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## THE WEEK AHEAD

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**Newcomers:** The Canton Newcomers will hold their monthly meeting 7 p.m. at the Sunflower Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford. The organization is designed for women living in or near Canton who are interested in civic, social and charitable activities. For information call (734) 451-5426 or visit the Web site at: [www.cantonnewcomers.com](http://www.cantonnewcomers.com)

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## Wanted: New chief for chamber

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Ryan Ambrozaitis has resigned after 18 months as executive director of the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

Ambrozaitis, 30, stepped down to pursue other opportunities this week in a mutual agreement with the chamber's board of directors. His last day at work was Monday.

"I am proud of the major accomplishments the Canton chamber achieved over the last year and a half," Ambrozaitis said Thursday. "We have a fabulous board of directors, great committees and a good staff."

A one-paragraph statement from the board Thursday praised Ambrozaitis for his many "successful accomplishments over the past one-and-a-half-years" and wished him "continued success."

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

**Deadly decision:** Mazin Naim Khoury, the front-seat passenger in this 1989 Mercury Marquis, was killed when the car was struck by a train on Warren Road. Mazin's brother Ziad, who was driving, was injured in the crash.

## 1 killed, 1 hurt in wreck at Canton rail crossing

BY SCOTT DANIEL  
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A 32-year-old Canton man was killed and his brother badly injured Thursday when a train smashed into their car on Warren Road.

Mazin Naim Khoury was pronounced dead on the scene at approximately 5:45 p.m. His brother, Ziad Naim Khoury, 35, also of Canton, is listed in fair condition at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

According to township police

reports, the elder brother was driving at the time of the accident. Khoury, police said, went around warning gates just east of Lotz Road and was struck broadside by a northbound train.

"It's clearly a situation where they made a fatal mistake by going around the gates," Canton Police Officer Leonard Schemanske said. "Because of the massive size of the train, it's hard to judge its speed."

A train was parked just north of the railroad crossing facing southbound, said Schemanske. A second train, which police estimate was

traveling at 40 miles per hour, came through the crossing heading northbound.

"Witnesses said they kept looking left (or north)," Schemanske said, "and never looked right."

The car was struck on the passenger side door. Force of the impact knocked the brothers' vehicle into a nearby ravine just north of Warren Road.

Mazin Khoury was trapped inside the 1989 Mercury Marquis while his brother was ejected into the ravine. Neither was wearing a

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## Player collapses at game, dies

■ Mark Bolger wasn't a star but loved to play basketball as Salem High School's '12th man' off the bench, said his father, Jeff. Family and friends were still struggling Saturday with the teen's sudden halftime collapse during Friday's game with Livonia Stevenson.

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Salem junior Mark Bolger loved being part of the Rocks basketball team. He was far from being the star player, but he loved the camaraderie with his teammates.

"He was the 12th man, but he loved being a part of the fight and the strategy," said his father, Jeff. "He'd only play about 30 seconds or a minute, and that was generally if the team was in a position that allowed for him to get in. But he knew and accepted his role."

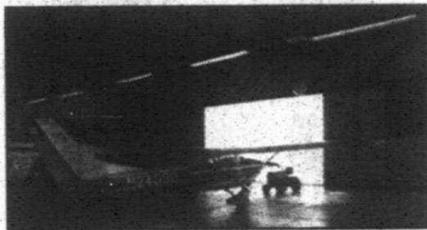
Today, Bolger's family of Plymouth Township is struggling to understand why their son collapsed during halftime of Friday night's home game with Livonia Stevenson, before being pronounced dead at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. "He was one of my best friends, one of the best people I know," said Jeff Bolger. "He was very smart, and while not the best athlete, loved to compete."

Jeff Bolger was called by the public address



Mark Bolger

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STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HIRSCHMANN

**Pit stop:** A Cessna four-seater is backed into the maintenance hangar.

BY SCOTT DANIEL  
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To borrow a phrase, Canton-Plymouth Mettetal Airport has come a long way, baby.

Since being purchased by the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics in 1993, the 63-acre facility at the corner of Joy and Lilley roads has undergone dramatic changes.

From improved maintenance and runway lighting to state-of-the-art weather tracking and a new plane taxiway, Mettetal has received much more than a cosmetic face-lift, according to state and local officials.

"A great deal of positive things have happened since the state purchased it," said Al Bosonetto, president of Experimental Aircraft Association chapter 113. "Management is more stable. Maintenance of the grounds is better. I don't think anybody sees long grass or things in disarray anymore. It has become a first-class organization."

One of the people most responsible for Mettetal's turnaround is Randy Collier. The bureau of aeronautics licensing and enforcement manager acts as supervisor of the airport.

He recently made a state-of-the-airport presentation to Canton's Board of Trustees. Collier outlined work done at Mettetal since 1993.

"I'm pleased with the progress we've made," he said. "I think we've

done what we said we would do."

The bureau, which is a division of Michigan's Department of Transportation, has completed more than 50 projects at Mettetal since taking over.

### Improvements

"It was in pretty bad shape when we bought it," said Collier. "There was a lot of deferred maintenance. Many of the hangars were in bad shape as well."

Enclosed counterweights for doors, roof replacement and other repairs have been done to the airport's hangars. A 14-unit "T-hangar," which cost \$450,000, was also installed.

Mettetal currently has 126 hangars. Collier said more will be added as soon as funding allows. "I'd like to see more new hangars," added Fixed Base Operator Doug Kitz. "We have a waiting list of 200 plus."

Mettetal's runway was rebuilt and widened. Collier said drainage was improved and the runway enlarged from a width of 45 to 75 feet for safety.

"Forty five feet is very narrow," he added. "If there were significant crosswinds, it was difficult to land."

The taxiway adjacent to the runway was also redone. Pilots previously had to steer through several turns before taking off.

"It's a straight shot now," Collier said.

# PLANE AND SIMPLE

## Airport activity takes off with changes



FILE PHOTO

**Historical view:** The Mettetal Airport office building as it appeared in 1954. Recent improvements have updated the facility, thanks to an influx of funds from the state.

The runway's lighting system was modernized, too. Precision Approach Path Indicator lights were installed to, again, enhance safety, Collier said.

Beyond the runway, a 20,000-gallon fuel farm was installed. It allows pilots to fuel planes themselves.

Mettetal's terminal building was spruced up with new carpeting and painting. Collier said a key move was paving the parking adjacent to the building.

"That was the first thing we did," he said. "That went a long way to improving the airport's appearance."

### Jack-of-all-trades

Kitze wears many hats at Mettetal, including maintenance man.

When it snows he's the one who clears the runway. He'll also be the one who cuts the grass and does the landscaping this summer.

As fixed base operator, Kitze is responsible for collecting hangar rents and repairing airplanes when needed. In short, if it needs to be done at Mettetal, see Doug.

"I'm generally here seven days a week," he said.

Kitze, who became Mettetal's FBO in 1994, also runs a flight school. His aviation school is currently working with about 100 students.

Would-be pilots range from early teens to late 70s, according to Kitze. Lessons are conducted every day at the airport.

Kitze believes in getting students off the ground - in a hurry.

"Many of our first lessons are in the air," he commented. "If you can drive to the airport, you can fly a plane."

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# Driver, 63, killed after car smashes into tree

**BY SCOTT DANIEL**  
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A 63-year-old Ypsilanti man died Wednesday after his car slammed into a tree on Ford Road.

Charles Frederick Carlton was pronounced dead at Ann Arbor Hospital in Wayne. The accident occurred at about 3:15 p.m.

"It was the first fatal crash in Canton this year," said Township Police Officer Leonard Schemanske. "We had nine last year."

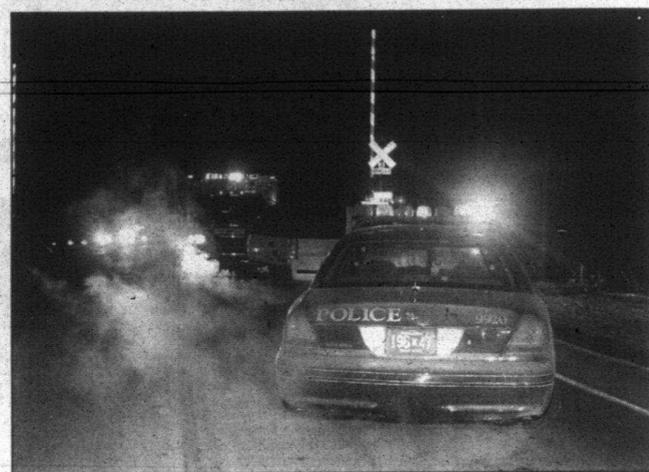
Carlton was heading north out of the parking lot behind

Kroger's grocery store towards Ford Road and west of Canton Center when he lost control of his 1988 Plymouth Voyager minivan, police reports said.

The vehicle went down an embankment, across a frozen retention pond and back up the other side, reports said. The minivan then crossed both lanes of traffic on Ford and hit a tree.

Police and Canton Fire Rescue responded just minutes after the accident.

Carlton appeared to have a "medical problem just prior to the crash," reports said. It's unclear if he had expired prior to



STAFF PHOTO BY TON HAWLEY

Aftermath: Police and rescue vehicles block off the train crossing on Warren Thursday.

# Crash victim's condition better

A critically injured Canton Township man is improving following a Westland car crash that killed two people, a University of Michigan Hospital spokeswoman said.

Timothy Edwin Twardokus' condition has improved from critical to serious following a 91 mph, one-car accident that occurred at 3:07 a.m. Jan. 15 on westbound Cherry Hill near Carleton.

Twardokus, 20, suffered closed-head injuries in the accident that killed 18-year-old driver Brian O'Donnell of Westland and 20-year-old backseat passenger Scott Velasquez of Canton.

Two others in the car have been released from hospitals, including Twardokus' 27-year-old uncle, Timothy Andrew of Detroit, and 23-year-old Donald Raymond Woodruff of Westland. O'Donnell lost control of a

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seabed, Schemanske said. Canton Fire and Rescue workers were on the scene in less than four minutes, he added. Ziad Khoury was taken to Ann Arbor Hospital and later

flown to U-M for treatment. He had multiple head and body injuries, Schemanske said. Police said alcohol was not involved in the accident. It was the second fatal accident in Canton in as many days.

Charles Frederick, 63, Carlton was killed Wednesday after his car struck a tree near Ford Road. Police believe the Ypsilanti man may have had "medical problem just prior to the crash."

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## Helping hands

If Collier and Kitzke are Mettetal's glue, the citizens advisory board is the backbone.

The seven-person board was formed shortly after the state took over. Chairman Mark Merlanti says the board's most important function is to provide a forum for frank discussion about the airport.

"When airport issues come up," he said, "they can be heard in a public forum where anyone can attend."

The board consists of four state-appointed representatives, two Canton residents and one from Plymouth Township. Merlanti said the board is a "procedural animal" that has no binding authority.

The board meets monthly. Merlanti said his job is to run a smooth meeting and make sure the right federal, state or local officials are on hand to answer questions.

"We have the appropriate people at the meetings at the appropriate times," Merlanti said.

## Numbers up

From all indications, improvement and administrative efforts have paid off for Mettetal.

Since its takeover, "movements," which encompass take-offs and landings, have doubled. Mettetal registered about 30,000 movements in 1993.

That number jumped to about 85,000 by 1998, according to Collier. He said that's more than most similar-sized airports and nearly 20,000 movements more than Jackson's airport which has two runways.

Mettetal's activity level could go even higher in years to come. While no plans are on the board, Collier said the possibility of adding a restaurant to the airport exists.

It would provide revenue and exposure for Mettetal, he explained. Bosonetto said it's uncommon for a group of pilots to fly to specific airports for breakfast or lunch just for the fun of it.

"We call it the \$500 burger," he joked.

## Aviation junkies

Bosonetto's Experimental Aircraft Association chapter has called Mettetal home for nearly four decades.

"Our organization is for people that love airplanes," he said. "We love to talk about them and work on them."

Besides pursuing their hobby, EAA members take an active role at the airport. Bosonetto said they help with maintenance and even don a paint-cap when needed.

In addition, Chapter 113 conducts safety seminars and awards scholarships to aspiring pilots. There's the Father's Day Fly-In/pancake breakfast.

"We've been doing it for 15 years now," said Bosonetto. "Part of the proceeds goes to the scholarship fund."

EAA is just happy that it can continue at Mettetal. Bosonetto thinks the state did the right thing in buying the airport.

"As an airport user in the community," he said, "if it had gone away it would've been a dagger in our hearts. We would've had no place to go."

# 'Everybody wanted to be Mark Bolger's friend'

**BY C.J. RISAK**  
STAFF WRITER

Quiet. Unassuming. And competitive.

Mark Bolger was all of these things. A highly motivated athlete, Mark would run almost every day. In the fall, he ran cross country. In the winter, he played basketball. In the spring, he ran track.

In all of these, he was a varsity-level competitor. Only natural for Mark. He was also a top-notch student.

"He was at the top of his class," said Rick Wilson, Bolger's junior varsity basketball coach and assistant to varsity coach Bob Brodie. Wilson was also Bolger's counselor.

"He took the most challenging classes we offered," Wilson added. "The kid could run like the wind."

"That's what's so puzzling about this."

The shock surrounding Bolger's death was palpable Saturday. "I've known him since third grade," said friend Ryan Hayden. "So did Jeff (Haar)."

Confirmation of his friend's death didn't come until after the game, when the team gathered at Nick Tochman's house. Brodie, Wilson and the rest of the Salem coaching staff brought the tragic news.

"I just started crying uncontrollably," Hayden said.

The team spent the night at Tochman's home. What else they might do to honor their friend and teammate was still being considered. A wristband bearing his jersey number — 30 — was one alternative.

His health was not in question. All athletes, from freshmen level to varsity, are required to have a physical examination on file, according to Salem athletic administrator John Robinson. "They don't even get to tryout unless they have a physical on file in our office," Robinson said.

That physical must be signed by a physician; it must include the athlete's history and current condition, and it must be done annually. Bolger had no previous physical problems, Robinson said.

Bolger's cross country and track coach, Geoff Baker, was out of town Saturday. His wife, Sue, knew Mark.

"Everybody wanted to be Mark Bolger's friend," she said. "He was just a wonderful boy. What happened is just a shame. It's awful."

Planes sit on the runway outside the main hangar at Mettetal Wednesday.

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## announcer to the boys locker-room at halftime. When he arrived, he saw coaches attempting CPR on Mark.

"He was grasping for a breath, and then stopped breathing," said Bolger, who assisted in trying to resuscitate his son. "I tried as hard as I could, everybody did."

Canton Township EMS arrived and transported the 16-year-old student to St. Mary's.

"He was at the hospital for about 20 minutes before he passed away," said his mother, Pam.

Rocks' coach Bob Brodie said Mark collapsed during his halftime talk.

"He was sitting down and then he slumped over," said Brodie. "We gently laid him down and began CPR. I stayed with him until the ambulance left."

The rest of the game was sent back onto the floor at the end of halftime to finish the game. The Wayne County Medical Examiner's office said it will take approximately 6-8 weeks to determine the cause of death.

"Mark was in very good shape. He was very careful about what he ate. He took good care of himself," his mother said.

Fam Bolger also described her son as "a teacher's dream."

Mark had straight A's throughout his school career, and had just been accepted into the National Honor Society.

"He worked hard at school, and recently finished in the 98 percentile in the PSAT tests," she said.

According to his dad, Mark did a lot of research on college, with his early choices Michigan, Michigan State, Duke, Brown and Cornell. He considered studies in journalism.

What even makes his death stranger is that Mark was in good shape, participating in cross country, track and soccer along with basketball.

"Mark was a very personable young man, well-liked by his teammates, and always had a kind word," said Brodie. "He always gave a great effort. He'll be dearly missed."

## of death.

The basketball players had begun a tradition of going to a player's home after a Friday night game, and oddly enough, the team was supposed to go to Mark's home after Friday night's contest.

"He cleaned the basement, had the cards ready on the card table," said Jeff Bolger.

Instead, the team assembled at another player's house, where they were told by coaches that Mark had passed away.

"The players spent the night together, talking well into the night before falling asleep."

Mark Bolger is survived by his parents and brother, Bryan, 13, an East Middle School eighth grader.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete as of press time. Visitation is scheduled to begin Sunday at the Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township, from 6-9 p.m. Further information concerning arrangements can be obtained from Vermeulen by calling (734) 459-2250.

**CITY OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE**  
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2000  
7:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, February 9, 2000 at 7:00 PM, in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
Proposed rezoning from B-3 General Business to B-2 Central Business

**Legal Description**  
The property to be considered for rezoning is located in the block bounded by Main Street on the west, Ann Arbor Trail on the north, Deer Street on the east and Wing Street on the south. More particularly described as:

Address	Lot Number/Legal Description	Tax ID Number
789 W. Ann Arbor Trail	Lot 703 Assessors Plymouth Plat No. 20	006-10-0703-000
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471 S. Main Street	Also Nly 1/2 of AdJ Vac Street Assessors Plymouth Plat No. 20	006-10-0736-000
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575 S. Main Street	S16FT of Lot 750 Also Lot 751 Assessors Plymouth Plat No. 20	006-10-0750-002
574 Deer Street	Lot 752 Assessors Plymouth Plat No. 20	006-10-0752-000
744 Wing Street	Lot 753 Assessors Plymouth Plat No. 20	006-10-0753-000
595 S. Main Street	Lot 754 Assessors Plymouth Plat No. 20	006-10-0754-000

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
Proposed rezoning from B-1 General Business and RM-1 Multiple Family Residential to B-1 General Business

**Legal Description**  
The property to be considered for rezoning is in the southeast corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Mill Street, also known as 133 E. Ann Arbor Trail and vacant property. More particularly described as:

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# Big deals

## Canton Library kicks off annual used book sale

**BY LAURIE HUMPHREY**  
STAFF WRITER

Book aficionados and bargain hunters alike should mark Tuesday on their calendars.

Friends of Canton Public Library will start hosting its 11th annual Big Used Book Sale on that day during regular library hours. The sale continues through the end of the month.

"This is the usually the great big sale in May," said Marcia Barker, Friends and Volunteer Coordinator for Canton Public Library, "but with the new construction going on, the Meeting Room (where the sale is held) will not be available in May."

This event should not be confused with other sales held by Friends of the Canton Public Library. There are three smaller sales each year as well, but those sales focus only on specific items, such as compact discs.

Barker is excited about this year's Big Used Book Sale saying, "We probably have more books than ever before." She attributes the overflow of books to more people donating than ever before.

"Normally, the books are dropped off in the back, but with the construction, all donations had to be accepted right in the library. The donation boxes were full in the front of the library and more people saw them."

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Admission to the event is free and open to everyone. Regular hours of the Canton Public Library, at 1200 S. Canton Center Road, are: 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Questions regarding the Big Used Book Sale should be directed to (734) 397-0999.

Money from the sale is used by Friends of the Canton Public Library to support special programs run in the library. Money is also allocated to support special enhancements which are not in the library budget, such as the two large giraffes in the youth section of the library.

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# Photo exhibit captures soccer players

Action photographs of local high school soccer players are on display through Feb. 29 at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St., Plymouth.

Bill Dean, a professional photographer from Plymouth, shot the pictures of Plymouth-Salem High School "Rocks" and Plymouth Christian Academy "Eagles" players during their 1999 seasons. The Rocks were state finalists in 1999 with a 23-2-2 record under head coach Ed McCarthy; the Eagles were regional finalists with a 15-4-4 record under head coach Rick Erickson.

**CLARIFICATION**

A story about the WSDP-FM CATCH car raffle on Page A3 in the Jan. 23 Canton Observer should have identified the contact person for tickets as Kelly Brown of Carron Industries. Brown can be reached at (313) 730-9478.

**PARISIAN**

# Chamber from page A1

The board was expected to have a search committee and hiring process finalized late last week, said David Griffin, chamber president.

Griffin said the search should take about two months with "the strength of the applicants a determining factor."

The chamber's desire for a higher profile and the current economic climate will probably influence the choice of an executive director as well, Griffin said.

During his tenure, Ambrozaitis began a membership drive and other efforts to help boost awareness of the Canton chamber, which has 460 members.

Griffin said those efforts would continue in the coming months.

Ambrozaitis said the success of last year's auction and golf outing were highlights of his tenure. The auction drew about 450 people and "was our most successful fund-raiser ever for the chamber," he said. The golf



**Ryan Ambrozaitis** outing sold out six weeks in advance, he added.

Ambrozaitis also cited progress on finding property for permanent offices and improvements in the monthly luncheon and breakfast series as accomplishments.

Ambrozaitis also wanted the chamber to become more politically active. For the first time since its inception, the chamber board of directors endorsed a ballot proposal in the August 1998 primary election. The proposed tax increase for locally-funded road improvements

failed at the polls though. Ambrozaitis was selected by the board in July 1998 from a field of 80 candidates seeking to replace the previous director, Carleigh Flaherty.

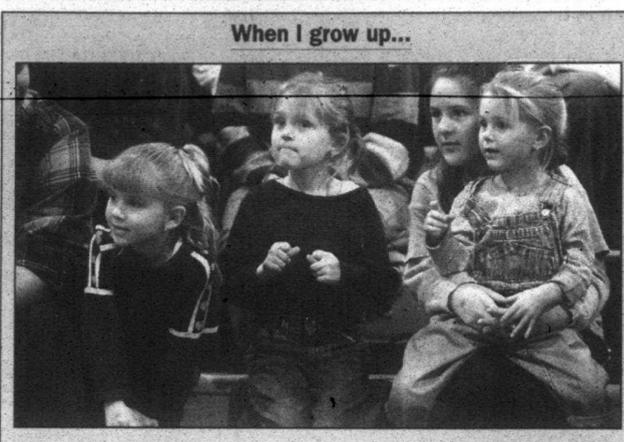
Flaherty had resigned June 1, 1998 to take over for the Farmington Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce.

Before coming to the Canton chamber, Ambrozaitis, worked in marketing and membership retention for the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce. He also served as vice chairman for the Michigan Republican Party and was appointed by Gov. John Engler to head the state's Bush-Quayle presidential campaign in 1988.

A University of Michigan graduate, he also worked for former state Rep. Debbie Whyman's, R-Canton, successful 1992 bid to the state House of Representatives.

Ambrozaitis said his future plans include a vacation and exploring a career in fund-raising, event planning or government relations.

He will continue to live in Livonia, where he bought a house late last year after moving from Dearborn, Ambrozaitis said.



**When I grow up...**  
They've got game: Taylor Rohn, 5 (from left) her older sister Brittany, 6, and younger sister Mikayla, 3, sitting on the lap of Jordan Owens, 12, all watch the Plymouth Christian Academy Cheerleaders during half-time of the Eagles recent game against Allen Park.

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL BURKEMANN

## WTUA talks moving ahead

**BY SCOTT DANIEL**  
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Still talking. That's what Canton, Plymouth and Northville townships and the Ypsilanti Community Utility Authority are doing. And for the first time in months, an agreement for a wastewater treatment plant expansion looks promising.

"I sense a willingness on YCUA's part to get things moving," said Western Townships Utilities Authority Operations Manager Tim Faas. "I think an agreement is possible."

The two authorities have been negotiating for nearly two years. In question is whether WTUA will help YCUA expand its current Ypsilanti Township treatment facility or build its own plant at an adjacent parcel.

YCUA's current facility is projected to run short of treatment capacity for WTUA wastewater flows in about five years. It will take nearly that long to expand or construct a new plant, according to Faas.

After months of posturing and little progress, talks between the sides heated up earlier this month. Faas recommended that WTUA's board authorize continued negotiations Monday.

He noted that the two sides have been shooting proposals

and counterproposals back and forth over the past few weeks. WTUA attorney Chuck Barbieri said the two sides are close to an agreement on cost issues.

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## OBITUARIES

**LAWRENCE B. BIDWELL**  
Services for Lawrence B. Bidwell, 75, of Northville were Jan. 1 at Casterline Funeral Home Inc., Northville with Rev. Kent Clise of First Presbyterian Church of Northville officiating. He was born Jan. 13, 1925 in South Lyon. He died Jan. 18 in Northville. He was a retired carpenter. He lived in the Northville area all of his life. He was in the Navy. He enjoyed the outdoors and his grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Lucy Fox; and his parents. Survivors include his three sons, Ralph Bidwell of Brighton, Jeff Bidwell of Plymouth, Brian Bidwell of Otsego; three daughters, Denese Strack of Clark Lake, Janice Batt of Howell, Deanna Turbak of Wixom; nine brothers and sisters, Ralph Bidwell of Montana, Donald Bidwell of South Carolina, Calvin Bidwell of California, Gary Bidwell of South Lyon, Aviv VanSickle of South Lyon, Ardith Kelly of California, Dorene VanOredale of South Carolina, Ann Polan of South Lyon, Duane Bidwell of New Hudson; 14 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Memorials may be made to Henry Ford Hospice of Plymouth, 260 Union St., Plymouth, MI 48170.

**MARY E. "BETTY" THOMPSON**  
Service for Mary E. "Betty" Thompson, 72, of Dearborn were Jan. 24 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Plymouth.

She was born in Detroit. She died in Spring Hill, Fla. She was a former member of Divine Child Altar Society and a former craft teacher for the city of Dearborn's senior citizens. She was also assistant personnel manager for Montgomery Ward and former office manager for Trimcast. She was a resident of Plymouth Township for 17 years. A member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the K of C Father Renaud Council. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. She was an avid golfer and enjoyed all social activities while becoming the welcoming chairwoman for Beacon Hollow Condominium Association.

Survivors include her husband, Ralph of Plymouth Township and Florida; two sons, Mar

Peal Low of Traverse City; four granddaughters, Martha Powers, Donna Finegan of Ypsilanti, Jennifer Patten of Plymouth; Anjanette Prentice; five grandsons, Franklin Powers, Jr., Joseph Brazeau, Alexander Paul of Plymouth, Chad Paul of Plymouth, Andrew Paul of Plymouth; and one great-grandchild, Jacob Paul of Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Memorial Diabetes Foundation, 18170 Templar Circle, Southfield, MI 48075 or to the Karmanos Cancer Institute, Plymouth region, 485 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170-3446.

**SALOME S. LAUDON**  
Services for Salome S. Laudon, 91, of Farmington Hills (Formerly of Plymouth) were Jan. 25 at Marion Oakland West, Farmington Hills with the Rev. Frederick Klettner officiating in the Holy Trinity Cemetery, New Ulm, Minn.

She was born April 21, 1908, in New Ulm, Minn. She died Jan. 20 at Angela Hospice. She moved to Plymouth from Detroit. She lived in Plymouth for 20 years. She was a retired RN from Chrysler Corp. She

enjoyed traveling, classical music, going out to dinner, and fine books. She also enjoyed playing bingo.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John Laudon and Mary Magas; and one brother, Walter Laudon. Survivors include her sister-in-law, Agatha Laudon.

Local arrangements were made by the Casterline Funeral Home, Inc., Northville.

**WALTER J. RAMM**  
Services for Walter J. Ramm, 63, of Ypsilanti, formerly of Canton, were Jan. 27 at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church with the Rev. Roger F. Ammann officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

He was born Sept. 7, 1936, in Detroit. He died Jan. 21 in Florida. He did engineering documentation at Unisys (Formerly Burroughs) in Plymouth for 41 years. He retired in 1998. He came to the Ypsilanti community in 1997 from Canton Township. He was a member of the Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Canton (Charter member). He was a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Livonia. He was a member of the Men's

Glee Club in Florida. He was a member of the Ushers Club in Michigan and sang in the choir. He enjoyed old movies and collected coins. He was a member of the Retirees Group at Unisys.

Survivors include his wife, Angeline of Ypsilanti; three daughters, Lisa (Bill) Neff of Garden City, Linda Ramm of Ypsilanti, Laura Ramm of Ypsilanti; mother-in-law, Wilhelmina Carreira of Ypsilanti; two sisters, Maxine Taliaferro of Redford, Marie O'Connell of Canton; and one grandson, Nathan York. Memorials may be made to Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Canton.

Local arrangements were made by the Schradler-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

**HENRY STANLEY RACZYNSKI**  
Services for Henry Stanley Raczynski, 76, of Canton were Jan. 22 at St. Valentine Catholic Church with Thomas A. Belczak officiating. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

He was born June 22, 1921, in Detroit. He died Jan. 17 in Ann Arbor. He was a purchasing expeditor at Unisys. He was a life member of Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 114.

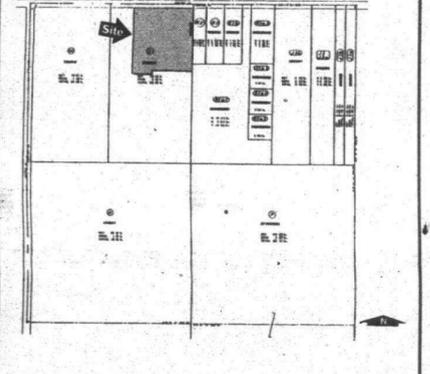
He was preceded in death by his parents, Stanley and Veronica Raczynski. Survivors include his wife, Irene G. Raczynski; one daughter, Linda Lesna of Northville; one son, Bruce (Anne) Raczynski of Romulus; one sister, Irene Maciok of Spruce, Mich.; one granddaughter, Nicole Lesna; and four grandsons, Bruce, Jr., Raczynski, William Rhinehart, Robert Rhinehart, Faith Rhinehart.

Memorials may be made as mass offerings. Local arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth.

## PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING (REVISED)

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 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:

**ROSINSTREAMCO REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PART OF 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.



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**

## PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AND ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 and Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton, that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, 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 amendments to the Zoning Ordinance:

**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. 009 99 0003 001.**

**R & R MIDWEST FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR PARCEL NO. 009 99 0003 001 FROM MEDIUM-HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LOCAL SHOPPING.**

**R & R MIDWEST REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 009 99 0003 001 FROM R-4, SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL TO C-1, VILLAGE SHOPPING**

Property is located on the southeast corner of Joy and Sheldon Roads.

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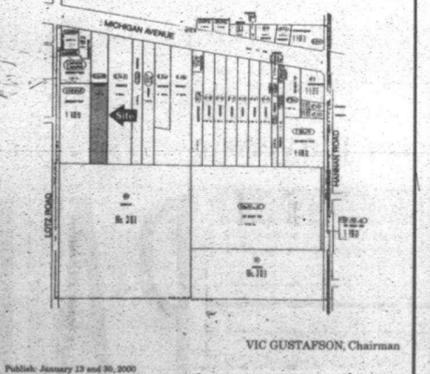
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**MCDONALDS/DEMBS ROTH REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE THE SOUTH 796.38 FEET OF PARCEL NO. 141 99 0028 000 FROM C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL, TO LI-2, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.** Property is located on the south side of Michigan Avenue between Lotz and Hannan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

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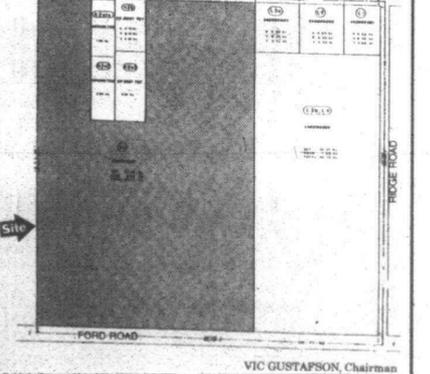
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**BERRY/SINGH REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 029 99 0001 001 FROM RA, RURAL AGRICULTURAL, TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL.** Property is located on the south side of Hanford Road between Ridge and Napier Roads.

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# Commissioners say transportation, budget key issues

BY RICHARD PEARL  
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Transportation and budget issues are key concerns this year for western Wayne County's four commissioners.

In response to an Observer inquiry, first-term county board members John J. Sullivan and Lyn Bankes and veteran board member and Commission Vice Chairwoman Kay Beard all pointed to the county's transportation situation.

But Bankes, Beard and fellow commissioner Kathleen Husk also expressed concern about budgetary issues.

Sullivan, a Democrat whose district includes part of the City of Wayne and all of Canton Township, was upbeat on transportation, saying he expects the county to continue its heavy spending for major road



Bankes



Beard



Husk



Sullivan

improvements, particularly in Canton. Last year, approximately \$21 million of the \$63-million county road budget went to his district.

"The county realized the biggest need is in western Wayne because that's where we have the growth," Sullivan said. "The county is working hard to alleviate the (traffic) congestion."

Sullivan, who also represents Romulus, Belleville and the

townships of Huron, Sumpter and Van Buren, is equally excited about the \$2-billion expansion at Metro Airport.

"It will turn Metro from one of the worst airports to one of the better" in terms of passenger convenience and service, he said, citing the new Northwest Airlines midfield terminal, the renovation of some concourses "to eliminate some of those mile-long walks" and the addition of

airline gates. Metro's expansion will mean "more jobs and businesses for residents" in and around the airport, he said.

## 25,000 jobs

"We're hoping to create another 25,000 jobs" during the next 15-20 years, he said.

Commissioner Bankes, a former veteran state legislator now on the county's ways and means committee, said there is a need for improved mass transit.

Bankes, one of only two Republicans on the county board - the other is Husk - was appointed in 1999 by Board Chairman Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit, to chair a special task force on transportation.

He asked her "to see if I could help come up with a plan" to improve public transportation for Wayne County residents, Bankes said.

So far, she has learned, among other things, that recovering over half the cost of operating any form of transportation is necessary and also that, as the population ages, it will "need more transportation support services."

Bankes who represents Plymouth, Plymouth Township, the two Northvilles and Livonia up to Middlebelt Road, also wants to reorganize "the budget structure."

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She said that, while her own ways and means committee needs to focus "on getting the job done," the key is County Executive Ed McNamara's "making the budget presentation on time."

"If he presents it on June 3 this year" as specified by the county charter, "we can move ahead," she said.

For Kay Beard, it's the auto companies' historic opposition to mass transit that has created the current state of affairs.

Ironically, though, she said, now that "it's too expensive to have underground (rail) transportation," the automakers want better public transportation. General Motors, for example, is creating its own bus system to get employees to the downtown Renaissance Center, she said.

Beard, a Democrat representing Westland, Garden City and Inkster, believes railroads don't want increased passenger service because "they do such good business with freight."

## Business need

As for bus service, Beard said the only way communities that opted out of SMART - the Southeast Michigan Area Regional Transit bus system - will get

back in is if business leaders get residents to understand they can't get workers without it.

Beard also expressed concern about mental health care.

"It's just a shame that (Gov. John) Engler closed all those (mental) hospitals because now our jails are *de facto* mental hospitals," she said.

Beard, who is co-chair of the Tri-County Summit, said the group has "put a lot of pressure on the state legislature" to stop it from reducing mental health funding.

Husk, who represents Redford Township and eastern Livonia, praised the ongoing audit of Wayne County by county Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy.

"We're uncovering some problem areas" such as Metro's parking issue, she said.

Other trouble spots she wants probed are the Friend of the Court system, which she said has problems getting payments to the right places, and the county's Register of Deeds office, which she said "takes a long time to get paperwork out."

"We want to make sure the county is providing good services to the people and also not wasting taxpayers' dollars," Husk said.

She said commissioners also are asking county department heads to find cost-cutting areas.

# County board creates system to 'get better handle' on budget

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Wayne County's Board of Commissioners, trying to get "a better handle" on spending by administrative departments and agencies, Thursday created a periodic budget allocation system for the current fiscal year.

"We need to have a better handle" on expenditures, said Commission Vice Chairwoman Kay Beard, D-Westland, in discussing the amendment to the 1999-2000 budget by fellow board member George Cushing-Berry Jr., D-Detroit.

A key part of the amendment states this year's final quarterly report is to be used by the commission's ways and means committee to begin "earlier deliberations" on the budget for 2000-2001.

The fiscal year runs Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.

The amendment requires County Executive Edward

McNamara to create, on or before the fiscal year begins, a periodic allotment schedule which is binding on all agencies and which "shall not be exceeded."

However, the new ordinance does say the county exec "may revise the allotments from time to time."

The new ordinance also charges Chief Financial Officer Tom Naughton with "strictly" enforcing the mandate; transferring any unexpended funds to the "unfunded, unallocated contingency budget" within 21 days after the period ends and also informing commissioners no more than seven days after that.

The county is \$10 million over budget this fiscal year.

"This has been a long time coming," said Beard of the new allocation process.

She said the amendment is aimed at curbing the executive branch's practice of allowing "certain departments to go over

their budgets" and adjusting the budgets, but not informing commissioners until year's end. The board's only choice then is to grant approval, she noted.

"That takes away from us the responsibility for making budget amendments and other changes - which she said the commission does "at almost every meeting."

"We need to know during the course of the year if departments have surpluses or if they have gone over budget," she told fellow commissioners.

Going over budget "should not be allowed without our knowledge and approval," she said.

The veteran lawmaker noted that, at times, "We may not agree that more money needs to be spent." For example, she said, it's possible "Something may need to be corrected" within a department's administration.

She said she hopes McNamara won't veto the amendment: "This is good government."

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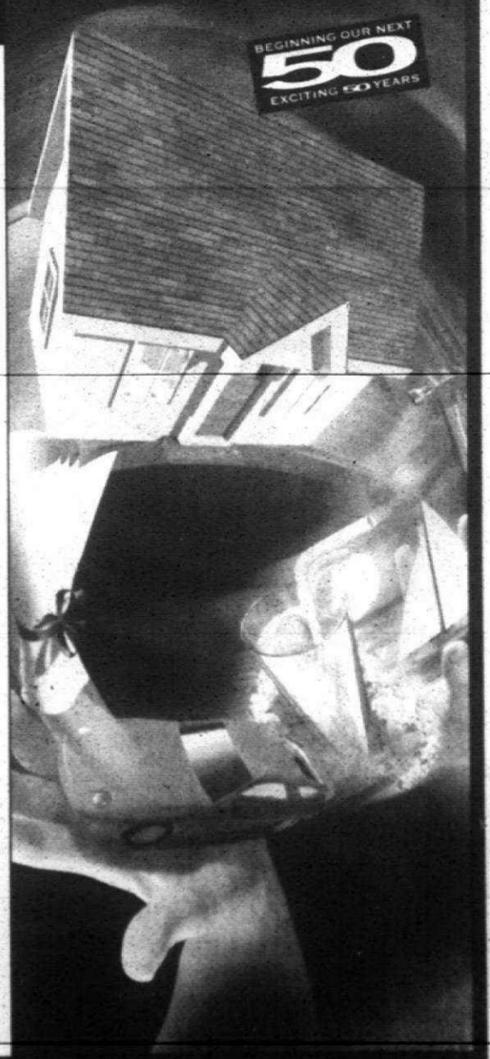
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Cost is \$65. For more information, call Total Baseball at (248) 668-0166 or send a check to Total Baseball, 30990 S. Wixom Rd., Wixom, MI, 48393.

### Baseball skills clinic

The Plymouth Salem Dugout Club, together with the Salem baseball coaching staff, will conduct a Baseball Skills Clinic for youngsters 7-15 years old.

The second of two sign-up sessions will be Feb. 12 at 9 a.m. at the Summit in Canton. Cost is \$20.

For more information, call Bill Styles at (734) 453-1679.

### Coaching vacancies

Livonia Ladywood High School has coaching positions open in track (JV, sprint and jump coaches); soccer (freshman and JV); field hockey (freshman and JV); girls softball (JV assistant and freshman assistant); and golf (JV).

For more information, call Ladywood athletic director Sal Malek at (734) 591-2323.

Walled Lake Western is seeking a head varsity girls basketball coach. The deadline for applying is Friday, Feb. 4.

Those interested should call David Yarbrough, Director of Athletics and Physical Education, at (248) 956-2073.

### St. Edith football signup

Football registration and open house for the St. Edith Eagles football program will be 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 13 at the school's gym.

All boys entering grades 3-8 this fall are invited to attend with their parents to meet the coaches and sign up for the 2000 season.

A freshman team, which will play a separate game schedule for boys in grades 3-4, has been added. St. Edith also offers varsity and junior varsity teams.

For more information, call Brad Dickey at (734) 542-0621 or Paul Hess at (248) 442-0238.

### Winter runners wanted

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## Death strikes Salem

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Importance of this game . . . getting over the .500 mark . . . a big victory . . .

None of it meant very much to Plymouth Salem's basketball team Friday. The Rocks did emerge from their home game with Livonia Stevenson with a 65-55 victory.

But shortly after the game, at a gath-

ering at one of the player's homes, Salem coach Bob Brodie and his coaching staff delivered the awful news.

Mark Bolger, one of their teammates, was dead.

Moments after Salem had bombarded Stevenson with a 22-2 second-quarter run to open up a 37-17 halftime lead, Bolger collapsed in the locker room.

An ambulance transported Bolger to St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia while

the second half was underway, where he was pronounced dead. Players and the opposing coaches were unaware of his exact condition.

Cause of his death was not immediately known, Brodie said. "I really don't know anything," the grief stricken coach said. "He passed away. They don't know what caused it yet."

Bolger was a 6-foot-3 junior guard who played for the junior varsity last

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## Whalers shutout Spitfires

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Between the second and third periods of Friday night's Plymouth Whalers game against the Windsor Spitfires, a lucky fan was given the opportunity to win a shiny new Dodge Intrepid if he could shoot a puck half the length of the rink into a four-inch-wide slot.

Not surprisingly, the fan missed the mark — but he did come closer to scoring than the Spitfires did against Whaler goalie Rob Zepp.

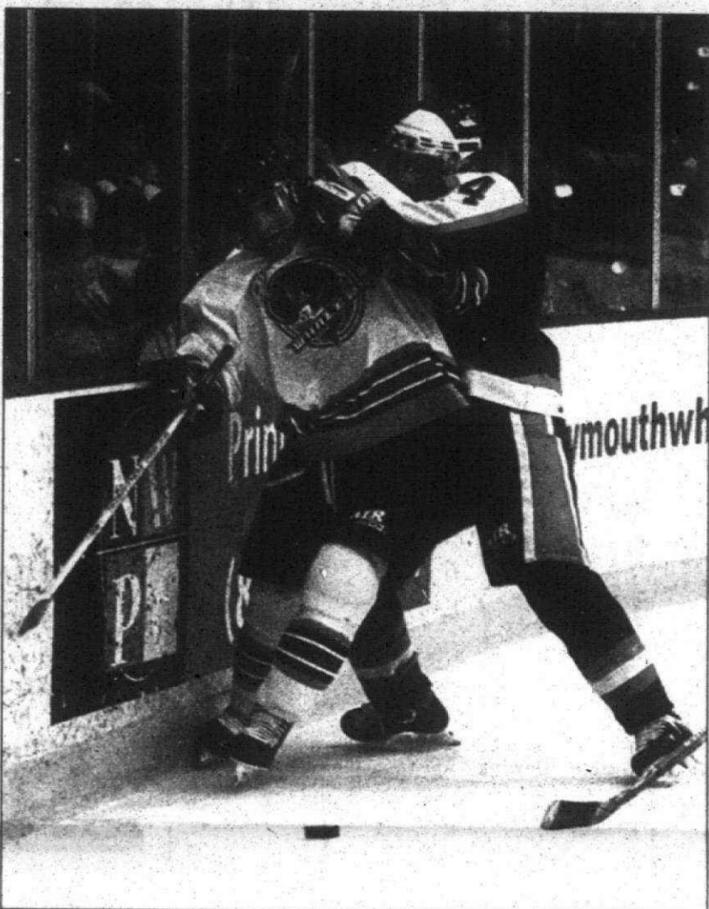
If given a choice, the Spitfires probably would have rather tried to score into that four-inch slot than face Zepp, whose flawless play in front of the net led the Whalers to a comfortable 4-0 victory.

It was the second consecutive shutout victory for Plymouth, which whitewashed Owen Sound, 7-0, on Jan. 22.

"The guys in front of me played great," said Zepp, who modestly deflected away any post-game praise like he would a wriester from the blue-line. "I only had to face 14 shots, so that tells you how well our defense played."

The win boosted the Whalers' record to 26-16-4, and left them just three points shy of first-place Sault Ste. Marie in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division standings.

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**Boarded:** The Whalers' Jon Billy (left) is checked into the boards by Windsor's Luc Rioux in a game featuring two teams battling for second in the OHL's West Division. It was a rough game, with five 10-minute misconduct penalties handed out.

## A shocker! Madonna upsets champs

BY C.J. RISAK  
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It was impossible. How else can one describe a game featuring a team that has never reached double figures in wins in a season beating the reigning national champion?

That's what happened Wednesday when Madonna University — winner of two of its previous 22 games — shocked Cornerstone College, 82-63 at Madonna. The Crusaders improved to 1-6 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, 3-20 overall; the Golden Eagles slipped to 3- in the WHAC, 14-9 overall.

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

"It's a good win — big time," said a relieved Bernie Holowicki, Madonna's coach. "This is probably the biggest win ever for Madonna."

"(Cornerstone's) a very talented team, well-coached. But we played as a team. To defeat the defending national champion we had to."

This was a game in which the team that was supposed to be dominant was dominated. The Golden Eagles apparently felt Madonna, winless in WHAC play, would offer little resistance. After all, the Crusaders have struggled all season.

But things were different this time. "We played unselfish team offense," said Holowicki. "We played on-the-floor basketball."

The shorter Crusaders outrebounded Cornerstone 41-35, led by Chad Putnam's 11 boards. But most impressively, Madonna shot with precision, both from the field and the line.

The Crusaders were 28-of-53 on field goals (52.8 percent) and 20-of-24 on free throws (83.3 percent). They also made 6-of-18 three-pointers (33.3 percent).

The Golden Eagles are used to such numbers, but

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## Free throws carry Canton to OT win

Farmington Harrison scored the last basket in regulation — a short banker by Joe Hundley with two seconds left, knotting it at 56-all — but Plymouth Canton recovered to outscore the Hawks 10-5 in overtime and get the win, 66-61 Friday at Harrison.

The win improved Canton's Western Lakes Activities Association record to 3-2; the Chiefs are 4-7 overall. Harrison slipped to 7-4 overall, 2-3 in the WLAA.

Free throws ended up playing a pivotal role. Canton converted 23-of-31 at the line (74.2 percent), including 8-of-10 in overtime. Harrison made 9-of-13 (69 percent).

Oliver Wolcott and Kenny Nether were the key contributors at the line. Wolcott gave the Chiefs a two-point lead with two from the stripe in the closing seconds of regulation, then made four-straight in OT. Nether was 3-of-4 from the line in OT.

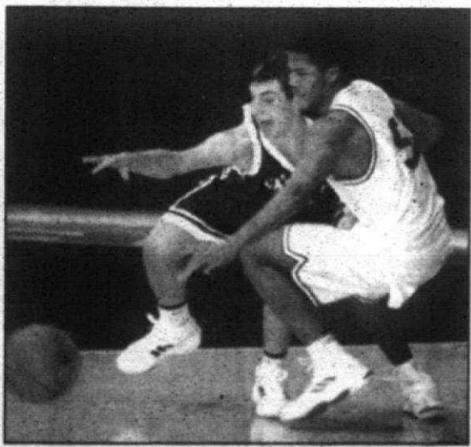
For the game, Wolcott was 8-of-8 while Nether hit 10-of-13.

"He was (the difference)," Canton coach Dan Young said of Wolcott's performance. "He's starting to really come on, he's playing with confidence."

There were others, however. Nether finished with 20 points and 18 rebounds, the latter one off the school record held by Rob Johnson. Nether also had three assists and two blocked shots. Wolcott scored 14 points and Jason Waidmann had 13.

"We got good play from our bench, too," said Young, noting three players off the bench who scored six points apiece. "All the guys coming off the bench gave us good minutes."

The game was close throughout, with the Chiefs leading 12-9 after one quarter and Harrison up 24-21 at the half. Canton regained the lead after three



**Pulling away:** CC's Mark Willoughby (left) tries to tear loose from U-D's Joel Wood.

quarters, 33-32. The final quarter was a shootout, the Hawks outscoring the Chiefs by one, 24-23.

"We got the ball inside but didn't get any stops on defense," said Harrison coach Dave Turnquist.

Nick Hall topped Harrison with 15 points; he also had 10 rebounds and five assists. Brian Nelson and Terrill Mayberry scored 10 apiece.

"This was a nice win for our team," Young said. "This is the first time we've won two in a row this season. Hopefully it got us over a hump."

**CC 69, U-D Jesuit 59:** The pieces are slowly starting to come together for Redford Catholic Central.

CC entertained the University of Detroit-Jesuit team Friday night and pinned a 10-point loss on the Cubs.

Junior guard Ryan Celeskey led the Shamrocks (7-5) with 26 points. Senior guard Rob Sparks scored 17 and junior guard Anthony Coratti contributed 15.

"We're playing a little better with our guys getting healthier," CC coach Rick Coratti said. "Sparks is able to play more minutes and is getting close to being able to go a full game."

"Matt Lorida is coming off mononucleosis; he's starting to get a little stronger. This is his second week back and he'd lost quite a bit of weight."

The Shamrocks, 5-1 in the Detroit Catholic League's Central Division, got three three-pointers in a row from guard Coratti bridging the third and fourth quarters to keep the Cubs at bay.

Jevon Caldwell-Gross led UD-Jesuit (9-4) with 16 points. The Cubs are now 3-3 in the Central Division.

Catholic Central led by three, 11-8, after one quarter but stretched the margin to 28-22 by halftime and held a 48-37 lead entering the final period.

**PCA 66, Baptist Park 55:** The Eagles piled up a 34-26 halftime lead and breezed to their sixth win in 10 games.

All 14 players on the Plymouth Christian Academy

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# Salem hands Thurston 1st dual-meet loss

Redford Thurston's swim team came primed for a good showing Thursday at Plymouth Salem but ended up getting shutout in every race, as the Eagles lost their first dual meet of the season, 135-45.

The Rocks extended their season-long winning streak to seven

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meets while the Eagles' ended at six.

"It was nice to get a meet with Thurston and have some decent races," coach Chuck Olson of Salem said. "We were able to

swim a lot of our younger kids. And a lot of them swam pretty well. It boosted morale.

"We turned in our best time yet in the 400 relay. Overall, we were able to experiment and give some guys some rest.

"Jason Rebarchik beat his best time (in the 100-yard breaststroke) by about two seconds. Overall, we had some good races, even though the score was pretty tough-sided."

Salem's Eric Lynn, Aaron Shelton, Ben Dzialo and Mike Johnson swam 1:45.87 to win the 200 medley relay while Dan Jones, Mike Horgan, David Carson and David Woodard teamed to win the 200 freestyle relay in 1:39.86. The Rocks' Dzialo, Lynn, Shelton and Johnson won the 400 freestyle in 3:25.02.

Individually, Lynn captured the 50 freestyle in 23.22, Brian Mertens was first in the 100 freestyle in 54:45 and Jones won the 200 freestyle with a clocking of 1:59.14. The 500 freestyle was won by Jim Ross, who swam a 5:16.18.

The 200 IM went to Horgan, who swam a winning 2:19.39, the 100 butterfly was taken by Carson in 1:05.30, the 100 backstroke was won by Jeff Nevi's 1:04.58 and the 100 breaststroke was Rebarchik's with a time of 1:08.27.

The diving belonged to Greg Kubitski of Salem with 219.45 points.

**Shamrocks prevail**

Redford Catholic Central remained unbeaten in dual

meets Thursday by splashing past host Warren DeLaSalle, 138-47, in the East Detroit high school pool in the first Detroit Catholic League dual meet of the season.

"We swam really well," Coach Jeff Baker said. "I worked them really hard this week, too. We got some excellent efforts. The kids really wanted to swim fast."

The Shamrocks' foursome of Kevin Ryan, Chris LaFond, Nick Markou and Andrew Carlin won the 200 medley relay with a time of 1:50.85. Ryan won the 100 backstroke in 1:01.16 and also won the 200 individual medley in 2:15.53 while his brother Tim captured the 50 freestyle in 24.90.

Ed Lesnau won the 200 freestyle in 1:53.92 and Jeff

Andonian took the 100 freestyle in 54.97.

Greg Brazianus totaled 260.80 in winning the diving and Bryant Steele made the state cut in the 100 butterfly when he swam a winning time of 55.53.

Markou swam 5:06.06 to win the 500 freestyle and Carlin took the 100 breaststroke in 1:08.54. The foursome of Mike Kruszewski, Tom Weber, LaFond and Steele swam 1:41.78 to win the 200 freestyle relay while Lesnau, Markou, Kruszewski and LaFond took the 400 freestyle relay with a clocking of 3:38.08.

"Chris Kuneman swam his lifetime best splits on the relays," Baker said, "and Mark Oliver turned in great swims in the 50 and 500 freestyle."



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# Franklin no match for Canton

There have been a couple of tough lessons for Plymouth Canton's wrestling team to absorb this season. Last Thursday at Livonia Franklin, the Chiefs made certain there wasn't another one.

A total of 11 of the 14 matches went to Canton wrestlers, as they posted a 59-15 victory in this Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division dual meet.

The Chiefs improved to 2-2 in the division, 14-4 overall.

"We were disappointed last week with our guys not shooting enough in our 29-28 loss to Northville," said Canton coach John Demick. "We stressed our set-ups and shots this week and the guys really came out ready to go."

"They seem to be peaking at the right time. We are still improving as we near the end of the season."

The Chiefs won six matches on falls, two others on voids and two more on major decisions.

The winners by fall were Kyle Pitt, who went up to the 112-pound division to pin Nick DeBay in 1:52; John Pockoc at 140 in 3:06 over Ryan O'Brien; Joe Faroni at 145

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in 5:27 over James Azzopardi; Phil Rothwell at 189 in :54 over Matt Navarro; Ozzie Wagner at 215 in 3:46 over Andrew Pruitt; and Derek McWatt at 275 in :51 over Tony Martinez.

Decision winners for Canton were Mike Siegrist, who edged Lee Warren 16-13 at 135; Scott McKee, who beat Brian Rapp 12-2 at 152; and Shaheen Rajae, who routed Brian Walker 16-4 at 160.

Rob Schnettler at 103 and Garrison at 130 won on voids.

Canton hosts Farmington Hutter in a WLA dual meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

## Stevenson stops Salem

Livonia Stevenson won the first two matches Thursday at Plymouth Salem. The Rocks won the next five to take the lead.

But, as anyone familiar with Salem's wrestling team knows, that's where the trouble begins. The Rocks won just one of the final seven, losing four of them by pins, in

## dropping a 43-27 decision.

The loss kept the Spartans unbeaten in the WLA's Lakes Division at 4-0; they are 12-4-1 overall. Salem is 2-1 in the Lakes, 3-2 overall.

Part of the Rocks' problem against Stevenson was a lack of pins — they got just one, by Rob Ash in 2:24 over Kevin Tindall at 130 pounds.

It also didn't help when the Spartans got pin wins to start the meet for Josh Gunterman at 103, in 1:27 over Salem's Mike Goethe; and from Charlie Rabaut at 112, in 1:35 over Nick Monidias.

The Rocks' roll began with Ronnie Thompson, who won on a 17-1 technical fall over Bill Bullock at 119. That was followed by Lucas Stump's 20-4 tech fall over Ben White at 125; Ash's pin win at 130; Steve Dendriac's 15-5 decision against Alex Pushman at 135; and Josh Henderson's 15-6 victory over Matt Radley at 140.

After that, only Mike Popeney got a win for Salem, beating Eric Puninski 3-2 at 189. Salem wrestles at Westland John Glenn at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in another WLA Lakes Division dual meet.

# Ocelots trim Hawks

There were a lot of things that didn't go right for Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team Wednesday against visiting Henry Ford CC. But in the end, one important factor did: the score, 74-67.

The victory improved SC's overall record to 6-9; the Lady Ocelots are 5-3 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference. Henry Ford fell to 8-12 overall, 5-4 in the conference.

"We shot 12-of-29 from the free throw line," said SC coach Karen Lafata. "Otherwise, this game wouldn't have been that close."

Indeed, the Hawks — who were 14-of-21 from the line in the game — led 31-28 at halftime. SC battled back, outscoring Henry Ford 46-36 in the second half.

Angelica Blakely led the

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Ocelots with 24 points and 14 rebounds. Antone Watson added 17 points and seven assists. Carla Saxton scored 13 points (including four three-pointers) and Carly Wright (from Garden City) had 12 points and nine boards.

Henry Ford got 17 points from Katie Martin.

**Cornerstone stops Madonna**

Madonna University battled back, but it proved too little, too late.

After falling behind 36-21 by halftime, the Lady Crusaders tried to forge a second-half comeback. They did outscore Cornerstone 45-41 in the last 20 minutes, but it wasn't enough as

they lost, 77-66.

Madonna fell to 8-11 overall, 2-5 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Cornerstone moved into a tie for the WHAC lead at 6-1 with Siena Heights; the Golden Eagles are 16-6 overall.

Chris Dietrich paced Madonna's offense, scoring a game-high 28 points, with three three-pointers and 8-of-15 floor shooting. Michelle Miela added 12 points, and Kristi Fiorenzi (Plymouth Canton) got five points and five steals.

Cornerstone was led by Julie Vogelzang's 21 points and nine rebounds. Allison Schneider had 13 points and five assists. Sarah Haney scored 12 points and Julie Bozak totaled nine points, seven assists and three steals.

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normally on their side of the ledger. Instead, they hit just 22-of-64 floor shots (34.4 percent), 8-of-25 three-pointers (32 percent) and 11-of-20 free throws (55 percent).

A poor start, in all phases of the game — Cornerstone was 8-of-27 from the field (29.6 percent) and 5-of-11 from the line (45.5 percent) in the first half — put the Eagles in a 35-24 hole at halftime.

Cornerstone got as close as eight in the second half, on Brad Gray's three-pointer in the opening seconds. The game remained a 10-16-43 point affair until Dan Kurтинaitis and Mike Massey took command with 13:21 left.

Massey scored 11 points and Kurтинaitis nine in a 22-6 Crusader run that extended their 49-39 lead to 71-45 with 6:53 remaining. It was Madonna's largest lead of the game, and it was way too much for the Eagles to overcome.

Massey connected on 11-of-19 floor shots to score a game-high 25 points. Kurтинaitis, a freshman, finished with 20 points, including an impressive 12-of-12 from the free-throw line, six

rebounds and three assists. Putnam, from Redford Thurston, had a career-best all-around game: 21 points on 8-of-11 floor shooting, with 4-of-7 from three-point range. He also had three steals and two assists to go with his 11 boards.

Jason Skoczylas scored just four points, but he grabbed five rebounds and dished out six assists.

Cornerstone got 21 points from Bryan Edwards and 10 from John Lansen.

"These guys have never quit," Holowicki said of the Crusaders. "They stuck together. We've got to build on this win now."

**SC stops Henry Ford CC**

Schoolcraft College's offense was good in the first half, scoring 43 points. In the second half, it was even better.

Led by Mike Williams' onslaught in the final half, the Ocelots pulled away from Henry Ford CC to a 94-63 victory. It was their eighth win in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference without a loss; they are 15-4 overall. Henry Ford fell to 9-10 overall, 4-5 in the confer-

ence.

Williams scored all 12 of his points in the second half to help SC extend a 43-34 halftime lead. The Ocelots outscored the Hawks 51-29 after the intermission.

The first-half offense was generated by Robert Brown (12 points), Nick Evola (10) and Lamar Bigby (nine). SC's overall balance off offense was more than the Hawks could handle.

Six Ocelots reached double figures in scoring, led by Bigby with 16. Evola and Brown scored 15 apiece. Quentin Mitchell netted 14, Williams had 12 and Chris Colley finished with 10.

Bigby also had eight rebounds and five assists; Brown had eight boards; and Brian Williams dished out eight assists. Brian Williams leads the conference in assists, averaging 7.4 per game.

Henry Ford got 15 points from Rob Collins, and 14 points from both Daryl Mason and James Driscoll.

SC connected on 37-of-70 floor shots (52.8 percent) and outscored the Hawks 44-31. Henry Ford was 24-of-66 from the field (36 percent).

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OUTDOORS CALENDAR

SEASON/DATES

RABBIT
Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

CLASSES/CLINICS

FLY TYING
Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers.

MORE FLY TYING
River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers.

SHOWS

SILVERDOME BOAT, SPORT AND FISHING
The 17th annual Silverdome Boat, Sport and Fishing Show will be Wednesday through Sunday, Feb. 2-6 at the Pontiac Silverdome.

inars, casting demonstrations and more. Show hours are 3-9:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 2 and 3, 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6.

SPRING BOATING EXPO
The 8th Annual Spring Boating Expo is scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, March 16-19 at the Novi Expo Center.

ARCHERY

DETROIT ARCHERS OF WEST BLOOMFIELD
The Detroit Archers of West Bloomfield (5795 Drake Road) is hosting a number of leagues: 3-D indoor, Sundays, 6:30 p.m.; Monday, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. (men only); Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. (men only); Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. (indoor); and Friday fun league, 7:30 p.m.

SPORTFISHING EXPO
The 12th annual Greater Detroit Sportfishing and Travel Expo is set for Thursday through Sunday, March 2-5, at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

LIVONIA RANGE
The Livonia Archery Range is closed. It will be re-opened Saturday, April 1 (weekends only and weather permitting).

Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

ACTIVITIES

SPORTING FLIES
The Paul H. Young Chapter of Trout Unlimited is holding the sixth annual Sporting Flies Challenge, 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3, at the Southfield Civic Center.

BASS ASSOCIATION
The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

SOLAR
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

CLINTON VALLEY BASS
Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome). The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for 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 Liparato at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING
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.

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

FISHING BUDDIES
Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meet-

ings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS
The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

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A 'blue' year: Bluebird numbers are up



TIM NOWICKI

This season is the winter of the bluebird. Last winter there were lots of robins around, but this year there are a tremendous number of bluebirds.

During the Detroit Audubon Society Christmas Bird Count, conducted on Dec. 19, 1999, participants counted 218 eastern bluebirds within a 15-mile diameter area in northwest Oakland County.

This is the greatest total number of bluebirds ever counted over this area. In 1998, a total of 117 bluebirds were counted — which was the all-time high until the 1999 count.

Though eastern bluebirds are insect eaters, a portion of the population in southeast Michigan does not migrate to warmer climes, like most other insect eating thrushes. Bluebirds are cousins to the robin, wood thrush, hermit thrush, veery and others.

Most birds of these species head to the southern states, or to Central America or South America to find insects and some berries.

Since insects are absent in winter here in Michigan, those bluebirds that stay must find an adequate number of berries to feed upon.

Spring of 1999 was mild and did not have any killing frosts. A large percentage of the flowers that bloomed were not killed by frost and were pollinated. More pollinated flowers resulted in more berries.

Bluebirds passing through southeast Michigan, or local residents, may have found enough berries to justify staying north in December instead of migrating south.

Mild temperatures in early winter did not require birds to use as much energy to stay warm, so the berries provided adequate food.

It's hard to determine exactly what may have caused such a large number of bluebirds to stay this far north in December, a modest number always stay north. Even robins stay north in winter.

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In the early years of the bird count, when summer bluebird populations were low, very few, if any, bluebirds stayed in the area.

Since the introduction of bluebird trails, or the erection of many bluebird houses by concerned people, more bluebirds are being raised in the area, and hence more bluebirds are staying during the winter.

Just because lots of bluebirds were counted in December, due to a mild November and earlier part of December, does not mean that they will not move south if the weather gets cold, or food runs out. Birds are mobile enough that they can adjust their situation if they are strong enough to do so.

It won't be long before the first of March is here and bluebirds start establishing their nesting territories. Those that stayed in the area will be able to choose the best territories before the southern population arrives.

So when you walk the field in winter keep your eyes open for those early bluebirds.

Bass fisherman takes aim at a top-25 finish



KYLE GREENE

On a recent winter afternoon, Kyle Greene sat patiently on Lake St. Clair waiting for the perch to start biting.

Although the action was slow, it was a relaxing task and a welcomed break from the pressure-filled action of the professional bass fishing circuit.

Greene, of Bloomfield Hills, has been competing at the professional level for 10 years and is off to his best start yet.

With four of seven qualifying events under his belt in the BASS Kmart Top 150 Circuit, Greene is in the running for a coveted berth in the BASS Masters Classic world championship.

The top 25 finishers in the point standings at the conclusion of the seven qualifying events earn a berth in the 2000 Classic, which will be held in August in Chicago.

Following a spectacular third-place finish two weeks ago in the Kmart Top 150 on Lake Tox, near Orlando, Fla., Greene is in 21st place in the point standings.

"If I can keep the pressure on and keep fishing the way I have, I just need to keep going into the tournament with an open mind and hopefully have good results."

That open-mindedness is playing a key role in Greene's success.

"I changed my method of practice," he said. "I'm more open-minded when trying to find fish. I'm staying closer, so I'm not spending a lot of time running all over the lake and concentrating on the fish that are nearby."

That approach paid off in the Lake Tox tournament when the weather kicked up on the second day of competition.

Facing wind gusts of 30 mph, Greene had to change his tactic and left the main lake for the wind shelter of a nearby bay. He finished with a four-day total of 20 fish that weighed 43 pounds, 7 ounces.

For his efforts, Greene won a Chevy pickup truck valued at \$25,000 along with a check for \$5,000.

"I just bought a house so I wasn't planning on a new truck anytime soon," he said. "It came at a good time."

Greene said he caught most of his fish on a Zoom Super Fluke, a soft plastic jerk bait.

"So far I'm off to my best start, my most consistent start," Greene said. "The key to this whole sport is being consistent."

The next stop on the Top 150 trail is at Lake Seminole, on the Florida-Georgia border, the second week of February.

The Mega Bucks Tournament will be held on Lake Murray in South Carolina in March and the final tournament will be held in May on Lake Wheeler, Ala.

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New shooting range
The DNR opened a state-of-the-art shooting range recently at the Island Lake Recreation Area.

Located on Grand River between Kensington Road and Kent Lake (Exit 151 off I-96), the range features 40 stations that are handicap accessible and offer shots of 25, 50 and 100 yards.

A mechanized skeet and trap range and a concession building is scheduled to be built this summer and the entire facility is expected to be completed and dedicated by Sept. 1.

Sporting Flies reminder
Don't forget about the sixth annual Sporting Flies Challenge, slated for Thursday, Feb. 3 at the Southfield Civic Center and sponsored by the Paul H. Young Chapter of Trout Unlimited.

The event, held in conjunction with the annual "What's New in Tackle Night," will run from 7-10 p.m.

The Sporting Flies Challenge allows anglers to compete against each other in an effort to raise money for stream improvement projects statewide.

Participants cast at targets on an artificial trout stream and accumulate points for hitting the targets.

There are three divisions of competition including an individual challenge, a club challenge and a team challenge.

For more information call up the Paul H. Young Chapter's web site at www.youngchapter.org or call (248) 683-3688.

Paul Parker writes a weekly outdoor column for the Observer & Eccentric! Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also welcomed. Send information to: Observer & Eccentric! Newspapers, Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

rolled a 300 game along the way.

The previous month at Bonanza Lanes in Warren, Bill Haynes of Rochester Hills was top qualifier, while Aschatz had high game honors along with Roland Snodgrass with 279 each.

Waterford's Joe Fitzsimmons came through with a 278 game. Dane Bertram of Lapeer took first place and a check for the \$2,000 grand prize.

The upcoming schedule: March 25 at Premier Lanes in Chesterfield; April 8-9 at Eastgate Lanes in Oregon, Ohio; and May 13 at Bowlero Bowl in Windsor.

For information of the GLSBA, call (734) 522-9315.

Greene and Mike Lee with 1,449; Singles Scratch: Tod Grams of Holland 770.

All-Events Scratch: Rick Eicher of Garden City, 2,147.

This tournament continues into May and we will keep up with any changes as it goes on.

\*The Great Lakes Senior Bowling Association held its most recent tournament on Jan. 15 at Vision Lanes in Westland and it was a good day for Windsor's silver-haired Scotty Laughland to come through with the title and \$1,000 first place money.

Ted Aschatz of Rochester Hills, who finished 16th overall.

Country Lanes (Farmington)
Sunday GoodTimes: Right Dave 2,437;00; Worthinger 244; 623 Wayne Lanning 212; Julian Nussbaum 202; Mark Silverstein 224.

Greenfield Mixed: Tony VanMeter 265; Walt Thomas 246;832; Tom Goo 250;212; 251;649; Ron Turner 242;599; Mike Stegala 214.

\*N'Al B'nth P'ugan: Alan Zupke 246;235; Larry Tom 246;247;266;243;700; Larry Tom 266;222;688; Lee Schaefer 257; 236;687; Al Mudyk 246;661.

University Man's Mike eved 268; John Blinnick 266.

Price of Peace: Kavel Frick 243;605; Celeste Paek 219.

Tuesday: Tom Joe Sparks II 250; George Smith 256; Mike Tashner 247.

EVER-T: Jon Ramirez 289;684; Bob Horton 279;690; Rue McKenzie 266; Mark Able 258;785; Ron Mathison 257; Mike "Kazake" 257;678.

Afternoon D'Utes: Sandy Tarnold 208; Sue Oster 182.

Metro Highway: Dan Vandercook 256; 252;698; Wayne Smith 248;653; T.D. Brown 243;615; Tom Santorus 235;216; Frank Derabos 235;214;629.

Country Lanes Semi-Classic: Denise Liu 205;622; Sarah Smith 225.

Monday Night: Paul Koenig 279; Steve Laine 278;727; Tony Spomer 278; Greg Woods 108.

Michigan Country Lanes (Farmington)
275;721; Donald Sharak 255.

Strikers: Debbie Leon 202;533; Yazdan Kasab 191; Laina Aron 532.

\*N'Al B'nth Leadership Network: Stuart Collins 211;524; Jodi Little 250;570.

Century: Kirk Cairns 248;256;689; Tom Lorenz 213;564; Celeste Chanteloni, 214; Lisa Lavelle 185;530.

Moore 218;567.

Saturday Youth Leagues (Coca Cola)
Lejona: Gary DeBolt 247;274;267;766; Leon Walsh 220;219;276;708; Greg McKeown 234;238;643; Tom Wadding 247;265;874; Matt West 203;206;298;663.

(Coca Cola Juniors): Ryan Warren 205; 255;222;678; Eric Lightfoot 268;637; (Coca Cola Preps): Jordan Briers 92; Samantha Blake 113; Amber Kempainen 106.

(Coca Cola Bantams): Courtney Smith 126;147; David Cicak 106; Hester Kennedy 126.

Ten's Country Lanes (Westland)
Fountain: Chen Brzezinski 677.

Inter-City: Cliff Brzezinski 278.

Youth Adult: Jeff Hawkins 141; 267;663.

Wednesday Junior House: Gloria Picard 269;621; Mary Rose 264;684; Kathleen Blake 235; Cheryl Ross 229; Ene Peck 223.

E/O Hard Times: Dale Ritter 255;627; Dave Curtis 243;596; Mark Hiltunen 236;566; Kathy Hiltunen 216;623; Mark Valenti 207;542; John Logan 232.

E/O Double Trouble: Ken Welch 278;653; Tim Mayer 234;603; Frank Buchanan 221;506; Margaret Wolf 213;514; Kris Bar net 197;512.

Sunday Sleepers: Curtis Paul 289; Ken Pinkston 279;725; Tom Johnston Jr. 278;740; Ron Gutowski 278;676; Terry Tezart 277;740.

Thursday Mix: Dean Neely 245;260; Frank Boner 245;635; Alan Civi 238;574; Dan Harrison 235;640; Ken Forbes 226;624.

Westland Champs: Mark Marvaco 225;586; Susan Tachna 206;543; Chai

Seniors want to end Youths' reign in tourney



AL HARRISON

Saturday, Feb. 5 will mark the fifth annual Senior/Youth Challenge at Mayflower Lanes in Redford.

As in past years, the kids will try to beat the seniors (55 and over) in a Match of the Ages.

It is about time this year for the seniors to finally beat the kids, which has not yet happened. The seniors have even stacked the deck by bringing

some hall of famers from the past, the likes of Eddie Lubanski and Tony Lindemann, both in the American Bowling Congress Hall of Fame.

The event is also a fund raiser for a local child abuse agency, the Evergreen Children Services and a youth scholarship program, in which these kids can earn hundreds of dollars toward their college education.

Opening ceremonies this year includes a bowling clown and trick shot act by Quintin Greene; Warner coverage by Time-Warner; appearances by local celebrities such as Redford Township Supervisor Kevin Kelley and a singing of the Star-

Spangled Banner by Tammy Plochan.

All participants receive a souvenir towel and may even win a great door prize from a fine array donated by local merchants, suppliers and restaurateurs.

There is ample room for spectators and bowling fans, so come on down and enjoy this fun-filled event.

Opening ceremonies start at 10:30 a.m.

\*On Jan. 16, a bowler's dream came true as Beth Jenkins of Canton Township scored her first 300 game and 700 series in the Sunday Rollers Mixed League at Wayne Bowl.

Her first game gave no indication of what was just ahead, a mere 179 which was followed by the 300 and a strong 251 for a nice 730 series.

Beth will be receiving her 300 ring, a 100 over average watch, a 700 pin and a Tr-Cities Award for 150 pins over average. She has a good chance at the Bowler of the Month award as well.

\*Updating the Michigan State Tournament leaders:

Team Scratch: Ansara's Big Boys No. 1 of Farmington 136;147; Mike Conner 278;689.

Classic: Ron Moore 740; Bryan Mack 709;721; Doug Spicer 710; Brian Gogolin 709.

Nite Owls: John Shaler, 671; Mike Pontek 289;688; Jerry Shaler 665; Jeff Koshen 665.

Oak Lanes (Westland)
G&G Auto: Janice Rank 252;550; Gloria Merrit 212;582; Karyn Ramsey 213; Sandy Smith 225; Ann Nedemeyer 197;566.

# Whalers from page B1

Coach Pete DeBoer's icers are in the midst of a two-month, 180-degree overhaul that started in late November when their record was a lackluster 12-13-3. "We started slowly this year, but we keep playing better as the season wears on," DeBoer said, commenting on his team's red-hot surge. "We only have 20-some games until the end of the season. Hopefully, we can keep this going and carry it into the playoffs." DeBoer said his team's defensive effort Friday night was head-and-shoulders above the one it turned in the last time the Whalers played Windsor on Jan. 13. The Spitfires torched Plymouth, 7-4, in that contest. "Our defense was great tonight, and it all started with our goaltender, Rob Zepp," DeBoer said. "Windsor is a very good offensive team and we held them to just 14 shots. Anytime you can hold a team to 14 shots, you're going to come out on top a lot more than not." "Although Rob didn't have to

face a lot of shots, he made key saves at key times in the game when we needed him." Windsor goalie Ryan Aschabar matched Zepp save-for-save in a scoreless first period Friday night. Zepp's most impressive first-period save came at the 13:32 mark when he turned back a Vincent Grant shot from the doorstep. He then smothered a rebound shot, bringing most of the 2,656 fans to their feet. Plymouth opened the scoring just over seven minutes into the second period when defenseman Shaun Fisher fired a knee-high screamer at Aschabar, whose reflexes couldn't react quick enough when Rob McBride redirected the shot into the net from a few feet away for his fifth goal of the season. Stephen Morris also assisted on the play. The Whalers doubled their lead mid-way through the final period when Randy Fitzgerald fed the puck to a driving Justin Williams, who deked a sprawling Aschabar and slid the puck through the five-hole to make it

2-0. Less than three minutes later, Tomas Kurka rebounded an Eric Gooldy slapper past a now dazed Aschabar, giving Plymouth a commanding 3-0 advantage with just 7:44 left in the game. If that goal didn't seal the Spitfires' fate, the next one did: a one-timer off the stick of Cole Jarrett, who was assisted by Morris and McBride. Shortly after Jarrett's goal — his second of the season — a young Whaler fan added insult to injury when he boldly waved a hand-painted sign in the direction of the dejected Spitfires. The sign read: "Warm up the bus." The Whalers peppered Aschabar with 27 shots, 12 of which came in the opening 20 minutes. Plymouth's defensive pressure seemed to intensify during the Spitfire's four power plays. In fact, during two of the short-handed situations, the Whalers did not allow their opponents to get a shot off — let alone score a goal. It's a sure-fire key to success.

# Pats rally past Salem

The first half of Wednesday's hockey game, played at Livonia's Edgar Arena, belonged to Plymouth. The Rocks looked good, offensively and defensively, building a 2-0 lead. Then roles were reversed. Livonia Franklin, which had failed to score a power-play goal in its previous 22 chances, got two in a row in the last 6:11 of the second period, then got an even-strength goal with 32 seconds left in the period. The rest of the game belonged to the Patriots, who skated to a 5-2 triumph. Salem fell to 1-10 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, 1-14 overall. Franklin improved to 5-5-2 in the WLAA, 6-6-2 overall. "Salem is a much-improved and a well-coached team," said Franklin coach Terry Jobbitt. "They are getting better every game. They are a good team and (are) much better than their record indicates."

**PREP HOCKEY**  
"I wish their program much success — except against us!" After a scoreless first period, the Rocks took a 1-0 lead on a goal by Mark Nagel 3:54 into the second period. Mike Thackaberry and Joe Connolly drew the assists. Salem made it 2-0 when Andy Peters scored, assisted by James Pawlica, just 58 seconds later. But Franklin regrouped quickly. Paul Statham narrowed the gap to one with a power-play goal at 8:49; Andy Garbutt and Sam Dismuke assisted. Josh Garbutt then knotted it at 2-2 with a second power-play marker with 2:34 left in the peri-

od. Andy Garbutt and Statham assisted. John Nichol got the go-ahead — and game-winning — goal from Chad VanHulle and Andy Garbutt in the period's closing seconds. If there was a closing-of-the-door on Salem's chances, it came five minutes into the final period. The Rocks had an ideal chance to get the tying goal, playing with a two-man advantage. Instead, they gave up a two-men-short goal to Franklin's Sam Dismuke, making it 4-2. Brandon McCullough got the final Patriot marker with 1:55 left (VanHulle, Frank Geluso assisting). Jim Dogonski stopped 16 of 21 Franklin shots on goal for Salem.

# Rocks fall short against state-ranked Brighton

Bethany Bartlett turned in a strong performance for Plymouth Salem's gymnastics team, but the Rocks were still far short of matching Brighton, one of the state's best. With both teams going without key contributors, the Bulldogs prevailed 134.65-127.2 Thursday at Brighton. The dual-meet loss was Salem's first in the Western Lakes Activities Association, dropping the Rocks to 2-1-1. Bartlett won both the balance beam (9.3) and the uneven parallel bars (8.7). She also scored 8.85 on the vault and 8.5 on floor

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exercise to post a 35.35 all-around. Other notable performances: April Aquino, 8.85 on floor, 8.4 on vault, 7.9 on bars and 8.2 on beam, 33.35 all-around; Kelsey Ensor, 8.15 on floor; AnnMarie Zelinski, 7.45 on vault; and Kara Dendrinis, 7.7 on floor. It won't get easier for the Rocks. On Thursday, they travel to Hartland, another of the state's top-five teams, for a WLAA dual meet starting at 6 p.m.

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roster played and 10 of them scored. Visiting Taylor Baptist Park (2-8) got 19 points from Matt Reed and 16 from Jared Setser. The Wildcats are now 1-4 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Plymouth Christian, 3-2 in MIAC action, was led by center

Mike Huntsman and his 23 points plus 11 rebounds. Dave Carty scored 14 points while Derric Isensee had 10 points plus 13 rebounds, 10 assists and five blocks.

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## ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

### Professor inspires budding writers

For the last 33 years, Arthur Lindenberg's been encouraging fledgling student writers at Schoolcraft College. In fact, I might not be writing this column today if it hadn't been for "Mr. Lindenberg."

Creative writing students in his class were required to submit their work to at least five publications. I mailed my verses out because I wanted to pass the class not expecting to have them published in the North American Mentor and other literary journals. That experience inspired me to go into a writing career.

#### The MacGuffin

Lindenberg continues to nurture young writers as well as established writers by editing and publishing The MacGuffin literary journal three times a year.

"We look for the best works we can find," said Lindenberg. "We're an open solicitation magazine. We accept submissions for all over the country and globe."

An open house, held twice on Thursday, Feb. 3, in the McDowell Center at the college, will allow the community to learn more about the publication. A display will feature 16 years of The MacGuffin. M.L. Liebler, director of the Writer's

Voice literary newsletter, and Northville poet Kathleen Ripley-Leo will read from their works. Members of the MacGuffin staff will be available to read and critique writing samples.

#### Literary journal: The fall issue of The MacGuffin spotlights emerging as well as established artists.

"We want to familiarize people in the community with this wonderful journal and hopefully get more readers," said Lindenberg. "It will give people the opportunity to get on the mailing

list and we always give discount prices on subscriptions. They can find out how to become a member of the staff. Anyone can join. We have a great time. People will read short stories and poems. There will also be an open microphone."

Lindenberg founded The MacGuffin 16 years ago after prodding from then associate dean of liberal arts Lawrence Ordowski. It seems Ordowski kept leaving student journals in Lindenberg's mailbox.

"I didn't want to publish a student journal but something of a mix of students' works with prominent works," said Lindenberg. "We set up a work space with three students."

Before long, Lindenberg and The MacGuffin staff were typing up the poetry, short fiction and creative non-fiction for the first 8 1/2-by-11-inch journal.

"We were using an IBM electric typewriter with a ball for different colors. Then we'd sit down to cut and paste. Later, it evolved into the 6-by-9 format that today averages 160 pages.

"The MacGuffin gives more experienced writers an opportunity to find a voice or place when they might not be able to publish in commercial magazines such as Atlantic Monthly. For new writers, it's a great opportunity to be exposed and become discovered."

As with all of the arts, finding the funds to publish the journal can be a challenge. Subscriptions, fees from an annual Poet Hunt, and The MacGuffin Fund help raise the \$5,000 needed

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**What:** An Open House to learn more about The MacGuffin literary journal.

**When:** 1-3 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3.

**Where:** In room 200 of the McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. For more information, call Arthur Lindenberg at (734) 462-4400, ext. 5292 or e-mail him at alindenberg@schoolcraft.cc.mi.us



### Musicians promote all-American art form

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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Victor Goines finds it hard to separate his life as a musician from educating people about jazz. The clarinetist/saxophonist for the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra and Sextet serves as educational consultant for programs that inspire a love for the all-American art form in students, teachers and audiences around the world.

Goines knew from the days he played in an elementary school All-Star band, with Wynton Marsalis, now artistic director of Jazz at Lincoln Center, that exposing students to jazz at a young age will help them appreciate it throughout their life. Although they may not go on to tour 250 days a year as he does, Goines believes they'll enjoy attending concerts like the ones the sextet will be presenting Feb. 4-5 in Ann Arbor as part of the University Musical Society series.

Earlier in the week, members of the group which includes Detroit's Rodney Whitaker, will present educational programs for students, teachers and the public. A workshop 10:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 3 takes them into the studio of Wayne RESA for a live broadcast that is available to schools throughout Michigan. Cable viewers can access the long distance learning



Rodney Whitaker

workshop by turning to the educational channel.

"A lot of times I think exposure has a lot to do with someone liking or not liking something," said Goines. "We want to catch them by 16, 17 or 18 and give them a dose of something that's truly American. We're going to track jazz from its roots in New Orleans to Chicago and New York. Long distance learning is one of the most effective ways to touch many people at the same time."

Goines was inspired to take up clarinet after watching his brother play trumpet. After blowing those first few notes, he was hooked.

#### Jazz at Lincoln Center Sextet

**What:** Performs music from Ellington to Monk and Jelly Roll Morton.

**When:** 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5 (one-hour family performance).

**Where:** Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor.

**Tickets:** \$18-\$36 for Feb. 4 concert; \$20 adults, \$10 children for family performance on Feb. 5. Call (734) 764-2538 or visit the Web site at [www.ume.org](http://www.ume.org)

"I started playing clarinet for a therapeutic reason," said Goines. "I was asthmatic and my mother thought it would strengthen my lungs. I like to tell people, 'Mother knew best.'"

Goines continued playing clarinet in high school, where he began doubling on saxophone after studying with Carl Blouin, Sr. at St. Augustine High School. Goines earned his master of music degree at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond in 1990.

#### Great teachers

"It was important to have great teachers from junior high to college where I studied with Steve Cohen, principal clarinetist of the New York Philharmonic, and then with Ellis Marsalis," said Goines. "Because of my teachers I've gravitated toward teaching."

As Jazz at Lincoln Center educational consultant, Goines put together a student musician handbook that will be distrib-



Hot time: The Jazz at Lincoln Center Sextet brings swing and jazz music to Ann Arbor Feb. 4-5. Members of the sextet pictured here, performed as part of the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra in the documentary, "Swingin' with Duke," which aired on PBS in May.



Victor Goines

uted during residencies which in the past have taken the sextet through the midwestern and southern states as well as Japan. Students, in workshops at Cass Tech and the Detroit High School for the Performing Arts and a jazz clinic at the University of Michigan School of Music, will use the handbook to learn about the basics of jazz and musicians they should listen to and study. Before becoming a member of the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra, Goines taught at Loyd University, the University of New Orleans and Xavier University so teaching comes natural to him.

Of course, so does performing and recording. His third album as a leader, "To Those We Love So Dearly," was released in August and is dedicated to his mother. Comprised of all his originals, the clarinet album employs horns ranging from E flat to B flat, alto and bass.

"It's very diverse and goes through different grooves," said Goines. "It pulls from all the different music I've been able to encounter."

Growing up in New Orleans, Goines heard all kinds of music on the street corners and in clubs and churches.

"It gave me an unfair advantage, an exposure to a variety of styles," said Goines. "New Orleans has a very rich musical community from jazz orchestra to Latin music."

### Lincoln Center Sextet to broadcast jams

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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Victoria Holley-Foster practically vibrates as she talks about introducing Rodney Whitaker and members of the Jazz at Lincoln Center Sextet on a live broadcast to schools in the region and around the state.

It's one of the many perks she receives as arts education consultant for Wayne RESA. Holley-Foster worked with Whitaker, a Detroit bass player, on the long-distance learning broadcast. It is one of several programs the sextet is presenting during a residency and performances for the University Musical Society in Ann Arbor.

The Wayne RESA program focuses on the geography of jazz and an appreciation for the art form which launched a migration of African American musicians from the south to the northern cities of Chicago, New York and Detroit. Holley-Foster is tying the live session into the Michigan Curriculum Framework to help teachers focus on social studies. A map of the U.S. will detail past routes the musicians took. Cable viewers can access the program by turning into the educational channel. Whitaker and the rest of the members will answer questions from the studio audience and viewers during the broadcast and for 30 minutes afterwards.

"The broadcast goes out to 34 school districts in Wayne County, Oakland and other counties throughout Michigan are able to access the broadcast by downloading it," said Holley-Foster. "It has a potential of reaching one-half million school children plus viewers at home with access to the educational channel."

This is the second time, Wayne RESA and

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On the road: Wynton Marsalis takes part in an educational residency for the University Musical Society and Jazz at Lincoln Center in Ann Arbor last year.

## EXHIBIT

### "The Orchid Pavilion Gathering"

**What:** An exhibition of Chinese painting that spans nearly 900 years.

**When:** Through Sunday, March 26. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Thursday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

**Where:** University of Michigan Museum of Art, 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor.

**Admission:** Free, but a \$5 donation is suggested. Call (734) 764-0395 or visit the Web site at [www.umich.edu/~umma/](http://www.umich.edu/~umma/)

#### Related events:

■ 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30 - lecture by Maxwell Hearn, curator of Asian art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.

■ 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6 - lecture by Marshall Wu, curator of Asian art at the University of Michigan Museum of Art.

■ 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 20 - Chinese Lantern Festival marks the end of the 15-day period celebrating Chinese New Year. Hands-on activities and performances spotlighting Chinese arts and culture.

## Chinese painting reveals 900 years of culture

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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Marshall Wu spent the last five years researching Chinese painting and found that philosophy plays as much of a role in the art form as technique.

Wu, senior curator of Asian art at the University of Michigan Museum of Art, humbly led a tour of the exhibit that resulted from his studies. "The Orchid Pavilion Gathering" features 60 paintings that survey nearly 900 years of painting in China. Selected from the museum's collection, the exhibit continues through Sunday, March 26.

"It was a project," said Wu. "I had to do research on 60 individual artists, the work, historical background and meaning, and translated every Chinese character and seal on the paintings. Through the exhibition one can see the development of Chi-

nese painting and the major schools. It is the first time we've ever displayed the major part of the Chinese painting collection from the museum. Quite a few works are displayed for the first time because of size and condition."

#### Chronological

Arranged chronologically from the 12th century to present, the exhibit opens with a scroll of a countryside scene in the Southern part of China. A herder boy in a straw raincoat tips his hat to indicate a torrential down-pour.

"Chinese painting does not give you obvious depiction," said Wu. "It doesn't give you snow or rain. It's the viewer's responsibility to find it. The sky is tinted to show darkness of approaching evening. This is a typical rainy day in Southern China by



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**Ice carving:** Hanging scroll, painted by Yu Chi during the Ch'ing Dynasty, features Lichee fruit on a carved ice platter.



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**Brush painting:** Cranes, like this one created during the Ch'ing Dynasty (1644-1912), symbolize a dignified gentleman.

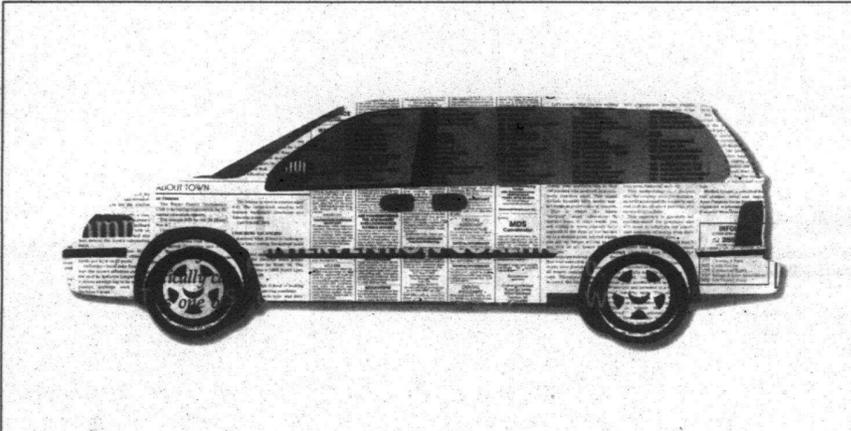
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an anonymous artist. A buffalo walks against the wind, turning his shoulder into it. It captures one free moment. Early Chinese paintings are very rare because all of the works have been collected by major museums. The University of Michigan Museum of Art acquired its first work, "Crane on a Pine Branch," in 1930 from an estate. An endowment enabled the museum to seriously begin collecting Chinese painting in 1936. In the '60s and '70s, University of Michigan art history professor Richard Edwards guided the museum in adding works by major Chinese artists. Today, the museum's extensive collection allows scholars and students of Chinese painting to learn first hand about the philosophy behind brush painting.

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per issue. "We're extremely grateful to Schoolcraft College which sees us as contributing to their mission," said Lindenbergh. "We're also developing an application for a National Endowment for the Arts grant." Hotbed for aspiring writers Schoolcraft College offers a variety of ways for writers to hone their skills. Creative writing classes, for credit and through Continuing Education Services, provide a spawning ground for the next generation



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ART OPENING TODAY Farmington Hills artist Edee Joppich exhibits watercolors Sunday, Jan. 30 to Sunday, April 2 at the Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame, 213 W. Main, Lansing. "There were two groups of painters, the literati or scholar, and the professional," said Wu. "The professional had the support of the government and painted for official buildings. The literati's colors were more honest because they were away from the bourgeois."

Saturday, and 2-4 p.m. Sunday. For directions or information, call (517) 484-1880.

ART CLASSES The Art Gallery/Studio is offering art classes with Lin Baum 1-4 p.m. Thursdays Feb. 3 to 24 at 29948 Ford Road in Garden City. There is a choice of mediums with individual instruction. For more information, call (734) 261-0379 or (734) 613-4044.

CLUB MEETING Three Cities Art Club will hold a meeting 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 7 in the Plymouth Township Clerk's office at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. Please bring a sample of your work. A ribbon will be awarded to the most popular painting as determined by a vote of those present at the meeting. You need not be a member to win. February's program features Detroit Institute of Arts docent Victor Tahill, who will present a slide lecture on the Vincent van Gogh exhibit opening Sunday, March 12 at the museum. "Van Gogh: Face to Face" consists of 70 paintings and drawings from an array of public and private international collections. It is the first exhibition to focus on van Gogh's evolving approach to portraiture. The exhibit runs through Sunday, June 4. For more information about the Three Cities meeting, call Annalee Davis at (734) 427-6524.

Classes in Kindermusik for ages newborn to age 7, at Evola Music, 7170 N. Haggerty, Canton. Classes are taught by Karen Onkka Schanerberger, a licensed Kindermusik instructor. A Livonia native, she earned a music degree from Wayne State University before teaching for the last 20 years. To register, call (734) 455-4677 or visit the Web site at www.ismi.net/kindermusik-atvva.

PUNK-FOLK PERFORMANCE Jackie Roush, a punk-folk artist, performs 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5 at the Coffee Studio, 600 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Admission is free. For more information, visit the Web site at www.JackieRoush.com.

AWARD WINNING STUDENTS Catholic Central High School students recently won several Scholastic Art awards. Their works will be on display, as part of the Michigan Scholastic Art Awards regional exhibition, Sunday, Feb. 6 to Sunday, Feb. 20 at Summit Place Mall in Waterford. Taking Silver Keys were Kevin Azanger, David Hellen, Felix Martinez, Matthew McClelland, Mike Rogers, and Matt Zavac. Nick Fugodi, Brenton Stark, Michael Wilk, Thomas Enary, Ryan Herberholz, Randall Means, and Nicholas Ozog won certificates.

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the University Musical Society have brought a group into the studio. Last February, the American String Quartet introduced classical music to students from Abbott Middle School in Birmingham, among others. The broadcast with members of the Jazz at Lincoln Center Sextet is one of several being produced this semester as part of the Cultural Collaborative for Learning. The Detroit Public Library's Azalia Hackley Collection will be featured Feb. 8, and the Martha Graham Dance Company on Feb. 17.

U. Musical Society Ben Johnson coordinated the residency for the Jazz at Lincoln Center Sextet which includes Wayne RESA's long-distance learning broadcast. The University Musical Society director of education has scheduled 150 educational events related to 60 different performances during the UMS series. "We have 75 partners throughout the region and we've already been talking with Pontiac and Bloomfield Hills school for next year," said Johnson. "We do everything in partnership, we

look for opportunities to develop new ideas." Once a year, the University Musical Society and Jazz at Lincoln Center collaborate to bring this all-American art form to as wide an audience as possible. The Jazz at Lincoln Center Sextet, in addition to a mainstage concert, will perform a one-hour program for families during which musicians talk about jazz with the audience. The concerts are the culmination of a four-day residency in schools in Ann Arbor and Detroit. A teacher's workshop is scheduled for 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2. Call (734) 615-0122 for more information or to reserve a space. The general public is welcome to listen in on a jazz clinic for high school and college students at the University of Michigan School of Music in Ann Arbor 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3. "We have a stance to be out in the community and to bring a lot of experiences to high school through elementary kids," said Johnson. "It's a segment overlooked. They're at an impressionable age. We want to create positive role models in the arts."

WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING The Wayne County Commission will hold a Public Hearing on a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 99-497 Appropriations and Budget Ordinance for Fiscal Year 1999-2000 which reduces estimated revenues and authorized expenditures in the amount of \$10,275,530 of appropriations reductions in accordance with Budget Adjustment No. 2000-68-002. Thursday, February 3, 2000, 10:00 a.m. Commission Chambers Room 400 Wayne County Building 800 Randolph, Detroit, Michigan Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Commission Clerk's Office, 406 Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, Detroit, MI 48226 (313) 224-0903. Publish: January 30, 2000

LIBERTY FEST 2000 Call for artists for the 9th annual fine art and fine craft show on June 24 and 25 in Canton Township. Deadline for application is April 15. Call (734) 453-3710.

METROPOLITAN SINGERS The adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially men, to sing duets, pop hits and folk tunes. Choir meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Birney Middle School vocal room, 27000 Evergreen, Southfield. PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS Accepting entries for its Photography exhibition juried by PCCA's Exhibition Committee. The exhibition will run March 3 through April 1. Entry fee is \$20. Slides are due Feb. 9. 407 Pine, Rochester, MI (248) 651-4110.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR Auditions for new members by appointment. This year's repertoire includes music by Bach, Mozart, Brahms and Rachmaninoff. For information call (248) 349-8175. To schedule an audition call Mark Perrine at (313) 937-0975. VISUAL ART ASSOC. OF LIVONIA Classes in oil, watercolor, mixed

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ANTIQUESHOW

DEARBORN HISTORIC GUILD Antique Show & Sale, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6, at the First Baptist Church, Dearborn Fieldhouse, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn. Admission \$5, (313) 565-3000.

AUDITIONS & CALL FOR ARTISTS

ART IN THE PARK Common Ground Sanctuary is accepting artist applications for the 25th annual Art in the Park art fair. Applications must be postmarked by March 6, and the application fee is \$20. Artists can submit work to the Common Ground Sanctuary at (248) 456-8158, ext. 203 to obtain an application. The fair takes place Sept. 23 and 24 in Southfield. BOHEMIANS MUSIC COMPETITION Deadline for the third annual Solo Competition for orchestral instruments is April 1. Prizes are \$500-\$1500 and Wayne State University will match each prize with a scholarship should winners decide to further their musical education at WSU. High school and college students (between ages 16 and 22) throughout Michigan are eligible. Submit tape to Herbert Couf, President, c/o The Bohemians, 37685 Russett Drive, Farmington Hills, 48331 or email Couf@links@aol.com. CALL FOR ARTISTS The Livonia Arts Commission is looking for exhibitors for its 24th annual Juried Art Festival. Art in the Village Saturday-Sunday, June 10-11 at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia. Deadline for entry is Friday, Feb. 11. For an application, call Livonia Community Resources department at (734) 466-2540.

CLASSES

ART CLASSES D & M Studios offers fine art classes for preschooler through adult. Classes held at three locations: 8691 N. Lilley Road, Canton; 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton; 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Call (734) 453-3710. DETROIT BALLET Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap, and jazz. Adult beginners welcomed. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine Mile Road. Call (248) 474-3174. DRAWING & PAINTING Classes taught by Karen Halpern - watercolor painting through March 22; drawing, Mondays through March 20; oil and acrylic through March 24. West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation, 4640 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield, Call (248) 738-2500. EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older. 1541 W. Hamlin Road, between Crooks and Livernois roads, Rochester Hills. Call (248) 862-5850. GLASSBLOWING Touch of Light instructor John Fitzpatrick taking applications for 8 week class starting in early February

FOLK VESPERS

The Bluegrass Band Lonesome & Blue performs at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6 at the First Baptist Church, Birmingham. Through Feb. 13 - The Pointed Arch: Idealizing the Gothic Age. 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call (313) 833-7900.

SOUTHFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

A concert in celebration of Black History Month at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6 at the Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield. Call (248) 557-2088.

SWINGTIME 2000

Dance to the Imperial Swing Band and Latin/Salsa of Pena Worldbeat, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5 at the Fisher Building, Detroit. For tickets call (248) 584-4150.

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY

Barbara Hendricks, soprano, performs at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 29 at the First Baptist Church, 911 North Ypsilanti Ave, Ann Arbor. Michigan Chamber Players performs Mozart, Haydn and Bach at 4 p.m. Jan. 30 at Rackham Auditorium 915 East Washington, Ann Arbor. Call (800) 221-1229.

FOUR FRESHMEN/ROCHESTER SYMPHONY

Greater Orion Performing Arts Council presents The Four Freshmen with the Rochester Symphony, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 13 at Lake Orion Performing Arts Center, 495 E. Scripps Road, Lake Orion. Tickets \$14. Call (248) 693-5436.

FOR KIDS

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE Songs and puppets with Rita Kirsch. For ages birth to 4 years with a parent. 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. Call (248) 644-5832.

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ART CENTER Through Feb. 10 - An electronic exhibition of works by Robert Martin. Artists' reception is 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, 125 Macomb Place, Mount Clemens. Call (810) 469-8666.

ART IN THE CORRIDOR

Everthia Sanza exhibits at the Farmington Hills and Farmington City Hills located on the corner of Orchard Lake and Eleven Mile roads. Call (248) 474-9570.

BARNES AND NOBLE BOOKSTORE

Through Feb. 5 - Marj. Sak. The New Millennium, 2800 S. Rochester, Rochester Hills. Call (248) 544-1203.

ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY

Through Feb. 14 - Diversity: Focus on India. U of M-Deborn campus, Dearborn. Call (313) 593-5058.

CARIBBEAN COLORS

Through Feb. 12 - Hawaiian Dreams, a watercolor exhibit by Julie Marionette Wistinghausen, at 2966 Blodde Ave, Suite 101, Wyandotte in the Wyandotte Art Loft.

JEFFREY CLAY GALLERY

The Justus of Paul Kattich, 404 East 4th Street, Royal Oak. Call (248) 584-2223.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Graduate Works in Progress exhibition, 28 5400 Gulien Mall, Wayne State University, Detroit. Call (313) 577-2423.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Through Feb. 14 - Candace Compton-Pappas and Stephen Coyte

PLASH GALLERY

Opens Friday, Feb. 4 - "Burst of Color" by Detroit area artist, Kja. The opening reception is 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Call (248) 334-6825.

UZELAC GALLERY

Opens Friday, Feb. 4 - Variety show featuring some of the gallery's most popular artists through Feb. 26, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Call (248) 332-5257.

WATERFORD STUDENT ART EXHIBIT

Opens Tuesday, Feb. 1 - An exhibit of student art will be on display at Oakland Schools through Feb. 29, 2100 Pontiac Lake, Waterford. Call (248) 623-9389.

CLEAR STORY

Open Thursday, Wright Memorial of African American History will show case nearly 40 representations of African American history and culture captured in the vivid, sparkling and colorful stained glass work of Samuel Hodge. The exhibition "Clear Story: The Stained Glass Art of Mr. Samuel Hodge" opened Jan. 29, 2000. Call (313) 494-5800 for ticket information.

GALERIE BLU

Brian, Valerie Parks and Robert Tucker artists' families art gallery goes in Detroit and beyond, show for the first time Feb. 7-26 at Galerie Bluu on the second floor, 7 N. Saginaw in Pontiac. Gallery hours are 11:5 Tuesday-Saturday. Call (248) 454-7797.

A.C.T. GALLERY

Through Feb. 18 - Anne Fracassa, Gordon Price, Shelly Richmond and Mark Schwing at 35 East Grand River, Detroit. Call (313) 961-4336.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER GALLERY

Through Feb. 19 - "Collective Memories," work of artists Linda Soberman and Jennifer Martin at 1174 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call (734)

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through Feb. 19 - "Views from the Landscape," 407 Pine, Rochester. Call (248) 651-4110.

PEWAB POTTERY

Through Feb. 26 - "Yixing 2K," featuring more than 70 pieces of Chinese Yixing Teaware, 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Call (313) 822-0954.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTISTS COUNCIL

Through March 1 - Poland: A celebration of art and culture. Opening reception 1:30 p.m. Jan. 30, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. Call (734) 416-4278.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY

Through Feb. 5 - Bey Walker: The Light Beyond, 215 East Washington Street, Ann Arbor. Call (734) 761-2267.

VOLUNTEERS

ANIMATION NETWORK CLUB Looking for artists such as animators or comedians who would like to be featured on cable. For more information, contact Jane Dabish, president, P.O. Box 25165, West Bloomfield, Mich. 48325-1651. Call (248) 626-2280.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Seeks volunteers to help with non-performing activities. Contact MCB, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. Call (248) 349-0376 or http://www.mcb.org.

THEATER

GEM THEATER "Escapade in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through March 26, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. Call (313) 963-9800.

NEADOW BROOK THEATER

"Dangerous Obsession," continues through today, at the theater on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. \$24-\$35. Call (248) 377-3300.

MT. ZION THEATER COMPANY

"The Celestial Helix and Other One Act Plays" through Feb. 4, 5 and Feb. 11, 12 at the Mt. Zion Center for Performing Arts, 4453 Clintonville Rd., Waterford. Call (248) 673-5432.

WAR PLAYERS

Over Jan. 30 and Feb. 4-5. Ticket prices \$14. \$2 discount for students 18 and under. 752 Chestnut, Birmingham. (248) 644-2075. Over Feb. 12-13. Tickets \$13.00 p.m. Feb. 6, at 752 Chestnut, Birmingham. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$10 for children under 12.

BACI THEATRE

"Flamingo Wake," 8 p.m. Thursday-Fridays, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays, 525 Thursday and Sundays, and 530 Friday-Saturdays; "Tony n Tina's Wedding," 7:30 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sundays at 40 W. Pike, Pontiac. Call (248) 745-8668 / (248) 645-6566.

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

ANNIE JR. Runs 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30. Scottish Rite Cathedral, Southfield. Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit. Call (313) 535-8962.

SNOW WHITE

Sara Smith Productions Youth Theater at The Community House in Birmingham will show Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Appropriate for ages 5 and up. This program will feature 18 youngsters from the community. Performances are 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, March 11 and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, March 12. Tickets are \$7 per person, general seating, \$9 at the box. Reserved seating is \$30 per person. Proceeds benefit Sara Smith Productions Youth Theater at The Community House. Call (248) 644-5832.

RECEPTION

An opening reception will be held 7 to 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 4 for the Variety Show at the Uzelac Gallery at the Oakland Arts Center, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Call (248) 332-5257.



Works of art: Valerie Parks (her work shown above) is one of the featured artists welcomed next month at Galerie Blu, located in downtown Pontiac. A variety show, meanwhile, showcasing work from artists like Greg Fitzpatrick (at left), will come to the Uzelac Gallery on Friday, Feb. 4 at the Oakland Arts Center in Pontiac.

UZELAC GALLERY VARIETY SHOW

at 23426 Weddards Ave., Ferndale. Call (248) 543-1868. JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Adult art classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Woodcarving classes take place Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 11:15 p.m. West Mile Road, Oak Park. Call (248) 967-4030. KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, intermediate level, 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 6526 N. Drake, West Bloomfield. Call (248) 932-8699. NAVAL ACADEMY Introduction to Navy Dance for all ages and skill level. Classes meet weekly, 32822 Merritt Drive, Westland. Call (734) 422-1246. PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL Classes and workshops for all ages at the center, 774 N. Sheldon Road. Live model session 9:30 a.m.-12:30, every third Friday of the month. Starting week of Jan. 24. Call (734) 416-4278. VISUAL ART ASSOC. OF LIVONIA Classes in watercolor, figurative drawing and painting; workshops in batik and watercolor monotypes, at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia. Call (734) 455-9517.

CREATIVE MUSIC CENTER Various Kindermusik classes for newborn to 7 years old through April 22. Enroll anytime. Classes held at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Teritorial, Plymouth (734) 354-9109. WEST BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY EDUCATION Rita's songs and puppets for ages birth to 4 years. Classes are at the Sports Club, Farmington Road, West Bloomfield. Register at (248) 539-2290. WRITING WORKSHOP FOR KIDS Harvey Ovshtinsky, award-winning screenwriter, will conduct daylong creative writing workshops from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5 for grades 4-5 and Saturday, March 11 for grades 6-8. Workshops take place at the Community House in Birmingham. To register call (248) 644-5832.

LITERARY

THE WRITER'S VOICE Poetry reading by the New Writing Movement of Michael Palmer, Will Alexander and Clayton Eschman, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6 at the Scarab Club, 217 E. Farnsworth. (313) 267-5310.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM Through March 26 - Joseph Grigely Publications and Publication Projects, 1994-1999. Deal since age 10. Grigely's work explores social interactions and the nuances of language. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Call (800) GO-CRANBROOK.

CONCERTS

CHRIST CHURCH-DETROIT "The Mass Cantata Earth Mass," an ecumenical and ecological celebration of God's World is 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5 at 960 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Call (313) 259-6686. COLORS DIVERSITY SERIES ACCESS and New Detroit will host an all ages Caribbean Carnival featuring Bajan Calypso/Soca Band Koolhaq, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5 at the Royal Oak Music Theatre, Fourth Street, Royal Oak. Call (313) 255-2226. CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE Opens Saturday, Feb. 5 - "Take My Picture, Please," a festival of Cultural Snapshots, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 645-3224. DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS Through Feb. 13 - Alejandro Garcia from Paper Plane - a traditional



TRAVEL

# The play's the thing in nearby London, Ontario

BY MARY AUGUSTA RODGERS  
SPECIAL WRITER

One door closes, another opens. The stages are dark now at the Shakespeare Festival in Stratford and the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the-Lake, but London, Ontario, and its Grand Theatre, are ready and waiting.

For a get-away winter weekend built around a play, London deserves more attention than it gets.

"We went the first time ten years ago, out of curiosity," said Julie Candler of Bloomfield Hills. "And we've gone back every year since then. It's fun and the plays are always excellent. Steve Martin's 'Picasso at the Lapin Agile' was one of the best productions I've ever seen anywhere."

London isn't Toronto, but that's part of its charm. It's an easy drive - two hours from the Canadian border - less expen-

sive and easier to cope with.

If you stay at a downtown hotel, you can walk almost everywhere. There are good restaurants, shops and places to stay, all with a subtle but distinct Canadian flavor.

The restored Grand is an elegant old theatre, built in the early 1900s, with murals, chandeliers, even (it's said) a resident ghost. Plays range from classic favorites to new works by Canadian playwrights.

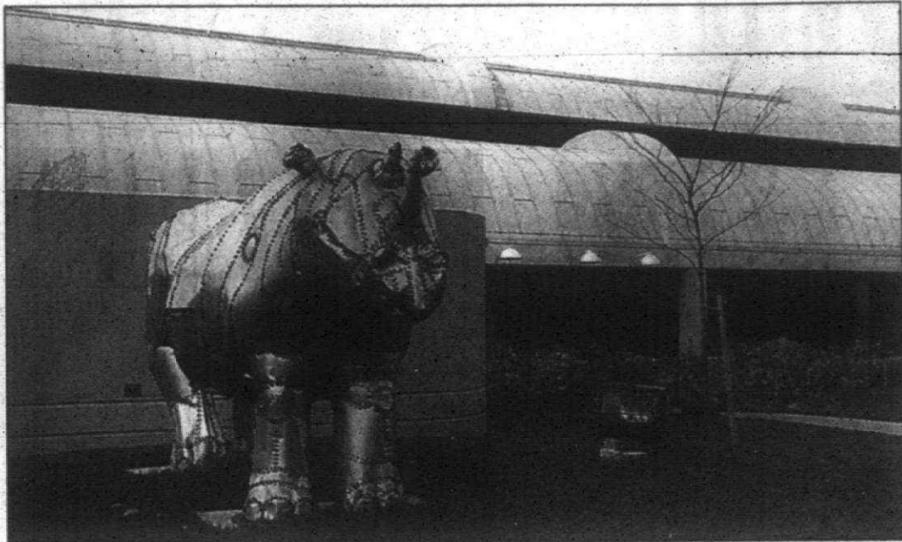
This season's schedule includes "Patience," a contemporary play Feb. 18 to March 4; "Communicating Doors," a comedy, March 17 to April 1. And a bonus performance, "Mom's The Word," May 9-27.

Special deals for each production: actors will discuss the play, and theater in general, in a question-and-answer format after the third Saturday matinee. And, one hour before the first Saturday matinee, the box office will sell all remaining tickets at \$5 each.

London is a business and medical center as well as a university town, with the University of Western Ontario. The London Regional Art & Historical Museum, a striking building all glass and steel tubing, with an aluminum rhinoceros guarding the grounds, has interesting exhibits. An Imax Theatre is at 900 King St.

Also open to winter visitors: the 1834 Eldon House, at 481 Ridout Street North, and the London Museum of Archeology at 1600 Attawandaron Road, off Wonderland Road, south of Highway 22.

Downtown Victoria Park, once the drill ground for a British garrison during the Revolutionary



Imposing: This metal rhino sculpture sits in front of the London Regional Art & Historical Museum, London, Ontario, Canada

WILLIAM SCHOEN



This season: Here's the program cover for the current theater season at the Grand Theatre.

War, has a public ice-skating rink.

London's downtown is a mix of Victorian brick buildings and sleek glass towers.

The Delta London Armouries Hotel combines both styles; a

contemporary building with a steep glass roof, tucked inside the shell of an 1890 brick military armory.

You see a similar mix of people: for instance, a Queen Elizabeth lookalike in a tweed suit, having tea and a cozy chat with a purple-haired teenager wearing a nose ring.

Last year, the waiter at a favorite restaurant remembered us. "Welcome back," he said. Then he disappeared and returned with something wrapped in tissue paper. It was small, limp, worn. "Madam," he said. "Your glove. Left here last year."

Can you imagine that happening in an American restaurant? I can't.

Here's our schedule for a London theatre weekend. We leave Birmingham (five couples, three cars) about 8:30 on a Saturday morning, arriving in London in time to check in at our hotel and have lunch at the Gallery Cafe in the London Regional Art & Historical Museum. The cafe has

a good lunch menu (carrot-ginger soup, guiche, almond chicken salad) and the best view in town - you look out at the snowy woods of Harris Park, the Thames river, and a castle that is, in reality the Middlesex County building.

After lunch, we walk to the Grand Theatre on Richmond street, in time for a 2 p.m. play. Afterwards, we explore the shops along Richmond Row, checking out antiques, books, fancy chocolates, sweaters, tweed caps, vintage dresses.

Then we walk back, often through a soft, scenic snowfall, to our hotel to rest up before going out for dinner.

The next morning begins with a brisk walk along the Thames River. Then we treat ourselves to a lavish brunch at the Delta Armouries Hotel. Canada is another country, after all.

Mary Augusta Rodgers is a Birmingham resident who has written for Family Circle, Woman's Day, and Smithsonian magazines.

## Travel details for London, Ontario

**Ticket information:** the Grand Theatre box office: 519/672-8800.

**Restaurants:** The Blue Ginger at 644 Richmond St., has food with an Asian accent; 434-5777.

Bon Appetit, across from the Grand Theatre at 476 Richmond St., is a French-Italian bistro; 439-2560.

The Gallery Cafe is at 421 Ridout St.; 672-4580; Garlic's at 481 Richmond St. has many good, garlic-flavored dishes; 432-4092.

The Marienbad restaurant, with Czech and Hungarian specialties, is at 122 Carling St.; 679-9940.

The Village Cafe, at 715 Richmond St., features continental cuisine; 432-2191.

**Where to Stay:** both the Delta London Armouries Hotel, 325 Dundas St. (800 668-9999) and the Westin at 300 King St (519 439-1661) have indoor pools and fitness centers. The Idlewyld Inn, a handsome Victorian house at 36 Grand Ave. (800 267-0525) has charming rooms, suites with fireplaces, and a free breakfast. **Good budget choices:** Quality Hotel by Journey's End, 374 Dundas St.; (800 228-5151). London Executive Suites, 362 Dundas St.; (800 265-5955).

**Sweets:** Hamstead's Tea Room serves tea, scones and desserts at Richmond St. North in Alva (just outside London); 660-8424.

**Lively bars:** Joe Cool's Sports Bar at 595 Richmond St. and Jim Bob Ray's at 585 Richmond St., both have pool tables.

**General tips:** drive with your car lights on during the day as Canadians do. Remember that radar detectors are illegal in Canada. To get the best exchange rate, use your credit card whenever possible. For more information, call: Tourism London, (800) 561-4574.

## GREAT ESCAPES

Great Escapes features various travel news items. Send news leads, story ideas or your own travel adventures to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36351 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or fax to (734)591-7279 or e-mail to kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

### 2 FOR 1 LODGING

The Grand Haven/Spring Lakes Area visitors bureau is offering a two-for-one winter lodging coupon now through March 31. The only non-availability date is Valentine's weekend. Advance reservations required. Call (800) 968-0897 for the details. Grand Haven is on Lake Michigan about three hours from Detroit. Among its well-known tourist events is the annual Coast Guard festival held every summer.

### WRITE OR CALL FOR FREE STUFF

■ "Fastbreaks" spring break vacation guide 2000 is available at any Passageways offices statewide (part of Carlson Wag-onlit network) or by calling (800) 748-0406.

■ Michigan Snowmobile Trail Map and Great Lakes, Great Skiing brochures are available at (888) 78-GREAT. The ski brochure includes a two-for-one mid-week ski coupon.

■ The West Michigan Tourist association's winter fun "Get-away Guide" is available at (800) 442-2084. Also, check their Web site, www.wmta.org

■ A free Lake Erie Islands Travel Planner is available at (800) 441-1271. The Ohio islands are a popular destination for about 6 million visitors a year. The

islands include Put-in-Bay, Middle Bass Island and Kelleys Island. Other attractions nearby include Cedar Point and Marblehead Lighthouse State Park. Web site is www.lake-erie.com. The booklet includes coupons, information on restaurants, lodging, ferry boats times and detailed maps.

■ Solo travelers looking for something different can choose from several singles-only bike or walking tours of Europe. For a free, large, four-color booklet about Europe and the tours, call (800) 321-6060 or check their Web site at www.eurobike.com. Tour season runs April through October.

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## Resolve to entertain more this year

Now that New Year's has come and gone, how many resolutions have already been broken? Are you remaining steadfast in your commitment to diet, exercise and spend less money? While I cannot offer much advice in those areas, I can provide guidance for those of you who resolved to do more entertaining during the coming year.

### Matching food and wine

Instead of buying wine at the grocery store, visit a wine merchant or local sommelier who can provide recommendations to accompany the meal. With these insights, you might even discover a new interest in a particular wine grape or region.

In good weather, take a trip to Detroit's Eastern Market and choose from the best produce available. Also, gourmet food shops are plentiful across metro Detroit, and helpful merchants are available to explain the finer points of their products to you.

### Setting

Rather than an elaborately set dining table, a buffet dinner can be just as extraordinary. You will spend less time in the kitchen (plating each entrée), and guests are more likely to mingle if they do not eat their entire meal from the same seat. This way, guests can talk to everyone at the party and not just the people seated nearby.

For those of you who prefer a traditional seated meal, there are easy ways of garnishing each plate of food. Make certain your dinner plate is colorful. Mixed greens add variety and color to a salad. Place a sprig of your favorite herb on the plate. Drizzle the sauce and offer extra in a gravy boat. Food always looks more stunning on a large plate.

The sample entrée selections below were planned for buffet service, but can easily be adapted to a plated dinner; simply portion your salmon at 5-6 oz. each and reduce the cooking time, as smaller portions cook more quickly. Salmon can be served straight from the oven or at room temperature.

Two or three slices of tenderloin, if you start slicing from the small end, is an appropriate serving. Overlap the meat slightly when placing on the plate. You can serve your favorite sauce, but do not completely cover the meat; you can pass additional sauce if necessary.

There you have it: a few guidelines to help you prepare a delicious and wonderful meal, graciously served! Time for dessert, coffee, and mingling with your guests.

### OVEN POACHED FILET OF SALMON

2 to 2-1/2 pounds skinless salmon filets (boned with belly fat removed)

- 1 cup vinaigrette (store bought)
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt and fresh ground medium black pepper
- 2 thinly sliced lemons
- yogurt-dill sauce (your favorite recipe)
- Lime or lemon wedges to garnish
- 1 bunch fresh dill

Place salmon (skin side down) in a flat oiled pan with sides 1-inch or so high. Whisk the marinade and pour evenly over the fish. Lightly season with salt and pepper.

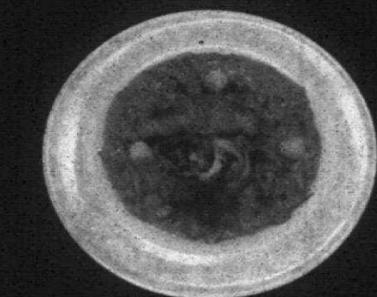
Cover the fish with lemon slices and sprigs of fresh dill. Take a second sheet pan, the same size as the first and invert it over the fish pan. Line it up

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## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Focus on Wine
- Foods of love



They stock up nicely in cold weather

STORY BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

Jeff Gabriel calls it "humble cookery." Gabriel, a Certified Master Chef and instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, believes soups and stews are a way for people to put together a meal with little mess and big results.

"It's one of my favorite cookery methods, because it's humble cookery. You can take an inexpensive cut of meat, and it becomes an elegant meal," Gabriel said. "It's tender. I think it's beautiful food."

Marilyn Szamanski Suter, an instructor at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn, and a Certified Executive Chef at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, said researchers are finding more

Photos: see STOCK UP, D3



Warm up: Chef instructor Jeff Gabriel watches Mary Spellman stir a piece of potato and red Swiss chard while Brian Toth looks on in the culinary arts kitchen at Schoolcraft College. Gabriel oversees students as they create a brown veal stock (above right) and a chicken fricassee (top).

## Build your cooking portfolio with these stock tips

Chicken, beef, fish or veal stocks represent the most critical ingredient for soup or stew preparation. Good stock represents the foundation of delicious soups and stews, and creates them with clarity, consistency and great flavor.

The bones and vegetables provide protein and water-soluble vitamins and minerals. For that reason, stocks must be simmered only long enough to extract the maximum flavor and not to destroy any nutritional value.

Chef Jeff Gabriel offers some stock tips (for soup, not mutual funds):

- Fill the stockpot with enough water to cover the bones. Have

the right relation of water to bones, Gabriel said. "Too much will make the stock weak, too little and it will scorch." The water should be cold when you start.

- Never stir a stock. Simmer gently.
- Herbs should be added after the first hour of cooking, while vegetables should be added in the last hour. That keeps the stock clear. "Otherwise the vegetables will dissipate and the stock gets real cloudy," Gabriel said.
- Strain, then cool stocks quickly. Put it outside in the snow, or fill a sink with ice and place the pot in it. Putting the pot in the refrigerator will warm everything else up in the refrigerator, Gabriel said.

## Girl Scout cookies aren't just for snacking anymore

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
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You've seen them stacked up on tables outside of supermarkets.

Boxes and boxes of cookies. The green boxes of mint cookies, the orange-red boxes of peanut butter patties, the shortbread and the caramel delites. You continue to walk away, but you know you can't. You look away, but it's no use.

The world's greatest salespersons suddenly clinch another deal, asking shyly and quietly: "Would you like to buy some Girl Scout Cookies?"

"Why, yes, I'll take 600 boxes, please..."

While millions enjoy the cookies right out of the box each year with a glass of milk or a cup of coffee, they aren't just for eating solo anymore.

Girl Scout councils are also conducting baking contests to raise funds for the Girl Scouts, according to Susan Tamme, product sales and special events manager for the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council. Contestants must use Girl Scout cookies as an ingredient.

"Some councils will get chefs to cook with them, making a dessert using the cookies," Tamme said. "That's fairly new. Most people just eat the cookies

by themselves." Here is a sample of recipes, courtesy of the Girl Scouts.

### PEANUT BUTTER AND CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM PIE

- 10 Girl Scout Peanut Butter Patties
- 1 quart vanilla ice cream, softened
- 1 cup non-dairy whipped topping, thawed
- 1/2 cup chunky peanut butter
- Prepared chocolate pie crust

Place cookies in a small, self-sealing plastic bag. With a rolling pin, crumble cookies into small pieces; set aside. Combine ice cream, whipped topping and peanut butter. Spoon half of ice cream mixture into pie crust. Sprinkle half of crushed cookies over ice cream. Top with remaining ice cream; smooth top of pie into an even layer. Top with remaining crushed cookies. Freeze until firm. Cut into 8 wedges.

### CHOCOLATE COCONUT CARAMEL DESSERT

- 1 box Girl Scout Caramel deLites
- 3 tablespoons margarine, melted
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons milk



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

- 1/4 cup toasted coconut
- 1 1/4 cups cold milk
- 1 1/4 cups non-dairy whipped topping, thawed
- 1 package (4 servings) instant coconut cream pie filling
- 3 tablespoons semisweet chocolate mini morsels
- Nonstick cooking spray

Place cookies in a food processor or blender, process until fine crumbs. Spray the bottom of a nine-inch square pan with nonstick cooking spray. Combine cookie crumbs and margarine; press evenly in the bottom of pan. Using an

Bake away: Girl Scout Cookies taste delicious all by themselves, but you can bake them into desserts.

electric mixer, beat cream cheese with sugar and two tablespoons milk until smooth. Blend 3/4 cup whipped topping. Spread evenly over cookie layer. Pour 1 1/4 cups milk into a bowl. Add pudding mix and beat 1-2 minutes or until smooth. Pour over cream cheese layer.

Chill several hours or overnight. Spread a thin layer of coconut on a baking sheet and bake in 325°F oven for 6-8 minutes, stirring frequently; cool. Just before serving, spread remaining 3/4 cup whipped topping evenly over top of dessert; sprinkle toasted coconut and mini-morsels on top of dessert. Cut into 12 portions.

# For starters, here's some stock recipes

See related story and photo on Taste front.

**BROWN STOCK**

8 pounds of beef or veal bones, or beef shank  
Oil (as needed)  
6 to 8 quarts of cold water  
1 pound mirepoix (4 cups onions, 2 cups carrots and 2 cups celery)  
1/2 to 3/4 cup tomato puree or paste  
1 sachet d'epices (a sack of spices created with a sprig of fresh thyme or one teaspoon of dried thyme, two bay leaves, a few peppercorns and two tablespoons parsley stems, wrapped inside cheesecloth and tied with string)

Rinse the bones. Brown the bones in a 400°F oven. Combine the bones with the water and bring slowly to a simmer.

Bring them slowly to a boil, then simmer. Skim the surface as necessary. Simmer the stock for 5 hours. Add mirepoix and sachet d'epices and simmer for an additional 1 to 2 hours. Strain, cool and store properly.

Recipes courtesy of Jeff Gabriel, certified executive chef at Schoolcraft College.

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# Stock up from page D1

**CHEAP, inexpensive meats make the best stew.**

Jeff Gabriel — chef and instructor at Schoolcraft College

and more evidence that proves the age-old story — eating home-made soups and stews, particularly chicken soup — is good for you.

Researcher believe there are some antibodies in the fat of chicken, Suter said. Gabriel also likes soups and stews for the convenience of having a one-pot meal without preparing separate vegetables in separate pans.

It's not sautéing or frying. It's a very healthy way to prepare protein. It's cold and they want a nice warm stew that satisfies them," he said.

Homemade soups and stews have lower sodium levels than canned, and the vegetables and meats are fresher.

"One of the most important things about soups and stews is, it's easy to do it when you have a good stock," Gabriel said.

**Simmering shanks**  
You can create a good stock by placing bones, beef or ham shank in cold water.

"You should never stir a stock because you want the clarity. You simmer it gently," Gabriel said. "The water should be cold when you start." For a chicken stock, the chicken pieces should be brought to a boil, then simmered and the surface skimmed of the foam.

Stocks must be simmered long enough to extract the maximum flavor and not boiled to destroy any nutritional value. "Stock times all vary, depending on the size and the thickness of the bones," Gabriel said. Fish stocks take about 45 minutes to one hour to prepare because fish

bones are narrow. Chicken stocks take about five to six hours, while veal and beef stocks take 12 to 24 hours, again depending on the size and thickness of the bones, Gabriel said.

Mirepoix (onions, celery and carrots) should be added after the bones and water simmer. "If you are making brown stock, you should brown the bones and put them in the oven." The vegetables also should be browned until you get caramelization, Gabriel said.

Brown stock is used for brown stews, while veloute, a white sauce made from chicken, veal or fish stock, should be used for white stews, such as chicken stew or chicken pot pie. Veloute is made from white stock and blonde roux, a thickened mixture of butter and flour.

The stock should be strained, then cooled quickly by placing the pot in a sink full of ice water, or outside in the snow. Once cooled, the stock can be frozen in a freezer bag or container for up to six months.

**It's in the stew**  
Creating a soup or stew can be easy if people prepare ahead of time. "One of the secrets of cooking and the way professionals do it, is 'mise en place' which means 'everything in place before you cook,'" Gabriel said.

Vegetables can be cut up the night before the meal. Parents can incorporate their children to assist with meals by cutting up vegetables. "Teach your kids 'mise en place.' That's a very important element of cooking is being ready ahead of time before you start preparing soup," Gabriel said.

Once your stock is finished, choices of soups or stews are endless. A good chicken stock will make an excellent cream of broccoli soup. Home chefs can use basic herbs and spices for various soups depending on individual tastes. Thyme, parsley, rosemary or peppercorns are popular choices to flavor soups.

"For a mussel soup, you will use different spices, such as dill and saffron, to enhance the soup," Gabriel said. "For a red lentil soup with smoked ham hock, you can use caraway seed to give it that German flavor."

Like stock, the soup should not be boiled but simmered. For stews, Gabriel recommends using inexpensive meats, such as inexpensive thigh meats, smoked garlic sausage, beef or lamb shank meat or beef brisket.

"Cheap, inexpensive meats make the best stew," Gabriel said. Turkey thighs are better than turkey breasts, because the breasts are dry, Gabriel said.

Stews should be cooked at a "very low, gentle" simmer, Gabriel said. "There should be a light breaking of the surface, but never boiled. That's why Crock-Pots are nice."

Eric Ersher, co-owner of Zoup!, a restaurant on Northwestern Highway in Southfield that specializes in soup, believes what tastes good is personal preference. "So we're open to everyone's opinion," he said.

Weeks before the restaurant opened, a chef made 12 to 15 different soups each weekend for a sample group of eight to 12 people. That's how the restaurant developed a repertoire of 200 soups.

"What's good for you may be too hot for me, but it may be good for another person," Ersher said.

Ersher said the key to good soups is fresh ingredients, good stocks, and consistency from batch to batch. "We like to have a layer of flavors," Ersher said. "As you eat a mouthful, the flavors change and are multi-dimensional."

**Simmered to the bone**  
Suter likes to use a good Amish or kosher chicken for her homemade chicken soup. Suter places it in a pot of water and brings it to a boil to remove impurities, then removes the chicken pieces and places them in new water.

The foam from the chicken can contain impurities such as blood, Suter said.

"You have to start with a good chicken, so you don't have to add broth or bouillon," Suter said. "Bones are what makes a good stock," Suter said.

Suter uses carrots, celery, parsley and garlic in her chicken stock. For those on low-sodium diets, they should just add more fresh herbs, Suter said.

"I don't think there is anything better that you can eat than soup," Suter said.

**Quick soup:** Use canned tomatoes with onions, cilantro and basil for this speedy tomato soup.



# Conquests from page D1

evenly so no steam escapes.

Place in a 350°F to 375°F preheated oven for about 15 minutes or until the fish flakes easily. Do not overcook. Remove from the oven, take off lemon slices and dill. Allow to cool a little, and remove to a serving platter carefully using two wide spatulas end to end. Refrigerate until serving time. Garnish with citrus wedges and dill. Serve sauce separately. Serves 12.

**ROAST BEEF TENDERLOIN AU POIVRE**

**Marinate Ingredients:**  
Combine 1/2 cup salad or olive oil  
1/4 to 1/2 cup course fresh-cracked peppercorns  
3 cloves minced garlic (more if you love garlic)  
1/4 cup brandy

Place room temperature meat on oiled sheet pan.

Season lightly with kosher salt. Place in the center of the oven. Lower temperature to 350°F. Cook meat to 120°F for rare. Meat will continue to cook when removed from the oven. Start checking the temperature with an instant read thermometer after 20 minutes. Let the meat rest 10 minutes before slicing. You may accompany your filet with your favorite sauce of a ragout of mushrooms.

**To Roast:**  
Preheat the oven to 500°F.

1 tablespoon kosher salt  
Few sprigs of rosemary and thyme

Whisk up the marinade and rub it on the filet. Marinate, cover and refrigerate, from a few hours to overnight.

**The Meat:**  
Purchase a large beef tenderloin at least 6 to 8 pounds before trimming. Have the butcher remove all of the silver sinew, the chain and the heavy pieces of fat (do not remove all of the fat, it helps to baste the meat during roasting). Tie the heavy, large end a few times with twine and either cut off the narrow end or split it half way from the bottom and bring it back over the meat and tie it in place.

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# Spice up tomatoes for quick soup

Using canned tomatoes, in the depths of winter, you can make the best tomato soup, bursting with ripe tomato flavor. In fact, most of the year, using canned tomatoes for soup and sauces is often smarter, as well as less expensive and more convenient, than cooking with fresh tomatoes.

This may surprise you, given the emphasis today on fresh produce. Tomatoes, it seems, are decidedly exceptions to the fresh-is-best rule. Except when you can get locally grown, just-picked, vine-ripened fruit, a good brand of canned tomatoes is the preferable choice.

If you are still skeptical, think of the great Italian cooks, all of whom regularly use canned

tomatoes and bottled tomato sauce — which they have not put up themselves. The aroma, taste and color of their sugos, ragus and filetto di pomodoro suffer not a bit when they use good quality canned tomatoes.

**SPEEDY TOMATO SOUP**

1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil  
1 cup chopped onion  
28-ounce can diced tomatoes  
1/4 cup chopped cilantro  
1 teaspoon dried basil  
1/2 teaspoon sugar  
1 cup tomato juice  
Salt and freshly ground pepper  
Garlic crostons, if desired, for garnish

In a small Dutch oven or large saucepan, heat the oil over medium-high heat. Sauté the onion until it is translucent, about 4 minutes. Add the tomatoes, with their liquid, the cilantro, basil, and sugar. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat, cover, and cook 20 minutes.

In a blender or food processor, puree the soup. Blend in the tomato juice. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Reheat, and serve, with the crostons, if using. Each of the six servings contains 64 calories and 2 grams of fat.

Information compliments of the American Institute for Cancer Research. Visit them online at <http://www.aicr.org>

# COOKING CLASS CALENDAR

Send items for consideration in Cooking Class Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer News-papers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail [kabramczyk@oe.com](mailto:kabramczyk@oe.com).

and Chef Brian Polcyn, Five Lakes Grill of Milford, 12:30 p.m. Sunday Feb. 20. Kitchen Glamor also conducts sessions with cooking instructors at the Novi and Redford stores.

This week, Linda Kay Drysdale will teach Southern Favorites at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, at the Redford store, 26770 Grand River, between Beech Daly and Inkster.

**Kitchen Glamor** features Signature Recipes of Michigan Five-Star Chefs at Kitchen Glamor, Orchard Mall, northeast corner of Maple and Orchard Lake in West Bloomfield. One-day sessions in February include Chef Marcus Haight of The Lark Restaurant in West Bloomfield, noon Sunday, Feb. 6.

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### MEDICAL BRIEFS

#### Chemical sensitive

The Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Friends (MCS) is a support group for anyone hypersensitive to any chemical/environmental irritant such as smoke, fragrances, cleaning supplies, construction materials, etc. An informal meeting will be held from 2-5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12 at the First Congregational Church in Wayne. There will be a discussion of pesticides and costs for the observance of Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Month in May. Call (248) 349-4972.

#### Restless leg

Do you have legs that uncontrollably move? Especially at night or during a resting period. There are ways to relieve the condition. A support group meets every other month, at no cost, at OptiEyes in Westland (15184 Central City Parkway). Call to determine the next scheduled meeting.

#### Worksite wellness

The University of Michigan Health Management Research Center is having a conference on worksite wellness on March 22 titled "Wellness in the Workplace." This year's theme is "Reaching one person at a time." The event is open to the public. Registration fee of \$95. People should call (734) 763-2462 for more information. The event is at the Michigan League. The conference includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Speakers are from various companies including Genesys Health System and Prudential and will speak on individualized health promotion and evaluation in the worksite. Dr. Dee Edington from the University of Michigan Health Management Research Center will also speak.

#### OT as a career

Pi Theta Epsilon presents "Exploring Occupational Therapy Career Directions, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March 9 at Wayne State University's student center (second floor). A continental breakfast served during the registration period from 8-9 a.m. For more information please call the WSU Occupational Therapy Department at (313) 577-1435.

#### Low back pain clinic

Oakland Physical Therapy presents "The Latest Advances in Exercise for Low Back Pain," at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3. This lecture/demonstration is for all individuals interested in preventing low back pain, especially those with pain that interferes with daily living, sports or occupation. It will be held in the Providence Park Medical Center, Suite B124, 47601 Grand River Ave., in Novi (at Grand River and Beck Road). Registration required: (248) 380-3550.

#### Prostate screening

St. Mary Hospital will host a prostate cancer screening day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 4, in the St. Mary Pavilion (14555 Levan). The screening is free and provides a prostate exam by a physician, blood test to measure the Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) level and educational material. Preregistration is requested by calling (734) 655-8940.

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## On the 'Sidelines'

### Organization helps women overcome the hurdles of high-risk pregnancy.

BY KURT KUBAN  
SPECIAL WRITER

Confined to her hospital bed, Kelly Iles's view of the world was becoming dismal. Five weeks without a change of scenery can grow old on anyone. For Iles, a Livonia resident who was pregnant at the time, being bedridden was particularly stressing. Not only was she concerned about the health of her baby, she was also worried about how her husband and children were getting along at home without her.

Plagued with a condition known as a complete previa, which is when the placenta shifts and blocks the baby's passage through the cervix, Iles was considered to have a high-risk pregnancy. Throughout her five-week ordeal at St. Joseph-Mercy Oakland Hospital, she constantly fought through complications, labor contractions, and the nasty side effects of various medications.

Isolation began to set in. "Why is this happening to me?" Iles started to wonder. Then, with the help of a hospital official, Iles was introduced to the Sidelines National Support Network, which in turn introduced her to another woman who had just faced similar adversity through her own pregnancy. This woman, a volunteer with Sidelines, told Iles all about her bed rest experiences, and the stories sounded very familiar.

Every conversation that Iles had with this volunteer made her feel more at ease about her own predicament, and her depression began to fade. So, with added strength from knowing someone else had once been in her shoes, Iles continued to fight through her pregnancy. Although her baby was born two months premature, the result was a healthy daughter, named Casey, who was born last August.

"You try to keep your baby as long as possible.

Every week makes a big difference in its development. One week could be the difference between the baby being blind, or having undeveloped lungs," said Iles, who went into labor six times. "There is a point when you think 'Is it worth going through this?' because you don't know if you are going to have a healthy baby. Being able to talk with someone that experienced a similar situation gives you a little bit of hope and inspiration to keep looking forward and to be positive."

With 35 chapters nationwide, the nonprofit Sidelines is made up of women who have shared similar experiences as Iles, having gone through high-risk pregnancies that caused them to be bedridden, either at home or in a hospital. "Being bedridden while pregnant is very scary," said Amy Meylan, a coordinator for Sidelines Michigan/Wisconsin chapter. "Our overall goal is to give emotional support. We want to help these women get through the rough times. And there are going to be rough times when you are pregnant and bedridden."

Meylan has plenty of firsthand knowledge about such times. Back in 1995, Meylan was bedridden for over three months during a high-risk pregnancy. "I had no support to help me with my problems. I felt like I was all alone. I had no idea a group like Sidelines was out there. When I saw a story about it in a national magazine sometime later, I wanted

to get involved because of what I had gone through," Meylan said.

In 1996, after realizing the closest chapter was headquartered in Wisconsin, Meylan and another woman, Jamie Nichols, formed a local satellite chapter headquartered in Auburn, just north of Saginaw.

Since that time, volunteer numbers within the group have soared to 125. In fact, Meylan estimates that 70 percent of the women who are helped by Sidelines end up becoming volunteers after their pregnancies. The main objective of the group is to match a volunteer that has had the same physical condition of the woman who is seeking support. Many times, this can be achieved with a volunteer within the local chapter, but sometimes a match must be found somewhere else in the national network.

Sidelines services are not limited to the weekly conversations volunteers have with the women who seek help. The group also sends a wealth of information to the bedridden woman, offering advice on a host of topics such as keeping a journal, remaining emotionally balanced, breastfeeding, educational and medical resources, maintaining personal hygiene and handling visitors.

Grateful for the help that Sidelines had provided her, Iles has now become a volunteer herself. "Being bedridden for most of your pregnancy, you may think your story is the worst story, but then, through Sidelines, you find out about someone who was in worse shape and had a healthy baby. Knowing this gives you such emotional support," Iles said.

For more information about Sidelines National Support Network, contact Jamie Nichols or Amy Meylan at (888) 743-3540 toll free, MI only. The group also has a Web site at [www.sidelines.org](http://www.sidelines.org)

## Madonna University to offer advanced nursing degree

Anticipating the future career needs of nurses, Madonna University will offer a new master's degree and certificate program with an adult nurse practitioner (ANP) specialty. The program, which begins in January 2000, prepares nurses to diagnose and manage primary health needs of adults.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, future career opportunities will be best for nurses with advanced education and training, such as nurse practitioners. Overall, the Bureau predicts that employment of registered nurses is expected to grow faster than the average, or 21 to 35 percent, for all occupations through the year 2006.

"The adult nurse practitioner specialty provides the advanced practice nurse

with the knowledge to make sophisticated health management decisions," said Dr. Mary Wawrzynski, dean of the College of Nursing and Health. "This training is vital, since an increasing number of complex procedures, which once were performed only in hospitals, are being carried out in physicians' offices and clinics."

The adult nurse practitioner and specialization will be offered as a master of science in nursing (MSN) degree, as well as a post-master's certificate for nurses who already possess an MSN. Upon completion of either the master's degree or the certificate, students will have the educational theory and clinical practice necessary to take the National Adult Nurse Practitioner Certification exam through the American

Nurse Credentialing Center and become licensed as a Nurse Practitioner in the state of Michigan.

Students enrolled in the program will benefit from the expertise of faculty members who are active nurse practitioners. "The nursing faculty are pleased and excited to now offer the adult nurse practitioner specialty and post master's certificate. The nurse practitioner specialty will allow our graduates to work in multiple advanced practice settings, offering comprehensive primary health care in collaboration with other health care providers," commented Betty Dornbrook, assistant professor and a nurse practitioner.

Dornbrook will coordinate the program with Deborah Dunn, also an assistant professor and nurse practitioner. Assistant professors Gail Lis and Therese Jamison, nurse practitioner, will teach in the program along with Dunn and Dornbrook.

### MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail [kmortson@oe.homecomm.net](mailto:kmortson@oe.homecomm.net) or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

#### ONGOING

**ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS**  
Adult Children of Alcoholics and dysfunctional families gather every day for 12 step support group meetings in the metro area. To find a meeting near you call (248) 988-9873 or write: ACA, P.O. Box 401483, Redford, MI 48240-9489, for information.

**AA & ALANON**  
Alcoholics Anonymous & Alanon meeting meets Wednesday and Sunday from 8:30-9:30 p.m. at Garden City Hospital North Entrance (5254 Inkster Road) at Garden City. Contact (248) 541-6565 or (734) 776-3415. Everyone's welcome. "Alanon meeting" Sunday ONLY.

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS**  
Marquette House, a residential assisted living facility in Westland, will hold blood pressure screenings every fourth Tuesday in conjunction with the Visiting Nurse Association. Screenings are open to the public from 11 a.m. to noon at the Marquette House, 36000 Campus Drive (across from John Glenn High School). Call (734) 326-6537 for information.

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#### BLOOD DRIVE

Red Cross Blood Drive, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary Hospital. Call (734) 655-2980 to make appointment.

#### WED, FEB. 2

**DIABETES SUPPORT**  
Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Garden City Hospital. Guest speakers and open discussion provide information and support. You must RSVP to (734) 458-4330.

**CHILD & INFANT CPR**  
Offered monthly at 7 p.m. at Garden City Hospital. Infant/child resuscitation and obstructed airway techniques are taught in the three hour class, approved by the American Heart Association. Call (734) 458-4330 for registration.

**SIBLING CLASS**  
A special night devoted to siblings which will help prepare them for the arrival of the family's new baby. Class time is 90 minutes and is recommended for children three to eight years of age. Call Garden City Hospital, 458-4330 to register.

#### THUR, FEB. 3

**NUTRI TOTS**  
Learn how to develop good eating habits in young children ages 2-4. Designed for parents and children, with separate classes held concurrently. Includes cooking demonstrations, recipe packets, food samples, food tasting and fun for all. Second class is at a local supermarket; parents only for that class. Thursdays, Feb. 3-17 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call St. Joseph Mercy Hospital (734) 827-3777. Class held at Ann Arbor/Briarwood Mall Health Stop (620 Briarwood Circle).

**WEIGHT LOSS APPROACHES**  
Become familiar with the benefits and risks of various weight loss approaches, and determine which method best

suits your needs. High-protein diets will be discussed. Class runs from 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital - Ann Arbor/Briarwood Mall Health Stop (620 Briarwood Circle). Call (734) 827-3777.

#### WED, FEB. 5

**THYROID SUPPORT**  
The next meeting of the Michigan Thyroid Support Group will be held at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth District Library. Dr. Michael Kaplan, an endocrinologist from West Bloomfield will speak. For more information visit founder <http://community.mlive.com/ct/hyroid>

#### WED, FEB. 9

**ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT**  
A support group for family members, friends and caregivers of persons afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders. Meetings provide mutual aid and support as well as affording the opportunity to share problems and concerns. Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association and is free of charge. Group meets at 7 p.m. in Classroom #1 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building. Call 458-4330.

#### MON, FEB. 7

**THYROID SUPPORT**  
The Southeastern Michigan Support Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Kaplan, endocrinologist will begin speaking at 7 p.m. All meetings are at the Plymouth District Library. Call Tracy Green for a reservation (734) 453-7945 or e-mail at [mitgs@medaone.net](mailto:mitgs@medaone.net)

#### HEART PALS

Support offered for cardiac patients and/or their significant others. Discussion, education and camaraderie are the focus. From 7-9 p.m. at Garden City Hospital. Call 458-3242.

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## E-working is a stroke of genius for employer, employee



MIKE WENDLAND

Karenann Terrell's office is wherever her computer, her wireless phone and her Palm Pilot happen to be. She is one of a growing number of Americans who do their work virtually, in cyberspace. Call her an "e-worker."

And what Karenann Terrell does will soon be common. It's estimated by the U.S. Department of Commerce that within the next five years, 30 to 40 percent of all Americans will be able to do their jobs on the Internet. Very often, Karenann's "e-work" is done from her home in Oakland Township, with the family beagle "Willow" sleeping contently at her feet. But it is unusual for her to work in a hotel room, or an airplane, or

somewhere in Europe, South America or Asia.

Karenann Terrell is an up and coming GM executive, the director of GM's e-vehicles, part of the automaker's massive E-GM division, which is all about using the Internet to better connect it with customers and suppliers. Last November, GM introduced the first web-equipped production vehicle and at the just-concluded North American International Auto Show in Detroit, the Internet was a big part of GM's offering.

But for Karenann Terrell, it's all part of a day's work. Her days are non-stop, beginning with 7 a.m. Internet video conferences and followed by numerous other online meetings, presentations and budget planning sessions. She manages a team of hard charging and highly-motivated information age specialists and marketing experts. And all of them, from Karenann on down, do much of their work in cyberspace, on the Internet.

"I can sit here and be videoed into Europe to Latin America, collaborating on a tool," she said from her virtual office at home. On the 20-inch computer monitor in front of her were pictures of two other e-GM teams, one at the Tech Center in Warren, the other at GM's RenCen headquarters in downtown Detroit. A TV camera, microphone and high speed Internet access allows Karenann and her team to work together as if they were in the same room, no matter where they happen to be.

"It's amazing but this seems quite normal," Karenann says during a break between meetings. "What now seems very unusual is the hassle of bumper traffic on I-75 or trying to find a parking spot downtown. Working online makes everything much more convenient."

Pablo Valencia, a specialty vehicle manager for GM and

another "e-worker," says he is now able to walk his daughter to the bus stop every morning before school. "I don't have to waste that time commuting anymore," he says. "It means more quality time with my child and, frankly, more work for the company because there's no down time going from place to place. The Internet hooks me up immediately."

The GM e-workers say they do not feel like pioneers. All they know is working virtually... works.

"The technology is seamless," Karenann says. "Pretty soon you're not even aware you're on a computer network talking across sometimes thousands of miles. It seems quite natural. The Internet is very conducive to teleworking. I love it."

Do you think this is something you might be interested in? Here's a list of online resources that offer details:

Telecommute

(<http://www.telecommutemagazine.com/main.htm>) - This is an Internet e-zine dedicated to everything related to e-working.

Homeworkers ([www.home-workers.com](http://www.home-workers.com)) - Check out this site for tips and suggestions on how to do it

Pros and Cons (<http://www.gogreen.com/telecommute/>) - Check out the There are upside to working at home. But there are also downsides. Check them both out at this site.

Find a company (<http://www.hartmanresearch.com/telecommute/>) - Here you will find a list of telecommute-friendly companies

Telecommuting Handbook (<http://www.tasc.dot.gov/firm/telecommute.html>) - The U.S. Department of Transportation has put together this special guide for federal workers who choose to work at home. It has lots of suggestions about equipment and the like that are appli-

able for everyone.

Work-at-home technology (<http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/779/motiv/telework/teleworkfindtelemotiv/p48.html>) - What do you need to do? Cisco, the networking people, offer a basic technology guide to e-working.

How to decide (<http://hr.ucdavis.edu/elt/air/work/>) - Is Telecommuting and e-working for you? This resource from the University of California at Davis will help you decide.

At Home Workers Beware! (<http://www.bbb.org/library/work.asp>) - Watch out. A lot of work at home offers are scams. Check out the Better Business Bureau warnings.

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speaker/dinner from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Call Clarice Killian at (734) 981-2572 for information. The guest speaker is Vicki Bonner, career technician at Plymouth-Salem High School, who will discuss mentoring and career shadowing of today's high school students.

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### BUSINESS CALENDAR

For information call BNI (810) 323-3800.

**FRI, FEB. 4**  
BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L  
The regular meeting of Business Network International Livonia Chapter will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. at Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road in Livonia. The Metro Livonia Chapter will meet at the same time at St. Maurice Catholic Church, 32801 Lyndon, Livonia.

**MON, FEB. 14**  
CANTON BPW  
The Canton Business & Professional Women is part of a national organization promoting equity for all women in the workplace to achieve goals through advocacy, education and information. Locally we meet the second Monday of every month at the Roman Forum on Ford Road in Canton. Our business meeting is from 5:30-6:10 p.m.

## Job fair is a valuable networking resource for job seekers

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and the HomeTown Spring Job Fair from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 29 at Burton Manor Banquet and Conference Center in Livonia.

This is the fourth general job fair by these subsidiaries of HomeTown Communications, Inc. of Livonia. As many as 125 companies will be recruiting employees.

This general job fair will feature recruiters including:

- Absopure, Accountants Connection, Airtouch Cellular, ASK Healthcare Services, Bartech Group, Comeria, Delta Dental Plan of Michigan, Dorothy Day, Environ, Federal Reserve Bank, First Federal of Michigan, First Investors Corporation, Flagstar Bank, Frito-Lay, Frommer & Associates, Graybar Electric, Great Lakes Bank, Jabli Circuit, Jewish Vocational School, Kroger, Mattress & Futon Shoppe, Nextel Communications, Old Kent Bank, OLDE Discount, Parisian, Paychex, Personnel Unlimited, Plastipak Packaging, Providence Hospital & Medical Centers, Rainbow Rehabilitation Centers, Republic Bancorp Mortgage, Ricoh Business Systems, Royal Moving & Storage, Sav-On Drugs, Staffing Services of Michigan, Tempco, Trans Inns

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nurse facilitator provides opportunities for all to share their mutual concerns. Group meets on Feb. 10 in the Medical Office Building of Garden City Hospital, free of charge. Call 458-3811.

**HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP**  
HIV/AIDS heterosexual support group and family is sponsored by Friends Alliance and meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daly, between Plymouth and W. Chicago in Redford. More information call Kathleen (800) 350-7927.

### MON, FEB. 14

**YOUNG MOTHER'S SUPPORT**  
The Young Mother's Assistance Program (Y-MAP) will host their December support group from 6-8 p.m. at Newburg United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail) in Livonia. For information call (734) 513-7598. Meetings are always held on the second Monday of each month. Y-MAP provides moms an opportunity to meet with other young parents and share feelings and experiences with each other. Speakers are invited to share topics of interest including positive parenting, substance abuse, job search, education and more. Child care is provided by licensed care givers at no charge. A light dinner and refreshments will also be available.

### TUE, FEB. 15

**MESSAGE II (THERAPEUTIC)**  
Beyond relaxation, learn specific methods of affecting the body. Techniques include reflexology, accupressure/shiatsu massage, and neuromuscular techniques. Class runs Tuesday, Feb. 15-March 7, from 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$150. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734) 207-0557 to register.

### WED, FEB. 16

**BREATHER'S CLUB**  
A support group for persons and/or families with respiratory problems. Meets at 7 p.m. in Classroom #3 of Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building and is free of charge. Call 458-3481 to register.

**DEPRESSION OR BLUES?**  
Although older adults may experience losses that can bring on the blues, clinical depression is not a "normal" part of aging. Geriatric specialist Gharti Srivastava, M.D. discusses the causes and symptoms of depression and what can be done to treat it. Class runs from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Call (734) 398-8637. St. Joseph Mercy - Canton/Summit (Canton Summit on the Park), 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton.

**ADULT CPR**  
Three hour evening class conducted at 6 p.m. at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road (between Ford/Warren Roads). Teaches one person rescue through a film, lecture, demonstration and return demonstration. Call 458-4330.

### THUR, FEB. 24

**CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION**

## Job fair

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Management, U.S. Vision, United Parcel Service, University of Michigan and Virginia Tile.

Space is available for a fee of \$725 for the Complete Exhibitor Package which includes an 8' table plus a quarter page ad in the Job Fair supplement. Electricity is available at your 8' foot table, on a limited basis, for an additional \$40.

For further details and space reservations, call (734) 953-2070 or (888) 999-1288. Burton Manor is located at the Jeffries Freeway (I-96) between Inkster and Middlebelt roads.

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers publishes 16 twice-weekly community papers in Oakland and Western Wayne Counties. HomeTown Newspapers publishes papers in Northville, South Lyon, Brighton, Novi, Northville, Milford and Livingston County.

A six week course providing information on pregnancy, labor, and delivery, newborn care and postpartum care. Weekend classes and a two-session refresher class are also available. Register early in pregnancy by calling (734) 458-4330.

**HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP**  
HIV/AIDS heterosexual support group and family is sponsored by Friends Alliance and meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech

Daly, between Plymouth and W. Chicago in Redford. More information call Kathleen (800) 350-7927.

### WED, MARCH 1

**YOGA**  
A series of graceful, slow motion movements for increasing flexibility and tone, improving health and mental outlook. Good for relief from muscular tension and mental stress. Dress comfortable

and bring a mat. Your instructor is a certified fitness instructor and personal trainer with 16 years of teaching experience. Classes run from 6-7 p.m. and 7:15-8:15 p.m. March 1 - April 5. Cost is \$48 for 6 week class; drop-in rate per class is \$10. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734) 207-0557 to register.

### TUE, MARCH 7

### FOOD AND MOOD

Learn how food can affect moods and how moods can effect food choices. Tips and guidelines provided to help with emotion-based eating. Call (734) 827-3777 to register. Class runs from 7-9:30 p.m.

### SAT, MARCH 11

### PUBERTY/GROWING UP

"A Heart-to-Heart Conversation

for Mothers and Daughters on Puberty and Growing Up," provides both mothers and daughters ages 9-11 with accurate information about the normal physical and emotional changes that pre-teen girls will experience as they enter puberty. Ann Arbor class from 1-5 p.m. Ann Arbor St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Canton Health Center, 1600 S. Canton Center Road. Call (734) 397-7557.

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