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Lane closure: The northbound right-turn lane on Morton Taylor to eastbound Joy will be closed this week for manhole repairs and replacement of pavement.

TUESDAY

Local government: The Canton Township Board of Trustees will hold a regular meeting at 7 p.m. in the administration building.

SATURDAY

Whaler watching: The Plymouth Whalers close out the home portion of the Ontario Hockey League regular season with a game against the Windsor Spitfires at 7:30 p.m. in Compuware Arena, Beck Road north of M-14, Plymouth Township. Call the box office (734) 453-8400 or visit the team Web site at: Plymouthwhalers.com for ticket information.

Dinner dance: The Eighth Annual St. Patrick's Dinner Dance and Auction to benefit Community Hospice and Home Care Services Inc. is set for 6:30 p.m. at the St. Mary Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman Road in Livonia. The evening will include dinner, entertainment, dancing, silent and live auctions and an appearance by former Tiger pitcher, Dave Rozema. For ticket information call (734) 522-4244.



Canton police and fire officials are looking for clues in three suspicious fires set early Thursday. Nobody was injured in the incidents in the Ford-Lilley Road neighborhood.

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER omm.net

Imagine waking up, looking out your window and seeing your car on fire. That's what Canton resident Kathy Vitale had to deal with early Thursday morning. Police believe an arsonist set fire to her conversion van, torched Dumpsters and a second vehicle at nearby township businesses.

"I woke up and my room was lit up orange and black," said Vitale. "My first thought was that my room was on fire. But it was outside in the driveway.

Canton firefighters responded to her Keystone Street home at approximately 2:45 a.m. Thursday. Incidents were also reported at Fireplace & Spa on Ford Road at 2:13 a.m. and Child Time daycare on Lilley at 2:14 a.m.

Canton Police Officer Leonard Schemanske said evidence points to arson in all three incidents.

'It's not likely that it's not deliberate," he added. "All of the incidents were within a mile of each other."

Police have no suspects. No injuries were reported in any of the incidents.

Canton Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher said gas wasn't used in any of the blazes. Materials within the cars and Dumpsters were likely used to start the fires, he added.

No similar incidents have occurred in the township, Rorabacher said. He said it's possible that the fires were copy-cat in nature.

"It's hard to say," Rorabacher commented. "But fire has been in the news lot lately.

By the time Vitale woke up, her van Please see ARSONIST, A2

Dolls in school help kids learn about kids

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net

Matt Hammond knows what it's like to be a teenage dad.

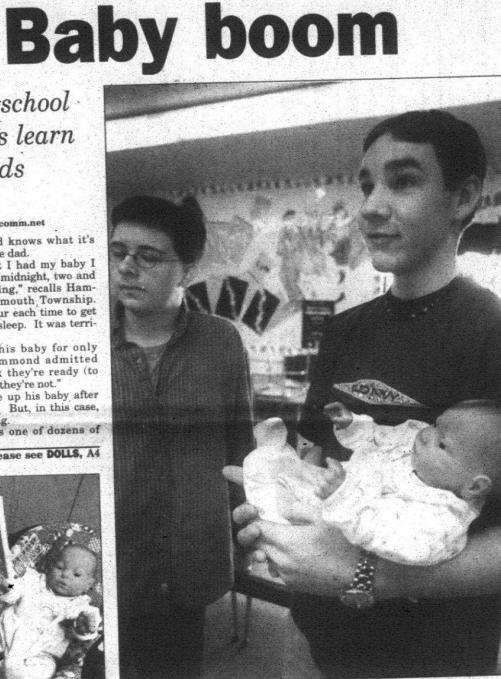
"The first night I had my baby I was awakened at midnight, two and four in the morning," recalls Ham-mond, 14, of Plymouth Township. "It took a half hour each time to get the baby back to sleep. It was terrible.

After having his baby for only three days, Hammond admitted some kids think they're ready (to have babies), but they're not.'

Hammond gave up his baby after those three days. But, in this case, it's a happy ending. Hammond was one of dozens of

Please see DOLLS, A4





Counting day is coming

CENSUS 2000

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER mm.net

A very important piece of mail will arrive at Canton homes during the next few days.

Census 2000 forms, which should take about 10 minutes to complete for most, will be sent tomorrow through Wednesday by the federal government. A mail-in deadline of April 19 has been set, according to U.S. Census Bureau spokesman Kim Hunter.

Census data will determine how much money Canton receives in state shared revenue. Township Clerk Terry Bennett said it's also critical in funding for economic development, construction of highways and a multitude of other federal programs.

"It should be important to people," she added. "Every person we miss is a number of dollars that don't return to Canton.

The vast majority of citizens, about 83 percent, will receive the short form. It will ask questions in regards to number of people at a residence, age, gender and race, among others.

The long form will ask similar questions, Bennett said, but go into much greater detail. It should take about 20 minutes to complete.

"About one in every six homes will receive the long form," Hunter added. "In rural areas, it might be one out of every three.

He said census information is strictly confidential.

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STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN Handling instructions: David Bok of Canton, 14, holds a BTIO doll while describing his experience as a "parent." Matt Hammond of Plymouth, 14, is at left.

"If you work for the census bureau, said Hunter, "you have to take that pledge. There's a \$5,000, 5-year penalty for revealing census information,

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High-tech water meters making a splash in Canton

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

Technology will soon change the way water meter data is collected in Canton.

A radio transmitter device is being installed in all new residential and commercial meters by the township.

Once the program goes on-line, probably within five years, it will improve overall efficiency, billing and likely save Canton money, according to Township Engineer Tom Casari.

"It's a much more efficient method," he added. "We'll be able to read meters from one location via a computer digital system."

Canton Trustees Tuesday approved more than \$750,000 for purchase of 2,500 transmitters and 2,150 water meters. The township will make similar expenditures from its water and sewer fund over the next few years to get all homes and businesses fitted ith the transmitter, said Casari

"It's newer technology," he comment-

ed. "It will allow us to read meters much more quickly.

The system works fairly simply. Casari explained.

Each transmitter sends a signal to a radio tower. The information is then downloaded into a township computer

Please see WATER METERS, A8

Seniors get computer help from area students

Teen tutors

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER thruscato@oe

Plymouth Salem high school student Dan Clark is helping area seniors become computer-savvy.

"A lot of the seniors haven't used a computer before, but they are very willing to learn," said Clark, a Canton resident. "It's a lot of fun. I crack some jokes and get them laughing. It's better than just having a lecture.

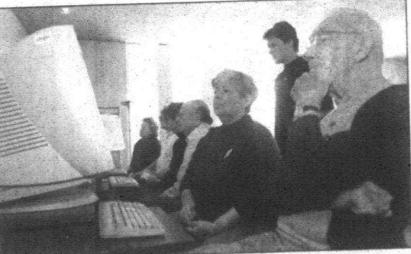
"Most want to learn how to e-mail to

they can talk to their children or grandchildren," he added. "A lot of them want to learn about the Internet, so they need to learn the basics of the

Clark and fellow student Sachin Kumar have been selected by the Plymouth Recreation department to teach the class at the city's Cultural Center. The city received a \$5,000 grant from the Michigan Association of Senior Centers for the purpose of establishing Please see TUTORS, A8

computer first."

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Learning: Salem High School student Dan Clark of Canton looks on as Nila Rowland and Red Lepping ponder their lesson during a computer class at the Plymouth Cultural Center in February.

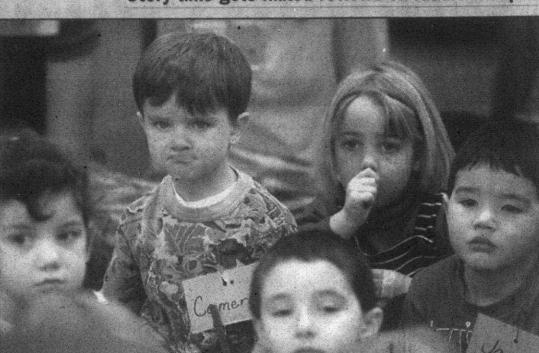
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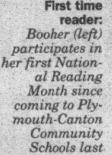
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Story time gets mixed reviews on Kiddle Kampus



Listening in: A frowning Cameron Smythe (from left), Megan Lemieux and Jack Applegate listen as Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Kathleen Booher reads "I Want to be an Astronaut" to pre-schoolers in the Kiddie Kampus at Canton High School Mondav





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was completely engulfed. The they were driving by," she on the driveway and adjacent vehicle's horn, which began blaring during the fire, woke her. A large window in her bed-

room overlooks the driveway. Vitale said flames extended all the way up to the window. She immediately called 911. Firefighters arrived minutes later and doused the flames.

Vitale doesn't believe her van or home were specifically targeted. "I think they just saw it as

added. "I hope it wasn't person-Her 1996 van, valued at about \$15,000, was a complete loss. "It just melted," Vitale said.

Her home was also damaged.

left, just a shell."

truck. Tve never seen anything like it.

grass. "I'm so fortunate," said Vitale." "It could've been much worse." Fireplace & Spa lost a delivery

The pickup was parked at the There were no seats or anything rear of the business, which is in the Canton Corners shopping mail at Ford and Lilley roads. Aluminum siding melted, a Assistant manager Glenn Ploch small portion of the roof was said a second vehicle was left damaged. Char marks were left untouched

"We have a very large boxtruck that could've caught on fire," he said. "It could've been much worse." The pickup, which was used

for deliveries, was valued at \$20,000. A Dumpster was also set on fire. Ploch said. The third incident occurred at

Child Time daycare. A Dumpster adjacent to the building was set on fire. No other damages were reported there.

IS YOUR CHILD





Gymnastics

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Plymouth

and Birthday Parties



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Flying high Mission rededicates plane after 24 years

END International, a Farm-ington Hills-based internominational faith mission organization, recently re-dedicated its Cessna 206 airplane at

Canton's Mettetal Airport. The single-engine plane was originally commissioned at Mette-tal 24 years ago for service in Alas-

Pilot Steve Woelfel spent 400 hours working on the aircraft, rebuilding the tail, replacing the engine and refurbishing the interior at a cost of \$40,000. After a short prayer service, former chief pilot Dwayne King, who flew the plane for 18 years, gave the Cessna a spin before it once again headed to Alaska.

"We've saved lives by flying peo-ple to medical facilities ... babies were born in the airplane," said King. "We've flown into areas where there is no formalized religion and helped establish church-

SEND International was established in 1945 by World War II soldiers who helped equip Christians for service to the church in their own country. "SEND International starts new

churches where they don't exist, and we train and develop local leaders," said Dr. Frank Severn, general director of SEND. "We have about 470 members serving in 20 countries in Asia, Europe, North America and Eurasia

nally commissioned 24 years ago for service in Alaska.

Foundation to give \$10,000 in scholarships

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

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Canton's Community Foundation will award more than \$10,000 in educational scholarships this year.

Students in Canton and Ply mouth will vie for the scholar ships, which are funded by the foundation, local businesses and area colleges. An application deadline of May 1 has been set.

"It's sort of a visible way we support continuing education," Canton Community Foundation President Joan Noricks said. "We've heard back from a lot of our previous winners. Five hundred dollars isn't a lot of money, but it is a sign of support. It will buy books for a semester or offset something."

mid-May. A seven-member committee will make selections, Noricks said.

"Each member reviews the applications then we get together and support our strongest candidates," she added.

Yazaki North America, a Tier headquartered in Canton, is ments. among the companies offering scholarships.

high school seniors. The recipi-Michigan. The scholarship is , is also required. renewable providing the student maintains a cumulative 3.0 grade point average.

"Last year was our first year ships were a good idea so we 5000 for more information.

*Five hundred dollars isn't a lot of money, but it is a sign of support. It will buy books for a semester or offset something."

-Joan Noricks, Canton Community Foundation

decided to make it an annual event.

While Yazaki North America's scholarships are limited to Canton students, residents of Plymouth Township and the City of Plymouth are eligible for several

Bodycote Michigan Induction, Cleary College, Eastern Michigan University and Schoolcraft Community College are among Grants will be awarded by those funding scholarships. Each is worth at least \$500.

> "There's been a lot of interest in the scholarships this year, Noricks said. "We started getting calls in January asking when the applications would be

Besides residency, applicants I supplier of automotive parts must meet several other require-

Potential recipients must be accepted to a post high school It will award \$3,000 to two educational institution. A cumulative grade point average of 2.5 ent must attend a school in is a must and a 500-word essay

Applications can be picked up at either the Plymouth or Canton libraries, high school counseling offices and the Canton participating," Yazaki Vice Pres- Community Foundation office at ident of Finance Tom Moore the corner of Michigan Avenue said. "We thought the scholar- and Sheldon roads. Call 398-

Model railroad enthusiasts make tracks to Trainorama

BY LAURIE HUMPHREY

STAFF WRITER lhumphrey@oe.homecomm.net Plans for today's Trainorama

Extra 2000 are right on track. The annual expo ,at the University of Michigan Field House in Dearborn, will feature as Lansing, Toledo, between 100 and 150 dealers will be on hand to show and sell scale model railroad equipment, antiques and collectibles. The show runs 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

"There is something in it for everyone," said Tim Clark, member of the Redford Model Railroad Club, one of five sponsoring

people

attend. Club members hope to ature will also be available. intrigue them with five modular

layouts and running trains. will be 2 1/2 feet by 12 feet and enced his decision to join. the biggest one will be 25 feet by An automotive racing hobbydifferent theme."

"from small kids to the elderly, keep his dad active. The same (313) 565-1027

People do come in from out of state for this event. But traditionally, people only come from as far away

Ohio, or Flint.' -Tim Clark, Redford Model Railroad Club

from factory people to attor-

nevs. agents for the Trainorama Extra state for this event," Clark con- in his basement. 2000. He expects a crowd of any- tinued, "but traditionally, people Lansing; Toledo, Ohio, or Flint." get," he said. "We think it's a Clark said there will be quite a fairly good show if we get 1,000 few people there just promoting the hobby. There will also be People who do not know a lot manned booths set up so that about model railroads or railroad people who have questions can. clubs are also encouraged to find answers. Membership liter-

Clark has been a member of the Redford Model Railroad Club "The smallest modular layout since 1996. Two factors influ-

70 feet," he said. "Each layout ist, his dad's health began to shows attract a variety of people, alternative hobbies in order to should call Steve Johnson at

Christmas, his son "expressed an nterest in a train to go around the Christmas tree. Before he knew it, he traded in his racing gloves for a conduc-

tor's cap "The nice thing about this hobby is that not everyone has a lot of money to spend," but people can purchase their items over a few years or can make

them themselves. "Some people may spend spend years putting their modulars together," said Clark, who himself con-"People do come in from out of tinues to build a modular layout

Once assembled, Clark's laywhere between 600 and 1,500 only come from as far away as out will span his 1,900-squarefoot basement. Already his 9-"Generally, that is what we Aside from offering wares, year-old son is playing with the trains.

⁴He spends hours down there putting the (train) cars togeth-

He looks forward to the day when he and his son can work on the modular layout together. Admission to the Trainorama

Extra 2000 is \$4 per person. Children under 12 are free with a paid adult admission. The U-M Field House is at

will have a different scale and a deteriorate in the 1990s. His dad 4901 Evergreen Road, across the was no longer able to make the street from Fairlane Mall. Peo-According to Clark, these races so he began looking at ple who need more information



Legal fair offers free advice March 25

Neighborhood Legal Services hands-on assistance, workshops grandparents/non-parent care-Redford Elder Law Center and and guidance in the following givers raising minor children. the Canton Community Develop- areas: Estate/Life Planning and general elder law issues. ment Department will present a (wills, power of attorney, profree community legal fair bate, etc.), Family Law (divorce, beverages, free parking, free day 10a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, March visitation, etc.), Elder Abuse, care and free individual consul-

25 at the Canton Human Ser-Consumer/Credit/Collection tation with an attorney or paravices Center, 44237 Michigan matters, Landlord/Tenant and legal. Space is limited. Call The fair will feature free legal credits and Public benefits, or for more information. Avenue.

Special holiday guests to be on hand at restaurant

"Blarney," 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday Square shopping center, will also counts will be in effect during at the Old Country Buffet be serving corned beet and cab-

Area families are invited to restaurant in Canton. visit with the O.C. Bee and his The restaurant, on Sheldon dinner menus. special St. Patrick's Day guest, north of Ford in the Harvard

bage on its Friday lunch and Regular prices and senior dis-

There will be free food and

Decades of service: The Cessna 206 was origi-



Dolls from page A1

itudents who have participated in Susan Kolbas' pre-parenting program at West Middle School. The three-day experiment uses the Baby Think It Over doll, a lifelike computerized baby that cries or coos, depending on how well it's cared for by its teenage

"The babies make the program more realistic ... better than the five-pound bags of flour we used to dress up," said Kolbas. "But, of course, the flour babies don't wake you up in the middle of the

Teachers can program the babies to be cranky, normal or easy temperament. Kolbas admits to setting the babies at normal, "because if I didn't I would have some very frustrated students."

The students have bands with a care key attached to their wrists that can't be taken off for the entire three days. The key is needed to stop the baby from crying after it is fed, burped or comforted

"We want the student to have the parenting experience, not just pass the baby on to someone else when they get tired of it," said Kolbas. "In real life, that's apiece, were purchased with how parenting is ... if they have donations from fund-raisers, parto make arrangements for a ents and the Kiwanis Club.

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Wedding

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baby-sitter they have to come back to me. It's 100-percent concern on their part for an entire three days, 24 hours a day." Kolbas' students found out

first-hand that having a baby is a full-time responsibility. "It wakes you up all the time .

at night, during the day. You don't know when it's going to cry," said Lydia Zimmer, 14, of Canton. "It's a lot of work." "You have to give it full attention, and whoever you let hold it has to be a good friend because you have to trust them with your

baby," said Karen Sanders, 13, of Cant "I have hockey five days a week and every day I had to find Canton. "I had to pay my mom \$20 to baby-sit, but it was worth

A daycare has been set up in who need special care for their babies, at 25 cents an hour.

"I had to use the daycare when I was in band," said Hammond.

"If it started crying, I wouldn't be able to hear it." The eight computer babies, which cost upwards of \$280

"Students take on the role of adoptive parent," said Kolbas. "Rather than condone parenthood for any teenager, the focus is to help them make good decisions in their life and not have children until they're ready."

come across loud and clear. "I learned that I want to get my career started first, and have a baby when I'm emotionally and physically ready," said Zim-"I want to have a baby mer. with a spouse, not be a single

"You have to be willing to give a lot of your spare time away," added Sanders. "You should wait to have a baby until you a sitter," said David Bak, 14, of have enough money because they're really expensive."

life, gives you a different perspective," admits Bak. "It's basithe West library for students cally work or baby. Sometimes you can't even get your home-

> with their own child, students said they were attached to their bundles of joy, and didn't want

to it and wonder 'Where is my School recently. baby?" " said Zimmer.

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The message appears to have

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mother.

"It puts a deep impact on your

work done." And, after only three days

to give them up.

"You get emotionally attached while listening to "Pre-Parenting" class teacher Susan Kolbas at West Middle

OBITUARIES

the Rev. Thomas Badley and the and after retirement continued Rev. Edward Coley officiating. Burial was in Lawnview Cemetery, Cordell, Okla.

He was born Feb. 17, 1918 in Winslow, Ark. He died March 6 n Livonia. He was an ordained Methodist minister. He started his ministerial career at the Messiah Methodist Church in 1946 at Schoenhm and Bringard.

eral Methodist churches throughout Michigan including the Houghton United Methodist Church in the Upper Peninsula. Locally he served in Dearborn, Romulus and Livonia at Newburg United Methodist Church from 1962 until 1969.

Lake Huron United Methodist

in Sebewaing, Mich. (Bay Shore Camp). While at Standish United Methodist Church he worked with the Sebewaing Indian Mission. Born and raised in Equipped with two artificial to interfere with his goals or ambitions of life.

Oklahoma University. They were married in 1943 in Detroit after attending Garrett Theological Seminary in Evanston, Ill. and Wayne State University After retirement he enjoyed gardening while living with his son David in Sumpter Township His hobbies included "tinkering" with cars and anything else he could take apart and reassemble.

his wife, Dorothy, in 1982; and two brothers, Amos Greer and Samuel Greer. Survivors include his son, David P (Suzanne) Greer of Livonia; one daughter, Paulette E. Angove of Plymouth; one sister, Mabel Greenlee of Ill.; one brother, Wesley (Sylvia) Greer of Miss. seven grandchildren, Amy, Daniel, Alexander, Sarah, Jessica, Danielle, Felicia; step-grandson, Nathaniel Andrews; and great-granddaughter, Tiffany. Memorials may be made to Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary, 2121 Sheridan Road,



public relations done by the census bureau that our response rate will improve," said Bennett, "and that there will be less of a need for enumerators after April

Enumerators are responsible for following up with those that don't complete the form. Census takers will begin going door-todoor April 27 and continue for six weeks. The census bureau's Livonia

regional office covers Wayne County west of Dearborn and Oakland County west of Pontiac. About 700 people will be needed to complete enumeration work, said Hunter. "We are at goal except for Oak-

land County and Ann Arbor," he added The federal government is spending about \$7 billion to con-

duct this year's census. More than \$160 million of that is going towards advertising across all media, Hunter said. It has raised the level of aware-

"We've had a lot more hubbub about the census than ever before," said Hunter. Bennett agreed.

"I think there's a larger general awareness than I remember in

1990," she said. For those residents that don't receive either short or long forms, please call (248) 967-9524 or (734) 632-0320.

from page A1 The census bureau doesn't sell information." About 78 percent of township residents responded to the 1990 census. "We're hoping with all of the

ness, he added.

REV. PAUL ISSAC GREER Services for Rev. Paul Issac

COMEDY DINNER THEATRE AT IT'S BEST SALON INTERNATIONAL

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its REGULAR March meeting Tuesday, March 21, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable uxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tape of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:

> Barbara Kraft, Library Secretary Plymouth District Library 223 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170 734-453-0750.

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The Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will convene in the City Commission Chambers, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, for a Meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2000 at 2:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2000 @ 2:00 TO 8:00 P.M.

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

Hearings are by appointment only. COMPLETED 2000 BOARD OF **REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY** and must be submitted to the Front Office located on the First Floor of City Hall before an appointment can be made. The "DEADLINE" for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the Board of Review is March 8, 2000 by 9:00 p.m.

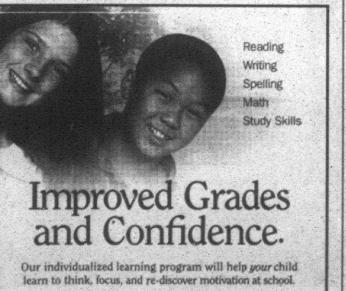
A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative. An agent must have written authority to represent the owner. Written petitions must be submitted by Monday, March 20, 2000. Copies of the notice stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted on the official public bulletin boards of the City and also in the local

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review, you may call (734) 453-1234 ext. 223. MARK R. CHRISTIANSEN, City Assesso

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He continued to serve in sev-

He taught arts and crafts at

Arkansas, he lost both his legs in a train accident at the age of 16. limbs, he never allowed the loss He met his wife Dorothy at

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMAN

He was preceded in death by

Evanston, Ill. 60201.



BY LAURIE HUMPHREY STAFF WRITER humphrey@oe.homec

Eighteen Wayne County community leaders came together with a strong message for Lans-

"The public policy being proposed is so bad, so ill-founded...it seriously compromises the best interest of the citizens in this state," said Jack Kirksey, Livonia mayor and chairman of the Conference of Western Wayne. CWW is an organization of the elected leaders of Western Wayne County, with 750,000

constituents. CWW representatives argue that House Bills 4927-4932, also known as the Motor Carrier Bills, will endanger the lives of people who drive on local roads and will lead to the deterioration of our roads.

The Motor Carrier Bills, which have already passed in the House of Representatives, deny local governments the opportunity to enforce safety and weight industry within community lim-

its.

Enforcement will become the responsibility of the State Police. Additionally, the money collected in fines will no longer go to local governments for local amenities, but will be directed to three specific areas: County libraries will receive 40 percent, county courts will receive 30 percent and local governments will receive 30 percent to be used only for road repair. The bills restrict local governments from using any of the money to fund the expenses involved in safety

road inspections. Implications of the bills will be far-reaching according to Kirk-

"Local governments, with the of a few government units." passage of these bills, will no

This is another example of unnecessary and inappropriate involvement of the state into local matters.'

> Jack Kirksey Mayor of Livonia

local fines will significantly reduction of highway safety reduce local motor carrier inforcement," he said.

The legislation originated with rural area of northern Michigan. Sponsored by Rick Johnson (R-LeRoy), the Motor Carrier Bills next week.

Wayne County Commissioner could encourage some trucking grams," he said. companies to load more cargo on the trucks. The heavier the regulations for the trucking to come to a stop before hitting truck, the more room they need whatever is in front of them.

"I've been concerned that these larger vehicles cannot stop in time. It's something all of us on the Commission are wary of." she said. "We need to be vigilant on the safety factor."

The legislation was proposed after trucking companies complained about being unfairly targeted in certain communities. Some truckers claimed to have been ticketed in more than one city on the same route for the same problem.

Kirksey countered, "If there are communities who are irresponsibly enforcing motor carrier operations, deal with them directly. Don't attempt to change the system to correct the actions He alleged that this proposal

longer have the funds to be able is "designed to benefit the truckto provide this essential citizen ing industry" at the expense of safety service. This diverting of residents welfare. "The resulting

Task force holds hearing on senior long-term care

A special legislative task force gram, providing coverage for inday, March 20, at the Thomas F. Taylor Towers, 36500 Mar-Éileen DeHart, D-Westland, co-

chair of the task force. "Senior citizens in our community have made it clear that they would prefer to stay in their homes as long as possible, and not go to a nursing home," said Rep. DeHart. "This task force is studying how we can help make that possible for Michigan seniors because they deserve a

secure retirement." The task force will examine proposed tax credits for families

studying ways to make it easier home and emergency prescripfor senior citizens to receive tion fees, legislation to require long-term care and stay in their criminal background checks on homes longer will be holding a home health care workers, and public hearing 9-11:30 a.m. Mon- having state-required training for in-home health care workers. "The task force is interested in

quette, Westland, said state Rep. hearing the community's thoughts on these issues, as well as any ideas residents have to help seniors stay in their own homes longer," said Rep. DeHart. "My colleagues and I are interested in any proposal that makes it easier for families to take care of elderly relatives at home.

The task force is in the midst of a statewide tour to listen to Michigan residents concern about long-term care for senior who care for elderly relatives at citizens. The task force will home, expanding the Michigan make specific legislative recom-Emergency Prescription Pro- mendations later in the year."

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lege and Wayne State Universi-The programs, in fields such Mile Road just west of 1-275.

Meeting on vouchers Monday The Western Wayne County Republican Club will host an from the YMCA). informational meeting on the Participants can order dinner pros and cons of Kids First Yes! from the menu. school vouchers ballot issue 7

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would be an unacceptable price to pay."

Canton Township Supervisor a state representative from a Tom Yack said that Michigan already has the most liberal weight restriction truck laws in America. He shared this inforare now before the Senate and mation as well as many other Larger fight could be voted on as early as statistics with senators who are now considering the bills.

"Instead of discussing carrier Kay Beard, (D-Westland) does enforcement, this committee not support the bills. She con- should be looking at reducing tends that if the bills pass, there truck weights and improving trol of local issues from local offiwill be less enforcement, which truck safety inspection pro-

has portions of Ford Road and Michigan Avenue in its boundaries

landfill. Trucks from Canada, Michigan municipalities and private waste firms deliver waste to seeking signatures to put the this landfill via I-275, Michigan Avenue and Wayne County ers in November. About 80,000 roads," he said. "To my knowledge, no state motor carrier officer has ever been seen enforcing the state of Michigan weight or safety regulations on these roads

These bills are part of a larger · become law, they will be another example of Lansing taking concials.

"This is another example of

Yack has a large stake in the passage of these bills. Canton is divided by Interstate-275, and local matters," said Kirksey.

This on-going argument has inspired some municipal leaders to support a ballot initiative "We are also home to an active which would amend the state Constitution. The Michigan Municipal League is actively amendment question before votsignatures have been collected. but 325,000 are needed by July 10

The MML is proposing an increase in the amount of support needed at the State level to make a bill a law. The Constitution currently requires a simple These bills are part of a larger fight between local government and Lansing. If these bills two-thirds of each house in the legislature. The CWW will vote tive, called Let Local Votes er Bills, which he calls a Count, at their meeting next danger to the public. month.

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Virgil Smith announces he'll run for prosecutor

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

State Sen. Virgil Smith fornally announced his candidacy for Wayne County prosecutor Thursday.

ement from the The anno ongtime Detroit lawmaker, who is trying to succeed the retiring John O'Hair, was widely expected. Smith, 52, who has represented the Second Senatorial

District for the past 12 years, ran against O'Hair in the 1992 and 1997 elections, and was narrowly defeated each time. Even without O'Hair in the

running, this year's election promises to be a difficult one with Livonia's Michael Duggan and Plymouth's George Ward expected to be Smith's main

All three men have powerful backers in the political world. Duggan, who has already announced his candidacy, has the support of Wayne County

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Ward, who has said he will officially announce his candidacy on March 20, has been an assistant in the prosecutor's office for 14 years. O'Hair has endorsed Ward to be his suc-

Smith, who also spent 12 years as a state representative prior to being in the Senate has secured the backing of Detroit Mayor Dennis Archen and former Attorney General Frank Kelley.

"I want to fight for our children, for those who are trying to do the right thing and for those who have lost their way, said Smith, who made his announcement at Detroit's Dave Miller UAW Retirees "I want to ensure that out

children, youth, and seniors feel safe to live, work, play and worship in their own neighbor oods.

Prospective candidates still have until May 16 to file their candidacy for the office

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course sampling, and faculty members available to answer any questions. Public safety will

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Seminar focuses on mental health and substance abuse

spring. "Dual Diagnosis: Substance Abuse and Mental Health" will be held 6-10 p.m. Friday and 8:30-5:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7-8. This is an introductory class to understanding the assessment and treatment of order of mental illness and chemical dependency. The non-

Madonna University will offer credit fee is \$100. Students can a substance abuse course this earn 1.5 continuing education units Madonna University is at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia. Students may register by mail, fax

and in person. These courses are also available for degree credit, even if you are not an admitted individuals who have a dual dis- student at Madonna University. For information, call (734)432-5731 or fax (734)432-5364.

hillion "This runway is going to give us a superior airfield and make us very competitive with other major airports," said Michael Conway, Metro's information director. "It is the piece of the puzzle that is going to guarantee the success of this airport." Although signatures are still needed from the county's pur-



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Airport awards runway job to two Macomb contractors

By KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

Last week Metro Airport officials accepted a \$44.77 million bid for the construction contract of the main 4-22 runway, a key component of the massive Midfield Terminal project.

The low bid was proposed by the joint venture of Dan's Excavating and Ajax Paving, both Macomb County-based contrac-

The 10,000-foot-by-150-foot project will account for 95 percent of the take-offs and landings at the new mile-long terminal that has a price-tag of \$1.2

chasing department and executive office before it becomes official, Metro officials and representatives from Dan's and Ajax expect to begin construction on the runway sometime in April. It is scheduled to be completed in December, 2001, the same month the entire Midfield project is expected to be finished.

However, the bidding process happy about getting the contract controversy. Claiming they had miscalculated the breadth of the project, county officials rejected

ast November. John Carlo Inc., a Mt. Clemens-based contractor, which est bid of \$66 million, challenged the legality of the re-bidding pro-

Noting the county had the egal right to reject all bids, Wayne County Circuit Judge Kathleen Macdonald threw out the challenge in early February. That decision opened the way for the county to accept the new bid. Metro officials believe their decision to reject the previous round of bids was fair because an entire taxiway was eliminated and the building materials

were overestimated. "We felt the scope of the project changed significantly enough that the prudent thing was to re-bid it," said Conway. Attorney Sam Damron, who

represents John Carlo, said the company is waiting for the county to make an official announce ment on the new bid and may take further legal action at that In the meantime, representa-

tives for Dan's and Ajax are

has not been without its share of and are ready to get moving on the work.

"It is unfortunate the way the bidding process went," said John a previous round of bids made Otto, vice president of Dan's Excavating, which had also proposed a bid last November "Wayne County probably could had presented the previous low- have handled the situation a little better, but this is the type of project we excel at and we're excited about moving forward."

The \$44.77 million contract is only one part of the larger \$119 million runway project, which also calls for property acquisition, drainage, wetlands mitigation and road relocation.

The construction of the runway will disturb 168 acres of existing wetlands. Because of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality requirements, the airport replaced them adding 277 acres of wetlands to the Crosswinds Marsh Wetland Interpretive Preserve in Sumpter Township

The new runway will also force the county to relocate portions of both Wayne and Goddard Roads. which will be moved at separate times to minimize traffic prob-

"We will be building the new runway and doing road relocation at the same time," Conway

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Airport recommends vendors Metro Airport officials present- more local flavor, including The nearly half of the new shops are

the new Midfield Terminal's 80 Ford Museum retail and restaurant operators to the county's Commission on Roads, Airports and Public Ser-

The presentation took place Thursday at the county's Warren Valley Golf Club.

Olga's Kitchen, and a PGA Tour excess of \$22 million."

County officials believe the airport's revenue will nearly double because of the new retail hops and restaurants. "Revenue from retail earns

approximately \$10 million for the airport today," said Wayne While the list of recommended County Executive Ed McNamavendors included many familiar ra. "The midfield concessions" names, such as Burger King, salone are estimated to earn in Shop, there are also those of a Officials also boasted that

ed their recommendations for Motown Bar & Grill and Henry owned by either minorities or

"The percentage of minority, disadvantaged and women owned participation, we believe, will lead all U.S. airports," McNamara said.

The commission is expected to make a decision soon. For more information and a

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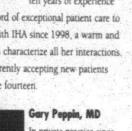
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program to offer computer trainfor seniors.

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Plymouth resident Joe Pasek doesn't have a computer at home, but he understands they're part of the future and he wants to learn as much as he can about technology.

"I want to learn enough to show the grandchildren before they show me first," said Pasek with a smile. "I want to keep a couple of steps ahead of them ... to at least know what they're talking about."

Pasek is one of nearly 50 seniors who have enrolled in the classes

The Plymouth Recreation Department received a \$5,000 grant from the Michigan Association of Senior Centers for the purpose of establishing an intergenerational training program.

The idea behind the program is to have young adults teach seniors basic computer operations, word processing, spreadsheet and using the Internet.

"It's been a wonderful pro-

an intergenerational training 📓 'I want to learn enough to show the grandchildren before they show me first. I want to keep a couple of steps ahead of them ... to at least know what they're talking about.'

-Joe Pasek

gram," said Carol Donnelly, recreation department supervisor. "Sometimes seniors feel so illiterate when it comes to computers. The kids are buying their parents computers so they can stay in touch through e-mail, but they don't know how to use

it And that's the exact reason Grace Foerster wants to learn how to use her computer.

"I have a computer at home and I'm glad to have these classes so I can learn," she said. "I'm learning to e-mail my two daughters who don't live around here.

The grant calls for the seniors to be taught by young adults, so the recreation department enlisted the help of Clark and Kumar

And the students are slowly. but surely taking to the technology

"I had experience with computers when I worked, but there are a lot of things I still don't know,' said Louise Carr of Plymouth. "At first I thought computers were intimidating, but I feel more comfortable using it now."

Currently there are three eight-week classes for seniors. each meeting once a week. Anyone who would like to be put on the waiting list for the classes can call the Plymouth recreation department at (734) 455-6620.

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for processing. The system can read about 1,000 meters per minute.

"Because of its speed we'll be able to spot problems a lot faster," said Casari. "If it can't read a signal from a particular home, for example, it will let us know."

He recently visited a New Jersey community that's using the system. About 9,000 meters were read, information processed and water bills generated in a day.

By contrast, it currently takes one week to do a section of Canton, **Township Finance and Budget** Accountant John Spencer said.

Residentially, the township is divided into three districts. One

district is done each month, Spencer said. Commercial properties, which includes apartments and condominiums, are done bimonthly.

Even with the new system, Spencer said it will take more than a day to complete the billing proce

"It will cut some time," he added. "But it will still take time to generate bills.

Casari said the system has been a hit in other municipalities.

"There are quite a few communities that are in the process of going to the remote-read system,' he said. "From what we've been able to tell, those using the system

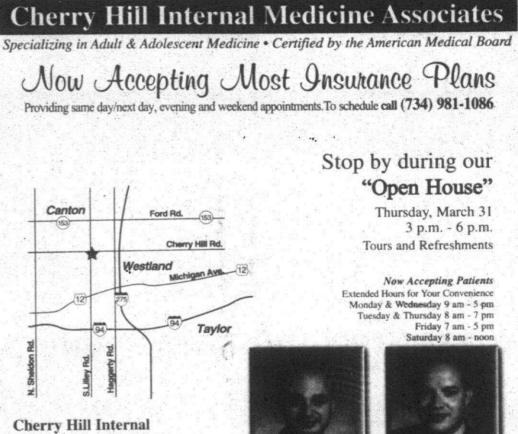
really like it and find a big savings

Allendale Township, a suburb of Grand Rapids, is using a similar system

Public works operator of Allendale Gary Scholten said they've used the remote-read system for five years. It takes just two hours to read 1,500 residential and commercial meters, he said.

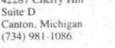
"It works great," Scholten commented. "It's a huge time-saver." Like Canton, Allendale has

experienced fast growth. The township, which sits southwest of Grand Rapids, has gone from 4,000 to 16,000 residents in the past five years



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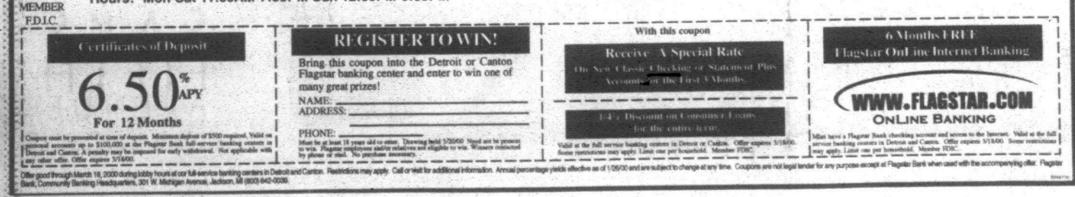
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Ocelots honored

Schoolcraft College's Robert Brown collected several post-season honors, including nomination for NJCAA All-American honors.

A 6-foot-4 sophomore forward, Brown was named to the Division I all-Region 12 team, the all-state team and the first team all-Eastern Conference squad. Brown led SC in scoring, averaging 18.9 points per game, and rebounding, at 11.2 per contest. He connected on 222-of-339 floor shots (65.5 percent) and had 3.3 assists a game.

Several other Ocelots collected honors as well. Lamar Bigby, a 6-5 sophomore guard, collected all-region, allstate and all-conference honors as well; he averaged 16.7 points, 5.7 boards and 3.4 assists per game.

Gilbert Mitchell, a 6-4 sophomore guard, earned all-region and all-conference honors. Mitchell averaged 13.3 points a game, making a teambest 73 three-pointers (40.8 percent). Last but hardly least, SC coach

Last but hardly least, SC coach Carlos Briggs was named conference coach of the year after guiding the Ocelots to a 24-7 record and a conference championship.

SC's Kirkland commits

Reggie Kirkland had some other options, but chose to stay close to home when he committed last week to attend Wayne State University.

A 6-foot-3 sophomore guard who played at Romulus HS, Kirkland averaged 6.0 points and 3.8 assists per game, making 24-of-59 of his triple tries (40.7 percent).

NAHL All-Time Team

The North American Hockey League has named its all-time all-star team, dating from the league's inception in 1975. Seventeen former NAHLers have gone on to play in the National Hockey League.

Of the 18 players on the all-time squad, several have local ties. The most recent is David Legwand, the Plymouth Whaler standout who is currently playing with the Nashville Predators.

Others named to the team are defenseman Don McSween, a Plymouth native who played at Michigan State and for the NHL's Anaheim Mighty Ducks, and goalie Brent Johnson, from Farmington, who played for Owen Sound in the Ontario Hockey League and for the St. Louis Blues.

WMU track standout

The outdoor season is about to start or Western Michigan University's men's track team, and one of the indoor stars looking to make an impact outside is Plymouth Salem graduate Andy Briggs. Briggs had the Broncos' top indoor time this season in the 600-meter run at 1:21.94, just off the school record of 1:20.44, set in 1990 by Mike Evans. Briggs' performance came at the Michigan Intercollegiates Feb. 12. He also recorded the third-best run in the 800: 1:55.80, at the Notre Dame Quadrangular Jan. 21. Briggs was part of WMU's second-fastest 4x400 relay (3:18.81); second-fastest 4x1,000 relay (10:25.42); and thirdfastest 4x440 relay (3:26.64).

Unstoppable! Nether carries Canton into state district final



Determined: Canton's Kenny Nether had some added incentive — if any was necessary in a state tournament game — against Northville Thursday after being snubbed by WLAA coaches in the all-conference balloting. He responded by pouring in 33 points, despite a swarm of defenders.

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.home Point made.

Indeed, you can multiply that by 33. Because that's how many points Kenny Nether put on the board in Plymouth Canton's state district basketball tournament opener Thursday against Northville, played at Novi HS.

A determined Nether missed just two shots from the floor in decimating the Mustangs, leading the Chiefs to a 70-61 victory and a berth in the district final opposite Plymouth Salem in a game played Saturday night (details of the final will appear in Thursday's Observer).

"I was playing with a lot of emotion," said Nether, a 6-foot-5 senior. "This was a statement game for me. I didn't make all-conference, and I wanted to prove something to the coaches.

"And I knew this could be my last game."

Northville, which beat Canton 52-45 Jan. 21 in a Western Lakes Activities Association conference game, was the fall guy. Nether poured in 10 points in the first quarter, scoring the last eight for the Chiefs (who improved to 11-10) as they took a 14-12 lead into the second.

He added seven more in the second

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Salem 'D' stops Novi

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

Let's be blunt. Plymouth Salem's offensive game wasn't exactly in high gear in the first half of its state district basketball tournament opener against Novi. The Rocks were simply fumbling away too many opportunities — 14 of them, to be exact — against the host Wildcats. But this credo, rated high in the coach's handbook, proved itself once again: Defense

wins games. So while the Rocks were limited by a hardpressuring Novi defense to just 19 points while committing 14 turnovers in the first half, they redeemed themselves on defense by holding the Wildcats to just 14 points in the opening two quarters.

Salem found its offense in the second half. Novi never did. The result: a 54-42 Salem victory, its 12th in 21 games, and a berth opposite Plymouth Canton in the district final (played Saturday night — details will be in Thursday's Observer).

"It's state tournament time," said Salem

half. "Things tighten up out there. But I thought there was a lot of good defense played, by both sides.

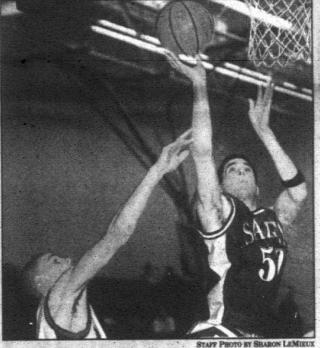
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"We put a lot of pressure on them. We switched up a lot (between man-to-man and zone). They're a good shooting team from the perimeter, and if they miss they get the rebound and get the putback."

Those strategies, which led to 11 wins during the regular season for Novi (an 11-10 final record), didn't work against Salem. The Salem defenders limited the Wildcats to a woeful 13of-46 shooting from the floor (28.6 percent); in the first half, they were just 5-of-22 (22.7 percent).

"We played hard, but we struggled offensively," said Novi coach Pat Schluter. "I thought we stayed with them, but they had that little spurt in the third quarter and we just couldn't get over the hump.

"We played well defensively. We got to with-



Tough inside: Matt McCaffrey paced the Rocks,

Spring hockey sign-up

Registration is now underway for adult spring recreational hockey leagues.

The Rockets (over 21 years) will play Sundays and Thursdays at the Artic Pond Arena in Plymouth; the Plymouth Masters (over 40) will play Sundays and Wednesdays at the Plymouth Cultural Center; the Golden Eagles (over 49) will play Sunday and Wednesday nights at the Artic Pond.

The season runs April 2-May 11. To register, call or FAX name and address to John Wilson at (248) 471-0658, or E-mail him at: john@rspi.net.

Harrier coach wanted

The Plymouth Salem girls cross country team is seeking an assistant volunteer coach for the fall 2000 season.

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Financial compensation will be worked out upon hiring.

Those interested should contact Salem varsity coach Dave Gerlach at (734) 416-7708, coach Bob Brodie in summarizing the opening

Please see SALEM, C3 working inside for 19 points and 14 rebounds

PCA routs Royals for 2nd-straight district title

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

What started out as a Class D district final basketball game between Plymouth Christian Academy and Jackson Christian Thursday night quickly evolved into a basketball clinic — with the Eagles serving as instructors.

Playing before a raucous home crowd, PCA schooled the undermanned Royals on the fine art of three-point shooting, full-court-pressure defense

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and rebounding on the way to a 79-48 triumph.

The 31-point winning margin was deceiving the game wasn't that close. PCA led 27-6 after one quarter and 50-21 at the half.

PCA coach Doug Taylor mercifully limited his starters to brief cameo appearances over the final 16 minutes, or his team would have almost assuredly eclipsed the century mark in points. The most revealing stat from the game: Jackson Christian (7-15) finished with more turnovers (22) than field goals (20).

The district title was the second consecutive for the Eagles, who will take their 18-4 record and 16game winning streak to Hillsdale College Tuesday for the regional opener against Reading. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m.

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STAT PROTO BY PAUL BURSCHARS A steady performer: Abi Morrell's consistency has been a bright spot.

Abi Morrell picks WMU

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.homecomm.net

Few high school soccer players have their athletic future so clearly defined as Abi Morrell.

But don't for a moment believe she's willing to simply go through the motions in this, her senior season at Plymouth Canton. That certainly is not the Morrell style.

And Abi has a lot to keep her motivated.

Where she'll be playing soccer in the fall is not a part of that equation, however. Morrell has already signed with Western Michigan University.

The reason for her choice? "I want to study education or business," she answered, adding, "and to play soccer, of course."

She'll get her chance with the Broncos. But first, there's her senior season at Canton, which officially starts in about three weeks.

Morrell has been part of a state



championship-caliber team since she joined the Canton varsity as a freshman. She's been starting for the Chiefs since her sophomore season.

But Canton has never reached that status. Livonia Stevenson's powerhouse teams of the '90s had a lot to do with that, last season, arch-rival Plymouth Salem shocked the Chiefs in district play.

This is Morrell's last shot at a state championship. But more, it's probably the last time she'll be able to play with her talented younger sister, Anne.

"We've been playing on the same team since we were 10," said Abi. "It'll be kind of weird not being together."

Anne, a junior at Canton, has already signed to play collegiately at University of North Carolina, one of the NCAA's most prominent women's soccer schools. She is already being compared with the best players to ever come out of this state.

Somewhat lost in all this is Abi, a player with exceptional ability of her own. "It's hard to stand out when you have a sister like Anne," admitted Canton coach Don Smith.

But he's awfully glad to have both of them. "Basically, Abi's a good, sound player," he said. "She can play defense for them and she can play midfield for them.

"She's a solid, heady player. She handles the ball well and she marks well. She's a good, hard worker."

One problem Abi has had to overcome is injuries. A broken foot led to surgery last fall and prevented her from playing indoor soccer. According to both she and Smith, she has recovered completely and will be ready to ge come the season-opener against

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Madonna shuts out last 3 opponents on trip

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It seems Al White's optimism was well-placed, after all. The second-year head coach of Madonna University's softball team had been impressed with the talent level of this season's squad, but the youth - nine of 14 players are freshmen - was

"If we can finish above .500, I'll be happy," White said before his trip. Your wish has been answered,

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coach. The Crusaders completed their spring trip to Fort Myers, Fla., by winning their last seven games to give them a 9-4 record. On Friday, they ended their trip with an 8-0 shutout of Emanuel College (from Boston, Mass.), their third-consecutive blanking.

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Her earned run average for the trip was 1.52. triple highlighted a four-run third for Madonna. Two hits and two errors led to three Crusader runs in the first inning. Vicki

> Malkowski had two hits, scored two runs and drove in another to lead the hitters; Emily Cunningham also had two hits, including a triple On Thursday, Madonna got a three-hit shutout pitching performance from freshman Jenny

Tanya Liske, one of two 4-0. seniors on the team, tossed a Tenyer, a freshman who has one-hit, no-walk, five-inning surrendered just two earned ning her season-record to 4-0. 29 1/3 innings (a 0.61 earned run average), struck out three and didn't walk a batter in evening Stacie Wilson's three-run her record at 2-2.

Pam Konwinski had two hits. including a double and a two-run single in the second inning. Jennifer Kruzel also had two hits and an RBI.

The first of the Crusaders' three-straight shutouts, a 7-0 triumph, was tossed by freshman Jennifer Staup, who improved to 3-2 with a four-hit, one-walk, four-strikeout blanking of Wheaton College (Wheaton, Ill.) Thursday.

attack by going 3-for-3 with two RBI. Devon Fletcher added two hits and two RBI; Kristy McDon- a team-best 13 runs scored, Kruzel each had two hits, two runs scored and an RBI (Kruzel had a triple, McDonald a double); and Wilson had two hits.

Madonna's opener Thursday was an 8-1 trouncing of Wittenberg College (Springfield, Ohio). Liske got the win in this one, allowing one run on four hits

Kruzel had two hits and three RBI to pace the Crusaders, including a two-run single in the first. Malkowski had two hits, scored twice and drove in two more; Emily Cunningham had

Malkowski emerged as Madonna's top hitter, batting .425 with seven doubles and seven RBI in 13 games. Wilson, a freshman, hit .345 with five RBI and Kruzel batted .344 with a teambest eight RBI. Quinn hit .306 and had seven RBI.

One area the Crusaders struggled in was fielding. They committed 23 errors in the 13 games, with 17 of the 27 runs allowed unearned. But their pitching sparkled, giving up a combined 10 walks in 83 2/3 innings and compiling a 1.08 ERA.

Not too shabby for a completely rebuilt staff. Madonna is now



each got an out. The Crusaders scored a run in he bottom of the seventh to create the 10-10 tie. Neil Wildfong, Todd Miller,

Wolfe, Jason Brooks and Lightle had two hits apiece for Madonna. Nick Dedeluk drove in three runs while Wolfe and Rabe had two RBI apiece.

Through 13 games, Rabe was the squad's leading hitter at .462 among those with 10 or more atbats. Dedeluk was next at .429 while Brooks had a .410 average. The team was batting .339 but

only had two home runs, one by Dedeluk Brooks and Todd Miller led the team with 10 RBI apiece

O'Connor had a 1.80 ERA to lead pitchers with 10 or more innings pitched. He was 0-1. Mitch Jabczenski was 1-1 with

a 2.13 ERA and Stevens had a 2-0 mark with a 2.57 ERA. The staff ERA was 3.10. Highlights from earlier in the

trip included a three-hit fiveinning shutout by Dale Hayes (one walk, one strikeout) in a 16-0 thrashing of Columbia Union. Mario D'Herin drove in four runs in a 12-8 victory over Columbia Union and Jabczenski allowed five hits in seven

sive skills.

scored 11.



two hits and an RBI; and Erika idle until March 25, when it Tenyer in blanking Northwest-Meghan Quinn led the 12-hit plays at Olivet College. ern College (Orange City, Iowa), Keys had two hits. Crusaders are rolling in Florida sun

Madonna University was in the process of winding up a very productive spring baseball trip. The Crusaders defeated Waynesburg (Pa.) College, 4-3, Friday to improve their spring mark to 10-3-1. Earlier in the day Madonna played a seveninning, 10-10 tie with West Liberty State.

Nick Newman got the win in the second game, hurling two

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innings in relief of starter Jeremy Stevens. He gave up two hits and walked three but the three runs he allowed on a three-run home run were unearned. Madonna had taken a 4-0 lead

after he came in to pitch. Newman was 2-0 with a 3.27 overall. Roy Rabe and Bob Hamp had two hits apiece for the Crusaders while catcher Lance Siegwald stroked three. Rabe and Eric Lightle had the only two RBI by Madonna.

Ryan Andrzejewski worked 5 1/3 innings against West Liberty State, allowing 13 hits, walking two and fanning two. He was

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scoring just 19 first-half points turnovers - Novi had seven), thought we were in control of the the Rocks more than doubled tempo most of the game." their point total in just the third McCaffrey.

playing really well." Salem scored 22 third-quarter

points. McCaffrey had half of them. After Novi closed the fivepoint halftime deficit to three on a Dan Nawrot basket to start the third quarter, Salem scored seven-straight points (four by McCaffrey).

A three-pointer by the Wildcats' Chad Nadolni trimmed that 10-point deficit to seven, but only briefly; the Rocks followed with another seven-point run, and by the quarter's midpoint, they had a 14-point lead.

offense, was too much to over- pointers). come. Brodie knew what to

Morrell

Novi March 29 Prior to her junior year, Abi

had to undergo foot surgery, but she apparently tried to hurry her throughout her junior season.

The foot surgery she undervent any further problems. At sible, least that's what's hoped, but to help insure her recovery Abi avoided playing indoor soccer through the winter, opting instead to rest and rehabilitate. A stopper/defensive midfielder throughout her career at Canton, her improved mobility could result in a switch this season. Smith admitted he was toying with the idea of inserting Abi into the attacking midfield spot to take advantage of her offen-

Wherever she plays, Abi's goal will be the same - a state title.



mann - who finished with 19 points - came alive, scoring seven points in the second.

The outcome, however, was still very much in doubt. Northville (11-10 final record) behind the play of Travis Bliss (14 first-half points) and David Gregor (nine in the first half), took a 33-31 lead at the intermission by scoring the final five points of the half.

But the end came quickly in the second half for the Mustangs. Canton scored the first six points of the third quarter (four Nether) and, after a brief flur ry by Northville that left the score tied at 39-all with 5:19 remaining in the quarter, the

They scored 10-consecutive points, six coming from Nether as he drove the middle against two (and sometimes three) 'Cats. Canton took a 56-44 lead into the final quarter, thanks to a 25-

11 third-quarter run. "We made some adjustments on how we were guarding them defensively at halftime," said Canton coach Dan Young. "And I thought our offense set the tone for our defense."

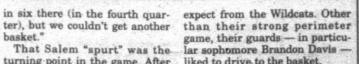
That offense, of course, has centered around Nether and Waidmann since mid-season. Against Northville, they scored 52 of Canton's 70 points; some of that was due to the foul trouble experienced by Thom Knapp, the Mustangs' 6-10 center. He got three fouls in the first half, eventually fouling out with 3:44 left in the game and never becoming

a factor in the outcome. His absense was felt by Northville defensively. Without Knapp to clog the middle, Nether and Waidmann roamed

"They're both really good passers to each other, too," noted Young, adding, "We wanted to come out and play hard tonight. and I thought we did that. (Northville's) a hard team to guard, inside and outside.

They're going to be the team to beat (in the WLAA) next year." The closest the Mustangs got in the fourth quarter was the final margin, which came on a basket at the buzzer. Bliss, one

of two seniors on the team, led Northville with 23 points; Gregor had 15 and Aaron Redden



turning point in the game. After liked to drive to the basket. "We put some good pressure on (while committing those 14 their guards," said Brodie. "I

Once the Rocks cut back on quarter. The reason: Matt their mistakes - they had just two turnovers in the third quar-"We were just looking to run ter and nine in the second half our offense," said Brodie. "We - the game turned around. wanted to get the ball inside. They made 7-of-10 third-quarter McCaffrey's a load. He's been ' shots from the floor; for the game, they were 16-of-31 (51.6

percent) Their 22-11 scoring spurt allowed them to concentrate on free-throw shooting in the final period. They were 11-of-15 from the stripe (17-of-22 for the game, 77.3 percent), while taking just four shots from the field.

And McCaffrey lived up to his credentials, scoring 19 points and grabbing 14 rebounds. Andy Kocoloski added 12 points, and Ryan Cook scored 10 points and dished out five assists. Davis' 13 points paced Novi;

Which, for Novi's slumbering Nadolni added 12 (on four three-

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"We're playing a little better than we have the last couple of vears," she said. Does that mean they can take comeback. The result was a that final step? "I think so," she groin pull that plagued her cautiously predicted. "If we play like we can, we can."

With two Morrells on the same went last November should pre- team, certainly anything is pos-

1st-rate effort: PCA's David Carty poured in a game-high 17 points in leading the Eagles to their second-straight district title.

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game for nine PCA seniors. Starting trailed by 25! with forward Derric Isensee's departure at the 4:40 mark of the fourth quarter. each senior was taken out of the game and honored with a standing ovation by the appreciative crowd.

"Derric (Isensee) told me the other day that he and the other seniors had only lost three home games since they were in the eighth grade," Taylor said. "There's a love affair there between our fans and this senior class, which was the players when they were taken out of the game.

"They deserve everything they get, too, because they're hard-working kids." Jackson Christian coach Bob Stanton was not about to disagree with that

"They're a very solid team," Stanton said. "If they keep hitting their threepoint shots like they did against us, they're going to be tough to beat."

Stanton said his team wasn't intimidated by PCA's gaudy record and lofty stature among the state's smaller schools.

"I think our kids were fired up more than anything," Stanton said. "But emotion can only take you so far. After a while, you have to start making

Making shots wasn't a problem for the Eagles in the first half; they shot 54 percent (19-for-35) from the field. After Royal forward Jeremiah Downer banked in a 10-footer to bring his team to within 7-4 three minutes into the game, the Eagles went on a 20-2 romp o close out the quarter - and any realistic chances the Royals had of hauling

a trophy back to Jackson. How lopsided did the game become in the third quarter, Jackson Christian turned things around for us."

Thursday's win was the final home reeled off 14-straight points - but still .

Fittingly, a quartet of seniors, led the way for the Eagles. Guard David Carty stroked in a game-high 17 points and harrassed the Royals' guards all night with his in-your-face defensive pressure.

Despite playing limited minutes, Isensee racked up 16 points and five rebounds, while Michael Huntsman had 14 points and four boards. A.J. Sherrill obvious by the reaction the crowd gave also reached double figures in scoring, netting 12 points, all the result of threepointers.

> Senior forward James Westers was the lone Royal to score in double figures, netting 11 points.

> Led by Randy Elenbaas (seven boards), PCA outrebounded Jackson Christian, 37-20.

> Jackson Christian struggled shooting from the field (35 percent) and the freethrow line (38 percent). The Eagles finished by hitting 49 percent (26-of-53) of their field goal attempts and 17-of-26 (65 percent) free throws.

> Taylor said he first had a hunch that the 1999-2000 season may be extraordinary almost three years ago.

"I think we realized we might have something special when the members of this senior class were sophomores, 🐾 Taylor said. "Derric played on the varsity, and Mike and David played really well at the junior-varsity level. We knew at that point that their senior season was going to be fun.

"But the turning point for this team came earlier this year when we beat Lenawee. They were ranked fifth in the state at the time, and they had beat us in the regional final last year. Going into that game, we were struggling, so the second half? In the latter stages of it was a huge win for this team. It

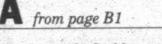


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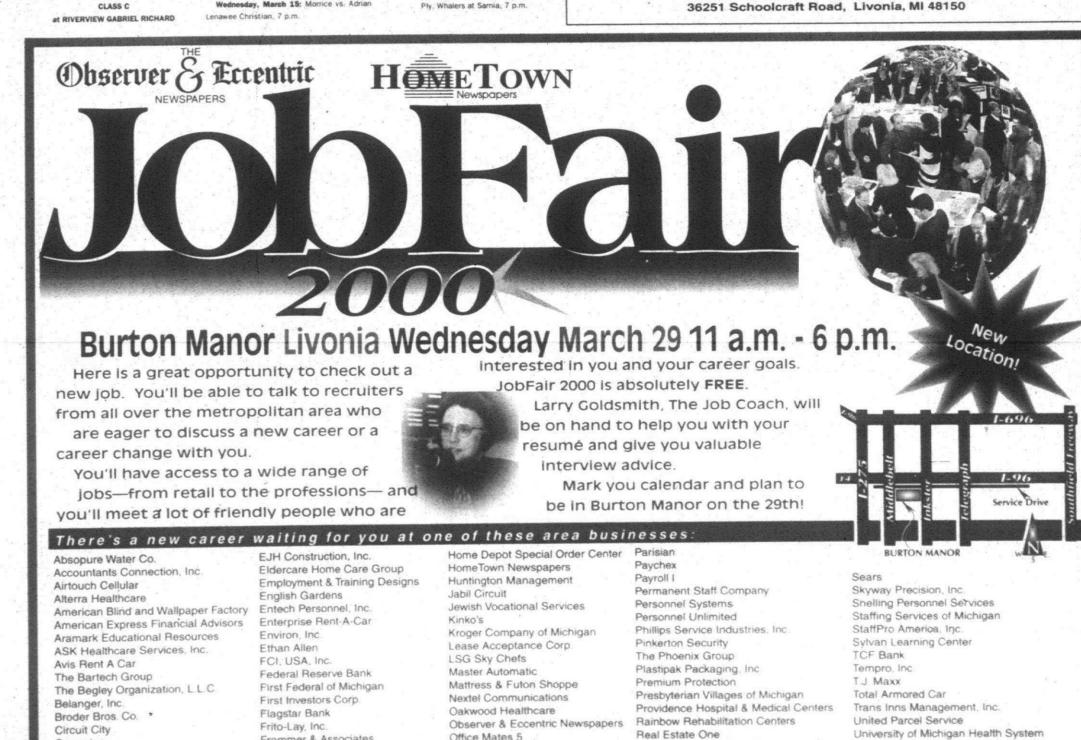
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Pistons/Shock Clinic

Members of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Shock will put on a basketball clinic Saturday afternoon, March 18, at Ward Presbyterian Church, located at 40000 Six Mile (west of Haggerty) in Northville.

Boys and girls in the third-to-eighth grades are encouraged to attend. Cost is \$15. Session I (grades 3-5) will run from 2-3:15 p.m.

Session II (grades 6-8) will run from 3:30-4:45 p.m. Arrive 15 minutes early to register, or pre-register at the Ward Presbyterian Church by March 17. Parents are invited to attend. The clinic includes five follow-up Saturdays of open basketball prac-

Baseball clinics

The Plymouth Salem baseball team and coaching staff will sponsor their annual instructional clinics on consecutive Saturdays, March 25 and April 1, in the Salem gym.

Cost for each session, which includes a hot dog lunch (served from noon-1 p.m.), is \$20. The 11-15 vear-old session will be from from 9 a.m.-noon; the 7-10 year-old session will be from 1-4 n.m.

Mail your check, made payable to the Plymouth Salem Dugout Club, to Bill Styles at 10782 Red Maple Drive, Plymouth, 48170, For more informa tion, call Bill Styles at (734) 453-1679.

Final registration

The last chance to sign up for the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association's baseball, softball and T-ball leagues is scheduled for 6:30-9 p.m. March 16 at the Plymouth Township clerk's office, located on the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

New players must provide proof of birth. For more information, call (734) 453-2040.

T-ball registration

The city of Plymouth Recreation Division will 684-1322.

have registration for its 5-6 year-old T-ball league April 3-21 at the Recreation office, located in the Plymouth Cultural Center (located at 525 Farmer, Plymouth) Children must be born July-December 1993;

January-December 1994: or January-July 1995. A birth certificate is required. The season runs June 24-Aug. 12 (no games July 1).

Softball leagues

The city of Plymouth Recreation Division will sponsor adult softball leagues this spring/summer for men's slow pitch, women's slow pitch, co-ed slow pitch and men's modified.

New teams may begin registering March 15. All registrations may be completed at the Recreation offices, located in the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

The season starts the week of May 1. For more information, call the Plymouth Recreation Division at (734) 455-6620 or check the web at www.ci.plymouth mi.us.

CYO football meeting

The Catholic Youth Organization will have a meeting for those boys in grades 3-8 who are interested in playing CYO football at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 4 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

All boys interested in playing are invited to attend this informational meeting. Good Counsel is located at 1062 Church in Plymouth. For more information, call Mike Girskis at (734)

454-0847 or at (734) 427-6270.

3-on-3 Junior Shootout

The Milford Police Athletic League is sponsoring its 10th annual 3-on-3 Junior Shootout basketball tournament for boys and girls in grades 4-12 on March 17-19.

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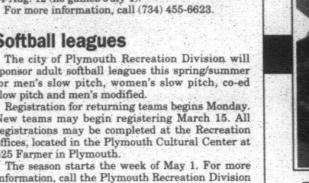
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Entry fee is \$60 per team (four players). There shoes For more information, call Rick Sharpe at (248) THE WEEK AHEAD Tuesday, March 14: Detroit DePorres vs. Friday, March 17: Championship final.

Petersburg-Summerfield district champion, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfi-

BOYS BASKETBALL **REGIONAL PAIRINGS** CLASS A at SOUTHFIELD-LATHRUP Tuesday, March 14: Plymouth Canton vs. Borgess vs. Flat Rock district champion, 7 Plymouth Salem district winner vs. Detroit p.m.

Pershing, 7 p.m.

Lathrup district winner, 7 p.m. Friday, March 17: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfi-

nels Tuesday, March 21 vs. Macomb Dakota regional champion.)

Friday, March 17: Championship final. 7 Wednesday, March 15: Bloomfield Hills p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfi-Lahser vs. Birmingham Groves vs. Southfield nals Tuesday, March 21 at Schoolcraft College vs. Reese regional champion.) CLASS D at HILLSDALE COLLEGE

Tuesday, March 14: Plymouth Christian Academy vs. Reading, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 15: Morrice vs. Adria

nals Tuesday; March 21 at Portage Northern Wednesday, March 15: Redford Bishop vs. Allegan regional champion.) ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Sunday, March 12 Ply, Whalers vs. Owen Sound at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 17 Phy. Whalers at Guelph, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 18 Ply. Whalers vs. Windsor at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 19

Ply, Whalers at Samia, 7 p.m.

Former Westlander captures top cash prize

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game gave her an award for 100 pins over average, which for her was 182. Linda runs the night snack bar at

She lost in the match

play finals but the big

Mayflower Lanes. Brandon Hildebrandt, the 14-year-old who won the last Bacardi/Brunswich Blue Ribbon Group tournament, made the last cut to match play but was Joe Fitzsimmons of Waterford (7th); defeated by another previous champ,

Donald Parks. Meanwhile, Tina Barber-Judy, a longtime Westlander who now lives in Dearborn, was able to qualify eleventh in the 12 match-play spots.

She took care of some very strong competition including Don Parks, who was consistently in the pocket but was unable to get the carry.

Tina made some great shots and car-

Merri Bowi (Livonia)

K of C Men: Frank Hoffman, 741; Ron Blan-

chard, 734; Wayne Lanning, 699; Claude

Wednesday Toast & Coffee: Lisa Sallade,

hoski, 220 Kim Eller, 235/553; Susan Tossa-

Wedneeday Morning Early Birds: Ann Marie

Lost Weekenders Men's Trio: John

260/711; Kevin Landon, 279! Jim Dust,

Woodland Lanes (Livonia)

Monday Seniors: Jon Jarman, 201; Howard

Simons, 201-224; Howard Featherston, 205;

247/726; Brian O'Rourke, 725.

John Nelson, 212; Paul Brewer, 246.

203/549; Nancy Altounian, 202.

Local 182: Frank Bertani, 248.

Midnighters: Stewart Roemmele,

262/611; Paul Bruckner, 259/648; Robert

Allen, 245; Doug Wiseman, 234/619; Vaughn

Gay 90's (seniors): Tom Gerovac, 225;

Saturday Youth: Chris Lenhardt, 248/658;

Happiness is (mixed): Susan Rodey,

Alistate Ladies: Sharon Pond; 221/571;

Senior House: Mike Norris Jr., 300/741:

Bob Banks, 279/732; David Mahaz,

267/703: Frank Hoffman, 258/695; Mike

Larocca, 245/723: Philip Caldwell, 257/701

Wednesday Men's Trio: Ery Watson,

268/728; Mark Howes, 258/700; Greg Wiz-

gird, 256/721; John McGraw, 279/704; John

Guys & Dolls (seniors): Bob Wilhelm,

All-Star Bowlerattes: Sandy Schultz,

300/719; Tamika Glenn, 231-279-278/788;

Karen Martin, 212-277-245/734; Lisa

McCardy, 279/672; Kelley Ross, 287/639;

Angela Wilt, 240-245-236/721; Petesy Wray,

Saturday Speciale: Curt Lawless, 299/698.

Sunday Nite Mixed: Garland Goodwin,

299/711; Yaconne Griffin, 257/695; B'Jai

St. Alden's Men: Mike Kowalski, 246-

213/658: Tony Kaluzny, 227-216/615: Bob

McArthur, 236; Hurley Fields, 227/601; Jim

Tuesday Seniors: Bob Golm, 224-214/608;

Reggie Budzik, 224/576; Jerry Page, 260-

222/596: George Brown, 234/592: Tony

Wolak 222-218/609: Andy Wright 235/554

Slavin, 224/543; Joe Newton, 229/558:

Howard Simon, 224/522; Jerry Page,

Oak Lanes (Westland

G & G Auto: Candace Brouwer, 239/570;

Strange, 222/550; Shery! Newton (Mrs. G &

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Sunday Sleepers: Terry Tesarz, 290/667;

Jeff Roche, 288/767; Mike Suchy, 279/697;

Chris Kilczinski, 278/699; Randy Wilson,

E/O Double Trouble: Andy Sarrett,

Monday Morning Men: Joe Kovatch

279/705: Mike Seymour, 229/625; Fred

leaker, 225/588; Pat Stover, 224/552; Bill

269/688: Tim Mayer, 244/659: David Fisk,

226/599; Jeff Streight, 218/572; Sherry

Sandi Smith, 226/564; Linda Batke,

219/620; Paula Sitarski, 222/581; Toni

Friday Seniors: Tony Rys, 244/563; Larry

233/576; Ed Zdanowski, 213; Irvin Nadolny,

Coulter, 215: Darlene McMullen, 221.

246/681; Mark Wenzel, 246/681

Early Birds: Jean Grezak, 509.

Nick Farrugia, 212; Don Lisinski, 213; Nathan

Lyndon meadows: Debbie Elisworth,

Niemiec, 734; Rich Madsen, 706.

va, 203/554.

Lawless, 207.

Oliver, 241/630.

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277/682.

Lockhart, 212/556.

Eggenberger, 223/566.

226.

Howard Featherston, 200.

Jennie Covkendall, 225.

A Bacardi/Brunswick ried her hits to emerge on top and Blue Ribbon Group receive the first-place check of \$1,000. Her husband, Joe Judy, and two of took place March 5 at their daughters, Amy and Amanda,

were there to root her on to victory. The next Bacardi/Brunswick Blue Ribbon event is slated for Saturday, April 15, at Roosevelt Lanes in Allen Park

Call (313) 381-0222 for more information and entry forms.

•The Mid-States Masters held its new 222 division competition March 4 at the Super Bowl in Canton.

Gerald Johnson of Detroit took home first-place money while Matt Dalley of Plymouth came in second, 233-212. Dalley came out of the 212 division to

help support this newly created divi-Local qualifiers for match play were

Derrick Jasper of Livonia (10th); Tim Banyi Jr., of Westland (14th); and Don Potts of Plymouth (16th). Others who made a good showing

were Ron Burgess of Plymouth (22nd); Garden City.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

E/O Hard Times; Dick Brown, 264; Jon

Valerie Maci. 236/604; Marge Villerot.

Monday 6:30 p.m. Men: Jeff SosnowsJ

Thursday Nite Mixed: Dean Neely

Westland Champs: Sunday Gains,

NASCAR Trio: Bill Elsey, 236/609: Greg

Westbrook, 210/552; Dan Doddie, 210/581;

Lou Swindell, 205/554; Terry White,

A.M. Ladles Trio: Louann Saavedra.

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Coca Cola Juniors: Pat Caldwell, 286;

George Remy, 222; Jason McMillin, 257/656.

Heather Lindon, 192-190/510; Jason Olds,

Adam Vojtkofsky, 103; Joshua Vojtkofsky,

Town 'n Country Lanes (Westland)

Suburbanettes: Janice Oliverson, 278; K.

Biltmore: Cherl Brezovsky, 207/592; Lisa

Mayflower Lanes (Redford)

Wednesday Senior Men's Classic: Bill New-

Wilkins, 202/537: Patricia Henke, 205.

Dick Hansen, 271; John Brancheau, 232.

Kathy Risch; 204/510; Pauline Polk, 518.

Zellen, 279/696; Frank Federico, 245/688

Detroit Diesel Trio: Bill Newbrough. 270;

Friday Seniors: Tom Hay, 258/701; Ray

Olson, 267 (10 strikes in a row)/700; Jim

Garden Lanes (Garden City)

St. Linus Classic: Dave M. Bazner, 245

Suburban Prop. Travel (men): Rudy Kramer

Oliphant, 246/615; Greg Gumtow, 246/619;

Suburban Prop. Travel (ladies): Gioria

Mertz, 211; Margy Brothers, 194; Barb Her-

nandez, 192; Pat Russell, 191; Judy Washing-

Plaza Lanes (Plymouth)

St. Colettes Men: Tim Hicks, 208-224-

Burroughs Men: Gene Josey, 243-243-

Waterford Men: Chuck Morris: 245-247-

216/702; Jim Lighthill, 268; Dan Foster, 276;

266/758: Jim Kurash, 229-228-246/713; Joe

Gureghian, 268-225-202/695; Kevin Feeley,

Super Bowl (Canton)

Suburban Prop Travel (men): Greg Gumtow,

277/664; Bob Pittaway, 258/614; John Hur-

ley, 247/650; Tim Magyar, 246/675; Jeff

Ream, 200/575; Mary Baratta, 192/506.

224/586; Bob Makowiec, 200, Bill Sankey,

Patent/Child: Keith Kingsbury, 248/638.

196; John Carr. 195/521; Patricia Bird. 187.

266/708: Clem Diglio, Jr., 267: Mike Ksiazek,

258/669; Tim Magyar, 246/704; Jack

236/730; Allen Joslin, 268-245/702; Dave

Rosni, 257/640; Howard Davis, 238/665;

Chuck Clement, 279/731; Doug Ellison, 723.

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ton, 190/541.

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Dave Schwartz, 267.

242-212-256/710.

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Kathy Mermigas, 197-246/622.

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193/562; Chris Allouny, 211/534.

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•The Greater Detroit Bowling Associ- will be on hand, with results appearing ation held a caucus last Tuesday to dis- in next Sunday's Observer. •The Cloverlanes All-Star scores as Sandy Schultz rolled her third Delegates from all local associations perfect game and Tamika Glenn of

Farmington Hills shot the lights out with 231-279-278 for a series of 788. Karen Martin kept her hot streak going with a 277 game and Kelley Ross chipped in with a 289 game.

The league bowls at 8 p.m. Mondays at Cloverlanes in Livonia. Fans are welcome to come on down and watch these great howlers in action.

•The Wayne Westland Metro Bowling association and the Tri-City Womens Bowling association held the 17th Annual Mach Memorial Youth Scholarship Tournament on Sun., Feb. 27, at Town 'n Country Lanes in Westland.

Top finishers in the Girls Division were winner Laura Engebretson of Westland, 574 plus 252 handicap for 826 and a \$1,000 scholarship; runnerup Amber Trongo of Garden City, 500 plus 222 handicap for 722 and a \$500 scholarship

The Boys Division winners were winner Kevin DeMara of Westland, 699 plus 150 handicap for 849 and a \$1,000 scholarship; runnerup Steve Reitzel of Canton, 666 plus 150 handicap for 816 and a \$500 scholarship.

Amber Henn of Westland had high game in the girls division with 234/579 🚟 Bowlerettes continue to rack up big and Bill Collins of Garden City tied for boys high game at 267 and a 708 series.

I'll tell you what will happen.

The anti-hunting crowd, know-

ing it's opinions will be a matter

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Anti-hunters are activists.

They write letters, call legisla

tors, show up at meetings and

voice their opinions. Most

write letters and don't show up

Changing the Legislative Pro-

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In 1996, state voters approved

Proposal G, which gives the Nat-

ural Resource Commission the

authority to manage our fish and

wildlife. Public comment is wel-

comed at monthly NRC meet-

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The vote is in

Deer management questioned

A group of the current antlerless permit sit-OUTDOOR concerned · uation, which the DNR claims is INSIGHTS hunters is tak- needed to reduce a statewide ing the Departthe Natural lations regard-BILL PARKER game manage- panies.

few months.

The group, which is receiving producer of "The Practical portsman" TV show, claims to be circulating petitions in 70 of the state's 83 counties in an to me. effort to change the Legislative Procedures Act.

Subsection 207 (D) of that act exempts the DNR and NRC from holding public hearings before setting regulations.

Public opinion is welcomed at the monthly NRC meetings, but Whitetails Forever wants to force the NRC to hold public the state to listen to hunters and hearings so every opinion

expressed at these hearings will become a matter of public record and will have to be considered in the decision-making process.

Senator David Jaye (R-Macomb) has jumped on the more complications into the pic-Whitetails Forever bandwagon ture. and is considering sponsoring legislation to change the act.

Opposing views

Whitetails Forever is opposed antlerless deer permits and holding an extended antlerless-only deer season throughout most of

last two years.

Spring brings new mating season Spring is defi-During their short lives they NATURE NOTES

nitely in the air. must make the most of each Squirrels are reproductive season and raise as is spotted, crows will call to rally chasing each many young as they can. That others in the area to deter it other, crows are means they are very serious from getting closer. Crows mobbuilding nests, about protecting their invest-

singing or pos- First, they start when their turing to each are no leaves on the trees, that other. All these makes their activities easy to activities are watch. Second, if you watch signs that a new them for a while you can actualseason of repro- ly see them collect nesting material

They land near the ends of thin. Then they grab a twig with actions. Males may be chasing their bill and twist their head to

Other crows may be in the vicinity and provide sounds of "encouragement." Sometimes birds can be young from the pre-Small animals like squirrels vious year. They will help with many young as possible. raising their parent's next brood. During the nest building period, birds are nervous about, tive for past generations. predators scouting the area for

potential meals

When a predator, like a hawk, bing a hawk near a nest make a oud raucous call that warns not only crows, but other kinds of birds in the area that danger is present.

Chickadees hearing the calls of crows will become aware of the threat, but do not have to worry too much. They can continue their flights of fancy and subtle posturing which alerts other males that they should stay branches where the twigs are away, or where the nest hole selected is located.

Singing, raising the feathers females, or males may be chas- see if it will break off. If the twig on top of their head, quivering ing other males from the area so breaks free, they will hold on to their wings, all mean something in chickadee language.

If you watch them close you will see some of these actions. Though a cold spell may occur - knowing Michigan weather --birds and other animals will continue their efforts to raise as

Spring foretells the period of plenty which has been produc-

chickadees, ments nuthatches and I enjoy watching crows build a cardinals are nest.

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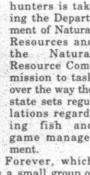
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serious the animals are about area of the nest. These satellite their intentions. and song birds do not live very

trunk like the stripes on a barber's pole is a sign of amorous they will have exclusive rights to it and transport it to the nest.

Watching the intensity of the chases and the duration of the chase is an indication of how fwo or three crows will be in the

long. Fox squirrels may live about six years, while chickadees average about three years.



deer population of approximately ment of Natural 1.8 million deer to a more man-Resources and ageable size of 1.4 to 1.6 million. Hunters claim there are many Resource Com- areas of the state that can't hanmission to task dle unlimited antlerless permits over the way the and that the DNR is not managstate sets reguing the deer, but slaughtering hunters and anglers, on the them to appease the Farm other hand, aren't activists, don't ing fish and Bureau and state insurance com-

Whitetails Forever has a legit-Whitetails Forever, which imate point in that there are started out as a small group of areas of the state where the deer deer hunters from Gratiot Coun- population is but a skeleton of and may create some. It will only ty, has blossomed over the last what it was just five or six years complicate the entire process. ago. There are areas that were closed to antlerless hunting legal council from Fred Trost. three years ago but have been open to unlimited antlerless killing the past two years. That doesn't make much sense

Complicating the issue

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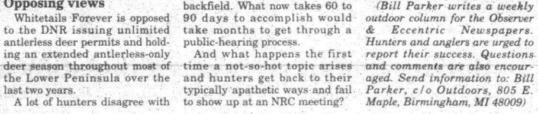
earings were held or

But to change the way the For those doubters who claim DNR and NRC manage wildlife the DNR and NRC don't work over one controversial issue with or listen to the concerns of doesn't make sense to me either. sportsmen, I say that's not so. Whitetails Forever claims it For proof, look no further than doesn't want to take away any power from the DNR or NRC and that it just wants to force

the recent passage of a preference permit system for bear hunting. It took some time, but patience and perseverance paid off for bear hunters, who now have the permit allocation system they wanted. I hope Whitetails Forever real

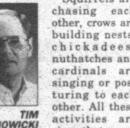
ply brings more government and izes what it is asking for and reconsiders. On paper, changing the act looks like a good idea. but the rar proposal could backfire and slap hunters and anglers in the face. (Bill Parker writes a weekly

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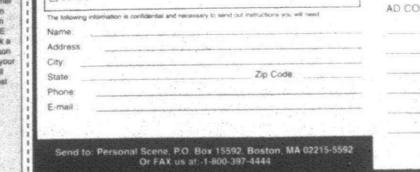
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Festival debuts avant-garde productions

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER fprovenzano@oe.homecomm.net

Nearly everything about the Ann films to the actual location of the screening room, where an annual media preview of the entries is held.

Clearly, Ann Arbor isn't Sundance, Festival organizers loathe notions of commercial popularity or mainstream?



114 experimental films will be shown at the Michigan Theater. Shown above is a scene from "The Bottomless Cup".

acceptance. The intent is to prod, provoke and challenge.

Experimental isn't just a concept used by filmmakers. It's the operating philosophy followed by festival director Vicky Honeyman, who graduated in film studies from the University of Michigan in the late 1960s, and maintains the fervent idealism of the counter culture.

By day, Honeyman is a hair stylist. Every other waking moment she gives shape and style

What: 38th Ann Arbor to the longest. Film Festival running experi-mental film When: Tuesday-Sunday. March 14-19 competition in Where: Michigan Theater, 603 Liberty the held this Tues-Street, downtown Ann day through Arbor Tickets: \$7 per show Sunday at the \$12 for two shows; \$15 1,700-seat for three shows; \$50 for Michigan Theseries .For information ater in downcall (734) 995-5356 Schodule: town # 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arbor. March 14 - Opening Reception, programing

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1 7 p.m. & 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 15 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. & 11 p.m. Thursday-Friday. March 16-17 # 2 p.m., 7 p.m. & 9:30 p.m. Saturday, March

begins at 8 p.m. Last year's preview venue was in the back room of Honeyman's salon a

Choreographers Concert we wanted to

to present the best of Michigan dance



PHOTO BY DAVID SMITH Multi-media: Peter Sparling Dance Company previews the first section of "Possible Dances."

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN and affirm the role of dance in higher STAFF WRITER comm net inda Simmons is a little nervous,

Jance

but nonetheless thrilled about the Great Lakes Region American College Dance Festival coming to Wayne State University March 15-18. More than 700 students and faculty members from 16 universities throughout the Midwest and Canada are participating in the event that exposes dancers to the latest techniques and choreography in master classes, lectures and performances. A faculty con-

This is the first time WSU is hosting

education. An honor

Bia Congo Dance Theater will add cultural diversity to the concert with its "This is an honor for us," said Sim-Congolese-flavored fare. mons, the WSU dance professor coor-dinating the festival. "We're excited about showing off the dance depart-ment at Wayne and all the great artists in the area. With our Michigan

During the festival, faculty and student dance companies will present two choreographed pieces from each of the schools for judging by Luke Kahlich, dance professor at Temple University in Philadelphia; Gina Gibney, director

on Friday, March 17 at the Detroit

Opera House. Ann Arbor based-Bichini

of the all-female ensemble Gina Gibney Dance in New York; and legendary dance/choreographer Carmen DeLavallade. The best of the student and faculty

choreography will be presented at a Gala Concert on Saturday, March 18 at the Bonstelle Theatre on the WSU campus. Several of these companies will go on to compete in the national festival in Maryland in May. Wayne State's dance department

will perform "Sand People of the" by faculty member Erica Wilson-Perkins, and the student choreographed piece "Her," by Megan Brunke of West Bloomfield.

Preview

On Friday, March 17 the Peter Sparling company will preview the first section of "Possible Dances" which is scheduled to premier June 30 at the Ann Arbor Summer Festival in the Power Center. Set to poems written by Sparling and a score by Paul Epstein, the work features dancers moving to the sounds of nature. Sparling, who

spent his teen years in Ply-mouth, will read the text for this multi-media piece.

"Every poem is a dance in a way," said Sparling, a University of Michigan dance professor who for the last couple of years has been working on his poetry during a summer writers retreat at Cranbrook Educational Park in Bloomfield Hills. "It's through imagery and the flow that a poern comes alive."

showcase Michigan and show them our very best." Simmons, and the staff of the university's dance department, invited established companies such as Eisenhower Dance Ensemble, Rochester Hills; Peter Sparling Dance[®] Company, Ann Arbor; Detroit Dance Collective and Onyxx Dance Company of Detroit

1980s. Reuter's come a long way since cert, Michigan Choreographers Concert and Gala Concert cap the festivities

WSU

hosts

the event founded in 1973 to support

Great Lakes regional festival

Catharsis: Eisenhower Dance Ensemble is one of six companies performing at the Michigan Choreographers Concert.

Shown are Greg Patterson and Darby

Wilde.

Bowen, originally from Maryland, has a degree in dance and choreography Savelli went straight from high school to performing with a ballet company.

ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS

LINDA ANN CHOMIN

features former

CAPA student

G ail Mack had tickets to see "Fosse" long before she kne her former student, Greg

Reuter, was one of six principal dancers in the production, which con-

"Fosse" long before she knew

tinues through March 19 at the Fisher Theatre. Mack frequently goes to see shows at the Fisher, Gem and Fox

to stay on top of her job as director of the Creative and Performing Arts program at Churchill High School in. Livonia. But she never would have had the opportunity to coordinate a March 2 master dance class with

Reuter if it hadn't been for Mary Mur-

It was during a November class trip

to Chicago to see "Fosse" that the

CAPA dance instructor discovered

Reuter doing some of the same steps

he'd done in the CAPA production of

Still, students weren't expecting

reminiscing about how Reuter locked

students in a props cabinet when a

substitute teacher was filling in for

his days in the CAPA program. This

Livonia high school students in the-

"I think it's wonderful that students

who've gone on to success come back

to share their experience," said Mack.

them the chance to dance with profes-

sionals and find out what's involved.

For theater students, it exposes them

After a brief introduction, a video of

Spender" and "Mein Herr" was shown.

Bowen and Jennifer Savelli then led

40 CAPA students through a combi-

bird." Afterward, during a question

nation of steps from "Bye, Bye Black-

and answer session, students had the

opportunity to find out what it takes

Did Reuter have a degree in the-

arts in musical theater performance

at Western Michigan University.

ater? Yes, he earned a bachelor of fine

to become a professional performer.

"For the dancers in CAPA it gives

to dance and musical theater."

the production featuring "Big

Reuter and cast members Linda

year the program is training 150

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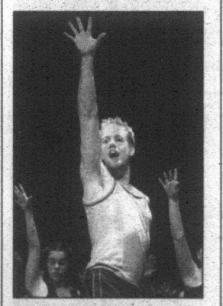
Master class

How did they survive while auditioning in New York City? Bowen worked as a waitress on Second Avenue before she got a break. Reuter advised students to get a job and save money before leaving Michigan.

Getting the job

How did they get the job dancing in the production that showcases the works of legendary choreographer Bob Fosse? Through open calls. Before

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STAFF PROTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN Steppin' out: Greg Reuter shows CAPA students at Churchill High School a few dance steps from the musical "Fosse."

Great Lakes Region Amerian College Dance Festival E Faculty concert 8 p.m. Thursday, March 16, at Bonstelle Theatre, 3424 Woodward Ave., Detroit Michigan Choreographers Concert 8 p.m. Friday March 17, at Detroit Opera House, 350 Madison

Ave. Festival Gala Concert, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at Bonstelle Theatre Tickets: \$15-\$20 for individual concerts, \$40 for

all 3 concerts. Call (313) 577-4273.

PHOTO BY TOM KRAMER **Passing Through:** The Detroit Dance Collective performs a work by Barbara Selinger.

Tim Smola, a member of the Peter Sparling Dance Company, is looking forward

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5 p.m., 7 p.m. & 9 p.m. Sunday, March 19	blocks east of Main Street,	
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bit cramped.

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Certainly, there's been an in-yourface hipness to previewing films in a room where you can also get your roots retouched and a few inches taken off the sides.

This year's preview was held next

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Jazz musicians ready to wail and do battle

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

CONCERT

Midge Ellis remembers a time in the 40s and '50s when jazz greats such as Gene Krupa, Oscar Peterson and Ella Fitzgerald traveled all over the world just to play in a Battle of the Bands. Perched on a revolving stage that individually showcased each group, the bands would lay down licks, one as hot as the next.

On Sunday, March 19, Ellis is sounding the battle cry as a fund-raiser for the Michigan Jazz Festival at Schoolcraft College. Larry Nozero, Matt

What: Larry Nozero, Matt Michaels with Johnny Trudell, and Tom Saunders Detroit Jazz All Stars go horn to horn in a "Battle of the Bands." When: 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19. Where: Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets: \$15, call (248) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454. Proceeds go to the Michigan Jazz Festival (Sunday, July 16 at Schoolcraft College) and the Clarenceville Schools Alumni & Friends Foundation.

Michaels with Johnny Trudell, and Tom Saunders' Detroit Jazz All Stars will go horn to horn playing everything from be-bop to swing and Dixieland in Battle of the Bands at Clarenceville High School in Livonia.

Ed Love, WDET jazz DJ and newlynamed programming director for the Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival, will emcee the battle.

"We're trying to bring that idea back," said Ellis of Livonia. "It was just the most fun. They would take turns wailing. It's a lesson in improvisation, and that's the mission of the Michigan Jazz Festival - to educate."

Matt Michaels remembers those days too. He and his trio with guest trumpeter Johnny Trudell will play jazz in the swing style. The trio, with various guest artists, can be heard every Wednesday night at Ron's Fireside Inn in Garden City.

"We're offering a choice of what they like," said Michaels, a Southfield resident and instructor at Wayne State University. "Guy Lombardo, Harry James, they all would engage in these. There'll be three different styles. Tom Saunders has quite a large following for Divieland.

Saunders began playing coronet 54 years ago. For more than 20 years the jazz veteran's Surfside Six band was a staple in clubs around the Detroit area. It was during this time. Saunders met the legendary Wild Bill Davison, the musician who most influenced his style Saunders went on to tour Germany, Switzerland, Ireland and England with Davison. He returns to Germany for a week of performances this summer after touring Switzerland for three weeks as leader of the Wild Bill Davison Legacy band.

But before he leaves, Saunders and Detroit Jazz All Stars Al Winters, trombone; Bob Pinterich, drums; Bill Meyer, piano; Don Bayberry, bass, and clarinetist Jim Wyse of Livonia will battle it out with Michaels and Nozero.

We all know each other so it'll be fun," said Saunders. "Each band will play a mini-set and then their version of one specific song. I got hooked on Dixieland as a little kid. My brother played it. It was in the house all the time. I like it because it's happy music



Hot Jazz: Tom Saunders and his Detroit Jazz Allstars put their Dixieland music on the line in a "Battle of the Bands."

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they reached the stage however, dancers spent eight hours a day, six days a week in rehearsal with Fosse protégés Ann Reinking and Gwen Verdon. When students asked if he had to give up his social life Reuter replied, "there are sacrifices and you have to take care of yourself." While on the road dancers work six nights a week with one day off. But Reuter never discour aged students. He told them if they're serious about a career in theater to go for it. That his "biggest lesson is that there's room for everybody in this business."

"These kids are great and it brought back a lot of memories. said Reuter afterward, "We wanted to give them exposure to the material so they could get a taste of what Fosse is all about."-Mack and Murphy were beam-

ing with pride at the speed with modern dance, jazz and tap. which students caught on to the

'I really enjoyed the master class. I learned I like this type of dancing.'

> Meghan Dolan CAPA student

steps. Reuter said he was exposed to different dance styles Murphy who was excited by his visit. She said, it was a feather in the cap of the dance program which brings in guest

artists several times a year. Murphy was most pleased to hear Reuter's answer to the importance of ballet in becoming a dancer on Broadway. The CAPA dance program is based on ballet with explorations of "I'm thrilled for my students,"

said Murphy, who directs CAPA Reschke's goal is to one day students in their Jazz Blowout dance concert Friday-Saturday, March 17-18 at Churchill. For tickets, call the CAPA office at (734) 523-8841. (CAPA will present "David and Lisa" at the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford May 11-14.) "He offered them hope of being able to obtain a dream whether it's in dance or theater.

Junior Meghan Dolan was one of the CAPA students who saw the production in Chicago and had the opportunity to work with Reuter on stage in the dance session.

"I really enjoyed the master class," said Dolan who began tap lessons at age three. "I learned I like this type of dancing." Jessica Reschke, a second year CAPA student, thought the information was something she'll eventually be able to use. A

dance student for 14 years,

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dance on Broadway. "I liked it because it was like an audition and gave me a feel for what I'm up against," said Reschke

Leah Trzcinski, now in her fourth year of CAPA, echoed Mack's sentiments about Reuter's visit. "It's really good to see CAPA-

rained kids come back and give to the program."

"Fosse" continues through Sunday, March 19 at the Fisher Theater, Detroit, Tickets are \$37.50-\$65.50 for Friday-Saturday, \$35-\$62.50 Tuesday-Thursday and Sunday evenings. Call (248) 645-

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on MTV, commercials and (wide-

distribution) films originated in

the work of experimental film-

makers," he said.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMAN All That Jazz: "Fosse" cast members Jennifer Savelli (right), Greg Reuter and Linda Bowen answered questions after a master dance class at Churchill High School

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to returning to the festival he participated in as a University of the Detroit Dance Collective pre- relatively spacious converted Michigan student. Smola's viewing Barbara Selinger's senior thesis was presented during the festival at Northern Illinois University two years ago.

"I enjoy the festivals a lot." said Smola, a Garden City resident. "There's a wide range with so many different colleges participating. You get to see what kinds of pieces other colleges are

Like Smola, Anne Bak had her work chosen to be performed at the festival held at Oakland University in Rochester in 1993. This year, she's back as a member of the Eisenhower Dance Ensemble to perform "Catharsis," a dance choreographed by company founder Laurie Eisenhower. The large ensemble work is set to music by Phillip Glass with Brian Eno and David

"Not only does it give you the opportunity to take classes from dancers around the region but also to have adjudication and a Ensemble

Paula Kramer is excited about "Passing Through" at the Michigan Choreographer's Concert. The work premiers at an April 8 Music Hall concert which celebrates the company's 20th anniversary. Founded at the Midwest Dance Center in 1981. the company was in residence for 14 years at Oakland Community College in Royal Oak before moving to Detroit's theater district three years ago.

"It's fast paced with intricate patterns and set to the music of J.S. Bach," said Kramer, coartistic director of the company with Selinger, a Farmington Hills resident. "It's a full-out moving piece that shows off technical skills."

Kramer and Selinger will be teaching several of the 40 master classes being given each day during the festival.

"The level of dance at colleges is getting close to professional," gala concert that shows the said Kramer. "The fun of the fesbest," said Bak, a Lake Orion tival is the young people joining resident who's also associate together. When that happens manager of Eisenhower Dance there's sparks flying every- stream. where.

door to Honeyman's salon in a storage room with well-preserved hardwood-floors. A screen was hung above a steam radiator that defied any attempts to be regulated.

Several armchairs were placed randomly in the room. Apparent ly, publicity agents and Hollywood producers weren't notified Two years ago, Honeyman recalled, no one even showed for the screenings. This year, there wasn't enough press for a euchre

A tepid media response hardly deters festival organizers, most of whom are volunteers with a passion for film and an againstthe-current sensibility.

Longtime volunteer Michael Woodruff, who takes pride in the title "festival handyman," is a performance artist whose work can be seen in and around the Michigan Theater during the sixday festival

A Birmingham Seaholm graduate of 1983, Woodruff considers avant-garde film a breeding ground for ideas that eventually make their way into the main-

"A lot of the hip stuff you see

Experimentally intriguing

Notable films in this year's Ann Arbor Film Festival include:

"Zyklon Portrait by Elida Schogt" - A chilling account of how the Nazis used Zyklon B in gas chambers. The clinical tone presents an eerie resonance of the rationalization of those who mmitted genocide. # "The Light in Our Lizard Bellies" by Sarah Abbott - Fol-

lows a highly erotic dancer. Shot in black and white to the rhythm of breathing and chanting. ■ "Sunday Afternoon" by Paul Charney and Marc Vogel - A omical dialogue based on the intention of language.

"The Bottomless Cup" by Paul Bonner - A Kafkaesque/Twilight Zone story about a man who stops at a roadside diner for a wake-up cup of coffee and never leaves. ■ "Grace" by Lorelei Pepi - Looking at the electric energy

ields of the body in a highly-sensual exploration of the body. "The Day Stashi Ran Out of Honey" by Sonia Bridge - An allegory of the subtle relationship between the mundane of daily life and the bombardment caused by war. ■ "Edgeways" by Sandra Gibson - A highly-experimental

exploration of color and sound utilizing hand-painted cells. ■ "Abandoned Dolls" by Karl Staven - A Toy Story with a seedy edge. Dolls with missing and broken parts appear forlorn amid abandoned urban setting.

- Frank Provenzano Staff Writer

A list of past entries in the festival read as a Who's Who of American Film, including Brian DePalma, Andy Warhol, Gus Van Sant and George Lucas.

Over six nights and 24 viewing nours, 114 films will be shown, ranging in length from one minute to two hours. The films cover a range of topics and explore the elements of film similar to how abstract painters express the elements of their art. Generally, the films in the fes-

tival push the boundaries of genre and medium.

Honeyman, who served on a be the most defiant act of all.

that watched each of the 380 submitted films

appeal, a screening room at the Michigan Theatre will feature documentaries, animated works and narrative films. In addition four hours of film will be available for viewing at universities around the country

All entries have been shot. edited or transferred to 16-millimeter film, which is probably most recognized as used in newsreels. The type of film is about half as wide as the 35-millimeter film used in feature movies. The choice of 16-millimeter film is also a practical consideration since it is relatively affordable for student filmmakers, said Honeyman.

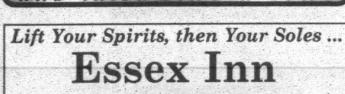
Idea is the art

Over nearly four decades, the festival has persevered despite operating on a shoestring budget. This year's festival is funded argely by a \$12,000 National indowment for the Arts and \$24,000 state grants and corporate support. Last year's main corporate sponsor, Absolut, ropped out, leaving the festival to rely more heavily on support from the metro Detroit film/video production community.

What's strikingly absent in the festival is flashy, high-tech polished imagery. Of course, that's hardly the point. Clearly, the festival isn't enamored by tech nology, nor is it looking to find further derivations of a popular theme.

For 38 years, the Ann Arbor Some films fit into distinct Film Festival has been a place genres, such as narrative, docu- where the idea is the art. In an mentary or animation. Other age of blockbuster movies and films defy pigeonholing and can multi-million-dollar marketing be best described as "visual. budgets, focusing on the possible paintings," said festival director ities of film as an artform may

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and "Distinguished Service to the Arts" awards for 2000, Deadline is Monday, March 21. For information contact Ginny at (248) 682-6562. **BOHEMIANS MUSIC COMPETITION** Deadline for the third annual Solo Concerto 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 CoufLinks@aol.com LIBERTY FEST 2000 Call for artists for the ninth annual fine art and fine craft show on June 24 and 25 in Canton Township. Application deadline is April 15.

(734) 453-3710. **METROPOLITAN SINGERS** The adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially men, to sing blues, pops, hit tunes and folk tunes. Choir meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Birney Middle School Vocal Room, 27000 Evergreen, Southfield SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Auditions for new members by appointment. This year's repertoire includes music by Bach, Mozart, Brahms and Rachmaninoff. Call (248) 349-8175. To schedule an audition

COMMUNITY CHOIR

ART CLASSES DETROIT BALLET

EISENHOWER

Livernois, Rochester Hills. (248) 852 JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Adult art classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon. Woodcarving classes at 9 a.m Monday-Friday. 15110 West Ten Mile Road, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030. KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday Friday; Intermediate level, 11:30 a.m

(248) 932-8699. FOR THE ARTS

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Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

MAKING CONTACT: Please submit items for publication, at least two weeks in advance to the event, to Noteworthy, The Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009 or fax (248) 644-1314

CONCERTS

BRUNCH WITH BACH The music of Mario DiFiore at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, March 12 at the Detroit Institute of Arts. 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313)

833-7900. DETROIT CHAMBER

WINDS & STRINGS The Soldier's Tale at 4 p.m.

ART FAIRS

A one-day festival of ceramic

tiles from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on

Sunday, March 12 at St. George

Cultural Center, 1515 Woodward,

Bloomfield Hills. (313) 822-0954.

AUDITIONS

& CALL

FOR

ARTISTS

Artists needed to exhibit their

work at the 4th annual fine arts

Applications must be in by April

15. Applications and information

exhibit June 10-11 at Livonia's

Historic Greenmead Village.

may be obtained by calling

ARTS AWARDS NOMINATIONS

The Farmington Area Arts

Commission is accepting applica-

tions for the Artist-in-Residence

Debbie Dufour at (734) 466-

PEWARIC POTTERY

ART IN THE VILLAGE

2540.

& SHOWS

Sunday, March 12 at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, Detroit (248) 362-9DCW.

DETROIT CONCERT CHOIR "A Little Bit of Heaven" is 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19 at St. Mary's in Greektown. For information

call (313) 882-0118. DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Mary Black performs at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 16, Roberto Abbado conducts the DSO March 17-19. Orchestra Hall, Detroit.

(313) 576-5111. FERNDALE MUSIC SERIES

Pamela Jordan Schiffer presents "Contemporary Song for Dummies" at 3 p.m. Sunday March 12 at Zion Lutheran Church, 143 Albany, Ferndale.

(248) 546-2503. **NOONTIME CONCERT SERIES 2000** Vocalist Sylvia Inwood and pianist Deborah Hochberg per form standards and theatre songs at noon, Tuesday, March 14 at the Detroit Public Library, 3rd floor (Fine Arts Room), 5201

Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-4042. LAKE ORION CONCERT SERIES Theresa Weiss and Lois Kaare will perform musical theatre clas sics at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at the Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Road, Lake

Orion. (248) 693-3009. MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND Presents "Irish Spectacular" a Celtic celebration with the Madrigal Chorale of Southfield a 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19 at the

Southfield Centre for the Arts. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. (248) 424-9022. PATRICKTIDE CONCERT An afternoon of Irish poetry and

song featuring Mary Callaghan Lynch, Caitlin Lynch and Patrick Lynch is at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at St. Regis Church located on Lahser Road between 14 and

Mary

Lynch

Good Counsel Church, Plymouth

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY

Ali Akbar Khan, sarod accompa-

p.m. Friday, March 17 at Hill

Ann Arbor. American String

p.m. Sunday, March 19 at

20 at Lydia Mendelssohn

Quartet performs Beethoven at

Rackham Auditorium, 915 East

Washington. Thomas Quasthoff,

piano at 8 p.m. Monday, March

baritone with Justus Zeyen on

Theatre, 911 North University

ebration with the Michigan

Chamber Players, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22 at

Ann Arbor, J.S. Bach birthday c

Rackham Auditorium, 1-800-221-

FOR KIDS

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART

Enjoy the West African Cultural

Workshop, an event for the whole

family, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 18. 1516 S

Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248)

IRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE

Songs and puppets with Rita Kirsch.

For ages birth to 4 years with a par-

ent. 380 S. Bates, Birmingham.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Kids can explore the history of

traditional African musical instr

Saturday, March 18 at Woodward

and Kirby, Detroit. (313) 833-

Enroll anytime for classes for

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Parents participate in classes f

held at the First Baptist Church

of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territoria

Plymouth, Call Lori at (734) 354-

children under 3. Classes are

ments at the "Wiggle Giggle

Dance Studio," 1-3 p.m.

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Auditorium, 825 North University

Callaghan

15 Mile in Bloomfield Hills. (248) 647-4619. PLYMOUTH

8 p.m.

Saturday

March 18 at

Our Lady of

(734) 451-2112.

call Mark Perrine at (313) 937-0975. SYMPHONY "Scenes & Landscapes" is

CLASSES D & M studios offers fine art classes for preschooler through adult. Classes held at three locations: 869:

N. Lilley Road, Canton; 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton; 525 Farmer, Plymouth, (734) 453-3710.

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. (248) 474-3174.

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

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield

PAINT CREEK CENTER

Registration begins March 14 for spring classes for children and adults. Tour the van Gogh exhibit at the DIA on Wednesday, May 10. Registration is taking place now at PCCA, 407 Pine Street Rochester, (248) 651-4110 PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Livonia Camera Club presents a workshop on Glamour Techniques 7:30-9 p.m. March 15 and March 22. Held at Grant Elementary School, 9300 Hubbard, Livonia. (734) 416-

VISUAL ART

ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA

Classes in watercolor, figurative drawing and painting; workshops it batik and watercolor monotypes at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia. (734) 455-9517.



Good act: Bethanne Still plays Sarah in "Translations," a play by Brian Friel, and produced by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance at Oakland University's College of Arts and Sciences. The production opens on Thursday, March 16, and runs through Sunday, March 26 at OU's Varner Studio Theatre. Call (248) 370-3013 or TicketMaster at (248) 645-6666.

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GALLERY AT

MARYGROVE COLLEGE

York artist at 7 North Saginaw

(2nd floor), Pontiac. (248) 454-

Through March 24 - Riverside

The Songbooks of Craig Matis

Racism. Closing reception is

4:30-7 p.m. Friday, March 24.

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Also "The Saga of J Blue" by J.H

Dozier is a ten chapter suite of

prints through March 24. Fourth

Floor, Marygrove College, 8425

Through March 25 - New work

Photography II" photographs of 14

artists from around the world. 63

Through March 25 - 4th annual

show of emerging regional profes

Through March 30 - The Visual

Through March 30 - Michigan

Civic Center Library, 32777 Five

Exhibition by the Palette Guild of

Livonia in the Livonia City Hall

McClenaghan of Livonia. 33000

Civic Center Drive, Livonia. (734)

Through March 25 - "Fantasia."

groups works St. Patrick's Day

Salon with poetry, music and

March 19. 17329 Mack Ave.,

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY

Through April 6 - "Personal

Collection of Carl F. Barnes Jr.

University, 307 Wilson Hall,

MILLERS ARTISTS

SUPPLIES GALLERY

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ORCHARD LAKE

SCHOOLS GALERIA

Rochester. (248) 370-3005.

Through March 25 - Neville

Clouten's exhibit of sketches and

watercolors, 279 W. Nine Mile.

hrough April 6 - "People, Plants

and Culture," an exhibit of fine arts

Telegraph Road, Pontiac. (248) 858-

Through March 31 - Graphics

Lukasz Kostecki. Orchard Lake

Orchard Lake Roads, Orchard

Lake. (248) 683-0345

by Nancy Thayer and

PAINT CREEK CENTER

FOR THE ARTS

651-4110.

Schools Galeria, Commerce and

Through April 1 - Solo exhibition

"Photography," an exhibition

raphy as an art medium, 407

Pine Street, Rochester. (248)

Through June 16 - A juried exhib

it of the club's paintings at the

Beverly Hills. (248) 646-7033.

BPS Corporate Conference

Center, 31301 Evergreen,

PALETTE AND BRUSH CLUB

showing the diversity of photog-

and ceramics by Anna Sikora and

and crafts presented by the Arts

League of Michigan, 1200 North

Ferndale, (248) 414-7070

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Detroit (313) 886-2993

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Mile Road, Livonia. (734) 466-

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Lobby: Quilts by Susan

MANISCALCO GALLERY

Doll Makers Guild at Livonia

sionals, students and amateur

photographic artists at 6 N.

Saginaw. (248) 334-1676.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Arts Association of Livonia.

exposures 2000 photography

by Therman Statom, 7 North

Saginaw, Pontlac. (248) 333-

Through April 30 - "New

Townsend, Birmingham.

LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY

W. McNichols at Wyoming,

Detroit, (313) 927-1336

HABATAT GALLERIES

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

(248)433-3700

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WEST BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Rita's songs and puppets for ages birth to 4 years. Classes are at the Sports Club, Farmington Road, West

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GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

Bloomfield. Register at (248) 539-

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER Opens Saturday, March 18 -Seeds of Expression," a multi media exhibit through April 26. Opening reception is 6-9 p.m. Saturday, March 18. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac, (248) 333-7849 ORION ART CENTER

Opens Thursday, March 16 Annual photography exhibition through April 7. Opening reception 7-10 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at 115 S. Anderson, Lake

Orion, (248) 693-4986. REVOLUTION Opens Saturday, March 18 -Scott Richter and Jim Chatelain The Notebook Drawings through April 22. Artists' reception 5-7 p.m. Saturday, March 18. 23257 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 541 3444.



ASSARIAN CANCER CENTER Through March 21 - Handmade quilts by cancer survivors and

their families in the Nancy A. Fo Art Gallery, Center for the Healing Arts, Providence Cancel Institute 47601 Grand River. Novi. (248) 374-5478. BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD

ART CENTER Through April 1 — Michigan Fine Arts Competition. 1516 S.

Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866 CARY GALLERY Through April 1 - Oil and water-

color paintings by Sonia Molnar and Fran Wolok. 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. (248) 651-3656

CENTER GALLERIES

Through March 18 - Sherry Hendrick & Hugh Timlin: Fire + Water. 301 Frederick Douglass. Detroit. (313) 664-7800.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY Through April 7 - MFA Thesis Exhibition featuring John Harkins Harlan Lovestone, Loretta Markell, Frank Rouleau and Marsha Wright, 150 Community

Arts Building, Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2423.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER Through March 31 — "Visions of

Peace and Evolution in the New Millennium," a multi-media exhibt by 20 artists. 47 Williams St. Pontiac. (248) 333-7849. CREATIVE RESOURCE GALLERY Through March 27 - Artwork of

Deborah Donelson and Vidvuds Zviedris, 162 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-3688

DETROIT CONTEMPORARY Through March 26 -- "Actual

Size," a multi-media show. 5141 Rosa Parks Blvd., Detroit. (313) 898-4278. FORD GALLERY

Through March 31 -- Michigan Biennial 2000 jurored by Charles McGee, 114 Ford Hall, Ypsilanti. (734) 487-1268 **ALERIE BLU**

Through April 29 - Crash, New

DANIELLE PELEG GALLERY Through March 31 - Israel artist David Gerstein, 4301 Orchard Lake Road, Crosswind

Mall, West Bloomfield. (248) 626-5810. PEWABIC POTTERY hrough April 15 - Posey

Bacopoulos in the Stratton Gallery and "Wood Fired, Salt Fired," a group exhibition. 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit. (313)

822-0954. PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY

ARTS COUNCIL Through March 24 - Personal

Visions, a photography show in cooperation with Livonia Camera Club, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth (734) 416-4ART.

POSA GALLERY Through March 31 - Featured artist: Phillip Krier. Portrait artist Lin Baum presents the portrait in an hour demonstration at 2 p.m Sunday, March 12 at Summit

Place Mall, Waterford, next to Hudson's. (248) 683-8779. THE PRINT GALLERY Through April 3 — Latin

American artists including Lenora Carrington, Remedios Varo, Frida Kahlo, Gonzalo Cienfuego and Fernando Botero. 29173 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield: (248) 356-5454.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS Through March 31 - Group exh

bition: Images of the Mind. 24350 Southfield Road. Southfield. (248) 424-9022. SPLASH GALLERY Through March 25 - Radiance

by Kpi, Detroit area artist, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6825 SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY Through April 8 - Paintings by

Elizabeth Murray. 555 South Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-9039 SYBARIS GALLERY

Through April 8 - Ceramic sculp ture by Beth Katleman and "Past Form-Present Tense," found object jewelry by Boris Bally, Robert Ebendorf and Ramona Solberg. 202 E. Third, Royal Oak (248) 544-3388

UZELAC GALLERY Through April 1 - Off The Wall featuring six area artists explor-

ing the third dimension in art. North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 332-5257 WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY

Through April 1 - First annive sary exhibition of small works. 215 East Washington, Ann Arbor (734) 761-2287.

WATERFORD CULTURAL COUNCIL Through March 31 - artwork of more than 50 elementary students will be on display at Waterford Wendy's, 370

Elizabeth Lake Road. (248) 623-7907.

LECTURES ARCHITECTURE

Jon Kletzien lectures at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at the auditorium at Lawrence Tech University, 21000 West Ten Mile Southfield, (248) 204-2880.

BROWN BAG LECTURE Irish folk performance by Charlie Taylor at noon, Thursday, March 16 in the Information Technolog Auditorium, County Campus in Waterford, (248) 858-0415. JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Writer's corner featuring Wayne State University Professor Norm Goldman is 10 a.m. Friday, March 17. Suzanne Seward from the speaker's bureau of the DIA will discuss "Women in Art" at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 23. 6600

West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-1000. MICHAEL MEDVED The film critic and author will speak about his new book Saving Childhood: Protecting

Our Children from the National Assault on Innocence" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake West Bloomfield. (248) 661-

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM Through March 26 - Joseph Grigeh Publications and Publication Project 1994-1999. Through April 2 -Painting Zero Degree, group show b contemporary artists. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (800) GO-CRANBrook. RANBROOK INSTITUTE

OF SCIENCE

Take My Picture, Please," a Festiv of Cultural Snapshots. Sunday brund series is "Medical Illustration Through the Ages," 11 a.m. Sunday

March 12. Spring Fling, 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, March 18 & 19. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3224.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS Through June 4 --- Van Gogh: Face to Face. Through March 26 - Robert Frank: The Americans, Through May 31 - "Glass, Glass, Glass: From the DIA's Collection." 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM Sonny Eliot is the celebrity tour guide for "On the Air!" exhibit from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, March 19. The exhibit runs through April 30at the museum. Woodward and Kirby, Detroit. (313) 833-1805.

ROY MUSEUM Through March 30 - "Going West-Michigan Cavalry in Indian Wars." 60 Wattles, Troy. (248) 524-3570.

THEATER

IEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE Arthur Miller's "Broken Glass' through April 9 at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. Opening night today at 7:30 p.m. Show dates March 15-19, March 22-26, March 29-April 2, April 5-9. Tickets \$15-25. To purchase tickets call (248) 788-2900.

GEM THEATER

"Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, extended through June 25. 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. (313) 963-9800. THE KING KORN TRIO

A romp back to the 1950s presented in the McAuley Theatre of the University of Detroit Mercy March 30-April 16. Tickets \$10 for regular admission. for informa tion call (313) 993-1130.

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

STAGE DOOR PLAYERS

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644-2075.

BACI THEATRE

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SNOW WHITE

VILLAGE PLAYERS

The production of "Translations, a play about the clash between the Irish of 1833 and their English landlords by Brian Friel opens Thursday, March 16 and runs through Sunday, March 26° in the Varner Studio Theatre or Oakland University's campus. (248) 370-3013.

"A Night at the Theatre: Five

Little Theatre, 13 Mile and

"Sherlock Holmes" March 17

Birmingham. Tickets \$14. (248)

DINNER

THEATER

Tony 'n Tina's Wedding," 7:30 p.m.

hursdays-Fridays, 4:30 p.m. and 9

p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6:30

Pontiac. (248) 745-8668/(248) 645

YOUTH

PRODUCTIONS

Theater at The Community House in

Birmingham will show "Snow White

and the Seven Dwarfs." Appropriate

or ages 5 and up. Performances are

p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, March 12

lickets are \$7 per person (general

seating), \$9 at the door. Reserved

seating is \$30 per person. Proceeds

Theater at The Community House

VOLUNTEERS

Looking for artists such as animaton

or comedians who would like to be

featured on cable. For more informa

P.O. Box 251651, West Bloomfield,

Gallery Service volunteers to greet

and assist visitors in museum gal-

leries. Training sessions at the DIA.

5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-

FUND-RAISER

A fund-raiser for the CCB African

Collection Committee is 1-4 p.m.

Sunday, March 12 at the Scarab

Club, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit.

AMBASSADOR TO AFRICA

(313) 341-4278.

ETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

ron, contact Jane Dabish, president

Mich., 48325-1651. (248) 626-2285

NIMATION NETWORK CLUB

(248) 644-5832

benefit Sara Smith Productions Youth

p.m. Sundays, at 40 W. Pike,

Sara Smith Productions Youth

April 1 at 752 Chestnut,

Short Plays," 6:30 p.m. Sunday,

March 12 at Birmingham Groves

Auburn Hills 1-14 2150 N. Opdyke Rd. tween University & Walton Blvd	6800 Wayne Rd., One blk S. of Warren Rd. 313-729-1060	NP THE NEXT BEST THING (PG13), 11:50, 2:05, 4:40, 7:00, 9:40 NO VIP-TICKETS NP WHAT PLANET ARE YOU.	SUN. 12:50, 4:05, 7:20, 9:45 MON-THURS 3:00, 5:30, 8:00	Waterford Gnemia 16 7501 Highland Rd. S.E. corner M-59 is Williams Lake Rd. 24 Hour Movie Line
248-373-2660 Bargain Matinees Daily.	Bargain Matinees Daily All Shows Until & pm Continuous Shows Daily Late Shows Fri. & Sat.	FROM? (R) 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:10 NO VIP TICKETS THE WHOLE NINE YARDS (R)	United Artists West River	248-666-7900 CALL 77 FILMS #551 We've tripled our lobby and added five new screens. The only theatre in
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(R) 12:00; 3:30, 6:10, 9:30 PITCH BLACK (R)	Star Theatres The World's Best Theatres Bardain Matinees Daily \$5.00 All	TICKETS BY PHONE CALL 248-372-2222 www.STAR-SOUTHFIELD.com NP FEATURES - SORRY NO VIP	United Artists-Commerce-14	1:20 (4:30 @ \$4:00) 7:10, 9:40 SIXTH SENSE (PG13) 9:30 CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG13)
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ocal musicians, it's time to ble for this year's competition, will not be returned Palace Sports & Entertain- day, March 31.

ent, Inc. is gearing up for its cond annual Opening Act Cont, which gives local, unsigned local-label bands a shot at rming up some of the hot mmer shows scheduled for ne Knob Music Theatre in dependence Township and dow Brook Music Festival in chester Hills. According to a venue ess statement from Tom Wiln, president of PS&E: "Most al musicians rarely get the portunity to perform in front crowd the size of one found

Meadow Brook or Pine Knob." ast year, more than 300 ists entered the contest. Winrs included Sister Seed, The omic Numbers, Jimi Ruther-

OOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features ents at suburban bookstores, raries and literary gatherings nd news leads to Keely Wygo-. Observer & Eccentric News pers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livoa. MI 48150, or fax them to 34) 591-7279 or e-mail to vgonik@ oe. homecomm.net. •

SYCHIC TALK Olympia Entertainment presents An Evening with Sylvia," part of Sylvia Browne's book tour and sychic lecture series. Included will be a discussion of the author's third book, "Life on the Other Side." Tickets are on sale now for the event, set for 7 p.m. uesday, Sept. 26, at Cobo Arena. Tickets are \$25 and \$40. for more information, call the Olympia Entertainment event hot ine at (313) 983-6611 or Joe ouis Arena, (313) 983-6606. For

ickets, call (248) 645-6666. SCUSSION GROUPS Reimagining Community — This vinter book discussion series at he Carl Sandburg branch of the

ivonia library will next examine The Damnation of Theron Ware

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Barnes & Noble store. Smith, is located off Six Mile and

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mail Stevens at stevmj@aol.com

musicians must enter before Fri-All submissions must be postmarked no later than March 31. Send it to: Opening Act Con-

The requirements Artists must perform origi-

nal material . Artists must be unsigned or signed only to a local label

Artists cannot be related to any PS&E employee or have previously performed at any PS&E

What to send in

Audio/video tapes or CDs must contain at least 10 minutes of original material All music and lyrics must

reflect a live performance All submissions must

include a biography and photo,. national artists are yet to be contact name, address and dayd and Keri Noble. To be eligi- time phone number. Materials

> by Harold Frederick. The program, which features guest scholars from Madonna University and

focuses on the changing concept of community, takes place 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the library.

30100 Seven Mile Road west of Middlebelt, Call (248) 478-0700

Michigan outdoor author Tim Smith will make a special appear ance in March at the Northville author of the Buck Wilder outdoor

guides for children and a popular speaker for adult groups, will appear at the store 7 p.m. March 22. The event will consist of a Buck Wilder storytime. The store

Mary J. Stevens, autobiographer of "It's All in Your Head," a book relating her experiences as an identical twin, nun, teacher, wife and mother, as well as her 'death" and recovery experience To schedule speaking engagements or to purchase her book, e-

the Family Resource Center of Wayne-Westland, will speak about how to help children make the right decisions when faced with uncomfortable situations. The discussion, "Children and Peer Pressure," will take place at the Northville Barnes & Noble, Six

Mile and Haggerty, 7 p.m. March

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YOU COULD WIN FREE TICKETS! You could be a lucky winner of four tickets to the Indoor Super Fair at the Pontiac Silverdome. Each ticket is good for one complimentary unlimited ride pass. Here's how to enter: send a postcard with your name, phone #, and address to: Super Fair, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers,

36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, (one entry, please). Winners will be notified by mail



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LIBRARY PROGRAMS

onship Drive, Auburn Hills, MI

Finalists will be announced

The competition between eight

finalists will be held Wednesday,

May 24 at Meadow Brook Music

Festival. Each finalist will per-

form a 10-minute live set. A

panel of judges from the local

entertainment scene will then

choose three winners to open for

various artists throughout the

2000 concert season. Those

Enter today, and good luck.

The Flint African American

Quilters' Guild will put on display

quilting styles and patters at the

quilts can be viewed any time the

library is open, from 9:30 a.m. to

9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 9:30

Saturday: and 1-5 p.m. Sunday

Web site at 222.sfldlib.org.

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charge.

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PARENT AWARENESS

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Call (248) 948-0470 or visit the

Iris Underfood returns to Borders

Thursday, March 23, to conduct

one of her patented creative writ

Jaque Martin Downs, director of

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a selection of legacy-inspired

Southfield Public Library. The

news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, or fax them to Magazine. (313) 591-7279.

FREE CONCERT

Brazilian guitarist Fabio Zanon will perform Scarlatti sonatas and music by Sor, Brouwer and Miranda noon concert in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, 462-4403.

Zanon made his orchestral (313) 531-0554. debut with the London Philharmonic in 1998. In 1999, he recorded the soundtrack of the

Art Beat features various hap-penings in the suburban art don. His CD of Villa-Lobos' gui-tar works was hailed as a referworld. Send Wayne County arts ence recording and his debut best CD of 1998 by Gramophone

The Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford is holding open auditions for singers, dancers and specialty acts 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 25 at the the-Wednesday, March 22 during a ater, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. Performers should have at least 2-3 minutes of prepared 18600 Schoolcraft, between Six material. All types of performers and Seven Mile Roads, Livonia. are encouraged to audition for For more information, call (734) this fund-raising event. Perfor-

mance dates are May 5-6. Call

GLASS BEADMAKERS WANTED The Michigan Glass Beadmaker's Guild will hold an organiza-

OPEN AUDITIONS

of the Science Building at the 19. University of Michigan-Dearborn, Evergreen Road, between recital CD was chosen as the Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

The program includes a beadmaking demonstration by Plymouth glass artist Don Schneider in addition to the organizational meeting. If you can't attend and would like to be notified of future meet-

ings/events, call Anne Sheppard at (734) 261-2150 or Don Miller at (313) 593-5262 or e-mail him at drmiller@umich.edu.

HONORS RECITAL DEADLINE APPROACHES

Students of voice, piano and all band and orchestral instruments are encouraged to audition for the 2000 Honors Recitals sponsored by the Schoolcraft Col- PHOTO SEMINAR lege music department. Deadline

The competition culminates in performances on April 9 for cash prizes. The recitals are designed to encourage excellence in performance and teaching in the Detroit-Ann Arbor area. Students in elementary through

high school are eligible for the piano competition, students in grades 5-12 for the instrumental division, and students grades 9-12 for the vocal category. Auditions for the piano recital are Friday, March 31. Piano, instrumental and vocal auditions

continue through Saturday, April 1. All auditions and honors performances will take place in the college's Forum Recital Hall. For information and an appli-

cation, call (734) 462-4403. Canton photographer Ted Nel-

the 37th annual Photo Seminar Friday-Sunday, March 24-26 at Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen at Ford Road,

Advance registration is suggested and will be accepted through Monday, March 20. For more information, call (248) 474-6509 or (810) 775-3165.

Nelson will talk about the "Nature of Kensington." Nearly 3 million people visit Kensington Metropark every year but only a few see what Nelson has captured on film - sandhill cranes poking through dewy fields at laybreak and the rising sun filtered through the wings of a damselfly. Nelson will also share his experiences of self-publishing his recent book "The Nature of Kensington."

ART PROGRAM

FARMER

Painters presents its third "Can We Talk?" program 7 p.m. Mon-day, March 20 at the Ann Arbor Public Library on Fifth Avenue at William, Ann Arbor. A panel of artists from the Ann Arbor Women Artists will talk about art related issues ranging from how-to-do-it to current art

ART BEAT

The public is welcome. Call (734) 998-1123 for information WRITERS WANTED

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French film "Les Enfants du tional meeting noon to 3 p.m. The Ann Arbor Women Siecle" and premiered new works for application is Sunday, March son is one of the presenters at Sunday, March 26 in Room 251 in the Czech Republic and Lon-Campaign aims to 'de-snob' culture, build regional cooperation

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER FPROVENZANO@OE_HOMECOMM_NET

After years of political squabbling about the futility of regional cooperation and the cantankerous "Detroit versus suburbs" hogwash, the southeastern Michigan cultural scene is about to undergo a long-overdo makeover Stand up and take notice.

Here's the first glimpse at the changing metro*area cultural

scene of the 21st century. Talk of culture will have to be expanded beyond the tired political rhetoric and typical jabbering about auto industry trends and

box scores. Success also means the push for regional funding for the arts will be given a huge boost. Currently, the discussion to assess a half-mill tax on property owners in Wayne and Oakland counties

"Enrich Your Life"

On Tuesday, 14 of the area's most recognized and attended cultural institutions will unveil a new, provocative advertising campaign aimed at transforming public perception about the array of cultural offerings of the

The bold initiative, optimistically entitled "Enrich Your Life," is a comprehensive multimedia campaign that will begin airing within the next week or two on TV and radio and run in newspaper and magazine ads. The campaign is expected to

run at least a year. Developed pro-bono by Doner Co. of Southfield, "Enrich Your Follow the cue Life" has a contemporary, edgy tone

Heavy on humor and filled with irreverence, the campaign goes a long way to deflate highfalutin' notions of what is "art." And, more importantly, the

campaign makes an appeal that the arts (and cultural experiences) are for everyone, not just for the wealthy or "informed." Hopefully, the ad campaign won't drip with the sappiness of

the "It's a Good Time In Detroit" mantra intended to reinvigorate the perception of Motown as a happy place. Rather, the focus of "Enrich

Your Life" should be on making a compelling case for the

strength of the region's culture, level of debate about culture. from exhibits at Cranbrook and It's not enough to enjoy the Frank Provenzano is an arts (248) 901-2557. the Detroit Institute of Arts to humor of the ads. Nor will any reporter for the Eccentric News Detroit Symphony concerts to worthwhile change occur if the lays at Meadow Brook and lav- catchy slogan does nothing to ish productions at the Detroit convince people of the deeper Opera House. After years of self-doubt and

poor self-esteem about the area's cultural offerings, it'd be unfortunate if the campaign message sounded desperate or too flipnant

Too much is at stake.

For a moment, consider that

the campaign will have the typical Doner magic. What's needed for actual change in public attitudes?

First, the regional media must air and print the ads as public service announcements. That means local media must be committed to supporting the initia Of course, that means they give as much attention to the public service commitment as

they give to titillating special reports during ratings month. Second, business and govern mental leaders must follow the cue, and step up to the plate. Now is the time to raise the

message

Raise level of debate

Frankly, promoting the arts and culture isn't simply hyping exhibits and concerts. Promoting the value of culture is a means to stand up for a higher quality of life and a more humane society.

Ironically, with the proliferation of the suburbs over the last five decades, the notion of a shared regional culture has.

An ad campaign can't change reality. But it can get everyone talking And talk in southeastern

Michigan hasn't always come



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Malls & Mainstreets

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How do you define shopping?



I've been waiting for a reason to write about my participation in a Gallup Poll

survey on Internet shopping. Since this section is called "Malls & Mainstreets," it's difficult to justify writing about shopping in

cyberspace. (By the way, I'd like to hear from readers who have feelings one way or the other about seeing Internet

shopping information here. Send me an e-mail, drop me a note or give me a phone call.)

Anyway, there was a deluge of shoppers in downtown Birmingham earlier this week, apparently brought on by the unseasonably warm weather. Such an occurrence seemed to me to drive home the point shopping isn't just about buying or looking around for merchandise. Often, shopping is simply entertainment.

Anyway, a few days before Christmas, I received a telephone call from a guy at the Gallup Poll.

He asked about 10 questions. When was the last time I used the Internet? When was the last time I looked for merchandise on the Internet? Did I have Internet access at home?

He then asked whether I'd be willing to participate in a larger survey on web shopping. I said yes and listened to his instructions. He told me I would fill out the survey on the Internet. Written instructions and a pin number to access the survey would arrive in a few days, he said.

Since I regularly rely on the Internet for information about retailers and new merchandise for my job, I decided I was an excellent candidate for the survey. I probably knew things about retail cyberspace most people didn't.

Shortly after beginning the survey, realized my knowledge about what retail offer on the Internet was unimportant to the Gallup Poll.

The survey was divided into retail categories, such as books, airline tickets, clothing, house wares and so forth. Each section began with the question: "Which of the following descriptions best fits your behavior when you shop on-line for ...?"

"I'm usually just browsing, not really in the market to buy at that

"I'm usually getting information so that I can make my purchase else-

"I'm shopping and may or may not nake my purchase on-line." Tm usually intending to make my rchase on-line."

Following was a list of web sites and a series of boxes that were to be checked based on whether I had shopped or purchased there within the last two weeks or last two months,

In other words, the survey taps into how different people define shopping. Is it merely browsing or a process of gathering information, comparing products and price tags? Or is it a more complex decision-making process? Is it pulling out the credit card and buying something? Perhaps

it is a combination of these actions? Of course everybody defines shopping differently, and I'm fairly certain most of us don't really think about. these distinctions. I mean who has time for a semantics debate concerning something as trivial as shopping?

But obviously, there are people probably the executives who head up apparel companies and publishing houses and so forth - who care ndously about these distinctions.

Interestingly enough, after completing the survey, I concluded I didn't actually shop on the Internet. Even when I was in the market to buy, I was merely gathering information, I decided. Thus, shopping on the Internet isn't shopping from my point of view. On the other hand, heading to down-

town Birmingham to walk the streets, enjoy the unseasonable weather, browse store windows and perhaps buy something, is shopping in my

It's often said that shopping malls and real stores with salespeople won't lose business to the Internet and catalogs because consumers like to touch and feel merchandise before they buy. Shoppers also like atmosphere, a warm, inviting storefront, interesting

store displays and the like. Nonetheless, I have a feeling I won't be the only one who is shopping and purchasing merchandise on the Internet in the near future.



and Katie Potter try on prom dress-

That all-important night in a young girl's life prom - is approaching quickly. And both retailers and teenage girls are in the

throws of preparing for the event. Several prom fashion shows are slated at area stores and malls, including Prom Gala 2000, a runway presentation of prom attire and a dance performance featuring both guys and girls from local high schools who have committed to stay substance-free through prom season.

The program is being sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving and Healthy People, Healthy Oakland and culminates in a fashion and dance presentation at 1 p.m. today (Sunday, March 12) on the stage at Oakland Mall in Troy.

For those who can't make the show, Jacobson's will highlight trends in prom attire at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 18 in the Ms. J department at their stores in downtown Birmingham, Rochester Hills and Laurel Park Place in Livonia.

The season's prom attire promises a substantial dose of color, especially different shades of pink. Bare shoulders, midriffs and backs that are discreet enough to keep parents happy also are in abundance, said Beverly Rice, Jacobson's senior vice president, fashion and merchandising. Separates, such as full skirts with cotton camisoles, and use of tulle are other promising trends, she said. "They're dressing up, you know," said Rice. "They're not slouching around. ... It's a big occasion for most young people, and they want to dress up."

Retail, style and special store events are list-

ed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls

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(248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5

p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday. SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy,

presents American Beauty Week, a week of special

events and gift-with-purchase promotions at their cosmetic counters through March 18, Cosmetics &

Fragrances, first floor. For more information, call

for spring at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Col-

lection in Troy. Trunk show, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and

informal modeling, 1-4 p.m., Salon Z Collections,

third floor. For additional information, call (248)

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

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DKNY's new

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Sweet styles: Bare midriffs, shoulders and backs, feminine details and separates sweep prom looks, \$132-156 all at Jacobson's.

Pop singer Brandy visits Hudson's at Northland Jeans, teenagers and a role model, Gather them talking about DKNY's junior collection. **Brandy style:**

together at the mall, and you have a winning event.

apparel companies who have targeted the youth mar-sibilities

Brandy Norwood to the area. Brandy, a Grammy Award-winning, pop R&B star with Atlantic Records, has been chosen to appear in the company's advertisements for the clothing collec-

which means retail appearances across the country. She'll visit metropolitan Detroit shoppers and teens

Jeans shop at Hudson's Northland Center store in Southfield

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Jacobson's in Rochester Hills hosts two trunk shows for men, the Hart Marx Collection, Men's Department, and the Johnston & Murphy Collection, Men's Shoes, 4-8 p.m. For details, call (248) 651-6000. FRIDAY, MARCH 17

Township, presents a trunk show of spring and summer evening gowns by Carol Peretz with an appearance by the designer through March 18, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. For details, call (248) 855-8855.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18 TABASHI TRUNK SHOW

ance, call Hudson's at Northland Center, (248) 443-View the spring collection of evening gowns by

Tadashi at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection n Troy, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Galleria, third floor. For dditional information, call (248) 643-3300. **DERBY EVENT**

Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts the Livonia Family YMCA's Indian Guides Pinewood Derby, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Food Court. For details, call (734) 522-4100. CRAIG TAYLOR APPEARANCE

Shirt designer Craig Taylor visits Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Women's Sportswear. For additional information, call (248) 644-6900.

JEWELRY TRUNK SHOW

Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a trunk show of the most recent jewelry collec tion by Robin Rotenier, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Jewelry, first floor. For more information, call (248) 643-3300.

SUNDAY, MARCH 19 CHILDREN'S MAGIC SHOW

Livonia Mall, at 7 Mile Road, hosts a children's magic show that teaches social skills and strategies, 1 p.m. Value City Court. For more information, call (248) 476-1160.

The denim line is a new junior girls division for That's why DKNY, which is launching a collection DKNY that targets teenagers, age 14 to 18, and seeks of junior jeans, is following in the footsteps of other to appeal to the groups' urban and independent senket, and bringing pop singer and television star The jeans, original styles designed specifically for a teenager's body and lifestyle, are available in different colors with a variety of embellishments. The label, which is accented with neon pink, says

"DKNY//Jeans." tion and participate in their marketing campaigns, Coordinates for the collection are a mix of sexy and sweet: tie-dye halters, hook 'n eye ribbed tanks, plaid

at noon Saturday, March 18 at the DKNY Junior

Brandy is slated to spend about an hour signing

tops, nylon surfer shorts, lace-edged white Capri pants and other trendy pieces. For additional information about Brandy's appear-

autographs, shaking hands, conversing with fans and 6000.

ham, presents a trunk show of spring suiting and separates by Renfrew through March 19, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. on Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday. For details, call (248) 723-2880.

MEN'S TRUNK SHOWS

CAROL PERETZ TRUNK SHOW

View the special order collection of Gianfranco Ferre Roz & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield

Fibres, 270 West Maple Road in downtown Birming-



cated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback. If you've seen or are looking for an tem, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item unable to locate it. When we find an item owned by another reader, rather than for sale at a store, we will call you. But, please, be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests

each week. WHAT WE FOUND:

- Corn Huskers hand lotion can be bought at most Rite Aid, CVS, F&M, and Meijer stores. - The Beauty Boutique catalog carries some Adrienne Arpel cosmetics, (800) 497-

The game Michigan Rummy, also known as Tripoli can be bought at Toys R Us stores and at some Target and Kmart stores. - The perfume KL by Lager

feld can be purchased at the Fragrant outlet at Birch Run, (517) 624-0134. FIND & SEARCH NOTES:

- We did not find a company

that will repair a Seeberg jukebox, so we are still looking for - We are no longer looking for

an iron mangle; we had several readers with one available. - We have had many requests for Hudson's millennium

Santa bears, but those readers with the bears no longer have ady available. - Jungle Gardenia perfume

by Tuvache is no longer manufactured. - Sutherland's restaurant

served halibut not cod.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR: - A company or person to

appraise a small ceramic Chinese dog for Margaret of Canton.

glass dish holding a prism for dent. a lamp for Julia, who lives in Westland

- A 1998 "Muffy Bear" Sugar Plum Fairy for Diane. - A used 32-volt Delco sys- stick in "Redstone" for Lois

Catch

- A Farberware or Revere stove-top percolator that is

- A store that sells Carter's all-cotton Spanky pants with a band leg.

The 1930-40 Time/Life book series for Evelyn of Livo-

- A store where single servwithin a few weeks, we were ing salad dressing packets can be bought for Elaine, a res-

> ident of Garden City. - A store where Angel Soft & Gentle floral/colored toilet tissue is available for Kathy of Redford.

> - A Samsonite metal card table chair in yellow and gray for children for Mary.

- A videotape copy of a television program aired on WDIV-Channel 4 on Thursday, Jan. 24, 2000 about events and influential people of the cen-

tury. Barney software by Microsoft called "Barney Under the Sea," "Barney Goes to the Circus," and "Fun on the Farm," for

A store that has a whistling tea kettle that bought for Janet, who resides in shuts off when it reaches Clarkston boiling point for Barbara of

A Detroit Brady Elementary School book containing poems and photos (1944-45) Florence, who lives in South-

- The game Scotland Yard for Debbie British Sterling men's

stick deodorant for Shirley of nnia.

FINESSE hair brushes for - New or used "Moon Glow"

scarves made by Drapery Boutique for Debbie, a resident of Canton

- A gasket for a 4-quart Mirromatic pressure cooker for Agatha of Livonia.

- A store that will repair a dolls for Nancy, a Livonia resi-Waterford's 1999 "Twelve

Days of Christmas" ornament series for Helen of Livonia. - Coty's 24-hour cream lip-

- A June, 1950 Grosse Pointe High School

- AGZALELAND lavenderwater after-shave for men for Mike of Plymouth.

- The front page or a section from the June 18, 1998 edition of The Detroit News & Free Press for Carol, a resi-

dent of Troy - An antique library-style dictionary stand for Joanne, a Bloomfield Township resident. The book "Alphie, the

Christmas Tree," by John Denver for Cyndie. - A store where a heating coil for use in a cigarette lighter that warms coffee can be bought for Regina, a Com-

merce Township resident. A 1939 Commerce High School yearbook for Grace, a resident of Livonia. - A store where "Wibbles that

Wobble" are sold for Marge of Canton - A 6 or 8-ounce Vernor's

ginger ale glass used for ice cream floats for John A store where bed sheets for a 3/4 antique bed can be

- A Foley pastry cloth.

Selo soprano music for "Dancing Doll" by E. Poldini for Gail of Dearborn. A 1934 Ferndale Lincoln

High School yearbook for Catherine, a resident of Novi. - A video tape of the movie

"Bus Top" for Heidi of Bloomfield Hills. - A store that carries prod-

ucts from the Super Guard II A store that sells Ideal Security Hardware Corporation, based in St. Paul, n. for Christine of Ortonville. A store where homemade, curtains, sheets, drapes and . tightly-wrapped pizza rolls with a generous amount of

cheese and pepperoni are sold for Kim of Livonia. A store where standard mattress sheets without elastic around the entire sheet

Two Millennium Barbie are sold for Marie, who lives in Canton. A store where a batteryoperated flour sifter can be bought for Sandra, who lives in

Sterling Heights. - Compiled by Sandi Jarackas



Just friends: Friendship rings can symbolize the innocence of new

a la carte

STUFF WE CRAVE

romance, a special closeness between two friends or a promise made between two lovers. Whatever their purpose, they've recently gained in popularity, so Cartier has created an indulgent one complete with a 0.21 carat diamond and 18 karat white gold, \$1,750-2,575 at Cartier.



Simply luxurious: Neiman Marcus has launched an updated private label collec tion of goodies for the bath. including body lotion, shower gel and bath, guest and hand soaps. Look for new fragrances like tuberose, verbena, lavender and frangipani, \$15-32 at Neiman Marcus.

Tropical punch: The beautiful, vibrant colors of fruit are informing cosmetics collection this spring, as well as fashion. Stila's lineup includes extremely sheer eye color in shades of guava, kiwi and mango. Look for hues of melon, nectarine and raspberry in Stila's Lip Color lipsticks, Nail Shimmer nail polish and other products, \$12-17 at department stores.

Oakland Mall offers certificates on-line

Internet. But what about a gift certificate for a friend or at www.oaklandmall.com. family member who'd rather shop than unwrap a

package? Actually, several local shopping venues offer online gift certificate programs, including Oakland Mall - the latest to extend the service to cus-

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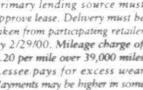
increments of \$5) by visiting the center's web site The shopping mall is located at I-75 and 14 Mile

Road in Troy. The certificates, which have a one-year expiration date, also bear a personalized message from the purchaser. Mailing and handling costs are paid

for by the purchaser. The service is being provided through an agreement between Oakland Mall and Isiah.com.

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Couple's travels lead them into Michigan's past

Down the dusty washboard road and across the river brings you past a canoe livery and the remains of the old wooden bridge jutting out of the water. A few old deserted cabins, barely visible in the overgrown brush, lie behind a fenced off area on the other side of the river. Is that where the past is?

RAVEL

-from "Towns at the Turn" by Gene Scott

BY DOUG JOHNSON STAFF WRITER

"Nothing in history stands still but it sure seems like it when you get there," explains Gene Scott, Livonia writer and author of a new paperback book, "Towns at the Turn.'

The "there" is any of nearly three dozen towns, villages and mere crossroads in Michigan that are 100 years old.

Visiting them, researching their history and turning the information into a book was a labor of love for Scott, a retired reporter, editor, educator and public relations employee for the city of Detroit. His constant companion for travel and research is his wife, Barbara.

The writing/retirement project began in 1998. In May of 1999 the couple logged several thousand miles as they traveled around the state.

Goal

Their goal: talk to at least one person in every 100-year-old Michigan town. In one town they sat on a front porch and talked with three generations of people. As they reminisced, out of the barn came the family's patriarch



Gene Scott: The author is flanked by Painesdale residents Ruth Katalin(left) and Debra Pindral (right). Last July the little town celebrated its centennial.

- a fourth-generation individual. The family had run the same farm since 1906, according to Scott.

In another town they met a woman who offered to drive them around to point out the places of historical interest.

The project included trips to the Michigan Room of the Library of Michigan and to the famous Burton Collection at the Detroit Main Library, where there are massive genealogical records. The local Livonia library helped, too.

Scott also talked to county and township people, postmasters, and local historical society members.

"Towns" takes the reader to 32 out-of-the-way places, many of .them in the far reaches of the

Upper Peninsula.

I got interested in this some time ago when I was working on my masters degree. I researched how eight Michigan towns worked." Also, Scott said, since he is involved in the Detroit 300 anniversary project and as a resident is aware of Livonia's 50 birthday as a city this month, he wondered about towns "in between."

Scott is quick to point out this book is not academic; it is, rather, a layman's effort to have some fun, some "nostalgic enjoyment.

Most of the surviving towns from the turn of the century were once logging towns or copper mining villages. Some were farming or even resort communities

Criteria

The book provides vignettes of 32 locations. Also included are lists of ghost towns, and towns long gone from Michigan maps. To be in this book, Scott set several criteria:

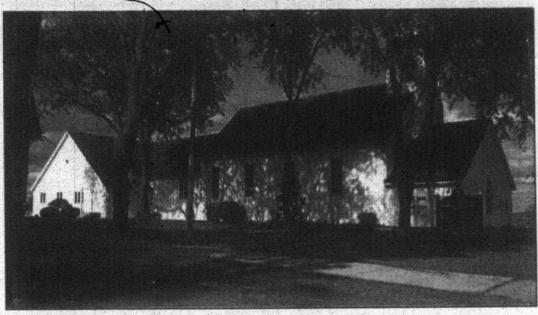
The place still had to be on the map.

The county engineers decide what stays on a map and what goes. These towns had stayed.

There were road signs to the location.

Some places are small indeed. One town, Northport Point on the Leelenau Peninsula, only has seven families.

The Scotts' favorite Lower Peninsula town is Bentheim, where they spent time talking with Maurice and Henrietta Heck, descendants of Germans who came to the area south of



Prosper didn't prosper: The Prosper Christian Reformed Church near Lake City apparently gave the tiny village its name.

Holland to farm. The couple delighted the Scotts when they rolled a 83-year-old Chevy softtop out of the barn and started it up. "We spent an hour and a half talking to the couple. They took us through one barn that had been built in the 1880s." Scott said.

Their favorite Upper Peninsu-la town is Ralph. Yes, the city limits sign says "Welcome to Ralph.

"Ralph is about 15 miles from Iron Mountain, Scott said. "Out on an old Federal highway.'

Hardest to find was Leota on dirt roads in Clare County northwest of Harrison. "It was all unpaved roads in and out," Scott said.

The book is illustrated with many vintage maps of the areas, and 63 photographs.

An audio-visual presentation (slides and sound) is available for community and service groups, presented free by Scott. The show takes about 30 minutes followed by time for questions

"People are interested in the



One of the bigger "Towns at the Turn" is near Houghton and features this copper mining shaft. house.

The book is available from method of research." Scott said. Scott at 8861 Utah, Livonia MI "More than the material itself. 48150. Send \$10, which covers There is a lot of interest in all costs. Phone (734) 523-7844.



Still running: The author's wife, Barbara Scott (in car), talks with farm wife Henrietta Heck. The Chevy is 83 years old and still runs.



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Use Internet as essential cooking tool

he Internet is fast becoming a chef's best friend. With the click of a mouse I can find recipes, nutritional information, compare vendor food prices, look at equipment, and place food orders.

The Internet has also proven to be an essential teaching tool.

Students with Internet access can jump on their favorite search engine to do research instead of driving to a library. Anyone with an appetite for information about food can satisfy their hunger for knowledge on the Internet. How about an afternoon chat regarding dinner menus with someone in California, Florida or even Europe? The latest and greatest fads, recipes and other food related items are a keystroke away.

Be proactive

With quick access to information we can be more proactive about protecting our food sources. You can be an avid activist without ever leaving your PC.

Parents can easily access nutritional information and be assured their family is eating balanced meals. You can also learn the latest and greatest news about all those good-for-you and bad-for-you foods.

The Internet has also spawned many home food endeavors from can-ning to bottling micro beer. My neighbors started roasting their own coffee beans after learning how from sources they found online.

How about morel mushrooms or unique, hard-to-find spices delivered to your home in a day? You can order lots of food items online. The Internet has expanded the options for people who have a passion for cooking, and are searching for hard-to-find ingredients.

Appetizing stops

Starchefs.com - Is an interesting and informative site for food professionals. and novices Starchefs.com offers information on a variety of topics including healthy cooking, tea, quick meals, Sunday dinners, and holiday baking.

I spoke with Ann Brody at hefs and she ie confident will be expanding to offer restaurant reservations, culinary tours and more. Guest chefs share secrets and tricks of the trade; Ann encourages all to stop by anytime, no reservations required.

Healthy eating starts with the first meal of the day

on the web: http://observer-eccentric.com

Breaking the fast

BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS SPECIAL WRITER

arch is National Nutrition Month! Eating healthy foods and staying physically active contribute tremendously to your quality of life. There are no secrets as to what it means to eat healthy.

The best advice can still be summed up in three words: balance, variety and moderation.

Healthy eating starts with your first meal of the day when you "break the fast." It gives your body the fuel it needs to function throughout the day. It's no surprise to me that National School Breakfast Week (March 6-10) also fell during March, the month we dedicate to nutrition aware-

Children and adults who skip breakfast tend to overcompensate and eat more over the course of the day. It is especially important for parents to eat a good breakfast because they are role models for their children.

Children who eat breakfast are less likely to miss school, be overweight or get sick. Breakfast eaters score higher on tests and have better concentration and muscle coordination.

Eating breakfast as a family provides a good opportunity to spend quality time together. If you're not used to eating breakfast, you can acquire the breakfast habit in progressive stages. Start with a glass of milk, juice or a piece of fruit. Have a little something more – maybe a piece of toast or a hardboiled egg - a few hours later so that you complete your breakfast by midmorning.

Then as the days go by, add other breakfast foods to the early morning menu. You will soon have a healthy routine to start your day. Since no single food contains all of the 40 or so nutrients your body needs every day, it's important to eat a variety of foods.

Breakfast pleasers

The few minutes it takes to fix breakfast can result in several hours of greater efficiency and a better frame of mind in the morning. Chances are those extra few minutes of sleep will not benefit you as much as a good breakfast. Here are some quick and easy breakfast ideas to keep you going all morning:

- Ready-to-eat cereal with fruit and milk
- Toasted bagel with cheese
 - Fruit-filled breakfast bar and yogurt
- Toasted waffle topped with fruit and yogurt
- Fruit smoothie (fruit and milk whirled in a blender)
- Peanut butter on toast
- Scrambled eggs and Canadian bacon on an English muffin
 Ricotta or cottage cheese mixed with cinnamon and served with canned
- French toast with ham and canned pineapple

Breakfast and sugar

Watch any children's TV program and you'll see commercials for sweetened breakfast cereals, breakfast bars, toaster pastries and other sweet breakfast treats. We're a grab-and-go society that loves our sweets! From a young age, our children learn to prefer sweet tastes over others.

For most people, sugar in moderation is fine. Just remember that sweets are at the top of the Food Guide Pyramid and are really intended to be eaten in small quantities.

Breakfast around the world

Eating breakfast refuels your body with energy, vitamins, minerals and fiber. After eight hours of sleep and a "fast" (since last night's dinner was eaten some 12 hours before), adults need energy to help them function properly throughout the morning hours. Children need breakfast for the same

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If your young child is over the 95th percentile for his/her age for weight on the growth chart and is having sweetened cereal for breakfast, then that cereal might be the only sweet that should be consumed that day.

Encourage kids to eat a variety of foods at breakfast. If you have time, make the "Egg Eyeballs" recipe inside today's Taste section. Arrange egg halves on a plate to make eyes. Complete the face with a half of a banana for a nose and an orange slice to make a smiling mouth. Toast quarters make good ears.

For those of us on the run, a healthy breakfast can be quick and easy with a little planning.

Try the breakfast sandwich recipe also inside today's Taste. We call it "The Count" because it is adapted from a recipe for Monte Christo sandwiches.

You can make a bunch of these in advance and freeze them. Pop one in the microwave to heat through and you've got a healthy sandwich to eat on the

Another quick breakfast idea is to make pancakes in advance and freeze in individual portions. Then just microwave and top with fruit.

The important thing is to eat a good breakfast to get your motor running, keep you healthy and maximize your potential all day long!

Peggy Martinelli-Everts, R.D., a Clarkston resident, is a registered dietitian and director of clinical operations for HDS Services, a 34-year-old Farmington Hills-based food service and hospitality management and consulting compa-ny, specializing in foodservice management for hospitals, long-term care facilities, businesses, private clubs and private schools. HDS Services has approxi-

mately 230 management accounts throughout the United States and Japan. See recipes inside.

Here's some trivia to munch on

Since it is National Nutrition Month, here is a little nutrition trivia to munch on while you're eating your breakfast:

A food that is labeled 98 percent fat-free doesn't necessarily contain only 2 percent fat, the 98 percent fat-free claim refers to the weight of the food, not its calories

If a food is labeled fat-free, it contains three grams of fat or less per serving. Read the Nutrition Facts label for grams of fat per serving.

■ It is not true that fresh fruits and vegetables contain more nutrients than canned or frozen. Whether canned, fresh or frozen, they contain about the same amount of nutrients. Canned and frozen produce is generally processed at their peak and may contain more nutrients than fresh produce.

However, canned or frozen produce may have added sugar or salt, which something to consider when purchasing these items.

People are not born with a preference for salty foods. It is learned. If you slowly cut down sodium intake, your desire for salt will decrease.

Vour stomach does not shrink when you eat less. It expands to handle large amounts of food. As the food moves through your digestive system, your

Breadrecipe.com - Features a new recipe everyday. You can build your own bakery cookbook a day at a time.

Foodty.com - If you are looking for recipes from your favorite cooking show, you can always hop online to find them.

Epicuria.fr/anglais/index.htm - Here's where you'll find enchanting French recipes and some interesting ideas for wild game.

Nutribase.com - This site will help you find, calculate and convert various recipes to meet the nutritional needs of you and your family. Gourmetspantry.com - Visit

this site for help locating those hard to find food items

Wholefoods.com - Whole Foods is a national chain with numerous stores right here in our area. They always have great, helpful, healthful hints on food and exciting recipes.

Foodstuff.com - You'll find everything from mountain teas to cheese importers here; and you can even send someone a veggie greeting card

Foodweb.com - Just about anything you can imagine relating to food can be found here.

Alirecipes.com - This is an awesome Web site for anyone looking for a recipe. You can search for

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LOOKING AHEAD

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What to watch for in Taste next week: Cooking across cultures Recipes from readers

reasons and to help them grow.

All over the globe, youngsters eat breakfast. Here are some examples of breakfasts around the world, which may be very different from what you eat - or maybe not:

China: Rice, dried pork, pickles and soybean juice - eaten with chopsticks. England: Grilled kidneys, tomatoes, sausages and eggs. Italy: Fresh rolls with chocolate butter spread, hot milk with a little coffee

in it, blood oranges and vogurt.

Japan: Roasted seaweed dipped in soy sauce, boiled rice, pickled radishes and salted plums.

United States: Cereal, milk, juice, toast (is this close to what you ate today?).

stomach returns to its normal size and stavs there until your next meal.

Brown bread does not necessarily have more fiber than white bread. If the bread ingredient list states it contains whole wheat or other whole grains, then it probably has fiber. The brown color is likely from caramel coloring found in the ingredient list. Check the Nutrition Facts label for the number of grams of fiber per serving.

If you're looking for calcium-rich foods, cottage cheese is not a good source. A half cup of cottage cheese supplies only 65 mg calcium. On the other hand, eight ounces of milk or yogurt contains 300 mg calcium and one ounce of cheddar cheese contains 200 mg calcium.

The myth, "Feed a cold, starve a fever ... or is it starve a cold, feed a fever?" has no health benefit. To fight infection, your body needs a supply of nutrients, plenty of fluids and extra rest. A day's eating plan with variety and balance are as important as ever.

EATING HEALTHY

MAIN DISH

Wrap cube steak around a delicious veggie

Everyone knows vegetables are good for you, but getting your family MIRACLE to eat them can be a chore.

Here's a welcome remedy - a dish that disguises the vegetables with meat and a well-seasoned sauce. The dish is simple and quick and made with cubed steak. It cooks so quickly you need to watch that it's not overcooked. A 3-ounce portion looks larger because it's wrapped around a veggie filling.

MURIEL The veggies I chose for the filling WAGNER are mild flavored - tomatoes, carrots and spinach, all excellent sources of

vitamin C and iron. These vegetables also contain cancer-fighting antioxidants like lutein, lycopene and beta carotene

Serve Stuffed Cube Steaks with my Super Fried

Potatoes. Muriel Wagner is a registered dietitian who holds a doctorate. She will be profiled in the 2000 edition of "Marguis Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare" to be published in June. She has practiced in Southfield since 1980, and specializes in smart eating, not dieting. Look for her column in Taste on the second

Sunday of every month. Wagner publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter with recipes and nutrition tips. To subscribe, send a check for \$13.50 to "Eating Younger," P.O. Box 69021, Pleasant Ridge, MT 48069

EATING YOUNGER SUPER FRIED POTATOES

- 1 (1 pound, 4 ounce) Simply Potatoes (refrigerated potato wedges found in the dairy case at your supermarket)
- 1 tablespoon olive oil or canola oil

Preheat oven to 450 degrees F. Pat potatoes dry with paper towel. Spray a shallow baking pan (jelly roll pan) with nonstick spray. Spread potatoes in a single layer on the pan. Brush potatoes with oil using a pastry brush

Bake at 450 degrees F until the potatoes are brown and crisp, stirring occasionally to prevent burning and insure even browning (about 15-20 minutes). Serves 4. Food values per serving: Calories 115, fat 3g. Sat. Fat 0.4g, Sodium 15mg, Cholesterol 0mg. Food Exchanges: 1 1/2 starches, 1/2 fat

STUFFED CUBE STEAKS

- 4 beef cube steaks (1/4 pound each)
- 1/4 cup fat-free Italian dressing
- 1 (8 1/4 ounce) can sliced carrots
- 1 (10 ounce) package frozen chopped spinach. defrosted
- 1 large tomato (seeded and chopped)
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 1 (15 ounce can) tomato sauce (garlic and herb flavori

Brush steaks on both sides with Italian dressing Mir. carrots, spinach, onion, tomato and 1/2 cup of tomato sauce.

Place one quarter of the vegetable mixture on each steak. Roll up, jelly roll style; secure with wooden toothpicks. Spray a nonstick skillet. Place meat rolls in skillet. Pour remaining sauce over meat. Simmer, covered, until tender, about 15-20 minutes. Serve topped with remaining sauce. Serves 4.

Food values per serving: Calories 228, Fat 6.1g, Sat. Fat 2.4g, Sodium 530mg, Cholesterol 82mg. Food exchanges: 3 lean meat, 2 vegetables

Here's minestrone minus the fat of beef

1 1/2 cups small broccoli florets

spoons dried basil leaves

2 cloves garlic, minced

Salt and pepper, to taste

sooon dried rosemary leaves

Shredded Parmesan cheese, as garnish

Heat vegetable broth and onion to boiling in

large saucepan. Add pasta, reduce heat and sim

1 1/2 cups cut asparagus (1-inch pieces)

2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil, or 2 tea-

1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary, or 1 tea

3 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Beans are both vegetable and protein, the only food that falls into two groups on the USDA Food Guide Pyramid. They're low in fat and calories and rich in vitamins and minerals. Minestrone Verde is a meatless soup with fresh green veggies. It is both quick and nutri-

tious **MINESTRONE VERDE**

6 cups reduced-sodium vegetable broth 1 large onion, sliced

- 1/2 cup small or medium pasta shells 15-ounce can kidney beans, or 1 1/2 cups cooked, dry-packaged kidney beans, rinsed, drained
- 15-ounce can Great Northern beans, or 1 1/2 cups cooked, dry-packaged Great Northern beans, rinsed, drained

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sharing a house with some other people when the two women decided to take the plunge into veganism - no dairy, no eggs, no "Turning vegan was a much harder decision than becoming vegetarian because there were so many unanswered questions,

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Barnard says. "For example, if l didn't drink milk, where would l get my calcium? And what about iron and protein?" She also had o persuade her family to accept er decision as a healthy one. It was an easier transition for Kramer, who grew up with a lot of vegetarian dishes, including Big Ben's Lentil Burgers. The ecipe is in their cookbook, "How It All Vegan" (Arsenal Pulp Press, \$15.95 paper). The subtitle? "Irresistible Recipes for an Animal Free Diet." As for this entree, Kramer ter

says, "We called them Big Ben's ourgers because my younger brother Ben was a miniature human garbage disposal with a big appetite. This was his avorite meal as a kid."

BIG BEN'S LENTIL BURGERS 3/4 cup wheat germ 2 cups cooked or canned lentils

- 1 cup bread crumbs 1/4 cup chopped onions
- 3 tablespoons olive oil 1/2 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon pepper

On a small plate, set aside 2 tablespoons of wheat germ for coating. In a medium bowl, stir together the remaining wheat tile bread or onions, oil, salt and pepper. Divide

and shape into 4 patties. Lay each in wheat germ, coating each side. In a lightly oiled frying pan on medium-high heat, cook the burg-

condiments of choice.

Makes 4 patties.



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Break your nightly 'fast' with these easy recipes

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Olive oil spray

two sandwiches.

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Here's a kid-pleasing recipe, followed by a breakfast sandwich. See related story on Taste front.

EGG EYEBALLS For each serving, use:

- 1 egg, hard boiled, shell removed 1 turkey sausage patty (we used the Turkey
- Store patties) Preheat oven to 375° F. Wrap sausage patty around

egg so that it completely covers the egg. Place eggs in baking dish and bake for approximately 30 minutes, until sausage is browned and cooked through. Remove from oven. Place on paper towel to drain.

Slice in half and position on plate with yoke side up as two eyeballs Nutritional information per serving: Calories,

162; protein, 11.5 grams, fat, 12 g, sodium, 271 mg. carbohydrates, 1 g. Percentage of calories from fat:

THE "COUNT"

(AN ADAPTATION OF THE MONTE CRISTO SANDWICH)

4 slices whole wheat bread (we used Healthy Choice Soft Honey Wheat)

Try these potato recipes on St. Patrick's Day

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front.

TRUFFLED YUKON GOLD MASHED POTATOES 4 Yukon Gold potatoes (cut into quarters)

- 2 Idaho potatoes (cut into quarters) 1/2 cup milk
- 1 pound butter
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper (freshly ground) 1 tablespoon truffle oil (available in specialty

stores) Rinse potatoes well before cutting. Place potatoes in pot and cover with water. (Water should be 4 inch-

es above potatoes). Cook potatoes until a knife inserted easily slides

Drain potatoes, place on a cookie sheet and roast in

the oven for 5 minutes. (This keeps the potatoes from being runny!) Place potatoes in mixer with a paddle attachment

Mix until smooth, slowly adding heated milk and but-

Season with salt, pepper and truffle oil. (Amount of truffle oil added will be dependent on your personal taste.]

ST. PADDY'S POTATO SALMON CROQUETTES 2 large peeled Idaho potatoes

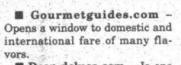
1 egg yolk 2 tablespoons heavy cream 2 tablespoons butter 1 teaspoon minced fresh chives Salt and pepper to taste

1 4-ounce fillet cooked salmon 1/2 cup flour 2 whole eggs (beaten)

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recipes by category, such as 📕 Gourmetguides.com dessert, snack, breakfast, international, main dishes, side dishes, condiments, soups, salads, sandwiches, special diets and dinner in an instant

Foodweb.com - Offers a variety of recipes and informa-



Dean-deluca.com - Is one of my favorite online specialty

Farmacopia.com - Meet farmers online who share information with consumers including tips and recipes.

Chef Kelli L. Lewton is owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Even Planners in Bloomfield Hills. A graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts program, Kelli is a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month. See recipes inside.

Benefit slated for tonight for Red Wings

Join the entire Red Wings team at the Hockeytown Cafe, onight from 6-9 p.m. for an elegant evening of wine-tasting to penefit the family funds of Vladimir Konstantinov and Sergei Mnatsakanov.

The Toast of Hockeytown will feature a sampling of fine wines, igars and a strolling buffet.

Red Wings forward Igor Larionov serves as the honorary chairman of the event and Wings' television broadcaster Ken Daniels will be the master of ceremonies. Guests will also have an

pportunity to bid on an array of unique sports memorabilia. In addition to sports collectibles fans may bid on priceless, one-of-a-kind Red Wings opportunities

I Ultimate Road Trip (March 26 and 27 vs. New York III Ultimate Home Game Pack-

age (April 7'vs. Washington Cap-

Tickets are priced at \$175 per person and are available by calling (313) 396-7575. Guests must be at least 21 years of age.

1/2 cup fresh or dry bread crumbs Boil potatoes till tender. Place hot potatoes in mixer. Add egg yolk, chives, butter, cream and salt and pepper. Mix ingredients. Roll truffle-sized balls of mashed potato mixture. Divide cold salmon into 15-20 small cube size squares. Tuck a piece of salmon into center of rolled mashed potato balls, and roll again so salmon is not exposed. Place potato balls in freezer (to temper) for one

hour. Using standard breading procedure, roll frozen potato balls in flour, dip in egg, then roll in fresh bread crumbs

4 slices Canadian Bacon (or sliced ham or

2 slices Kraft Free American Singles Cheese

Peel crust off of bread slices. Beat egg in a shal-

low bowl. Heat a non-stick griddle to medium and

spray with olive oil. Lay two of the slices of bread

on a plate and place a piece of cheese and two

slices of Canadian bacon on each. Cover each sand-

wich with the other slices of bread. Using a fork,

crimp edges together so that the slices are sealed

Dip the sandwiches in the egg to coat both sides

Then place on griddle until browned. Flip and

brown the other side. Serve immediately. Makes

Note: You can freeze sandwiches and microwave

one minute on high for an individual meal on the

run. We suggest turning the sandwich pocket every 15 seconds during cooking and making cer-

Nutritional information per serving: Calories, 193; protein, 18 grams; fat, 6 g; sodium, 811

mg, carbohydrates, 19 g, percentage of calories

with the cheese and bacon inside.

tain the egg is thoroughly cooked.

Recipes courtesy of HDS Services

Place breaded potato balls back in freezer and chill for 30 minutes. Fry in oil of choice until balls are golden in appear-

ance and float to top of pan. Feel free to make potato balls in advance and hold

in freezer and fry when ready to serve.

CORNED BEEF HASH 4 large Idaho potatoes, baked (skin on

1/2 Spanish onion, diced 1/4 corned beef brisket (cooked), diced medium

sized 2 tablespoons butter

1 tablespoon butter

Salt and pepper to taste

Cut cooled Idaho potatoes in 1/2-inch discs. Melt butter in sauté pan

corned beef and second measure of butter Cook until crisp on side down; flip with spatula and cook other side the same. Recipes courtesy of Kelli Lewton.

Sauté diced onions until golden. Add potatoes,



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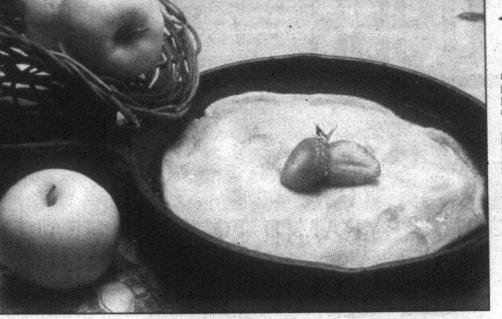
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Apfelfannkuchen: Eating this Apfelfannkuchen, a German apple-filled pancake, is like enjoying a buttery baked apple, an airy souffle and an egg custard, all at once.

WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in Cooking Class Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia. MI 48150, or e-mail kabram czyk@oe.homecomm.net.

Wegetarian Cooking - Lenore Yalisove Baum, author of Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Your Essential Guide to Wholesome Vegetarian Cooking, conducts vegetarian cooking classes and has scheduled a session on soups for Wednesday, March 29 at Lenore's Natural Cuisine, 22899 Inkster, Farmington Hills. The class fee is \$35. Call (248) 478

4455.

Pasta Tips - Chef Dave Martinico will show how easy it is to make your own pasta and ravi oli at 1-3 p.m. Saturday, March 25, at the Traffic Jam & Snug Restaurant, 511 West Canfield, two blocks west of Woodward at the corner of Second, near Wayne State University in Detroit. Recipes, lunch and a glass of wine are included in the \$50 class fee. Credit cards accepted.

Call (313) 831-9470. II Pressure Cooking - Toula Patsalis, author of The Pressure Cooking Cookbook, will provide information on how to handle, operate and cook with a pressure cooker, including how to prepare vegetable soup with sausage bits chicken with arborio rice and pep pers and South Pacific bread pud ding with pineapple sauce.

Sessions are scheduled for the

Kitchen Glamor stores at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96), and 1 p.m., Wednesday March 15, at 26770 Grand River, in Redford. Call 1-800-641-1252 for informa-

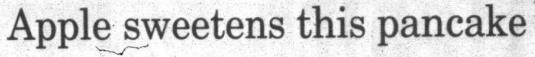
Culinary Recipes - Chef Dave Schneider, instructor from the Macomb Community College culinary arts program, joins the Kitchen Glamor stores to share tips and techniques about the Culinary Arts Olympics to be held in Europe. Schneider will teach how to prepare roasted garlic potato leek soup, roast pork loin with gorgonzola and walnut crust, duchess potatoes with shiitake mushrooms. Sessions are scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 21, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96); Wednesday, March 22, at 26770 Grand River in Redford, and Thursday, March 23, at the Orchard Mall northeast corner of Maple and Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield, Call 1-800-641 1252 for information.

Crostini and Pasta - Joanne Weir, former chef of the famed Chez Panisse and author of "Weir Cooking," will appear at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 22 at the Kitchen Glamor store at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I 96), to show how to prepare crostini with feta and hot red pepper, farfalle pasta with

olives, capers, tomatoes and mozzarella, and chewy chocolate walnut tart. II Kids in the Kitchen - Home

economist Dana Reynolds will instruct parents and grandparents with their children or grandchildren (aged 7-12) about the enjoyment of cooking. You and your child will learn how to wrap and roll phylio pastry filled with berries and topped with ice cream and chicken fingers, southwest style, wrapped in tortilla and served with a variety of sauces. Class is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, March 25, at the Kitchen Glamor, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96), Call 1-800 641-1252 for information. III Tea Party - Instructor Linda Kay Drysdale will take participants to the wonderful world of tea. She will offer suggestions fo tea sandwiches, petit fours and mini fruit tarts at Kitchen Glamor stores. Sessions are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 28. at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96), and Wednesday, March 29, at 26770 Grand River in Redford. Easter Eggs - Learn how to make panoramic Easter eggs with sugar, royal icing and an egg mold with Audrey Edwards at a

three-hour class at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 1, at the Kitcher Glamor, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96). Call 1-800-641-1252 for information



The Apfelfannkuchen is a German apple-filled pancake that puffs up like a pillow. This huge pancake is cooked on top of the stove in a deep, cast iron skillet. Turning it can be hard without practice. To eliminate this challenge, this version is made starting on top of the stove, then finished in the oven, so turning it is not necessary. Eating it is like enjoying a buttery baked apple, an airy souffle and an egg custard, all at once.

"APFELFANNKUCHEN"---PUFFED APPLE PANCAKE 2 Golden Delicious apples.

- peeled. cored and sliced 1 tablespoon fresh lemon
- juice 6 tablespoons sugar, divided
- 1 tablespoon apple juice or water

2 eggs 1/2 cup reduced fat (2 percent) milk-

- 1/2 cup flour.
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla 1 tablespoon unsalted butter

2 teaspoons confectioners' sugar

Preheat the oven to 425° F. In a bowl, toss the apple slices with the lemon juice.

Spray a medium cast iron skillet or other heavy, oven-proof pan renerously with cooking spray. Place 2 tablespoons of the sugar. the apple juice and apples in the pan and set it over medium-high heat. Cook the apples, stirring occasionally, until they are slightly softened and caramelized in places, about 7 minutes. Set aside. In a medium bowl, whisk togeth-

er the eggs, milk, remaining 4 tablespoons sugar, flour and the

vanilla. The batter will be slightly lumpy. Mix in the warm apple

Add the butter to the skillet. Heat until the butter melts. Swirl the pan to evenly coat the bottom with butter. Pour in the apple bat ter and let cook for 1 minute over medium-high heat without disturbing it.

Place the skillet in the oven. Bake until the pancake is slightly puffed. When done, it will be dark brown around the edges and pale but dry in the center. Sprinkle the nancake with the confectioners' sugar. Cut into wedges and serve. Each of the six servings contains

Recipe courtesy of Dana Jacobi for the American Institute for Cancer Research. AICR's Inter-Web address is net http://www.aicr.org

128 calories and 4 grams of fat.





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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Women's health

U.S. Representative Lynn Rivers and Congressman John Dingell will host "Women's Health and Life Forum" 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the University of Michigan, Dearborn Campus, School of Management lecture hall, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn. Topics include: financial planning,

interpersonal violence, consumer protection safety, heart disease and healthy cooking, cancer, stress and depression, and caring for children and aging adults.

Keynote speakers include Florine Mark, president of Weight Watchers, and a news anchor from Fox 2 News. Classes are limited to 50. Participants may register for two classes.

To RSVP, please call Rivers' office at (734) 485-3741.

Holistic health fair

The association of Michigan Myomassologists Inc. will present its annual Holistic Health Fair 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 18, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 19, at the Livonia Holiday Inn, 17123 N. Laurel Park Drive.

The fair features massage therapists performing free 15-minute modified massages and special massage for the physically challenged. The fair's roster includes aura photographs, chiropractic spinal screenings, allergy elimination techniques and astrological profiles. Vendors will sell preventative health care products. Saturday's lectures, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., feature reflexology, aromatherapy and natural approaches to menopause.

The health fair cost is \$5 to the general public and free to IMF members. For information, contact Kathy Grogan at (248) 569-4263.

Food for thought

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia is offering a class on emotional eating as part of the "Food for Thought" nutrition education program 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, at the Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard, Five Mile Road, Livonia. Participants will learn how to identify emotional eating and how to cope with it. Cost to attend is \$6, \$5 for those

over 55. Registration is requested. Please call (734) 655-8940.

Kidney transplant on Web

In conjunction with National Kidney Month, WebMD will Webcast a transplant kidney at www.WebMD.com at noon Wednesday, March 15, from the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. r J. Stuart Wolf, Jr., director, Michigan Center for Minimally Invasive Urology in the U-M Health System, will perform the kidney removal, a less invasive, "hand assisted" laparoscopic donor nephrectomy

immediately afterwards, Dr. Darrell A. Campbell, Jr., head of U-M's Division of Transplantation, will perform the transplant of the kidney. into the patient. Dr. Walter Larimore of The Health Network will provide commentary during the ration. Additionally, Dr. Jeffrey D. Punch of U-M's Division of Transplantation, will host a live chat at www.WebMD.com.



Nutrion CLIMB THE FOOD GUIDE PYRAMID TO GOOD HEALTH BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER rskoglund@oe.ho

Health & Fitness

mericans suffer from a nutritional paradox: They know the value of nutrition and exer-Cise in maintaining a healthy lifestyle, yet their levels of obesity are at epidemic proportions.

"We have a national epidemic in obesity," said Dr. Diane Howlin, assistant professor of internal medicine in the U-M Health System. "In fact, within the last decade, the obesity rate has risen roughly 50 percent in the United States. This is a very serious problem, especially in Michigan."

Simply put, Americans don't practice what they preach. According to a recent nationwide survey

by the American Dietetic Association, a whopping 85 percent of Americans believe diet and nutrition are important, and 84 percent say exercise and physical activity are equally important.

So what's the problem? "The problem is we are sending dual messages One is eat healthy and exercise, and the other is sit in front of the TV or computer and buy fast food and supersize it," said Linda Devore, a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator for St. Mary Hospital's Community Outreach Program in Livonia.

Forty-four percent of the participants in the ADA survey said they didn't want to give up foods they like, and 38 percent claimed it took too much time to plan and practice a really healthy diet. The good news is we can have our cake and eat it, too ... but in smaller portions.

"Americans seem to suffer from portion distortion," said Boston-based registered dietitian and ADA spokeswoman Elizabeth Ward. "A portion size isn't a plate full of pasta, 32 ounces of soda, or a 10-ounce steak. People need to realize that when it comes to weight control, they can eat any food they want, as long as they control the portion

and get regular physical activity, too.' Another example is muffins. A USDA standardsize muffin weighs one ounce and has approximately 100 calories. "I weighed the muffins at Cosco. They were 7 ounces, and I know people who eat the whole muffin," said Beth Thayer, a registered dietitian with the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute.



Diet destruction

Our culture constantly sabotages healthy diets. At supermarkets, the bigger package of cookies is often available for few cents more, and the twofor-one specials are seductive. "It's never two apples for one price; it's two gallons of ice cream for one price. You're paying with your health," said Devore.

And in elementary school - a time when children are most receptive to adopting healthy eating habits - students are often rushed through inch. "It takes longer to eat an apple than a bag of chips," said Devore. Even toddlers aren't exempt, she added. They're encouraged to collect their favorite TV character figures, which are sold at fast food restaurants.

Americans are their worst enemy when it comes to adopting a healthy diet, said Devore. "They expect to do it perfectly and evenly. You have to have moderation and restraint rather than omission. If you 'fail' than mentally it takes a toll, and you feel guilty."

In addition to good food and smaller portions sizes, exercise is the third component of healthy nutrition. In an article on the prevention of chronic disease through exercise that appeared in the February issue of Journal of Applied Physiology, the authors wrote:

. a strong association exists between the increase in physical inactivity and the emergence

of modern chronic diseases in 20th century industrialized societies. Approximately 250,000 deaths per year in the United States are premature due to physical inactivity. ... Epidemiological data have established that physical inactivity increases the incidence of at least 17 unhealthy conditions, almost all of which are chronic diseases or considered risk factors for chronic diseases.

Common sense

It's time for Americans to start making healthy food selections. The produce section is a treasure trove of vitamins and minerals "It has everything you need," said Devore. Good breads are out there, but you must

read the labels, said Thayer. "Make sure the first ingredient is a whole grain. Usually the wheat bread is just a colored white bread. Even with something like a 7-grain bread, the first ingredient still might be white flour and the next ingredients may be in small amounts." Breakfast remains the most important

meal, Thayer emphasized. "It gets your metabolism going, especially if you're trying to loose weight. And it provides the brain with glucose for thinking." She suggests "breakfast on the run" - a small muffin, sandwich or yogurt - for people who don't usually eat breakfast.

Dietitians agree that most healthy people do not need food supplements. While research indicates certain vitamins, minerals and herbs may be beneficial, the dietary supplement industry is not regulated. What's more, some supplements, like omega-3 fatty acids, may interact with medications. Omega-3 could compound the effect of blood thinners and raise the risk of a bleeding stroke

In other words, if you want to take a supple-

ment, absolutely ask your doctor. Changing bad nutritional habits to good ones is not easy. Both the body and the spirit must be willing. It's a matter of practice and adhering to the golden rule of a healthy lifestyle: Eat less, move more.

For food and nutrition information and a refer ral to a registered dietitian in your area, call the American Dietetic Association's Consumer Nutrition Hot Line at 800/366-1655. For customized answers to your nutrition questions, call 900/CALL-AN-RD (900/225-5267). The cost of the call will be \$1.95 for the first minute and \$.95 for each additional minute.

Adult fat phobia bad for kids' diets

Fat-free cheese, fat-free mayonnaise, fat-free cookies. By stocking

"Meal time for a child should not mean fat-free spaghetti with fat-free

meatless sauce, served with fat-free bread and a tossed salad with fat-

free salad dressing," says Heart Smart registered dietitian Beth Thayer

"Many moms buy fat-free products, often because they want to limit

their own fat intake or because they mistakenly think 'fat-free' means

healthier' for their family. The problem is that they may deprive their

Fat is a an important nutrient for growing children. It plays a key role

in the development of nerves. Fat also is necessary for the absorption of

essential vitamins A, D, E, and K. In the most extreme situation, the

absence of fat can retard growth or cause diarrhea, sores on the scalp

Thayer emphasizes that unsaturated fat found naturally in fish, veg-

etable oil such as canola and olive, and in whole grains, fruits and veg-

etables provides the essential fatty acids necessary for children's growth

According to the American Dietetic Association, there should not be a

fat restriction for children under the age of two. Children 2 to 11 need

Thayer suggests parents take the focus off fat and follow these steps

Serve fish several times a week because it provides plenty of essen-

More importantly, instead of saying "no" to certain foods, allow chil-

dren to pick and choose what they like so eating is a positive experience.

Offer a variety of fruits and vegetables and whole wheat grains such as

Thayer notes, however, children with specific health concerns or a

kitchens with fat-free products, many parents may unknowingly put

their children's health at risk.

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Buy lean meat.

of the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute.

about 30 percent of their daily calories from fat.

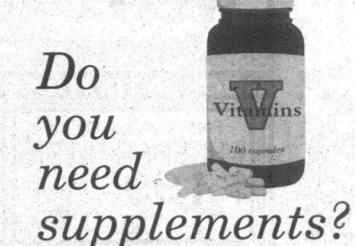
Serve low-fat (not fat-free) dairy products.

tial fatty acids that protect against heart disease.

Cook with canola oil or olive oil.

whole wheat bread, oatmeal and cereal.

o ensure their children are eating a healthy diet:



Take the following quiz to rate your eating habits. For questions 1-5, give yourself three points for every "yes" answer; for questions 6 and 7, give yourself three points for a "no" answer. On most days, do you:

1. Eat six to 11 servings of grains (breads, cereal, rice, pasta, and other grain foods)? One serving equals one slice of bread, 1/2 cup of rice or pasta, 1 ounce of cereal or half a bagel. 2. Eat at least two servings of fruit? One serving equals one piece

of fruit; 1/2 cup of chopped, cooked or canned fruit; or 3/4 cup of fruit 3. Eat at least three servings of vegetables each day? One serv-

ing equals 1/2 cup of cooked or chopped vegetables; 1 cup of raw, leafy regetables; or 3/4 cup of vegetable ju 4. Eat two or more servings of dairy foods, such as milk, cheese and yogurt each day? One serving equals 1 cup milk or yogurt, 1 1/2

ounces of natural cheese or 2 ounces of processed cheese. 5. Eat two to three servings of lean meat, poultry, fish, dry beans, eggs or nuts every day? One serving equals 2-3 ounces of

cooked lean meat, poultry or fish. One egg, 1/2 cup of cooked beans, or 2 tablespoons of peanut butter count as 1 ounce of meat. 6. Generally eat the same foods every day?

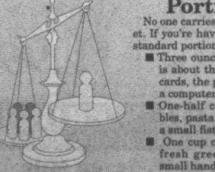
7. Frequently skip meals or miss out one or more food groups for the entire day?

15 points or more: Food Guide Pyramid expert. You know how to make wise food choices and the variety of foods important for a healthy eating plan.

9-12 points: You're on your way. You could be getting more nutrients by fine-tuning your food selections. For example, if you fall short in the grains group, try including at least one more serving. 0-6 points: Keep trying! By making small changes, you can gradually

improve your eating pattern. Focus on one food group at a time and aim to eat the minimum number of servings each day.

While nutrition experts agree that following the Food Guide Pyramid is the best way to obtain vitamins, minerals and other nutrients, you may benefit from a multivitamin/mineral supplement - if you're unable to eat from all the food groups. However, consult your doctor before taking supplements. Source: National Center for Nutrition and Dietetics



Portion guide

No one carries a food scale in their pock-et. If you're having trouble determining a standard portion, here's a visual guide:

Three ounces of meat, poultry or fish is about the size of a deck of playing cards, the palm of a women's hand or a computer mouse.

. One-half cup of cut fruit or vegetables, pasta or rice is about the size of a small fist.

. One cup of milk, yogurt or chopped fresh greens is about the size of small hand holding a tennis ball. Once ounce of cheese is about the

size of your thumb.

genetic predisposition to high cholesterol or heart disease may need certain fat restrictions.

Child care is provided by

will also be available.

VEGETARIAN COOKING

ADD AND HYPERACTIVITY

THUR, MARCH 16

Learn the building blocks for

breastfeeding. Topics covered

ing pregnancy and during

healthy nutrition before and dur

include the foods you should at,

food-related discomforts of preg-

shopping and nutritious recipes.

Class runs from 7-8:30 p.m. Ann

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Stop of St. Joseph Mercy Hospi-

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Providence Mission Health Med-

immunization from 4-7 p.m. at

37595 Seven Mile Road in Livo-

includes all vaccines your child

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Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor.

Education Center, 5301 E.

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BABY BUILDING

(734) 827-3777.

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IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

261-2856.

ion for reservations at (248) 428

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity

one hypersensitive to chemical

or environmental irritants, will

meet from 2-5 p.m. at the First

Wayne (across from the library

Ave.) For more information, call

The Michigan Thyroid Disorder

Support Group will meet at 6:30

in the Plymouth Library, 223 S.

Main Street. For more informa

tion, call Tracy Green at (734)

453-7945. Web site http://com-

WED, MARCH 15

of Detroit Metro Center will

meet from 7-9 p.m. at MDI,

The Michigan Dyslexia Institute

30230 Orchard Lake Road (Suite

#130) in Farmington Hills. The

topic will be "Dyslexia: What is

important is early intervention

Beatty, director, a Fellow from

, how is it treated and how

The presenter will be Ann L.

the Academy of Orton-Gilling-

ham Practitioners and Educa-

resources for individuals of all

and those who are leaning in

cooking demonstrations. Class

runs from 4-5:30 p.m. at St.

(734) 827-3777.

Joseph Mercy Hospital - Ann

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that direction. Includes hands-on

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Menu planning tips and

DYSLEXIA SUPPORT

munity.mlive.com/cc/thyroid

at Wayne Road and Michigan

Congregational Church in

(348-349-4972.

THYROID DISORDER

Friends, a support group for any-

7055.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

RTHRITIS SELF-HELP licensed care givers at no charge. St. Mary Hospital and the A light dinner and refreshments Arthritis Foundation (Michigan Chapter) are sponsoring an Arthritis Self-Help Course, Wednesday, March 22, March 29 and April 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. in West Addition Conference Room B, St. Mary Hospital. This course provides arthritis education and skill building to help participants take a more active part in their arthritis care. People with arthritis or related diseases such as lupus, fibromyalgia, or scleroderma will benefit from this course. The cost is \$20

equired. Classes are limited. St. Mary Hospital is located at VEGETARIAN COOKING

Learn to cook a healthy breakfast, including tofu sausage and miso tea with "Macro Val" from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3 C, Garden City. For more information, call (734) 261-2856.

THUR, MARCH 23

STRONG DAUGHTERS

HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP

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

GIRLS IN SPORTS Event is for girls ages 11-18 who are active in sports, their parents and coaches. Learn ways to reduce girls' risk of bone, joint and muscle injuries while improving strength and flexibili-

ty. Don't miss a special talk by swimmer and Olympic gold medalist Annette Salmeen. Includes breakfast snack and lunch. Call to register. Program runs from 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, 5301 E. Huron River Drive. Call (734) 712-3456.

WED, MARCH 29 **RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME**

Do you or someone you know suffer from restless leg syndrome? There is support available and a wealth of new information. A Restless Leg Support group meets every other month at OptimEyes in Westland (across from Westland Shopping Center) on Central City Parkway. An area dietitian will speak and a video will be shown at 2 p.m. in the OptimEyes commun ty meeting room. For information call Jan Prentice at (734) 453-4847.

VEGETARIAN COOKING

Learn to cook for your sweetie hot and spicy peanut butter tofu stir-fry, sweet potato chips with "Macro Val" from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3C, Gar den City. For more information call (734) 261-2856.

MON, APRIL 10

THYROID DISORDER The Michigan Thyroid Disorder Support Group will meet at 6:30 in the Plymouth Library, 223 S. Main Street. For more information, call Tracy Green at (734) 453-7945. Web site http://community.mlive.com/cc/thyroid

TUE, APRIL 11 & 18

Learn the traditional Japanese method of balancing body energy. Done on the floor over the clothing, this energizing treatment promotes health and wellbeing. Bring a mat and dress comfortably. Class runs Tues day, April 11 and 18, from 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$75. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734) 207-0557 to register.

WED, APRIL 12

A series of graceful, slow motion movements for increasing flexis bility 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. April 12 - May 17. 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.

TUES, APRIL 18 BONE DENSITY

Alterra-Clare Bridge of Livonia, 32500 Seven Mile, will feature a discussion on "Osteoporosis and Bone Density" 6-7:30 p.m. in the community center. Bone density screen available. Call either Nanette Cooper or Denise Manion for reservations at (248) 428-7055.

THUR, APRIL 20 IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Providence Mission Health Med ical Center - Livonia will host an immunization from 4-7 p.m. at 37595 Seven Mile Road in Livonia. Cost is \$5 per child and includes all vaccines your child needs except chicken pox. Don't forget to bring immunization records. Call (877) 345-5500 for information.

TUE, MAY 2-16 BIOKINESIOLOGY

Learn to use muscle testing tech niques to determine which vitamins, herbs, foods are best for you. Cost is \$115. Class runs Fuesday, May 2-16, from 6-9 p.m. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734) 207-0557 to register.

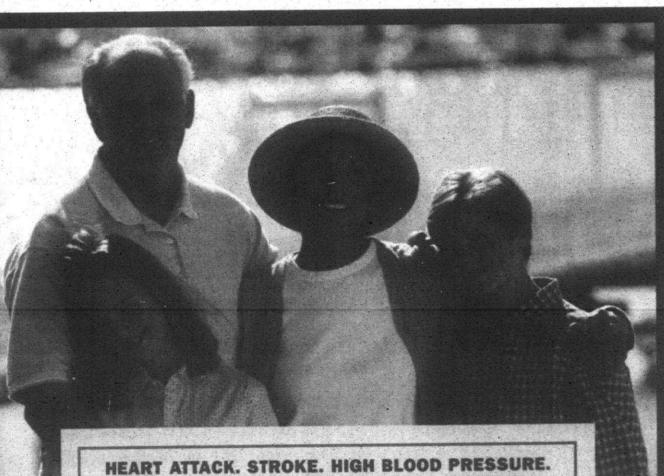
Macro Val will teach how to cook with soy from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3 C, Garden City. For more information, call (734) **Canton Center Chiropractic** Clinic will sponsor a free workshop on Attention Deficit Disorder and hyperactivity 7-8:15 p.m. Non-drug solutions will be discussed. Call (734) 455-6767.

per person and registration is Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. For more information or to register, please call (734) 655-8940

Parents of pre-adolescent girls age 5 and up can develop practical strategies to help their daughter achieve and maintain high self-esteem. Learn strategies to counter limiting cultural stereotypes in this six-hour program. Calls runs from March 23 through April 13 from 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center - 1600 S. Canton

7557.

Center Road. Call (734) 398-



DON'T YOU THINK THERE ARE SOME FAMILY TRADITIONS YOU SHOULD DO WITHOUT?

Families share a lot more than a last name. However, the things they have in common aren't always . that obvious. Like their blood pressure. High blood pressure has been strongly linked to heredity so it tends to run in families. There are no symptoms, so it can easily go unnoticed. And left untreated high blood pressure can lead to a heart attack, stroke, or kidney failure. But, the good news is that it's easily checked and readily treated. So maybe it's time to start a new family tradition. Call for an appointment to get your blood pressure checked today. To find a University of Michigan physician near you, simply call 1-800-211-8181. We accept a variety of health care plans, including MCARE"



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

ONGOING

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS Adult Children of Alcoholics and dysfunctional families gather everyday for 12 step support group meetings in the metro area. To find a meeting near you call (248) 988-0873 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 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

TUE, MARCH 14 MASSAGE III (BODYWORK)

Advanced techniques that pro vide long-term results. Techniques include strain-counterstrain, trigger point therapy, myofascial release techniques Class runs Tuesday, March 14 -April 4, from 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$150. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734)

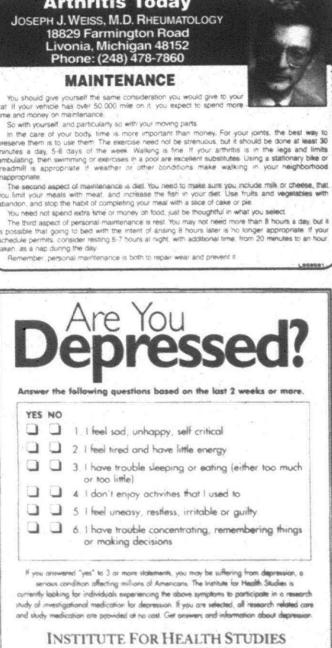
207-0557 to register. HOSPICE CARE

Alterra-Clare Bridge of Livonia. 32500 Seven Mile, will feature a discussion on "Hospice 101" given by a speaker from Heartland Home Health Care & Hospice 6-7:30 p.m. in the communi ty center. No charge. Call .

SAT, MARCH 18 Arbor/Briarwood Mall Health Stop (620 Briarwood Circle). Cal PREGNANCY PLANNER f you're thinking about having a YOUNG MOTHER'S SUPPORT baby or are newly pregnant, The Young Mother's Assistance come to this pregnancy planning Program (Y-MAP) will host their seminar. Presentations will

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 oppor tunity to meet with other young parents and share feelings and experiences with each other. Call (734) 712-3456. Speakers are invited to share topics of interest including posi WED, MARCH 22 tive parenting, substance abuse, job search, education and more

Institute of Real Estate. Management Michigan Chapter No. 5 25th ANNUA Display and TRADE SHOW Office + Industrial + Residential + Resail For more information or book reservations, contact Bea King, IREM Michigan Chapter #5 (248) 615-3885 Wednesday, March 22" 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Burton Manor Schoolcraft, Livonia Gars Gardell, CPM - (248) 353-2996 (south of 1-96 west of Inkster) See and meet Hundreds of Exhibitors Serving the Real Estate Industry and Thousands of Real Essate Owners and Profes **Arthritis Today**



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Here's my three-line FREE ad please run it in the next two issues of my hometown newspaper's classified section under Merchandise For Sale (#700—#799 with the exception of Carage Sales).

MY 3-LINE AD



MIXE differing views WENDLAND on the relative merits of keeping your computer turned on all

the time, or turning it off at night or when you weren't using

The votes have been about split. Some users said power surges, power brownouts and nearby lightning strikes during thunderstorms had harmed their computers when left on and taught them a valuable lesson about turning it off and unplugging it.

Others say the wear and tear of turning on and off the equipment and thus heating up and cdoling off the components .unnecessarily shortened their lifespan

For the record, I did some cost checking. Based on an Energy Cost Calculator at a utility Web

BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

Items for Business Marketplace are welcome from all companies and residents active in the Observer-area business community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Business Marketplace, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150.

Summer registration

Summer registration for Walsh College is March 20-24 at any of the four campuses: Troy, Novi, University Center in Clinton Township and Port Huron. Summer 2000 classes begin Monday, May 1 for 11-

and 14-week semesters. Walsh offers junior- and senior-level course work toward bachelor's degrees in accounting and business administration, as well as a master's degree in business administration and master's of science degrees in finance, accounting, management, taxation, and information management and communication. The web address is

Women executives

www.walshcollege.edu.

Executive Women Interna tional, a business women's organization dedicated to the professional development of its members, is seeking new members. EWI helps members build professional relationships with career women and promote their business or company. In addition, EWI fosters community participation through scholar ship programs, literacy efforts and philanthropic projects. For more information, contact Detroit-Windsor Chapter president Madeleine Philips at (313) 921-1200, or e-mail: mphilips@pvchemicals.com.

Prestigious award

President Bill Clinton recently awarded the 1999 Malcom Baldrige National Quality Award to STMicroelectronics. The award represents the highest level of national recognition for quality that a U.S. company can receive. The award ceremo-

Please see MARKETPLACE, D8

ROBERT C. HALL, Attorney, 24500 Ford Boad, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127. Telephone Number (313) 274-4064 STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT, COUNTY OF WAYNE, File No 2000-617629-IE

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Independent Probate Satate of JOHN & CATFON Dece Social Security Number 381-09-6874 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS Way: interiest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following The decedent, whong last known address was 11311 Braile. Detroit, MI 48228, died December 7, 1990. An instrument duted October 1, 1990 has been admitted as the will of the decented.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever, barred unless presented to the independent personal representative. Thomas J Birkeit, 11311 Braile, Detroit, MI 48228 or to both a independent personal representative of the Wayne County Probate Court, strait, Michigan 48226, within 4 months the date of publication of this notice

lotice is further given that the estate w ad and distributed t reafter assigned a some entitled to it. storney: Robert C. Hall, P34400, 2450 ard Road, Dearborn Heights, MI 4812 helphone Number (313) 274-4064

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Should you site (http://www.snopud.com/ run by American Power Conver- I ... it was a good infouse/ enercal2.htm#auto), it sions. or leave it would cost about \$7.11 a month to keep a typical home computer I've been del- on 24 hours a day. If your printuged with e- er is kept on all the time, too,

mails and calls add another \$5.33 to the cost. Run the calculations yourself Talk radio show drain and you'll see, there from people who indeed is a cost savings to only have strong but turning your computer on when you need it. As far as component wear and tear, that's pretty hard to measure.

What prompted all this discussion was my coming home the other day from a week-long, outof-town trip to find my computer room filled with the smell of burning wires. Sure enough, a power supply transformer on one without causing any fire or dam-

ed periods of time, they're off.

Keystroke cops

Journal and MSNBC ran a story on surveillance software this weekend PC based on hours on and power with e-mails asking if this is really true. The answer, as I've been warning here for months, is

> More and more employers are investing in surveillance software that lets them monitor or eavesdrop on everything their employees type on their computers, be it e-mail, Web site surfing or even word processing. Everything. Every keystroke, every deletion, every punctuation mark.

The most popular software out of my servers burned out. Fortu-there is called "Investigator" nately, the PC just shut down (http://www.winwhatwhere.com/ invest.htm) and it costs just \$99. Spouses are buying it to see if But it was a good reminder to their husbands or wives are havbe sure and have a smoke detec- ing cybersex with someone else. tor in your computer room. And Parents are buying it to monitor as for me, when I'm around, my their children's Internet activi-PC's are on all the time. When ties and employers, by the score, I'm away from home for extend- are installing it to see how employees are spending their And all my equipment is pro- time on the office computer.

tected by an Uninterruptible So far, over 5,000 customers, Power Supply unit. For info on including many major corpora- a timely manner. That's accordower protection, check out the tions, have bought the software, ing to a little-publicized class

reminder to be sure and have a smoke detector Ever since the Wall Street in your computer room: And as for me, when past week, I've been deluged I'm around, my PC's are on all the time. When

extended periods of time, they're off. are making similar applications. Bottom line is that you must assume that everything you do on your work computer can be

I'm away from home for

read by your boss. Check's in the mail

I've been pointing out how dubious some of those so-called "Free PC" offers that give you a computer at greatly reduced costs after an "Internet rebate." Besides the barrage of ads and puter, it sends a copy of itself to Spam e-mail you'll get, besides everyone in the victim's e-mail the problem of being stuck with long-term dial-up contracts, It typically arrives in an e-mail there's another potentially more serious issue.

are apparently not being paid in

against CompuServe. The suit series cartoon characters. But to promptly remit rebate checks to consumers who purchased computers in expectation of \$100 or \$400 rebates. As many as 150,000 consumers may be affected. No comment from CompuServe. A special website (http://www.web-access.net/ ~cscact/index.html) has been set up to provide details of the suit.

Virus spreading fast

I'm not big on virus warnings but a virulent one called "Pretty Park" is really spreading fast There are reports that dozens of government and corporate mail servers have been infected. I've already received eight e-mails infected with it. Some readers have written me saying they're getting even more.

The virus is really a Trojan Horse, and while it apparently does no real damage to a comaddress book every 30 minutes. from someone you know. The telltale sign is the e-mail con-Some of these alleged rebates tains the subject line "C:\Cool-Progs\Pretty Park.exe."

There's an attachment. If you open it, you may see a picture of Mike through his website at Web site (http://www.apcc.com) and more and more companies action suit filed last week Kyle, one of the "South Park" TV www.pcmike.com

claims that CompuServe failed then if you do open it, it's too late. It starts sending everyone in your e-mail address book a copy of the virus. And because the e-mail seems to be sent by someone you know, many people are being tricked into opening the file.

> If you get it, immediately trash the whole e-mail message without opening the attachment. Most anti-virus programs will eradicate it but, to be sure, don't open any e-mail attachments with any variation of the name "Pretty Park." Just send them to the trash. If you feel you already have the Pretty Park virus, you can find a removal program at http://www.web-access.net/

Until next week, "73" every body PC Mike Wendland

Mike Wendland reports about computers and the Internet for NBC-television stations coast-to coast. His radio show is heard every weekend on TalkRadio 1270, WXYT. You can reach

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Call the BNI regional office at

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BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

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Accounting promotion

Rehmann Robson, P.C. announced the promotion of Thomas E. Jurewicz, CPA to Principal. Jurewicz, who works out of the Farm-



American the Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Michigan Association of Certified Pub-

lic Accountants, Urban Land Institute and Construction Innovation Forum.

International manager

The Detroit Regional Chamber has named Yanina Vega of Westland international trade development man-

ager. She will promote the Detroit region in both the NAFTA and U.S. markets. She has a bachelor's degree in Spanish and business adminis-



tration from Madonna University.

Valassis Communications

Valassis Communications announced the promotion of Aaron Trager to plant manager of the company's Livonia facility. Trager started at Valassis in 1973 as pressroom material handler. "Aaron's strong manufacturing background and personal relationship skills will enable him to lead the Livonia Printing Division to great successes," said Ron Goolsby, vice president of FSI and Internet/e-commerce operations at Valassis.

Marketing promotions

Grace & Wild, Inc. of Farmington Hills announced the addition of Jama Fenstermaker to the company's marketing department and the promotion of Amy Weishuhn to lead marketing

coordinator. Weishuhn holds bachelor's degree in applied arts from Gentral Michigan Oniversity. Weishuhn will Fenstermaker

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

WED, MARCH 15

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS FORUM John L. Pepper, associate business editor and columnist for The Detroit News, will speak about "Business and Borders" at the International Business Forum 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Fairlane Club, 5000 Fairlane Woods Drive, Dearborn. Cost is \$20 including lunch. For reservations, call Vanessa at (734) 479-2345 or e-mail

ibf@wtcdw.com. Confirmation given.

BUSINESS NETWORK INTERNATIONAL

Laurel Park Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Call BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

THUR, MARCH 16 SERVICE CORPS OF RETIRED **EXECUTIVES MEETING**

Business Plan Workshop from 8:45 a.m. to noon at One Stop Capital Shop, 2051 Rosa Parks Blvd., Detroit. Topics include planning process overview, financial statements and management and marketing questact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

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BUSINESS CALENDAR

MARCH 30

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Tracey Huff (248) 347-3355.

Marketing Plan Workshop from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Executive Office Building of Oakland County, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. Topics include diagnosing marketing problems, market targeting, and advertising and publicity. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays.

WED, APRIL 5 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Michigan Business and Professional Association will sponsor the 4th annual Women's leadership Conference and Distinguished Service Awards Luncheon Wednesday, April 5 at Burton Manor in Livonia. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Conference is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Two workshops are planned: "How to Build a Successful Personal Strategic Plan" followed by "Is Your Business Checklist in Order?" The total cost is \$50; cost for luncheon only is \$25. For information about attending, co-sponsoring or advertising, contact MBPA at (810) 979-6322.

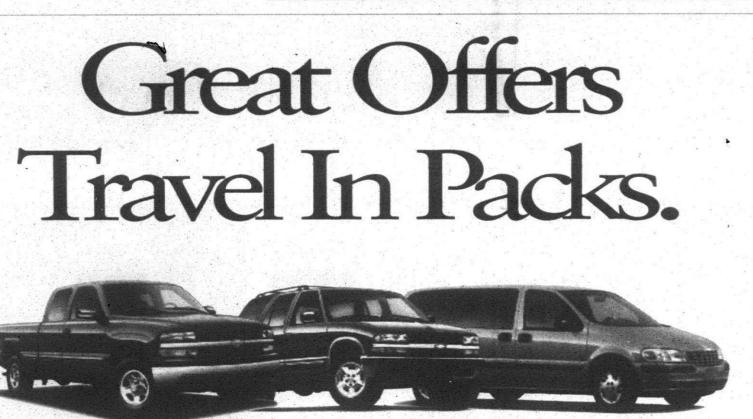
FRIDAY, APRIL 14 **BUSINESS IN CHINA**

Oakland University's Professional Development and Education Outreach, School of Education and Human Services (SEHS) will present "Opening Doors in the 21st Century, Creating Business Opportunities in China after WTO." The seminar will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 14 in Oakland University's Meadow Brook Ballroom. Co-sponsors include: The Detroit Regional Chamber, Pontiac Export Assistance Center - U.S. Department of Commerce, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and Leonard Woodcock Legacy. The seminar is an introductory course for individuals and organizations interested in developing or expanding markets in China. Jerome D. Hill, J.D., Ph.D. and Ledong Li will share their expertise on expanding interests and overcoming the challenges of doing business in China. Cost is \$295 and includes a Chinese luncheon and handout material. The registration deadline is Wednesday, April 5. Enrollment is limited. Contact the Professional Development office at (248) 370-3033 for a brochure or to register for the seminar. Fax registration with VISA or MasterCard payment is accepted at (248) 370-3137.

FRI, MAY 12 FIESTA HISPANA BALL

The Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce hosts its 11th Anniversary Fiesta Hispana Ball at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn. The VIP reception begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner and dancing at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Bo Andersson, executive in charge of worldwide purchasing for General Motors Corp., is event chairman. The ball provides an opportunity to network with business representatives and meet corporate sponsors. For tickets, contact MHCC at (248) 208-9915.





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Career Women will meet at

rant, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Etiquette consultant Patricia Warner will discuss "Minding Your P's and Q's in the Workplace." Cost: \$18 for members and \$22 for non-members.

now assist in advertising and promotional development. She also holds a bachelor's degree in applied arts from Central Michigan University.

Visual effects director

Steven D. Wild, president of

Grace & Wild, Inc. of Farmington Hills announced the promotion of Kevin Gillespie to director of Design and Visual Effects Services for the company's three divisions:



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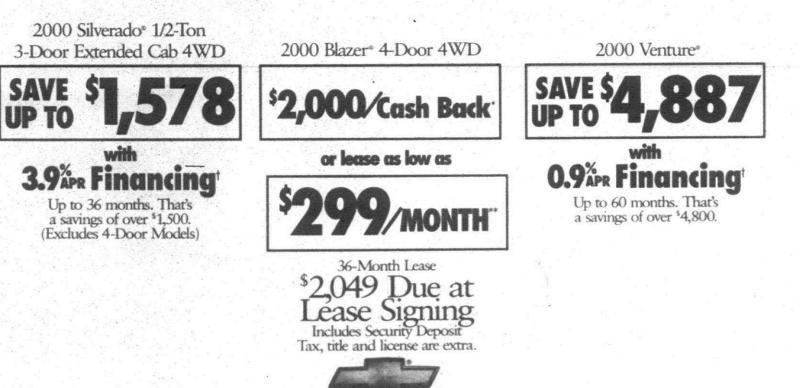
Gillespie Postique, Grace &

Wild Digital Studios and Division X. "While we've always recognized the excellent artistic talent within our post-production divisions, Kevin's experience and understanding of this area of business will help us continue to recruit the highest caliber of talent," said Wild.

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my took place in Washington. D.C.

STMicroelectronics, Inc. Automotive Business Unit of Livonia joined the company's 3,300 employees in viewing the event in specially designed viewing rooms.



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