouth International

held Jan. 13-17? You can send the covers from your used greeting cards to: St. Jude's Ranch for Children,

P.O. Box 60100 Boulder City, Nev. 89006? Minimizing waste is one of the most important ways to pro-

tect water quality?

About 37 percent of adults age 18-54 take an herbal diet supplement? The most common are garlic, echinacea, ginseng, ginko, St. John's Wort and green

For your listening pleasure Here are some books on audio tape available from the library: . "Quiller Salamander" by

tea extract.

m "Reaching to Heaven" by James Van Praagh

Here are some top fiction picks cia Muller by librarians:

■ "Eaters of the Dead" by is "Boyd's Book of Odd Facts."

The Saving Graces" by Web Watch Check out these Web sites: Patricia Gaffney "New Song" by Jan Karon www.ftc.gov/bizop

www.earthcam.com/newyears www.everything2000.com www.upmichigan.com

Eye of the Storm" by Mar-

Michael Crichton

Best children's books Here are some top selections for young readers:

Sounder" by William H. The High King" by Lloyd Alexander

A Wrinkle in Time"-by Madeline L'Engle "Island of the Blue Dol-

phins" by Scott O'Dell *Amos Fortune, Free Man" by Elizabeth Yates

Q: When was the first ticket issued to a motorist?

At Records show the first motorist ticketed was pulled over in 1904 at Newport, R.I., for zipping along at 20 mph, which was 5 miles over the posted ed at 1200 S. Canton Center. For mit. That driver was jailed for more information about library five days - one day for every programs and services, call

mile over the limit! The source for this information

status from the state six years standards. ago, which protects roadside soil

from being disturbed. The home-An expanded family locker owners' efforts were in reaction and, additional to Detroit Edison plans to clear the Taco Bell as a "Taj Mahal" meeting/activity rooms are also cut easements along Ridge to development. "There is no beauplanned. One of the facility's two current racquetball courts will likely be converted to the family

Trustees made expansion possible last February by voting unanimously to amend the township's recreation master plan. The move was first presented

to trustees in a December 1998 study session. A steady increase Canton applied for the grant in the number of users at the Summit since it opened in late ment Manager Mike Ager said 1995 is cited as the reason for \$750,000 represents the maxi- the expansion.

Western Wayne bowlathon is Feb. 5

room

locker room.

nears start date

■ The \$1.6 million

expansion will take

about a year to com-

plete and feature a

larger fitness center.

Work is scheduled to

be done in two phases.

mum award amount from Michi-

gan's Department of Natural

Resources, which is administer

The township will pay the

remainder of the project through

community improvement funds

An expanded fitness room

heads the list of changes slated

for the Summit. The room's cur-

rent north wall will be knocked

out. The fitness room, which features weight training equip-

ment, will nearly double in size

A renovation goal is to have

fitness and aerobic activities

centralized, said Durack. Cur-

rently, aerobics classes are held

in the Summit's multi-purpose

when work is complete.

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oe.homec

or early summer.

in two phases.

pen," said Durack.

Renovations to Summit on the

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take about a year to complete

and feature a larger fitness cen-

ter. Work is scheduled to be done

Administrative and Communi-

ty Services Director Dan Durack

said all renovation work would

be completed in the first phase.

A reconfiguration of some Sum-

mit meeting rooms may come

much later in a second phase, he

Canton Trustees Tuesday

approved Southfield-based TMP

Associates to handle architec-

The firm earlier conducted a

schematic analysis and cost esti-

mate for the project. Durack said

TMP has handled similar pro-

jects for the cities of Lapeer,

as soon as we can," he comment-

"We want to start construction

The Summit will remain open

through most of the construc-

tion, Durack said. A portion of

the building's north side will be

knocked out, but he hopes that

will be done during the facility's

normal week shutdown in

About half of the project's cost,

\$750,000, will be covered

through a "Clean Michigan"

grant. The act, which was

passed by voters in 1998, put

\$50 million aside for recreation

last March. Resource Develop-

tural work for renovations.

Dearborn and Wayne.

"I don't know if that will hap- said Durack.

Park will begin late this spring

The Livonia Parents of the programs which benefit the chil-Visually Impaired will host an dren. Anyone interested in helpannual bowlathon for Western ing by either bowling or con-Wayne County 2-5 p.m. Satur- tributing to the event is invited day, Feb. 5, at Woodland Lanes to call Bonnie Sheriday at (734)

Hall of Fame inductee

batting average was .377.

chool's Athletic Hall of Fame.

The nonprofit organization is 471-3940. of the money collected going to Plymouth Road in Livonia

CANTON CONNECTION

Brain trust: Canton Planning Commissioner Karl Zarbo and Chairman Vic Gustafson look over details made up of volunteers, with all Woodland Lanes is at 33775 on the agenda during the commission meeting Monday.



Getting an earful: Bill Case, National Heritage Academy board member (from left) National Heritage Academy Vice President Jeff Poole; and Wayne Seger, project manager from Holland Engineering; listen to Canton residents who are upset with the selection of the proposed site for the charter school.

install overhead electrical lines. ty in this school." Resident Linda Leone said she Supporters want choice objected to the vinyl siding exte-Charter school supporters, virrior. She cited the brick Taco

Bell on Ford and the Rite Aid on tually absent during the first McLaughlin agreed. Canton Center at Ford as exam- approval attempt, said alternaples of Canton's high building tive education was important. 'I've researched this school and have found them to be excel-"Hold these people to the same

standards," she said, referring to lent," Canton resident Cassandra Cobb said. "If they meet the regulations and stipulations, then let them build." Canton resident Rose Lang

> "Charter schools give us the opportunity to give children an academic challenge," said Lang, whose children attend Agape and Plymouth Christian Acade-

The commission echoed residents' sentiments about déja vu, yet most expressed a desire to welcome a charter school to "I guess I'm dumbfounded that you'd be back before us

with the same (proposal)," said commissioner Karl Zarbo. Commissioner Sue Dodson said she understood residents'

desire for a charter school. "I worked two jobs to send (my children) to private school," she said. "But this site's just not big enough to accomplish what

you'll be back - because we're in favor of what you're trying to

Commissioner "It just really breaks my heart

that we're at this stage - we hoped this site would be a good Try, try again Jeff Poole, vice president of

marketing for New Heritage Academies, said they're not giving up on finding a Canton site. They are also eyeing Romulus and Taylor as school sites. "We're extremely disappoint-

ed." Poole said following the board's decision. "The parents are also disappointed - they want as the able to offer students a choice. We have unparalleled demand for a school in this Although a charter has

already won preliminary approval from Central Michigan University, building can't take place unless the state Legislature lifts the cap on the number of university-chartered schools allowed in Michigan. Gov. John Engler supports lifting the cap but was unable to move legislation through the state House you're trying to do. We hope and Senate last month.

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Services for Opal L. Mucker. 4, of Canton Township were Jan. 8 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. Roy Forsyth officiating. Burial was in Cherry Hill Ceme-

She was born June 16, 1925 in Northville. She died Jan. 5 in Milan. During World War II Mrs. Mucker worked at Twin Tool & Die and then worked at Daisy Air Rifle. She was a lifelong resident of the local area and came to Canton Township in 1945. She was affiliated with Cherry Hill United Methodist Church in Canton. Her many hobbies included crocheting. Mrs. Mucker was an avid fan and enjoyed watching aseball and hockey games. She

bowled with the Town & Country League, the "Striketts," and Nick Mucker, Douglas Jr.,



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she volunteered her time serving meals for the church. She also grandson, Jacob Thompson. ollected money for the March of

She was preceded in death by her husband, Nick Mucker; parents Rosella and Arthur Wells; one brother, Ernest Wells; and two sisters, Judy Wells and Donna Wells. Survivors include her two sons, Gary (Barbara) Mucker of Westland, Larry June Rorabacher) Mucker of Britton, Mich.; one daughter, Cheryl (Douglas) Mayher of Milan, Mich.; four brothers, Orville Wells of Livonia, James Wells of Las Vegas, Dale Wells of Maniton Beach Mich. Gary

Cemetery, Plymouth. He was born Sept. 1, 1914 in Wells of Livonia: one sister. Hazel Hogan of Livonia: seven grandchildren, James Mucker, Jeffery Mucker, Erica (Darin) Goodfellows. He sold newspapers for them for 50 years.

Survivors include his wife. une E. Hadley of Plymouth; two

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Arlington, Wash., Arthur

Roberts of Syracuse, N.Y.; two

sisters, Sharon Small of Wood-

haven, Jennifer Roberts of Ypsi-

lanti; five grandchildren, Amy

Ruthig, Nicole Ruthig, Shaun

Ruthig, Jessica Roberts,

Memorials may be made as

Services for Ernest Adolph

Ahonen, 85, of Plymouth were

Jan. 10 at Gramer Funeral

Home with the Rev. James Mick-

elson officiating. Burial was in

He was born Feb. 24, 1914, in

Baltic, Mich. He died Jan. 6 in

Cherrywood Nursing Center,

Sterling Heights. He attended

Painesdale High School. He was

a machinist with Burroughs for

over 30 years and retired at the

age of 62. He enjoyed winters in

Florida, golfing, bowling, hunt-

ing deer and fishing. He was an

avid outdoorsman and enjoyed

classical music. He attended

monthly luncheons with fellow

He was preceded in death by

is wife, Louise. Survivors

nclude his sister, Miriam (Wal-

Memorials may be made to

Parkinson Foundation or the

retirees from Burroughs.

ter) Kyllonen of Troy.

Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit.

Michelle Roberts.

ERNEST ADOLPH AHONEN

Mass offerings.

Memorials may be made to the nia; and several nieces and American Lung Association

Services for Frederick F. Hadley, 85, of Plymouth were Jan. 6 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. Dr. James Skimins and the Rev. Tamara Seidel officiating. Burial was in Riverside

the Rev. Alexander A. Kuras offi-Holly. He died Jan. 2 in Livonia He worked for Ford Motor Co. He was born Dec. 20, 1930 in Wheeling, W. Va. He died Jan. 3 from 1937 to 1956. He was manager of the Sherman-Williams in Detroit. He was a small parts Hi-Lo driver at General Motors. Paint Store on Penniman in Ply-He was a member of the Church mouth for 25 years, retiring in 1981. He came to the Plymouth of the Divine Savior. community in 1923 from Holly. He was preceded in death by He was one of the original found his parents, Harry A. and Lucille ing members of the Plymouth Roberts. Survivors include his son, Mike (Lisa) Roberts of Livo-

ors, & Everyone all day Tuesday



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sisters, Margery Williams of Cal- | Painsdale Apostolic Lutheran | Church in Painesdale. DREGORY JON PERRI

Services for Gregory Jon Perri, Memorials may be made to the 37, of Plymouth were Jan. 11 at First Presbyterian Church of St. Kenneth Catholic Church Plymouth or the Plymouth Rock with the Rev. Joseph Mallia offi-Masonic Lodge No. 47 F. & A.M. ciating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Mausoleum, South-GEORGE G. "GERRY" ROBERTS .

Services for George G. "Gerry" Roberts, 69, of Westland (former-He was born March 24, 1962, y of Plymouth) were Jan. 7 at in Pittsburgh, Pa. He died Jan. 7 in Redford Township. He was Church of the Divine Savior with a respiratory therapist at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. He started his career at Oakwood in high school, and that is where he met his wife, Maureen Llewellyn. He took a medical retirement after he became il but continued to work as a volunteer at the hospital. He came to the Plymouth community in 1990 from Dearborn. He was a

member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth. He loved to travel, work with stained glass, work with wood and do crossword puzzles. He loved candy and sweets and enjoyed watching cooking shows on the TV. He often went to the men's retreat at St. Paul of the Cross in Detroit. Survivors include his wife.

Maureen L. of Plymouth; mother and step-father, Karen J. (James) Aiello of Redford; father, Fred Perri of Battle Creek, sister, Beth (Tim) Holme of Redford; brother, Kevin (Tamara) | She enjoyed bingo, arts and Perri of Dearborn: parents-inlaw. Margaret and Robert Llewellyn of Rapid City, Mich.; six nieces; and three nephews.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

THEODORE A. FORTIN

Services for Theodore A. Fortin, 83, of Plymouth will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 at the

Plymouth with the Rev. Steven Schafer officiating. He was born Dec. 22, 1917, in Highland Park, Mich. He died Jan. 1 in Elgin, Ill. He retired December 1979 from General Motors Corp., Fisher Body Fleetwood Division, Detroit. He came to the Plymouth community in

1978 from Livonia. He was a

Schrader-Howell Funeral Home,

member of the U.A.W. in Livo nia. He loved golf and watching sports on TV. He also enjoyed traveling, especially going south for the winter. He was a handy-

man and enjoyed having a project to do. He was preceded in death by his granddaughter, Shannon Billings. Survivors include his wife, Frances of Plymouth; one daughter, Carol of Plymouth; one son, Dean of Portland; one rother, Bernard (Barney) Fortin of Clinton Township.; and one granddaughter, Jennifer Braver

of St. Charles, Ill. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association of

Services for Doris E. McTurner, 62, of Plymouth were Jan. 8 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth with pastor Phil Rogers officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Ply-

She was born April 17, 1937 n Garden City. She died Jan. 6 Plymouth. She was a homemaker. She was a bookkeeper for L&M Trucking (owned by Doris and W.C. McTurner). She also was a cashier at Danny's for 10 years. After Danny's she was a cashier at Beyer Rexall Drugs in Plymouth. She lived in Ply mouth her whole life. She loved and was devoted to her family crafts, and square dancing.

She was preceded in death by her husband, W.C. McTurner; and one brother, Robert Glass, Survivors include her four daughters, Roxanne (Ronald) Gill of Canton, Judy (James) Gagleard of Canton, Jacqueline (Jeffrey) Horton of Plymouth, Pamela (Ronald) Ryan of Plynouth; one son, William (Jody McTurner of Canton; four sisters, Carol Lilley of Westland. Irma James of Florida, Dorothy Lee of Plymouth, Donna White of Plymouth; four brothers. Wayne Glass of Livonia, Carl Glass of Canton, Gary Glass of Ypsilanti, Ronald Glass of Arizona; 10 grandchildren; and two great-

grandchildren. Memorials may be made to Individualized Home Nursing Care Hospice, 3003 Washtenaw.

Husband faces murder charge in wife's disappearance

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Plymouth police say a specially trained dog detected the scent of human remains in the Roe Street home of Azizul Islam, which led them to arrest the biochemist for the murder of his wife, Tracy, whose remains authorities believe are the body parts found in Dearborn and in

During a video court arraignment Sunday, Islam, 50, was remanded to the Wayne County Jail on charges of first degree murder, punishable by life in prison, and mutilating a dead body, which carries a maximum sentence of 10 years. A preliminary exam was scheduled for

In a statement read at Islam's arraignment, Plymouth police Lt. Wayne Carroll said that on Jan. 7 "a cadaver dog made a positive hit in the basement of the home ... at a paint can, roller and pan, floor area near the clothes dryer and other areas indicating trace evidence of human remains."

Carroll also indicated blood was found "under the fresh paint on the concrete and other areas of the basement."

Also during Sunday's arraignment, Carroll testified Islam said "he arranged for others to harm Tracy, but she was not supposed to be killed or dismem-

Carroll said at one point Islam was crying in the lockup in Plymouth Township and said "I'm a criminal. I did a bad thing." Islam's attorney, the high-

powered Michael Schwartz, objected to his client being charged with murder

"The body has not been posi-tively identified," said Schwartz. "It's not possible for the prosecutor to tell the court that Tracy is in fact dead, or the person who was found."

Authorities are conducting DNA testing to determine if the arms and legs found in a Dear-

High-profile attorney gets case

BY TONY BRUSCATO

Attorney Michael Schwartz, a partner of flamboyant litigator Geoffrey Fieger, said he was called by a sister of Azizul Islam to represent the Plymouth biochemist in the murder of his

Following Sunday's arraignment on charges of first degree murder and mutilation of a dead body, Schwartz said he briefly talked to Islam and doesn't

If we were to go to tria the prosecutor couldn't prove Tracy Islam wasn't alive, let alone Dr. Islam has something to do with her death," said Schwartz. "I don't think they can establish that Dr. Islam is guilty of anything at all. My client is holding up the best he can, given the circumstances that he's sitting in jail on a horrible charge of which he's not guilty."

Schwartz said the couple had been estranged and planned to see a divorce attorney Dec. 20 when Tracy Islam disappeared.

"She had given him a quit claim deed to the house, and on the 20th they were to go to a lawver for an uncontested divorce," he said. "People don't go for an uncontested divorce and then go out and kill somebody. I'm sure we have a situation here where Dr. Islam isn't guilty of any crime at all."

In fact, Schwartz believes the cadaver dog that picked up the scent of human remains in the basement of the Islam home might not be correct in its find-

"I understand there was a man who owned the house before them (the Islams) who was a hunter and had a lot of animal carcasses he brought there to clean," said Schwartz. "I don't even know if it was human blood. Nobody has been able to match up the blood from what they found in the basement from what they found on the torso."

And, despite police testimony Sunday that Islam appears to have admitted committing a crime, Schwartz isn't ready to give up on the case.
"Anybody who has been

away from his family and put into jail may have all sorts of horrible feelings," he said.

on Dec. 22 match a torso found where the torso was found, near . . . Carroll testified the Islams

Dec. 31 in Allen Township, Ohio. According to Carroll, records from Dick Scott Dodge in Plymouth show Islam rented a standing in a muddy field." white Dodge minivan on Dec. 23, the day after the first of the body parts was found in Dearborn,

ject fitting the description of children, Joseph, 16, and Anna, Azizul Islam in the same area of 14, for the holidays, staying at

after adding 213 miles on the

a light-colored sport utility vehi- had an argument Dec. 19 after cle," said Carroll. "Witnesses Azizul overheard his wife talking describe the subject as a well- on the telephone to a male friend groomed man in a dark overcoat

Authorities say Tracy Islam, 35, left her husband in August and returned it the same day and returned to England, where she had previously lived and first met her husband. She flew "Witnesses report a male sub- back on Dec. 16 to visit their two in."

in England. The next day, Azizul reportedly told his children their mother had left.

"Dr. Islam has substantial the ticket has not been cashed from England called Plymouth school and they represent his by then.

On Christmas day, the friend

Carroll told the court Tracy

Islam "never boarded a return

flight on Dec. 24 to London and

Azizul Islam is a vice president at Plymouth Plating Inc., has a sister who lives in the on Joy Road, where he has area. His risk of flight is not parworked for the past 10 years, the The judge decided otherwise, and Islam is being held without same amount of time he has ived in the area. Schwartz used

bond in the Wayne County Jail. that argument in an attempt to keep his client out of jail on a Plymouth police say they expect the Jan. 21 preliminary exam to be delayed because DNA roots to the community. He has testing to determine the identity

two children who go to high of the body won't be completed



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"I do it one term at a time," he

nett is the "baby" of the board.

She took the position of clerk in

May of 1995 in a special election

to fill the vacancy created by the

move of her husband, Loren, to

"I love what I do," said Ben-

nett. "It's always challenging

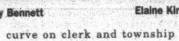
and gives you satisfaction to cre-

ate a community we're proud of.

"It's challenging and some-

the state Senate.





"We're all still learning," she

Kirchgatter is another one who

"It's an exciting time to be

She became treasurer in 1992

loves her job. She added that she

likes playing a role in developing

involved with Canton Town-

ship," Kirchgatter said. "I'm

proud of our accomplishments.

said. "There's never an opportu-

nity to get bored."



Elaine Kirchgatter

"I still have enthusiasm and

energy for four more years," she

As for the trustees, Shefferly

and LaJoy are senior members of

the board. Both were appointed

Shefferly is tentatively plan-

ning to run. He has battled

health problems in the past year

and is currently awaiting medi-

cal advice. But all indications

"I'm feeling pretty good," Shef-

ferly said. "I've thought about it

and I'd like to go for another

are positive, he said.



another term.

LaJoy isn't certain about

"But I'm leaning on staying

with it," he said. "I think we've

LaJoy recently sold his

staffing service business. The

uncertainty about his working

future is the only question in his

"I've been involved with the

LaJoy. "Having the opportunity

Burdziak joined the board in

1990 as an appointee. He's not

to contribute means a lot to me.

unity for a long time," said

accomplished quite a bit."

mind about running.



ment of Cherry Hill Village as

Burdziak thinks the current

"There's no grandstanding," he

added. "Nobody tries to go

behind anyone's back to get

key issues in the next few years.

board's ability to work cohesively

is one of its biggest assets.

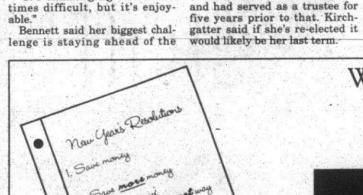


Bob Shefferly

McLaughlin is the most politically active of the trustees. "I'd like to have a hand in the Besides her role on the board, development of the township," she's a Canton planning commis Burdziak said. "I'm very satissioner and a full-time district fied with the way things are coordinator for state Sen. Loren He sees the improvement of "I have the best job in the township roads and the develop-

world," McLaughlin said. She ran for the Wayne County Commission in 1998, but was narrowly defeated. McLaughlin said she's happy to maintain the status que for now.

"I don't have any (political) plans for the future at this time,"



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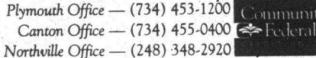
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Maida says vouchers may be a tough sell

Detroit Cardinal Adam Maida supports school vouchers but will release videos, books and lieves the issue will be tougher to galvanize support among Catholics than the assisted sui-

documentaries. Events are in the planning stage, Maida said. cide question on the state ballot diocese of Detroit will be joining other denominations and other If enough signatures from regfaiths to celebrate.

Maida expects that the Arch-

■ Maida said balancing needs

of the innercity parishes and the

suburban ones is difficult. Sub-

istered voters are obtained on petitions, a ballot proposal will ask Michigan voters this year to approve a voucher system for parents to use if they reside in a urban churches are generally school district with a graduation rate lower than 66 percent. Those vouchers could be used at any public or private schools.

During an interview for the Catholic Television Network's show "Dialogue," Maida, the archbishop of Detroit, was asked whether a school voucher propos-al would obtain the same kind of support from Catholics as the physician-suicide issue. The physician-assisted suicide ballet question was a "clearcut, moral" issue, Maida said.

"We just didn't want people killing other people," Maida said. Vouchers will be more of a political issue, Maida said. "Reasonable people could come out differently," he said.

Maida supports vouchers and believes the state constitution should be changed. Prohibiting religion from public life "is bad policy and it makes for a society that is not healthy," Maida said.

"That (constitutional) language is bigoted. It's another way to isolate religion out of the way of public life. I feel strongly that religion is the soul of society, whatever religion it is. Every society needs to have a spiritual soul."

Maida believes it is "terribly unjust" for monopolies - school districts - to dictate to parents where children should attend school. Parents need choices of where they can send children to school, Maida said.

Public schools need to be challenged, Maida said. He compared education to cars. When foreign automakers created better cars and created competition for American car companies, that competition helped the Big 3 automakers create better prod-

"Today we're as good as any car built in the world. Competi tion is good and it's healthy. Any of these monopolies (for schools) are destined to be mediocre at best," he said.

Maida also discussed Catholicism in the Detroit area, including the following items:

For the 300th anniversary in 2001 of Catholicism in Detroit, beginning when the area was a French fur-trading post, Maida wants parishioners to return to old churches to visit "their spiritual homes" for pil-

Scholarship will help train future teachers

The Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency has established the Future Teachers Scholarship Program to help put the best and brightest teachers in Wayne County's classrooms.

Wayne RESA is offering \$2,500 scholarships for a cumulative four-year maximum of \$10,000. High school students, current undergraduate students and adults exploring a new career as a teacher are eligible to

To qualify, a candidate must be a resident of Wayne County. plan to attend an accredited four-year college or university in Michigan and have a "B" aver-

Applicants will be asked to ubmit transcripts and outline their education, community service and leadership activities. A written essay addressing "Why great teachers are needed in our communities" will be required. Scholarship recipients who maintain a "B" average during the 2000-2001 year will be eligible for continuation of their scholarship.

The deadline for applications is Feb. 18. To receive an application, visit RESA's Web site at resa.net/scholarship or call (734) to the scholarship fund by visit ing the Web site or call (734)

churches, such as St. Anne's, will most innercity parishes struggle between priest and parishioners. with poverty and racial injustice, be conducting commemorative services, while the Archdiocese Maida said.

> how do you take these resources and make them (suburbanites) aware of the problems like poverty," Maida said. "People of the city may be poor and they may or may not be Catholic, but we can reach out to them and try to help them."

the Internet, but it will not way in dialogue toward that hap- so."

"The Internet is very impersonal, while our faith is very personal, "One of the great challenges is so to that extent, the Internet

can only go so far," Maida said. ■ Maida foresees a day when Catholics celebrate the liturgy and possibly sacraments with other faiths.

Maida was asked whether an Episcopalian attending Catholic Lord, because that is the ulti-Mass eventually could receive mate sign of unity." Mass eventually could receive ■ The Catholic Church wel- Holy Communion at those sercomes new technology, such as vices. "I think we're well on our

with Lutherans in looking at' theological problems we had in

"It will be a slow process, it will eventually evolve. But he added that he didn't know if that would happen in his lifetime. "We would hope that somewhere, somehow we can come around the table of the

"Christ prayed, 'Let's all be one," Maida said. "Let's hope



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High tech

Auto show is ultra modern with computers and TVs

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW STAFF WRITER

egular visitors to the North American International Auto Show will notice a visible increase in the presence. of high tech gadgets in the vehicles and in the displays.

For example, flat-screen TV sets and computer monitors can be seen everywhere but in the bathrooms at the Cobo Center.

The computer monitors, usually with touch-screen controls, are used to convey product information to customers, or, in the case of Polk Co., to conduct an onsite survey of visitors regarding the auto show.

The flat-screen TVs mounted on pedestals or in the floor. At Isuzu and Nissan exhibits, one can watch the TV while standing on top of it. The Saab exhibit has TVs built into a bartop. Volvo built TVs into the sides of a special car

The auto show has always conveyed a sense of "Here is the future," but that impression is stronger this year. Ford has even produced three versions of a concept car that is based on the Apple computer. If you could sit in some of these vehicles you'd feel like George Jetson or James

Regular visitors will likewise notice that the GM has copied Ford in bringing all its brands into a coherent, contiguous

exhibit. "The GM Experience," located upstairs, resembles a museum, what with its display of a 1903 Oldsmobile, a 1957 Chevy and a wall-mounted montage of GM history. Kids will probably enjoy the Yukon exhibit, featuring Disney's Bill Nye the Science Guy and a host of contraptions surrounding a Yukon SUV.

Several manufacturers are touting electric vehicles this year, including Corbin Motors, better known for its custom motorcycle seats. The one-seat Corbin Sparrow is so popular that the company sells them as soon as they're made, said

salesman Chuck Gang. Even the Sparrows on display will be shipped to waiting customers after the show, Gang said.
If you're looking for

something to do besides examine the vehicles, a slot car track downstairs will host races during the show, and Michelin has a short 3D movie to show you.

Saturn has a giant, circular fish tank and a display of letters from satisfied customers.

The show is open 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, through Saturday, Jan. 22, and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23. Admission is free for people up to age 12 (when accompanied by a parent), \$10 for people age 13-64 and \$5 for people age 65 and up. Orders of 24 tickets or less may be purchased through Ticket-



A grand opening: Upper left, Ford president and CEO Jac Nasser talks about Ford's new Think Group of electric and environmentally friendly cars at the auto show. Above, Ford Motor Co. unveils its Ford 24.7 concept at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit, Sunday, Jan. 9. "The new Ford Motor Co. will put the Internet on wheels," CEO Jacques Nasser said. "We will do nothing short of transforming our cars and trucks into portals to the Internet.'



Outdoor excitement: The Chevrolet Avalanche sport utility vehicle at the General Motors' media preview at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit.



New vision: Mercedes-Benz unveiled the Vision SLA coupe to the media, Monday, Jan. 10, at the North American International Auto Show



Top down: The BMW 323 Ci convertible was shown to the media at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit.

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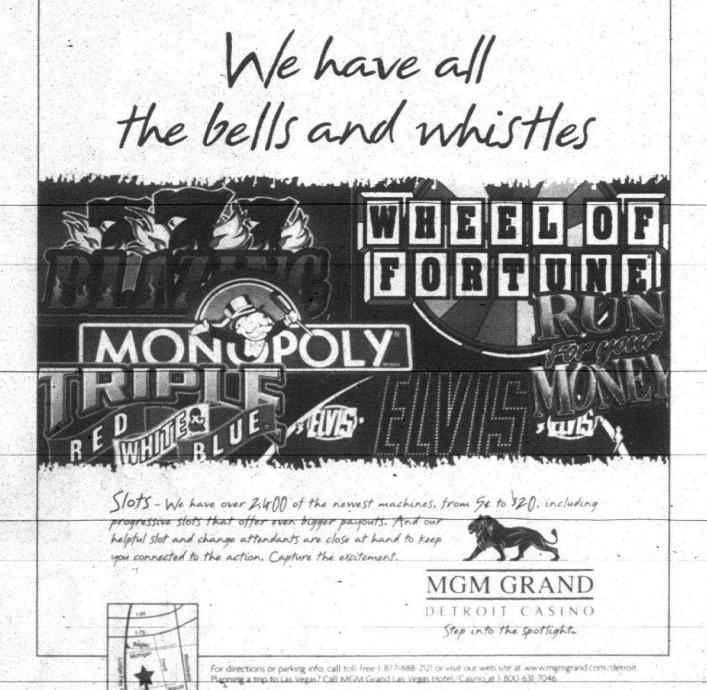
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George W. Bush was the clear winner of Michigan's GOP presidential primary debate, at least according to the party faithful who were on hand to witness the exchange Monday evening at Calvin College in Grand Rapids. Bush showed "grace under

fire," said State Sen. Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia). "I endorsed Gov. George Bush

in May of 1998," said Rep. Bruce Patterson (R-Canton). "He com-

nized as the front-runner. He is a person who can articulate his ideas. He was the focus of most of the attention during the first

"I thought it was a terrific night for Bush. Bush looked very presidential. He was substantive. He had an effective use of the 22nd Amendment and rehumor. He looked very comfortable," Gov. John Engler said. But there were those with a

different view. "Those are mostly Bush adher-

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ported himself well. He is recog- ents," Sen. John Schwarz (R-Bat- County Republicans and the state party. They included Texas tle Creek) said. "Definitely, John McCain was the most substan-McCain, Family Research Countive. Bush ran up some style points. He was looser, less cil President Gary Bauer, former uptight. But when John McCain president of Citizens Against got a question, he gave a straight answer. If that's what of National Taxpayer Action Day Alan Keyes, Utah Sen. Orrin the American people want, style over substance, they can repeal Hatch and Forbes Magazine

publisher Steven Forbes. Before a crowd of 1,200, the elect Bill Clinton." All six candidates still in the candidates were grilled for an race for the GOP presidential hour and a half by Grand nomination showed up for the Rapids-area reporters, moderator Tim Russert of NBC, Calvin debate, sponsored by the Kent College students and each other.

State a winner

The majority of Republican said there was another obvious

Bush, Arizona Sen.

winner - the state of Michigan. The candidates are paying more attention to the state in this year's contest, in large part because of lawmakers' decision to move up Michigan's Republican primary election from late March to Feb. 22. That was evident from the number of Michigan-specific questions asked and

and your first 100 monthly transactions* answered Menday night.
Russert noted that the applica- \$10,000 minimum average daily balance tion of sales taxes to goods and your first 400 monthly transactions* bought over the Internet has been an issue in Michigan and Plus, you can take advantage of our pointed out that the state will business loans, merchant services, payroll ask taxpavers to voluntarily processing and the convenience of paying claim those purchases with their your business bills by telephone or by PC.

income taxes this year. When Forbes said such taxes have already been judged to be illegal by the Supreme Court, Russert asked if Forbes was encouraging Michigan residents to break the law by refusing to pay. The candidate stopped short, saying he did not know the law in Michigan.

Bauer cited a General Motors plant in Flint which had been closed and reopened in Shanghai. He was leading into a question directed at Forbes about whether Forbes would "worship at the altar of international

As intended, the earlier GOP primary is getting prominence

"Michigan's being moved up in



State Sen. Thaddeus McCotter

out that shows McCain is climb-

ing from 7 percent to 25, while

Bush is falling from 71 percent

to 50. That's the way I like it."

Again, there is another view.

There were political reasons

for moving up the primary, says

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Democrat view

state Democratic Party Chairpeople paying more attention to man Mark Brewer. us," House Speaker Chuck Perri-

"They are scared of McCain. cone said. "We are going to be center stage in February. That They want to provide some comwas the intent. We will actually fort to Bush. And that may backhave a voice in who the nominee fire on them," he said. Engler has called Michigan a is that is selected. And that is the way it should be." "firewall" for the Bush campaign "The Legislature, in deciding

against early strong showings by McCain, Engler, Cassis noted to hold a primary in Michigan in February, has given the state has stated that Michigan - the visibility and vitality in this first large, industrialized state to whole primary process. I think cast ballots this year because of the moved-up primary 2 will we saw that tonight," said Rep. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi). serve to counter the effect if the Schwarz agrees the early pri-Arizona senator does better than mary makes Michigan more anticipated in the first two primaries in New Hampshire on Feb. 1 and South Carolina on "Michigan is going to be one of

three or four determining states Feb. 19. The candidates addressed a in the whole country when it comes to who the nominee will variety of topics. Bush touted his be," he said. "If McCain can win tax cutting record and promised in New Hampshire, Michigan is tax reductions. McCain said the current budget surplus should be going to be an absolute dog fight, don't care what the poll numused to pay down the national bers say. There is a poll coming debt. Forbes criticized Bush's tax cutting effort in Texas.

"It was kind of like what we did with Proposal A. We cut property taxes and raised sale tax to offset it," Garcia concluded. "So most of us saw through that. He (Forbes) did pick out points of it to make his point."

Bill McMaster, a Birmingham resident and the president of Taxpayers United, disagreed. "When Bush talks about his





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unprecedented donation to four. regional cultural institutions.

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BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER

plaining from the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Zoo Henry Ford Academy and Detroit Science Center, recipients of the auto giant's generosi-The formal announcement was

held Thursday at the Detroit Science Center featuring top executives from Ford, Wayne County, Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer and representatives from the recipient organizations.

The DSO and Detroit Zoo will receive \$5 million each, while the science center and Henry Ford Academy will be given \$1.5million and \$1.2-million, respectively.

The money will support educational programs at the various cultural institutions. A symbol

Bush from page A10

history as being a tax cutter, I don't think he is really being honest," he said. Based on U.S. Department of Labor statistics, McMaster said, "In Texas, total state tax collections increased at a faster rate than any other state last year. Michigan was number two. It is not unlikely that Gov. Bush would find Gov. Engler a willing running mate since they both are on tax and

spend sprees." "Gov. Bush handled that very well," Rep. Susan Tabor (R-Delta Township) said. "He said, 'We cut taxes in the state of Texas and then got re-elected because of it.' And that is really what I

think people want to know." Hatch advocated requiring libraries to install filtering software on their Internet-linked computers to keep pornography out of the hands of children.

"Some people look at that as we are starting to delve into an area of freedom of speech. The difference is that these are our kids. They are not grown ups. They are children. So I think we have to draw a line somewhere." Tabor said.

Cassis noted that Michigan leads the nation on this issue because it has already instituted laws enabling libraries to put filters on computers

Bush and McCain, prompted by a question from a college student, pledged to avoid negative campaign ads. McCain even walked across to shake hands with Bush when he made the

"That's fine. Bush believes in the 11th commandment," Engler said. "That doesn't mean they will be blowing each other kisses for the rest of the campaign. There are issues we can talk about. That's not negative. What Forbes has done, however, is put an extra edge on it. I haven't seen his ad. It doesn't go where he went with Bob Dole, but I think we have seen enough of Forbes to conclude he is a repeat offender.

Still, for GOP stalwarts, the night seems to have gone to

"I think it was George W. Bush. Clearly, he was the target He stood right there and took all the shots," Perricone said.

"I have a soft spot in my heart for Alan Keyes," McCotter said, while agreeing Bush still won the day, "While (Keyes) can't win, he is allowed to be phile sophical instead of presidential.' Democrat Brewer had another

view, "The winner tonight? Gary Bauer. He got audience reaction. He was coherent. I thought Bush was under attack all night and on the defensive. But the real message that people will carry away from this is that these people are not talking about issues that are relevant to me. I mean, what does the average American care about gays in the military? What does the average American care about China? They are not talking about the issues the American voters say are important ... What about health care? What about education? I have to Social Security for me and my

parents?

ing educational initiatives and public funding to support operatcommunity outreach programs. ing budgets for the region's cul-

"It's a gift, contribution and an tural institutions." investment, and we expect a "Private funding complements return (on our investment)," said other types of funding," said Jac Nasser, president of Ford. Peter Cummings, chair of the "Making connections with the DSO. "Ford is enabling institucommunity leads to strong, successful enterprises."

Clearly, positive public relahigher level of service." The \$5 million received from tions with the community translates into good business for cor- the Ford Fund will support a between arts groups and county giant's commitment to providing In recent years, corporations porations. Yet dollars from the partnership between the DSO commissions of Oakland and educational opportunities to the have moved away from funding private sector shouldn't be con- and the Detroit High School of Wayne counties.

tions that are already engaged in

outreach (programs) to attain a

Ford Motor makes unprecedented donation to arts be used over a five-year period.

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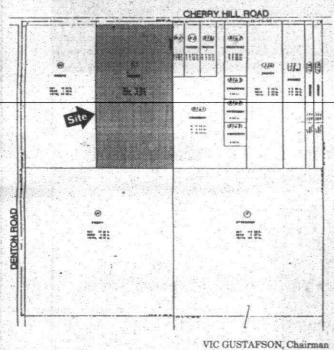
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 f the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 7, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

ROSIN/STREAMCO REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 078 99 0009 000 FROM RR. RURAL RESIDENTIAL, TO R-1. SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the south side of Cherry Hill Road between Denton and Beck Roads.

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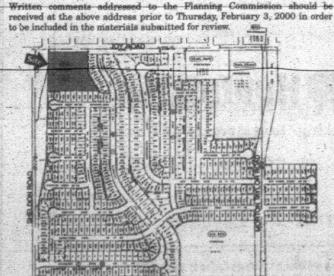
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CONSIDER REQUEST FROM R & R DEVELOPMENT TO MODIFY THE MOCERI CONSENT JUDGEMENT TO DESIGNATE THE PARCEL ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS "OFFICE SITE NO.1" FROM ITS CURRENT DESIGNATION ALLOWING FOR UP TO 30 SINGLE FAMILY CONDOMINIUMS TO LOCAL SHOPPING USE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING A DRUG STORE ON PARCEL NO. 609 99 0603 001.

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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman Publish: January 13 and 10, 2000

Superintendent pleased with progress

Overall, Greg Baracy is pleased with the "State of the Schools" in Wayne-Westland. The superintendent knows, however, there's room for improve-

"We can only imagine what the future is going to bring us, said Baracy during Tuesday's Westland Chamber of Commerce presentation at Joy Manor. A thriving community goes hand in hand with a thriving school district, he said.

In his address, Baracy outlined several areas, including the need for legislative reform in school finance. The Wayne-Westland district has a fund equity, or reserve, of 10 percent, which is below the state average. Since Proposal A took effect in 1994. the district has lost some \$8 million a year in revenue, and special education is underfunded.

"We will need legislative relief in the future." The district's per pupil spending of \$6,117 per vear puts it near the bottom of neighboring districts, Baracy WAYNE-WESTLAND SCHOOLS

grade sports have been resur-

rected, he said, along with other

extracurricular activities. He

voiced his support for recreation-

Wayne-Westland, including

Henry Ford Museum/Greenfield

Baracy said he's thankful for

district. Of that, \$83 million is

earmarked for physical improve-

ments, with the first phase near-

al efforts in the communities.

The district, the 10th largest Michigan, serves nearly 15,000 students. Funding is based on number of pupils, Baracy said, and space for new housing in the district is limited. The district, with 27 buildings, serves five municipalities.

In the last two years, more than \$2 million has been spent Village mentoring and the Techon new textbooks, the superinnical Educational Academic Model. That labor-business ventendent said. Educators work on test score improvement, and ture includes in-plant job shadowing and paid summer internsome scores have improved. Baracy encouraged chamber ships for students and teachers. members and guests to review the Michigan Educational 1998 voter approval of a \$108 Assessment Program questions million bond issue, the largest in their table packets, to see how undertaking in the history of the difficult the tests are.

"We educate every single child that comes through our doors." Public schools don't have the ly done, the balance for technololuxury to pick and choose stu- gy which includes many new dents, he said.

Baracy is pleased with partnerships with local municipali- the audience of the need for dous impact," Baracy said of the ties and other collaborative business support of schools. Par-

urging parents of young children to read to them every night.

The approximately 75 people at the chamber luncheon appreciated Baracy's remarks.

"I think Greg is very well-spoken," said Robin Moore, Wayne Westland school board president. "He gives you the good He highlighted several sucwith the bad, and he tries to cessful partnerships involving

George Gillies, deputy mayor of Westland, gave the speech a 10 on a scale of one to 10. "He delivered a nice speech," Gillies said. "We were well-informed." Baracy's articulate, the deputy

mayor added, and said the city and school district have an "excellent" relationship. "We get a lot accomplished." The luncheon also included

the presentation of a \$5,000

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the recent chamber "Taste of the In closing, Baracy reminded "It's going to have a tremen-

Abduction attempt reported by Bird student

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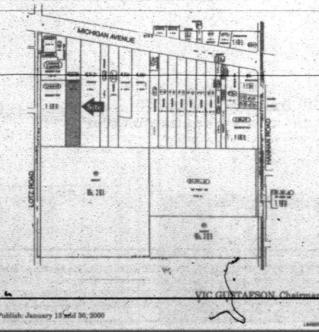
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McDONALDS/DEMBS ROTH REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE THE SOUTH 796.38 FEET OF PARCEL NO. 141 99 0028 000 FROM C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL, TO LI-2, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL. Property is located on the south side of Michigan Avenue between Lotz and Hannan Roads.

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to police.

dents who walk to school and walk with a friend." later addressed the entire student population during school icements. "I emphasized to them about

some candy" by a young white crossing guard and his parents. VanSteenis. "I also reminded man in a gray truck parked The incident was then reported them how important it is to remember as much as they can VanSteenis said after the inci- to give a description, and that said the boy wasn't chased or dent she met with all the stu- whenever possible they should

VanSteenis told parents of the incident in the school newsletter. which was sent home with students Friday. However, that not talking to strangers, to keep didn't set well with at least one on walking away and telling an parent, who didn't want to be adult about the situation," said

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BIDS

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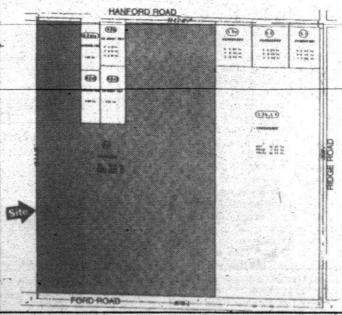
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing n Monday, February 7, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

BERRY/SINGH REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 028 99 0001 001 FROM RA, RURAL AGRICULTURAL, TO R-I, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the south side of Hanford Road between Ridge and Napier Roads. Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be

received at the above address prior to Thursday, February 3, 2000 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Rouge River cleanup may receive new federal money

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

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The Rouge River may be the beneficiary of more federal money to help remove pollutants and improve the river's quality. The Rouge was named as one of eight Michigan lakes and rivers and 31 areas of concern in the Great Lakes region that would benefit from President Bill Clinton's proposed \$80 million effort to clean up the most polluted waterways in the Great

Lakes watershed. Monday as part of Clinton's pro- near the Ford Rouge plant in the money to control and study posed 2001 budget, expected to Dearborn. "There's been years stormwater runoff and water be released in its entirety on and years of heavy industrial quality improvements. Under Feb. 7. That budget year begins discharges, creating sediment Clinton's proposal, the Environ-

approved by Congress, it was upstream," Bean said.

ticipate at a workshop Feb. 8 on ties.

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soil erosion and sedimentation

concerned about the future of efforts on the Rouge and its tribederal funding for the cleanup. Cathy Bean, coordinater of the would help with those efforts. Rouge River remedial action Bean said.

plan for the state Department of Environmental Quality's surface water quality division, was surprised because there were recent expressed about the future of the If the money is approved, Bean

would like to see it earmarked The money was announced toward removing river sediments While the money still must be fisheries and fish swimming provide \$50 million to state and

Workshop will explore soil erosion issue

neers, local government officials erosion requirements and the Leading suppliers of soil ero-

and community organizations National Pollution Discharge sion control equipment and

who work in communities in the Elimination System storm water related products will be on hand

issues at the Northfield Hilton in environmentally friendly site breakfast, lunch, workshop

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welcome news to state environ- DEQ officials have discussed mental officials and supporters creating a fish ladder in Dearutaries, and a sediment cleanup

Discharges from the Ford plant aren't "as bad as they were in the early 1900s," Bean said and Ford officials have expressed discussions and concerns interest in cleaning up the Rouge plant, including land along the Rouge River.

Local communities in the Rouge watershed in Oakland and Wayne counties may want and presenting problems for the mental Protection Agency would

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propose projects and have to water quality improvements. of the Rouge cleanup, who are born to assist the fisheries cost, meaning the total spent would equal about \$80 million.

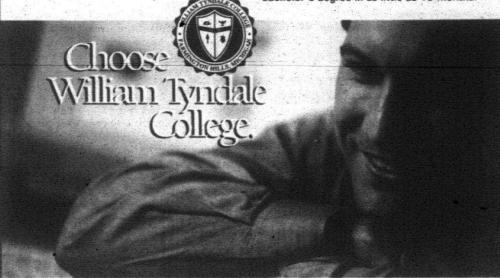
Bean thought there would be runoff improvements. Michigan Upper Peninsula, the Kalamazoo voters approved that money in River, the Manistique River, 1998 for brownfield cleanups and Torch Lake in the Keweenaw

ment taken care of and get more habitat created," Bean said. Other Michigan "areas of con-Clean Michigan Initiative cern" named on the list were the monies available for stormwater Clinton River, Deer Lake in the

Peninsula, White Lake fund at least 40 percent of their "I'd really like to see the sedi- Muskegon County and Muskegon Lake in Muskegor County. These areas of concern were identified in 1987 by the International Joint Commission a U.S.-Canada binational organ zation charged with water quali ty oversight in boundary waters

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Charter school

Denial is right move - again

Heritage Academies - they must feel this week like they got their signals crossed in Canton. Despite a strong demand from area families, the Canton Planning Commission has once again denied special land use for a proposed charter school to be built by the Grand Rapids-based organization.

Don't mistake our sympathy for support though. The Observer believes planning commissioners made the right decision Monday in unanimously recommending that the township board reject the proposed site at Warren and Ridge roads.

Moreover, the controversy opens up debate on a larger issue, the relevancy of a state law which exempts public school facilities from municipal zoning, site plan and building code requirements.

Although there was support on the commission for an area charter school, the revamped plan presented by National Heritage Academies Monday still had most of faults cited by commissioners when they turned down the original site on Beck Road, east of Hanford, last March. Those included:

A building too large at 30,000 square feet for the proposed 10-acre site, more than half of which consists of unbuildable wetlands: "Substandard" post-frame construction

with a vinyl-sided exterior. In addition, residents from the Northwest Canton Homeowners Association cited concerns about altering the status of Ridge Road, which has been designated by the state as a Natural Beauty Road.

National Heritage Academies has said its construction standards for the proposed Canton charter school match what it has provided in other communities. But it has admitted that the bulk of those buildings were built with "efficiencies in building costs" due to budgetary concerns. Adjacent residents have a right to be concerned about property values, although the Observer doubts there would be

much negative impact on surrounding homes. The question of where a charter school fits in with other new construction is a prickly one. Any other private concern - for example a residential or commercial developer - would be required to obtain a slew of township approvals before being allowed to put up a

A charter school may still be in Canton's future. The issue of creating alternatives to traditional public schools is well worth exploring. However, there's no reason to rush into putting up a below average building on a poorly chosen site.

building on the site. Input from the planning commission, township board and public would be considered at every step in the process.

Charter schools are a strange educational amalgam, mixing public and private mandates. They receive a state foundation grant for each student, just like public schools. But National Heritage Academies is a for-profit enterprise which has said it hopes to have the Canton facility in the black within five years.

Under state law, public schools and some other public facilities exempt from local property taxes don't need extensive approvals from the municipality where they're located. If they did, the argument goes, municipalities might never agree to their construction. We're not so sure. Market demand, after all, probably plays as much or more of a role in what a community looks like, or what amenities it offers.

The law was also passed at a time when schools in more rural regions couldn't afford the time or expense of waiting for county approvals. The schools must still meet state odes and requirements.

In the case of a charter school, special land use approval from the township board would

be the final approval needed for construction. Even if it won approval from the township board, construction of a charter school would have to wait until the state Legislature lifts the cap on university-sponsored charter schools. That move is supported by Gov. John Engler but has yet to win enough votes in the state House and Senate.

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King Day worthy of celebration

berg lecturer and medalist.

As a young man, Lewis was one of the central figures in the civil rights movement of the 1960s. The son of a poor south Alabama sharecropper, Lewis founded the Student Non-vioblows from Sheriff Jim Clark's nightstick and spent many nights in Southern jails.

Yet over time he learned to forgive his oppressors, and he has continued to contribute to society as a distinguished congressman from Atlanta, Ga.

This coming Monday we celebrate the courage of John Lewis and his fellow "revolu tionaries" in the civil rights movement by marking the birthday of Lewis' idol and slight ly older mentor Martin Luther King Jr.

Many "holidays" are designated with the best of intentions. On Memorial Day, we are admonished to remember those who died in battle defending the principles our country represents. On Independence Day, we are urged to remember those founders who chose liberty over tyranny. On Labor Day, we are supposed to pay homage to the working person and the struggle for economic justice.

As we all know, Memorial Day is the first good day to hit the beach, Independence Day means a barbecue and fireworks, and Labor Day is the last good day to hit the beach (no more giant parades, even in this once-solid union town). There might be some people who get King Day off who think it's a good day to hit the ski slopes or catch a movie and not think about what the day really means.

In this racially divided and often antagonis tic metro area, it is especially important that we don't let this holiday lose its meaning. It is important that our communities and schools take time to offer programs that draw our attention to what has been accomplished and what still needs to be accomplished.

· Livonia is holding its fifth annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day program 6:30 p.m. Monsponsors, People of Livonia Addressing Issues

U.S. Rep. John Lewis spoke at the University of Michigan Monday as Raoul Wallenantagonistic metro area, it is especially important that we don't let this holiday lose its meaning.

> of Diversity (PLAID), have the right idea about what should be done to mark this important day

This year's theme is "Many Peoples - One World," and the programs are meant to stimulate the thinking of students and adults about diversity and cooperation in a troubled world. High school choirs will sing. Middle-school students have written essays. Jonathan Swift of Madonna University will be the guest speaker, and food is being collected for a mission in Haiti

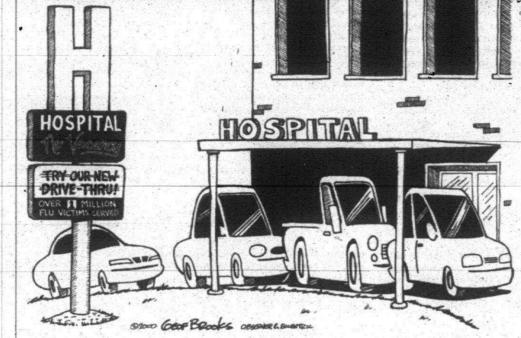
In Garden City, middle-school students will be going to Detroit in March where they will participate in a conflict resolution program and recreate the dramatic lunchroom sit-ins of the early '60s.

Colin Sheffield of Livonia's St. Edith School asks the important question in his essay: "You only need to turn on the evening news or pick up a newspaper to see that we still can't seem to get along. ... Why, when we have evolved so far in areas like technology, are we so behind in an area as basic as human kindness and

Though we have a long way yet to go to right wrongs and change hearts, Rep. Lewis would offer Colin some encouragement that we have come a long way. He told the audience that when young blacks tell him they don't think the '60s accomplished anything since nothing changed, "I say to them, let me take you back to the South in the 1940s and '50s and then tell me things haven't changed."

He summed up his view of what he and his compatriots accomplished, "We led a revolution of values, a revolution of ideas. We live in a better country. We are a better people."





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Poor judgment

n the Community Life section of last week's (Dec. 30) paper, the Observer ran a story about "home-brewers," those who legally brew their own beer in the confines of their home. At the same time, who knows how many drunken drivers killed and maimed innocent lives across this country on New Year's Eve.

Not only that, the millions of broken homes, many in our own beloved community, increase daily due to the ugly curse of strong drink. Perhaps the article will likely induce someone to try this wicked home-brewing practice and, down the line, another home is ruined beyond repair, those with beaten wives and terrified

Maybe next week, the Observer can obtain the services of a home-growing marijuana expert or even better, a crack addict can explain in detail how to cut the rock and smoke it in the correct manner. How about a heroin junkie explaining just the proper way to find that best vein where the possibly contaminated needle can rightly be stuck?

The list goes on. This was extremely poor judgment of management at the Observer. Shame on you! The next alcohol-related tragedy could be on your hands.

Lay off the refs

have refereed PCJBA for seven years now, and feel something needs to be said about the conduct of the parents and coaches.

Recreational basketball is, in part, learning basketball basics and having fun. Over the vears, however. I have seen a dramati decrease in the enjoyment of the players, because of poor parent and coach behavior. The students who referee these games do so because they like kids and enjoy the game of basketball. Yes, it is often frustrating to see your child's team losing, or your daughter not getting the "right" call that you thought should have been made. But the student referees do try hard to make accurate and fair

We are far from perfect, but then again we are not refereeing on the high school or professional level. We sometimes make "incorrect" calls, but due to the different levels of ability and the inexperience of the girls, if every play was called, the game would last for hours.

It is extremely frustrating and difficult to do a good job of refereeing because parents and coaches are constantly nagging and screaming at the us, as well as the players. This ruins the fun and learning experience for

The parents and coaches should be taking this opportunity to set a positive example in sportsmanship to their children, something of which is far more important than learning the rules of basketball. More and more, parents/coaches, are getting out of control, and some referees feel threatened and frightened because of parent/coach bad and inappropriate behavior.

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Remember, without these referees, there will be no basketball rec league. Each parent and coach should remember to recognize this experience as a fun activity, be less competitive, and to act and react as a proper role model. This will teach their daughter/ players of the team how to be a more responsible athlete, which is far more important than winning a game.

> Sarah L. Carter Ohio University Senior Plymouth Salem Alumn

Response was great

We want to thank the Canton-Plymouth community for their tremendous generosity in response to the "Boxing night" we recently had at our church. On the evening of Dec. 26, approximately 20 senior high students and adult advisors showed up with boxes to spend the night in the church parking lot. The purpose of the event is to raise awareness of the plight of the homeless in the metro Detroit area and to encourage donations of food, clothing and blankets. Thanks to the help of WXYZ-TV and WJR-AM which ran features of the event, the community was informed of the opportunity to help the homeless through their donations. And help they did! Enough donations came in that the church needed to rent a 24-foot Ryder truck to transport all of the donations down to Fort Street Presbyterian Church in Detroit. Fort Street Church runs a daily ministry of providing food and clothing to those in need.

It was great joy to see people bringing in so much food and clothing. Many who had seen the news coverage on the 11 p.m. broadcast on Channel 7 went through their closets that night and dropped off donations from midnight to 2 a.m. Others went to the stores and

bought new jackets and blankets to donate. It was a great blessing to our entire church to see such generosity expressed by the community. Thank You, and may God bless you for the acts of kindness.

> Bryan Smith, Pastor of Geneva Presbyterian Church, Canton

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POINTS OF VIEW

Experience is a timely reminder for young drivers

GUEST COLUMN

There's confusion. We realize our

books are still in the car and I get

out, the strong, uninjured one, won-

dering if I can walk, wondering if the

shaking will keep me from moving. I

ask the tow truck driver if he can help

me. The little blue Neon's already up,

diagonal, comically positioned for its

trip to the next destination. He pops

the trunk, and I gather all I can - a

PreCalc book, and then another, and

a Chemistry book, then more, until

my trembling arms are piled with

Only the books are real.

reminders of reality. This must be a

"I've seen people walk away from

worse than this," he says, appearing

The pavement is smooth and empty in the mid-afternoon light. Realization of what is happenof what has just happened . has not yet arrived, and I watch the

uniformed officer darting into the middle of the intersection in a haze. This is a busy intersection. And he's running after a scrap of paper, less than an inch long, with a date scrawled on it - a piece of paper that has just been pulled out of my hands by the wind.

I'm looking in Sarah's purse for her icense - she's holding her mouth, red staining her hands. Shaking, I pull out the small card, remembering was it only weeks ago - when we had gone to the bank, and she had made every effort not to let me see her picture. It doesn't matter anymore.

There's glass everywhere, and noises, and I know it. But I can't hear any number? Parents?

of them. The numb, shocking silence came with the impact - at least that's what I assume - and is receding slowly, allowing me only waves of sound, louder and louder, like the ripples in a pond. But it was no stone that hit us.

A truck is parked at the side of the street. Only seconds ago - or was it minutes, or hours? I looked up to see that truck barreling towards me. Not the car, not the passenger side, not my door - me. And now it rests, empty, unreal, but decidedly solid. and deserted. And there is Sarah's car, in the middle of the intersection. surrounded by the glass of my window and puddles of eerily bright engine fluids. It's crushed.

They take us to the ambulance, have us sit down, cleaning Sarah up and giving her an ice pack for her bleeding lip. They ask us questions, over and over. How old are you? Are you sisters? Name? Address? Phone

to think it will comfort me. I smile outwardly and grimace inside. What

sort of comfort is that? The last thing I see of Sarah's car

Beanie Baby in the back window. It looks so alone. I turn and return to the ambulance with my armload, thankful that, unlike the solitary Beanie Baby, at least Sarah and I have each other.

as it's pulled away is the tie-died

They take us to the emergency room, then, because we're minors, and we wait there for our parents. Sarah's aunt gets there, and then my mom, and I leave with the promise of a phone call from Sarah. Her last words are ones I've heard an almost infinite number of times from her swollen mouth the past hours: "Are you sure you're OK? I'm sorry . . . I'm so sorry."

The thing is, it wasn't her fault. The big truck - the one I looked up to see and still shudder to remember was running a red light. My point? I'm not sure. But he was a teenager,

I guess what I'm really doing is

ual contracts to create a blend of

which he also is looking to install

you'll see a business center, more

somewhere in the current terminals.

We didn't talk about it, but no doubt

extensive than the new Laptop Lane

a series of technology-equipped cubi-

stores and eateries with a local theme

He promises a children's play area,

sending out a cry to my own generation. When we're behind the wheel of a car, nobody can keep us from destroying life - both our own and the lives of others. We need to take the initiative. We need to do the right thing. We need to be careful.

Something really big happened that day - something so big that a man could run into the middle of an intersection after something as insignificant as a scrap of paper. That something could have been prevented

Please, be careful. Drive safely. And never take for granted the life that you have. Just like that . . . one sunny afternoon . . . it could be taken

Cynthia Rich is a Canton resident and student at Salem High School. The accident occurred in October at the intersection of Cherry Hill and

Canton Center roads. Rich says every one has recovered.

Changes to transform Metro into world-class airport

public/private partnership with

(Second of two columns on the future of Detroit Wayne County Metropolitan Airport.)

ots of predictions have been made for the new millennium. But here's a truth. Early in this new century of ours, metro Detroit is slated to open a world-class airport. A new terminal, a new four-mile, six-lane airport roadway and a fourth runway all will take off late in the

year 2001. Actually, Metro Airport is steadily improving its service, ambiance and cleanliness. But a facility built in the '60s to handle 800,000 passengers a year, despite expansions, is inadequate to fully service 30 million travelers annually. Airport director Dave Katz proudly took me along the new road, pointed out the new runway and got us pretty close to the steel outlines of the new Midfield Terminal.

Then we went atop the control tower, from which the airport appears as a tale of two cities. To the north the three current terminals, parking deck and roadways are a hub of activity and color. To the south, stark

construction cranes, steel beams, trucks, temporary buildings, a traffic-less road and. a huge mountain of cement are the promise of tomorrow.

Right now what will eventually be a mile-long building featuring 99 gates, 18 luggage carousels, an 11.000-space parking garage (largest in the world) and an automated people mover is a huge construction site.

"It's the biggest single construction project the state has ever been involved with," Katz says. "It has its own cement plant."

Northwest Airlines has the lead

role in the new terminal, as part of a (3,200 square feet). Wayne County. When it opens, North-What about amenities such as public art, kids' playground, and overall west will move its entire operation out of the International, Davey and ambiance?

Smith terminals. The statistics are mind-bogglin The terminal contains 104 ticketing positions, a state-of-the-art baggage handling system (sure to be a most scrutinized aspect), and a Feder

3,200 passengers an hour. A connecting link to its East Concourse includes a 19,000-square-foot WorldClub and 15 shops and restaurants. The concourse itself hosts 66 jet gates including 10 international gates, 31 shops and restaurants, two smaller World/Clubs and an Automated People Mover.

al Inspection Service facility to handle

A pedestrian tunnel with moving walkways connects the East to the West Concourse, with its eight iet gates, 25 commuter gates, a dozen shops and food concessions, and a

fourth, even smaller, WorldClub rent in the Smith Terminal.

Speaking of the Smith, what happens to the older terminals when Northwest moves out? Katz hopes other airlines will take over most of All still up in the air (pun intendthe gates. "If each of our 16 current ed), but Katz gave me some clues. "We are looking to tell the Detroit story." carriers took one-two more gates, that So murals dedicated to Detroit's histowould about do it," he said. "We have ry in the fields of manufacturing, civil the capability of adding 300 more rights, sports, entertainment and cor-

flights per day." porations may well adorn its walls. The added runway makes that possible. "Of all the projects we're doing, Restaurants and specialty shops that's the most significant," he says. could be part of a Woodward Avenue It will give Metro six runways, includstage set. Instead of awarding an overall contract to only one or two concesng two east-west. sionaires, officials are offering individ-

For metro Detroiters, tired of having their airport labeled the worst in the nation, all of this will come about ione too soon.

Judith Doner Berne, a West Bloom field resident, is former managing editor of the Eccentric Newspapers. You can comment by calling (734) 953-2047, ext. 1997; faxing (248) 644-1314; or e-mailing jberne@att.net.

Candidates miss the big picture

epublican presidential candidates George W. Bush, John McCain and the four dwarves went at it Monday night in Grand Rapids.

The event kicked off in earnest the presidential primary season in Michigan. Republicans vote Feb. 22 in a primary election, while the Democrats gather in caucuses on March 11.

Presented with the opportunity to cover a bigtime national story, the Michigan news media fell all over themselves in trying to out do their national brethren in pontificating about the big questions. Can the charismatic insurgent McCain overcome all of Bush's money and institutional support from Gov. John Engler on down? Can Bush take a punch? Is Bush smart ly a firewall for Bush in the event he loses the primary in New Hampshire

I'd add one. Is all we are doing merely rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic? Look at it this way. We are plop in the middle

of the greatest surge of technological change since the Industrial Revolution in the 18th century. The Internet is a present reality, and the enormous range and scope of future innovations stemming from the application of information technology are sure to bring fundamental changes to our entire society.

Yet are these the questions the news media pose and the candidates debate? Perish the thought! Instead the political system contents itself with petty arguments about piddling subiects: Taxes (to cut or not to cut), subsidies to ethanol (of interest only to Iowa farmers), abortion (which is on the way down, anyway), family | taxpayers, coupled with confusion about the values (everybody, including Hillary, is running away from Clinton) and so on.

Great political leaders have always had the capacity to look over the horizon and focus attention on the big issues that might not be so apparent at the time but which eventually shake the roots of societies. Ronald Reagan co centrated on Russia and the Cold War. Franklin Robsevelt reconstructed America in the wake of the Great Depression. Winston Churchill early saw the danger of Hitler.

I believe the next decade is going to be as revolutionary and creative as any period in American history. And I think a presidential campaign that ignores these issues is a sad and wasteful exercise in futility. Here are just a few questions Michigan voters

hight want to raise with presidential candidates. Taxes. E-commerce was the big winner this Christmas season. Most sales over the Internet are not taxed. But most states and some cities rely on some form of sales tax. What's going to happen when governors and mayors discover commerce? A national sales tax, almost certainly. This, in turn, will provoke a complete reset-



ting of the relations between cities, states and the federal government

fundamental a need as a fixed income on retirement. Should everybody be guaranteed access to the Web as a right, like Social Security? ing and learning - lectures, note taking and reading - are all survivals of the Middle Ages. The Internet and information technology are

to start talking about the consequences for our

Government. A persistent problem in late 20th century advanced countries is the inefficiency of governments in delivering services to proper responsibilities of our three-layered ocal, state and federal) system of government. Why stand in line for hours to get your license renewed when you can get it done in seconds on the Internet? Why rush to file your income tax return at midnight on April 15 when you can file

instantaneously on the Web? Politics. Citizens are increasingly cynical about the political system. Voter turnout is low and getting lower. Certainly, there is room for debate about the ways special interest money infests our politics. But could information technology sweep aside the secret deals and revitalize citizen involvement in the political process? Or will the Internet merely open the door for a

programmed candidates will be able to handle these and other similarly far-reaching ques-

tions. But they desperately need to be asked. Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Com nunications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@



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Safety net. Certainly, saving Social Security is important, but in the age of the Internet, access to information technology is going to be as

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Democrats use caucus to pick candidate

BY MIKE MALOTT HOME TOWN NEWS SERVICE

If local voters sometimes find presidential primary politics confusing, there is a reason. Just casting your vote in the upcoming Michigan ballot can be an intricate process

The state's primary will be split this year, with Republicans participating in an "open primarry" election Feb. 22. The primary operates like any other election. Voters just have to remember to register by Jan. 24.

Democrats have a much more

complicated process for selecting their candidate - Vice President Al Gore or former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley. They'll host caucuses on March 11.

Democrats across the state will gather in local meeting halls across the state for "Iowa style" caucus sessions. Beginning at 11 a.m., the party will hold meetings asking members to vote by raising their hands. An old-fashioned 'round the room count will tally the results. The caucuses are expected to take no more than two hours, according to party officials.

For the first time this year, Democrats will be able to vote by mail, much like using an absentee ballot. Once they've voted by mail, they cannot attend a caucus session

Local caucus sites

Wayne County VFW Post 345

27345 Schoolcraft Road, Red-

Livonia Library Auditorium 3300 Civic Center Drive, Livo-

(for the City of Livonia, 11th Congressional District portion)

Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer, Plymouth (Livonia, 13th Congressional portion; Canton Township; Northville; Northville Township;

Plymouth; Plymouth Township)

Wayne Public Library 3737 W. Wayne Road, Wayne (for Wayne)

Maplewood Community Cen-31735 Maplewood, Garden

Voters don't have to be members of the Democratic Party to participate, they must only be willing to declare themselves to be Democrats.

The purpose behind the caucus

(for Garden City, Dearborn Heights, 13th Congressional por-

35100 Bayview, Westland (for Westland)

Inkster Recreation Center 2025 Middlebelt Road, Inkster (for Inkster, Romulus)

Sheraton Community Center 12111 Pardee Road, Taylor (for the entire 16th Congressional portion of Wayne County)

Oakland County

Farmington Hills City Hall City Council Chambers 31555 W. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills

(for the cities of Farmington Hills, Farmington, Novi, Northville and South Lyon, Lyon and Novi townships)

is the eliminate "crossover" voting, where members of one party vote in the other party's primary to "cause mischief," according to Democratic State Party Chairman Mark Brewer. They run up Democrats should not participate in raiding. We don't like it where people can crossover like

> Mark Brewer Democratic State Party Chairman

numbers for a weaker candidate. If the purpose of a primary is

to select the best candidate from that party, such "raiding" should not be allowed, Brewer said.

"Our official policy is that we discourage it. Democrats should not participate in raiding. We don't like it where people can crossover like that," he said.

The last time Democrats participated in a presidential primary election in Michigan was 1992, when voters were required to declare their party preference. Without that declaration, the Democratic National Committee has concluded that state parties should use caucuses rather than elections, state party Communications Director Dennis Denno explained.

Once voters cast their votes for their favorite candidates, delegates to the Democratic National Convention will be apportioned on a percentage basis from the local congressional districts according to the results on May 6 and for the state as a whole on

All told, the state will send 157 delegates, 22 alternates and 18 convention committee members off to the national convention in Los Angeles this August.

To vote by mail, Democrats must fill out an application. Forms are available through local party organizations or by contacting the state office by phone at (517) 371-5410, by fax at (517) 371-2056, or by sending a letter to 606 Townsend, Lans ing, MI 48933.

Applications can also be obtained by e-mail at MIDEM-PARTY@aol.com, or on the party Web site at www.midemocrats.com.

Ballots must be returned by March 10.

To vote in person, Democrats must go the caucus meeting for their area. Registration that day will begin at 10 a.m.

County begins campaign for Census 2000

Wayne County commissioners will be encouraging public participation in the U.S. Census through activities and programs designed to increase public awareness.

Wayne County Commission-er Christopher Cavanagh, who chairs the commission's subcommittee on Census 2000, unveiled a new decal Tuesday to be used to urge residents to participate in the census

The decal uses a "Census Count" logo with a check mark and reminds residents "Don't Be Left Out." It will be used on correspondence and distributed at public gatherings.

Cavanagh said a full count is important because the federal government uses census figures to distribute more than \$100 billion every year to local governments for roads, housing, schools, senior and youth programs and community ser-

"After computers, the true test of Y2K readiness will be ensuring the full participation of residents in the census." Cavanagh said. "A full and accurate count is essential to starting off the new millennium in the right way."

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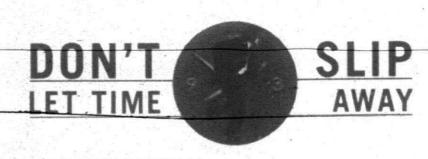
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COMMON SENSORS



JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

Living happily ever after has ripple effect

Recent research shows that couples who stay married are more likely to raise children who hit fewer teen land mines, and more importantly, become healthy, productive adults themselves.

In a book called "Living Happily Ever After" by Wagner, Rausser and Collier, couples who have been married 30 to 60 years talk about what has kept them together. Their stories should inspire all of us.

Helma and Benno Schneider overcame incredible obstacles by escaping from a German concentration camp and lived in a forest for a year, only to then learn that 123 people in Benno's family had been killed by the Germans. Helma says the overriding principle for their marriage is, "We don't live for each other, we live with each other."

Another couple talked about a ritual they had of sitting together on the edge of the bed each morning and talking about what they were thinking or feeling. Peggy, the wife, reports that she needs to tell her husband her feelings, not waiting until it's gotten to the point where she is so hurting and so self-protecting that her anger frightens him. John, her husband, says he likes this method because it gets the problem "aired" before it gets to the stage "where I used to slip to the side and disappear.

Emmanuel and Sylvia Siegel have been married 64 years. Today, he has to dress, cook and clean her because of a stroke she had six years ago. But Emmanuel says that one of the secrets of long-term marriages is to do something to make the other person happy all the time.

"I don't do it so that she's better to me in bed or anything, I do it because I love her." Another couple explained that compromises must be made by both parties if the marriage is going

Many years ago, one of my clients made a poignant comment about

Please see SENSORS, B2



Harry Potter friend or foe?

Have you gotten wrapped up in the latest trend of mystery novels J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter" series? So far, the series includes "Marry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," and the lat-est installment "Harry Potter and

The Prisoner of Azkaban. Do you think the books are a way to promote reading among young people, or do they show too strong a connection to sorcery or witchcraft?

Whether you're a fan or foe of the series, and you live in Wayne County (particularly Garden City, Westland, Livonia, Redford, Plymouth or Canton), please contact Stephanie Angelyn Casola to discuss the books for an upcoming article. Call-before-Friday, Jan. 21, at the Observer Newspapers. Call (734) 959-2130 or e-mail scasola@oe.homecomm.net

Prison visits renew inmates spirits

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER

here's no mistaking the identity of the Robert Scott Correctional Facility, multi-level security women prison Northville

Township, an area of expensive subdivisions and open fields.

The 35-acre site on Five Mile and Beck Roads is surrounded by three 12-foot fences topped with razor-ribbon wire, gun towers and electronic detection systems. Armed staff constantly patrol the road that wraps around the facility's perimeter.

June Clark of Plymouth, a prison ministry volunteer, has been there many times.

She still remembers a cold Christ-



inmate at Scott Although she had visited other inmates at other times. this was different. This was Christmas.

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several years ago when she

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"I got in my car and started for the prison. Then it hit me like a splash of cold water. I said, What can I say to this woman (inmate)?' I can't say Merry Christmas or Happy New Year. She's in for life."

Clark began her prison ministry 10 years ago. Through her late husband; Jim, she met the Rev. Art Lovely, a Jesuit priest at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Detroit who visit-



For baby: This collage of crocheted baby clothes comes from the talents of the inmates involved in the lap robe program at the Robert Scott Correctional Facility. Left, June Clark of Plymouth, a prison ministry volunteer, displays an afghan made by an inmate. Clark manages the prison's lap robe program.

ed the Wayne County jail every day, walking the half dozen long city

"He was bent over and stooped with osteoporosis, and he had bad legs and feet, but he walked every day," she

Lovely encouraged Clark to become prison ministry volunteer. Through the Archdiocese of Detroit's prison program, she began three days of training at Sacred Heart Seminary. She has never regretted her decision.

"They told me, 'if you're looking for a pat on the back, don't go into prison ministry. You'll never see the fruits of your labor.' If people ever knew the joy I've experienced, they'd be beating down the door at Scott's."

Soon Clark was visiting prisoners, both men and women, in facilities across the state, concentrating on those inmates who didn't have family or friends. Some; she said, had not had a visitor in 15 years. These people crave visits from anyone, she said.

"It could be Ronald McDonald, They don't care. They're just so lonely. They just want someone to care about

Please see LOVE, B2

Female inmates find a way to give back

STAFF WRITER

Deanna Nunn, 60, an inmate at Scott Correctional Facility since 1995, is affectionately called "Mother D" by the other inmates. She is an artistic, soft-spoken women and an expert crocheter. She also loves to give.

"Even before I came in here, I have always been a person who did things for others," she said.

About a year and half ago Nunn was seeking ways to say thank you to the Salvation Army for its frequent gifts of much-appreciated toiletries. She and three other inmates approached June Clark during one of her visits. Could she get them some

Clark's church, Our Lady of Victory in Northville which sponsors the prison ministry program, donated \$200. Clark bought 200 skeins and some plastic crochet hooks. (Knitting needles or metal crochet hooks are not allowed at Scott.) The women soon made 30 lab robes to be distributed to nursing homes.

The lap robe program has since grown to over 200 inmates who make afghans, hats, scarves, gloves and baby items. Many of the items go to St. Leo's soup kitchen in Detroit. Clark collects donated yarn and delivers it to the prison. "You can't see a driver. My car is full of yarn," she

Nunn crocheted a beautiful christening dress over five feet long. It took her more than six months to complete. The dress has an underskirt made out of new thermal under



Baptism beauty: Geralyn Quick holds her baby daughter, Bryce, as she awaits baptism. The child is wearing Nunn's crocheted christening.gown. Godmother Jennifer Kline

wear trimmed in crocheted yarn. It is looped in satin ribbons and has booties to match. She donated it to Our Lady of Victory for use by parish-

"Oh, it's just gorgeous," said Geralyn Quick, whose baby daughter,

Bryce, was baptized in the gown Dec. "We got so many compliments on the dress. They thought it was handed down from grandmothers.

Inmate Patricia Lickfeldt, 50, said she's "in love with June and the lap-robe program." She has seen the positive affect the program has had on the inmates. "It gives them a good feeling without anyone thinking they have another agenda. Once they find out they can create something useful, it leads them to do other constructive

Lickfeldt said there is a need for atonement in prison. "It doesn't matter what the crime was, no matter how heinous, or if you're from a good family or bad. It only matters that you give to others.

Melvina Smith, 56, was reluctant to join the lap robe program. She didn't know how to crochet. "I just sat around lookin' and lookin' and said Idon't want to do that."

Gradually, she was drawn into the rogram as she learned to crochet "It was so interesting and mindsoothing. If I stay right with it, I can make an afghan in two weeks, a great big afghan.'

Smith now reads patterns and often orders yarn from a catalog. She's made afghans for her mother, daughter, grandson, nephew and sister. And, since she couldn't attend her son's wedding, she made him an afghan.

"It has given me a sense of peace that I'm still able to do something," she said. "I felt lost when I came here. I wasn't accomplishing anything. Now I'm accomplishing some

Forgotten population

At Scott, the women face an abundance of time and noise. They also have no choice when it comes to a room partner. The lap robe program has quieted people down, Clark said, and encouraged friendships between younger and older women.

However, prison life is still a harsh reality. Many times children stop visiting their parents. The inmates are the community's invisible neighbors.

"Part of being a prisoner is being disposed of. For the time we're here we don't exist to the world. If they have to be conscious of us, they have to be concerned," said Lickfeldt, who has earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and business administration while in prison.

Prison life has made Nunn an observer. "You know, when you're home and have a family and housework and a husband, sometimes a erson doesn't have the time to sit back, look and listen. (Prison) has given me a whole new insight into things," she said.

"I feel people on the other side of these walls feel there's violence here. that the women are crude, rude people. It isn't like that. If people could just come in and visit some of the women ... There are women in here who don't have anyone to visit them. It would be so nice. If they could come in once, they'd see how wrong their perception of prison women is.

Pat Ernst, director of adult educa-

Please see INMATES, B2

Convention Bureau Red Coats help at Auto Show

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA

Of all the work generated by the North American International Auto Show this year, Marilyan Compton's responsibility is to make the visitor's day a little brighter.

For the past 10 years, the Livonia resident has worked as a "Red Coat" for the Metropolitan Detroit Convention and Visitors Bureau. If there's a big convention in town, chances are Compton's been there, working and chatting with visitors.

The bureau, which was the first of its kind established in 1896, aims to promote Detroit in the best possible light so the city's visitors can have an enjoyable time.

Red Coats - a title derived from the uniform they are recognized by - are part of the bureau's temporary staffing service. They register convention-goers and assist with information and program booths, cashiering, typing and

VOLUNTEERS

elling merchandise.

looks on.

"We make the experience as pleasant as possible," said Compton. "If registration is pleasant, it can turn (a person's) whole attitude around.

This is the first year the Red Coats have been asked to help out for the full run of the Auto Show, an event that attracts car lovers and car-makers from all over the world.

In the past Red Coats have helped with the charity night that kicks off the show, but this year men and women sporting that signature item of clothing can be seen selling merchandise, programs and giving directions and information. It's all part of helping the show run smoothly, and Compton said she's happy to do it.

Please see RED COATS, B2



Greeter: Marilynn Compton is a Red Coat volunteer.

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on the women at Scott. The prison houses 844 inmates, ages 14 to 80, serving sentences both violent and non-violent crimes. It is a multi-level security prison, since there aren't enough female prisoners to warrant separate facilities. Only 4 percent of Michigan's prison population is female.

She never asks them about their crimes.

"I have tunnel vision. When I go in to meet a woman, I care about her. If they don't want to tell me what they did, I don't ask. I feel that I have the same relationship with them as a lawyer or doctor. I don't disclose. People say everybody finds God in prison. What they tell me, I

"You encourage them to continue parenting to the degree they can. You encourage them to take advantage of every educational tool available. You encourspiritual journey. Each person is

Western Township Utilities Authority

Board of Commissioners Special Meeting Synopsis

4:00 p.m., Thursday, January 6, 2000

memorandum on real property/plant expansion.
WTUA Business Plan- approval for WTUA's attorney to proceed as

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI. 48187

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South Main Street in the City of Plymouth, or at any Secretary of State Branch Office. The telephone number of the City Clerk is 453-1234 x234 or

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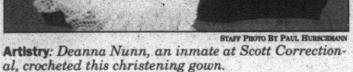
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Special meeting called to order at 4:06 p.m. Present: Thomas Yack, Kathleen A. Keen-McCarthy, Karen Woodside

Agenda- adopted.
WTUA Business Plan Update Report-received and filed.
Closed Session-Discussion regarding attorney/client letter

discussed in closed session.

The special meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.



them to tell you about themwhom she calls her "girls." selves.

age them very subtly in their . Clark is recuperating from a long-ago Christmas Eve once told Clark her visits were like serious back injury and has been confined to her home for the visits, Clark quickly responded.

gotten. When asked what she has received in return for her "Oh, my God. I can't begin. I have a million stories about the gifts they have given me."

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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January 25, 2000, during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider Motor City Mold, Inc.'s request

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The request is on file in the Township Clerk's Office where it is available

for public perusal from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any

Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township

of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may

The public hearing, commencing at 7:30 p.m., will be held in the Meeting

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Michigan 48170, on Tuesday, January 25, 2000, during the regularly

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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different. You go in as if you past several months. She hopes were going to someone's home to resume her visits to Scott for a quiet evening. You ask soon. She misses the women,

The inmate she visited on that God knocking on the door of her soul to tell her she was not for-

tion and social ministry at Our Lady of Victory, has visited Nunn. "Her heart goes into everything she does," she said. "She does an enormous

her chief ministry."

Inmates from page B1

visiting once again. They hope it's soon. They want to give her a "recognition" party when she returns.
"It's a way of saying thank you for supporting the lap robe program and thank you for alleviating our amount of work within the prison. She mentors loneliness and letting us know someone cares," younger women. She teaches them that time in prison can be spent productively. That's probably said Lickfeldt.

"Everyone has to have one person who believes they're valuable just because you exist. If they think I'm worthwhile, maybe I am." patience. "God isn't done with me yet in here.

Volunteers are needed to collect and organize the yarn at Our Lady of Victory Church for the lap robe program. If interested, contact June Clark at Meanwhile, the women look forward to Clark (734) 354-9427 or Pat Ernst at (248) 348-8650.

Red Coats from page B1

Nunn prays to be free one day but has learned

When he's through it will happen. I've had more

time to listen to God's instruction. I no longer say

On her first day at the Auto They all work together and help "It's a very nice job," she said after her first press day at Cobo Show, Compton estimated that each other out, especially during Hall. "It's not a profession. 7,000 journalists milled around those hectic times when there Cobo Hall, many of them pur- are a lot of people waiting for

You're free to decline anything." chasing souvenir shirts and mer-That sense of freedom is one chandise for their families. And reason Red Coats stay with the bureau. Heather Chase, event this isn't even the busy season. staffing manager, said many of her 150 employees have been Coat? One word - personality. while. "It's the little conversawith the bureau for a decade or

Compton admits that, yes, she is tions. When they leave your staa people person, and that's an tion, it's sort of like you've made important attribute for this sort a friend. They have a different of work. "We work for the client attitude. and secondly we represent the metropolitan Detroit area and be becoming a Red Coat, contact the for Red Coats. An outgoing peras helpful as possible," said Metropolitan Detroit Convention sonality and customer-service She couldn't be happier. 202-1991. They are always look-

"They're really the nicest group ing for additional help. of people, a very diverse group

What does it take to be a Red

Jacque Martin-Downs is the at: downsj@mail.resa.net.

Sensors from page B1 what changed in his marriage coordinator of the Family which had nearly derailed into Resource Center in Westland and divorce court. And what might has a private counseling practice. that have been? Less selfishness If you have a question or comand becoming more "other-cen- ment, write her at the Observer tered." That's what turns OK Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft,

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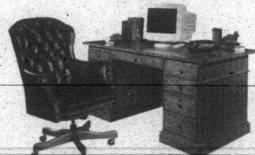
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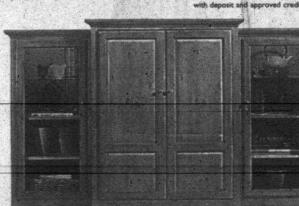
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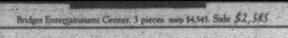


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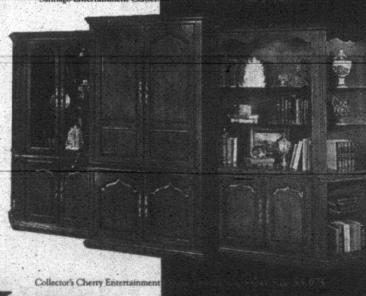
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ENGAGEMENTS & WEDDINGS

Conner-Long

Kirk and Luddie Conner of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Lynette, to Octavis Long, the son of Rosie Long of Lansing.
The bride-to-be is a 1992 grad-

uate of Westland John Glenn High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University. She is employed as a human resources specialist while pursuing her master's degree in communication at MSII

Her fiancé is a 1993 graduate of Lansing Sexton High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University. He is currently employed as a clinical counselor for the Michigan Department of University. Corrections while pursuing a master's degree in counseling

Miller-Hochstein

Barb Miller of Livonia and Paul Miller of Myrtel Beach, S.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Jacqueline Ann, to Michael William Hochstein, the son of Virginia Tate of Texas and Bill Hochstein of Westland.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Franklin High School. He is employed at Plastomer Corp. of Livonia. Her fiancé is a graduate of

Wayne Memorial High School. He is the owner of Climbers An April wedding is planned

at St. Genevieve Catholic Church in Livonia.



education at Western Michigan

A June wedding is being

Phillips-Nashlon

Browne-Dunne

Livonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Browne

of Sao Paulo, Brazil, formerly of

Redford Township, announce

the engagement of their daugh-ter, Kimberly Ann, to James,

Patrick Dunne, the son of

William and Regina Dunne of

The bride-to-be is a graduate

of Western Michigan University

with a bachelor of arts degree in

English literature and De Paul

University with a master of

Allyn and Carolyn Phillips of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Alison Marie, to Scott Michael Nashlon, the son of Edward and Marie Nashlon, also of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and pursuing a bachelor's degree at Madonna University. She is employed by Decision Consultants Inc. in South-

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High Schools. He has a bachelor's degree in computer science from Eastern Michigan University. He also is employed by Decision

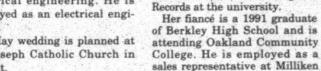
business administration degree in international finance. She is employed as a management con-

sultant in the Chicago area. Her fiancé is a graduate of A May wedding is planned at Wayne State University with a St. Joseph Catholic Church in bachelor of science degree in Detroit



electrical engineering. He is employed as an electrical engi-







A June wedding is planned at Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia.



Brooklyn.

Consultants Inc. in Southfield

A June wedding is planned at Resurrection Catholic Church in

Hardie-Wojtak

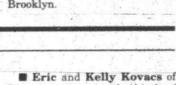
Birk-Kain

White of Clawson.

Dr. and Mrs. James Hardie of Brooklyn, Mich., formerly of Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Laurie Ann, to Gregory Joseph Wojtak, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wojtak of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1999 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with degrees in business administration and communication.

Her fiancé is a 1995 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. He is currently completing a degree in computer science at Wayne State University. He is employed by Canton Township as a technology specialist. An October wedding is



NEW VOICES

hauer of Westland announce the birth of William James Jr. Oct. 1 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Jim and Pat Fielhauer and Jeff and Lydia Goins. Great-grandparents are William and Shirley Ringo.

Phil Davidson and Kim Herriman of Livonia announce Davidson Oct. 1 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital Grandparents are Ed and Suzv Davidson of Westland and Russ and Pat Herriman of Livonia.

Michael and Linda Baldwin of Plymouth Township announce the birth of Timothy Gerald Oct. 9 at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital. He joins brother James, 2. Grandparents are Gerald and Gertrude Bazner of Dearborn Heights and Gerald and Kathleen Baldwin of Brooklyn, Mich. Jeanette Bazner of Dearborn Heights is his great-

birth of their son, Dylan Chase, City. She joins 10-year-old

Garden City Hospital. He joins are Kathrine Lechel of Lincoln 6. and Austin, 20 months. Grandparents are Darryl and Jenny Bartlett of Westland, Jim and Marlene Findley of Wayne. Great-grandmother is Irene Kalosky of Vero Beach, Fla.

Kevin and Holly Yarber of Garden City announce the birth the birth of Nikolas Grant of their son Brandon Scott Oct. 28 at Garden City Hospital. Brandon joins brother Nicholas Anthony, 4. Grandparents are Jim and Marcy Twardzicki and Bob and Carol Yarber of Garden

Cortney and Kathie Hodge of Belleville announce the birth of Cortney John Oct. 29 at Garden City Hospital. Cortney joins sisters Nicole, 11, and Rebecca, 7. Grandparents are Dennis and Barb Frye of Westland and Cortney Sr. and

Betty Hodge of Pennsylvania. Gary and Caroline Vega of Taylor announce the birth of ■ Daniel and Sheri Thiele- Sarah Euretta Nov. 3 at Garman of Canton announce the den City Hospital in Garden

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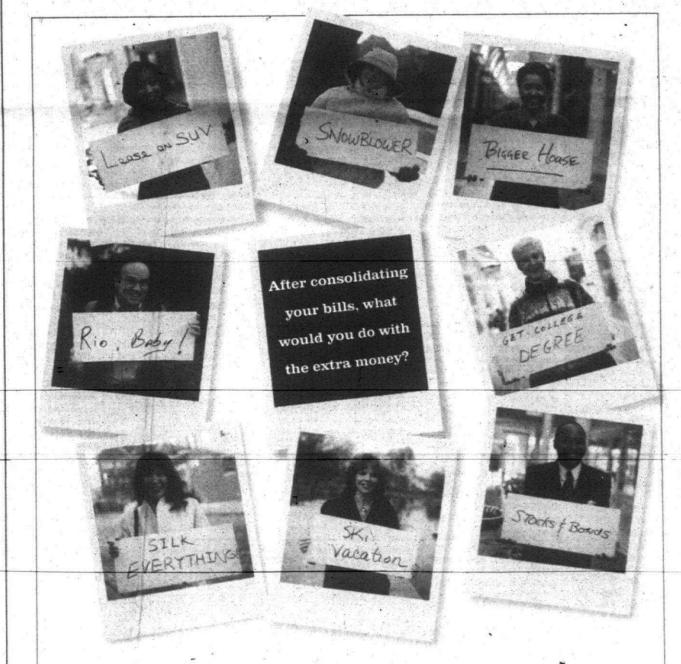
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William and Jamie Fiel- Oct. 10 at the Birthing Center of brother Albert. Grandparents . Greg and Sherri Bell of and Regina Bailey of Westis Emma Vega of Garden City. City. Grandparents are Dave Lassi of Taylor.

Romulus announce the birth of branch, James and Beverly Bell Livonia announce the birth of siblings Matthew, 14, Amanda, and Lucy and Albert Vega of Brittany Ellen Nov. 8 at Gar- of Detroit, Lou and Pat Rizzo of Sage Janice Nov. 8 at Garden Taylor. Her great-grandmother den City Hospital in Garden Farmington, and John and Doris

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A senior at Garden City High School

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student at Michigan State University,

State University, Mitoraj has been a Scout

for nine years. They are all members of

The threesome teamed up on their Gold

Award project, making and donating 100

stuffed animals to the city fire department

and staging a program for younger Girl

eszaros has been a Scout for 11 years.

ajoring in chemical engineering at Wayne

Scout Council to receive the award.

Senior Girl Scout Troop 2323.

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND CANTON

AROUND TOWN

RACQUETBALL LEAGUE Canton Parks and Recre ation sponsors a men's winter racquetball league at Body Rocks Racquetball of ivonia. Players will be divided into divisions based on ability. Court times are 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Cost is \$100 per person. No residency ments. Call (734) 397-5110.

JUDSON CENTER n Make a difference in a child's life. The Judson

Center is seeking families or persons who are interested in caring for children either through foster care or adoption. The next orientation training is sched uled from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13. For more information, call Jennifer Solack at (248) 443-5000,

The Plymouth Canton High School Chiefettes Pom-Pon Squad presents its annual Variety Show entitled "Kickin' Into the Millennium." The show will be held at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, at the Salem High School Auditorium. Tickets cost \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and children. Tickets can be purchased from any Chiefettes squad member or at the door before the

HISTORY PROGRAM There will be a Natural History Program at Proud Lake Recreation Area at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, at 3500 Wixom Road, Commerce Township. Learn about hibernating wildlife n Michigan on this 1 1/2 nour walk. Meet at Annex parking lot. A Michigan State Park motor vehicle permit is required for entry. Proud Lake Recreation Area is located thre miles southeast of Milford From I-96 take the Wixom Road exit and go north six miles to the park entranc

Plymouth's "Toy Show and "Collectibles Show" will be held from 11 a.m. 15, and Sunday, Jan. 16, at the Cultural Center at 525 armer Street. The Toy Show features new, used, ntique and collectible toys of all kinds. The Collectibles Show features Beanie's, Pokémon, Furby, Barbie, action figures, etc Admission is \$5, kids 4-12

FRIENDS AND FAMILY WEEK Evola Music hosts "Friends and Family

Week," Monday, Jan. 17, through Saturday, Jan. 22, at 7170 N. Haggerty in Canton. Visit a group class for free during the Open House Week. For more information, call (734) 455-4677 for a listing of classes and times. Now taking registrations for group classes in Kindermusik, piano, vie lin, and organ. begins Jan. 30.

ME & MY SHADOW

New Morning School has

nings for its winter 2000 "Me & My Shadow" program. This is an introductory class for children 2-4 and their parents. Parent and child participate in music, play activities, art and readiness projects, snack and story time. Two Saturday morning sessions begin Jan. 15 and one Monday evening session begins Jan. 17. Call (734) 420-3331. New Morning is located at 14501 Haggerty just north of Schoolcraft Road.

Arbor, Call 800-2-

REVIEW, or (734) 663-2163 to register. STORYTELLING FESTIVAL Canton Project Arts will

Grief Aftercare Support

Road, between Sheldon and

1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26,

mouth. The purpose of the

meeting is to renew terms

Village hosts a free semi-

Tuesday, Jan. 25. Hoppy

of All America Financial

will discuss long-term care

insurance and senior estate

Hanson and Alan D. Marx

nar beginning 10 a.m.

length DAT, GMAT, GRE,

LSAT, and MCAT tests 9

a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday,

Jan. 22, at The Princeton

Review, 1220 South Uni

versity, Suite 209, Ann

hold its second annual family storytelling festival, "Storytelling Through the Ages," from 1-2:30 p.m. and a family concert from 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, at the Summit on the Park. The event will provide hands-on workshops and concerts for children and adults. Mother Goose will delight young children with a visit. Magician and folklorist Marc LeJarett will perform dazzling magic tricks. Storybook character "Madeline" will also be present. Award winning story-

VARIETY SHOW teller Debra Christian will conduct a workshop for children on Creating Creepy Tales. Adult workshops will also be held. Individual tickets for the entire day and evening event are \$5 or \$15 for a family of three or more. For advanced tickets reservations or information, call (734) 397-6450. SUPPORT GROUP MEETING ■ Vermeulen Funeral Home offers a free monthly

performance.

Group meeting for those who have recently experienced the death of a family member or close friend. The next meeting begins at 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23. Each meeting is led by Wes Baldwin of Pointe Care Counseling. All meetings are held at the Plymouth location on West Ann Arbor Beck. Call (734) 459-2250, ■ The 38th annual meeting of the Plymouth Community Family YMCA begins at at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road, Ply-

opposite Garden Road. COLLECTOR SHOWS

for board members, elect officers and conduct other business that may come before the members, including a proposal to convert the Plymouth Community Family YMCA from a membership basis to a directorship basis. SEMINARS Plymouth Independence

years old are admitted for \$2. For more information call (734) 455-2110.

> planning. Call Bryan Neal at (734) 453-2600.

■ The Plymouth Communi ty Arts Council features "Spirit Earth," the recent watercolors of Todd Marsee, through Jan. 26 at the JWH Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Exhibit hours are 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday and Friday and weekends by appointment. Call (734)

> SESAME STREET LIVE n Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a family trip to Sesame Street Live "When I Grow Up" show on Saturday, 29, at the beautiful Fox Theater. Come and join a fun-filled family

> show with no worries of driving, as attendees will ride a charted bus to the Fox Theater. The bus leaves Summit on the Park parking lot at 12:30 p.m.

their first birthday must

Kudos for Canton scholar



Award winner: Nicole Hrycyk (right), the daughter of Nicholas and Andrea Hrycyk of Canton, is the recipient of the Student Laureate Award of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois. She was one of over 50 students from each of the four-year, degree-granting colleges and universities in Illinois to receive the award. She traveled to Springfield Nov. 13 where she was presented with a Lincoln Academy medallion, a certificate of honor and a check for \$150. A senior psychology major and Spanish minor, Hrycyk consistently places on the President's List, which requires a minimum grade point average of 3.6 out of 4.0. She is a member of the College Scholars Program, which is North Central's honors program, and is a Wingspread Scholar.

have a ticket). Registration ends Friday, Jan. 28. For

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

n The Starkweather Edu cation Center/Alternative Education will offer in the second semester, beginning Jan. 31, "School of Choice. As a "school of choice" any Wayne County resident who was 16 by Sept. 1, 1999, may apply to enroll in the high school comple tion program at Starkweather. Interested students should call (734) 416 4901 to make an appoint-

ment to register. WORKSHOPS

Financial consultant Paul Leduc presents a free "Advanced Living Trust Workshop" 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, at the Northville Public Library, 212 W. Cady, Northvill

Call (248) 540-8710. DADDY-DAUGHTER DANCE n Celebrate Valentine's Day by attending the Canton Knights of Columbus 9th Annual Daddy-Daughp.m. Friday, Feb. 11, at the Thomas a Becket Fami-

ter Valentines Dance. The dance will be held from 7-9 ly Life Center, 555 Lilley Road, Canton. This special night will feature danceable music, a flower corsage, refreshments and a ique gift so dad and his date will remember the evening. If dad has more than one date, how about inviting an older brother, uncle or grandpa, so each girl will have a partner. So dad bring your little valentine from ages 3-13 to celebrate this memorable

evening. Tickets will be

Date and Time

available after all masses at St. Thomas a Becket or y calling Ralph at (248) 344-1956 or Mary at (734) 397-1359. Tickets are \$12 per couple and \$16 for dad and two dates. Space is

CENSUS 2000

The U.S. Census Bureau is hiring enumerators for the 2000 census. Enumera tors spend most of their time locating addresses and conducting door-todoor interviews. They work evenings and weekends. This temporary job will last up to two months next spring. Census workers are paid \$13-\$15/hour and are reimbursed for mileage. Bonuses are available. Call

(888) 325-7733. MOPS MEETING .

■ The Plymouth Baptist Church holds mothers of preschoolers meetings 9:15-11:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, Mothers with their children, kindergarten-ag and younger, may attend for a time of fellowship and fun with other mothers. Childcare is provided. The church is located at 42021 Ann Arbor Trail in Ply-

> mouth, Call (734) 458-M.O.M. MEETING

Meet Other Mothers (M.O.M.) invites you to jo it for guest speakers and discussion 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. the second and fourth Fridays of the month. Baby-sitting is provided. Call Kim at (734) 459-7035 or Shannon at (734) 354-

KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club meets 7 a.m. every Tues-

The Canton Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups

below and mail your item to The Calendar, Canton Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymout

Use additional sheet if nece

or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information

MI. 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the

following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

day at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-8489.

DINNER/AUCTION

The Plymouth Communi tÿ Arts Council's annual dinner/auction, "Escape To The Caribbean," begins 6 p.m. Saturday, March 11, in the Mayflower Meeting House, Plymouth, Auction items include trips, dinners, clothing, furniture and art. Dance music will be provided by the Couriers. Entrées include beef tenderloin, stuffed chicken and orange roughy. Tickets are \$55. Call (734) 416-

KIWANIS CLUB The Plymouth Kiwanis

Club meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the new City Limits Bar & Grill on Ann Arbor Road, Call Charlene Miller at (734) 455-4782 **NURSERY SCHOOL**

Garfield Co-op has open ings in programs for children 18 months to 5 years. The school is located in Livonia at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, South of Six Mile and West of Farmington Road. For more information, call (734) 462-0135.

Plymouth Children's Nursery Co-op has open ings left in its 3- and 4year-old classes. Call (734 455-6250.

First Baptist Church of Plymouth-Canton Kindermusik has openings for its winter session enrollmen Call (734) 354-9109. Garfield Co-Op has open ings for people age 18 months to 5 years. Garfield

Co-op is located at Case

■ Hospices of Henry Ford Health System needs volunteers in Canton and Plymouth. Volunteers can help by visiting patients, either at their home or a nursing home, to offer emotional support, companionship and comfort. Call (313)

William Beaumont Hoswilliam Beaumont Hospital Hospice is looking for volunteers to support the care of people with terminal illnesses and their families. Call (248) 853-8931. # Head Start needs volum meal times and particip in the learning centers

with subjects such as art, computer and library. If you have a morning or afternoon free Monday through Thursday, call

462-0135. (734) 416-6196. n The Salvation Army Tiny Tots Preschool has open-■ Volunteer drivers are needed for New Morning ings for its 3-year old program from 9:30-11:20 a.m. School's Swim/Gym program at the Livonia YMCA Tuesdays and Thursdays. 8:30-11:30 a.m. Fridays The school is located on Main St. in Plymouth. I Volunteers may also help in the pool if desired. Call more information, call (734) 420-3331. New Morn-Peggy Blaisdell at (734) ing School is located at 14501 Haggerty, just north

Munger, south of Six Mile

Road in Livonia. Call (734)

■ Village Music is register

ing students for Kinder-

musik classes beginning

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dermusik is music educa-

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GROUPS

STARTING OVER

ARBOR HOSPICE

Atwood at (734) 354-9825

■ Starting Over is a group

women younger than 45,

Meetings are held the first

month at Plymouth Church

and third Tuesday of the

of Christ. Call (734) 662-

Arbor Hospice sponsors

sign up, call (734) 662-

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS

grief support programs. To

Community Hospice and

Home Care Services has a

drop-in grief-support group

that meets 6:30-8 p.m. the

third Wednesday of the

■ Counterpoint Shelter

and Crisis Center offers

free counseling and respite

services for people age 10-

17 and their families. Call

Mangela Hospice offers

free monthly grief support

groups for people who have experienced the loss of a

loved one. All groups meet

at the Angela Hospice Care

Center in Livonia. For

meeting dates and times,

call Ruth Favor, (734) 464

VOLUNTEER

OLUNTEERS NEEDED

Plymouth-Canton Head

Start, in Central Middle

School, is looking for volu

teers to help in the class-

during recess, participate

times. If you have a morn-

ing or afternoon free Mon-

Angel Care, a volunteer

organization, is looking for

volunteers to sew, crochet,

knit, etc., blankets and

burial gowns to donate to

local hospitals for infants

who have died. Contact

Mary Piontek for patterns and information, (313) 534-

day through Thursday, call

in the Learning Centers

and assist during meal

activities, to assist children

room with large-group

WORK

416-6196.

at (734) 522-4244.

COUNTERPOINT

(734) 563-5005.

ANGELA HOSPICE

month. Call Becky Rouse

for widowed men and

and west of Farmington

of Schoolcraft. n Henry Ford Hospice seeks volunteers to work with patients, to assist in the office, or to assist with special projects, Volunteers will receive training. Call Sharon Cain at (734) 354n Individualized Hospice

volunteers are needed in

the community. Those, interested in becoming a part of this volunteer program are invited to attend Tuesdays With Hospice from noon through 3 p.m. at Individualized Hospice in Ann Arbor. Evening raining sessions may also oe available. Hospice volinteers are trained to be ompassionate, skilled lis eners and often are a significant support to both the patient and family. Daytime patient care,

overnight caregivers for "11th hour," and office volunteers are presently needed. For more information, or to register for the trainng please call Rev. Nancy Doty at (734) 971-0444. n First Step has been ctive in the effort to end riolence in western Wayne County and downriver com munities for over 20 years.

Committed and dedicated volunteers are needed in everal communities for the assault response oncall program. Training is provided and opportunities n western Wayne County and downriver communities are available for women and men at least 18 years old For more infor-

mation call (734) 416-1111, ext. 223. CANCER SOCIETY ■ American Cancer Society needs volunteers. Call (248) 557-5353, ext. 336.

ALZHEIMER'S The Alzheimer's Associa tion is seeking volunteers to people experiencing memory loss. Call Adam Sterling at (248) 557-8277.

CLUBS

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES ■ The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples Club meets 7 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month. Call Barb at (734) 207-5224. Play group meets every other Tuesday Call Sue at (734) 459-9324.

■ The Human Rights Group meets at 7 p.m. the first Sunday of the month at the Plymouth Coffee Studio, 600 W. Ann Arbor Trail. Plymouth, Call Paulette at (734) 416-9288 or Charlene at (734) 963-

COUNTY CONNECTION County Connection Chorus of Sweet Adelines chorus singing four-part harmony barbershop style, is always looking for new members. Rehearsals take place 7 p.m. every Tuesday in Ypsilanti, Call (734) 480-8843

STAMP CLUB and third Fridays of the month at The Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit site is www.

New voices from page B3

Tenn and Luigi and Amelia
Battagiπ of Dearborn Heights. City Hospital in Garden City. Sage joins brother Spencer, 2. Grandparents are Charles and Sandra Kay Pennington Janice Wells and Edward and of Inkster announces the birth of Felicia Kovacs, all of Garden her daughter Faith Ann

Rose Nov. 9 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. She joins sister Brittany, age 7. Grandparents are Alan and Amelia Kunka of Dearborn Heights and Suzanne Mason of

Paul and Anne McGuffin of Detroit announce the birth of Alexis Heliadore Nov. 10 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Megan Peterie of Detroit, Joe Sobieraj of Bloomfield Hills and Dave and Lisa Bunker of Livonia.

Michael Nunnally and Nichole Berckley announce the birth of their son, Zachary Noah Nov. 12 at Oakwood Hospital in Wayne. He joins siblings Richard Duane, Heather Nichole, Christian Nicholas and Elizabeth Paige. Grandparents are Richard and Nancy Nunnally of Novi and Donna Berckley of

Brian and Christine Nelson of Wixom announce the birth of Paige Elizabeth Nov. 12 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Mack and Sue Nelson, Richard Novak and Janet Tunis all of

Michel and Teresa LaSage of Garden City announce the birth of Blayne Michael Nov. 13 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. He joins siblings Jessica, 13 and Christopher, 7. Lorraine Rosko of Garden City is his grandmother. Great-grandparents are Bob and Olga Wetzel of South Rock Wood.

■ Christopher and Stephanie Shasser of Westland announce the birth of Sydney Ann Nov. 13 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Bob and Kathy Shasser of Westland and Dave and Pat Beech of Canton.

Raymond DeGolyer of Knoxville, port.

Champine Nov. 19 at Garden received the highest award in Girl Scouting Jason and Michelle City Hospital in Garden City. the Gold Award. Kunka of Dearborn Heights Faith joins siblings Ellisha, 5 announce the birth of Hailey Shana, 3, and Autumn, 2. Michelle Mitoraj, all of Garden City, and Gabrielle Raemy Charest, Quinette Tell and Grandparents are Hershall and Danielle Anne Swan, all of Livonia, were Brenda Pennington of Garden among 34 girls in the Michigan Metro Girl

> Howard and Tammy Cooper of Inkster announce the birth of Rebekah Ann Nov. 23 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. She joins siblings Christina, 12, Amber, 10, Robert, 8, Steven, 6, and Virginia, 3. Grandparents are Pat and Gary Slater of Westland, Jim Underwood of Wayne and Dorothy Campbell of Taylor.

Jason and Dawn Burke of Garden City and Inkster announce the birth of Brittany Lee Nov. 24 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Ted and Sandra Longsdorf of Inkster and John and Sheila Burke of Garden

Kirk and Heidi Gamman of Garden City announce the birth of Colby Kreutzer Nov. 25 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Colby joins brother Andrew 5, and sister Breanna 2. Grandparents are Dennis and Sally Kreutzer of Chicago and Bob and Arlene Gammon of

Mark and Jenny Rice of Plymouth announce the birth of Brandon Mark Nov. 25 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Bud and Shirley LeBlanc of Plymouth and Tom and Yvonne Rice of

Alicia Lynn Spencer of Garden City announces the birth of her son, Nicholas James Nov. 30 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Her grandmother is Allen Joan

■ Michael Puddock of West land and Amanda Sergent of Wayne announce the birth of Jonathon Scott Dec. 1 at Gar ■ Steven and Marisa Batta- den City Hospital in Garden gin of Dearborn announce the City. He joins brother Michael birth of Darien Renee Nov. 15 Scott Puddock, 3. Grandparents at Garden City Hospital in Gar- are Larry and Tina Quiggins of den City. Grandparents are Westland and Wayne and Joe Judith DeGolyer of Garden City, and Ethel Witkowski of New-

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safety and awareness. term care facilities."

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Teens earn Girl Scouting's highest honor

For Meszaros, 18, the project made her "aware of the world around me," while it made Mitoraj "feel good." "I'm glad to do something for the commu-

nity where the younger Girl Scouts enjoyed the fire safety day," the 19-year-old added. A student at Albion College, Charest has been a Scout for 10 years. She is a member of Senior Girl Scout Troop 2553.

For her project, Charest, with the help of local Scout troops, made small crafts and, with the help of high school volunteers, visited and distributed the crafts to the residents of a nursing home.

'I learned that I can become an effective leader and can offer a good example to inger Girl Scouts," said the 18-year-old. "I long way, especially to those who are in long- 41,000 girls in Wayne and Oakland counties

been a Girl Scout for 12 years. She is a member of Senior Scout Troop 761.

For her project, she designed a pionee garden at Greenmead Historical Village in

"My project made me feel better as a per-son and helped educate people in the community," the 19-year-old said.

Swan, who plans to major in special education at Eastern Michigan University, has been a Scout for 14 years. She is a member of Senior Girl Scout Troop 640.

For her project, she organized a bike and safety rally where she taught younger girls safety and crafts.

"This project showed me that I can be organized and finish whatever I start," said the 19-year-old.

The Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council is the fourth largest council in the United States, providing leadership and cultural also learned that a little kindness goes a development opportunities for more than

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Listings for the Religious News complete schedule.

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no later than noon Friday for the

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Talk It Over meets from 7:30-

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30. Call (734) 451-2100. **WOMEN'S RETREAT** Calvary Baptist Church will have a women's retreat, "Choosing to Be God's Woman," Friday-Saturday, Feb. 4-5, at the church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. Sessions include "Choosing to Be God's Woman," "Choosing to Trust," "Choosing to Be What God Wants Me to Be" and "Sharand third Tuesdays of the month ing Christ in Familiar Places." The retreat will be held 7-9:15 p.m. Friday and 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. The \$20 ticket price includes all of the seminar sessions, snack, continental breakfast and a boxed lunch. To register, call (734) 455-

0022.MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each Feb. 11-Feb. 13 and March 10-12 at the St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth Township. The registration fee is \$50. Call Bill and Carol at (248) 528-2512 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524 or visit this Web site: www.rc.net/detroit/wwme.

HEALING SERVICE The Church of the Risen Lord at VanDyke Park Hotel and Conpresents a healing service at :30 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the church, 821 N. istry, and Allen Wilson of Eagles Newburgh Road, south of Ford Road, Westland. The service, led by the Rev. Gary Seymour, is for lunch. Call (800) 560-9240 to part of the series of healing services, "Rise and Come Forward."

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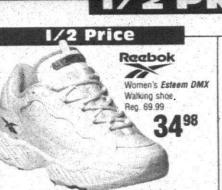
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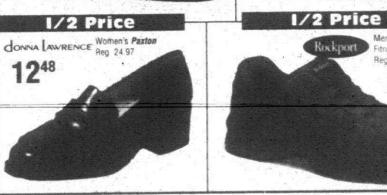


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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Sharks corrected

In the Sunday edition of the Plymouth-Canton Observer, some of the information provided regarding an item in the Sports Briefs column on the Great White Sharks was incor-

First and foremost, a player's name was omitted. Matthew Rodgers was also a key member of the title-winning team.

Also, the team the Sharks defeated 4-2 for the championship was the Whalers, a Mini-Mite team from Dearborn. The Sharks, a Mini Division team from Plymouth-Canton, was playing down an age group.

Ten Star hoop camp

Applications are being evaluated for the Ten Star All-Star Basketball camps for boys and girls (ages 7-19).

Nearby camp locations include Fort Wayne, Ind., Canton, Ohio, and Georgetown, Ky. For an evaluation form, call (704) 372-8610.

Baseball clinics

•The Wayne State University Baseball Winter 2000 Development Hitting Camp, conducted by the school's baseball coaching staff, is open for all baseball hitters in grades seven through 12 who reside within 100 miles of WSU.

The philosophy is to teach and develop secondary school hitters in the fundamentals of hitting.

There are three sessions held on four consecutive Saturdays: Jan. 22 and 29 and Feb. 5 and 12. Session I: 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.; Session II: 10 a.m. to noon; Session III: Noon to 2 p.m.

Each session is limited to 20 campers on a first-come basis. Cost is \$100 per camper. Call (248) 477-6590 for more information

·Avery's All-Star Hitting Camp, conducted by Oakland University coach Mark Avery, is for ages 11 through 18. Wooden bats will be used. The camp costs \$210 per player and

runs five consecutive Saturdays or Sundays, beginning Jan. 15 or 16. Bruce Fields, a former Major

League player now managing the Grand Rapids Whitecaps Minor League team, is one of Avery's instructors.

There is a four to one camper-tocoach ratio.

Call Avery at (810) 523-1953 or Andy Fairman at (248) 672-1819 for more information.

·Westland John Glenn will host a mid-winter pitching and catching clinic Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 22-23 at the school's gym (located at 36105 Marquette h een Wayne and burgh roads).

Ages 8-13 will meet from 1-3 p.m. while ages 14-18 will meet 3:30-5:30

The cost is \$50 per player. Payment must be received no later than Wednesday, Jan. 19 to guarantee a spot. Walk-in registration the first

day of the clinic is \$60. Pitchers will receive instruction on proper form, balance, release point and velocity. Catchers will receive instruction on stance, receiving,

blocking and throwing mechanics. For more information, call John Glenn varsity baseball coach Todd Duffield at (734) 721-5127

Skate with Warriors

Wayne State University's first-year men's hockey program is giving the public a chance to skate with the players after the Warriors' game against SUNY-Brockport, which starts at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 at the State Fairgrounds.

All skaters need is to bring their own skates. In addition to skating with the players, 1,000 free team photographs will be given to the first 1,000 children (17 and under) attending the game. The players will be available to sign the photographs.

Fans who bring cameras may take pictures with the WSU players.

For ticket information, call (877) WSU GOAL.

Cougars need coaches

Garden City High School needs coaches for the following positions: varsity boys track, junior varsity baseball and freshman softball. Call athletic director Bob Dropp at

(734) 762-8363 if interested.

Make it 7 straight wins for Whalers



How long can this last is the question. Whalers players, officials and fans all hope the answer is forever. The Whalers won for the 15th time in 17 games Saturday; their current win streak is at seven.

The Belleville Bulls got a goal with 19 seconds left in the second period and added a second just 6:20 into the third - but by then, it was already too little,

The Plymouth Whalers roared to their seventh-straight win by scoring

three first-period goals and adding another in the second en route to a 4-2 triumph over the Bulls Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

Defenseman Shaun Fisher, named the game's No. 1 star, and teammates Justin Williams and George Nistas each accounted for a goal and an assist, and goalie Rob Zepp turned away 26 of 28 shots for Plymouth.

The Whalers improved to 23-14-3 and moved into a tie for second place with the Windsor Spitfires in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division; both teams have 50 points (the Spitfires have played two fewer games, however). Belleville is 22-14-1.

Damian Surma got Plymouth going, scoring at the 6:29 mark of the first period, with assists from Williams and Fisher. Fisher made it 2-0 at 14:14 of the first period, Nistas and Eric Gooldy

assisting.
Nistas' power-play goal at the 18:07 juncture of the first increased the Whalers' lead to 3-0; Gooldy got his second assist of the game, with Tomas Kurka also assisting.

Williams unassisted short-handed goal at 3:15 of the second period made it 4-0 for Plymouth. The Bulls narrowed the margin with a goal from Randy Rowe late in the second and

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Nothing easy

PCA wastes lead in loss to Inter-City

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

When you compile a 21-4 record and advance to the regional finals in the Class D state tournament like Plymouth Christian Academy did last season, you might as well stencil a giant bull's-eye on the back of your uniforms the following year.

"When you're on top," PCA coach Doug Taylor explained, "everybody's gunning for you."

Using an arsenal that featured a relentless full-court press, Allen Park Inter-City Baptist overcame a 15-point first-half deficit and dropped the Eagles, 79-75, Tuesday night in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference opener for both teams.

PCA, which entered the season with most of last year's starting line-up intact and realistic hopes of improving on last year's sterling record, fell to 2-3 overall. The Chargers improved their overall record to 4-3.

"It was a Jeckyl-and-Hyde performance," Taylor said, shaking his head, "In the first half, we followed the game plan perfectly. We broke their press and then worked the ball into our big guys to take advantage of our height. As a result, we got a lot of lay-ups,

"The second half was a different. story. We got away from the game plan and started taking too many outside

The game's final shooting statistics confirmed Taylor's point. The Eagles shot 61 percent (19-for-31) in the first half and 30 percent (9-for-30) in the final 16 minutes.

In addition, leading scorer Mike Huntsman was held to four second-half points after scorching the net for 22 in the first half.

Huntsman and teammate Derric Isensee, a third team All-State performer last season, were both plagued by foul trouble in the second half before fouling out in the game's final three minute

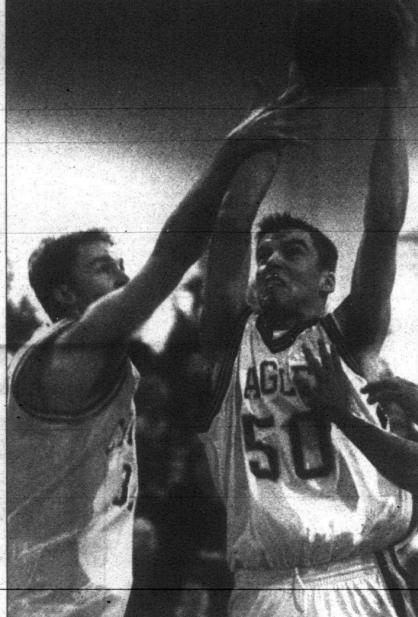
"It hurt player like Derric and a player like Mike in the fourth quarter of a close game," Taylor said. "But I have to give a lot of credit to our bench. They kept the game close when Derric and Mike fouled out."

The Chargers' second-half comeback as led by senior forward Jim Prencipe, who finished with a gamehigh 35 points and eight rebounds. Prencipe was equally efficient in the paint and outside the three-point arc, nailing three triples.

"Jimmy's a phenomenal player," said

Contributor: Salem's Jeff Haar

scored eight in Tuesday's win.



Big factor: Mike Huntsman led Plymouth Christian to an early lead with a 22-point first half, but the senior center got just four points in the second half before fouling out in the fourth quarter.

Inter-City Baptist coach Mark Kraatz. "He's not flashy, but he makes plays. He broke his leg his sophomore year and came back last year a little overweight. But this year he has been out-

A track meet broke out in the first

quarter, as both teams raced up and down the court with not much regard for defense. The Eagles, who consistently shrugged off the visitors'-baseline-to-baseline pressure, led 29-21

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VOLLEYBALL

Salem goes unbeaten to finish 1st

Straight sets.
That's how Plymouth Salem played its own Five-Team Volley-ball Invitational: in straight sets, beating all four of its opponents in the minimum number of games required - 10.

The four match wins boosted the Rocks' record to 12-4 and got them back on the winning track, which is where they started the season at the Midland Invitational last month, winning sixstraight matches without losing a

Salem took a slight detour at the Portage Northern Invitational Dec. 30, going 2-4. Two of those defeats came in three-set match-

It was different last Saturday at Salem. The Rocks ripped North Farmington 15-5, 15-2; Farmington 15-2, 15-6; Livonia Clarenceville 15-6, 15-9; and Trenton 15-11, 15-7.

Amanda Suder and Jill Dombrowski carried much of the offensive load through the tournament. Suder led Salem in kills with 20 and service aces with 29 (3.6 per game played); she was also second. on the team in assists to kills with 28 and in digs with 12.

Dombrowski was second to Suder in kills for the tournament with 15. She added five service aces and 32 assists to kills.

Other standouts included Michelle Ginther with nine kills (with a .438 kill percentage), with a team-high in digs with 14 and blocks with three; and Denise Phillips with 10 kills (a .269 percentage) and 14 service aces. For the season, Suder leads

Salem in kills with 57 (2.59 per rame), service aces with 40, and digs with 60; she's second in assists to kills with 58.

Dombrowski is tops on the Rocks in assists to kills with 107 and is tied for first with Ginther in blocks with 13; she also has 41 kills (a .245 average), 32 digs and

The Rocks travel to the Comstock Invitational Saturday, then host Walled Lake Central at 7 p.m. Monday.

Fast start ignites Rocks

Why wait?

On Tuesday against visiting Riverview, Plymouth Salem's basketball team didn't. The Rocks didn't allow the Pirates to get a lead and then make full use of their vaunted delay style of offense

Instead, Salem broke out quickly and ever let, eventually burying Riverview 72-51 in a non-league game played at

The win boosted the Rocks' record to 3-4 overall. The Pirates are 4-5. "We took them out of it from the get-

go," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "We never let them run their delay game. "Once they get the lead, they can dictate the tempo. That's what I was afraid of."

Riverview never got that opportunity because Salem never trailed. The Rocks led 6-2 to start the game and kept pulling away, making it 17-6 by the end of one quarter and 38-18 by

Matt McCaffrey and Nick Tochman did a good deal of the damage, although there was a long list of con-

BASKETBALL

tributors. McCaffrey scored 10 firsthalf points, Tochman eight.

It didn't get any better for the Pirates in the third quarter - the Rocks outpointed them 21-8 to push their lead to 59-26 entering the last period and make Riverview's 25-13

final-quarter run meaningless. Andy Kocoloski and McCaffrey paced Salem with 14 points apiece; McCaffrey also grabbed 11 rebounds. Tochman finished with 10 points, and Ryan Nimmerguth and Jeff Haar netted eight

dished out six assists. All 12 Rocks scored in the game. Kyle Stiff topped Riverview with 25 points, including seven three-pointers.

apiece. Ryan Cook scored four and

Agape 66, Franklin Road 54: The oneand Julian Wettlin wrecked Southfield Franklin Road Christian Tuesday in lifting Canton Agape Christian to victo-

The Wolverines trailed 8-5 after one quarter, then took command with a 26-12 second period to make it 31-20 at half. Franklin Road managed to trim that deficit to 44-36 entering the fourth quarter, but could not overtake Agape.

Anleitner and Wettlin combined for 51 of Agape's points. Anleitner, a junior guard, scored 26, hitting four threepointers; he also had five steals. Wettlin, a senior guard, poured in 25 and grabbed 12 rebounds

Brandon Edwards led Franklin Road with 19 points.

A.A. Huron 79, Redford CC 66: Ann Arbor Huron won a non-league game on Tuesday at Redford Catholic Central, outscoring the Shamrocks in the fourth quarter, 30-18.

Rodney Williams had a game-high 34 oints to lead Huron, 5-2 overall. Imani Wilson added 25.

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Canton 2nd at Royal Oak

Really, the outcome was nearly perfect, as far as Plymouth Canton wrestling coach John Demsick was concerned. The Chiefs finished a solid second, for the secondstraight year, at the Royal Oak Tribunal Tournament, hosted by Royal Oak Dondero HS last Saturday.

First place in the 13-team field went to Helly with 242.5 points; Canton scored 209.5, followed by Royal Oak Kimball with 149 and Dakota with 98.

A year ago, the Chiefs placed second . again to Holly — but there were only eight teams competing. Which means they've

signature on one of the most

important documents in U.S.

history, Redford Catholic Cen-

tral wrestler Mitch Hancock is

bound to win an individual state

His coach, Mike Rodriguez,

Hancock improved his record

to 23-0 by winning the 160-

pound weight class, highlighting

the Shamrocks' efforts Saturday

Davison, a contender for the

The Shamrocks had the best

performance of three Observer-

land teams in the 14-team field,

taking sixth place (92.5). Livonia

Stevenson was ninth (84.5) and

Westland John Glenn came in

Hancock beat Fruitport's

Kevin Lee, 7-3, in the champi-

bye in the first round and an 18-

3 win over Warren Lincoln's

"I don't think he's going to

lose," Rodriguez said of Hancock.

"He's on target, focused this

The sixth place finish as a

team was disappointing for

Rodriguez, who thought a top

three finish was possible

Division I state title, won the

team title with 237 points; Holt

was second with 131.

last place (25).

onship round.

at their Wrestling Invitational.

championship this year.

predicts it

made progress, just being able to maintain their position in a bigger tournament. "I'm real proud of our guys," said Demsick.

"They really are hanging together as a team

and are hungry to win.

And yet, as well as they performed, not placing first left them thirsting for something better. "It was still a good win even though we really wanted first place," said Demsick. "Holly beat us out, two years now.

He reached the finals with a A champion: CC's Mitch Hancock (right) gets the best of Oxford's Joel Vasquez en

Davison is going to walk away reached the semifinal round.

No other CC wrestler won a wound at 171 pounds. O'Hara

flight but Jeff Wheeler, Ryan also finished fourth, losing his

route to the 160-pound division title at Saturday's Catholic Central Invitational

Wheeler pinned Romeo's Tony

Schuster in 4:54 for third place

Rogowski lost to Oxford's Jake

Shagena, 14-5, in the consolation

Kyle Pitt at 103 pounds, Greg Musser at 130 and Derek McWatt at heavyweight. Chris Hosey at 125, John Pocock at 145 and Phil Rothwell at 189 all finished-second.

Dustin Armer (112), Scott McKee (160), Shahein Rajaee (171) and Ozzie Wagner (215) all came away with fourth-place finish

The Chiefs host Livonia Churchill at 6:30 Redford Thurston). p.m. tonight in a Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division match, then they travel to the Ypsilanti Lincoln Invita

. Jon Simmons (Farmington); 3. David Teets John Glenn); 4. Pat Sayn (GC); 5. Bill Bullock 125: 1. John Mervyn (Franklin); 2. Rob Ash Shamrocks' Hancock still undefeated

Harry Ceipitz (North Farmington).

Plymouth Salem); 3. Jon Gregg (Wayne. Memorial); 4. Vinnie Zoccoli (Garden City); 5. thris Hosey (Canton). 130: 1 .: Jeff Albrecht (John Glenn); 2. Jesse

Smith (Wayne); 3. Steve Rotenheber tevens (RU); 3. Brian Marsh (Wayne); 4. Clarenceville); 4. Kyle Domagalski (Farming-Brian Reed (GC); 5. Greg Musser (Canton). ton); 5. Ozzi Wagner (Canton). 135: 1. Jeff Wheeler (Redford CC); 2. Branton Templeton (GC); 3. Steve Dendrinos

Salem); 4. Jeff Murphy (Luth. Westland); 5. Allen Waddell (John Glenn). 140: 1. Josh Henderson (Salem); 2. Josh

TEAM: 1. Redford Catholic Central; 2. Ply- Jay Abshire (Redford CC); 5. Trevor Clark (N. uth Canton; 3. Plymouth Salem; 4. Farm-Farmington). ngton; 5. Garden City,

145: 1. Jeff Usher (Redford Thurston); 2. Steve Abar (Churchill); 3. Sean Bell (Redford INDIVIDUAL WEIGHT CLASSES CC); 4. Matt Barker (John Glenn); 5. Chris 103 pounds: 1. Josh Gunterman (Livenia itevenson); 2. Kyle Pitt (Canton); 3. Kyle 152: 1. Mike Carter (Churchill); 2. Imad Malo (Churchill): 4. Scott Massey (GC): 5.

Kharbush (Stevenson); 3. Mark Ostach (Farmington); 4. Chris Wolfgang (John Glenn); 5. 112: 1. Chris O'Hara (Redford CC): 2. Dan Scott McKee (Canton). ondreau (Livonia Clarenceville); 3. Chris 160: 1. Ryan Rogowski (Redford CC); 2 Smith (Westland John Glenn): 4. Steve Eric Toska (Franklin); 3, Eric Kelley (RU); 4. enhantt (Livonia Churchill): 5. Chris Usher

Mark Murtland (Farmington). 171: 1. Mitch Hancock (Redford CC): 2. 119: 1. Ron Thompson (Plymouth Salem); Craig Medos (GC); 3. James Molnar (Lutheran Westland); 4. Matt Vesanto (Wayne); 5. Dustin Gress (Farmington).

189: 1. Ben Lukas (Farmington); 2. Kalen McPherson (Clarenceville); 3. Eric Puninske (Stevenson); 4. Phil Rothwell (Canton); 5. Matt Conlan (Redford CC). 215: 1. Oille Muscarella (RU): 2. Nick

Heavyweight: 1, Brian Brinsden (Farmington); 2. Derek McWatt (Canton); 3. Josh Rose (Clarenceville); 4. Kevin Packard (Lutheran

Redford Catholic Centra Wrestling Invitational

Team standings: 1. Davison, 237 points; 2. tolt, 131; 3. Oxford, 111; 4. Clarkston, 108; 5. house (Ht) dec. Justin Nielson (WL), 42. Romeo, 96: 6. Catholic Central, 92.5: 7. Anchor Bay, 89; 8. Warren Lincoln, 86; 9. Livonia Stevenion, 84.5; 10. Fowlerville, 78; 11. Howell, 61.5; Dave Beste (AB), :48; fifth place: Jay Abshire 12. Birmingham Brother Rice, 59: 13. Fruitport, 49; 14. Westland John Glenn, 25.

heavyweight: Eric Ghiacius (Ox) decisioned Nic LaFear, 5-3; consolation: Derek Stansbury Sam Cooper (Fp), 2:21; fifth place: Clint Der Ro) won by default over John Robinson (Cs); fifth slace: Aaron Parr (CC) dec. Adam Barr (Ht), 5-3. 103 pounds: Josh Gunterman (LS) dec. Keris-

on LaBelle (Dv), 9-2; consolation: Andy Puyear ft) dec. Russ Bohlinger (FI), 14-1; fifth place: eremy Steiner (AB) pinned McIlwreth Netto (BR), 1:44. 112: Brooks Cozart (HW) dec. Shawn Newton

Dv), 7-4; consolation: Cainan Munsell (WL) dec. Ox) dec. Ken Schultz, 13-7.

vike Mendoza (WL), 4-3; fifth place: Dan Siedzik Ro) dec. Glen Paul Murray (AB), 14-7. 130: Charlie Myer (Ox) pinned Clint Montomery (WL), 5:59; consolation: Matt Ghastin Lehr (Dv), 9-4; fifth place; Ryan Tiseo (Ro) dec ht) dec, Jeff Albrecht (JG), 9-3; fifth place: Dave - Tim McCarthy (LS), 7-2.

Endrezsi (Cs) pinned Clint Randall (Ro), 3:32.

135: Joe Whitman (Dv) dec. Dave Welank (Cs), 15-7; consolation: Jeff Wheeler (CC) pinned Tony Schuster (Ro), 4:54: fifth place: Drew Oster-

140: Scott Norton (Ro) dec. Chad Roush (D

ringer (WL) dec. Eric Steckling (BR), 7-2.

(Fp) dec. Jason Herbert (FI), 7-0.

dec. Mike Falzon (LS), 3-1.

152: Clint DeGain (Cs) dec. Imad Kharbus

(LS), 7-1: consolation: Kevin Harrington (BR) dec

Tim Polidan (Dv), 11-9; fifth place: Billy Johnson

160: Mitch Hancock (CC) dec. Kevin Lee (Fp).

7-3; consolation: Casey Streeter (Dv) dec. Jamie

Palomo (WL), 9-5; fifth place: Zach Heilner (FI)

ton at Redford Arena. A big crowd is expected for the game between the two state pow-(CC) dec. Jason Harrison (BR), 1-0. 145: Kevin Henneman (AB) dec. Jimmy McFel

> it's not (sold out)," CC coach mean to the Shamrocks. Gordie St. John said. CC also was scheduled to play

Class B-C-D, on Wednesday, ular because you don't want peoending a two-week layoff. The Shamrocks, 8-1 overall,

A few minutes here, a few minutes there

That's the best way to sum up the first half

of Plymouth Salem's first-ever hockey sea-

son. The Rocks can seemingly skate with

just about anybody for a period of time, but

then there's that few fateful minutes in the

And it hasn't, for the most part, been a

The Western Lakes Activities Association

games played against Livonia Stevenson

Saturday and Northville Monday added to

that legacy. Salem saw its record dip to 1-11

overall with an 8-2 loss to Stevenson at the

against Northville Monday at Novi Ice.

"We were in the game, we had some oppor-

Salem trailed 2-0 after one period and 3-1

after two. A goal by Steve Nagel (assisted by

tunities," said Salem coach Fred Feiler

Plymouth Cultural Center and a 6-2 defeat

game when their fate is decided.

regarding the Stevenson game.

weeks on the Redford Catholic

The Shamrocks have two chal-

powers, including an 8 p.m. Sat-

arday face-off against rival Tren-

Central hockey schedule.

had been idle since Dec. 29 when Milwaukee, Wis.

What was supposed to be a 10day layoff between games turned into 14 days when St. Thomas Aquinas in Ontario canceled out on a schedule visit last Saturday for a game at Redford Arena.

a game in place of that cancela- the best." tion, scheduling the Ice Dogs, a

Trenton was the only team to top two with Dave Moss, Brett each other. We want to make

This is one of the marquee beat CC last year. The other John and Jim Spiewak occupymeeting ended in a tie but it was ing one and Brian Williams, remembered more for the fact Brandon Kaleniecki and Joe that a Trenton player nearly lost Moreau the other. lenges against perennial state his life after being slashed in the There are no assurances neck accidentally by a skate.

Quick strikes doom Salem

13:12 left in the last period kept the Rocks

from Mike Ventimiglia to win going away.

These guys are improving, though

"For whatever reason, we can't shake that

bit," said Feiler. "We played a little better

(Monday) night (against Northville). But the

Salem's first goal against Stevenson

scored with 10:22 left in the second period,

an assist for the Spartans. Mark Nebus

within striking distance at 4-2.

puck didn't bounce our way.

PREP HOCKEY

The game was called with the score tied and not resumed. missed several practices last to play with each other," he said. week because of the flu, knows "We tweak it when kids get com-

"It's going to be intense." St John said. "We had a layoff and at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, a that always hurts you. I'm wortraditionally strong team in ried about Wednesday in partic-

ple looking ahead to Trenton. tremendously competitive games they won the championship against Trentor. They've got to game of a two-day tournament in be good, ranked third or fourth has a goals against average of there but St. John said the in the state."

Trenton is led by defenseman Andy Greene, one of the best John said. "I don't like the fact class or position.

After juggling his lines most of are tearing each other apart in

full strength. Junior defenseman

they'll remain the same, however he said "We keep moving them around CC coach Gordie St. John, who and it's good for the kids to learn

"A lot will miss a good game if full well what these two games placent and bring in someone else. It keeps them sharp." Williams leads the Shamrocks

with 18 points (eight goals and 10 assists) and Kalenieckí has 14 points (eight goals, six assists). Moreau (six goals, seven assists) and Moss (six goals, seven "We've had a history of playing assists) are tied for third on the team with 13 points each.

Senior goaltender Ben Dunne

Shamrocks are happy at Red "I like our work ethic," St. players in the state regardless of we've had as long a layoff as and they've been loyal to us," St. we've had. It wouldn't have been John said. "It's nice to be part of "He's a real player," St. John bad if we hadn't lost the one said. "You've always got to know game to St. Thomas canceling on Bill McSween (Redford Unified The Shamrocks have picked up where he is. He's certainly one of us. I could have gotten along assistant coach who helps run with that. Right now these boys Redford Arena) has been very cooperative. He's a hockey guy, Triple A team, on Saturday, Jan. the season, St. John likes the practice. They're frustrated not I've known him a long time and combination he's found on his having played games, whacking we get along very well together."

Peraino had a goal and two assists.

Sophomore goalie Rob Grisius made 13

aves in his first varsity start for Stevenson. Salem goalie Steve Steckel was bombarded Mike Thackaberry and Mark Nagel) with by 64 Stevenson shots, 28 coming in the last

The Northville match was similar to the That's when the pivotal few minutes came game played two days earlier. Salem trailed into play. The Spartans (7-4 overall, 5-1 in after two periods, getting a goal from the WLAA) scored twice in a 30-second span, Mark Nagel (assisted by Scott Morrison and then got two more in the last 10 minutes David Bida) with 7:16 left in the second.

The Rocks bad stretch came in the first few minutes of the final period, when the Mustangs' Scott Schueler and Rob Ryan scored doubled their team's lead. Steve Nagel scored for Salem with 6:00 left to narrow the gap, but Tim Hillebrand's second goal of the game iced it for Northville.

Schueler, Ryan and Hillebrand came from James Pawlica (assisted by Steve Northville's top-scoring line — each had two goals and three assists. Ventimiglia finished with three goals and

Stukel was in goal for Salem. Josh Block

Derek Genrich is out at least

another month with an ankle

injury, junior forward Ryan

Lasecki is out for the season

with a chest injury and fresh-

man forward Eric Giosa remains

rich is playing despite a sore

for the return this week of fresh

man Andrew Eggert, who missed

'the Milwaukee tournament with

"We've been hammered with

"We're pretty loval to Redford

foot. The Shamrocks are hoping

Junior defenseman Sean Gen-

out with a hand injury.

injuries," St. John said.

a groin injury.

Sharks hockey team posted a perfect 4-0 record in winning the hird annual Micki Lewis Memorial Tournament at the end of ast month in Royal Oak, Goalie Zack Cisek earned tourname Shamrocks face traditional state powers MVP honors, allowing three goals with two shutouts. Team nembers pictured are, front from left. Ben Symanow, Rayn. Rose, Brenden Muir, Zack Cisek, Shawn Lyons, Joey Beard, Kyle Zink, Jordan Emery and Zack Cisek. Standing, from left, The Shamrocks still aren't at

Josh McGuire, Andy Sensoli, Patrick Patin, Steven Rosselle, Zack Vukmirovich and Noah Fairchild. Evan McCarthy is not pictured. The head coach is Eugene Patin (back, center); assis-tants are Jim Cisek (right) and Matt Zink (left). Assistants Dan Symanow and Paul Kaczmarek are not pictured.

nip run: The Plymouth-Canton Mile BB Power

A perfect holiday

Blazers blank Kingswood

Machrina Fallon and Katie O'Dea each scored a pair of goals Tuesday as Livonia Ladywood nproved to 10-1 overall and 9-1 in the Women's Michigan High School Hockey League by blanking Bloomfield Hills Kingswood

Compuware Arena may be 4-0 at Plymouth's Arctic Pond. available with Birmingham O'Dea also contributed two Brother Rice no longer playing assists in the victory. Jana Beumel assisted on Fallon's first goal, 47 seconds into the game.

Ladywood added two goals in the second period, both by O'Dea, and another in the third. Goaltender Megan Shefferly posted the shutout.

Churchill 3, Farmington United 1: The defense supplied by defensemen Nate Jakubowski and Sean Szostak carried Churchill to victory in the Western Lakes Activities Association

matchup against Farmington United Friday Churchill (7-3-1 overall) is in

first place in the WLAA with a 6mark. Farmington (7-2) is 4-2 in the league. Szostak got the Chargers

started with a slap shot past Flygoalie Logan McLean at 2 of the opening period. Heraghty, from Brian Marion, evened the score for Farmington with two seconds left in the opening period.

Krug broke the tie on a power play at 4:35 of the second period. Tom Sherman's empty-net goal clinched the victory.

Chris O'Hara (CC), 9-3; fifth place: Steve Storrs 171: Jon Phillips (Dv) dec. Chad Cleeves (Ht "Some should have won that lost. Rogowski and Chris O'Hara consolation match to Warren 10-6; consolation: Jake Shagena (Ox) won on Lincoln's Cainan Munsell, 9-3. 119: Craig Trombly (AB) dec. Jack Scott, 5-4; major dec. over Ryan Rogowski (CC), 14-5; 8fth Rodriguez believes Rogowski, onsolation: Dave Teets (JG) dec. Craig Zube place: John MacFarland (LS) dec. Kevin Jenks the vounger brother of former HW), 6-2; fifth place: Billy Bullock (LS) pinned 189: Scott Philburn (FI) dec. Willie Breyer CC two-time state heavyweight champion Casey Rogowski, will 125: Chase Metcalf (Dv) pinned Brian Sullivan (Ox), 17-11; consolation: Ben Tecmire (HW) have a strong remainder of the pinned Adam Wilmoth (Dv), ;43; fifth place; Eric season and career. Puninske (LS) pinned Frank Mathias (CC), 2:28. "He's going to be his own 215: Pat DeGain (Cs) dec. Jacob Dungey (Ht) man," Rodriguez said. "Some-8-3; consolation: Kyle Tucker (WL) dec. Derek

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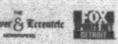
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Shorthanded Ocelots stop St. Clair

Schoolcraft College's men's bascetball team showed how significant a factor it could be on Saturday at St. Clair County CC, when the Ocelots lost one of their top players, Lamar Bigby,

Going up against an opponent that was unbeaten in three previous games in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference, and on their floor, it figures SC coach Carlos Briggs

would need all of his weapons to be available.

SC's quality depth, however, proved to be the decisive factor. The Ocelots, who led 45-35 at the half, maintained that cush-

ion and posted an 81-68 victory. "That was a big win," said Briggs. "We beat a tough team on their floor, and they have some shooters.

"Defensively, we stepped up,

Keys to the victory were SC's superior rebounding (a 36-28

edge on the boards), turnovers Madonna rally falls short (SC had 13, St. Clair 18) and free-throw shooting (SC: 27-of-Certainly, Madonna Universi-36, 75 percent; St. Clair: 6-of-12, ty didn't allow visiting Tri-State University to leave for home Saturday without knowing it had Robert Brown paced the

Ocelots with 23 points and 14 been in a game. After falling behind by 10 at rebounds. Brian Williams (Wayne Memorial), whose game the halftime break, the Fighting has taken a turn for the better Crusaders battled back against since the start of the conference the bigger, more experienced season, added 14 points and Thunder, a team that came into seven assists; Nick Evola scored the game boasting an 11-6 the game. But the Crusaders 13; and Quentin Mitchell netted record (compared to Madonna's

2-15).

Jim Campbell's 16 points was With 4:53 left in the game, basket by Madonna's Chad Put-

the conference. St. Clair CCC fell. knotted the score at 51-all. But to 9-6 overall, 3-1 in the confer-Tri-State answered with a 10-2 run over the next three minutes, recover, eventually losing by a run.

66-58 margin. The loss kept Madonna winless in two Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference games; the Crusaders are 2-16 overall. Tri-State is tied for first in the WHAC at 2-0; the Thunder are

> Madonna trailed 34-24 at the half and 46-31 with 14:01 left in launched a comeback, outscoring the Thunder 16-1 over the next 6:24 to eventually tie it at 47-all

4:53 remaining when Tri-State, behind Jared Boll's and Joshua Treesh's four points apiece, took and the Crusaders couldn't control for good with its 10-2

> Madonna was led by Putnam. who totaled 12 points, five rebounds and three steals. Mike Massey and Trevor Hinshaw contributed 11 points each; Hinshow also had six assists and three steals. Jason Skoczylas added 10 points and seven

Tri-State got 20 points from both Treesh and Boll; Treesh also had three assists and three steals, while Boll grabbed six rebounds. Chad LaCross added

Turnovers ruin Crusader hopes

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ence game at Tri-State University. The Lady Crusaders battled the Thunder evenly in almost every statistical category except turnovers: They had 30 to Tri-State's 18, which resulted in 15 more shots for the Thunder, nine more baskets, a 24-9 edge in points scored off turnovers - and a 64-54

were the turnovers.

victory in Angola, Ind. The loss dropped Madonna to 0-2 in the WHAC, 6-8 overall. Tri-State improved to 1-1 in the conference, 11-5 overall.

The effort was there. Unfortunately, so

That, ultimately, was what cost Madonna

University's women's basketball team Satur-

day in a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Confer-

The Crusaders had the advantage through the first half, building a 31-26 lead thanks in great part to solid free throw shooting: They were 10-of-13 from the line (76.9 percent) compared to Tri-State's 1-of-2.

That changed in the second half. The Thunder outscored Madonna 38-23, making all four of their three-pointers and 15 of their 25 floor shots (60 percent). Madonna was 8-

of-22 in the second half (36.4 percent) and 17-of-43 for the game (39.5 percent).

points, 11 rebounds, three steals and two No other Crusader, however, reached double figures in anything. Chris Dietrich was ciation Eastern Conference play at 1-1; they

next-best scorer with nine points; she also are 2-7 overall. St. Clair is 3-1 in the conferhad five steals and four assists, and Carissa ence, 7-8 overall. Gizicki had seven points, five assists and two

There was some good news for Madonna:

Schoolcraft College couldn't overcome a bad first half, although the Lady Ocelots gave it a good effort in the last 20 minutes Saturday at St. Clair County CC.

deficit to six with 3:05 left to play but could

The loss evened the Ocelots' record in Michigan Community College Athletic Asso-

"We were within six, but we couldn't quite get over the hump after making up the deficit," said SC coach Karen Lafata.

Bill Ruggiero would need, as he recorded his first-ever OHL shutout against the team he once played for. Ruggiero had 21 saves in

when he pounced on a Knights' turnover in own players.

Whalers from page C1

Corey Batten made 30 saves in the same

Last Friday at London, defense ruled and

Plymouth's defense proved more dominant

as the Whalers blanked the London

Top scorers from both teams were held

pointless, but Plymouth had some others

step up when needed. Rob McBride got his

third goal of the season (and second in as

many games), chasing down a puck sent

into the corner in London's end of the ice by

McBride then cut in front of the Knights'

goal and lifted a backhander over the glove

It would be the only goal Whalers' goalie

of goalie Gene Chiarello.

Hoop

from page C1

points to lead four Shamrocks

in double figures. Senior for

ward Matt Loridas added 12

and junior guards Mark

Willoughby and Ryan

Huron led 20-15 after one

quarter before the Shamrocks

gained a 32-31 halftime lead,

outscoring the River Rats 17-

through three quarters before

Huron finished 14-for-24 a

the free throw line while CC

was 10-of-13. The loss

Huron had a 49-48 lead

11 in the second quarter.

dominating the fourth.

Celeskey had 11 apiece.

third, but they could get no closer.

Knights, 2-0.

PCA basketball from page C1

tak and Alex Sawruk.

Chiarello. Chiarello stopped 32 of 34 Whaler

Ambassadors get 5 stars

at 7 p.m. Jan. 22 in Geneva, Ill.

London was 10-21-5 through the weekend.

Five members of the Compuware Ambas-

sadors - four of them starters - will be on

the ice for the North American Hockey

League's 2000 All-Star Game, which will be

A sixth member of the Ambassadors,

coach Mike Vellucci, will serve as an assis-

tant to the East team's head coach, Joe

Shawhan of the Soo Kewadin Casino Indi-

Forward Michael Smith, defenseman

Andy Burnes and goalie Craig Kowalski will

start for the East squad. Also on the East

Teams were selected by a vote of the

coaches within their respective divisions.

team are Compuware forwards Steve Swis-

PCA continued to work the ball in for easy baskets in the second quarter and led 52-37 at the half. Huntsman was unstop-

Jamie Lalonde added some insurance Coaches were not allowed to vote for their

another by Kyle Wellwood early in the front of their net and wristed a shot past

first-half field-goal attempts and all seven of his free throws. The Eagles came out in the 64, at the 5:46 mark on third quarter as if they had spent the intermission in a giant freezer. Their once sizzling shooting touch turned ice cold as they connected on just 3-of-14

pable, hitting all eight of his

hand, were turning turnovers Isensee committed his fifth foul points each. produced by their press into one minute after that, putting a ncontested layups. As a result, they cut their once meaty deficit

to 60-58 heading into the final

shots from the field.

rebound into the basket one minute into the fourth quarter, boosting PCA's lead back up to 64-58. However, the Chargers stormed right back and scored the next seven points, taking their first lead of the game, 65-

Prencipe's two free throws. PCA junior forward P.J. Woodman gave his team its final lead shots. of the night, 72-71, when he sank one-of-two free throws with ers had two players score in dou-3:39 left. However, Huntsman The Chargers, on the other fouled out 18 seconds later and Jake Milner, who netted 10

> damper on the home team's scoring punch. Following Woodman's free

forced the Eagles to commit 21

turnovers. "That's way too

Dave Carty turned in a solid

while pulling down six rebounds.

Isensee finished with 14 points

Huntsman was the Eagles' top

rebounder, grabbing 12 missed

Besides Prencipe, the Charg-

PCA shot 45 percent (28-of-61)

from the floor and 56 percent

(14-of-25) from the charity

many," Taylor said.

and 10 boards.

Salem stumbles

according to Salem gymnastics coach Melissa Hopson.

The performance of the Rocks' team wasn't exactly one of them. Brighton finished first in the 17-team field, scoring 137.95 points. Second went to Rochester with 137.35, followed by Troy (136.525), Holt (135.55), Freeland (132.375), Adrian (131.65), Jackson County Western (130.3), Ann Arbor Huron (130.075), Grosse Pointe North (129.5), Hartland (128.45), Ann Arbor Pioneer (126.95). Plymouth Salem (126.3), Fraser and Saline (tied with 115.5), Birmingham Seaholm (115.35), Midland (112.75) and Walled Lake

Salem's 12th-place finish was omewhat predictable, considering the injuries that have sidelined some top performers: sophomore Emily Nicolau, out two weeks with a hyper-extended knee, and junior Ashley Heard, who has two bad wrists

and two bad ankles. Heard could compete this weekend at the Rockford Invitational, but she'll be restricted to the balance beam and uneven parallel bars. effort for PCA, netting 17 points

And yet, Hopson had hoped for good meet," she said. "We got a good look at some other teams. "My girls did OK. We didn't

ave the best meet of our lives. Our score) was lower than it was against Walled Lake (Jan. 4). We could score 128, 129 with these girls." ble figures: Jared Garner and

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that came out of last Saturday's did not place in the top five as a Plymouth Salem Invitational, team in any of the four events. The Rocks did get solid perfor

mances from April Aquinto, who scored 9.2 on floor exercise, 9.05 on beam, 8.2 on vault and 8.1 on bars, and from Bethany Bartlett who posted a 9.1 on floor, an 8.95 on vault, an 8.3 on bars and an 8.3 on beam.

Other good scores, according to Hopson, came from Kara Dendrinos on vault (7.55) and floor (7.45); from Kelsey Ensor on floor (8.05) and beam (7.75) from Ann-Marie Zelinski or vault (7.6); and from Danielle

Teper on beam (7.15). "We had a bad bar day," said Hopson. "Once we get everyone back, what I'd like to see is this team score in the 132s by season's end.

"All I can look for is improve

Against Walled Lake Jan. 4, the Rocks rolled to an easy 126.4-109.65 triumph in their first Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet of the sea

Bartlett led Salem with 34.00 all-around total, scoring 9.05 on vault, 8.7 on bars, 8.7 on floor and 7.55 on beam. Aguinte was next best with a 33.05 all around; she had an 8.85 on floor something a bit more. "It was a 8.8 on bars, 8.4 on vault and 7.0 on beam.

Other top scores were posted by Ensor on floor (8.1) and beam (8.0); Dendrinos on floor (7.95) (7.75), vault (7.7) and beam (7.2) Zelinski on vault (7.9): Valerie Quigley on floor (7.4); and Stephanie Olli on beam (7.15)

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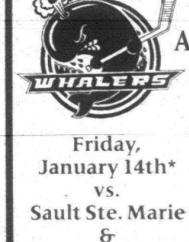
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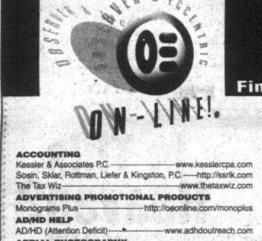
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Kristi Fiorenzi, a junior forward from Plymouth Canton HS, led Madonna with 18

Tri-State got 12 points from Sarah Zimmerman and 10 from Karen Reinhart.

Lori Enfield, one of the trio of inside players who had been injured, returned to action. Enfield, the Crusaders' starting center who suffered a severe finger injury against Wayne State Dec. 16, played 16 minutes and

Trailing 39-25 at the half, SC trimmed the

draw no closer in losing, 77-66.

Four players reached double figures in scoring for the Ocelots, led by Angelica Blakely with 20 points; she also grabbed 10 rebounds. Janelle Olson added 18 points, Antone' Watson scored 14 and Carly Wright

Kara Jackman's 20 points was best for the

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p.m. Saturday, March 4; and 10

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showing of new model boats.

admitted free Sport and Fishing Show will be Feb. 12-20 at Cobo Center. The

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

SPRING BOATING EXPO The eighth annual Spring Boat ing Expo is scheduled for March 16-19 at the Novi Expo Center. The show features some 200 exhibitors with new boats and watercrafts, motors, trailers, docks, accessories and more.

ARCHERY

LIVONIA RANGE The Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range eatures seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livo nia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farming ton Road, Call (734) 466-2410 fo

ILINIOR OLYMPICS The Oakland County Sportsman

Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Program beginning at 1 p.m. on

Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. the first Saturday in November at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-FOUR SEASONS 2110 for more information.

CLUBS

CLINTON VALLEY BASS Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club

is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gan der Mountain in Waterford, Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at

Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and

third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight mile roads. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

The Four Seasons Fishing Club

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

FISHING BUDDIES Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for information.

Friday, Jan. 14 Luth. W'sld at Luth. North, 7 p.m. Salem at Churchill, 7 p.m. Stevenson at Franklin, 7 p.m. N. Farmington at Canton, 7 p.m. Farmington at Northville, 7 p.m. W.L. Central at Harrison, 7 p.m. Wayne at Willow Run, 7 p.m. Garden City at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m. Wyandotte at Redford Union, 7 p.m

Thurston at Crestwood, 7 p.m. Borgess at U-D Jesuit, 7:30 p.m. St. Agatha at St. Alphonsus, 7:30 p.m. Redford CC at Brother Rice, 7:30 p.m. PCA at Southfield Christian, 7:30 p.m. Agape at Macomb Christian, 7:30 p.m. Huron Valley vs. Warren Zoe at Marshall M.S. 7:30 n.m. GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Jan. 13 Mercy at Bishop Foley, 7 p.m.

1-year call option

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Friday, Jan. 14

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> ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Thursday, Jan. 13 Ply. Whalers at Windsor, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14 Ply. Whalers vs. S.S. Marie at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Ply Whalers vs Brampton at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m. PREP HOCKEY Thursday, Jan. 13 Redford Unified vs. Birm, Unified Salem vs. Farm, Unified Novi vs. Canton

at Piv. Cultural Center, 8 p.m.

Churchill vs. W.L. Western at Lakeland Ice Arena, 5:20 p.m. Stevenson vs. Canton at Ply. Cultural Center, 7:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday, Jan. 15

Schoolcraft at Wayne Co. CC, 3 p.m. Madonna at Spring Arbor, 3 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday, Jan. 15

Schoolcraft at Wayne Co. CC, 1 p.m. Spring Arbor at Madonna, 1 p.m.

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Ladywood at Divine Child, 7 p.m.

Harper Wds. at Luth. W'sld, 7 p.m.

Comstock Tournament, 8 a.m. Wayne Invitational, 8:30 a.m. Whitmore Lake Tourney, 9 a.m. Midland Tournament, 9 a.m.

Macomb CC Invitational, TBA.

Saturday, Jan. 15 at Redford Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.

at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m. at Farm, Hills Arena, 7:30 p.m.

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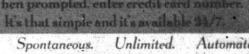
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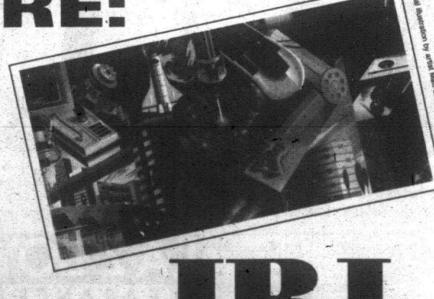
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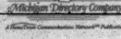
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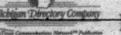


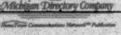


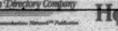


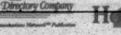






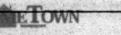


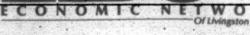




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How To Get U.S. Government Grants & Low-Interest Loans For First-Time Home Buyers, To Start A New Business, Expand A Business, Buy New Equipment or Invest In Real Estate!

Detroit, MI-- What is FREE Money and how can you get it?

- Kimberly Willis got \$43,500 of FREE money to purchase
- · Louis Wilson got \$50,000 of FREE money to buy equipment for his construction com-
- · Ernest & Catherine Curione got \$148,000 of FREE money to fix up their investment property.
- Walt Vanderweel got \$25,000 of FREE money and a \$50,000 low-interest loan to build his business and sold it for \$1.6 million!
- · John & Lillie Wright just qualified for a home loan of \$91,200 at 3% interest!

If you are looking to start your own business, expand your existing business, buy investment property or if you are interested in becoming a first-time home buyer, the answers to these questions will surprise you. They could also make a big difference in your net worth, your bank balance and your over all success in life

It's FREE - But You've Got To Work For It!

As we all know, the best things in life are free, and the rest we have to pay for either by working hard or laying out cash. When it comes to government grants, you really can get FREE money. However, you will have to qualify and work for it. Sometimes you'll have to work hard and sometimes all you have to do is properly fill out the paper work and it

You see, through the government grant, loan and subsidy system, it is possible to buy your own home, even though you don't have a down payment. You might also be able to start your own business or expand your existing business even though you don't have the money you need.

This free money comes from the federal, state and your local city government grant, loan and subsidv systems. These systems can (if you qualify) help you to become a real estate investor, even though you don't have any money, or the knowledge to do it. Or if you're already a real estate investor, you might be able to get free money to fix up your property and never have to pay it back.

Sound too good to be true? Read on. It gets better!

There is one organization in particular that teaches how to find free money, low-interest loans and subsidies offered by the government grant, loan and subsidy system. They provide reference materials about all the programs available in your local area and guide you to which ones you might qualify for receiving a grant, loan or subsidy.

The company is called the National Grants Conference (NGC) and they are on a mission to educate local business people, property owners and individuals who are sincerely interested in learning how to get free money from the government. The introductory conference attendees discover little known programs that offer free government money, low-interest loans, subsidies and great financial opportunities in their local community.

Get Money To Start Your **Own Business!**



For anyone who's in business or even wants to start their own business, you can get a \$6,000, or more, subs courtesy of the U.S. Congress, that you never

have to pay back every year for the rest of your life, as long as you're in that business. NGC shows you how to get this. The U.S. Government will provide grants for you to start that business.

Sandy Botkin Attorney & CPA Former IRS Trainer illability, territs and amounts of grants and towns Not Just For Poor People

There's a myth going around that only poor people can take advantage of free money grants, subsidies and low-interest loans. But really, some of the most famous people that have taken advantage of them in the past are the super wealthy. People like Donald Trump, his father Fred Trump and Ross Perot, to name just a few. Did you know that Lee lacocca got \$1.5 billion for Chrysler and Stephen Jobs got money from the government to start Apple Computer? It's true.

In fact, most of the programs that people can qualify for actually fall in an income bracket that encompasses the majority of the American people. There are grant programs available in this area for people making as little as \$1,500

Mid-Income Range

NGC specializes in helping people get government grants, low-interest loans and subsidy programs for those in the middle income range who make between \$20,000 a year on the low end, and up to \$300,000 a year on the

\$110,000 Free Money To **Expand Business!**



"We applied and were very surprised because in less than 30days we obta our first grant for \$110,000. The grant is free. We don't have to pay it back!"

Bob Willm Director Of Sales Manufacturing Company Availability, terms and amounts of grants and loans vary. You must meet eligibility requirements to qualify

Is it Really FREE Money?

If you don't have to pay the money back, it's actually free However, you do have to meet eligibility requirements to qualify and grants are subject to condi tions that vary. And in some cases, re-payment may be required if the program conditions are not met. But if you can live with all that, this really is FREE

All this sounds great, but why is the government doing this?

Better Life & More Taxes

Benefit number one is that as more people become home owners, they have a pride of ownership in their houses and they tend to be more productive members of society. They also pay property taxes and tend to be more stable in employment because they've got to make their house payment to maintain their investment.

Grant Money To Revitalize Communities

That's why the government also provides grant money for investors to revitalize communities. They offer grants and lowinterest loans to property owners to take the properties that are in bad shape, that have been run down and re-build them and make them available for subsidized housing for the low to moderate income, as well as the

More Jobs & More Taxes

The government also has programs for small businesses. The reason for this is because the small businesses drive the American economy. Most of new jobs are created by small businesses. We've seen the future in big corporations. They're downsizing. It's the small businesses that are giving the economy a big tift and providing more jobs.

Programs For Women

There are special programs for women to get into business. The facts and figures about women in businesses are growing in this country and their success rate is extraordinary.

At the Conference, many opportunities for businesses and women have been identified and various local, state and federal

programs will be targeted that many people may be interested in and may be able to qualify for.

Local Free Money

NGC has a team of research specialists with offices in Chicago, Illinois and Rochester, New York. These specialists conduct daily research on every government grant, loan and subsidy program available in every major U.S. City as well as all programs that are nation wide.

In almost every case NGC is able to provide a wide variety of different programs that local people can take advantage of.

\$100,000 For Your Business

There's one particular loan program that's really exciting. It's called the 'Low Doc Program.' This is for individuals who want to start or grow a business. And there's a simple one-page form you have to complete. With this form you may be able to qualify for up to \$100,000 for your busi-It's a fabulous program that cuts through the red tape.

\$50,000 Research Grants

If you have a great idea and are thinking... "If I just had the money..." — You will be interested to know that there is a research program, which allows up to \$50,000 if you have a great innovative idea on technology. The Government may give you six months of money for research.

Resources For Small Businesses

As a small business owner you can apply for government funding. You can use the money for equipment, for purchasing equipment, for getting technical help, as well as for your inventory and to even purchase the real estate too.

In a sense, by using these programs the government helps you create the American dream: owning real estate and owning your own business.

Who Should Attend?

If you are thinking that you don't want to work for a boss anymore, or you're sick and tired of your job or you don't want to commute any more, attend this con-

Or maybe you simply don't have a sense of security working for somebody else. Take the time and effort and come to this local conference. Learn about these programs. If you have a great idea, you may be able to get the money for a new business or real estate investment and start to depend on yourself.

Look at all the examples on this page. People who've changed their lives and now have successful businesses and own their own homes and investment properties. These are examples of their own personal experience. Your experience may be different. It may be worse or it may be even better. The only way you'll ever know is if you try. Call and make your reservation today to attend the conference in your local area.

Bad Credit Is Not A Block

Bad credit is not necessarily an obstacle any more because many lending institutions have made it easier to qualify for a loan and there are various programs for people in this situation,

Bankruptcy Not What It Used To Be

Also, bankruptcy is no longer the kind of problem it used to be. That's because 1.3 million Americans filed for Chapter Seven protection last year. Banks understand that you can only go bankrupt once every seven years.

If you don't have a job, a business or a regular source of income or are in the process of declaring bankruptcy, it is doubtful that this program will be able to help your home study course that includes

Participate On Any Level

The beauty in these programs is that you can participate on any level you want. If you just want to be a home-owner, there are proos available that may be able

Local Conference Tells Where Government Money Is & How To Get It!



Free Grant Money To Buy A Home

"I got an actual grant of \$35,000 towards the purchase of my home, plus \$2,500 to make the house energy efficient, and \$6,000 at closing time to pay for my closing costs (I received \$43,500!). The grant is free. I just have to reside in the home."

- Kimberly Willis* Child Support Examiner itability, terms and amounts of grants and loans vary. You must mee eligibility requirements to quality.



FREE \$50K Grant To Expand Business

"I went down and applied for grants. They gave me \$50,000. With that \$50,000, I was able to buy better equipment and with the better ment, I was able to et bigger jobs. I made a lot of money after that and I didn't have to pay that grant back.'

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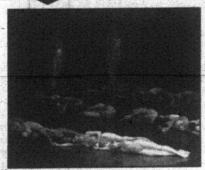
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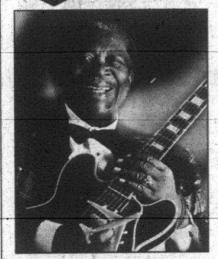


James Spader stars as Nick Vanzant, the pilot of a deep space medical vessel who must uncover a destructive force that threatens the ship, in "Supernova," a science fiction thriller opening today at metro Detroit movie theaters.





The Stuttgart Ballet makes its Detroit debut 8 p.m. at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. Tickets are \$17-\$62. Call the box office (313) 237-SING or Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666.



B.B. King performs classic blues with special guest the Bobby "Blue" Bland 8 p.m. at the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Avenue in Detroit. Tickets \$27.50-\$50. Charge by phone at (248) 433-1515 or (248) 645-6666.



Hot Ticket Item: "The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, through Monday, Jan. 17, in downtown Plymouth, features ice carving competitions, an "Icy Toyland," and other surprises. Open 24 hours a day. for more information or directions, call (734) 459-9157 or visit the Web site at www.oeonline.com/plymouthice.



On stage: Jack Willis (left to right), Judd Hirsch and Cotter Smith star in the Tony Award winning play, "Art."

BY JON KATZ SPECIAL WRITER

rt" is about an artist the way "Fiddler on the Roof" is about a musician. That is to say, it isn't.

The Tony Award-winning Best Play of 1998, which runs through Jan. 30 at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit, deals with friendship, power and values

Specifically, the aesthetic and monetary worth of an abstract painting, a large white canvas with some white stripes and nothing else. Starring Judd Hirsch, Cotter Smith and Jack Willis, "Art" is

billed as a comedy. Speaking by phone from Charlotte, N.C., the tour's stop before opening on Tuesday in Detroit, Smith took issue with that label.

"The wonderful thing about this play is that it's so enormously enjoyable," he said. "And yet, it's also very serious and deeply moving. It's quite extraordinary.

Smith appeared on the ABC TV series "Equal Justice" and as Robert Kennedy in the mini-series "Blood Feud." In "Art," Smith plays Serge, one of three middle-aged, middle class Americans living in Paris. Recently divorced, Serge pays 200,000 francs (approximately \$40,000) for the abstract painting. His longtime friend Marc (Hirsch) takes one look and calls it something that won't get printed here

but will get laughs at the Fisher.
A third friend, Yvan (Willis), is called in as mediator. In trying to appease the other two, he ignites

WITTY, MODERN 'ART'

PORTRAIT OF FRIENDSHIP

WHEN: Through Sunday, Jan. 30 at the Fisher Theatre, 3011 W. Grand Blvd. at Second, Detroit.

CURTAIN: 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 2. p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and 7 p.m. Sunday. No performances on Mondays.

TICKETS: \$25-\$47.50, available at the box office, and all Ticketmaster outlets. Call (248) 645-6666 to charge tickets, or (313) 872-1000 for infor-

the quarrel that forces all three to re-examine their friendship.

"Art" was written by French author/actress Yasmina Reza and is directed by Matthew Warchus.

"To me the play is about the art of friendship," said Smith. "These friends, ostensibly over a piece of art, all of a sudden begin to uncover trouble in their relationship and how fearful they are of losing each

Author Reza drew on men she knew to craft the play, which enjoyed success in 25 countries before opening on Broadway two years ago. She has insisted that it remain set in Paris no matter where it runs, with some minor Americanisms substituted in the English translation for clarity.

Story meaning

One member of the audience who found the story very clear was nineyear-old Madeline Smith, Cotter's daughter.

"I was curious what it would mean to her," said Cotter Smith. She said, 'At first I thought you guys were ridiculous. I couldn't fig ure out what you were so upset about, why you were fighting over this painting.' And then she took a pause and said, But then I realized that you weren't fighting about the painting, that you were really very upset with each other about something else.' And I thought, that's

how powerful the play really is, that she actually got that at the age of

Smith cautions against bringing children to "Art" because of adult language, but says "it's a great play to take teenagers to because I think it will excite them about the theater." The play runs 90 minutes,

with no intermission. The three stars had not worked together before "Art." Hirsch is best known for his starring roles on "Taxi" and "Dear John," but has twice won Tony Awards ("I'm Not Rappaport" and "Conversations With My Father," both by Herb Gardner). Hirsch starred in "Art" in London and then on Broadway, where Jack Willis (currently appearing on screen in "The Talented Mr. Ripley") joined the cast.

To prepare for the national tour, Hirsch invited his co-stars to his home in upstate New York. As Smith tells it, "he hired a cook and we hung out together; it was really wonderful. We all get along so well: it would be a mess on a nine-month tour if we didn't."

A founding member of the Matrix Theatre Company in Los Angeles, Smith derives more satisfaction from his stage work than from lucrative film and television offers.

until they get the lights right and do every line 50 times," he said. "To me, theater is very primitive as it goes all the way back to sitting around a campfire. You really do sit in a dark room and tell a story to a breathing audience. There's nothing quite like that."

FAMILY FUN

Get in on the act, spend an evening enjoying theater

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER kwygonik@oe.home

This is a good weekend to introduce your children to the magic of theater.

The Rising Stars, a repertory theater for young people in grades six through nine, ages 10-14, is presenting "Pride and Prejudice," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Fri-day, Jan. 13-14, at Andover High School on Andover Road in Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$3 per person. Call (248) 433-0885.

Several local performers, including Lisa Andres of Livonia, are featured in Dearborn Family Theatre's production of "Bye, Bye Birdie," Friday-Sunday, Jan. 14-16, in the Adray Auditorium in the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center on the main campus of Henry Ford Community College, Evergreen south of Ford Road in Dearborn. Performances are 8 p.m. Friday-Sunday, with an additional show at 2 p.m. on Jan. 16. Tickets are

"Cinderella" opens Friday, Jan. 14. and continues through Sunday, Feb. 6, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, downtown Royal Oak. Tickets are \$14-\$16, all seats reserved. Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Call (248) 541-6430.

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crafters, "Cinderella." with music by Richard Rodgers/book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, features a cast of 27

people from all over metro Detroit. Karl Miller of Troy stars as the prince who sweeps Cinderella off her feet.

The Rising Stars

"Pride and Prejudice" is based on Jane Austin's classic novel. The play centers on Mrs. Bennet's determination to see her daughters married well. It is an age when a woman's future depended on who she married. Headstrong Elizabeth, the second eldest of the Bennet clan, resolves to marry for love, or

expected of her brings Mrs. Bennet to the "end of her nerves" in this romantic comedy set in the early 1800s.

The play features 22 actors from Bloomfield Hills, Pontiac, Sylvan Lake, Waterford, Clarkston and other cities in Oakland County. Rising Stars is sponsored by the Bloomfield Hills Parks and Recreation Department. In addition to putting on five shows per season, the group studies improvisation, monologue delivery and other aspects of theater.

Pride and Prejudice" is directed by Thomas Logan of Pontiac and Danielle Paccione of Rochester Hills.

In March the group will present "The Little Luncheonette of Terror," May brings "The Hobbit" and "The Skin of Our Teeth" is the scheduled summer production. For more information about The Rising Stars, call (248) 335-1788.

Dearborn Family Theatre

Birdie," Jan. 14-16.

Celebrating its third year, under the direction of founder and artistic director Mary Bremer, Dearborn Family

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Acting: Shaina Yorke. (left to right), Erin Biebuyck, Kaitlin Hoke, and Erica Lardo in a scene from the Rising Stars presentation of "Pride and Prej-

Meadow Brook's obsession with playing it safe

"Dangerous Obsession," a psychological thriller runs through Sun day, Jan. 30 at Meadow Brook Theatre, Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills, Performances Wednesday-Sunday, curtain times vary. Tickets \$19.50-\$35. call (248) 377-3300. or Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666.

The most telling feature of "Dangerous Obsession" at Meadow Brook Theatre is that the onstage drama doesn't attract the slightest interest until the uninvited house guest pulls out a

handgun. He points it to force ons and to demand nothing less than the truth from his unsuspecting hosts - or else. (No

need to point the gun at a critic.)

That gun-toting premise, by the way can be found in easy formulas for television dramas and insipid soap operas. Need a boost of dramatic urgency? Point a gun. Not exactly an original idea. And unfortunately, that bit of dramatic trickery comes at the end of the interminable first act, whereby the only anticipation is how many alcoholic drinks can be imbibed by the cast before

Once it's clear that the visitor,

REVIEW

John Barrett (Robert Morgan), has arrived with a mission to confront the couple who he and his wife met at a business conference, the road ahead is painfully predictable

Barrett is an annoying inquisitor searching for answers about the relationship between Mark Driscoll (John Biedenbach) and his own wife. The screw turns as it's revealed that Barrett's wife was in a "tragic" car accident. Who's to blame? Where's justice to be found? And for that matter, where was Mark Driscoll on that

Barrett has his own ideas. He has arrived carrying a briefcase filled with bits of evidence to prove his case. Of course, he enforces his right to make a case by shooting off his gun every. now and then and holding the Driscolls hostage to his plan. Barrett's intention straddles the line between an obsession and self-righteousness, but is never

Meanwhile, Mark and Sally Driscoll (Tracey Copeland) are coaxed into discussing their own tenuous bonds of marriage. And soon, it's their own relationship that's on trial. The notion of

It doesn't help that Meadow bring on their demise? Never mind any statement about love, suspicion and the human condition. This play's resolution is something borrowed from a poll taken at a dinner theater pro-

about revenge and a psychological thriller, ultimately "Dangerous Obsession" suffers from a lack of plausibility. The problems aren't with the

Brook attempted to make the play more intimate by localizing several of the locations within the drama. Apparently, noting that the Driscolls are from Grosse Pointe Park and that Barrett is from Royal Oak is intended to make the story appear less unlikely. Doesn't

neatly arrived at revelations

Overall, "Dangerous Obsession" suffers from being overly neat and tidy, which makes it all too safe and predictable. Just production or the acting, but like a made-for-TV movie. All that's missing are the commer with N.J. Crisp's script filled with one too many cute and cial breaks.

Fun from page E1

Lisa Andres of Livonia plays B'Bye, Bye Birdie' Rose Alvarez, the leading female role, while her daughter, Brooke is cast as Kim MacAfee. Stephen Sell of West Bloomfield stars as Kim's dad, Harry MacAfee. Stephanie Travis of Southfield is in the teen chorus. Children's

chorus members include Kandace Carr. Tabetha Tybercza and Darlene Vangel of Redford, and Kelsey Stewart of Westland. "Bye, Bye Birdie" opened on Broadway on April 14, 1960. The music was written by Charles

Strouse. Lyrics are by Lee Adams, the book is by Michael Stewart. The show ran for 607 performances on Broadway. Here are some other family shows that are now playing at

metro Detroit theaters: m "Annie Jr." is presented by Tinderbox Productions, & p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, 22, 29, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, 23, 30, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral Theatre,

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Masonic Temple, 500 Temple. Detroit. Tickets are \$5. Call (313)

"Jack in the Beanstalk" continues at the Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main, downtown Northville, through Sunday, Jan. 16. Tickets are \$7, Call (248) 349-8110 for

BACKSTAGE

the expression, and maybe even not know every-

Traditionally, polite way to particular work

and devoid of meaning. In recent years, the expression seems to have evolved a bit. Now it's more like: "Get that worthless piece of trash out of here." Diplomacy and civility ust may be a vanishing art.

That's why "Art," Yasmina Reza's Tony Award winning com- Debate edy, is a play for the times. The clash between modern art and old-fashioned friendship is so in a museum, gallery, or on a contentious that it presents a Detroit Public TV arts series.

suggest that a the two, remember how Detroit got so piqued about polka dots. Public TV's BACKSTAGE PASS airing at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Jan. Nathanson provides a behindthe-scenes look at the production with Cotter Smith and Jack

You've heard challenge to the actors to pre- Even though some of the Detroit ments used. I'm sure there was a time

> bit tepid for such heat between In the next edition of Detroit Skoglund, featured in Life magazine as one of the world's top 100 series producer Mark

The value of art is rarely a consensus, whether it's exhibited

area's most knowledgeable

when purists questioned the

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Among them is Sandy

photographers. The fact that she

is also internationally known for

her sculptures, installation

pieces, and work in alternative

media is further evidence of her

stunning versatility in creative

expression. Skoglund's work is

the Elaine L. Jacob Gallery on

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"Misbehaving! Works from the Studio of Sandy Skoglund' observers of the arts scene help includes photographs and sculpselect the attractions to be featural elements from various tured on BACKSTAGE PASS, there's often what I like to call a installations in a career retrohealthy debate about the seg-

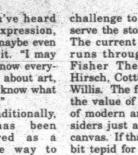
Marsha Miro hosts a feature story about the exhibit and the artist on the Jan. 16 edition of BACKSTAGE PASS.

Cyber art is now the new from tier. While some artists are skeptical, others see it as the medium of the future. Certainly it is a simple way for artists to

Good and bad art will always be in the eye of the beholder There are those who believe ever the atrocious stuff deserves special merit. Browse the Museum of Bad Art (www.moba.com) for being exhibited through Feb. 4 at an eyeful

I know what I like, and some-

Good or bad, art is always in the eye of the beholder



serve the story's comedic intent. The current production, which runs through Jan. 30 at the Fisher Theatre, stars Judd Hirsch, Cotter Smith and Jack Willis. The furor in "Art: is over the value of an expensive piece of modern art that Hirsch considers just a waste of white on canvas. If that backdrop seems a



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By JON KATZ SPECIAL WRITER

Melvin Edison is a 47-year-old throw rug ready to unravel. Burned out at work and bummed out at home, he comes apart at the seams the way only a Neil Simon can orchestrate it. As a local production, "Prisoner of Second Avenue" is played out as only the Jewish Ensemble Theatre can play it.

There is a dearth of area actors who are the right age for "Prisoner" and who can speak Simon lines, pause Simon pauses and look Simon looks. JET doesn't have this problem. It brings out the best-local talent or it brings them in. With "Prisoner"

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appear at local Hammell Music

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Chapin's presentation will

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a Steinway."

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Henry Englehart Steinway, Lake Road, at 2 p.m.

Found." After being fired he concludes, "miracles don't happen when you're 47. When Moses saw the burning bush, he must've been 23, 24 the most." Siebert captures that East

Coast kvetching rhythm wonderfully, although a bit too fast at New York to play Edna, and brings off the role-reversal very nicely. Forced to go back to work,

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check for bugs. After the breakdown, Mel's successful older brother and three daffy sisters arrive to help out. Brother Harry suggests they each chip in X dollars for doctor

Mel (John Siebert), the clock is bills. "Is it a big X or a little x." "(We) live like some kind of a they first need to know. caged animal in a Second There aren't three more per Avenue zoo," he moans to his fect actresses in town for these patient wife. When she suggests an analyst, he answers, "I'm disappearing, Edna. I don't need

roles than JET's Artistic Director Evelyn Orbach, Henrietta Hermelin Weinberg and Rochelle analysts; I need Lost and Rosenthal. They look like they've already lived through every word. However, they also give us unscripted business (cutting an apple, fussing with sofa pillows) that comes across more like oneupmanship than something to do. As Harry, Fred Buchalter competently deals with the crisis times. Michigan native Roxanne of Mel's illness and the burden of Wellington was brought in from having those three as sisters.

Director Mary Bremer misses the mark only twice. When the nicely Forced to go back to work, Edna dutifully hurries home to little of the effects of the make Mel lunch while he grows sedatives he's on (note to Edna

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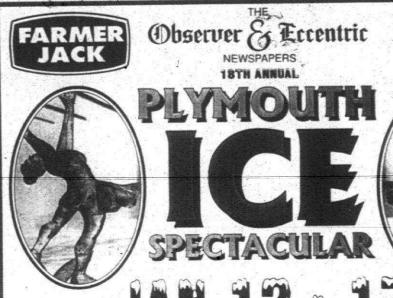
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Fans of the Martha Stewart hand in the world today."

John Seib ert (left to right) as Mel, Rochelle Rosenthal as Pauline, Evelyn Orbach as Jessie, and Fred Buchalter as Harry in "The Prisoner of Second Avenue."

with the breakdown behind him, Edna's now being the breadwin- impact.

it's pronounced "VAL-ee-um," not he should be a somewhat kinder ner. By returning him totally to "VAL-yoom"). In the final scene, and gentler Mel as a contrast to his old self, the last gag loses its



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8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, open jam for string band musicians of all levels 4-6 p.m. (free), at the Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann ARbor Saline Road, south of I-94, Ann Arbor. \$7 (734) 426-0241

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FARMINGTON PLAYERS Auditions for 12 men and 12 women for Cole Porter's "Kiss Me Kate," 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, at the Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills.(248) 626-8767 FIRST THEATRE GUILD Auditions for *Pied Piper of

Hamelin," a youth production for school-age children through high school, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maple, Birmingham. (248) 644-2087. ext. 151 FREEDOM DANZ: XPRESSIONZ

7:30-10 p.m., at the studio on the second floor at 229 Gratiot, Detroit. (313) 964-8497 LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC Auditions for the youth orchestra. will be held Saturday, Jan. 22. For more information or to schedule ar

Auditions will be held 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 18 and 25, and Feb. 1 by appointment, tenors and basses are especially needed by there are some openings for sopranos and altos, at First United

Plymouth. (734) 455-4080 **PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY** Rehearsals began 7:15 p.m. Monday, Jan. 10, selected works to be performed are "Te Deum" by A Bruckner, "Magnificat" by J. Rutte and "Coronation Anthems No. 1 and 4 by G. F. Handel, at First United Methodist Church, 45201

No. 9" and Richard Strauss' "2001 SESAME STREET LIVE Saturday, Jan. 22, at Churchill High and dancers who can act for Livonia. \$15, \$10 students. (734) heatre, 2211 Woodward, Detroit. (612) 375-9670, ext. 704 or

> SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR Auditions for all voice parts, in room 530 of the Forum Building, at he college, 18600 Haggert between Six and Seven Mile.

Livonia. (313) 937-0975 SOLO CONCERTO COMPETITION The Bohemians Club (also known as The Musicians Club of Greater Detroit), hosts its competition for orchestral instruments (high school and college students ages 16-22), must submit performance tape by April 1. For application, e-mail

STAGECRAFTERS Auditions for "Barefoot in the Park," 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Jan 17-18 (registration begins 6:30 p.m.), in the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. For perfor mances March 24-26 and 29-31. and April 1-2 and 6-9. (248) 541-

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA

Is searching for directors, choreos raphers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical come dy theater, Call (313) 531-0554 for nformation, or deliver resumes and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 15138 Beech Daly, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

ORGAN

W. MICHAEL BRITTENBACK

Performs on the historic Aeolian Skinner organ 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, at All Saints Episcopal Church, Williams and Pike streets, Pontiac \$10. (248) 334-4571 "MUSIC FOR MEDITATION" SERIES David Wagner plays the music of J.S. Bach: Trio Sonatas and Individual Works Part II, noon Thursday, Jan. 20, at St. Michael's Church, Livonia, and noon Friday, Jan. 21, at St. Paul's Church,

Grosse Pointe Farms, Free/

JAZZ

8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13, at Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham No cover. (248) 645-2150 IOHNNIE BASSETT & THE BLUES

9:30 p.m. 11 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Saturday-Sunday, January 15-16, at

the Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley

St., Ann Arbor: \$7. (734) 662-8310

Thursdays, at Elie's, 263 Pierce

Street, Birmingham. (248) 647

8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, at

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, at the

769-2999 or kch@ic.net

IFFF HASS TRIO & FRIENDS

With Marcus Belgrave 8 p.m.

Arbor \$15 (734) 763-8587

Fish, 700 Town Center Dr.

Dearborn. (313) 336-6350

With vocalist April Tini 8 p.m.

phonist Chris Collins, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 19, with saxo-

Wednesday, Jan. 26, at Ron's

Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren, east of

Middlebelt Road, Garden City. \$5

cover. Reservations recommended

for the Jazz Room. (734) 762-7756

8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, at The

TONY POPE'S N'ORLEANS SIX

3-6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, at

Steak and Ale, 32750 Concord.

Ark. 316 S. Main. Ann Arbor. \$12

(734) 763-TKT\$/(248) 645-6666

MATT MICHAELS TRIO

BILL MORRISSEY

(blues)

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No cover, (248) 645-2150

FRODE GJERSTAD TRIO

Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham

Part of the Jazz at the Edge series

Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N

Fourth, Ann Arbor. \$15, \$10. (734

Saturday, Jan. 15, at The Ark, Ann

INSURGENTS 8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, at Edison's 220 Merrill Street, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150 BESS BONNIER

RON BROOKS

TODD CURTIS

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BILL GAFF

RICH K. TRIO

With Paul Keller as part of the R' Jazz Vespers series, 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, at First Baptist Church, 300 Willits and Bates, Birmingham. A free will offering is taken for musicians. (248) 644

7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, at the north of Plymouth Road, Ann Arboi

Auditions for hip-hop flavored dance companies Friday, Jan. 21, ages 6-

appointment, call (734) 591-7649 PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS

12 5:30-7 p.m., ages 13 to adult

Methodist Church, 45201 Territorial, west of Sheldon

across from Oakland Mall, Madison Heights. \$4 cover. (248) 588-4450 STRAIGHT AHEAD 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, at Edison's 220 Merrill Street Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-TAKE 6 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon,

8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 17, at Hill Plymouth, (734) 455-8353 Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor, \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10. (734 764-2538 Auditions for actors who can dance JANET TENAJ TRIO national touring stage productions 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, at the Fox

Featuring Sven Anderson, piano and Kurt Krahnke, bass, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Restaurant 29244 Northwestern Highway, Southfield (248) 351-2925 THE BROTHERS GROOVE

9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, at Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham No cover. (248) 645-2150 **TOTY VIOLA** 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, at

Edison's 220 Merrill Street Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-**ED WELLS** The planist performs 5:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Century

WORLD MUSIC

Club Restaurant, 333 Madison

Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800

THE CASSIDYS A Dublin group with champion step dancer, 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, at Athens High School, John R and Wattles, Troy \$15. (248) 435 5307/(810) 979-8406 MACAOIBH

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 21 22, at John Cowley & Sons Irish Tayern, 33338 Grand River. Farmington, (248) 474-5941 (Celtic folk music)

FOLK/BLUEGRASS COMPANY OF STRANGERS

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 14 15, at John Cowley & Sons Irish Tavern, 33338 Grand River. Farmington. (248) 474-5941 CHARLIE KING The musical storyteller and polit

cal satirist performs 7:30 p.m. PAISANO'S Sunday, Jan. 16, at The Ark, 316 S Main, Ann Arbor. \$13.50. (734) 763-TKTS/(248) 645-6666 RARELY HERD 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, at and Community College, 759

S. Washington on the north side of Lincoln, Royal Oak, \$15. (248) 544-4903 (bluegrass) LEON REDBONE 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 at The

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Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Stephanie Casola; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric

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Sunday, April 30; "Frontiers to

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Jan. 23 Garcia Nelo will give a

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for children ages 3-15 and adults

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316 S. Main, Ann Arbor, \$10, \$9 members/students/seniors. (734 763-TKTS/(248) 645-6666 (blue-

> POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN Workshop for poets looking for more members, 2-4 p.m. third Tuesday of month, in the Jenkins rooms on the third floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. (734) 762-7586

DANCE

ADVANCED ENGLISH FROLIC 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, at the Pittsfeld Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor Saline Road, south of I-94, Ann Arbor, \$7, (313) 937-1552 BALLROOM DANCING

9 p.m. Saturdays, at the Dance Scene 25333 Van Dyke, Centerline, \$6. Also swing and Latin classes. (810) 757-6300 **COUNTRY LINE DANCING** Lessors, dining and dancing 5-9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, in the Food

Court at Wonderland Mall. Plymouth Road and Middlebelt Livonia (734) 522-4100 **GROSSE POINTE THEATRE** Hosts West Side Story Dance Workshops, learn actual choreography to be taught from the dance numbers in the theater company's spring production, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 11, 18, 25 and Feb. 1 and 8, at the theater, 315 Fisher Road, Grosse Pointe. (248) 594-

www.gpt.org HUNGARIAN FOLK DANCE Language and zither lessons. (248) 352-0927/(734) 946-6261 MICHIGAN SWING DANCE ASSOC Lesson 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16 (\$3, free for members). Boogie Woogie class, dance 4-8 p.m. \$6 members \$8 non-members, at The Amber House, 7012 E. Nine Mile, between

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Van Dyke and Mound, Warren. (248) 926-5484 BEBE MILLER COMPANY 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, at the Power Center, 121 Fletcher Street Ann Arbor, \$32, \$30, \$22, \$16. (734) 764-2538

O'HARE'S IRISH DANCERS 8 p.m. Friday, Jan, 21, at Oakland Community College, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, south of I-696. Farmington Hills, \$12. (248) 471-

POLKA BOOSTER CLUB Inaugural Ball 4-8 p.m. Sunday, Jan, 16, doors open at 1:30 p.m., dinner at 2:30 p.m. at Pvt. John Lyskowa Hall, 6828 Waverly, Dearborn, Heights. (313) 561-8389/(248) 471-2963 STARDUST BALLROOM

Dance parties 9 p.m. Fridays, lessons also available, at the dance studio, 28651 Northwestern 356-5678 STUTTGART BALLET

8 p.m. Thursday Saturday, Jan. 13-15, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 17, at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, \$17-\$62. (313) 237 SING/(248) 645-6666

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SECOND CITY

COMEDY DOWN HOME COMEDY SUPERSTAR

Wilson, 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sundays, on the campus of Oakland University Rochester, \$8, \$6 seniors, \$4 chil-Featuring D.C. Curry, Joe Torry dren ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140 Sheryl Underwood, hosted by Bobo Eamb 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, at the PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM "Celebrate the Century" exhibit Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$37.50, \$29,50. (248) 433-1515 continues at the museum, 155 S. ELDORADO COUNTRY CLUB Main, Plymouth, \$2, \$.50 kids, \$5

Mark Sweetman with Dee Profitt, family, (734) 455-8940 9:30 p.m. Friday Saturday, Jan. 14-ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM "A Stitch in Time" quilt exhibit con 15, at 2869 N. Pontiac Trail, Commerce Township. (248) 624tinues through Saturday, Jan. 29. at the museum, 1005 Van Hoosen Road at Van Hoosen Farm, east of JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB Rochester Road off Tienken Road,

Darwin Hines through Saturday. lan, 15, Mike Green, Wednesday Rochester Hills, \$3, \$2 seniors/students. (248) 656-4663 Saturday, Jan. 19-22, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, SPIRIT OF FORD 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 nteractive automotive science and technology experience with p.m. Wednesdays Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and exhibits and theaters for all ages. Saturdays. Third Level Improv and NASCAR Pit Stop Challenge, Turbo Tour full-motion simulator ride, 9 new talent nights. 8 p.m. Sundays a.m. to 5 p.m. daily including the (\$5), (734) 261-0555 Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT

Monday, Jan. 17, at 1151 Village Drive, across from Henry Ford Diane Ford, Thursday-Sunday, Jan. Museum & Greenfield Village. 13-16, John Pinette Friday Dearborn, \$6, \$5 seniors, \$4 ages Saturday, Jan. 21-22, at the club, 5-12. (313) 317-7474 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

POPULAR Dan Grueter, also Keith Ruff, MUSIC Thursday Saturday, Jan. 13-15; Jim ALBERTA ADAMS David, also Rob Little, Thursday-7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 21-22, Saturday, Jan. 20-22, at the club. Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward 269 E. Fourth, Royal Dak. (248) ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues

Books and Music, Rochester Hills, 1122 South Rochester Rd. All DOMESTIC PROBLEMS ages. (248) 652-0558 ANN ARBOR FOLK FESTIVAL Featuring Shawn Colvin, Arlo Guthrie, Great Big Sea, Matt

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, Borders

Watroba and more, 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, Hill Auditorium 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$30, \$25. (248) 645-6666 **ASTRAL PROJECT** 8:30 and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday,

March 17-18, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor. \$15 advance. (734) 662-8310. 7:30 Thursday Feb. 3. Hill

Auditorium, 825 N. University Ave.

in Ann Arbor. All ages. \$22.50. Call

(248) 645-6666 or (734) 763-BONNE TEMPS ROULLE 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages.

(248) 644-4800 (blues)

BOY SETS FIRE With Reach the Sky, 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$7, (313) 961-MELT **B'JAZZ VESPERS**

With Bess Bonnier and Paul Keller 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, First Baptist Church, Birmingham Features "The Women of Jazz." (248) 644-0550

BOTTLE ROCKETS Wednesday, Feb. 16. The Shelter 431 E. Congress, Detroit. (248) 645-6666 **BROTHERS GROOVE** 10 p.m. Tuesdays in January, Fifth

Avenue, 25750 Novi Road, Novi

(248) 735-4011; 9:30 p.m. Thurs Feb. 3, Karl's Cabin, 9779 Gotfredson Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450 BUMP N' UGLIES CD RELEASE With Teenage Frames, Gutterpunx, The Outsiders, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E.

ROY HAMILTON JR. & THE GOLDEN Congress, Detroit, All ages, \$5 advance/\$7 day of show. (313) BOYS 961-MELT. 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13, 20, 27 SCOTT CAMPBELL Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Will host an acoustic open mike Avenue, Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues) jam every Thursday at 8 p.m. beginning Jan. 20 at Carbon WAYNE "THE TRAIN" HANCOCK With Big Barn Combo and in Hamtramck. Free admission, free Driftweed, 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26. Majestic Theatre, Detroit. parking, 18 and over. (313) 366-

9278 or www.scottcampbell.net. CHAIN REACTION JEFF HEALEY BAND 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, Token Lounge, Westland, (734) 513-5030 CHEF CHRIS BLUES BAND 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, K&rl's Cabin, 9779 Gotfredson Road. Plymouth. (734) 455-8450. ALEX CHILTON

8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19, St **IMMIGRANT SUNS** Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, Majestic Detroit, All ages, Tickets \$13, 50 Theatre, Detroit. \$7 cover. (313) advance. (313) 961-MELT. 833-9700 CHISEL BROTHERS FEATURING ALAN JACKSON CHEF CHRIS

With Lonestar, 8 p.m. Saturday, 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, Ford Road Feb. 5, The Palace of Auburn Hills Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road. Tickets \$32.50 and \$25.50. (248) Westland, Free, 21 and over JAH RULE AND THE MURDERERS CITY LIMITS BLUES BAND 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress.

Street Blues 8 N. Saginaw Street Pontiac, (248) 334-7900 (313) 961-MELT. COMPANY OF STRANGERS JAZZHEAD 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan 14 9:30 p.m. Mondays in January. Fifth Avenue Billiards, 215 W. Fifth 15, Cowley's, Grand River at Farmington Road, Farmington. Street, Royal Oak (248) 542-9922

COWBOY JUNKIES 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, Michigan Theater, Ann Arbor Tickets \$20, \$25 on sale Jan. 31 248) 645-6666

Friday-Saturday, Jan. 28-29, Beale

HE CRO-MAGS With All Out War and Shutdown, 6 n.m. Friday Feb. 4. St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, Al ages, \$10. (313) 961-MELT. CROSBY STILLS, NASH AND

YOUNG 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$76, \$51, and \$40.50 reserved. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-01,00. CUBANISMO

7:30 p.m. Monday, April 10. The Ark, Ann Arbor, \$25 advance. (248) 645-6666. THORNETTA DAVIS 7 p.m. Friday Saturday, Jan. 14-15 28-29. Fox and Hounds, 1560

Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills.

Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800

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(313) 831-1250 DESNUDO Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 13-15. Wagon Wheel Tavern, 102 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. (248) 693

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Saturday, Jan. 29, Blind Pig. 208 S First Street, Ann Arbor, \$5, (734)

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Featuring Jim Perkins, 9:30 p.m.

Friday-Saturday, Jan 28-29,

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Gilmore, Butch Hancock, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7, The Ark, Ann

Arbor. \$20 advance. (248) 645-

5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, Griff's

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7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, 25, Fox

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9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, Fifth

Avenue Billiards, 215 W. Fifth

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Street, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

Saturday Sunday, March 18-19, The

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Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal

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With Muzzle, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, With Cloud Nine. 9:30 p.m. Jan. 20, Blind Pig. 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. \$4, (734) 996 8555. www.blindpigmusic.com 996-8555, www.blindpigmusic.com LADY SUNSHINE AND THE X BAND **FAN MAIL TOUR** 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, With TLC, Christina Aguilera, 7 Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, The Palace of Street, Royal Oak. (248) 543-Auburn Hills. Tickets \$39.50 and

> 4300 SHEILA LANDIS AND RICK MATLE 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11, Borders Books and Music, Rochester Hills, 1122 S. Rochester Road. Free. (248) 652-0558; See them every other Wednesday at Woodruff's Supper Club, 212 W. Sixth Street

(248) 645-6666.

KRESCENT 4

7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 18, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak, All ages. Tickets \$19.31 on sale now. (248) 645-6666

Royal Oak, Free, Call (248) 586-

6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, State Theatre, Detroit. Sold Out. LORDS OF ACID

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Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road,

Westland, Free. 21 and over

6789 STONEY MAZAAR AND THE WESTSIDERS 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, Ford Road Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All

> (blues); 10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main Street, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300; 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, Lowertown Grill, 195 W. Liberty. Plymouth. (734) 451-1213.

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playing music together." said

Best, who admits he's always

been interested in blues music.

resident, and drummer Bill Hen- open to ever-changing interpre- work," Franchi added. "I'm per-

"It's really expressive."

Turnarounds.

Shakers, the band consists of reasons (the blues) attracted me

School bassist and lead vocalist bored playing songs the same perform.

Franchi, guitarist Todd Best, a is the fact that you can impro-

former Westland resident who vise. I don't like playing Top 40,

His father played the accordion, David Gondoly a former Canton way. With blues, the music is "If you do Top 40, you get more

MOVIES

'The Hurricane' will win over audiences

LOS ANGELES - The fictional Rocky Balboa found his vindication in the ring. The real-life boxer Rubin "Hurricane" Carter achieved his in the courts after 20 agonizing years, and he had to do it from prison.

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Rubin Carter, whose slashing freedom.

style earned him the name Hur-1960s. Then in 1966, he and a screen. fan were arrested and charged with the shooting of three people evidence was the testimony of an preys on slum kids. A bigoted cop ex-con who claimed to have seen named Della Pesca (Dan the pair fleeing from the bar Hedaya) accuses Rubin (Mitchell

with guns. exonerated by the police and a sentenced to a juvenile detention grand jury, Carter and the fan prison. were convicted and given three life sentences. After years of try-

activists. They helped win his his career, he is again hounded

middleweight title in the early it took so long to reach the is convicted.

Carter's life from his early days, Taylor Jr.) of attacking a pillar of Even though they had been the community, and the boy is

As an adult, Carter (Denzel Washington) transfers his anger ing to prove his innocence, into boxing, and his ferocity wins Carter was aided by an Ameri- him victories and the adulation can youth and Canadian social of the crowd. But at the peak of

by Pesca, the relentless Javert to Obviously this is first-class Carter's Jean Valjean. The detecricane, seemed destined for the -film material. The wonder is why tive falsifies evidence and Carter "The Hurricane" traces other prisoners, sleeping by day

Carter remains aloof from the and educating himself by night. in a New Jersey bar. The sole when he fights a pedophile who His efforts for justice fail, even after his book, "The Sixteenth Round," is published. Pleas from Bob Dylan - who championed Carter in a song he wrote - and Muhammad Ali fail to sway the

An underprivileged city boy (Vicellous Reon Shannon) living in Toronto is inspired by the book and he makes contact with the prisoner. He also induces his three Canadian mentors (John Hannah, Deborah Kara Unger and Liev Schreiber) to help uncover evidence that would free

Having trained for a year and shed 35 pounds, Washington ooks every inch the professional boxer. He is convincing in the ring and brings forceful emotion to Carter's long struggle for freedom. Shannon as the idolizing youth plays a perfect counterpoint to the anguished fighter, saving him from despair at his lowest moments.

The rest of the cast, most of them unfamiliar faces, perform admirably. Rod Steiger, who won as an adult), and he proves his minutes. an Academy Award for Jewison's talent again with "The Hurri-

makes a brief but stirring Armyan Bernstein and Dan appearance as the federal judge Gordon wrote the script, which was based on Carter's book and "Lazarus and the Hurricane" by Sam Chaiton and Terry Swinton

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"Get Naked" with her typically

CD REVIEW Snoop Dogg rescues "Who The

capture Rom Size's drum 'n' bass - without his help - on the ing cut, "Spun." ods of Mayhem have released an

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memory of Farmington home. Franchi uate. To avoid confusion with music in my life remembers setting up his toy other bands in the area, they changed the name to The when he was a little boy. It was a Franchi and Best are co-workup watching The big deal when his brother let ers at Joe's Music in Livonia, on him sit behind The Real drum where they both play guitar. television. Davy, set. He played percussion for Best, who grew up listening to years, throughout his time at his brother's ACDC records, also and Peter ran Farmington High School, but acquired an affinity for playing around singing also took up the guitar, which music at an early age. He remembered making a cut-out of a guitar in third grade. He and "There was always music his friends used it at a lip-sync performance of Pink Floyd's "The Wall" at school. Since that early stage experience, Best has grown used to performing. He met Gondoly while studying music at Wayne State University, And Best knew Henrikson from work-

Best said blues music is some-

thing everyone can relate to. By

adding elements of rock, jazz,

pop, and even a little country, the

music can draw in listeners who

never thought they'd become

Franchi has a saying for those

who question The Turnarounds'

and you don't like the song, stick

Turnarounds perform unpredictable

blues Friday, Jan. 14, The Taproom,

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around. It'll change."

Like the weather

blues fans. "We really mix it up."

Both Franchi and Best agreed that limitation."

DJs for entertainment, which style: "If you come in and see us

the best music derived from life

experiences and true emotions.

While the band performs regu-

larly, and can be seen at places

like Lowertown Grill in Ply-

mouth, Franchi said live music

find as it used to be. Best agreed

that more bars and clubs rely on

sonally willing to put up with

David Gondoly, Bill Henrikson, Todd Best and Jeff Franchi are The Turnarounds, a Wayne Countybased blues

quartet.

STREET SCENE

22. The Alibi, Farmington, and will host a CD Release Party for "Are 29, Lowertown Grill, 195 W. Liber ty, Plymouth. Call (734) 451-1213. More information and CDs are available at http:// turnarounds. hyper

Stephanie Angelyn Casola vrites about popular music for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She can be reached at (734) 953-2130 or e-mail at scasola@oe.homecomm.net.

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Kalamazoo's Knee Deep Shag. talent."

Look out Jenny Jones. The talk show maven has taken a liking to the musical stylings of Jan. 18. The topic is "prove your

My earliest in the basement of the family's Redford Union High School grad

is a hard one to drum set in the basement and

vears.

little girl, I grew

songs and get-

ting into mischief, and I didn't

want to miss a minute of it -

even if the show was already in

our home in northern Indiana to

Rochester, Mich., I couldn't have

been older than 5. I vividly

remember asking my mom if

"The Monkees" would be on TV.

at our new house. That was the

one thing I wanted to take with

It seems Jeff Franchi shared a

similar experience. I didn't ask

the guitarist whether his

favorite Monkee was Davy Jones,

but I did ask him for his earliest

musical memory. And watching

Franchi, guitarist and vocalist

for The Turnarounds - a Wayne

County-based blues band -

grew up surrounded by music.

and his older brothers played in

rock bands who often practiced

"The Monkees" was it.

admit to. As a playing along with the band Turnarounds.

he's now been playing for 20

around," he said. "It was almost

Almost three years ago,

Franchi made a choice. He joined

four other musicians who share

his passion for blues and formed

a band — The Turnarounds.

and off at Circle Sky in Farming-

ton and The Loft in Saline, the

band is ready to release its first

CD titled "Are You Ready" In 15

tracks. The Turnarounds com-

bined catchy originals with cov-

ers like Stevie Wonder's "Super-

Initially called The Blues

attended Livonia Franklin High

rikson, a Redford resident and

After one year of recording on

like I didn't have a choice."

Methods of Mayhem Methods of Mayhem

MCA Records No doubt shocking old fans. former Motley Crue drummer Tommy Lee has assembled hiphop heavyweights like Snoop the self-titled debut record by his rap-metal band, Methods of May-

Give Lee credit for that because the D-O double-G and the Queen Bee add spice and credibility to what could have amounted to a rip off of Limp Bizkit, Korn or any other rapmetal band of the moment.

trashy talk and, along with able. guests Fred Durst, George Clinton and Mix Master Mike, helped Lee find his way to alt-rock radio. The earnest delivery and bludgeoning beats make it easy to forgive the disposable lyrics.

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Hell Cares," while Kid Rock boosts "New Skin." Surprisingly, Methods of Mayhem manage to

The lesson here is that Methacceptable record because they brought in the right people and made their rip-off of others'

be mostly avoided. Tommy Lee fires off like some angry juvenile at news reporters, police officers Lil Kim heats up the track and others who have, it seems, conspired to make his life miser

More what? Talent?

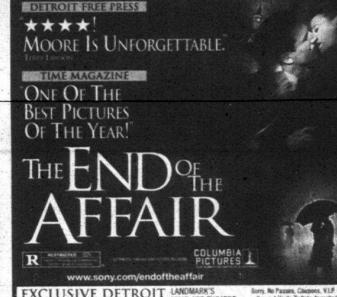
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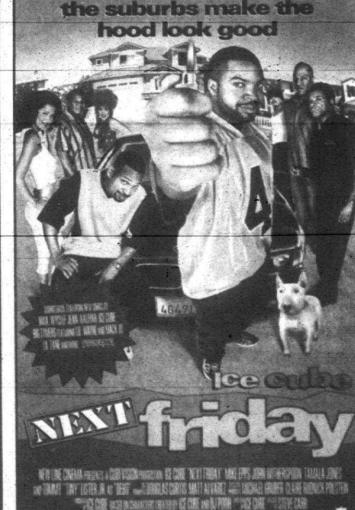
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DINING

Hockeytown Cafe scores with Red Wings fans

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

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Ed Kroninger foresees a bright future for Detroit's Hockeytown Cafe.

The Farmington Hills resident attended the opening of the Red Wings-themed restaurant last

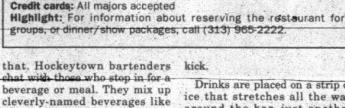
"I think it's fantastic. What an unbelievable location. It's gonna be great all year long. It's a goldmine waiting to happen."

The restaurant on Woodward Avenue in the Second City building shows off Red Wings memorabilia from Hockey jerseys and photographs to an actual Zamboni parked in the entrance. Who needs a Hard Rock Cafe in Detroit? The restaurant just reassures fans and visitors alike that this is still "hockeytown."

Valarie Bollard said she was never a hockey fan until she joined the staff. "I love working here," she said. "Everyone's very

One trip to the bar will prove

Sports fans: Hockeytown Cafe is decorated with a lot of Red Wings memorabilia.



\$15.95, entrees, \$13.95-\$21.95.

Reservations: Recommended for dinner

Building, (313) 965-9500.

Away, which is made with vanil-la ice cream, Chambord, Creme De Cocoa and rum. Non-alcoholic specialties include a Wild Berry Breeze, for a strawberry and raspberry frozen treat, or a Squeeze Play, a

lemonade carrying a raspberry

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Where: 2301 Woodward Ave.; Detroit - inside the Second City

Open: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday-Tuesday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Menu: American favorites including ribs and burgers with an eclec-

tic mix of entrees such as Spinach and Brioche Encrusted White-

Cost: Appetizers, \$5.95-\$9.95, sandwiches \$5-7, pasta, \$11.95-

Wednesday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Friday-Saturday.

Drinks are placed on a strip of ice that stretches all the way around the bar, just another reminder of that special sport of choice. Hockeytown Cafe features eight domestic and imported bottled beers. The wine list shows nine varieties of white wine, 12 reds and four types of champagne or sparkling wine. Most are available by the glass

Three levels

Dress up or dress down. Bring the kids or a date; it's suitable for any occasion. The dimly-lit restaurant offers dining on three different levels, so even when the place is packed, it's possible to enjoy a meal with space and comfort.

But Hockeytown Cafe is more than atmosphere for sports fans. The menu offers a mix of traditional favorites and eclectic entrees fit to satisfy the hungriest food connoisseurs.

Leave the hockey sticks and pucks behind and start off with an unusual appetizer, like Hoisen-Sesame Chicken Skewers or Crab and Risotto Cakes. Those with light appetites might go for a Cobb or Classic Caesar

If the goal is a hearty sandwich, Hockeytown's got it covered. From a Chicken Focaccia

sandwich with roasted peppers and provolone cheese, to a Grilled Portobello Mushroom Sandwich or Hockeytown's signature burger, choices are plenty. Sandwiches come with potato chips, but may be substituted for french fries and cole slaw for a nominal fee.

Entrees range from a slab of Baby Back Ribs to a Spinach and Brioche Encrusted Whitefish. Dinner entrees cost between \$13.95 and \$21.95 and include a starch and vegetable.

The Filet of Beef is prepared with a Traverse City Cherry and Walnut Crust and a Port Wine Sauce, giving a hearty Northern Michigan appeal. Pork Chops take the tastebuds south when served with a Caribbean Barbecue Glaze and Mango-Cilantro

If pasta is your pick, try Cannelloni with Ricotta and Spinach ned Cajun Beef Pasta, served with roasted peppers, tomatoes and a creole sauce

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In the city: Hockeytown Cafe is inside the Second City building on Woodward Avenue, close to the Fox and State theaters.

restaurant offers six desserts and seven varieties of sweet coffee drinks. Try an Apple Cobbler with a scoop of French Vanilla Ice Cream, or Rocky Road Cheesecake with an enticing chocolate glaze. Dip into a Raspberry and White Chocolate

Creme Brulee or taste the Almond Cherry Tart, which is baked in a sugar cookie crust.

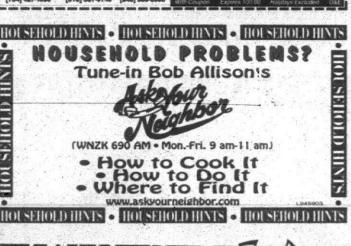
Whether the goal is to stop in before a game at Joe Louis Arena or grab a bite after a show at Second City, patrons won't leave Hockeytown Cafe hungry.

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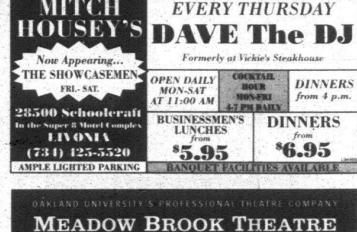
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