

AT HOME

Dear Readers:

A redesigned At Home section makes its debut today in your Canton Observer. Today's cover story on backyard ponds was written by At Home Editor Ken Abramczyk and features information from area residents and landscaping companies who specialize in pond installation/design and some tips for those handymen and women who want to build their own pond.

The new section is a broadsheet like the other sections in your HomeTown Observer. This means larger photographs and more local news about gardening, home decorating, home improvement and landscaping. Many features that our readers look forward to each week such as "The Appliance Doctor" and "Marketplace" continue.

At Home is designed for people who enjoy and care for their home, who like to entertain friends and family and who have hobbies such as gardening, cooking, home electronics, photography and decorating. The mission of At Home - with its color cover photographs and inviting design - is to help our readers enjoy the good life in their hometown.

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Sincerely,

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Susan Rosiek, Publisher

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Women's Club winners: A full page with names and photos of Plymouth Women's Club scholarship recipients is in today's Observer. /C8

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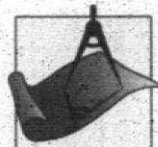
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Deal opens way for charter school



A new township park and an assisted living center for seniors are the other components in the agreement negotiated by Canton Township, National Heritage Academies and an area developer.

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A National Heritage Academies charter school is coming to Canton after all. Less than a month after the Grand Rapids-based company sued the township over the right to build, a deal has been struck to put a single-story school

at Ford and Ridge roads. As part of the deal, Canton will buy

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90 adjacent acres from Singh Development and be deeded 15 more. The township has 40 acres of its own under option at Ford/Ridge and plans to com-

bine all of the lots for Canton's seventh community park.

In return, Singh, a West Bloomfield firm, gets the right to build a senior living facility adjacent to the charter school.

"We think it's a tremendous deal," Canton Supervisor Tom Yack said. "We didn't expect to have a settlement that would have so many positives."

Singh attorney Bryan Amann agreed.

"There are very few deals you can point to where there are no losers," he said. "There are no losers here."

National Heritage Academies declined to comment for this story.

It sued Canton April 19 in Wayne County Circuit Court. The lawsuit was filed after township trustees in mid March rejected plans for a charter school at Warren and Ridge roads.

It was the second such rejection National Heritage received from Canton. A site at Beck and Hanford roads was denied last year. In both cases, trustees said the lot was too small and they cited potential road impacts.

According to Yack, neither is a con-

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Marking Memorial Day

Hundreds turn out for parade, ceremonies in two towns

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Plymouth Mayor Dave McDonald thinks people are feeling a surge of patriotism after war hero John McCain sought the presidential nomination.

Based on the number of people who turned out for the Plymouth-Canton Memorial Day parade, it would be tough to argue with him.

Residents and visitors watched the parade go by. Some came out because they love a parade, some because they had loved ones who died in defense of the country.

Hundreds of people lined the parade route up Main Street from Theodore to Kellogg Park to watch the Plymouth-Canton VFW, Vietnam veterans, Girl Scouts wearing vintage uniforms, Boy Scouts, and the Plymouth-Canton marching band, among others, make the annual trek along the route to honor the area's servicemen and women.

"I think there has been a rise in patriotism in this country," said McDonald, a retired Army colonel. "Look at what John McCain did. (George W.) Bush spent \$30 million, and McCain still hung in there. I think that says something."

Residents and visitors watched the parade go by. Some came out because they love a parade, some because they had loved ones who died in defense of the country.

And some simply don't think the day is complete without the parade.

"I wouldn't miss it," said Susan Gronan, a Plymouth resident. "We wouldn't be able to enjoy this day if they hadn't fought and died for it."

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Tradition: The annual Plymouth-Canton parade makes it way down Main Street Monday morning.

STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HIBBELN



Afternoon ceremony: Veterans salute during the playing of "Taps" at the end of ceremonies at the Canton War Memorial. In the foreground is Canton resident Tom Houdek who was a German POW for 6½ months in 1945. Houdek spent his 19th birthday on March 6, 1945, in a German stalag.

STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

Payne believes board in need of leadership

SCHOOL ELECTION

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Kathleen Payne believes the Plymouth-Canton school board lacks leadership. And, with her strengths and background in education, she believes she is a qualified candidate for one of the four-year terms to be decided in the June 12 school board elections.

"I'm running because I think the board needs more leadership in several respects, especially in decision making and sticking to the decision once it's been made," said Payne. "I have a strong background in education as a teacher and counselor in public schools and nearly 20 years as a college professor. Being affiliated with the MSU-Detroit College of Law, I know what is expected of high school students as



Kathleen Payne they enter the college arena." Payne believes a lack of leadership is what caused the controversy surrounding the third high school at the Educational Park.

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Workers ready to pour concrete on new road

MORTON TAYLOR EXTENSION

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If all goes as planned, Canton motorists will be driving along a new section of Morton Taylor Road by late this summer.

According to Wayne County Roads Spokesman John Roach, work is "moving along nicely" on the one-mile stretch from Ford Road north to Warren. Coupled with other projects in the township, drivers should notice some relief from traffic congestion by the end of the year, he said.

"With Morton Taylor opening and the widening of Haggerty," Roach said, "it should help a lot."

Work on Morton Taylor began late last fall. Trees were cleared, bridge

work done and the area prepped for construction this spring.

Concrete should be poured within the next few weeks with bridge piers and abutments coming first, Roach said. Final grading of the road bed is also being done.

The roadway will be poured starting in about a month. If that happens, Roach said Morton Taylor should be open by September.

Originally, the project was supposed to be completed by July 30. Roach said the county was slowed by hard soils in the area.

Wayne County is paying 20 percent of the \$3.25 million price tag for Morton Taylor. The other portion will come via a state grant from the

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Drunken driver has close call on Michigan

A 23-year-old Canton man was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol late Monday, according to township police reports.

A township police officer was traveling west on Michigan near Canton Center when he spotted the man changing lanes several times. Reports said the man, who was driving a 1998 Ford Mustang, nearly sideswiped another car on one of the lane changes.

The 23-year-old was then stopped near Belleville Road. He was ordered to perform several sobriety tests and submit to a breath test. He refused to take the test and was subsequently arrested.

A later test at Canton's Police Station revealed a blood-alcohol level of 0.10, which is the legal limit in the state of Michigan. Police held the man on \$500 bond.

Truck heist

More than \$3,100 worth of equipment was stolen from a Temperance man's 18-wheel truck in Canton late Sunday or early Monday.

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Transportation Economic Development Fund.

Morton Taylor is one of 14 Wayne County projects in Canton this year. Major township road work will include:

■ Haggerty Road. Lanes will be added between Ford and Warren for a total of five.

Roach said traffic impact during construction would be moderate. Most lanes on Haggerty will be open during construction, which should be done by August. Construction began this week, said Roach.

■ Beck Road. The final two sections of gravel road will be paved. They include a mile stretch from Cherry Hill to Ford and from Michigan Avenue to Geddes.

Work for both is currently out for bid, Roach said. Both should be completed by the end of the year.

■ Canton Center Road. A 1.2 mile stretch from Ford north to nearly Warren will feature five reconstructed lanes, widening it from the current two/three.

The project will begin late this year with bridge work over Fellows Creek, which flows into the lower Rouge River. The road will be closed for two to three months while bridge work is completed, Roach said.

Other work will begin next spring. Traffic will be limited to one lane in each direction during construction.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMAN

Road work: Construction work continues on the new portion of Morton-Taylor Road in Canton. This is a view looking south from Warren Road.

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"Many of the problems that arose during the conflict of the new high school came about because board members were not capable of, or willing to, question (then-Superintendent) Dr. (Chuck) Little," said Payne. "I wonder if it was their lack of educational background or his title. Sometimes that 'Dr.' title throws people off and we don't ask questions of people in authority."

"I think the board of education has an obligation to represent the community and ask the final

questions. You don't have to micro-manage. But, ultimately, the superintendent should be accountable to the board."

"In the context of the third high school, not enough questioning was done and we had to battle through the court process. Then, when we had a decision, they kept asking the same questions over and over again."

On the subject of the new high school, Payne said one of her top priorities, if elected, will be to make the school comparable to Canton and Salem high schools.

"One of my top three priorities is to have a bond issue in the immediate future to make sure the third high school has a pool and auditorium. The third high school needs to offer the same types of opportunities as the other two schools."

"Parents involved in swimming are concerned about the lack of a pool at the school. The vote on the third high school was split because many wanted a full facility. Others believe there needs to be a bond issue to make it a full high school."

Another concern is hiring "the highest-caliber teachers to replace those who are retiring. Our methodology used for hiring is too long and complicated to ensure we can get some talented people quickly."

And, like many others, Payne favors changes in Proposal A to increase the amount of money for Plymouth-Canton Schools.

"Every district like Plymouth-Canton that is in the low end of funding still has to deal with providing appropriate services with less money than other districts. We need to be careful on

how we spend our money, but we do a pretty good job, considering our disadvantage."

"We need to do everything possible to change Proposal A and its impact. We need to convince people this is a crucial issue, and everyone you vote for, including a new state House representative, has to pledge to help with this funding problem."

Payne said that while she is a "public school person," she understands why some are flocking to charter schools.

"I think charter schools take away from public schools, but I can understand that some people want options. The question is whether you want to pay for those options with public funds."

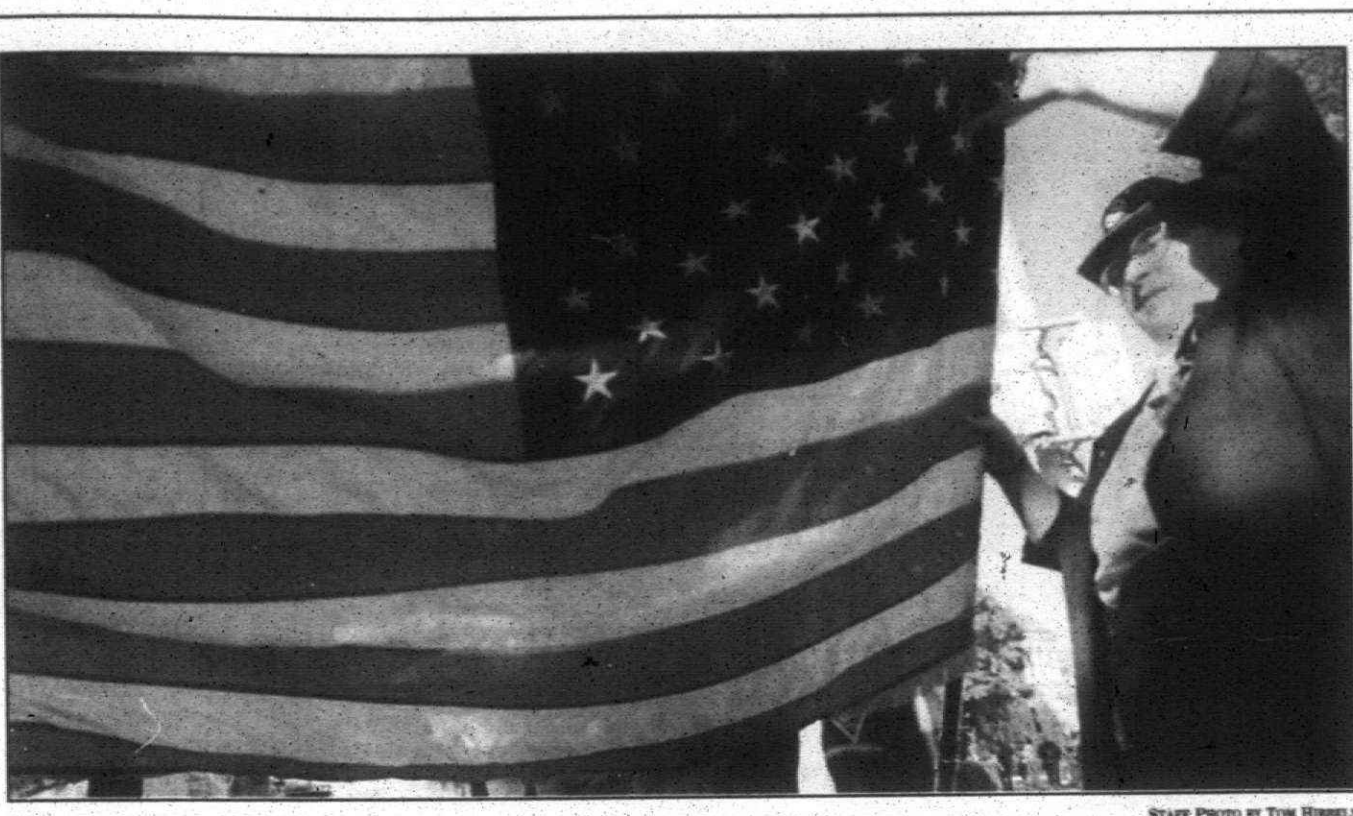
If elected, Payne said she will be responsive to the public. "Board members need to be available to community members. If a problem isn't settled by the administration, then it may be up to the board."

"The board should also act in a fiduciary capacity with the community, making sure the money is spent properly," added Payne. "The back stops with the board."

Canton board meets Tuesdays

The Canton Township Board of Trustees meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the administration building, 1150 S. Canton

Center Road. The meetings are open to the public and agendas are available from the township clerk's office on the day of the meeting.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HENNEL

Getting ready: Linda McCoy, president of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112, unfurls the flag for the ceremony in downtown Plymouth.

Memorial Day from A1

Plymouth Township resident George Ward, the chief assistant prosecutor to Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair, was the featured speaker, drawing on the words of Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg as the "standard for words on an occasion like this."

"The true significance of this day is for those of us who do the honoring," he said. "We

stand on the shoulders of giants."

Joyce Adler listened to Ward's words with the wisdom of someone who knows. Her husband, VFW member Carl Adler, served in World War II, and she had a cousin who died in that war.

"It means a lot," she said of the ceremony. "Anything to do with veterans is special to us."



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Salute: The Plymouth/Canton Vietnam Veterans Chapter 528 color guard stand ready to salute vets from all wars at the afternoon ceremony behind Canton's administration building.

Pheasant Run will add nine-hole course addition

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Pheasant Run Golf Club is expanding. The township-owned course will add nine new holes designed by noted golf architect Arthur Hills. Construction will begin this summer with play starting in the spring of 2002.

"We have great consumer demand to play the course," said Pheasant Run Golf Director Dave Horstman. "We're only five years old, but we have to turn away so many people on the weekend."

Canton's Board of Trustees on May 23 awarded a \$2.3 million contract to Canada-based Turf Drain to build the holes. Pheasant Run sits adjacent to Summit on the Park between Canton Center and Beck roads.

Administrative and Community Services Director Dan Durack said the township had hoped to open the new nine next year. But getting a building permit approval from the Michigan

Department of Environmental Quality proved to be a sticking point.

Four of the holes west of Beck Road lie in a "flood way," said Durack. It means no land elevations can be made.

Golf courses typically have mounding and elevated putting greens, said Durack.

"We had to submit several plans before they got one they liked," he added.

Instead of changing the topography, Hills will make the four holes challenging with other devices like pot bunkers and landscaping, Durack said.

"The holes will be challenging and fit with the rest of the course," he commented. Adding nine holes will provide several advantages, according to Horstman.

On weekends, for example, golfers will tee off on all three nine hole courses. That will allow more people to start during peak hours of 8 to 10 a.m., said Horstman.

"It will triple our peak-time

tee offs," he said of the expansion.

It means more business for Pheasant Run, Horstman added. During the week, he said he'll be able to conduct more training programs and get more beginning golfers on the course.

"I'll be able to do so many things with beginners, seniors and ladies now," said Horstman. "Just getting more people playing golf."

Pheasant Run is already a popular hang out for professional athletes.

It's a favorite of several Detroit Red Wings, said Horstman. The Stanley Cup actually made its way to Pheasant Run a few years ago.

Visiting baseball players also play the course frequently.

"Many of the teams stay at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn," Horstman added. "They send them over here. It's a compliment that the Ritz, one of the best hotels in the area, chooses to send people to us."



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■ On June 5, 1888, Kay Cottey was the first woman to sail solo around the world.
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Q&A
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The source for this information is Chase's 2000 Calendar of Events.

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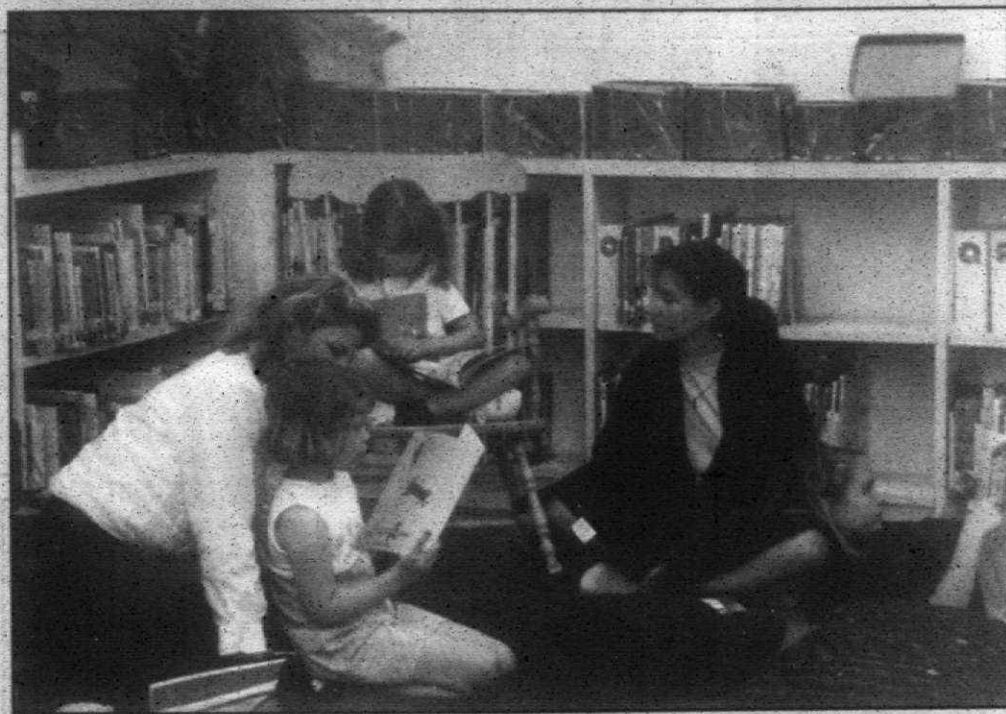
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Read-a-thon goes over big at Bentley



Book 'em: Bentley Elementary student Amanda Druckenmiller (second from left) reads to her mom, Cindy, during the school's evening read-a-thon earlier this month. Also pictured are students Kristin and Jaclyn Hollingsworth with their mom, Pam. In the photo at right, Detroit Rockers soccer player Joel Shanker reads to a class. Bentley students collected pledges and read for two hours. The evening also included prize giveaways and special events.



Plymouth-Canton officials say charter school poses challenge

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For more than a year, Plymouth-Canton school officials have been contemplating the possibility of a charter school operating within the district.

Now that National Heritage Academies has finally reached an agreement to build a charter school in Canton, it's a reality check to see how well the district responds to competition for both students and the state foundation grant each one represents.

"We knew it was on the horizon, so it doesn't come as a complete surprise," said Superintendent Kathleen Boher.

"I think we'll want to do some planning concerning what types of communication we want to have with parents who are looking at the option of charter schools," added Boher. "Many times parents are hoping charter schools will offer programs pub-

lic schools don't. However, many times they find the contrary to be true."

When Boher was superintendent in Berkeley, there were times when parents who had transferred their students to charter schools wanted back in the public district after only a month, she said.

"Part of our challenge will be to communicate with parents so they understand what we have to offer, and what we're willing to do. Educationally we have very solid programs, and sometimes parents don't understand that as they're looking for opportunities for their youngsters."

And, with the thought a new charter school could enroll 300-400 students, there is also a financial concern for the district.

"Fortunately for us, Plymouth-Canton continues to grow, so we'll be getting more students. That makes it hard to determine what it will do financially."

At least one Plymouth-Canton

trustee welcomes National Heritage Academies to Plymouth-Canton.

"I welcome the competition," said Roland Thomas. "Competition is what drives us to be a better school district."

"With the vision we've laid out, we have the opportunity to generate enough enthusiasm to get us to the next level ... and that's to become the best school district in the state," he added. "We have to fight hard for our children, but we need the dedication of our staff, community and the board to do it."

Not all students who will attend the charter school will come from Plymouth-Canton, Boher said. Many will transfer from private and parochial schools. However, Boher said she does expect her administration to "brainstorm" on how best to prepare for the competition from National Heritage Academies.

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cern at Ford/Ridge. All 10 acres at the site are suitable for school development, he said.

The impetus for the deal came from Amann, who works extensively with the township in development projects. After pitching the idea to Singh, he said he approached National Heritage.

It took about two weeks, Amann said, to work out all details of the deal among the three parties. Yack said the deal was possible because no hostility between the township and National Heritage developed — despite the lawsuit.

"Things never got personal," said Yack. "They were always very professional. We tried to be professional, too."

Canton, Singh and National Heritage will tie up all loose ends within 10 days, Amann said. Because National Heritage's lawsuit against the township is still pending, the judge must enter a "consent order" for Singh to enter the litigation.

From there, conceptual plans for the charter school and senior facility will be submitted to the judge. Finally, a "consent agreement" will be approved by the judge, Amann said. It's unclear exactly when all court proceedings would be wrapped up, he added.

"The charter school still wants to be up by this fall," said Yack. Canton will pay for a majority of the 145 acres. About 40 per-

cent of the money will come from a state Department of Natural Resources grant, while the township picks up the other 60 percent, said Yack.

Canton will pay Singh \$31,000 per acre for its land.

Yack said a variety of uses are possible for the park. Those uses include an aquatic park, soccer fields and ball diamonds as well as nature trails.

Because of the park's size, it would likely be developed in phases, Yack said. It will be some time before any development begins, Yack said. But he sees it as a crucial piece in Canton's recreational puzzle.

"We needed a park as far north as we could," Yack said.

Kilgore golf outing benefits scholarship fund

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Organizers of a benefit golf outing say they hope the memory of a well-liked Salem swimmer who died in 1998 stays alive — especially for the students receiving memorial scholarships in his name.

Michael Kilgore, 16, died of a heart attack in his home March 4, 1998. He was a swimmer on Salem's varsity team and also enjoyed golf, water skiing and soccer. He also was a former Observer Newspapers Carrier of the Year.

The third annual "Success is Never Giving Up Michael Kilgore Scholarship Fund Golf Outing" is planned for Monday, July 31, at Polo Fields Country Club in Ann Arbor. Proceeds will replenish the scholarship fund in Kilgore's name. Registration begins at 9 a.m., and the shotgun start is at 10 a.m.

"Success is never giving up" was a motto followed by Kilgore up until his untimely death, according to his mother, Barb. She said she remembers him the same way as his fellow students do.

"He always had a smile, he always had a positive word and he always cared about others," Kilgore said.

The Michael Kilgore Scholarship Fund was established to recognize Plymouth-Canton Educational Park students who follow goals similar to those pursued by Kilgore, who aspired to attend the University of Michigan to study engineering. Swimmers, prospective engineering students and prospective University of Michigan students have all received scholarships. Scholarships have also been awarded to Canton Soccer Club players because of Kilgore's involvement with soccer as a player and referee.

Kilgore said scholarships typically go to students who receive little or no other scholarship help. A committee in the high school guidance office assists in selecting recipients, she added.

"The scholarships take all the things that (represented) Mike — he was a good athlete but not a star."

Nine scholarships totaling \$6,000 were awarded in 1999. Organizers hope to award seven scholarships this year. More than 67 local businesses were involved with donating to the fund.

Kathy Stewart, a longtime Kil-

gore family friend and fund-raising committee member, said the community has been generous with donations.

"Most of the businesses that we approach about donating prizes have been very supportive," Stewart said.

A hole-in-one prize offered at this year's outing is a two-year lease on a Chevy Blazer, courtesy of Lou LaRiche Chevrolet.

The business also is paying for printing costs associated with fund-raising. Organizers are looking for other businesses interested in donating items for door prizes.

Detroit Rockers soccer player Brian "Goose" Finnerty has been helping raise money. Kilgore said his contribution is significant because Michael had played soccer since he was 5.

Organizers are looking for interested golfers. The cost is \$60 for students 18 and younger, \$85 for people 19 and older and \$15 for lunch only.

Anyone interested in registering for the outing or donating money or services can call Barb Kilgore at (734) 455-8679. All donations are tax deductible.

Michael Kilgore Scholarship recipients

1999 winners of Michael Kilgore Scholarship funds were:

- Matt Cassillas, Plymouth Salem swimmer; Academic, Athletics and Character scholarship
- Bill Stewart, Plymouth Canton; University of Michigan Scholarship
- Steve Blossom, Plymouth Canton and Chirag Patel, Plymouth Salem, Success is Never Giving Up Scholarship
- Andrew Locke, Plymouth Salem; Kelly Hobel, Plymouth Salem and Rebecca Cudney, Plymouth Salem, Swim Scholarship
- Jennifer Foess, Plymouth Salem and Tim Szrowdowski, Plymouth Salem, Canton Soccer Club Scholarship

2000 Michael Kilgore Scholarship Fund recipients are:

- Dan Jones, Plymouth Salem swimmer, Academic, Athletics and Character
- Aaron Reeder, Plymouth Canton and Ryan King, Plymouth Salem, Success is Never Giving Up
- Dan Jaeger, Plymouth Canton and Chris Jones, Plymouth Salem, Canton Soccer Club Scholarship
- Allison Schmidt, Plymouth Canton and Jason Rebarchik, Plymouth Salem, Swim Scholarship

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Dr. Steven Watson

Dr. Lefkowitz

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Procedures are performed at the University of Michigan Surgical Center in Livonia and Garden City Hospital, Garden City. Typically hereditary bunions are a bony protrusion that forms on the inside edge of the foot at the base of the big toe. Bunions, said Watson, are not normal but can be treated with shoe

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Dump reclamation nears completion

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

The \$3.5 million reclamation project of an old Nankin Township dump site is nearing completion.

The site, located in Westland just northeast of the intersection of Warren and Newburgh roads, is spread over 12 acres. Part of the affected area is within the boundary of the Holliday Nature Preserve and is owned by Wayne County. Crestwood Development, which owns an apartment complex on Warren, owns seven acres of the old dump.

For several months, the county and Crestwood, along with 3M, which was the biggest depositor of hazardous materials to the dump, have been busy capping the site with a protective layer of geosynthetic fabric, clay and topsoil. The project is expected to be completed by the end of June.

During the 1940s and 1950s, the dump was owned and operated by brothers John and Stanley Denski, who covered and sold it.

The county purchased several acres of the property to be incorporated into Holliday, which runs through Westland along the length of Tonquish Creek.

Toxic waste

Trash from the dump was discovered in the early 1990s. Dangerous substances, including

lead, mercury and asbestos, were found at the site, which prompted the Environmental Protection Agency to list the site as a health and safety threat in 1992. As a result, public access to the area was restricted.

The cleanup began as an EPA response initiative. The federal agency came onto the site in 1994 and removed over 5,000 tons of the most hazardous materials.

Wayne County and Crestwood, along with eight corporations and eight municipalities that dumped materials at the site, agreed to pay the EPA \$1.5 million of the cleanup and capping costs, while the federal government assumed the remainder.

"Our concern has always been that the problem needed to be dealt with," said Bill Craig, president of the Holliday Nature Preserve Association, a group of volunteers overseeing the preserve.

"I give the EPA credit for its efforts. Many people like to knock the EPA, but you won't get any complaints from me. The agency acted promptly and effectively."

The capping process included leveling the field, placing the geosynthetic fabric over the area, covering that with about a foot of clay, and then topping it off with six inches of topsoil and seeding it.

Rule 201 of the Natural Resources Environmental Protection Act requires the county to maintain the area and ensure the fabric does not become exposed in the future.

"The county will have an operation and maintenance program in place after the project is completed," said Hugh McDonald, director of special projects for the Wayne County Department of Public Works.

"I would say that monitoring is a fair way of describing the program."

McDonald said the county will cut the grassy field twice a year. No trees will be allowed to grow for fear that their roots will penetrate the fabric. He said the biggest concern is that burrowing animals will expose it.

Most toxics gone

Despite meeting Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and EPA standards, project officials admit the property still contains hazardous elements such as asbestos, and traces of barium and manganese have been recorded in the groundwater.

However, Steve Hoin, project manager and geologist with MDEQ, has closely monitored the progress of the capping and says these findings pose little or no threat to humans.

"The majority of the really

hazardous materials are gone," he said. "We feel the capping should eliminate the remaining health and safety hazards."

Hoin said MDEQ is most concerned with how the manganese may affect the micro-organisms in Tonquish Creek. He said the agency will periodically monitor the levels.

MDEQ will also have to inspect the capping project, which is currently in the seeding process, before it gives the green light.

"I think they have done an excellent job so far," Hoin said. "We have not given our official approval yet. When they finish, MDEQ will review the whole project. However, based on what I've seen so far, I don't anticipate any problems."

When and if MDEQ does approve the project, it will once again open up the area for recreational use. In addition, Crestwood will be given the go-ahead to build an additional 208 apartments adjacent to the footprint of the old dump.

Craig said he is also satisfied with the project.

"This will definitely be better than the situation we had before the cleanup began. It will be safer and healthier," he said.

"Is it perfect? Obviously not, but that is part of our industrial legacy."

'WAALk & Rollathon' scheduled for June 24

The second annual Lutheran Social Services of Michigan WAALk and Rollathon will be Saturday, June 24, beginning with registration at 9 a.m. in Nankin Mills Recreation Area of Hines Park, Westland. The event will benefit Lutheran Adoption Services and Wayne County Family Center.

Lutheran Adoption Service is co-sponsored with Lutheran Child and Family Service of Michigan. It is the largest adoption program in Michigan, serving more than 460 children each year. This year, LAS will celebrate its 3,000th adoption.

The Wayne County Family center is a joint venture with the County of Wayne. It is the

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The primary sponsor for WAALk and Rollathon 2000-Detroit is the Park Jarrett Aid Association for Lutherans Agency of Livonia.

Participants are asked to gather pledges and then walk, roller blade, wheelchair, bike or push a stroller one to six miles to benefit the agencies. A pledge form can be found on the Lutheran Social Services of Michigan web site, www.lssm.org or is available by calling (800) 225-8558.

Madonna registers for fall

Madonna University's registration for fall 2000 is in progress and continues through Friday, Sept. 1 for new and returning students. Office hours will be held 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays and until 7 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, now through June 16 and Aug. 7 through Sept.

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Making quacks: Getting ready for duck derby

BY TRACEY BIRKENHAUER
STAFF WRITER

It's time to get your rubber duckies in order for the Great Canton Duck Derby.

The second annual event will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, in Heritage Park. Last year's derby attracted about 1,000 people for the inaugural race.

Organizers wanted to sell 1,500 ducks last year. They sold 2,500.

They plan to peddle 5,000 this year.

"This is entertainment for the whole family," said Bob Dates, township recreation supervisor and event organizer. "There really isn't a sense of competition with the ducks. It's more of a unique excitement because you don't know which duck is yours."

Duck adoptions cost \$2 each, 3 for \$5, 7 for \$11, or there's a special package: 30 ducks for \$50.

Adoption money offsets costs for parks and recreation programs, including free concerts and movies in Heritage Park.

On derby day, entertainment will include a Dixieland band, a disc jockey playing pop music and strolling violinists.

"There will be a little of everything," Dates said.

Adoption papers are available at Summit on the Park community center, the township administration building and the Canton Public Library. When you pay, you'll get an adoption certificate and a number.

Every duck adopter is invited to a Quackers and Cheese Party an hour before the race.

If your duck crosses the finish line first, you'll win two round-trip tickets on Northwest Airlines to any destination in the continental U.S. Owners of the next 200 ducks will also get prizes, ranging from free golf, big-screen TVs, autographed sports memorabilia and a \$1,000 savings bond.

You don't have to be there to win.

"It's a great way to wind up a summer of fun activities," Dates said. "I really enjoy it because it's totally unique."

Last year's event won the Most Innovative Programming Award from the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association.

"I think it will continue to get bigger and bigger," Dates said.

4 chosen Merit finalists

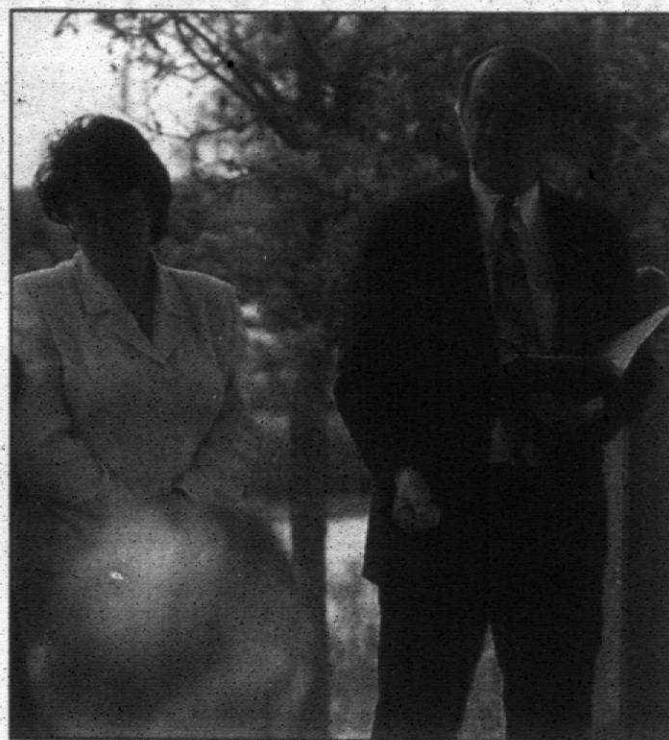
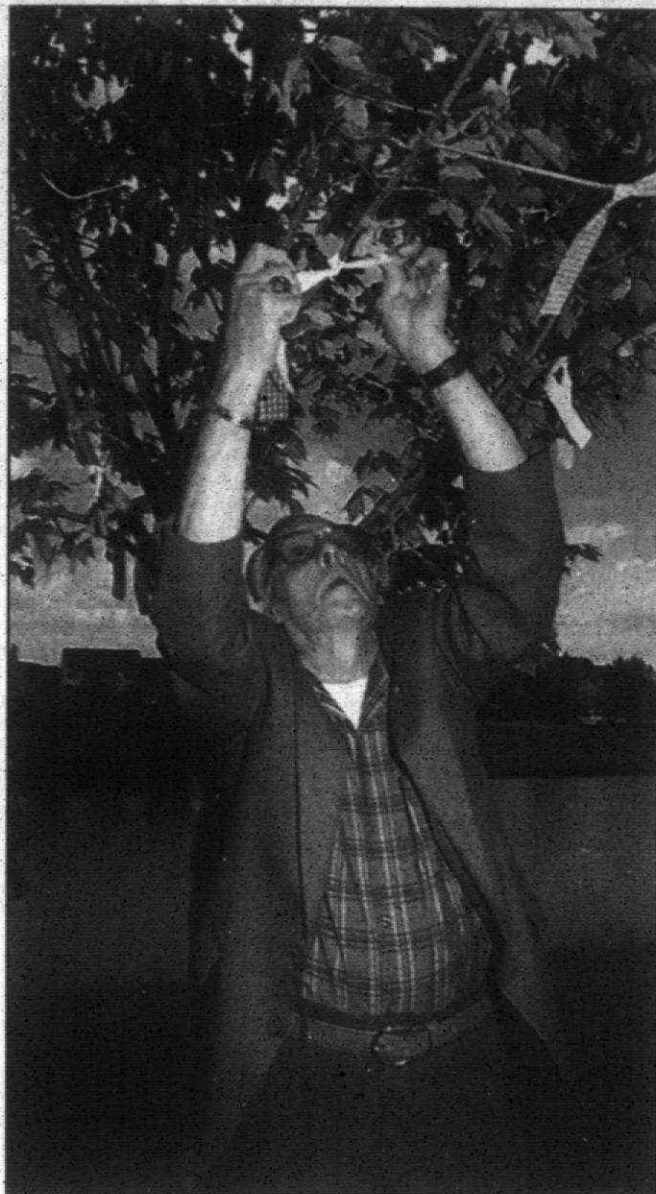
Four students from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park have been chosen as National Merit Finalists. Receiving this prestigious title are Erin Konarske from Plymouth Salem and Luke C. Williams, David Harvey and Christine Chan from Plymouth Canton High School.

A total of 2,500 "National" awards are the Merit Scholar-

ships for which every finalist is considered. These scholarships are offered on a state representational basis, in numbers proportional to the state's percentage of the nation's high school graduating seniors.

Konarske, Williams, and Harvey did in fact qualify and win scholarships as a result of becoming a National Merit Finalist.

Seniors pause to remember

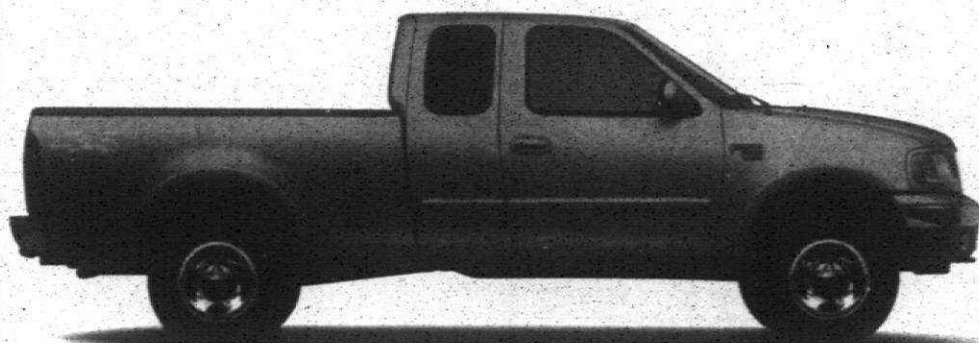


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Memorial ceremony: Dick Swisher of Canton ties a ribbon to a tree near the gazebo in Heritage Park May 24 following a memorial for friends and loved ones of members of the Canton Senior Center who have passed on. Pictured at right, Canton Public Safety Chaplain Wayne Byrum conducts a reading for nearly 30 seniors who gathered under the park gazebo for the annual ceremony.

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Telecomm bill may get busy signal in the Senate

BY MIKE MALOTT
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Legislation aimed at cutting telephone rates, increasing competition among companies for local phone service, and restoring the authority of the Public Service Commission to oversee phone companies may have won approval in the House, but is expected to get a "busy signal" when it gets to the state Senate.

Representatives voted 72-36 to approve House Bill 5721, sponsored by Rep. Mary Ann Madaugh, R-Paw Paw, and Rep. Marc Shulman, R-West Bloomfield. The bill is a follow-up to Gov. John Engler's recent call for

a 5 percent rate reduction. But Democrats and conservative advocates say the bill doesn't go far enough. And Ameritech, the state's largest incumbent local phone provider, prefers a bill drafted by Sen. Mat. Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion.

Representatives expect the Senate will also favor the Dunaskiss bill and force the rewrite into conference committee.

Power of PSC

Shulman said he was happy with the version that finally got passed in the House. It was a compromise from his earlier proposals, which he said would protect the consumer and increase the enforcement powers of the PSC.

The power of the PSC is a key issue. After the Legislature adopted its current Telecommunications Act 1995, the courts concluded the PSC had little authority over that utility. Shulman has proposed specifically that the PSC be able to quickly hear complaints from competing telephone companies when they allege anti-competitive practices. He's explained it has been a frequent source of complaints from competitor firms that Ameritech delays interconnections for their customers while quickly starting up its own. The bill would allow for expedited hearings of such complaints.

Democrats opposed

Democrats complained that Republicans supporting 5721 would not go along with rate cuts deeper than the amount called for by the governor. Democrats proposed a 10 percent rate cut and 15 percent trimming of basic service phone bills.

Legislators high on Ameritech's contribution list

State senators aren't up for election this year, but they rank high on the list of recipients for campaign contributions from the Ameritech Plus PAC.

In fact, as the Legislature looks forward to wrestling with a necessary rewrite of Michigan's Telecommunications Act - the current law expires at the end of the year - Ameritech has put senators high on its list.

The Senate Technology and Energy Committee is next in line to review the issue and now has

before it both a Senate version of the rewrite, favored by the phone company, and a House version, which Ameritech opposes.

Despite the lack of a Senate race this year, four of the six top recipients of Ameritech PAC money, according to its campaign finance statement filed April 25, serve on that Senate committee.

The top recipient is Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, who not only isn't running, he can't run for that office again due to

term limits. Speculation has been he'll run for a county or township post, but his campaign finance report, entitled "Dunaskiss for Senate," doesn't presently indicate what office he'll run for next.

Committee members and the amounts they received this election cycle include:

- Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion - \$3,925
- Sen. Burton Leland, D-Detroit - \$1,450

Sen. Bill Schuette, R-Midland - \$760

Sen. Chris Dingell, D-Trenton - \$700

Sen. Ken Sikkema, R-Grandville - \$450

Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Howell - \$450

Among committee members, only Sen. Dianne Byrum, D-Onondaga, has not received contributions from Ameritech since November, although she has received them in the past.

Bill would penalize cell phone users in car accidents

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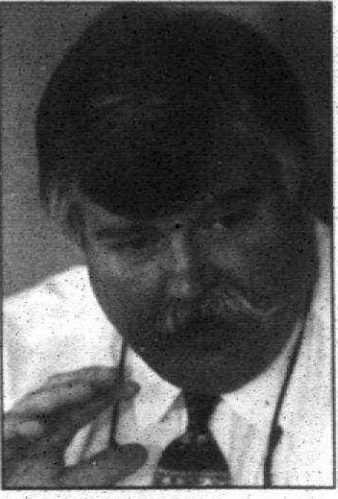
"We have people who have a very broad range of driving skills," said state Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton. "You have Mario Andretti, and then you have my daughter. Mario Andretti has a high level of skill and he could probably drive safely doing any number of other things. That would include the use of a cell phone."

Patterson is not a proponent of banning cell phone usage while driving, and he recognizes that there can be other distractions for drivers. Changing tapes in the deck, dialing in a radio station, even lighting a cigarette can take a driver's eyes off the road and lead to trouble, previous research has shown. Some women apply makeup behind the

wheel; men sometimes shave. Patterson admits to having been spotted by a legislative aide combing his mustache while on the road.

Nonetheless, his bill is specific to cell phones, and he explained the purpose is to look into the common belief that wireless communication in particular is distracting to drivers.

"I've had a number of constituents express to me that they have been cut off by drivers who



Rep. Bruce Patterson were using cell phones at the time," he said.

His bill also proposes a study,

to be conducted by the Michigan Secretary of State and the State Police, two years after the effective date of the new penalty to determine just how many tickets are handed out for cell phone distractions.

Researchers who have looked into the question have reached differing conclusions. At the University of Toronto, researchers found that cell phone usage while on the road increased drivers' accident rates by four times, roughly the same rate of increase experienced by drunk drivers.

And the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found no improvement for those who used hands-free phone technology, leading those U.S. researchers to the conclusion that it was the conversation itself that diverted the attention

of drivers.

Nonetheless, the NHTSA stopped short of recommending a ban on cell phone usage while driving. The NHTSA noted that nearly all states had laws on the books against careless driving, and that includes Michigan, Patterson pointed out. Tickets for careless driving issued to cell phone users in Ohio who were weaving out of their lanes have withstood court challenges, the NHTSA noted.

But the NHTSA said better data collection on the subject was needed. At the time of the study, only two states were compiling information on the use of cell phones in relation to traffic accidents. No state was tracking phone usage in relation to traffic violations, as Patterson's bill proposes. If other lawmakers agree, Michigan could be the first.

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UFO writer von Daniken to speak

Erich von Daniken, the internationally acclaimed author of *Chariots of the Gods*, is back on a nationwide lecture tour in the United States, June 5-11, to promote his latest book, *Odyssey of the Gods*.

He will speak at the Henry Ford Community College.

Administrative Services and Conference Center 7 pm Thursday, June 8.

Tickets with reservations are \$15, the door tickets are \$18. For reservations, call (231) 582-5097.

Erich Von Daniken now turns his years of experience with Ancient Astronaut studies toward ancient Greece! In *Odyssey of the Gods*, von Daniken suggests that the Greek gods were in fact extraterrestrial visitors who arrived on Earth thousands of years ago.

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INDUCTED

The Campbell University

chapter of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society inducted 19 students at its annual banquet. Xinning Li, a senior from Canton, was among the inductees. She is a biology major who plans to go on to medical school. She is a member of Epsilon Phi Eta, Phi Kappa Phi, the Pre-Med

Allied Health Sciences Association and Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities. Alumni, staff and faculty members who are inducted into the honor society must have made distinguished contributions during their careers. The Campbell chapter of Phi Kappa

Phi has been in existence since 1975. Madonna University held its spring initiation ceremony for Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education. Among the 19 students inducted were Lindsay Barra of Canton, a senior majoring in History and

minoring in early childhood education, Kerry Conway of Plymouth, an English major, and Erin Moorhouse of Plymouth, an elementary education student. To be a member of the honor society, a student must have an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better, at least 12 semester hours of course work in education and worthy education ideals, leadership potential, commitment to education and desirable personal qualities.

Joshua Tolbert, a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a Canton resident, was initiated into the Western Michigan University chapter of Phi Kappa Phi. This honor society is open only to students in the top 10 percent of their classes. In addition to this honor, Tolbert was named to the Dean's List in both the College of Fine Arts and the College of Education, making it the eighth consecutive semester he has received these honors.

Katherine Tolbert, a 1999 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, who was one of the featured students in the Observer's featured series, "A Year in the Life," was initiated into the Western Michigan University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta, an honors society for freshman students. Tolbert achieved a 3.8 grade point average, which was well above the 3.5 required for the honor. She was also named to the dean's list in the College of Education both semesters of her first year.

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DEAN'S LIST

Molly Noonan of Canton has been named to the Dean's List at Western Michigan University for the spring semester. Noonan who attained a 4.0 grade point average for both the fall 1999 and spring semester is a sophomore majoring in public relations. She is a 1998 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

Nicole Denise Hrycyk of Canton was named to the president's list for the winter semester at North Central College. To be eligible for the president's list, undergraduate students must maintain a grade-point average of 3.6 for the term and be enrolled as a full-time student. She is the daughter of Mr. Nicholas D. Hrycyk.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL USERS: I.W.C. RATES EFFECTIVE ON AUGUST 1, 2000 BILLS

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inches	\$/month	\$/month
1/2	2.72	2.72
3/4	3.59	4.08
1	9.32	6.80
1 1/2	20.50	14.97
2	29.82	21.77
3	54.05	39.46
4	54.43	54.43
6	74.55	54.43
8	111.82	81.64
10	186.37	136.07
12	217.72	172.15
14	260.92	190.50
16	298.19	217.72
18	372.74	272.15
20	447.29	326.58
24	521.83	381.01
30	596.38	435.43
36	670.93	489.86
42	745.48	544.29
48	820.02	598.72
54	894.57	653.15

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Publish: June 1, 2000

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 13, 2000, at 7:00 P.M. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, as a part of its regular meeting.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request from Yazaki North America, Inc. for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for real and personal property for a new facility to be located at 6800 within the Northeast Canton Industrial Development District, the legal description of which is as follows:

Part of the West 1/4 of Section 12, Town 2 South, Range 8 East, Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan; beginning South 01 degree 50 minutes 26 seconds East 344.72 feet and North 88 degrees 06 minutes 01 second East 337.36 feet from the West 1/4 corner of Section 12; thence North 26 degrees 10 minutes 29 seconds East 1,532.10 feet; thence Southeast 1/4 along a non-tang curve concave to the Northeast radius 3,348.55 feet arc 353.62 feet chord; South 63 degrees 55 minutes 57 seconds East 353.45 feet; thence South 01 degrees 50 minutes 46 seconds East 1186.07 feet; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes 01 second West 1,032.10 feet to the Point of Beginning. 20.27 acres. Parcel 046-99-0005-000

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Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdick to approve the purchase of a Toro Fairway mower for Pleasant Run Golf Club from Spartan Distributors in the amount of \$24,351.35. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the price quote of \$5,948.98 submitted by the Office Warehouse to purchase and install forty-two shelving units. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following Generic Upgrade effective and retroactive to February 9, 2000: To increase the rate of pay of Jennifer Varajan, the current incumbent in the position of Recreation Specialist from \$31,900.00 to \$36,885.00 (15% increase). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdick to award the contract for Sidewalk Ramp Project design, contract administration, and inspection to Wade-Trim/Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$49,716.00 inclusive of a 10 percent contingency. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award the bid for the construction of the in-line skate hockey court at Flodin Park to the low bidder, Cameron Contracting Co., in the amount of \$73,475.00 and establish a contingency fund of \$7,500.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to amend the Community Improvement Fund Budget to re-appropriate unspent 1999 funds for this purchase as follows: Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:
Appropriation from Public Balance \$246-000-699-0000 \$80,975
Increase Appropriations:
Capital Improvements - Parks & Recreation \$246-750-970-0000 \$80,975
This budget amendment increases the Community Improvement Fund from \$3,330,911.00 to \$3,411,886.00.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award the bid for the construction of the nine-hole expansion of Pleasant Run Golf Club to Turf Drain, Inc. in the amount of \$2,058,584.14 with a 10% contingency of \$205,858.00 for a total of \$2,264,442.14. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER COMMENTS
Supervisor Jack wanted to take a moment to introduce Ann Conklin who is the township's new Leisure Services Director. She is the current Recreation Director of Independence Township and will be joining the Canton Township staff in June, 2000. She comes very highly recommended from Independence Township. Ann Conklin wanted to thank the Charter Township of Canton for this opportunity and looks forward the challenges the township will offer.

ADJOURN
Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. The above is a synopsis of actions taken at the Regular Board meeting held on May 23, 2000. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of the Board on June 13, 2000.

THOMAS J. JACK, Supervisor TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk
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TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS MAY 23, 2000

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held on Tuesday, May 23, 2000 at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Jack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to move from a closed session where pending litigation was discussed to an open session. Motion carried unanimously.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Bennett, Burdick, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Director Machnik, Director Durack, Director Minghine, Director Santanaro, Kathleen Salla

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Supervisor Jack removed General Calendar Item No. 12 and added Consent Calendar Item No. 9 to the agenda. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Charter Township of Canton of May 9, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Commission and the Charter Township of Canton of May 15, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the minutes of the joint meeting of the Historic District Commission, the Historical Society and the Charter Township of Canton of May 16, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

NON AGENDA COMMENTS

Judge Richard Halloran, a Wayne County Circuit Judge, Family Division, was present to talk about Personal Protection Orders. He would like to note that Personal Protection Orders have been successfully used in both in marital situations and neighborhood disputes with a success rate of approximately 90%.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Shefferly to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

EXPENDITURE RECAP FOR THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF MAY 23, 2000

General Fund	101	\$ 378,542.33
Fire Fund	206	\$ 150,360.38
Police Fund	207	\$ 259,486.08
Summit Operating	208	\$ 68,396.73
Golf Fund	211	\$ 30,901.73
Cable TV Fund	230	\$ 1,567.34
TWP (Community) Improvement	246	\$ 12,272.58
E-911 Utility	261	\$ 869.32
Auto Forfeiture (WWATEE)	267	\$ 1,321.00
Federal Grants Fund	274	\$ 277.20
Auto Theft Grant	288	\$ 1,487.13
Downtown Dev Authority	294	\$ 1,259.37
Bligh AUTH Construction	469	\$ 7,165.00
Water & Sewer Fund	592	\$ 811,536.77
Tonawish Creek SAD	804	\$ 83,071.44
N Haggerty Storm Debt SRV	853	\$ 141.85
N Haggerty Paving Debt SRV	862	\$ 195.65
E Palmer Rd Paving Debt SRV	863	\$ 337.50
Beck Rd Paving Debt SRV	864	\$ 312.50
Total - All Funds		\$ 1,809,501.88

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to open the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to close the public hearing at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdick that the request from Sneaky's, Inc. for a new full year Class C liquor license with a dance and entertainment permit to be located at 8663 Lilley Road N. Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan 48187 be considered for approval "above all others", is the consensus of this legislative body that the application be recommended for issuance. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to open the public hearing at 7:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to close the public hearing at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the public hearing date for June 13, 2000 for consideration of the request of Hospitality Ventures, Inc. Mark E. Goff for a full year Class C Liquor License with a dance and Entertainment Permit to be at 42651 Ford Road within the Canton Corners Shopping Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the request from Brews Brothers III, Inc. to transfer ownership of a 1999 Class C licensed business with Dance and Entertainment Permit without dressing room, located at 6166 N. Canton Center, Canton, Michigan 48187, Canton Township, Wayne County, from Kohnmann Enterprises, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund to re-appropriate unspent 1999 funds for the Travis House Project. Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues
Appropriation from Historic District Donations \$101-000-675-0030 \$ 200
Appropriation from Public Balance \$101-000-699-0000 \$ 106,232
Total \$ 106,432

Increase Appropriations
Capital Project-Travis House \$101-603-976-0000 \$ 106,432
This budget amendment increases the Historical Commission budget from \$106,953.00 to \$213,386.00 and the General Fund budget from \$18,339,645.00 to \$18,446,078.00.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to appoint Edmond Robert to the Building/Fire Board of Appeals. (Term expiring 12/31/04). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution for the application for purchase of land from Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the public hearing for June 13, 2000 to consider the industrial facilities exemption application of Yazaki North America, Inc. for the expansion of their facility located at 6800 Haggerty Road, Canton, Michigan. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following budget amendment in the Police Fund to increase revenue account #207-000-675-1000, Contributions-Explorer Program by \$2,000 and increase appropriation account #207-301-745-1000, Explorer Program by \$2,000. This budget amendment increases the Police Fund from \$9,746,335.00 to \$9,748,335.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the bill of sale for the Canton Soccer Dome and related equipment to Total Soccer, Inc. in the amount of \$10,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported Kirchgatter to approve the lease of 40 acres of property, commonly known as the Gilmore property (028-99-0002-006) to Mr. Ross Hawk of Hawk Farms. The term of the lease will be from May 24, 2000 through December 31, 2000. The lease fee will be \$1,300.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the Supervisor and Township clerk to sign the lease. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL CALENDAR

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution for the Danville/Presidents Park/Mount Pleasant Memorial Cemetery. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution for special land use and site plan for the Canton Sports Complex. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution for special land use and site plan for Dodson Elementary School. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize the Township Supervisor and Clerk to execute the Pulte Land Development Company's Participation Agreement with the Pulte to cover the additional cost of materials for the 16-inch diameter water main. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the construction and funding for a Canton Department of Public Safety outdoor range at the site

OBITUARIES

J.P. GILES

Services for J.P. Giles, 80, of Canton were May 27 at the chapel of the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton with Rev. Roy G. Forsyth officiating.

Mr. Giles was born Jan. 31, 1920 in Dyersburg, Tenn. and died May 25. He worked as a manager at a mobile home park. He was preceded in death by his wife, Martha L.; and one daughter, Effie M. Wood. Survivors include his four children, Marvin (Thelma) Wood, Wilma D. Simpson, Barbara A. Giles, Veda Newton; five grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

JERRY ALAN HARRISON

Services for Jerry Alan Harrison, 68, of Canton Township were May 26 at First Baptist Church with the Rev. David Boley officiating. Burial was in North Fulton Cemetery, Wakeshima Township.

Mr. Harrison was born Sept. 9, 1931 in Battle Creek and died May 24 in Superior Township. He was a custodian at the First Baptist Church in Plymouth and a church member. He was a 1951 graduate of Vicksburg High School. He was a member of Future Farmers of America and a quick point expert.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter E. and Bonald N. Harrison; and two brothers, Wendel and Jack Harrison. Survivors include his wife, Audrey S. Harrison of Canton Township; one sister, Nancy Wedel; and two sister-in-laws, Barbara Harrison and Marian Harrison.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Local arrangements were made by the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Services for Goldie G. Mullens, 72, of Batavia Township, Mich. were May 26 at John N. Santeu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City with Martha Jones, chaplain of Oakwood Hospital officiating. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia.

Mr. Mullens was born Feb. 13, 1928 in Camden, W. Va. and died May 22 in Canton. He was a loader.

Survivors include his wife, Nell Mullens; three daughters, Junnie (Keith) Morrow of Canton, Linda (David) Sheaffer, Goldie Kay; one brother, Roy Mullens; one sister, Madalene; six grandchildren, Rachel, Bill, Gary, Crystal, and Christopher. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

Services for Constance Young, 73, of Livonia were May 26 at Calvary Baptist Church, Canton. Burial was in Parkview Cemetery, Livonia.

Mrs. Young was born Aug. 29, 1926 in Farmington and died May 22 in Livonia. She was a homemaker who came from Detroit in 1956 and lived in the Livonia area. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church on Joy Road in Canton. She was active in the Lydia Missionary Society and sang in the church choir.

Mrs. Young received a business degree from the Detroit College of Business. Besides playing the piano, organ and singing, her hobbies took her outdoors to swimming, biking, and gardening.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles M. Survivors include her three children, Roy (Lee Anne) Young of Canton, Fred (Cheryl) Young of Livonia, Carol (Larry) Dunn of Brighton; one brother, Kenneth Ausland of Livonia; one sister, Karen (John) Isais of Brighton; and seven grandchildren, Ryan, Christopher, Stephen, Lauren, Erin, Keith and Michelle.

Memorials may be made to the Donna Groth Missions Fund c/o Calvary Baptist Church.

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

Services for Blaine Alan Wade, 42, of Canton were May 26 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Garden City with Martha Jones, chaplain of Oakwood Hospital officiating. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia.

Mr. Wade was born May 25, 1957 in Garden City and died May 21. He was an employee at the GM Plant in Ypsilanti as a tool and die maker.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Wade; two daughters, Jennelle Wade and Katelyn Wade; parents, John R. and Victoria Wade; two brothers, Keith Wade and Robert Wade; three sisters, Vikki Lynch, Pam Garten, and Jill Wade.

Local arrangements were made by McCabe Funeral Home, Canton Chapel, Canton.

EDITH 'ADELE' TIBOR

Services for Edith "Adele" Tibor, 86, of Plymouth were Friday, May 26 at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Plymouth.

Mrs. Tibor was born Sept. 25, 1913 in Marquette, Mich. and died May 22 in Plymouth. She was a seamstress in Marquette before moving to the Plymouth community in 1992. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clayton in 1979. Survivors include her four children, Terrence (Pat) Tibor of Long Beach, Calif., Janice Lucchetti of Plymouth, John (Deirdre) Tibor of Lapeer, George (Linda) Tibor of Sterling Heights; two sisters, Helen Wright of Manistee, Mich., Eileen (Tom) Falck of California; brother-in-law, George (Aileen) Tibor of Marquette, Mich.; 12 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

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

Services for Heidi Nadine Reuter, 35, of Lexington, S.C. were May 23 at John N. Santeu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City.

She was born Oct. 3, 1964 in Wayne County and died May 20 in Gaston, S.C. She was a painter-maintenance worker.

Survivors include her parents, Dr. Edward (Ruth) Reuter of Canton; one sister, Diane Reuter; three brothers, Mark E. (Kelly) Reuter, Terrence (Rhonda) Reuter, Dr. Robert (Kathleen) Reuter; and five nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Services for Marion C. Fry, 76, of Birmingham (formerly of Bloomfield Hills) will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 31 at Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills.

Mrs. Fry was born March 19, 1924 in Detroit and died May 20 at William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. She was a resident of Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills since 1935. She attended Vaughn School in Bloomfield Hills and was a graduate of Michigan State University with a BS Degree in Foods and Nutrition in 1946. She was a member of Christ Church Cranbrook since 1935 and was confirmed in 1942. She was an active Girl Scout leader while her children were young. She was a volunteer for Birmingham Area Seniors Coordinating Council & Center (BASCC) for 14 years. She was a member of the American Association of University Women.

Mrs. Fry was an active genealogist who traced her family back to Revolutionary War times,

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For school board Re-elect Givens, Mardigian

Like the district itself, two Plymouth-Canton Community Schools trustees are seeking to complete an education agenda set by school officials and local voters in the mid-1990s. Incumbents Elizabeth Givens and Judy Mardigian have shown they deserve that chance and the Observer is endorsing their re-election to the board.

Givens, elected in 1996, is seeking a second, four-year term. Mardigian was appointed to fill a vacancy when Jack Farrow left the board. She was subsequently elected to a two-year term in 1998 and now is seeking a four-year term.

It's been an unusually quiet year in Plymouth-Canton. The controversial issues that have marked the past few years in this still-growing district have largely subsided. The furor over location of a new high school has, for the most part, died down; labor-management relations are much improved; and Kathleen Boohar is beginning to settle in — and make her mark — as superintendent.

We believe the current school board and its positive, give-and-take relationship with the administration is a key factor behind that progress. Both Givens and Mardigian, while supportive of the direction set by Boohar and her predecessors, aren't afraid to ask tough questions or demand accountability.

The incumbents rightly feel they have an obligation to voters to see that three new school buildings being built with bond issue money are finished on time and within budget. Money for Dodson Elementary and Plymouth High School was approved as the bulk of a \$79 million bond issue in 1997. Discovery Middle School was added to the project list by voters in 1998, when Livonia Public Schools sought to reclaim Lowell Middle School once its lease ran out.

In addition to the completion of new schools, Givens says her top goals for the district over the next few years include working to increase Plymouth-Canton's state foundation grant and further improvements in labor-management relations. She has a solid understanding of the school funding issue. "We have to pay more to hire the same teacher or bus driver in southeast Michigan than they do out-state," Givens said in a recent interview with the Observer staff. Furthermore, Plymouth-Canton competes for teaching talent with top Oakland County districts where per-pupil funding remains nearly double the local level, she added.

While there isn't a magic equalizer on the drawing board in Lansing, Givens and others representing the district have worked with area legislators the past few years to make them aware of local needs. We note there has been some movement from key legislators, notably Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, on this issue.

Mardigian has served her role as a board member the past two years to help set policy, even when that policy wasn't popular among some elements within the district. We note that she stood by her decision on building the new high school at the west site, both because of the implied promise to voters and her belief that it was the better location. (The original decision was subsequently reversed by a majority of the board.)

Her activity in Plymouth-Canton began long before her appointment to the board, with her leadership in the Class Size Action Partnership, a group of concerned parents and educators seeking to reduce elementary class sizes in the mid-'90s.

Mardigian believes the reorganization under way in the central office will create a more user-friendly administration that will boost the district's most challenging mission — providing a complete education for children in a more complex world.

Much has been accomplished in Plymouth-Canton over the past few years, but key challenges remain for the district, including finding additional space for growth and the looming specter of a charter school within district boundaries. Re-electing Givens and Mardigian gives the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education the best chance to meet those challenges.

Schofield, Eisiminger stand out

It was a tough decision. The four hopefuls seeking election to the Wayne-Westland Board of Education, LeeAnna Deniston, Richard Eisiminger, Cindy Schofield and Marshall Wright, are out campaigning, making their views known. They'll square off Monday, June 12, in the school board election. The Wayne-Westland district includes the southeast corner of Canton Township.

The four came to the Observer recently for their endorsement interviews. Schofield was clearly the standout, having prepared at great length for her interview.

The Wayne resident chaired the Citizen's Bond Committee and has been involved in many other school groups. The John Glenn High School graduate, who works for a property management firm, would be a welcome addition to the school board. Candidates will vie for two seats, serving for four-year terms. Our second choice for endorsement came down to Eisiminger and Deniston, and after considerable thought we give the nod to Eisiminger.

The Westland resident, a real estate broker, was appointed to the school board last year when David James left for a seat on the Westland City Council. Eisiminger, who has served on Westland's board of review, has done a thorough, capable job on the school board.

He does his homework and has been an asset to the school board. We also tip our hat, however, to newcomer Deniston of Westland. She, like the others, knows the schools as a parent. Deniston's family includes two special needs children, one gifted and one autistic.

The best choices for Wayne-Westland voters are Richard Eisiminger, who was appointed to the school board in 1999, and newcomer Cindy Schofield.

The homemaker also has ample community involvement, and we applaud her first run at office. Eisiminger tips the scales, however, when it comes to experience, so our nod goes to him.

In their interviews, the candidates touched on such subjects as improving the school district's image. They agreed Michigan Educational Assessment Program scores need lifting. ("There's no doubt we are struggling in that area," Schofield said.) Wright, a Detroit teacher, said it would take time to raise academic performance in Wayne-Westland. He, Schofield and Deniston indicated no desire to serve on the city council or any office other than school board, whereas Eisiminger wouldn't rule out the council.

That's his right, but we hope he'll stick with the school board if elected. Also, Schofield's husband is a teacher in the district, and she properly acknowledged she'd need to abstain from votes with any conflict of interest.

To reiterate, our choices for Wayne-Westland Board of Education are Cindy Schofield and Richard Eisiminger. We applaud all candidates for getting involved, and encourage district voters to head to the polls June 12 and vote.



Elizabeth Givens



Judy Mardigian

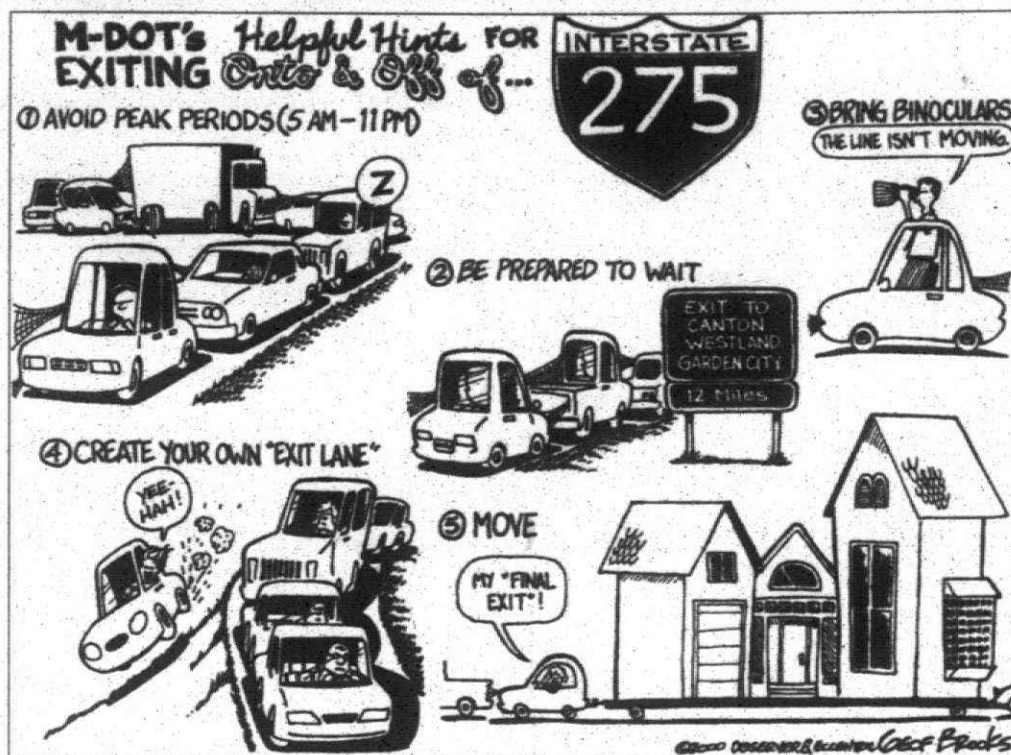


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Public safety concerns

An open letter to John Santomauro, Canton public safety director:

This is not my first correspondence to your department. I always write out of concern for Canton citizens vs. political agendas. First I submit my community survey for May 2000. Yes, I have needed both departments over the years. The men and women on the front line are professional, courteous and concerned. They have shown total commitment to their work and community. Let's not forget our canine officer — what a dedication to duty!

These men and women are under pressure to meet the needs of a tremendous number of people, not to mention all of those passing through our township. I trust that the staffing is more than adequate, so that our staff is not overworked. It is also my hope that these people who place their life on the line for us are being equally paid and have the same benefits.

As a former medical professional, I often wonder why we went so long getting paramedics. All of the citizens of Canton deserved better. The Canton firefighters must have felt frustrated by their restrictions. Yes, now we have them, thank God! What a cost to those who needed them in past years! We had money for trips, Summit, golf courses, parks, television, new meeting rooms, on and on... Why do I bring this up? It is a reminder that all safety comes first.

The recent published stats on Canton's safety were interesting. Would you publish a negative report? It would not be good for home sales, business or citizens' peace of mind, would it? These reports go year by year, our census is every 10 years, isn't it? Just look at Ford Road and count the number of deaths over a period of years.

Ridge and Ford has a terrible history, as well as Napier. I remember the lady who lives at the corner of Ford and Napier saying she was so tired of seeing people die in front of her. One of Canton's police officers commented that you take your life in your hands if you attempt to pass on Ford.

Do I feel safe in Canton? Not the way I used to. Is it Canton's fault? Partly, but in our country we have lost a lot of trust and security from a myriad of problems.

Let me compliment the decision to have two full-time officers in our high school. Our children's safety must come above all else. The funding for these officers is through a grant at

this time. In the future, could part of the \$400,000 that comes in from the charge for rescue service be put toward keeping these officers in place? Part of these funds defray the cost of keeping the rescue service and paramedics trained. Where does the remainder go? This is important money that is produced in the safety field. It seems it should be used completely in maintaining the police and fire departments.

I close with very high praise and thanks to the men and women who keep watch over us.

Barbara Owston
Canton

Auction thanks

The staff at WSDP would like to extend our thanks to everyone that helped make our annual auction a success. We raised just over \$4,500 due to hard work of our staff and parents, as well as the generosity of the Plymouth-Canton community.

First, thanks to all the businesses that donated items. Our local businesses donated over 150 items for us to auction. Their willingness to give each year is an encouragement to me and our staff. We would also like to thank the businesses, and families that sponsored the auction. Colonial Collision, The Dry Clean Company, Boulders Restaurant, The Sturk Family of Plymouth, Robert and Sandy Miedler and Paul Phelps each donated money to help with our auction efforts.

We also appreciate the support of Media One. They generously donated a \$1,000 advertising package that allowed us to get the word out. I especially appreciate Maria Holmes and Tom Scallen for their support and input.

We also benefitted from many guest auctioneers that donated up to an hour of their time the day of the auction. They were paired with our students and worked hard to promote the items up for bid.

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POINTS OF VIEW

Enforcement — not new laws — will curb gun violence

From looking at the columns, it appears that the editorial position of your paper supports only the gun control side of the equation. I read all of the columns and have seen three supportive of the Million Mom March, but none that do not agree. With that said, I would like to respond to the column by Judy Doner Berne.

First, this is not the "standard letter," and is dictated by no one but me. I see it as interesting that the march was held in Washington, D.C., which has the strictest gun controls in the nation, but is one of the most dangerous to live in. It is argued that the gun violence would be prevented if they could not get easy access in Virginia. If this is true, why does Virginia not have a similar violence record?

Second, where did the number of "4,000 kids" shot dead every year come from? If you are going to use numbers like that, you need to state the sources. I checked the BATF stats, and they show a number more like 250 for 1995, and the National Health Safety Council shows 110 firearm deaths for 1998 from ages newborn-15. That is a far cry from 4,000. In that same time period, 850 drowned and 2,600 were killed in auto accidents.

What is the source of these numbers?

I am a military veteran who enlisted during the Vietnam conflict to do my part in protecting the rights of the citizens of this country. I support their right to speak their mind, but resent them trying to take away mine.

I would ask how a trigger lock would have prevented the death of the

GUEST COLUMNIST



DAN DONALDSON

woman from Chelsea. She would have had the key! There are plenty of laws on the books, but little enforcement. I would challenge Ms. Berne to check the number of times someone is turned down while attempting to purchase a firearm because they are not

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legally able to own one (this attempt is a five-year felony) and subsequently prosecuted. If President Clinton is to be believed as to the number of refusals, there are at least 300,000 known felons walking the streets. If these simple laws are not enforced, what makes her think more of the same will help anything?

In the areas with aggressive enforcement of existing laws, the crime rates have gone down significantly (e.g. Richmond).

How many of the moms who are marching have ever trained their children in firearms use? Education can

help a lot more than more laws. My children all know what to do if they see a gun. (Don't touch, leave, tell an adult.)

There has been one positive outcome from all of the publicity from the march. My wife is now badgering me to buy her a handgun while I still can.

Lastly, I think it is not the legislators who "don't get it." Much more could be done by proper parenting of children and working to preserve family values.

Dan Donaldson is a resident of Canton.

Elections are one way to create competition for utilities

Every now and again the state Legislature is good for a chuckle.

Case in point, Ameritech President Bob Coopers' testimony before the Energy and Technology Committee recently in which he preached the gospel of competition.

What the heck does this company know about competition? An outgrowth of the old government-endorsed Bell system monopoly, since the 1980s Ameritech has controlled the portion of the market most resistant to the opening of competition, local phone service. Even in the last five years, after the state Legislature opened local phone service to the entry of new firms, Ameritech has so dominated the industry in Michigan that few competitors have cared to enter the arena.

When Ameritech says it likes competition, it's like that proverbial 800-pound gorilla challenging all comers to arm wrestle. Might be fun for the gorilla. I suspect there'd be another thought on the part of the guy who

gets his arm crushed.

That's the first thing you have to understand. In order for it to be considered "competition," really, the "competitors" have to be "competitive."

Finding ways to inject competition into Michigan's previously monopoly-based utilities has been much on the minds of state lawmakers of late. While the state House of Representatives debated a proposed rewrite of the state's telecommunications law, senators at the other end of the Capitol building were discussing similar proposals to deregulate Michigan's electric utilities.

On that end of the building, Sen. John Cherry, D-Clio, insisted that to get his support for deregulation, the Legislature would have to agree to make the Public Service Commission an elected panel.

I figured it for a ploy. Since the PSC has always been an appointed panel, and all of Michigan's industry oversight panels are also appointed, I

didn't take this for a serious proposal. I figured Cherry was trying to send a message to the utilities.

It turns out he was absolutely serious. According to Cherry, utility oversight commissions in 19 states are subject to a regular electorate review. Michigan's utility rates are the third highest in the nation. "So what has the PSC got us. It could be argued all they've gotten us is higher rates," Cherry said.

Senate Majority Leader Dan DeGrow, R-Port Huron, thought it was a terrible idea. He berated the proposal. It would lead to pandering to voters by the candidates running for the commission. Candidates might run based solely on the lowest rates they could promise to rate payers, he

said.

The same could be said of senators and representatives, Cherry points out. Lawmakers set taxes. The argument could be made that if we allow senators and representatives to be elected, they could also run on setting the lowest possible tax rates, eventually leading the state to financial disaster and bankruptcy. That hasn't happened.

Still, if it's going to be up to the PSC to determine when true market competition is achieved in the utility marketplace in Michigan, as Gov. John Engler has proposed, then Cherry would argue the voters ought to be able to determine who sits on the PSC and will be making that call.

The proposal didn't fly, failing by only one vote, 19-18.

It might just be that this is an idea we should keep around, handy, and in our idea supply box.

The state Legislature tried once before to put competition in the telephone market five years ago, and it

If this industry turns out to be stubbornly resistant to change, perhaps an election is one way to inject competition into the system.

didn't work. Even the sponsor admits that now. So as legislators set out to fix that problem, and to do the same thing for other utilities, gas and electric, how well they'll do remains to be seen.

Should it fail, perhaps we should bring back Cherry's proposal for an elected Public Service Commission. After all, what could be more competitive than a good old-fashioned election? If this industry turns out to be stubbornly resistant to change, perhaps an election is one way to inject competition into the system.

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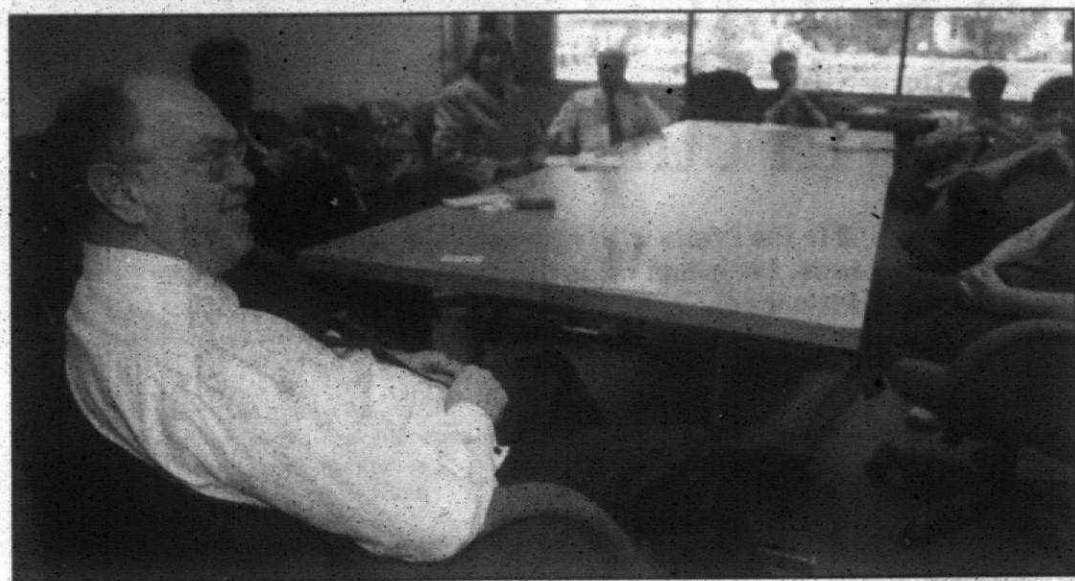
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Good times: MSU President Peter McPherson said the recent Spartan basketball championship has brought a large increase in freshman applications.

MSU's championship season leads to boom in applications

BY DAN WEST
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Michigan State University is convinced that athletic success leads to academic growth.

"More people know about Michigan State now than they did 12 months ago, and more are trying to find out what we offer," said MSU President Peter McPherson.

"I'm not always happy with the commercialism of college athletics, but overall, it's been a good thing for our school and our education programs."

Fueled by the Spartans' back-to-back Final Four appearances in the men's basketball tournament — capped by a national championship this spring — the number of students applying to the university grew to an all-time high of 23,000 during the 1999-2000 school year.

"That's up a few thousand applications from a couple years ago," said McPherson, during a meeting last week with Observer & Eccentric editors. "The application pool has grown significantly."

Despite the boom in applications, McPherson said the school still has to keep its level of incoming freshman at 6,500. MSU keeps 800 more students on an alternate list, but it still had to turn away nearly 16,000 applicants.

"It's tougher to get into Michigan State University than it was five years ago," he said. "I don't want to make it impossible to get into Michigan State, but we don't want to grow much more than the 43,000 students we have now."

The athletic success, plus more severe suspensions and penalties for misconduct, is helping MSU overcome the fears and problems created by a pair of riots during the 1998-99 school year, he said.

"We're certainly tougher now than we were at one time," McPherson said. "It's going to take a long time to stop behaviors like date rape and alcoholism, but we're at the forefront now and doing our part."

With a large pool of students to choose from, McPherson acknowledges the enhanced quality of students

MSU graduates. In accepting students, however, McPherson said MSU does not want to focus solely on grade-point averages and standardized test scores.

"We're trying to look more at extracurricular activities and other ways to see students who can obtain more success after 17 years old," McPherson said. "I don't want to become a place like some of the elite East Coast schools where students are so professor-proven that you'd be surprised if they failed."

"We want to make a contribution to the overall well-being of a young person."

The university is exploring more ways to use the Internet for registration and correspondence courses. McPherson said this could be a way to accept more students without constructing several more buildings or cramming more students into existing structures.

"We had 2,400 enrollments for web courses this year, which is a 150 percent increase over one year," he said. "We have some students doing their entire master's program over the web."

"We figure that will grow to thousands of students taking courses over the web in the next couple years."

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Maybury State Park holds National Trail Day cleanup

Maybury State Park in Northville Township will host a trail maintenance project 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday to mark National Trails Day.

All volunteers are encouraged to bring such tools as rakes, shovels and wheelbarrows. All people interested can register by calling Customer Service at the REI Store in Northville at (248)347-2100 or by email to mbanks@rei.com.

The service project at Maybury follows the national partnership model of a "tripod" that is made up of a business — REI, a land manager, the Department of

Natural Resources and an outdoor organization, SOLAR (School of Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation). In addition to the partners, local sponsors include the People's Food Coop of Ann Arbor and the Great Harvest Bread Company of Northville.

The main entrance to Maybury State Park is on Eight Mile Road, just west of Beck Road in Northville Township. All volunteers are asked to assemble at the Hickory Shelter between 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. rain or shine.

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JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

Uncover your child's creativity

In my private practice, parents often ask me how to uncover their child's natural creative abilities. It's easy to get caught up in their errors and mistakes, but not as easy to see their creative and imaginative side. As Jane M. Healy, Ph.D., author of "Your Child's Growing Mind" (Doubleday, 1994) says, every child is potentially quite gifted, but it's up to the parents and teachers to discover their child's individual talents and make the most of them.

Dr. Paul E. Torrance, author of "Guiding Creative Talent" has described the following four characteristics as a guide to parents to help unlock their children's creativity.

■ **Fluency:** Many relevant ideas can quickly be generated from one topic. My son participated in a program while in elementary school, titled Odyssey of the Mind. Its purpose was to get teams of kids to think "outside the box" and understand how brainstorming has a synergistic effect when people begin to throw all of their ideas into the hopper.

For example, in two minutes, yell out as many uses you can think of for a Frisbee. The quality of the responses improves as the seconds tick away. The obvious response for a Frisbee would be to throw it, but have you ever considered using it as a tray, an umbrella, or a bowl? This kind of activity can be done around the dining room table while at dinner with everyone throwing in their ideas. From 3 years old through adolescence, everyone likes to think up silly uses for things like an egg, a pop can or a putty knife.

■ **Flexibility:** Can you shift your thinking? My girlfriend Linda conducts a weekend seminar for a company called Nikken, and one of the exercises the 200 participants participate in is to pretend they have to get across a bridge. The stumper is that each person must go across the bridge in a different way from those who preceded them. Your flexibility is tested when you watch how everyone in front of you proceeds (the first few will skip, hop, jump or run), but by the time the 152nd person goes across the bridge, one must be very creative in the way he gets across. In our group, the last person actually went across doing backward somersaults.

■ **Elaboration:** use of details in working out an idea. Storytelling can be a fun way to enhance this characteristic. Again, as you all sit together, someone begins a story with "Once upon a time, there were..." The second person elaborates on the story, weaving unrelated details together in some interesting way. As the story progresses, the ideas will develop into a highly textured and imaginative story line.

■ **Originality:** creative and imaginative ideas that others haven't shared. As we hemmed and hawed about whether to play a board game one night, my daughter suggested that we play Monopoly, but go around the board backwards and with everyone already owning all of the properties in the very beginning. The idea was to run out of money first. This new rule made for an interesting game as each person attempted to "dump" his properties as fast as he could.

Any game can be played with new-and-improved rules that allows for originality. Have you ever tried to see how fast you can get "stuck" in the computer game Free Cell or with the card game Solitaire?

While uncovering a child's creativity, it is also important to evaluate how the well the idea works. Anyone who has ever invented something has had to do some critical thinking to make sure his idea is workable.

I remember a colleague who thought she had designed the most ingenious pizza knife. When it was suggested that her invention reminded people of a cake knife, she needed to rethink the configuration and come up with something more original...

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STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Paws out: Fridays child Roxanne Riggio, 12, with her pooch, Big Dog, visits seniors like Mildred Witherspoon at Presbyterian Village in Redford along with her mom Patty as part of the monthly pet-a-pet program.

Caring companion

Student lends helping 'paw' to seniors

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At the age of 12, Roxanne Riggio of Redford has a special understanding of the needs of others. Her mom says that she instinctively recognizes when someone requires a helping hand.

"Roxanne is always helping disadvantaged people," said Patty Riggio of her daughter, who has developmental needs of her own.

Roxanne, a student at Tyler Elementary School in Livonia, combines her compassion for others with her love of animals by volunteering with the Pet-a-Pet organization of southeastern Michigan. For the past two years, Roxanne and her mom have been seeing residents at local nursing homes with their pets Big Dog, a peek-a-poo, and Vito, a Rhodesian ridgeback.

"I love animals. Not so much cats but

definitely dogs," said Riggio.

With the two dogs by her side, Roxanne spends the first Saturday of every month at Presbyterian Village of Redford visiting with residents there.

"She's not shy about walking the hallways and seeking out people who aren't as mobile as others," said Roxanne's mother. "She isn't uncomfortable with people who have disabilities, either. She has a gracious attitude with them and has never been afraid to walk right into their room and talk."

A typical visit lasts a couple of hours as Roxanne shares her dogs with the residents in a small group setting. The residents enjoy kisses and attention from the dogs and conversation with

Roxanne.

"I like taking my dogs there and talking with people. They like it when we come to visit," said Roxanne.

A sixth grader full of energy and enthusiasm, Roxanne was diagnosed educably mentally impaired and is also being treated for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

Not one to let a challenge get in her way, Roxanne recently won a silver and gold medal in the district Special Olympic competition at Franklin High School in Livonia and will travel to Central Michigan University in June to participate at the state level in the backstroke and freestyle swimming categories.

"She is the most loving child you have ever seen," said Patty Riggio. "She's always saying 'I love you, mom' when I least expect it. She's also a leader in her class because she's constantly helping the other children that need more assistance."

Roxanne lives in Redford with her mother and father, Ron. She has two siblings Vanessa, 8, and sister, Michelle, 25.

With her last year of school as an elementary student drawing to a close, Roxanne is looking forward to a busy summer. She and her mom take the summer off from Pet-a-Pet but will resume in September when Patty Riggio takes over as coordinator of the Presbyterian Village Pet-a-Pet program.

Roxanne is anxious about the transition to middle school in the fall and has her eyes set on working with animals as a career.

IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Sue Ellen's Bears comfort kids

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More than five years ago Nancy Stanford witnessed something she'll never forget.

The Wayne resident was caring for her then 6-year-old grandson Cameron, by taking him to a few subdivision garage sales in the Livonia and Westland areas.

Without her knowledge, little Cameron - who lived with his family in Westland at the time - had stuck a peppermint candy in his mouth. It became lodged in his throat and the fire department responded to the call immediately.

Nervous and frightened, she could do nothing to calm him down as he cried. But the firefighters had a solution - they gave Cameron a teddy bear. Since he could still breathe, the safest thing to do was wait for the candy to melt. And wait they did, for 45 minutes while Cameron held tightly onto the bear.

"Mind you at the time my grandson was out of that kind of stuff," said Nancy Stanford. "He took that bear and he was holding it in his arms."

Cameron took the bear everywhere he went that weekend, recalled his grandmother. She was reminded of the incident when she read a recent newspaper article about Sue Ellen's Bears, a company based in St. Joseph that provides bears to state police posts in Michigan for just such occasions.

"I look for things like that in the paper," said Stanford, who donated money to the organization after winning a game of football squares.

■ **Ellen Machemer got the idea from a newspaper article she read in Florida. The idea got rolling when the Machemers purchased 50 bears with T-shirts reading 'Sue Ellen's Bears.'**

When Mel and Ellen Machemer received a letter and donation from The Stanfords recently, they knew their efforts had not gone unnoticed. The couple started the nonprofit organization to preserve the memory of their daughter, who at 16 years old was murdered by a classmate they believe was attempting to rape her. Now, 20 years later, the Machemers project has turned a haunting memory into something that continues to comfort children in traumatic situations including house fires, domestic violence, serious accidents and illnesses. And they're sure their daughter "would've loved this program."

"It's sort of a positive way of remembering her," said Ellen Machemer. "She was never out of our minds."

Ellen Machemer got the idea from a newspaper article she read in Florida. The idea got rolling when the Machemers purchased 50 bears with T-shirts reading "Sue Ellen's Bears."

"It wasn't very long we were buying 150 more," said Ellen Machemer. "It has just kind of snowballed." What started with a donation to the local police in Berrien County has spread to all 64 State Police posts in Michigan. They also give bears to fire departments, hospitals and victims assistance programs that reach children in need.

By talking to community groups and

schools, the Machemers have been able until now to raise the donations they need. "It's amazing how much they come up with," said Machemer of the schools in Berrien County. "We've seldom had anyone say no."

Now supplying bears across the state, they are spreading the word and seeking donations through grants.

At any time, the couple has 600 to 800 bears in their home waiting to be taken to the officials that can distribute them. They purchase bears every three to four months, now ordering at least 500 at a time.

No one knows for sure why teddy bears in particular seem so appropriate. Machemer said she first thought of collecting bears because she liked them, but this idea sounded even better.

Security

Stanford said teddy bears are just "cuddly and warm."

"They're a soothing thing," she said, recalling her fateful day with Cameron. "He was so panicky, I couldn't grab him. It was a comfort. I think a bear's soft and it feels good. He kept that bear."

Sue Ellen's Bears now accepts donations and will make T-shirts to fit any bear. With a new Web site in the works, the couple hopes to expand its boundaries even more in the future.

"When we lost our daughter, there were so many people who were wonderful to us," said Ellen Machemer. "We felt so loved by the whole community, this was our way of giving back."

Send donations of bears or funds to Sue Ellen's Bears, 2039 W. Marquette Woods Road, Stevensville, Mich. 49127. For more information check online at www.sueellensbears.org or send e-mail to mellen@qtm.net.

Tea features fashion with century flair

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It's not often that influential women from decades past converge to teach others about the evolution of their own independence.

Actually, it's impossible for Amelia Earhart and Jackie Onassis to share the same stage. But through the magic of history and fashion, the Plymouth Historical Museum takes a look back at the clothing and inspiration behind 20th century image-makers with its annual Victorian-style tea. Beth Stewart of the Plymouth Historical Museum said the annual teas are much anticipated in the community. "They have always been one of our most popular events," she said.

Showing good taste the museum will haul out the fine china, silver, linen and lace to serve a menu of tea sandwiches, fruit, scones, cookies, shortbread, chocolate-covered strawberries and other treats from 2-3 p.m. A special program, Personalities and Fashions of the 20th Century, will follow the tea.

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ry, will follow, complete with a live-fashion show featuring students from West Middle School in Taylor.

Behind the magic of the event is Pamela Yockey, history teacher, costume historian and lecturer. Yockey speaks on the subject across the country and has organized programs at the museum in the past.

"Everytime we have her here it's absolutely fantastic," said Stewart. "She has a personal collection that is just phenomenal."

From medieval gowns to '70s garb, Yockey owns a diverse and extensive collection of costumes which she also brings into the classroom.

The Canton resident has organized 10 students to perform in the show, each representing a specific woman from one of the past 10 decades. "This particular (program) is based on an article written almost 120 years ago," said Yockey. "It deals with what women of our generation would be like."

The students, ages 11-13, prepared speeches to teach the audience about what their particular characters did to advance the status of women. The time periods will be accurately reflected in the clothing the students model. Wearing vintage digs with the unmistakable flair of personalities in history, like Rosie the Riveter, the students are sure to bring this fashion show to life.

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obviously, it wasn't something she wanted to hear, but she knew that her invention wouldn't sell unless it was unique but functional.

So encouraging your children to use his imagination can only serve to enhance his creative side. Toys that spark creativity and ingenuity include blocks, pots and pans, boxes, toothpicks, pipe cleaners, sticky dots, magnets, buttons and other household items. The play item that must be manipulated or reconfigured stimulates the child's creative side far more than the toy that does all the work or the television show that entertains. The more time you spend creating opportunities for your child, the more their creative abilities will explode. Have fun!

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For the past 20 years, Yockey has been collecting vintage gowns and enjoys learning the historical significance of such pieces. "I like to know who wore it and what they did," she explains of the clothing and costumes. Her students are sharing in the enthusiasm as they participate in dress rehearsals for the weekend event.

Yockey's fascination has found its way into the Plymouth museum, of which she is a member. Yockey hopes those who attend learn about the independence women have struggled to gain in the 20th century. From those who lived in the shadow of their husbands to those who hit their stride in today's political arena, all ages, races, classes and professions are accounted for in the presentation.

Whether she's restoring a vintage bridal gown, sewing clothing for a re-enactment, or organizing a historical-influenced fashion show, Yockey said the greatest challenge is achieving accuracy. "Finding the accurate materials and supplies to best represent the time period—that's probably the hardest," she said.

While the Victorian tea events tend to draw more women than men, they are open to all who are interested. The Plymouth Historical Museum is a non-profit institution owned and operated by the Plymouth Historical Society.

Listings for the Singles Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131 or e-mail kmortson@oe.com or homecomm.net.

WEDNESDAY METRO SINGLES

Wednesday Metro Singles Dance begins at 8 p.m. and concludes at 1 a.m. Free swing dance lessons offered from 8-9 p.m. DJ, budget bar, refreshments, 21 and over, dress attire please. Roma's Banquet Hall, 32550 Cherry Hill Road (east of Venoy) in Garden City. Call (313) 869-1900/(313) 438-6258.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center has a Divorce Support Group that meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the McDowell Center (Room 225) from 7-9 p.m. No fee is required. Call (734) 462-4443. A support group from June to August follows:

June 13, group discussion. Facilitated by Cynthia Koppin.

June 27, Legal aspects of divorce. Learn about the legal process of divorce, including information on property settlement, custody, child support, visitation, alimony and more from Attorney at Law, Laura Reyes Koppak.

July 11, group discussion. Facilitated by Cynthia Koppin.

July 25, no meeting.

Aug. 8, group discussion.

SINGLES MINGLE

Facilitated by Cynthia Koppin. Aug. 22, Coping with Divorce. Florine Bond will discuss strategies for coping with the stress of divorce.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

Parents without Partners, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to the single-parent family. We offer educational, social, and recreational activities for single parents and their children. Dues \$30 per year. For membership information in the Ann Arbor Chapter #38 call (734) 973-1933 or visit the Web page at www.aapwp.org. Visit: www.aapwp.org or (734) 973-1933. Cost \$2/person. Upcoming schedule includes:

■ June 4, "Steps in Recovering from Divorce." Jay J. Radin, Ph.D., Licensed Clinical Psychologist, returns to talk about this "hot" topic. Dr. Radin has practiced in Ann Arbor for over 20 years. Sponsored by Ann Arbor Parents without Partners, Inc. Location: Zal Gaz Grotto, 2070 W. Stadium, Ann Arbor. 6-8 p.m. www.aapwp.org or (734) 973-1933. Cost \$2/person.

■ June 2, Singles Dance Fund Raiser for KidsSource at the Zal Gaz Grotto, 2070 W. Stadium, Ann Arbor. Music by DJ Imperial Sound. Cash bar. Non-smoking dance area. Sponsored by Parents without Partners, Inc. Dance 9 p.m.-1 a.m., \$7 non-member, \$5 members. www.aapwp.org or (734) 973-1933.

■ June 16, Singles Dance at the Zal Gaz Grotto, 2070 W. Stadium, Ann Arbor. Wear your "crazy hat" for fun. Music by DJ

Imperial Sound. Cash bar. Non-smoking dance area. Sponsored by Ann Arbor Parents without Partners, Inc. Dance 9 p.m.-1 a.m., \$7 non-member, \$5 members. www.aapwp.org or (734) 973-1933.

■ June 30, Singles Dance Fund Raiser for S.A.F.E. House at the Zal Gaz Grotto, 2070 W. Stadium, Ann Arbor. Casual attire. Music by DJ Imperial Sound. Cash bar. Non-smoking dance area. Sponsored by Ann Arbor Parents without Partners, Inc. Dance 9 p.m.-1 a.m., \$7 non-member, \$5 members. www.aapwp.org or (734) 973-1933.

CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB

A general meeting of the Catholic Alumni Club of Detroit (a non-profit organization of single Catholics, 21 and over, who have earned a bachelor's degree and are free to marry in the Catholic Church) will be held Wednesday.

TALK IT OVER

TTO meets the second Friday of each month in Knox Hall from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Join us as Pastor Paul Clough, minister to single adults at Ward Church will speak about the occult. Free will offering. Coffee/cookies served. Call (248) 374-5920.

SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES

Talk It Over meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. on the second Friday of the month in Knox Hall in Ward Church. Ministries Showcase 7:30 p.m. Single Parenting Ministry meets 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of the month in the parlor, room C317 and C319, at the church. A free meal

is served before the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Speakers or open discussion in a friendly, supportive and encouraging atmosphere. Free child care provided; Light-house Cafe, a coffeehouse setting, is offered 7-10 p.m. on the fourth Friday of the month in Knox Hall. The cost is \$5; all events provided by Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

METROPOLITAN SINGLES PROFESSIONALS

The MSP invite you to meet new friends, dance and socialize from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. There will be a Top 40 D.J., cash bar and hors d'oeuvres (8-9 p.m.). The ballrooms are non-smoking. Dance will be held Friday, May 26, June 2 and June 23 at Doubletree Guest Suites in Novi (Novi Road at I-96). Friday June 16 at Excalibur Convention Center in Southfield (Northwestern Highway and 12 Mile Road); and Monday, July 3 at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington Hills (13 Mile Road, east of Orchard Lake Road) for \$10 admission. For more information, call (248) 851-9909.

SINGLES WELCOME

Bethany Suburban West is a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance to divorced or separated Christians. Call (734) 981-4553 about the divorce recovery workshop. Monthly meetings are held the third Saturday of every month at 8 p.m. at St. Kenneth's Church, Haggerty Road (south of 5 Mile Road).

FUND-RAISING AND BENEFITS

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STROLL FOR EPILEPSY

The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan will host the "Summer

Stroll for Epilepsy" June 3 at Kensington Metropark in Milford. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. with continental breakfast; 9:30 a.m. awards presentation; 9:45 a.m. warm up and stretch routine; and 10 a.m. stroll around the lake. One lap is approximately four miles. Team up with family members friends and co-workers or walk as an individual with hundreds of other participants. Collect dona-

tions towards your own individual fund-raising goal. For a brochure to start collecting pledges call (800) 377-6226. The more money you raise, the better the prizes; and the more you help.

IN THE MOOD IV

The Gabriel Richard Historical Society hosts In the Mood IV - Latin Night, an evening of dining, entertainment and dancing on Thursday, June 8 at the

Roostertail Club in Detroit. The annual fund-raising event further restoration and preservation of St. Anne de Detroit, the oldest Catholic parish in Detroit, founded in 1701. Cocktail hour and silent auction begin at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m., dancing and live auction. \$125 per person (\$65 tax deductible). Black tie optional. Contact (313) 963-1888 for tickets.

Perry-Flevaris

Charles and Carolyn Perry of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Rose, to Anthony D. Flevaris Jr.

The bride-to-be is a Wayne State University graduate and works for Livonia Public Schools as an elementary school teacher.

Her fiancé, son of Tony and Carol Flevaris of Farmington Hills, is a University of Michigan graduate and works for Innovex, a pharmaceutical company.

A June wedding is planned.

Gustin-Turner

Robert and Nancy Gustin of Plymouth announce the marriage of Kristina Michele to Cameron Charles Turner of Vail, Colorado.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1994 graduate of the University of Michigan. Her husband is the son of Fiona Skinner and Ken Turner of Devon, England.

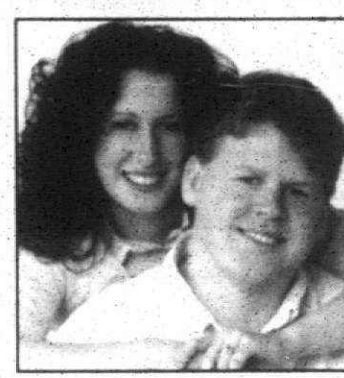
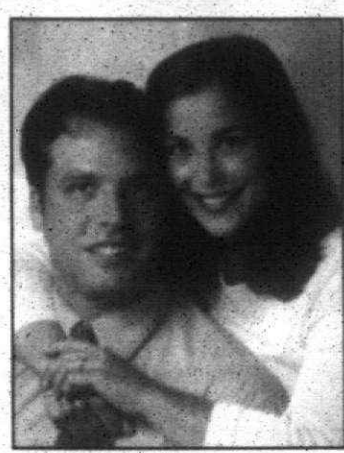
The couple wed April 8 at St. John Neumann Church.

Hollman-Wessel Ten Broeck

Mr. and Mrs. James Edwin Hollman announce the marriage of their daughter, Amy Louise, to Peter Wessel Ten Broeck on May 20 at St. Mary's Church in Ohio.

The bride is a 2000 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in accounting information systems. While at the university, she was a cheerleader and member of Alpha Kappa Psi, a co-ed business fraternity. She lives in Ypsilanti.

Her husband, son of Kathy Power and Charles Ten Broeck - a Canton resident - is also an



Eastern Michigan University graduate and works as a fifth grade teacher in Belleville.

ENGAGEMENTS AND WEDDINGS

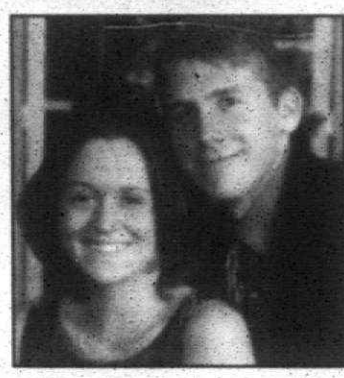
Logsdon-Pistro

James E. and Deborah L. Logsdon of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Lynn, to Robert Pistro of Caro, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a 2000 graduate of Northwood University and is employed by Deloitte and Touche.

Her fiancé, son of Charles and Sara Pistro of Caro, is a 1999 graduate of Northwood University and is employed by Fabiano Brothers of Saginaw.

A September wedding is



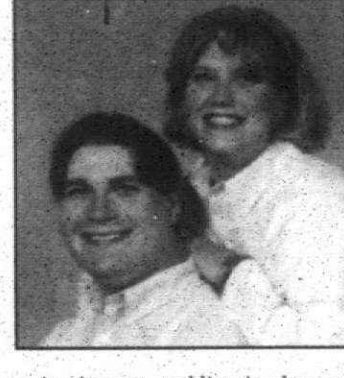
planned in Midland.

Johnson-Halsted

Scott and Julie Johnson of Plymouth, Minn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Amelia Earhart Johnson, to Brian Charles Halsted of Canton.

The bride-to-be is 1996 graduate of Wayzata High School in Minnesota and is a senior studying aviation management at the University of North Dakota.

Her fiancé, son of Lee and Lois Halsted of Canton, is a 1995 graduate of Salem High School and is studying air traffic control and space science at the University of North Dakota.



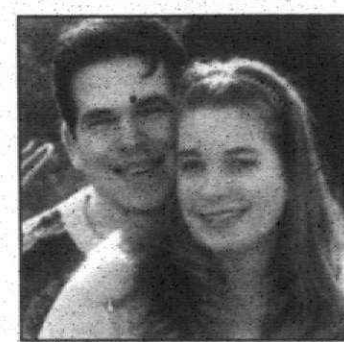
An August wedding is planned at Bethel United Methodist Church in Mound, Minn.

Dawley-Dodds

Kevin and Sue Dawley of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Ingrid, to Andrew Christopher Dodds of Redford.

The bride-to-be is a Spring Arbor College graduate who just obtained a degree in elementary education.

Her fiancé, son of James and Sandi Dodds of Michigan Center, is a 1998 graduate of Michigan State University who teaches at Wayne Memorial High School.



A June wedding is planned.

Emerson-Baynes

Darrel and Joy Emerson of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Joy, to Edward Lee Baynes of Franklin, Tenn.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of David Lipscomb University in Nashville. She works for the state of Tennessee as a social worker for the Department of Children's Services.

Her fiancé, son of John and Joyce Baynes, is a graduate of Franklin High School in Franklin, Tenn. and a graduate of the Tennessee Law Enforcement Academy. He has been on



the Franklin police force for five years.

A late August wedding is planned at the Otter Creek Church of Christ in Nashville.

Koester-Bowles

David and Elsie Koester of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Karyn Renee, to Timothy Lee Bowles of Romulus.

The bride-to-be is a Henry Ford Community College graduate and works as a critical care nurse for Sinai Grace Hospital.

Her fiancé, son of Edward and Judy Ostrowski of Nashville and Franklin Bowles of New Boston, is a 1989 graduate of John Glenn High School and works as an assembly leader at RHM Fluid Power.

A November wedding is



planned at St. Paul's American Lutheran Church.

Fry-Eldred

Jim and Teri Fry of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda, to Erik J. Eldred of Kalamazoo.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 Plymouth-Canton High School graduate and a 1998 graduate of Hope College. She works for Associated Design Services in Portage.

Her fiancé, son of Lynn and Jan Eldred of Kalamazoo, is a 1996 graduate of Hope College and earns a master's degree from Central Michigan University this year. He works for Kalamazoo Public Schools.



A July wedding is planned at Henry Ford Estate.

NEW ARRIVALS

■ Steven and Joann Pietryka of Novi announce the birth of Ryan Deogracias April 16 at St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia.

Grandparents are Raymond and Linda Pietryka of Livonia and Victor and Narcisca Deogracias of Westland. Mildred Johnson of Wayne is his great-grandmother.

■ Keith and Leigh Vaughn of Livonia announce the birth of Owen Brian Vaughn April 27 at St. Mary's Hospital.

Grandparents are Dennis and Pat Cole of Garden City and Lora Benson of Indianapolis, Ind. Mary Quinn of Troy counts Owen as number 27 among her great-grandchildren.

■ Craig and Lynn Leach of Livonia announce the birth of Nolan James May 5 at University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. He joins brother Nathaniel Douglas Leach, 22 months.

Grandparents are James Dean of Maybee, Mich., Ruth Dean of Monroe, and Cheryl and Doug Leach of Midland. Great-grandparents are Marsha and Don Otway of Midland and Lois and (the late) Howard Leach of Midland.

Crute

Ray and Barbara (Tschanz) Crute celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this May. The couple wed May 13, 1950 at Highland Park Baptist Church in Highland Park. The Crutes have been Livonia residents for 42 years.

Ray Crute is a 1947 graduate of Henry Ford Trade School and he worked for Ford Motor Company for 45 years. Barbara Crute worked as a private piano teacher and church organist for 30 years.

The Crutes have five children and 17 grandchildren. Four of the Crute children, Jennifer McCormick, Kevin Crute, Melinda Risher and Bonnie Philson attended a family dinner party May 5 along with their spouses



and children in honor of the celebration. The couple's eldest child, Darrell Crute, resides in California and was unable to attend.

The Crutes enjoy traveling and have just returned from a European cruise.

Leonard

Bob and Mary (Clark) Leonard celebrate fifty years as husband and wife this month.

The Farmington Hills couple, who have lived in the area for 39 years, wed June 10, 1950. They have two children, Debbie Schmidt who lives in Livonia with husband Dave, and Rob Leonard who resides in Arvada, Colorado. The Leonards also have three grandchildren.

Bob Leonard is retired after working 14 years with General Motors and Mary Leonard was employed by Connecticut General. The couple is very involved in church activities.

Mary Leonard volunteered transcribing Braille for a time and now enjoys shopping in her free time.



The family will gather to celebrate with a luncheon at Hawthorne Valley Country Club.

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WEEKEND

VEGAS PARTY

■ There will be a Vegas Party from 6 p.m. until midnight Saturday, June 3, at the K of C Hall, 150 Fair St., Plymouth. There will be blackjack, wheels, dice, roulette, food and beverages. For more information, call (734) 453-9833.

CANCER SURVIVORS DAY

■ St. Mary Hospital in Livonia is planning a variety of activities for area cancer survivors on National Cancer Survivors Day from 2 to 4 p.m., Sunday, June 4, in the West Addition Conference Room A, near the hospital's south entrance. The session will explore the "links of survivorship" with a panel of speakers including a cancer survivor, a support person and a member of the health care community. There will be refreshments, a prize drawing and mementos for cancer survivors. The event is free and open to the public. For more information or to register, call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

TABLES AND TEA

■ The Ann Arbor Women's Club presents its annual "Tables and Tea" from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 7, at the club, 1830 Washtenaw Ave. Featured will be dozens of table settings created by City Club members, their friends and area design and retail firms. Admission charge of \$10 includes tea and light refreshments. In addition, luncheon at a charge of \$12 will be available 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Reservations aren't required for the luncheon. Children younger than 8 won't be admitted. For more information, call the Women's City Club at (734) 662-3279.

SENIOR PARTY

■ P-CEP will have its all-night senior party beginning at 9 p.m. Sunday, June 11, at Plymouth Salem High School. This party is open to all P-CEP graduating seniors. Tickets are \$35 and are available at the schools.

PRINCETON REVIEW

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Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

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From M-14 take Goddard Rd. South
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Dr. Wm. C. Moore - Pastor

8:00 Prayer & Praise Service 9:30
Lifeline Contemporary Service
11:00 Traditional Service
SUNDAY SCHOOL (NURSERY PROVIDED)
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST SERVED
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Sunday School for All Ages

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Dr. James N. McGuire, Pastor

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Contemporary Service
8:30-9:45 A.M.
Evening Service
6:00 P.M. in the Chapel
Nursery Provided

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT FESTIVAL

2000 Beginning 5 p.m. Friday, June 9, St. Albert the Great's, 4855 Parker in Dearborn Heights, hosts a three-day festival featuring entertainment by Moose and The Sharks, midway rides by Arnold Amusements and a raffish tent. The rev. Dan Zaleski will hold Sunday mass at noon and the activities will resume. Money raised will be donated to the church's building fund. For details, call (313) 292-0430.

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Nursery Provided • 422-6038

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Sunday School
9:20 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

"Questions At The Crossroads"
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Rev. Thomas G. Badley
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Rev. Edward C. Coley
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220 N. Sheldon Rd. • Plymouth, MI
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ADULT BIBLE STUDY 7:15 a.m. - NURSERY AVAILABLE
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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Registration for 2000-2001 Sunday School is being accepted for Congregation Beit Kodesh (31840 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia). Affordable tuition. Tuition assistance available to those who qualify. Call (248) 477-8974 for information.

SUMMER ENSEMBLE

Grace Baptist Church, 28440 Lyndon in Livonia, will host the Summer Ensemble from Clearwater Christian College of Florida in concert 6 p.m. Sunday, June 4. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call (734) 425-6215.

SUMMER CAMP

Registration has begun at Christ Our Savior in Livonia for summer camp and fall classes. The church offers Christian programs for children ages 18 months to kindergarten during the school year and up through age 8 during the summer. Call Wendy at (734) 513-8413.

RAISE THE ROOF

Christ Our Savior (46001 Warren Road) - Canton Campus will host a contemporary praise concert "Raise the Roof" beginning at 7 p.m. June 3. The event is presented by "Circle of Friends" Canton Music Group. Special treat for kids. Ice cream social following the concert.

FINANCIAL SEMINAR

A financial seminar will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 3 at United Assembly of God, 46500 North Territorial Road in Plymouth. Free of charge. Continental breakfast offered. Must register to attend. Call (734) 453-4530.

SPORTS NIGHT

St. Timothy Presbyterian Church of Livonia (16700 Newburgh Rd) hosts a Call Friendship Club for mentally and physically challenged young adults 18 or older. A sportsnight and cook-out is planned for June 15 at the church. Cost \$3.00. For information call (734) 464-8844.

REDEEMED TREASURES

Redeemed Treasures thrift shop (sponsored by Detroit Teen Challenge) is open most Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. year round. The shop is at 20740 Grand River (1.5 miles east of Telegraph). While browsing, you can have your car washed and detailed for a donation.

BAPTISM ORIENTATION

To prepare for Baptism worship services, Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia, will hold an orientation class 11 a.m. June 4 in the church parlor. Please call (734) 425-3560 for information.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 6:00 p.m.
Family Night - Wed. 7:00 p.m.
NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN: 455-9186

Local area dancers honored

Dancers from four local communities have had an award-winning month. Marissa Malcolm, Katherine and Mo Wood of Plymouth, Halley Roberts of Livonia, Kristin Dunn of Garden City, and Emily Swanson, Ashley Smith and Elizabeth Licht of Canton have been honored for their skill in the area of dance. All are students of Metro Dance of Plymouth.

Their teachers, co-owners of Metro Dance Stephanie Plankner and Jeralynne Feasel recognized their efforts in a graded form of ballet, The Cecchetti Method.

There are four student grade levels in this method.

The Metro Dance Company members also attended the West Coast Dance Explosion Convention recently to learn the latest dance steps from professional dancers and choreographers in the video and motion picture industries.

The following week, the girls were back in the studio working hard to improve their routines, with an eye toward perfecting the artistry of dance, and perhaps a gold medal.

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Independence Parks & Rec
248-625-8223
Waterford Oaks
248-625-2447

ROCHESTER
Rochester Hills Tennis & Swim
248-652-1500
Rochester Parks & Rec
248-656-8306

TROY
Troy Parks & Recreation
248-524-3484
BIRMINGHAM
Birmingham Community Tennis
248-642-8500
Birmingham Racquet Club
248-644-5683
Royal Oak Parks & Rec
248-544-6680

LIVONIA
Livonia Family YMCA
734-261-2161

USA TENNIS
Tennis is the fun way to meet people and get fit. And it's easy to learn. The sooner you start the faster the fun begins! Call today to sign up for a free beginning lesson for players of all ages. It's free and it's fun!

RELIGIOUS NEWS

School 9 a.m. to noon June 19-23. Children age 3 through grade six are welcome to attend. The cost is \$5 per child. For more information, call the church office at (313) 534-7730.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
The Westland Church of the Nazarene, 38600 Palmer Road in Westland, will hold Vacation Bible School 6:30-8 p.m. June 19-23. For more information, call (734) 721-5545.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Vacation Bible School at Christ Our Savior Lutheran church, 14175 Farmington Road in Livonia, will take place from 9:30-11:30 a.m. June 19-23. Outback Expedition - Celebrating God's Family will include Bible stories, drama, music, games and crafts. Children age four through grade six are invited to attend. To register call (734) 522-6830.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Vacation Bible School at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile Road in Livonia, will take place 9:30 a.m. to noon June 26-29. Register by June 4 at Fellowship Hall or obtain forms in the church office. Grades 4 to 6 may attend and adult volunteers are needed. The fee is \$6 per child or \$18 per family. Call Debbie Pinnell at (734) 432-0164 or Laura Roulier at (734) 422-1530 for more information.

WORLD HEALING SERVICE
On Mon, June 19 a World Healing Service will take place at 7 p.m. facilitated by Barbara Wade, licensed Unity Teacher at Unity of Livonia (28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads). Come and pray for healing of Mother Earth, your loved ones, mankind, the world and yourself. Call (734) 421-1760.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. The next weekends are scheduled June 9-11 and July 14-16 at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile Road in Redford. There is a \$50 registra-

tion fee. Call Bill and Carol to register (248) 528-2512 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524. Visit www.rc.net/detroit/vwme.com

WOMEN'S RETREAT
Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church of Livonia/Canton will host the fifth annual overnight retreat Sept. 8-9 sponsored by Women's Ministry. The program titled "Enjoying the Presence of God," will be held starting at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8 and run through 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9 at the Holiday Inn/Fairlane in Dearborn. Guest speaker will be Jan Johnson an award-winning author of eight books and thousands of magazine articles. Jan will speak Friday on "Intimacy with God," and a service of prayer and praise will be led by the Canton Praise Team. After breakfast Saturday, Jan will speak on "Finding God in Hard Places/Empty Spaces." Following lunch she will give her last talk "Drawing Energy from the Heart of Christ." Cost before July 15, \$95 for double occupancy; \$85 triple; \$75 quadruple and \$40 for one day only. If you register between July 15 and Aug. 7 add \$10 to fee. Call Suann Dible (734) 522-6830.

HEALING SERVICES
The Rev. Gary Seymour offers healing services for the series titled "Rise and Come Forward" the third Wednesday evening of each month at the Church of the Risen Lord, 821 N. Newburgh in Westland. Call (734) 397-7132.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY
Thursday Bible studies at Timothy Lutheran Church are available from 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. The morning study is led by members of the congregation, and the evening study is led by the pastor. Timothy Lutheran Church is at 8820 Wayne Road in Livonia. Call (734) 427-2290 or visit www.timothyilivonia.com

NEW LIFE LUTHERAN
New Life Lutheran Church worships at 10:15 a.m. Sunday at Bird School, 220 N. Sheldon. Sunday school is also offered. Please call (734) 459-8181 or e-mail the church at newlife@yaho.com

NEW BIBLE STUDY
Adults interested in a complete overview of the scriptures may attend a Bible study at 9:15

a.m. Sundays at New Life Lutheran Church at Bird School, 220 N. Sheldon. Call (734) 459-8181 or e-mail the church at newlife@yaho.com

TAI CHI CLASSES
The Taoist Tai Chi Society, a nonprofit organization, is forming new, beginner tai chi classes, at 38121 Ann Arbor Road, Livonia, St. Paul United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills. Observers welcome. For more information, call the Taoist Tai Chi Society at (248) 332-1281. Tai chi is an exercise that works all of the body's systems deeply and gently, making it an exercise suitable for persons of all ages and conditions of health.

TAI CHI
New Tai chi session begins at 7:30 p.m. June 12 at Nativity United Church, 9435 Henry Huff Road in Livonia. Class meets every Monday evening. Tai chi is a holistic health method of self-healing. Instructor is Jeff Smith, who has practiced Tai Chi for 15 years. The cost is \$25 for a six week session and all ages are welcome. Please call (734) 421-5406 for more information or e-mail nativityusa@ameritech.net. Classes are limited to 20 people.

HEALING SERVICE
The Church of the Risen Lord presents a healing service at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the church, 821 N. Newburgh, south of Ford, Westland. The service, led by the Rev. Gary Seymour, is part of the series of healing services, "Rise



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HONOR ROLL

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United Way

The organizations listed on this page and their employees are being recognized for their outstanding achievements in the 1999 United Way Campaign. These organizations represent those with 10 or more employees.

Thanks to their commitment and dedication, United Way donations reached out to fulfill our community's greatest needs... providing healthy, enriching opportunities for youth; providing a safe place for families who are victims of domestic violence; low-cost medicine for older adults, and training and counseling for unemployed workers.

Because of your help, United Way Community Services and more than 130 funded agencies work every day to give those in need one more reason to smile.

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Soccer champions

•The Canton Cougars under-12 boys premier soccer team captured top honors in the Blue Division at the 18th annual Canton Invitational Soccer Tournament last weekend. The Cougars posted a 5-0 record in sweeping to the title.

The Cougars won their group with a 9-1 victory over the SCSC Stingrays. In the semifinals, the Cougars routed the Dearborn Heights Footers 8-2, then beat the Livonia Wings 3-1 in the title match.

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

•The Canton Blue Oaks, an under-nine boys select soccer team and a member of the Canton Soccer Club, placed first in its division in the recently-completed indoor season at Wixom Total Soccer.

The Blue Oaks were 6-1-1 in the under-nine 8v8 Select Division in the Indoor League last winter. After winning the Sydney Mayfest 2000 Soccer Tournament in Sydney, Ohio, the Blue Oaks ended up with a first-place finish in their under-nine 8v8 Select Division at last weekend's Canton Invitational Soccer Tournament, going 3-0-0 while outscoring opponents 17-7.

Coached by Greg Demopoulos and trained by Bill Joker, team members are James Abraham, Trenton Buycks, Eric Caron, Alex Covert, George Demopoulos, Brian Ebert, Anthony Eisenmann, Mike Eimers, Josh Hurst, Austin Kaczanowski, Joshua Pascarella, Daniel Radosevich, Philip Rollinger and Evan Yoder.

Top runs

Andy Briggs, a Plymouth Salem HS graduate now a sophomore (freshman eligibility) at Western Michigan University, recorded three of the Broncos' top five times in the 800-meter run this season.

Briggs had the team's best clocking of 1:53.20 at the Notre Dame Quad Meet April 1. He subsequently posted times of 1:55.26 and 1:55.78.

Rollerhockey sign-up

•Today is the deadline to register for an over-30 senior men's rollerhockey league at Skatin' II Station. League play, which last 10 weeks, begins June 8 and continues every Thursday (game times are 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.) through Aug. 10.

Cost is \$110 per person. Mandatory equipment includes helmet, knee and shin pads, elbow pads, gloves and cup. In order to block out a team and have no further players added to that team, you must pay a team fee and submit a roster.

Call (734) 459-6401 for more information.

•A Bantam Division age group rollerhockey league is now being formed at Skatin' II Station. The league will play at 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays for seven weeks, from June 27 through Aug. 15. The league is for 9-12 year olds.

League fee is \$85 per person, which includes hockey jersey and all referee fees. Each player MUST attend the evaluation session, scheduled for 5 p.m. June 20, to be placed on a team.

Mandatory equipment includes helmet with cage, knee and shin pads, elbow pads, gloves and cup.

For more information, call (734) 459-6401.

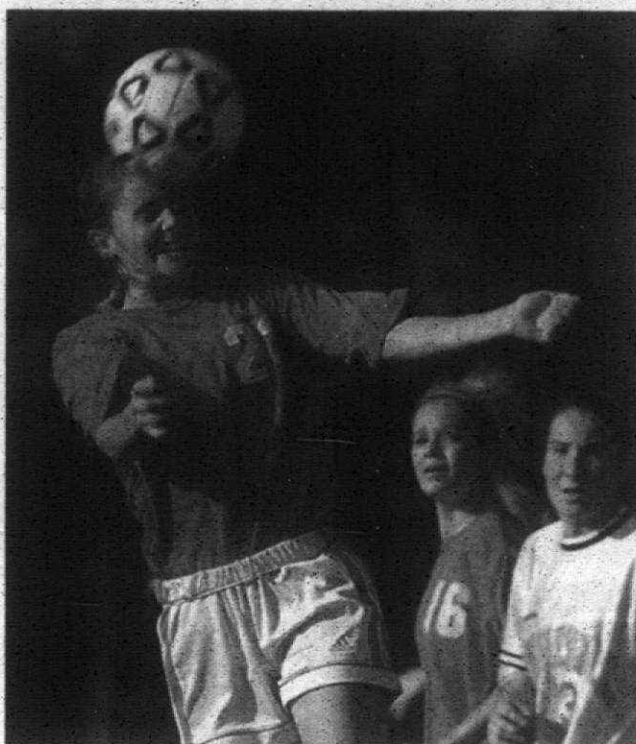
•Four divisional age group rollerhockey leagues are forming at Skatin' II Station, with league play for Mites (seven-and-under), Squirts (8-9), Bantam (10-12) and Juniors (13-16). Games will be on Fridays and Mondays, beginning June 23 and lasting seven weeks through Aug. 11 and Aug. 14.

Players wishing to participate MUST attend the appropriate evaluation session to be placed on a team. Sessions will be: for seven-and-unders, 4:30 p.m. June 16; for ages 8-9, 5:30 p.m. June 16; for ages 10-12, 5 p.m. June 19; and for ages 13-16, 6:15 p.m. June 19.

Cost is \$85 per person, which includes hockey jersey and all referee fees. Mandatory equipment includes helmet with cage, knee and shin pads, elbow pads, gloves and cup.

Mites and Squirts will play between 4:30-6:30 p.m. Fridays; Juniors will play between 4:30-6:30 p.m. Mondays; and Bantams between 6:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays.

Call (734) 459-6401 for more information.



Head first: Canton's Amanda Lentz (22) was quite a contributor in the Chiefs' victory, scoring on a header at the start of the second half.

Morrell ignites uprising
as Chiefs blast Churchill

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The midway point of the first half was approaching when Livonia Churchill assistant coach Dave Hebestreit turned around and said to a reporter standing a few feet behind the Chargers' bench, "It's been pretty even so far."

An accurate assessment, considering when it was given. And it pretty much stayed that way until . . .

Lightning struck. Plymouth Canton got all-state forward Anne Morrell back for this first-round state district soccer game and it made a big difference. Morrell scored on a quick set-up with 13:11 left in the first half, then assisted on a second Canton goal to make it 2-0 at halftime.

Those two scores set up a

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four-goal onslaught in the first 12:20 of the second half, which gave the Chiefs a 7-2 triumph.

Canton takes a 16-1-2 record to the district semifinals against Plymouth Salem, tonight at 6 p.m. at Canton. The winner of that match advances to the district final against the Westland John Glenn-Novis winner, a match that will be played at 6 p.m. tonight at Novi. The district final is 11 a.m. Saturday.

"I was kind of shocked by it," admitted Churchill coach Chad Campau, his team bowing out with an 8-9-1 record. "They're shooting percentage was unbelievable. Our goalie (Jennifer Gabon) didn't even play badly."

Morrell's game-opening goal

was a perfect indication of how quickly things can change. A foul against a Churchill midfielder resulted in a Canton free kick 10 yards into the Chargers' end of the field, a kick Amanda Lentz quickly took.

She got the ball to Morrell on the left side of the field, catching the Churchill defenders ever-so-slightly off-guard. And that's all Morrell needed, powering a shot past Gabon to make it 1-0.

The tide was beginning to rise against Churchill. With 1:49 to play in the half, Morrell took possession of the ball 35 yards away from the Charger goal. With defenders converging, she slipped a pass through to Ashley Rosaen, and she beat Gabon to increase Canton's lead to 2-0.

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What a start!

Canton's Stewart no-hits Falcons in districts

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Laura Stewart's near-perfect pitching and timely hitting provided the ideal post-season start for the Plymouth Canton softball team.

The senior right-hander picked a good time to throw her first no-hitter Tuesday in a pre-district game against Farmington.

Stewart's superb pitching and bases-loaded single sparked the Chiefs, who were visitors at their own diamond, to a 7-0 victory over the Falcons.

It wasn't until the sixth inning when Stewart said she became aware of the no-hit bid.

"When we came back in, our third baseman said 'You have a no-hitter, not to jinx it or anything.' I only had one more (inning) to go," Stewart said.

"I haven't thrown one yet, so I always figure there's one (hit) in there somewhere. I've had my one hits and two hits. I've been working for this for a long time."

Stewart, who had seven strikeouts, was just two walks away from pitching a perfect game.

After walking Meghan O'Rear in the first inning, she retired 18 batters in a row until putting Kim Livingston aboard with two out in the seventh.

"I've been really sick, so it felt good to get back in the swing of things and throw really well," Stewart said.

"The drop curve was working real well. They were swinging late, so I stayed with that and the fastball. I stayed with the fast ones, and I stayed on the corner."

A bout with the flu kept Stewart from pitching against arch-rival Plymouth Salem on May 24, and the Chiefs lost a mercy-rule game, 14-1.

She returned to pitch Friday in the Western Lakes Activities Association championship game, but North Farmington was a 9-0 winner over Canton.

"I thought she was extremely on

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today," Canton coach Jim Arnold said, adding Stewart was back to 100 percent. "She was having fun today. All her pitches were working, and she seemed to be very relaxed out there."

"The defense played a good game behind her. This is what this team is capable of doing if they're relaxed and they go out there and play ball."

After a rough week, it was a nice turnaround for the Chiefs, who will face North again in a district semifinal game Saturday at Canton.

"Hopefully, this is the start of an uphill climb all the way to the state finals," Arnold said. "We have the athletes to do it. It's just a matter of playing relaxed, having some fun and doing the things we know we can do."

"We need to play this well Saturday. North Farmington has beaten us us twice; hopefully, the third time will be the charm."

The Chiefs (20-11) gave Stewart all the support she needed with a four-run first inning, and Stewart helped her cause with what proved to be the game-winning hit.

A leadoff walk to Paula McKernan and back-to-back singles by Michelle Devos and Jonelle Brown loaded the bases for Stewart, who delivered a two-run single.

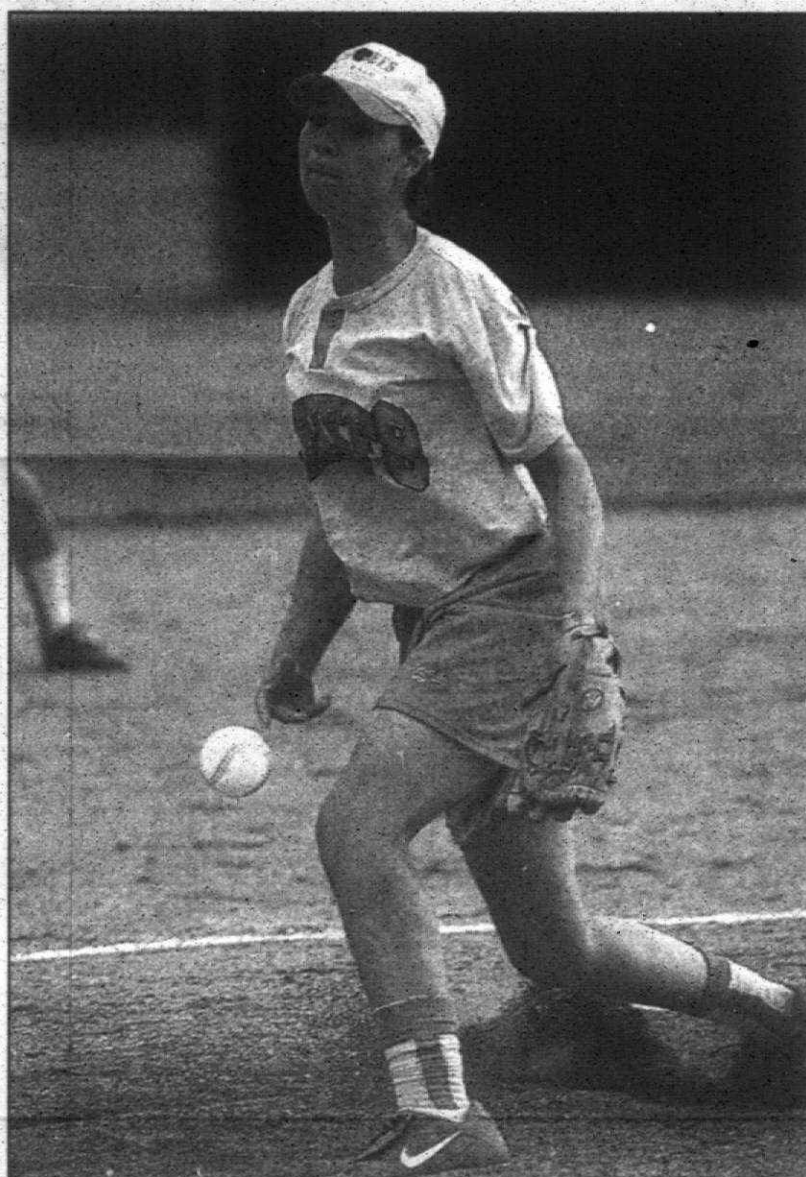
"She's been our No. 4 hitter all year," Arnold said. "She makes good contact with the ball and hits with a little power, too."

Brown scored on Jenna Perino's groundout, and Stewart made it 4-0 on a double steal after a walk to Christina Kiessel.

"We haven't been able to score (in previous games)," Stewart said. "We have the record for extra innings, so scoring in the first inning makes it a lot nicer and easier for me."

"I always worry when we're the visiting team against a good team like

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STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Nearly perfect: Laura Stewart couldn't have started the state tournament better, tossing a no-hit shutout at Farmington — the team that eliminated Canton's highly-rated team last year.

Chiefs mercy Farmington

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Half of Tuesday's pre-district tournament baseball qualifier between Farmington and host Plymouth Canton was ugly.

Unfortunately for the Falcons, that half of the game was all theirs.

Five errors in the first inning led to two runs for the Chiefs, and it never got better for Farmington, which bowed out with an 11-1, five-inning mercy-rule thumping.

Canton, now 21-8, advances to Saturday's district tournament co-hosted by Canton and Salem. The Chiefs meet North Farmington at 11 a.m. at Canton's field, while Salem plays Livonia Stevenson at 11 a.m. at Salem. The championship will be at approximately 1:30 p.m. at Canton.

"I was hoping you didn't come to this game," said Farmington coach Pete Finn, his team exiting with a 17-

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11 record. "This was our worst game of the year."

"We weren't really mentally in it. I can't explain it — it was a tough day to be a coach. We were in one mercy situation all year."

Figuring out the difference in this game wouldn't be too tough: The Falcons committed nine errors, while Canton made one.

Combine that with the pitching of Chiefs' ace Jon Johnson, and you can't lose. Johnson surrendered just three hits and did not walk a batter, striking out five in five innings.

"He did a pretty good job," said Canton coach Scott Dickey of Johnson's performance. "He's been our ace all year. He had a couple of tough losses to Farmington Harrison, but he pitched well."

"He not only throws hard, but he only walked 10 batters going into this game."

Ian Pardonnet took the loss for Farmington; he lasted 1 2/3 innings, giving up seven runs (all unearned) on five hits and no walks, striking out one.

Canton's first two runs were the result of a bad throw by third baseman Bob Houchins on lead-off batter Bryan Kay's grounder and a perfect bunt single by Jim Reddy. Kay moved to third on Oliver Wolcott's fly to center and then Pardonnet tried to pick-off Reddy at first with Johnson batting.

But Pardonnet's throw went into right field. Kay scored, and when the throw to third to try and get Reddy eluded Houchins, Reddy scored, too.

Jason Evans opened Canton's second inning with a single; a throwing

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STAFF PHOTO BY LIZ CANNON

In safely: Canton's Jim Wisniewski reaches third ahead of the tag.

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Salem has the talent to finish with the best at Division I state meet

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This kind of tune-up has come in handy in the past for Plymouth Salem's girls track team.

The Meet of Champions, hosted by Ann Arbor Pioneer and run at Ypsilanti HS, doesn't keep team scores but allows only those who have reached qualifying standards.

Such a meet, Salem girls track coach Mark Gregor feels, is beneficial.

"That's what we're hoping," he said. "We've been going to this meet for the last 10 or 12 years, and it really helps the girls get back on track after the Memorial Day break."

Tiffany Grubaugh wasn't her normally dominating self at the meet, although she did finish second in the shot put (39-feet, 9-inches) and third in the discus (119-9). But she wasn't last year, either, when she went on to win the discus and finish third in the shot at state meet.

Autumn Hicks turned in some very solid performances, placing second in the 400-meter run (59.1) and fourth in the high jump (5-0). She also combined with Brynne DeNeen, Aisha Chappell and Rachel Jones for a second in the 4x400 relay (4:06.4) and with Michelle

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Bonior, DeNeen and Jones for a third in the 4x200 (1:47.1).

Bonior, Susan Woodard, Jessica Shamberger and Jones were also third in the 4x100 (51.0).

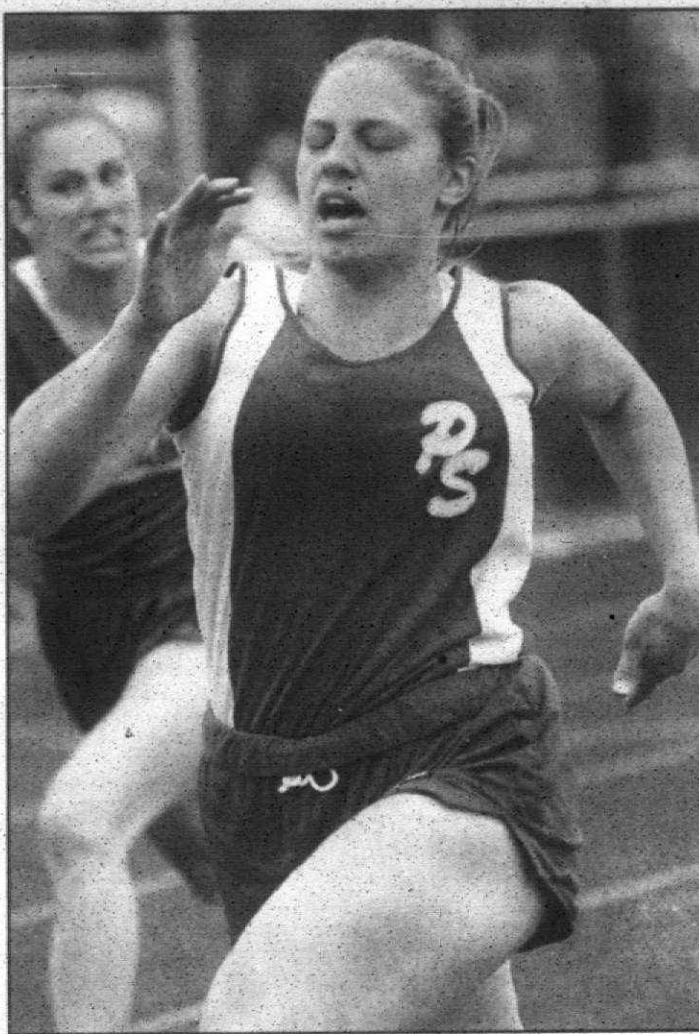
Other good outings came from DeNeen, third in the long jump (15-8 1/2); Chappell, third in the high jump (5-0) and sixth in the 100 hurdles (1:59); Bonior, sixth in the 100 (12.9); and Jones, sixth in the 200 (26.4).

Now comes Saturday's Division I state final at Rockford. Just how high Salem finishes could come down to a number of factors.

"We're shooting for a top-10 placing," said Gregor. "We have to score between 18 and 25 points. The potential is there to do that. We have some good seeds."

Grubaugh could provide quite a few of those points, if she can even match last year's performance. "Tiffany's right up there," said Gregor. "Competition gets her excited. She's got a great chance in the discus and shot."

Salem's 4x200 relay is seeded fourth and its 4x100 relay is eighth, two other events in which there is a strong possibility of scoring points. Also, the Rocks are solid in the high jump,



FILE PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Top sprinter: Salem's Michelle Bonior is one of the Rocks' best sprinters. She figures to run on a pair of relays at Saturday's state meet.

the long jump and the 100 hurdles.

A couple of breaks combined

with determined efforts could push Salem above — perhaps beyond — Gregor's goal.

Canton gets ready for state meet with pair of strong showings

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The build-up to the Division I boys state track meet has been impressive for Plymouth Canton.

Last Saturday at a state team track final at Brighton HS, hosted by the Michigan Track Coaches Association (MTC) — and not associated with the Michigan High School Athletic Association — the Chiefs went up against four state regional champs and ended up placing second.

On Tuesday at the Meet of Champions at Ypsilanti HS, hosted by Ann Arbor Pioneer, the Chiefs came away with two firsts and three seconds.

It should all add up to something special for Canton at Saturday's state meet in Rockford.

"We've got a chance to score some points," said Canton coach Bob Richardson. "Finishing in the top 10 isn't unrealistic."

Canton has four individuals qualified in a total of six events, but only three of them will compete. Ugo Okumabua qualified for regionals in the long jump, but on his last jump at the region he injured his knee.

The Chiefs' other individual event qualifiers are Jordan Chapman in the high jump and pole vault, Jerry Gaines in the 400-meter and 800-meter runs, and Chris Kalis in the high jump.

All three have an excellent chance of scoring points at state. Chapman has been clearing 6-foot-5 in the high jump consistently all season, an effort Richardson feels would put him in the leaders at state.

Gaines' best time in the 400 — 49.5 — has him seeded second in the state. And Kalis has also cleared 6-5 in the high jump.

Richardson was also hoping to "grab a point or two" from his relay partners, the 4x200 team of Gaines, K.J. Singh, Jamie Bonner and Mike Parker, and the 4x400 team of Gaines, Singh, Bonner and Jack Tucci.

"A top-10 finish is wishful," he said.

On Saturday at the six-team state team finals, the Chiefs came away with five first-place finishes. The meet was run like a six-team dual meet, with each team entering three athletes in each event, with all entrants scoring points.

Rockford won the meet with 1,131.5 points; Canton was next with 1,062.5, followed by Novi (1,044.5), Saline (944.5), North Farmington (806) and Detroit MacKenzie (238).

"It was an exciting day," said Richardson. "Hopefully, we'll

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be able to do it again next year.

Chapman doubled up his first places, winning both the high jump (6-2) and pole vault (13-7). He also placed fourth in the long jump (19-4).

Kalis also excelled, winning the 110 hurdles (15.5), placing second in the high jump (6-0) and taking sixth in the 300 hurdles (42.2).

Gaines finished first in the 400 (50.5) and was fourth in the high jump (5-6), and the 4x200 relay team of Singh, Nate Howe, Tucci and Parker was a winner as well (1:31.9).

Indeed, three of the Chiefs' relays were superb. Kalis, Howe, Gary Lee and Parker combined for a second in the 4x100 (44.7), and Tucci, Ricky Singh, K.J. Singh and Gaines were second in the 4x400 (3:28.9).

Other impressive individual performances came from Asa Hensley, who was third in both the shot put (44-10 1/2) and discus (132-2); from Parker, with a third in the 100 (11.6) and a fourth in the 200 (23.5); from Tucci, who was third in the 400 (51.9); and from K.J. Singh, who was fourth in the 100 (11.7).

At Tuesday's Meet of Champions, in which no team scores were kept and all individuals had to make qualifying standards, there were a couple of impressive Canton performances — the most notable coming from Gaines in the 900. He took second in 1:57.8, breaking the Canton school record of 1:58.3 set by Mike Potter in 1975.

Kalis sparked in three events, winning the 110 hurdles (15.5), placing second in the 300 hurdles (40.2) — a season's best time — and taking third in the high jump (6-4).

Chapman was also a winner, capturing top honors in the pole vault (13-6). In addition, he took a second in the high jump (6-5) and a fourth in the long jump (19-7 3/4).

Other thirds went to Ken Page in the long jump (19-8 1/2) and Scott Gillen in the 1,600 (4:41.4), and the 4x400 relay team of Tucci, Ricky Singh, K.J. Singh and Gaines (3:29.2).

Fourth went to the 4x800 relay foursome of Brian Page, Aaron Schmidt, Marty Kane and Tony Mize (8:33.2) and the 4x200 team of K.J. Singh, Howe, Lee and Parker in the 4x100 relay (44.3).

Finishing fifth were Jamie Bonner in the 100 (11.6), Tucci in the 400 (52.0), K.J. Singh in the 200 (23.0), and Bonner, Howe, Lee and Parker in the 4x100 relay (44.3).

"It was an exciting day," said Richardson. "Hopefully, we'll

Following are the Observerland best track-and-field results. Coaches can fax update information to (734) 591-7279 or call (734) 953-2141.

SHOT PUT
Mike Morris (Redford CC) 53.11
Mike Gaura (Churchill) 53.6
Mark Snyder (Salem) 50.9-1/2
Nate Meekes (Luth. Westland) 48
Nate Hensman (Franklin) 48
Asa Hensley (Canton) 45-10
Josh Meekes (Luth. Westland) 45-8
Dave Boucher (Salem) 45-4
Jeff Swinger (N. Farmington) 45-1
Nick Hall (Harrison) 44-5

DISCUS
Mike Morris (Redford CC) 151.8
Charlie Rozum (Redford CC) 148-7
Nate Meekes (Lutheran Westland) 145-1
Brad Person (Harrison) 144-7
Mark Snyder (Salem) 142-5
Jeff Durewek (Redford CC) 141-5
Andrew Ribar (Churchill) 140-6
Nate Hensman (Franklin) 139-10
Roy Crittenden (Farmington) 138-7
Ben Lukas (Farmington) 134-11

HIGH JUMP
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 6-6
Chris Kalis (Canton) 6-5
Jeremy Mizes (Farmington) 6-5
Layne Boddy (Farmington) 6-4

LONG JUMP
Eric Scott (Churchill) 21-
Gabe Cobe (Salem) 21- 3/4
Ugo Okumabua (Canton) 21-0
Kwame Hampton (Wayne) 20-6
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 20-3
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 20-2
Michael Rashad (Wayne) 20-2
Ken Page (Canton) 20-1
Aaron Velthoven (Redford CC) 19-11
Jewell Spinks (Farmington) 19-11
Derek Laskowski (Harrison) 14-2
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 13-6
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 12-0
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 12-6
Shannon Simon (Garden City) 12-0
Kevin Pitterman (Churchill) 12-0
Brian Davis (Luth. Westland) 12-0
Brian Page (Canton) 11-6

POLE VAULT
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 13-6
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 12-0
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 12-6
Shannon Simon (Garden City) 12-0
Kevin Pitterman (Churchill) 12-0
Brian Davis (Luth. Westland) 12-0
Brian Page (Canton) 11-6

100-METER DASH
Mike Morris (Redford CC) 15.1
Kevin Woods (Harrison) 22.4
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 22.5
Blair Weiss (N. Farmington) 22.6
Darryl Anglin (Borgess) 22.9
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Nick Soper (Stevenson) 51.4

200-METER DASH
Agim Shabaq (Harrison) 22.1
Kevin Woods (Harrison) 22.4
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300-METER DASH
Chris Kalis (Canton) 40.2
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 40.4
Kylie Meteyer (N. Farmington) 40.5
Dave Brown (Redford Union) 41.1
Brant Hauck (Churchill) 41.1
James Cook (Harrison) 41.7
Rob Showalter (Salem) 42.2
Nick Doherty (Luth. Westland) 42.2
Brian Davis (Luth. Westland) 42.3
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400-METER DASH
Alexandra Marshall (Mercy) 12.7
Angela Mikkelson (Stevenson) 12.7
Meredith Fox (Canton) 12.9
Jessica Shamberger (Salem) 12.9
Theresa Chermakoff (Stevenson) 13.0
Sharia Feltor (Redford Union) 13.0
Celine Davis (Salem) 13.0

500-METER DASH
Rachel Jones (Salem) 25.8
Dayna Clemens (N. Farmington) 26.3
Autumn Hicks (Salem) 26.5
Alexandra Marshall (Mercy) 26.5
Katie Bouschet (Farmington) 26.9
Kelly Carey (Ladwood) 27.3
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Dominique Whittier (Borgess) 1:01.0
Rita Marie (Franklin) 1:01.8
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Erin Mazzoni (Stevenson) 1:02.2
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Tekia Bude (Canton) 1:03.1

800-METER RUN
Andrea Parker (Stevenson) 2:25.8
Sarah Westrick (Churchill) 2:26.8
Andrea Doud (Ladwood) 2:29.0
Tess Kuehne (Luth. Westland) 2:29.9
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Tara Tarole (Stevenson) 5:36.2
Heidi Frank (N. Farmington) 5:36.4
Sarah Westrick (Churchill) 5:36.6
Sarah McCormack (Canton) 5:38.8

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Susan Duncan (Churchill) 12:06.5
Tess Kuehne (Luth. Westland) 12:08.5
Sara Pilon (Stevenson) 12:17.4
Mary Maloney (Canton) 12:19.5
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Chris Kalis (Canton) 40.2
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 40.4
Kylie Meteyer (N. Farmington) 40.5
Dave Brown (Redford Union) 41.1
Brant Hauck (Churchill) 41.1
James Cook (Harrison) 41.7
Rob Showalter (Salem) 42.2
Nick Doherty (Luth. Westland) 42.2
Brian Davis (Luth. Westland) 42.3
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 42.3

400-METER DASH
Alexandra Marshall (Mercy) 12.7
Angela Mikkelson (Stevenson) 12.7
Meredith Fox (Canton) 12.9
Jessica Shamberger (Salem) 12.9
Theresa Chermakoff (Stevenson) 13.0
Sharia Feltor (Redford Union) 13.0
Celine Davis (Salem) 13.0

500-METER DASH
Rachel Jones (Salem) 25.8
Dayna Clemens (N. Farmington) 26.3
Autumn Hicks (Salem) 26.5
Alexandra Marshall (Mercy) 26.5
Katie Bouschet (Farmington) 26.9
Kelly Carey (Ladwood) 27.3
Brianna Watson (Ladwood) 27.3
Theresa Chermakoff (Stevenson) 27.4
Sharia Feltor (Redford Union) 27.5
Celine Davis (Salem) 27.6

600-METER DASH
Autumn Hicks (Salem) 59.1
Rachel Jones (Salem) 1:00.2
Alexandra Marshall (Mercy) 1:00.2
Meredith Fox (Canton) 1:00.7
Dominique Whittier (Borgess) 1:01.0
Rita Marie (Franklin) 1:01.8
Brynne DeNeen (Salem) 1:01.9
Erin Mazzoni (Stevenson) 1:02.2
Laura Gynn (Harrison) 1:02.7
Tekia Bude (Canton) 1:03.1

800-METER RUN
Andrea Parker (Stevenson) 2:25.8
Sarah Westrick (Churchill) 2:26.8
Andrea Doud (Ladwood) 2:29.0
Tess Kuehne (Luth. Westland) 2:29.9
Michelle Phillips (Churchill) 2:30.6
Rachel Wodyka (Churchill) 2:31.0
Erica Johnson (Franklin) 2:31.2
Brynne DeNeen (Salem) 2:31.7
Heather Vandette (Stevenson) 2:31.8
Tessa Tarole (Stevenson) 2:31.9

1,000-METER RUN
Andrea Parker (Stevenson) 5:19.5
Heather Vandette (Stevenson) 5:23.4
Tessa Tarole (Stevenson) 5:26.2
Susan Duncan (Churchill) 5:27.0
Holly Stockton (N. Farmington) 5:34.5
Tess Kuehne (Luth. Westland) 5:35.0
Tara Tarole (Stevenson) 5:36.2
Heidi Frank (N. Farmington) 5:36.4
Sarah Westrick (Churchill) 5:36.6
Sarah McCormack (Canton) 5:38.8

1,200-METER RUN
Andrea Parker (Stevenson) 11:45.8
Heather Vandette (Stevenson) 12:05.5
Susan Duncan (Churchill) 12:06.5
Tess Kuehne (Luth. Westland) 12:08.5
Sara Pilon (Stevenson) 12:17.4
Mary Maloney (Canton) 12:19.5
Kim Woods (Salem) 12:22.2

1,400-METER RUN
Anna Pagny (Ladwood) 12:29.6
Heidi Frank (N. Farmington) 12:32.1
Tessa Tarole (Stevenson) 12:33.1
Plymouth Salem 49.9
Westland John Glenn 52.0
Livonia Ladwood 52.0
Farmington West Mary 52.5
Livonia Stevenson 52.8

1,600-METER RUN
Plymouth Salem 4:06.4
Plymouth Canton 4:12.8
Livonia Stevenson 4:19.3
Farmington Harrison 4:22.1
Lutheran Westland 4:23.0

1,800-METER RUN
Livonia Stevenson 9:48.0
Livonia Churchill 10:04.8
Plymouth Salem 10:14.7
North Farmington 10:14.8
Livonia Ladwood 10:20.2

200-METER DASH
Mike Morris (Redford CC) 15.1
Kevin Woods (Harrison) 22.4
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 22.5
Blair Weiss (N. Farmington) 22.6
Darryl Anglin (Borgess) 22.9
Todd Anthony (Farmington) 22.9
Mike Clark (Luth. Westland) 23.0
K.J. Singh (Canton) 23.0
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 23.1
Phil Johnson (Churchill) 23.1
Jeremy Mizes (Farmington) 23.1
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 48.7
Jerry Gaines (Canton) 49.5
Ken Schneider (Franklin) 50.2
Temi Mabrey (Harrison) 50.8
Brian Weiss (N. Farmington) 50.9
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500-METER DASH
Rachel Jones (Salem) 25.8

No easy road, but Taormina's back in Olympics



BRAD EMMONS

athletes," public address announcer Ken Calvert would blurt out before each and every game.

Yes, maybe when you're talking M.J., Dr. J or the Mailman, but a majority of those multimillionaires don't compare to what I witnessed Saturday on the sweltering streets of Las Colinas, Texas.

With the humidity above 70 percent and temperatures climbing to near 90 in suburban Dallas, the U.S. Olympic Trials for the women's triathlon was painful, but also exciting to

watch. Good NBA players sweat for 48 minutes, but triathletes go full tilt for over 2 hours. I've tested my own human limits for over four hours in a marathon, but what these athletes go through at the Olympic distance — 1,500-meter swim (nearly a mile), 24.8-mile bike and 10K run (6.2 miles) — and doing it at such a breakneck pace, is nothing short of astounding.

Sixteen months ago Olympic gold medal swimmer Sheila Taormina of Livonia didn't have a clue what the triathlon was all about. It all started almost as a lark, a July 4, 1998 Splash-and-Dash race at Whitmore Lake.

Today, the 31-year-old Taormina is headed for the Olympics again in Sydney, Australia, a wire-to-wire winner of the Trials in 2:05:27.

But as she garnered one of the three available U.S. team spots, Taormina had to learn a complicated and technical sport in a

hurry.

And she certainly took her share of lumps along the way — suffering from hypothermia on swims, crashing her bike (more than once) and experiencing severe dehydration on two of her runs. In the Pan American Trials in April of 1999 held in St. Petersburg, Fla., Taormina's circuit board got so overloaded that she collapsed less than 400 meters from the finish and wound up in the medical tent taking not one, but two IVs.

Then, there was Taormina's two-month bout early last summer with a muscle disorder called rhabdomyolysis, where she couldn't get out of bed for days.

What a fun sport. Kind of like shooting free throws in a hostile environment, right? Let's face it NBA fans, when Kobe or Shaq get winded or tired, in comes Spiderman or Robert Horry to give them a breather.

In the triathlon, there is nobody available off the bench. With the exception of some much needed cloud cover, I'd call the conditions last Saturday in Dallas "questionable."

Undaunted, Taormina was in good spirits Friday prior to the race.

She knew the water in Lake Carolyn was going to be warm,

and to her liking.

"Eighty degrees, just like the Stevenson (High School) pool," she said with a gleam in her eye. Taormina came out of the water first in 18:54 with the No. 1-ranked American Barb Lindquist on her tail.

The two worked magnificently on the bike, putting time on the chase pack of 12 riders (who failed to work in sync as far as pulling and drafting). On each of the five bike loops, amazingly, Taormina and Lindquist, extended their lead.

With a 3:40 advantage after 1-hour, 4-minute and 16-second ride on her bike, Taormina worked the transition area like a pro and headed home for victory. With a smile on her face, Taormina ran conservatively, but smartly to the trials win.

She grabbed \$11,700 in total prize money (probably what Reggie or "Sproe" earn in one game). She garnered \$7,500 for the race victory and a \$4,200 bonus for being the first American.

Can somebody say the word renegotiate? Despite a sore leg which limited her run training, Taormina finished the 10K in a respectable 40:48 (eighth fastest), while slapping hands with the crowd as she crossed the tape.

"I was nervous," Taormina said. "I was like, 'OK, I just have

to stay calm.' But I knew how great the runners were."

Taormina staggered a few steps after she crossed the line, then cheered on and hugged second-place finisher Joanna Zeiger of Baltimore, Md., the second of three Olympic qualifiers.

Then, for 35 minutes under the hot sun, Taormina conducted impromptu interviews with TV and print journalists at the finish line.

Isn't there a 10-minute cooldown period after the race like they have after the game in the NBA?

Unfortunately for Lindquist, fifth-ranked in the world, she did not finish the run. She pulled out while heading up the first hill on the second lap of the run.

"My legs felt wobbly both up the hills and down," the former Stanford swimmer said. "It was really hot. My face was really hot."

Twenty-eight started the race, 19 finished, including an 18-year-old from Great Britain. Just finishing the darn thing would have been good enough for me.

Karen Smyers of Lincoln, Mass., is a former Hawaii Iron-woman champion who has endured her share of physical hardships.

You have to give her a lot of credit because she is currently

battling thyroid cancer. She has also been hit by a semi-trailer truck while training, suffering six broken ribs, a lung contusion and third-degree shoulder separations. Smyers also severed her hamstring while changing a storm window.

The 38-year-old Smyers, the oldest competitor, blistered the run at 6:26 per mile in the Texas heat. That was good enough for seventh place.

This is the first year the triathlon is an Olympic sport, and frankly it's about time.

For Taormina, there's no off-season, her training picks right back up in quest of another medal in Sydney. It is the first event of the Games (Sept. 15).

"I don't really believe it," she said in the formal press conference back at the Omni Mandalay hotel. "It's so strange. I feel like a fish out of water."

Those humble words came from one of the world's greatest athletes, not the Big Aristotle or the Zen Master.

The NBA commish, David Stern, nearly had me brainwashed, and now I've seen the light.

Highlights from the U.S. Olympic women's triathlon, archery and canoe trials will be telecast 9-11 p.m. Saturday on the PAX network.

Shamrocks take aim at state's best

By PAUL BEAUDRY
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All season long, Redford Catholic Central's tennis team has beaten every opponent ranked ahead of it in Division I.

Every opponent except for Birmingham Brother Rice, that is.

As the Division I tennis finals begin Friday at the Midland Tennis Center, the Shamrocks are shooting for one last chance to make it a perfect season.

"Our only loss is to Rice," said senior J.D. Shade. "We've beaten everyone else ranked ahead of us, but rankings are on paper. We know we're one of the top five teams in the state, regardless of division. We want to go out and prove we're not second best."

The Shamrocks, ranked No. 3, cruised through last week's regional at Woodhams, winning every flight. Things will be a little different this weekend — on paper at least. While all four singles players and two of the three doubles teams are seeded, all but top-seeded Billy Walsh at No. 4 singles are behind Rice players.

"Seeding is nice, but it's only a number with a name next to it," said No. 1 singles player Mike Findling, a quarterfinalist last year. "It's nice to have wins and everything, but seeding shouldn't win that much to us."

There's no doubt there's a rivalry between the two schools and Rice — the two-time defending state champ and current No. 1 in the coaches poll — has held the upper hand, winning the dual meet between the two schools and capturing the Catholic League title.

CC TENNIS

"But I think there's mutual respect," said Shade, who also was a quarterfinalist with Rob Sparks at No. 1 doubles last year. "Deep down, I think they know we're tough. Every-one wants to prove Rice isn't better."

Findling agreed. "It's big whenever we play Rice," said Findling. "And when you lose it gets frustrating. It's always a big match between us. I don't think there's an obsession about beating Rice, but winning the tourney goes through Rice. If we have to go through them, we'll be ready to play."

In addition to Findling and Shade going to the quarters in 1999, CC also returns David Atallah at No. 3 singles, Sparks and Mark Fleszar in doubles. Findling is seeded sixth, Shade — who moved up to No. 2 singles — Atallah and the doubles teams of Jeff Fleszar and Sparks (No. 1) and Ian McHenry and Lodewijk Von Holsbeek (No. 3) are all seeded fourth. Mark Fleszar and Evan Currie are unseeded and have the only first-round match in No. 2 doubles, opening with Dave Thomas and Mike Setter of Port Huron Northern.

And there's a reason for the high seedings, besides the records. "Everyone on the team is beginning to peak," said Shade. "We're doing things better than we were at the beginning like serving and volleying a lot better. We're a lot more consistent and we're making opponents work. And we're also in good shape. Running after practice has helped."

GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMP

There will be two sessions of the 2000 Canton-Salem Summer Girls Basketball Camp, one for girls entering fourth through seventh grades from 1-3 p.m. on June 19-22 and June 26-29.

A second session for girls entering eighth and ninth grades will be from 1-3 p.m. July 5-7 and July 10-13.

Cost is \$65 per session. Checks should be made payable to Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and mailed to the Plymouth-Canton Community Education Department, Starkweather Center, 550 N. Holbrook, Plymouth, MI 48170.

For more information, call Bob Blohm at (734) 414-8156 or Fred Thomann at (734) 459-7315.

Opening day for bass season a memorable one



BILL PARKER

The sun hadn't quite peaked over the glowing horizon when the surface of the lake erupted like a volcano as a cantankerous 18-inch largemouth inhaled my Pop-R.

"What a great start to the season," I thought to myself. "It's going to be a good year."

The plump fish jumped straight into the air in an effort to shake the hook, then hit the water with a splash and started diving toward weedy cover. A few exciting moments later he gave in to my relentless retrieve. After admiring the beautiful fish for a moment (no, I didn't kiss it like Jimmy Houston always does on TV), he was returned to the lake to battle another angler on another day.

Bass season traditionally opens in Michigan on the Saturday before Memorial Day. The only exception is on Lake

St. Clair, and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers, where the season opens the third Saturday in June (June 17 this year).

Opening day is always an anticipated day, and with the extended weekend because of Memorial Day, anglers have an extra chance to fish before the work week begins again on Tuesday.

Depending on where you fish, bass are generally in a post-spawn stage, especially here in southern Michigan, by opening day. That means they'll be pretty much scattered along weedlines and drop-offs adjacent to shallow spawning areas.

Anglers heading out on opening day would do well to check these areas first. And since weeds are just beginning to grow, those areas with the thickest cover will likely be the hottest spots.

The season runs through Dec. 31, but some of the best fishing occurs in the first month. Make it a point to get out and enjoy the opener.

Baiting debate continues

The state Natural Resource Commission was scheduled to vote on deer bait-

ing and feeding regulations at a May meeting in Cheboygan, but instead delayed the vote until a June 7-8 meeting in Lansing.

"We wanted to give the public a little more time for comment," said NRC chairman Keith Charters. "This is a hot topic and we want to be sure anyone who wants to, can voice their opinion."

Proposals range from an outright ban on feeding and baiting to increased restrictions of a two-gallon limit across the state.

The Commission is still accepting public comment on this issue, and any other deer hunting-related topic. To voice your opinion call the NRC at (517) 373-2352. Send letters to: Natural Resource Commission, P.O. Box 30028 Lansing, MI 48909, attention Teresa Gloden, or send e-mail to gloden@state.mi.us.

Vote of confidence

If there was any concern about the future of DNR Director K.L. Cool, it was squelched at the last NRC meeting. Muffled rumors had been circulating, I

suspect most originating from disgruntled sportsmen, that Cool was on his way out.

Not so! The Commission unanimously approved a contract extension for Cool that runs through May of 2003.

"The Commission believes the Department has made tremendous progress in natural resources management the past four years, and that progress is tied directly to K. Cool's leadership," said Charters. "Our action will provide continued consistent and stable direction for the agency."

Youth firearms hunt

Hunters age 14 to 16 will be able to hunt deer with a firearm on private land, Sept. 23-24, through a new Youth Firearms Deer Season, approved by the NRC at its May meeting.

The action ruffled the feathers of a few bowhunters, who question the timing of the hunt, which falls just a week prior to the Oct. 1 opening of archery season.

"I support the idea of a youth hunt, I

just don't know why they'd hold it in September, right before archery season," said Gary Hargrove. "I'm surprised it didn't get more opposition from bow hunters. I wonder what would have happened if they decided to hold it the weekend before the gun opener?"

Hunters participating in the hunt must have a valid deer license and be accompanied by an adult age 18 or older. The adult can not carry or hunt with a bow and arrow or firearm during the special season.

The hunt is a takeoff of the state's widely accepted annual Youth Waterfowl Hunting Day and is an effort to increase interest in Michigan's vast hunting heritage.

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

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

CLASSES/CLINICS

FLY TYING

Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

FLY TYING

River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times. For more information and to register call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

FLY TYING

Westbank Anglers, located in the Bloomfield Plaza at Telegraph and Maple roads, offers fly tying clinics (beginning, advanced, Atlantic salmon, and fly tying round table). All clinics will be conducted at the store and will cover tying tools, tool uses, and understanding of materials. All classes are limited to six students. Call (248) 538-3474 for specific times, dates, fees, and registration information.

FLY CASTING

Westbank Anglers, located in the Bloomfield Plaza at Telegraph and Maple roads, offers fly casting clinics on Sundays through mid-July. The clinics, designed to run from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., will be held at Cranbrook Academy. Students are instructed in basic casting techniques, overview of fly fishing tackle and knots, basic entomology, fish fighting skills, stream etiquette, and how to release a fish. Call (248) 538-3474 with questions regarding dates, times, fees and availability. Class size is limited.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

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

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DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS

Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. membership meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at the Knights of Columbus, St. Pius X, 6177 Chicago Road, in Warren. The public is welcome. More information can be obtained by calling Ed Wilczek at (810) 757-7365 or club President Ray Banbury at (810) 598-0310.

DETROIT ARCHERS OF WEST BLOOMFIELD

Open shoot hours are from 1-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and 6-10 p.m. Thursday. For more information, call (313) 825-2110.

LIVONIA RANGE

The Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The range is also open Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only through the end of November. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

BASS TOURNAMENT

The 2000 Top Bass Tournament will be held at various sites throughout the summer months. The schedule is as follows: Lake St. Helen, June 3; Wixom Lake, June 24; Sanford Lake, July 8; Wixom Lake, July 22; Lobbeld Lake, Aug. 5; Lake St. Helen, Aug. 19; and Wixom Lake, Aug. 26-27. Guaranteed payouts will be awarded with amounts determined by the number of entries. For more information, call (734) 729-1762 or (734) 422-5813.

CLINTON VALLEY BASS

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

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-

6027 for more information.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (squirrel & trap, sporting clays, 5-

stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Hours for archery and clay target shooting are noon to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Rifle range hours are 3 p.m. to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenfield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are noon-5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is

located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more information.

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proulx Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Lake Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proulx Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

WAYNE COUNTY PARKS

Wayne County Parks offers nature interpretive programs throughout the year. Advanced registration is requested. Call (734) 261-1990 to register and for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

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

FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS

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

BASS ASSOCIATION

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

SOLAR

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

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District soccer from page C1

"We were pretty fired up at half-time," insisted Campau. "We felt if we could come out and pressure them right at the beginning of the second half, we could make a game of it."

Certainly Canton coach Don Smith didn't feel too secure at the intermission, even with a two-goal lead. "We gave them too many opportunities in the early going," he noted. "If they score on one of them, that could have changed the whole complexion of the game."

Indeed, the Chargers' put one shot off the crossbar and another just over it in the first 15 minutes. So that optimism going into the second half wasn't misplaced. Unfortunately, any momentum they were hoping to pifer was instead stolen from them. The opening kick reached Morrell, and her pass was cleared away across Churchill's end line, giving Canton a corner kick.

Melanie Dunn's corner went to Amanda Lente in front of the goal, and her header eluded Gabon to make it 3-0 just 32 seconds into the half.

It didn't stay that way long. Two minutes later, Morrell — who sat out three previous games, including the Western Lakes Activities Association final, due to a suspension handed down by the Michigan High School Athletic Association for participating in unsanctioned games — again was the instigator.

Taking control of the ball to the left side of the Churchill goal but again under pressure (mainly from Karen Kramer, who marked her throughout), Morrell popped it up into the middle of the box, where Stephanie Johnson managed to tip it — right to Allison Mills for the finish.

"It was nice to see that some of the other girls got goals," noted Smith. "Anne did some good dishing out. That'll give everyone else down the line something to worry about."

"As if Morrell isn't a big enough worry."

The Chargers did not surrender. With 35:52 still remaining, Sarah Phillips carried the ball in from the corner before angling a perfect shot into the far corner, trimming Canton's lead to 4-1.

"I was proud of the way we came back fighting," said Cam-

pau.

The Chiefs had answers, however. The Morrell sisters combined to make it 5-1. Abi sending a through ball to Anne as she charged toward the Churchill net. Her blast just inside the 18-yard mark sent Gabon with 30:49 left.

A header by Johnson off a cross from Lente increased the Chiefs' cushion to 6-1 with 27:40 left and sent nearly all their remaining starters to the bench.

Churchill got one goal back out of a scramble in front, with Canton keeper Amy Dorogi stopping one

shot but not the rebound, which Melissa Sultana knocked in. Phillips assisted.

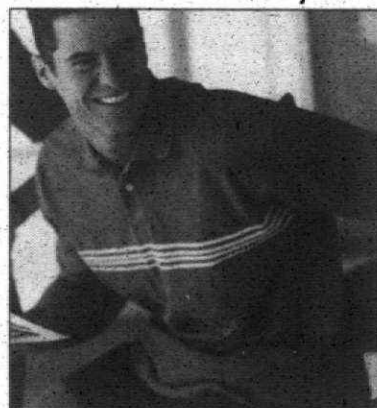
The game's final goal came with 11:52 to play. Rosen got her second goal of the game, off a set-up from Lindsey Lasher, to give Canton's its final margin of victory.

Even though the goals seemed to come easily in the second half, Smith knew the situation would not be repeated later in the tournament. "We're going to have to play the whole 80 minutes Thursday," he said of today's match with Salem. "It won't be easy."

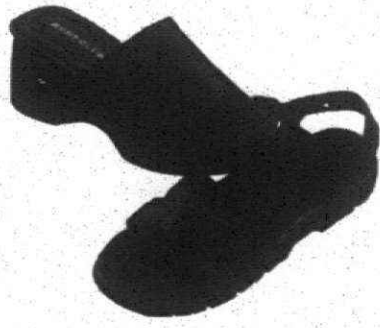
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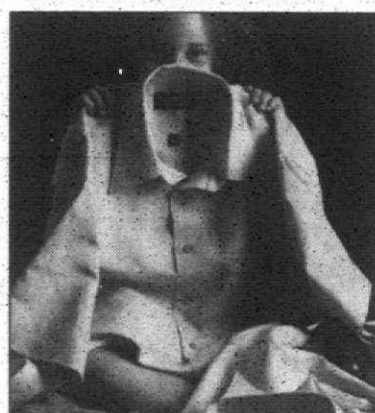
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STATE SOCCER RANKINGS

Girls Soccer State Rankings
(As of 5-29 by MHSAA)

DIVISION I — 1. Brighton; 2. Troy Athens; 3. Livonia Stevenson; 4. Plymouth Canton; 5. Saginaw Heritage; 6. Troy; 7. Rochester Adams; 8. Plymouth Salem; 9. Grosse Pointe South; 10. Utica.

HONORABLE MENTION: Bloomfield Hills Andover, Bloomfield Hills Kingswood, DeWitt.

DIVISION II — 1. Portage Central; 2. Madison Heights Bishop Foley; 3. Bloomfield Hills Lasher; 4. Grosse Pointe North; 5. Portage Northern; 6. Trenton; 7. Northville; 8. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central; 9. East Lansing; 10. Birmingham Groves.

HONORABLE MENTION: Lapeer East, Mason, Midland Hills Oakland Christian, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

DIVISION III — 1. Auburn Hills Avondale; 2. Mattawan; 3. Holland Christian; 4. Flint Powers Catholic; 5. East Grand Rapids; 6. Royal Oak Dondero; 7. Caledonia; 8. St. Clair Shores South Lake; 9. Hudsonville Unity Christian; 10. Grosse Ile.

HONORABLE MENTION: Bloomfield Hills Andover, Bloomfield Hills Kingswood, DeWitt.

DIVISION IV — 1. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, Jackson Lumen Christi, Birmingham-Detroit Country Day; 4. Frankentmuth; 5. Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic; 6. Lake Fenton; 7. Kalamazoo Christian; 8. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett; 9. Royal Oak Shrine; 10. Clawson.

HONORABLE MENTION: Lansing Catholic Central, Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

PREP BASEBALL

DIVISION I
at LIVONIA FRANKLIN
Saturday, June 3: Livonia Churchill vs. Wayne Memorial, 10 a.m.; Westland John Glenn vs. Garden City, noon. Championship final, 3 p.m. (Winner advances to regional semifinals at Monroe vs. Taylor Truman district champion.)

at PLYMOUTH SALEM
Saturday, June 3: Livonia Stevenson vs. Plymouth Salem, 11 a.m.; Canton, 11 a.m.; Salem, 11 a.m. (Winner advances to regional semifinals at Royal Oak Kimball vs. Kimball district champion.)

at BIRMINGHAM GROVES
Saturday, June 3: Detroit Henry Ford vs. Birmingham Groves, 10 a.m.; Redford Union vs. Southfield-Lathrup, 30 minutes after conclusion of game 1; Championship final, 30 minutes after conclusion of game 2. (Winner advances to regional semifinals at Royal Oak Kimball vs. University of Detroit-Jesuit district champion.)

at REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL
Saturday, June 3: Detroit Cady vs. Redford CC, 10 a.m.; Detroit Cady vs. Redford CC, 10 a.m.; Detroit Cady vs. Redford CC, 10 a.m.; Detroit Cady vs. Redford CC, 10 a.m. (Winner advances to regional semifinals at Midvale vs. Monroe district champion.)

at ALLEN PARK INTER-CITY BAPTIST
Saturday, June 3: Allen Park Inter-City Baptist vs. Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian, 11 a.m.; Redford St. Agnes vs. Dearborn St. Alphonsus, 1:30 p.m.; Championship final, 4 p.m. (Winner advances to regional semifinals at Inter-City Baptist vs. Center Line St. Clement district winner.)

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error moved him to second. A dropped fly ball and an error by shortstop Justin Gerwatowski scored one run; Reddy followed with an RBI single and Wolcott added a run-scoring double.

Jim Wisniewski knocked in the fourth run of the inning with a sacrifice fly, and Johnson made it 7-0 with an RBI double.

The Falcons got one run back in the bottom of the second when Tony Luttman led off with a double and scored on Houchins' two-out single.

Wisniewski doubled in Wolcott, who had walked, to give the Chiefs one run in the fourth. A second scored on a throwing error on Johnson's grounder, pushing their lead to 9-1.

The game-condensing hit came from Kay, who followed Brad Smigielski's walk by pouncing on a hanging curve ball from Luttman, Farmington's relief pitcher. Kay lined it over the left-field fence for a two-run homer, making it 11-1.

Wisniewski had two hits, one of them a double, and two RBI for the Chiefs, and Reddy had two hits and an RBI. Kay had his two-run homer, reaching base four times and scoring

three runs. Wolcott and Johnson each had a double and an RBI.

Agape advances
Canton Agape Christian used a seven-run fourth inning to bust open its Division IV district qualifier against Detroit Urban Lutheran, riding that inning to a 9-6 victory Tuesday at Griffin Park.

Agape advances to play Southfield Christian in the district semifinals at Concordia College. Josh Anthony, who had three hits, three stolen bases and four RBI in the game, belted a two-run double to score the first two runs of the fourth. Mike Ossana added a two-run single in the inning, and Paul Anleitner and Miguel Arredondo contributed RBI singles.

Other hitting heroes for the Wolverines were David Donaldson with a single, double and a triple, scoring five runs; Robert Hough, with three singles, two runs scored and four RBI; Ossana, with two hits, three runs scored and two RBI; Mike Greco, with two hits and two RBI; and Bobby Konrad, with three singles and three runs scored.

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PLEASE take notice that a public hearing as required by the Canton Township Telecommunications Ordinance will be conducted regarding the Telecommunications Permit Application filed by Level 3 Communications, LLC at the regular Canton Township Board Meeting to be held on the 27th day of June, 2000 at 7 p.m. at the Canton Township Hall located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the **Third Party Administration for Unemployment Insurance**. Specifications and bid forms are available at the front desk of the E.J. McClelland Educational center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI or by contacting Dan Phillips in the PCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. For additional information, please contact George Prigodski of the Personnel Department at (734) 416-2744. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m. Friday, June 16, 2000. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
JUDY L. MARDIGIAN, Secretary

Bid Opening: Friday, June 16, 2000 at 2:00 p.m.
Board Review: Tuesday, June 27, 2000

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WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
SYNOPSIS
3:00 p.m., Monday, May 22, 2000

Regular meeting called to order at 3:13 p.m.
Present: Kathleen A. Keen-McCarthy, Richard Henningsen
Agenda — adopted as amended
Minutes of the regular meeting of April

Congratulations, Scholarship Winners!

BY BRAD KADRICH
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When the Woman's Club of Plymouth began helping students back in 1983, they gave out five scholarships worth \$500 apiece.

What a difference 17 years makes.

When the club gathers Tuesday at Plymouth Manor for the 2000 Woman's Club Scholarship Awards dinner, 43 scholarships will be handed out. The scholarships range from \$250 to \$1,000 and go to qualifying Plymouth-Canton area seniors. Eligible students must live in the district, or have a parent who owns a business in the district.

To qualify, students must have a minimum grade-point average of 3.3 if attending a four-year school, or a 2.8 GPA if attending a two-year school. Students are ranked according to their scholastic achievement, community service, the quality of the recommendations written for them, written essays and the neatness of their completed applications.

School superintendent Kathleen Booher will be the keynote speaker for the banquet. Among those scheduled to be present are Plymouth Mayor Dave McDonald, who is expected to give introductory remarks as well as the invocation.; Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy, a member of the Woman's Club and a co-chair; the club president, Jean Curtiss; and co-chairs K.C. Mueller and Linda Courtney.

Sponsors of the event include the Plymouth Observer and Plymouth Manor.



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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



See comedian **Jim Hamm** 9 p.m. at **Joey's Comedy Club** in Livonia. Call (734) 261-0555 for information/reservations.

SATURDAY



Marquis Theatre presents a musical adaptation of **Hans Christian Andersen's "The Princess and the Magic Pea,"** 2:30 p.m. at the theater in downtown Northville. Tickets \$7.50. Call (248) 349-8110.

SUNDAY



Alexander Zonjic and Friends perform 1-3:30 p.m. during the 13th annual **Garden Party** to benefit the **St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center**. Tickets \$150 per person. Call (248) 626-7527, Ext. 3118.



Go stargazing this weekend at the **Pine Knob Music Theatre** in Independence Township. **Styx and REO Speedwagon** perform 7 p.m. **Friday, June 2.** See the **Charlie Daniels Band** with **Hank Williams Jr. (above)** and **Little Feat**, 7 p.m. **Sunday, June 4.** Call (248) 645-6666 for ticket information.



Spiritual sounds: Japanese jazz composer and keyboardist **Keiko Matsui**, slated to play at 7:15 p.m. **Friday, June 2** at **V98.7 FM radio's Smooth JazzFest**, views music in light of its origins in ritual and ceremony. Smooth jazz, she says, is particularly well-suited to spiritual healing and time for rest and relaxation.

SMOOTH JAZZ

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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Easy listening. Contemporary jazz. Call it what you will. A more melodic, more accessible style of jazz has come into its own in the last decade: smooth jazz. And, since the form, which often includes vocals, is easier for listeners to follow — many music consumers start to feel lost when traditional jazz musicians "stretch it out," or improvise musically — the style continues to gain in popularity.

But today's appetite for smooth jazz may stem from deeper cravings: want for relaxation and spiritual healing.

Musical medicine

"Doctors have prescribed contemporary jazz to patients to help them unwind," noted Tom Sleeker, V98.7 FM Smooth Jazz radio program director and co-organizer of the station's 2nd annual Smooth JazzFest, running June 2-4 at the Southfield Civic Center.

While smooth jazz, like, say, aromatherapy or yoga, has always had a soothing quality, the public is just beginning to discover the style has a calming, quieting effect, particularly for those with hectic lives and busy schedules.

One nationally known artist scheduled to play at this year's Smooth JazzFest, Keiko Matsui, couldn't agree more.

A contemporary jazz keyboardist from Japan, Matsui's compositions have an ethereal, bird-like quality. And, her newest album *Whisper from the Mirror* has an other-worldly, new age character reminiscent of film scores. The title also refers to the Japanese Shinto Shrine where a mirror representing a deity or God is traditionally placed.

"Music has been played as ritual and ceremony for a long time, and I believe music has some magical forces," said Matsui, scheduled to take the JazzFest stage at 7:15 p.m. **Friday.**

While Matsui, one of two female artists slated for JazzFest (local musician **Kimmie Horne** opens the event on **Friday**), doesn't categorize her music as new age or spiritual, she said she does seek to bring elements of spirituality to her compositions. That fans send mail saying her music touches their soul or makes them feel peaceful "means a lot to a musician," she said.

"Nowadays, music is about business, but music is really a prayer to the gods or for people to sing and dance to, and people have been doing this a long, long time. That's the beauty of music," she said.

Matsui will be accompanied by her husband **Kazu**, who plays the **Shakuhachi**, a Japanese wood flute.

Living legends

While many of Matsui's compositions have a dreamy quality, there are several other smooth jazz artists scheduled for the event, promising a mix of styles and sounds for those who plan to attend.

Of particular interest is jazz legend **George Benson**, who began his career in traditional jazz and moved in the direction of smooth jazz in the 1970s.

Describing Benson as one of the pioneers of contemporary jazz, Sleeker called his appearance at this year's JazzFest "an opportunity to see one of the true legends and innovators in smooth jazz music."

Likewise, Detroit's own **Earl Klugh**, slated to perform at 9:15 p.m. **Friday**, is known for bringing the acoustic guitar to jazz. Other local musicians who will perform include flutist **Alexander Zonjic** and guitarist **Tim Bowman**.

"The audience is going to hear some really great melodic music," Sleeker said. "It's going to be a very nice, relaxing afternoon."



Smooth brass: Horn player **Rick Braun** takes the Smooth JazzFest stage at 7:45 p.m. **Sunday, June 4.**

What: V98.7 Smooth JazzFest
Where: The Green at the Southfield Civic Center, Evergreen Road at Civic Center Drive in Southfield
When: 3-10 p.m. **Friday, June 2** and noon-10:30 p.m. **Saturday and Sunday, June 3 and 4**
Tickets: **Friday** show, \$15 in advance and \$20 at the gate; **Saturday and Sunday** shows, \$25 in advance and \$30 at the gate, available through Ticketmaster or by calling (248) 645-6666

COMEDY

Share some laughs with Bill Thomas

BY KEELY WYGONIK
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Funny and accountant don't fit. Let's be honest, when was the last time an accountant made you laugh?

Bill Thomas planned a career in accounting and business. He's still plugged into the corporate world, except now he's making executives laugh instead of balancing their books.

On **Friday** and **Saturday**, audiences at **Trinity House Theatre** in Livonia will probably be wondering why **Thomas** asked them there. The answer is simple — to enjoy an evening in a smoke-free, alcohol-free setting — sharing a laugh or two, or three.

What: You're probably wondering why I've asked you here...

What: A topical comedy show featuring stand-up and story-telling by comedian **Bill Thomas**

When: 8 p.m. **Friday-Saturday, June 2-3**
Where: **Trinity House Theatre**, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia.

Tickets: \$10, \$8 for **Trinity House** members, call (734) 464-6302. Visit **Thomas** online at www.comedianbillthomas.com

His one-man show in the intimate theater that seats about 80 people is a combination of stand-up and story-telling.

"I want to expand what I've been doing," said **Thomas**. "It's still being worked on. I really like the **Trinity House Theatre**, it's a small off, off Broadway theater. The moment I saw it I fell in love with it."

He talked to **Thomas Malcom Olson**, artistic director for **Trinity House**, who encouraged him to bring his show to the theater.

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Just for fun: **Bill Thomas** is bringing his one man show to **Trinity House Theatre**.

JOHN GALLOWAY

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"He leaves me rolling on the floor," said Olson about his phone conversations with Thomas. "I want Trinity House to be a creative outlet for the community."

Thomas is a funny guy who paid his dues performing in small bars and clubs before there were places like Joey's Comedy Club and Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle.

He later opened for the stars including Kenny G, Wayne Newton, the Temptations, and the Four Tops. WXYT listeners might remember Thomas, who did a comedy show for the AM station for over five years.

Lately he's been working the corporate circuit, making executives and their staffs laugh.

"Being a comedian," he said, "is the most creative, gratifying art form. You say something and people laugh, and you've done your job. If you don't, you move on to something else."

Laughter, Thomas believes, is good medicine, and he wants the chance to tickle your funny bone Friday and Saturday at Trinity House Theatre.

In school, Thomas was the sarcastic guy sitting in the back row

"We'll have a lot of fun. I'll talk about the state of Michigan, the music of today, the environment. I guarantee you'll have a good time."

Bill Thomas
Comedian

who made people laugh, but never got in trouble.

What's so funny? Lots of things, like road construction in Michigan. "We're the only state that closes highways on weekends," said Thomas with a chuckle. "And then there's the spoof I do of a motivational speaker, the foremost consultant for change."

He makes you think about things like how the song *Revolution* became a Nike ad.

"We'll have a lot of fun," Thomas said of his show. "I'll talk about the state of Michigan, the music of today, the environment. I guarantee you'll have a good time."

In school, Thomas was the sarcastic guy sitting in the back row

Cruise, show to benefit children

BY KEELY WYONIK
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Pamela Ratliff Rumely of Livonia cares about education, and kids. That's why she threw her time and energy into organizing the "CARE Charity Cruise" and Car Show at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia on Saturday, June 3.

Event proceeds will go to help Children's Academic Resources for Education, a new program designed to reach out to the special educational needs of children at the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center in Farmington Hills.

"This is being done on behalf of children who don't have parents looking out for them," said Rumely.

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Cool: This car is one of the classic vehicles that will be on display 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 3, during a Charity Car Show at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia.

Grand River Ave. At noon they'll restage at the starting point, Holmes Middle School on Newburgh Road in Livonia, and be escorted at 1 p.m. to Greenmead Historical Park on Newburgh at Eight Mile Road.

At Greenmead there will be a

Charity Car Show, of cars 1976 and older from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 3. The show is being hosted by the Motor State Street Rods. Pre-registration is \$10, registration day of the show is \$15. Admission is \$2 adults, children ages 12 and under, free.

The Classics will play '50s and '60s music. There will be a raffle, games, and refreshments available for purchase.

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Whodunit?

Attention all amateur gumshoes, would-be sleuths and sometimes-Sherlocks! Beginning June 10, you'll have the opportunity to recognize, analyze and synthesize criminal evidence in the traveling exhibit, *Whodunit? The Science of Solving Crime* at Cranbrook Institute of Science.

The exhibit offers a crime — or is it two? — two suspects — or is it three? — and a variety of opportunities to gather evidence, solve the crime and get hands-on experience in scientific tools including DNA profiling, fingerprinting, firearm identification and forensic anthropology.

Discover *Whodunit?* and win a prize!

Planetarium Programs
Young Stargazers Sky Journey
Sat & Sun, 11:30am
The Search for Life in the Universe
Begins June 9; Sat & Sun, 12:30 & 3pm, Friday, 8pm
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Saturday evening programs begin June 3; daily planetarium programs begin June 26.

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From June 3-September 2 the Institute remains open on Friday and Saturday evenings until 10pm with astronomy and Lasers programs at 7, 8 and 9pm. Observatory open 9-10pm and Reflections Cafe open until 9pm.

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MUSIC

Subscribe to DSO's 2000-01 season

BY SANDRA TOLBERT
SPECIAL WRITER

The recently announced Detroit Symphony Orchestra's 2000-2001 season offers an extraordinary sampling of early symphonies and contemporary world premieres.

Itzhak Perlman, who will be Detroit's principal guest conductor and violinist in the 2001-2002 season, is already a major highlight this year.

Famous in the classical music world for his stellar violin performances, Perlman has appeared with every major orchestra in the world and owns 15 Grammy awards. He will appear in a May 2001 concert as conductor and soloist performing a Mozart adagio and rondo for violin and orchestra.

In January, the winter season welcomes back violinist Joshua Bell to perform Sibelius' Violin Concerto. The former child prodigy, who made his DSO debut in 1988, is now a highly sought-after soloist.

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Sept. 20 with Mahler's Resurrection Symphony No. 2 conducted by Detroit's Maestro Neemi Järvi.

Järvi, now in his 11th year as maestro, will conduct the DSO at Orchestra Hall for 10 weeks of the season, presenting both familiar and unusual works.

The four world premieres include DSO composer-in-residence Michael Daugherty's *Hell's Angels and Motor City*; a concerto by Michigan composer William Bolcom, and a symphony by American composer John Campbell, who describes his compositions as "an amalgam of European and American influences."

Järvi is also conducting Mahler's Symphony No. 1 *Titan* and personal favorites like Eduard Tabin's *Music for Strings* and the Schumann Piano Concerto.

Favorite guest conductors will include Estonian native Eri Klas, Polish-born Jerzy Semkow, and Yan Pascal Tortelier of the BBC Philharmonic who will lead the DSO in Messiaen's *Turangalila*.

The Turangalila symphony, a complex and contemporary work, will be a DSO first featuring an unusual keyboard instrument called the Ondes Martenot. The

March concert will include a short introduction by conductor Tortelier explaining the new instrument.

An all Mozart evening, Beethoven's *Fifth*, Orff's *Carmen Burana* and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 are several of the well-known and cherished works also being offered this season.

The fall season also includes Czech composer Janacek's *Sinfonietta* and Shostakovich's Symphony No. 7 *Leningrad*, a remembrance of the city's 900 day struggle against the Nazis.

In March, violinist Hilary Hahn, known internationally as one of today's rising performance musicians, will bring her talent to the Detroit stage with Barber's Violin Concerto.

The winter season offers more orchestral greats such as Tchaikovsky's infrequently performed *Manfred Symphony*, Berlioz's *Symphonie Fantastique*, Beethoven's *Eroica*, Stravinsky's *The Rite of Spring*, Bach's *Mass in B Minor*, Dvorak's *Symphony No. 9 From The New World* and Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue*.

Yet with all the international flavor, the DSO hasn't forgotten its own. This season will spot-

light a few of its outstanding musicians. Principal trombone Kenneth Thompson will play George Walker's *Trombone Concerto* and Jeffery Zook will be the featured soloist in a Vivaldi piccolo concerto.

The charismatic DSO violinist and concertmaster Emmanuelle Boissvert will close the 2001 season as soloist of *The Lark Ascending* by Vaughan-Williams.

Pops conductor Erich Kunzel will bring the "Pops Season" to Detroit, highlighting a sports extravaganza called *Sounds of the Stadium*. Broadway musicals, epic movie music and all-time pop favorites are also part of the lively program.

Guest performers include Debbie Reynolds, the Magic Circle Mime Company and a traditional Christmas concert featuring the DSO Pops Festival Singers.

The Ameritech Paradise Jazz Series offers the Vanguard Jazz Orchestra, Branford Marsalis, Regina Carter Quintet and Renee Rosnes Trio among its highlights.

And if you need to talk about the art of making music, ConcertTalks happens one hour before all classical evening concerts in Orchestra Hall. They are intimate and informal gatherings where you will find host Charles Greenwell, guest soloists and conductors, critics and musicians — an opulent recipe for the perfect evening.

Subscription packages for the 2000-2001 season are now on sale. Individual tickets will go on sale in late August, 2000. For further information call the DSO subscription office at (313) 576-5120.

Comic books are becoming valid art form

It's not uncommon for a debate to surface among the producers of Detroit Public TV's BACKSTAGE PASS concerning the merits of a certain art form. The most recent occurred several weeks ago when segment producer Todd Hastings was pushing the arts series to do something on "sequential art."

It was a new term for me, too. As it turns out, sequential art is best known as comic book art. To be honest, it was a pretty tough sell for Todd, because most of the people associated with the show were saying things like, "Oh, you mean Superman, Batman, Archie, and Richie Rich."

Although we would admit to being Jughead fans, there were non-believers everywhere when presented with the notion of comic books as a valid art form.

Todd made a strong case for the genre on an edition of the program that aired this week.

"Comic books aren't just for kids anymore. It is a storyteller's medium that accommodates a variety of techniques and approaches. Some very striking work is being done today in water colors, oils, digital photography and pen and ink."

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Practitioners of sequential art are revered in Japan and Europe. Although comic artists like Milo Menara are acclaimed in Europe, American artists feel they haven't received their due.

That's why it earned a spot on BACKSTAGE PASS. We let our viewers decide.

Last year we sent producer Barry Steinberg out in the field to do a story on a pair of Detroit area artists whose frustration with youth violence had prompted them to transform donated handbags into sculptures with a powerful anti-violence theme.

Maybe you question whether weapons are suitable materials for the creation of art. You'll have the opportunity to judge for yourself when the segment, which was nominated for an Emmy by the Michigan chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS), is rebroadcast in an

edition that airs at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, June 8.

The same episode features a segment by Dave Toorangan on the history of the Rivera murals at the Detroit Institute of Arts that captured an Emmy at the May 20 NATAS ceremonies.

You can count on the producers of BACKSTAGE PASS to continue to bring you into the debate of what's art and what isn't.

After all, why should they have all the fun?

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DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: "Nocturne for a Southern Lady," continues through Sunday, June 25, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 3 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, \$15. (313) 868-1347

GEM THEATRE: "Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through July 30, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE: "The Day We Met" continues to Sunday, June 25, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, and 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, at the Aaron DeRoy Theater at the Jewish Community Center, West Bloomfield. \$15-\$25. (248) 788-2900

PLANET ANT THEATRE: "Mere Mortals" continues Sunday, June 4, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 7 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Hamtramck. \$10. (313) 365-4948 or www.planetant.com

PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY: "Full Circle," Jeff Chastang's story about a family unraveling at the seams, continues to Sunday, June 25, in the Anderson Center Theatre at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$15-\$18. (313) 872-0279

COLLEGE

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY: "Das Barbecu," a country & western musical comedy, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 23 and Thursday-Saturday, June 8-10, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at the Sponberg Theatre on campus, Ypsilanti. \$8 Thursday, \$13 Friday-Saturday, \$11 Sunday. (734) 487-1221

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY THEATRE: "Wind in the Willows," 10 a.m. Thursday-Friday, June 12, and 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 23, at Meadow Brook Theatre on campus, Rochester. \$12, \$10 seniors, \$6 students. (248) 370-3300

COMMUNITY THEATER

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS: "Mass Appeal" Sunday, June 4, at the Depot Theater, Clarkston. \$12. (248) 625-8811

ST. DUNSTON'S BUILD OF CRANBROOK: "Damn Yankees," 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 23 and Thursday-Saturday, June 8-10, in the outdoor Greek Theater. \$15, \$12. (248) 644-0527

STAGECRAFTERS: "The King and I," continues to June 4, American Sign Language performance Thursday, May 25, at the Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak. \$14-\$16. (248) 541-6430

WEST END PRODUCTIONS: "Canker Sores & Go-Go Juice," a collection of skits, comedy, song and dance, 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 224, Wunderground Theater, 110 Main St., Royal Oak (11 Mile Road at Main). June 9 show sold out. \$12.50. (248) 541-1763.

DINNER THEATER

MICHIGAN STAR CLIPPER DINNER TRAIN: "Angelina" and Bo's Comedy Wedding," presented by Theatre Arts Productions, 5 p.m. Sundays. Tickets \$69.50 per person, includes 3 hour train ride, five course dinner, and entertainment. (248) 960-9440

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

MARQUIS THEATRE: "The Princess and the Magic Pea," continues 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3 and 10, at the theater, Northville. \$7.50. (248) 349-8110

SPECIAL EVENTS

GUINNESS SHOW: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 3, until 5 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at the Dearborn Ice Skating Center. \$8. (248) 546-7447

FESTIVALS

ART ON THE AVENUE: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 3 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 4, also a food fest at Monroe and Michigan Avenue, in Dearborn. (313) 943-



Take it on the run: REO Speedwagon fans hope to hear hits like "Time For Me To Fly," "Keep On Lovin' You" and "Can't Fight This Feeling" when the band comes around accompanied by co-headliners, Styx, 7 p.m. Friday, June 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. Tickets \$15.50-\$32.50, call (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

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COSPEL SUMMER JAM 2000: Features Ezekiah 7 p.m. Friday, June 2, Masonic Temple Theatre, Detroit. \$51.50, \$35, & \$20. (248) 645-6666 or (313) 983-6611.

BENEFITS

CATCH A RISING STAR: An auction to benefit the students of Wayne State University's College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 8, at the Detroit Athletic Club. \$75-\$500. (313) 577-1458

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: Present the musical comedy during a special gala to celebrate 48 years of community theater and the last show at the barn, begins at 6 p.m. Saturday, June 3 with hors d'oeuvres and a silent auction followed by "Kiss Me, Kate" at 8 p.m., at the Farmington Players Barn, Farmington Hills. \$100, proceeds go to the construction of a new barn theater. (248) 553-2955

FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH: The committee of the Michigan Jazz Festival holds its annual fundraiser, a Father's Day Brunch, featuring the Larry Nozaro Quartet and guest trumpeter Johnny Trudell, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, June 18 in the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. \$25, proceeds benefit the admission-free Michigan Jazz Festival scheduled for Sunday, July 16 at Schoolcraft College. (248) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454

ULSTER PROJECT OF METRO DETROIT: "Always Patsy Cline" 5:30 p.m. Sunday, June 11, at the Century Theater, Detroit. \$40, to benefit the "Building Peace by Peace" program. (248) 641-8374

CLASSICAL

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS: 8:30 p.m. Friday, June 2, at Hagopian House of Rugs, Birmingham. \$18. (248) 362-9329

TROUBLE IN VENICE: The world premiere of this work by Enid Sutherland takes place 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3, features Bradley Brookshire, harpsichord, Aaron Johnson, piano, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$10-\$25. (734) 769-2999

POPS/SWING

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Composer Jerry Goldsmith conducts the music he wrote for television shows such as "Star Trek: Voyager," "The Waltons" and "Dr. Kildare," and films "Patton," "Mulan," and "Air Force One," 10:45 a.m. Thursday, June 1, 8 p.m. Friday, June 2, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3 and 3 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$14-\$47. (313) 576-5111

MICHAEL JAMES/DEBORAH JIMMERSON: Piano bar 7-11 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and 8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, at La Bistecca Italian Grille, Livonia. (734) 254-0400

JAZZ

ALBERTA ADAMS: 9 p.m. Friday, June 2, at Edison's Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

MARK ARSHAK: 8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 1, at Edison's Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

OPERA

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE: "Peter Grimes," 8 p.m. Saturday, June 3 and Wednesday-Saturday, June 7-10, and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 4 and 11, at the Detroit Opera House. \$18-98. (313) 237-7464/(248) 645-6666

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SECOND CITY: Improv Jammers 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays (55). (313) 965-2222/(248) 645-6666 or online at www.ticketmaster.com

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CRANBROOK HOUSE: Open for walk-in Sunday tours 1:30-3 p.m. June 4 to Oct. 29, at the house, Bloomfield Hills. 100, Thursdays June 15 to Oct. 26 lunch at noon may be purchased for an additional \$12. Stroll through the Cranbrook Gardens at no additional charge or enjoy only the gardens for \$5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday (open 11 a.m. Sunday). Free parking at Christ Church Cranbrook directly across Lone Pine Road from Cranbrook House. (248) 645-3149

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS: First Friday, 6-9:30 p.m. June 2, drop-in workshop on traditional Japanese paper fans, classical music of northern India, drawing in the galleries, metalworking demonstration by artist Danielle Crissman; Vincent van Gogh exhibit continues to June 4, at the museum. (313) 833-7900

SMOOTH JAZZFEST: Friday-Sunday, June 2-4, in front of the Southfield Civic Center. (248) 645-6666/(248) 855-2400

URSULA WALKER/BUDDY BUDSON: With Dan Koltun, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at Giovanni's, Pontiac. (248) 334-5241

ED WELLS: Beginning Thursday, June 1, 5:30-7 p.m., at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

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KEIKO MATSUI: 7:15 p.m. Friday, June 2, at the Southfield Civic Center. \$15. (248) 645-6666

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: With guest vocalist Barbara Ware, 8:11-30 p.m. Wednesday, June 7; with vibist Rob Phipo June 14; at Ron's Fireside Inn, Garden City. (734) 762-7756

DETROIT ORATORIO SOCIETY: Presents a Summer Solstice Concert featuring the Boychoir of Ann Arbor, 8 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at St. Hugo of the Hills Church, Ann Arbor. \$15. (248) 650-2655

BEL CANTO CHORAL GROUP: Spring concert 8 p.m. Monday, June 12, main sanctuary of Temple Emanu-El, 14450 W. 10 Mile Road, Oak Park. Program of light classical, folk songs, selections from "Fiddler on the Roof." No charge.

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

LARRY ARBOUR: 7 p.m. Friday, at the Flying Fish Tavern, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747

SCOTT ROGERS: 8 p.m. Thursday, June 1, at Amer's Mediterranean Deli, Ann Arbor. (folk-rock)

WORLD MUSIC

AN EVENING IN A SPANISH GARDEN: Featuring mezzo-soprano Monica Swartout-Bebow, 8 p.m. Saturday, June 10, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$10-25, \$5 students. (734) 769-2999

DANCE

JAZZ & SPIRIT DANCE THEATRE: Concert, 4 p.m. Sunday, June 4, in the Paul Robeson Theatre, Northwest Activities Center, Detroit. \$8. (313) 342-1000

WATERFORD-OAKS BALLROOM DANCING: 8-11 p.m. Friday, June 2, at 2800 Watkins Lake Road, Waterford. (248) 673-4764

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COMEDY JAM: Starring John Witherspoon, Mike Epps, A.J. Johnson and T.K. Kirkland, Friday, June 1, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$27.50, \$35. (248) 433-1515

CUBICLE DOLLS: Michigan's only comedy troupe dedicated to lampooning corporate life present "Mission Statement: Impossible," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through June 3, at Masonic Temple, Detroit. \$15. (810) 964-6336

PAT DAILEY: The singer/comedian performs Saturday, June 3 (doors open at 6 p.m.), at the Barnstormer Entertainment Complex, Whitmore Lake. \$25, \$20 advance. (734) 449-0040

BILL THOMAS: Presents his one-man show, "You're probably asking why I asked you here..." 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3 at Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10, (734)

LIVE MUSIC

ALBERTA ADAMS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 9-10, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All Ages. (248) 644-4800

CHRISTINA AGUILERA: With Destiny's Child, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$38.50-\$25. (248) 645-6666

ALLMAN BROTHERS: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18-35. (248) 645-6666

LORI AMEY: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 24, Espresso Royale, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-2770; 10 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Roadrunners Raft, Hamtramck. 21 and over. (313) 873-7238; 8 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Gayle's Chocolates, Royal Oak. Free. (248) 398-0001; 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, The Ark, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 763-1451

JOSEPH ARTHUR: With Scott Fab, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 3, Blue Note Cafe, Pontiac. All ages. Free.

BANTAM ROOSTER: With The Wild Bunch, Gaffie, 9 p.m. Friday, June 9, Magic Stick, Detroit. 18 and over. \$7. (313) 833-9700

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THE BELL RAYS: With The Lovemasters, Clone Defects, 9 p.m. Monday, June 12, Magic Stick, Detroit. 18 and over. \$7. (313) 833-9700

PAT BENATAR: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 30, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$22.50. (248) 645-6666

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CLINT BLACK: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666

BLINK-182: With Bad Religion, Fenix TX, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 9, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25. (248) 645-6666

BOY SETS FIRE: With Ann Beretta, 7 p.m. Thursday, June 1, The Shelter, Detroit. \$7. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

BRANDED: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 8, Bullfrog Bar & Grill, Redford. (313) 533-4477; 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 9, Wired Ford, Eastpointe. All ages. \$6. (810) 761-3174; 7 p.m. Saturday, June 17, Bean Machine, Dearborn. All ages. \$5. (313) 943-2940; 10 p.m. Friday, June 30, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434

JIMMY BUFFETT & THE CORAL REEFER BAND: 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$46 pavilion/\$23.50 lawn

SCOTT CAMPBELL GROUP: With Mind Circus, Selsmick, Bob Racecar Bob, hosted by WRIF's Doug Podell, 10 p.m. Friday, June 2, Token Lounge, Westland. (734) 513-5030

RAY CHARLES: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$25. (248) 645-6666

CHICAGO: With Little River Band, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 28, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20.25-\$30.25. (248) 645-6666

THE CHIEFTAINS AND LOS LOBOS: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 25, at Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$35 pavilion/\$20 lawn. (248) 645-6666

TERRI CLARK: 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$15-\$30. (248) 645-6666

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HARRY CONNICK JR. AND HIS BIG BAND: Come By Me Tour, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25.50-\$45.50. (248) 645-6666

COUNTING CROWS AND LIVE: With Galactic, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$23.50-\$46. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

CRACKER: With Koester, 8 p.m. Friday, June 2, 7th House, Pontiac. All ages. \$12 advance. (313) 961-MELT

CREEP: With 3 Doors Down, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25-\$35.

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THE CURE: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 10, Motor City Casino, Detroit. (313) 237-7711; 10 p.m. Saturday, June 10, Club Bart, Ferndale. (248) 548-8746

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ELIS: Monday, June 19, 7th House, Pontiac

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FACTORY 81: With The Workhorse Movement, Powerface, Too Many Gods, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 3, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$7. (313) 961-MELT

FOREIGNER: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$14.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

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PETER FRAMPTON: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

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Golden Mushroom picks seasoned chef to head up kitchen

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

Owner Reid Ashton opened the now internationally-known restaurant, Golden Mushroom, in 1972. Legendary Chef Milos Cihelka, the first master chef certified in the United States, left Detroit's legendary London Chop House to become the Golden Mushroom's executive chef and Ashton's partner in 1976. Chef Milos retired in 1994.

Filling his shoes since have been Steve Allen, who left to open his own restaurant, Steve & Rocky's in Novi. Derin Moore, next on board, left recently to head the kitchen at a Charlotte, N.C. country club, leaving the door open for the talented and popular Randy Emert to be named Golden Mushroom executive chef.

At age 32, Chef Randy, a Clarkston resident, has an impressive professional résumé. Since earning an associate's degree in Culinary Arts from Schoolcraft College in Livonia, he has become an American Culinary Federation Certified Chef de Cuisine. He's also a part-time instructor in the culinary departments at Henry Ford Community College and Oakland Community College. In addition, he captained the 1996 Michigan Culinary Team that was awarded a gold, four silver, and two bronze medals in the Culinary Olympics in Berlin, Germany.

Chef Randy comes to the Golden Mushroom after having been the executive chef at Pike Street

Golden Mushroom

Where: 18100 West 10 Mile Road, Southfield, just west of Southfield Road, (248) 559-4230.

Hours: Lunch, Monday-Friday, 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Dinner, Monday-Thursday, 5-10 p.m., Friday until 11 p.m. and Saturday, 5:30-11 p.m.

Menu: Award-winning international selection of flavorful, creative dishes, prepared with attention to every detail.

Cost: Lunch average \$13; dinner average \$32.

Reservations: preferred.

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Restaurant in Pontiac and most recently, the Director of Operations and Executive Chef at Paint Creek Cider Mill Restaurant in Rochester.

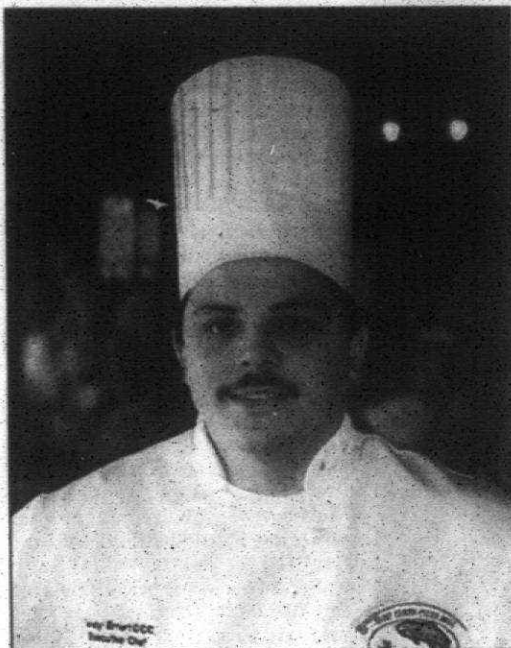
"It's a challenge and an honor to follow in the footsteps of the great chefs who've been at the Golden Mushroom," Chef Randy said. "Each day that I work in the kitchen, I hope I can maintain the reputation that's been established. This is not my responsibility alone, but one that the prep and line cooks and sous chefs also take seriously."

While trained in classical cooking methods, Chef Randy uses simple words to describe his style. "Good food, presented elegantly and cooked from the heart," he said. "Pride will show on all plates. I'm very diner preference-conscious when it comes to the menu listings."

"It has been said that the Golden Mushroom is a place to come for an all-afternoon lunch. Not anymore. You can be in and out in an hour and have a great lunch, even a working business lunch. People are busy, and I'm committed to making this happen," he said.

Some Golden Mushroom sacrosanct items such as Fresh Beluga Caviar, the signature sampling of Spring Mushrooms, House Salad, Sautéed White Holland Dover Sole, and Crispy Dover Sole Murat will never change.

But diners at the Golden Mushroom will experience some delightful changes under Chef Randy. Foie Gras, the dinner experience, will take on two



Ready Randy: The new executive chef at Golden Mushroom is Randy Emert of Clarkston.

new faces: Foie Gras Combination of Seared Foie Gras and Foie Gras Terrine with a raisin scone and Port wine glaze; or Tableside Carved Whole Roasted Foie Gras, serving six, with appropriate garnish.

New dinner main courses include Sea Scallops and Shrimp Sauté, garnished with pea shoot and grape tomato salad and roast fingerling potatoes;

On the side

■ Food for thought: during Spring, about 4,000 pounds of Washington and Oregon morel mushrooms are purchased by the Golden Mushroom then frozen for use throughout the year.

■ Golden Mushroom uncorked

Executive Chef Randy Smith is a wine lover. His choices for best matches with his dishes include: Whole Roasted Foie Gras and 1988 Chateau Rayne Vigneau Sauternes Sea Scallops & Shrimp Sauté and 1997 Far Niente Chardonnay and Grilled Moulard Duck Breast and 1998 Iron Horse Pinot Noir.

■ Southfield's Golden Mushroom is a perennial winner of both the Wine Spectator Best of Award of Excellence and Distinguished Restaurants of North America (DiRoNA). You need only one hand to count the area's restaurants with such distinction.

Grilled Moulard Duck Breast with chanterelle barley risotto and spiced duck jus lie; Veal Medallions in Pilsner Urquell Sauce with Port Salut-Pancetta Risotto; and Roast Leg of Venison with Port wine sauce and crispy potatoes.

Desserts have a retro look. Chef Randy calls them "Back to Milos Favorites." They include Fruit Flan, Mozart Tart, Apple Strudel, Flavored Mousse Cup, Cheesecake of the Day and one or two specials.

Eleanor Heald is a Troy resident who writes about dining, food and wine for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave her a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.

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Send dinner specials, menu changes, restaurant renovations, and other items to Keely Wygonik, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

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