

Livonia celebrates 50 years of cityhood this week with the annual Spree festival. See our special section inside this issue.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### THURSDAY

**Prosecutor forum:** The five candidates for Wayne County prosecutor will debate the issues 7:30-10 p.m. June 22 at Livonia's Civic Center Library. The forum is co-sponsored by The Observer Newspapers and The Northville Record; Time Warner; and the Community Democratic Club.

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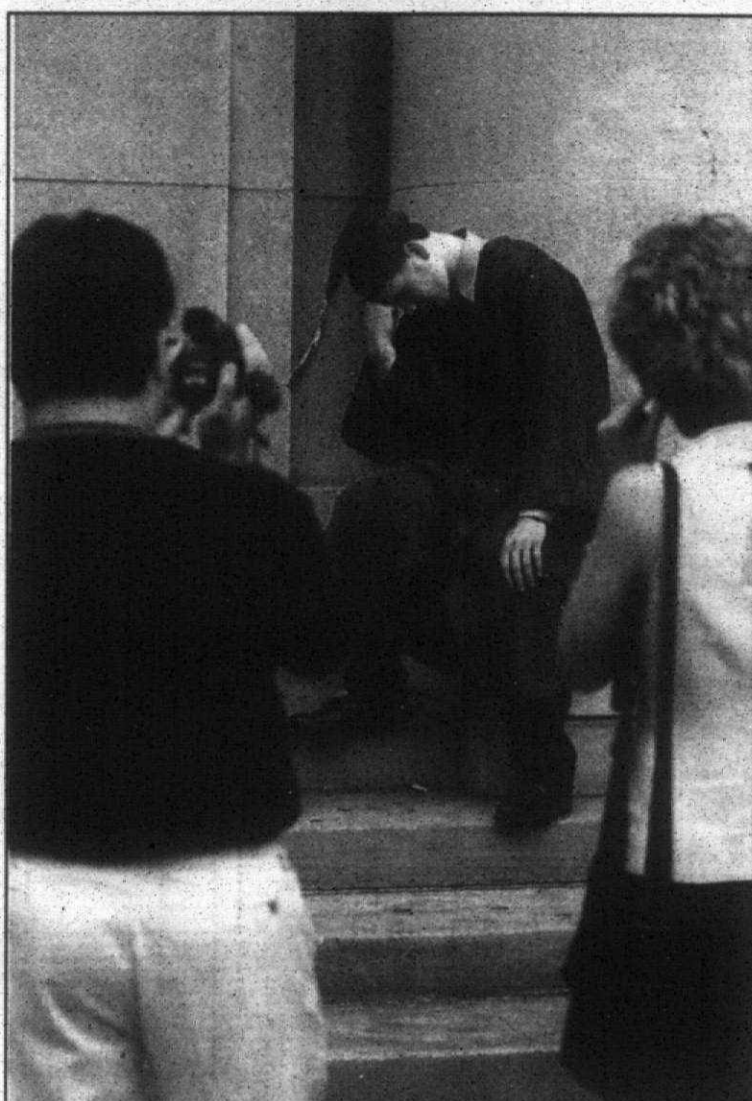
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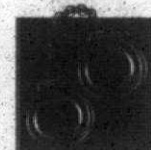


**Posing:** David Oliver strikes a pose as "The Thinker," by the sculptor Rodin, as his dad Terry videotapes him and his mom Pam snaps a photo on the steps of Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor following commencement exercises last Sunday. Please see page D8 for more coverage.

**Smile:** Right, Megan Bohr (left) and Kim Tammie show off the fact that they discovered they were wearing the same dress under their gowns following commencement exercises last Sunday at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor. Below, with tears in her eyes, Roxanne Hammons embraces a family member following her graduation from Plymouth Salem High School last Sunday at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor.



## Sutariya pleads no contest in death of spouse



A 20-year-old Canton woman pled no contest to a charge of second-degree murder in Wayne County Circuit Court Friday. She will face sentencing next month and could receive a maximum of life in prison.

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An India native charged with murdering her Canton husband by stabbing him more than 20 times with a kitchen knife in January has admitted guilt.

Kinnari Sutariya, 20, pled no contest to a reduced second degree murder charge Friday, June 16, before Wayne County Circuit Judge Bruce Morrow. Sentencing is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. July 20.

Pleading no contest is a legal admission of guilt and means the defendant won't face trial for the Jan. 22 slaying of her husband, Ramesh Sutariya, 28, also a native of India.

She was originally charged with first-degree murder. Second-degree murder implies no premeditation but carries a maximum life sentence as does first-degree murder.

If convicted, Sutariya would serve the time in the United States.

"There is no agreement between the

United States and India that could result in (her) serving time in India," said Canton police Sgt. Charles Raycraft.

Police are still investigating a possible motive.

"I would say that (Sutariya) probably has a different version of what happened than we do," Raycraft said. She told police she was fighting off her husband's sexual advances when she stabbed him.

"We didn't find any indication of that," he said.

Sutariya had only been in the United States 12 days when the stabbing occurred. Family members said she came to India for an arranged marriage with Ramesh Sutariya. The couple were married on Dec. 24, 1999, in India and exchanged vows in a U.S. ceremony in January. The Wayne State University student had lived in the U.S. for 16 years and was six months away from completing his medical residency.

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### Final fall



**Agonizing loss:** Canton goal-keeper Amy Dorigi can't do anything but look up as Troy Athens' Jane Logsoon (17) celebrates a goal during the Red Hawks' 4-1 win over the Chiefs in Saturday's Division I state soccer championship game. Anne Morrell scored Canton's only goal. For the complete story, please turn to Page B1.

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

## Liberty Fest crowds expected to hit 60,000

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The Moving Wall, a half-size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, is expected to be one of the star attractions of this year's Canton Liberty Fest.

An opening ceremony for the wall is planned for 6 p.m. Thursday, June 22. Canton Supervisor Tom Yack is scheduled to speak and a military aircraft is expected to do a fly-over demonstration, said Bob Dates, recreation supervisor.

The wall will be on display for visi-

tors 24 hours daily through Monday, June 26.

There are more than 58,000 names listed on the wall, including roughly 1,300 names of those listed as POWs and MIAs. Veterans from the Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America Post 528, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion will participate in guarding the memorial and assisting visitors with finding names on the wall. More than 50 volunteers will be working the wall area alone over the weekend.

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"It'll be a special attraction all in itself," Dates said. "Other communities that have hosted the wall have reported that they've had good crowds."

The wall will be displayed in the west part of the park near a baseball field. Canton has prepared a place with special landscaping and American flags.

The Moving Wall is expected to boost the number of people attending the festival this year. Dates said he expects about 60,000 over the weekend if weather is cooperative.

The festival's most popular attraction is the fireworks display, which will be at approximately 10:15 p.m. Saturday, June 24. Dates said the fireworks budget increased

from \$18,000 to \$19,000 this year.

"We were able to purchase more shells to shoot off," Dates said.

Other popular events include the classic car show, noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 24 and Sunday, June 25; the "Taste of Canton" noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 24; and "Fun Zone" inflatable attractions, open all weekend.

Amphitheater musical performers this year include "The Fantastiks" 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 23, the Star Spangled Banner performed by Sarah Medley 8 p.m. Saturday, June 24; Three Men and a Tenor 8-9:30 p.m. and the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps, 1 p.m. Sunday, June 25.

**Pie-eating contest features (messy) fun**

Learning to eat with utensils is one of the first things children learn when eating at the table with their families.

But forks, spoons and knives and basic table manners will be disregarded at the Canton Liberty Fest pie-eating contest 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22, at Heritage Park's amphitheater.

The contest, geared toward children and teenagers, is easily one of the four-day festival's messiest events, said Bob Dates, recreation supervisor.

"They all just kind of smash their faces into the pie and start eating," he said. Cream pies instead of top-crust pies are used in the contest.

**Fun Zone, 'Tarzan' highlight fest's open**

Here is a roundup of Liberty Fest events:

**Thursday, June 22**

- Pie eating contest, 7:30 p.m. at the amphitheater
- "Chautauqua Express" show, 7:45 p.m., amphitheater
- "Tarzan" movie, 9:30 p.m., amphitheater
- "Fun Zone" attractions including rock climbing and inflatable play areas, 6 to 10 p.m., \$5 per person.
- Sports den games, 6 to 10 p.m., three games for \$1 or Fun Zone wristband

**Friday, June 23:**

- Community spaghetti dinner, 5 to 9 p.m., \$5 adult, \$4 children 12 and younger
- "Fun Zone" attractions 6 to 10 p.m.
- Spots den games 6 to 10 p.m.
- Bingo hosted by Canton Seniors, 7 to 11 p.m.
- "Fantastiks" concert, 7:30 p.m., oldies music in amphitheater

**Saturday, June 24**

- Canton Duck Derby "Duck Sales," 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- "Fantastiks" concert, 7:30 p.m., oldies music in amphitheater
- "Taste of Canton," noon to 9 p.m., north picnic shelters, featuring foods from several Canton eateries
- Classic car show, noon to 5 p.m., throughout park
- "Out and About" cable show taping, noon

But Dates said some of his favorite musical performers are the ones not honing their crafts on a stage.

"One of my favorite things about the festival is the strolling entertainers," he said. This year the strolling entertainers will include jugglers, barbershop quartets and Dixieland bands as well as costumed entertainers such as clowns.

Dates said the variety of festival activities is what draws people year after year.

"I think that our festival is unique in that it has a little bit of everything," he said. "And people like the Heritage Park setting they don't feel cramped and don't feel like they're elbow to elbow."

Trick: Chuck "The Hit Man" Hiter, a celebrity stunt golfer, drives off "the tall tees" while balancing on a pipe as the golfers from the St. Joseph Mercy Golf Club outwitted him in amazement at Pheasant Run Golf Club on Wednesday. Hiter entertained the crowd with his repartee, his slapstick and his unparalleled accuracy as he smacked balls in mid-air more than 250 yards with his driver. When asked about the stunt that Tiger Woods made famous in a Nike commercial, Hiter replied, "He got that from me. I wish I never showed him my videos."

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHELMAN



**Fore!**  
**Outing raises funds for health**

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Proceeds from this year's event will help expand women's health education and screening programs and community outreach services in western Wayne County. In 1999 some 1,300 women and girls participated in education programs in an effort to improve their health.

The Canton event is part of a \$12 million Campaign for Women's Health currently under way at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Canton resident and local attorney Bryan Amann was back for his third year as chairman of the event because of "St. Joe's commitment to programs and education that improve the health of women and young girls in western Wayne County."

The Canton event has raised some \$470,000 in the last three years. In the first two years, the event raised money for the new health exploration/education center at the St. Joseph Center on Canton Center Road. More than 12,000 students — preschool through high school — have visited the health exploration center and participated in programs since it opened last September, according to Sally Bailey, regional administrator for St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital.

The major sponsor of this year's event was Las Vegas Golf & Tennis.

Golfers enjoyed the pro-am format of the event. Livonia resident John Atsakis, of Detroit Edison, played with Billy Ballew of Boulder Lakes Golf Club.

"He helped everyone on the team with everything from stance and grip to driving and putting. We had fun and improved our game," said Atsakis.

A St. Joe's spokeswoman confirmed plans to hold the fourth annual classic next June.

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## Cancer society benefit coming

The Discovery Shop of Livonia will host "The Great Antique Hunt" Saturday, June 24, to benefit the American Cancer Society.

Working together with Brighton Gardens Assisted Living by Marriott and Knightsbridge Antique Mall of Northville, participants will have an opportunity to have two items appraised by local antique experts from Knightsbridge.

Individuals will also be on hand to teach people how to care for their antiques and a videographer will be demonstrating how to make a "video scrapbook"

of the antiques in your collection.

The four-hour event is expected to attract a large crowd based on the popularity of PBS's "Antiques Roadshow." Attendees are invited to bring antiques and collectibles to "The Great Antique Hunt" for free verbal appraisals. This is your opportunity to learn if your treasures are more than just aesthetically appealing.

All proceeds from the event will benefit the American Cancer Society's Livonia Discovery Shop. The retail store receives donations of merchandise and

personal property from estates, individuals and retailers. Run completely by volunteers the store sorts, prices, tags, displays and sells clothing and household items in a boutique-like atmosphere unlike most thrift shops.

Proceeds raised from store revenue benefit research, education and support services for cancer patients and their families through the American Cancer Society.

The \$5 admission fee (cash/check) includes two appraisals, silent auction, live entertainment (juggler, singers) and light refreshments (hot dogs, ice cream, beverages). The event runs from 1-4 p.m. with appraisal registration from 1-3 p.m. You can also choose to donate the items you have appraised to the Discovery Shop.

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## OBITUARIES

### DEBORAH JANE BACHUS

Services for Deborah Jane Bachus, 40, of Canton were June 2 at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Fred Cooley officiating. Burial was in Milford Memorial Cemetery, Milford.

She was born Dec. 18, 1959. She died May 27 in Alpena General Hospital. She was a secretary.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Doris Barclay. Survivors include her husband, Cornelius (Cory) Bachus of Canton; two daughters, Jennifer Bachus, Courtney Bachus; parents, Douglas Barclay of Hubbard Lake and Dorothy Barclay of Boynton, Fla.; three brothers, Douglas Barclay Jr., Dwight (Christine) Barclay, Duane (Angela) Barclay, and grandparents, Elmer and Lorraine Klei, and James Barclay.

Memorials may be made to the Bachus Children's Trust Fund, in care of First United Methodist Church, 3 Towne Square, Wayne, MI 48184.

Local arrangements were made by the Uht Funeral Home.

### TERESA MARIE PSZCZOLKA

Services for Teresa Marie Pszczolka, 77, of Plymouth were June 17 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. J.J. Mech officiating. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

She was born on Nov. 30, 1922, in Allison, Pa. She died June 14 in Livonia. She was a homemaker. She and Emil had been married for 54 years. She came to the Plymouth community in 1979. She was a member of the senior citizens club of Plymouth where she was the treasurer. She also was a member of the Friendship Club of Plymouth Township. She was a member of the Council on Aging, and she enjoyed working during the elections.

She bowled on the Senior League at Plaza Lanes. She attended many General Motors Retirees gatherings with her husband. She played bingo and pinocle and enjoyed cooking. She loved family gatherings. Survivors include her hus-

band, Emil Pszczolka of Plymouth; two daughters, Kathy (Chris) Young of Livonia, Annette (Jim) Roberts of Livonia; one son, Steven (Tonya) Pszczolka of Perry Ball, Md.; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made as Mass offerings.

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

### WILLIAM PATRICK DUNN

Private services were held for William Patrick Dunn, 63, of Plymouth.

He was born Aug. 16, 1936, in Detroit. He died June 13 in Plymouth. He worked as an installer for Michigan Bell. He lived in Detroit until the 1960s, he moved to Farmington and then in 1983 he moved to Plymouth. He attended St. John Neumann Catholic Church and also at Tonquish Creek he attended Masses with the priests from Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. He graduated from St. Mary's High School of Redford. He enjoyed music, good food and had a keen sense of humor.

Survivors include his son, Jeffrey Dunn; one daughter, Claudine Gary; one sister, Karen Schraufnagle of Livonia; two nephews, Kenneth and Kirk; two nieces, Kim and Kerry; friend, June Weber of Plymouth; and four grandchildren.

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

### JERRY A. MOUNTAIN

Private services will be held at a later date for Jerry A. Mountain, 77, formerly of Wayne and Plymouth. He died May 24.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Louis Mountain. Survivors include his three daughters, Joan Skeels of Erie, Jerry Lynn Pease of Southville; and Jill Mountain of Northville; nephew, Duane Mountain of Bonita Springs, Fla.; niece, Lawana Zielinski of Naples, Fla.; nine grandchildren, Kimberly, Dawn, David, Michael, Patrick, Robert, Mindy, Nicholas and Whitney; and 10 great-grand-

children.

### HELEN JAYNES WRIGHT

Private services were held for Helen Jaynes Wright, 86, of Maple City, Mich.

She was born Oct. 27, 1913. She died June 13 at Maple Valley Nursing Home. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her son, David (Sally) Beagle of Kalamazoo; one daughter, Nancy (Marty) Keasal of Plymouth; one sister, Frances Novak; eight grandchildren, Tim (Sue) Nichols of Glen Arbor, Scott Hanna of Plymouth, Jay Hanna of Plymouth, Steven Hannah of Las Vegas, David (Angela) Beagle of Kalamazoo, Julia Beagle of Berkley, Andy Beagle of Shoreline, Wash.; and two great-grandchildren, Elijah and Noah Beagle.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or Maple Valley Nursing Home.

### JUNE MARGARET SHIPLEY

Services for June Shipley, 79, of Canton were June 16 at St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church with the Rev. C. Richard Kelly officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Memorial Cemetery, Southfield.

She was born April 18, 1921, in Highland Park. She died on June 14 in Plymouth. She was a homemaker. She was a member of St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church. She was a member of the Pioneers (Senior Group) where she played in the "Canton Kitchen Band." She was an avid organ player and enjoyed playing for friends and family. She and her late husband, Donald, spent their retirement in Florida.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald, and daughter, Pamela S. Shipley.

Survivors include her daughters, Carol A. Wirth of Canton and Diane M. (Paul) Kovces of Novi; one brother, Thomas (Carol) Jollie of Port Huron; and four granddaughters, Susan and Shannon Wirth and Andrea and Kimberly Kovces.

Memorials may be made to the Parkinson Foundation.

## Beard disputes comments on airport subpoena

BY RICHARD PEARL  
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Wayne County Commission Vice Chair Kay Beard of Westland on Friday strongly disputed another commissioner's statement earlier in the week that the commission lacked a majority to subpoena County Executive Edward H. McNamara to get Detroit Metropolitan Airport parking records.

Commissioner Lyn Bankes of Livonia had told the Observer's Thursday editions that "there was no strong consensus" about subpoenaing McNamara.

Beard stated Friday, however, that the committee of the whole on Tuesday voted to issue the subpoena.

"I find it very interesting that, the very next day, eight boxes (of airport records) were delivered," Beard said.

According to a commission spokesperson, the committee, with 13 of 15 members present, voted 8-4 Tuesday to authorize its chairman, Ricardo A. Solomon, to subpoena the county executive.

The records were being sought by county Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy of Plymouth in his ongoing probe of airport operations and contracts.

Voting with Solomon and Beard to subpoena were commissioners Jewel Ware, Alisha Bell, Robert Blackwell, George Cushingberry Jr., Susan Hubbard and Kathleen Husk of Redford.

Commissioners Edward Boike, Joseph Palamara, Bernard Parker and Ilona Varga voted against, while Bankes abstained. Absent were commissioners John Sullivan of Wayne and Christopher Cavanagh.

### 'Drag their feet'

Beard said the commission acted "because, as usual, the executive branch continues to drag their feet and not allow the auditor general to look at records which, under our charter, he has the right to do."

"And all county employees have the obligation to work with the auditor general," she said. "If they don't turn over the records, they're breaking the law."

"We don't want to threaten (but) we have held off on a lot of this way longer than we should have, in hopes we could meet some kind of compromise" with McNamara, Beard said.

"What really bothers me about this is, I have been trying for years to have county auditors on-site at the airport," she continued. "It's the only major airport in the country that doesn't have auditors on-site, but the executive has blocked us."

"If we had had an auditor on-site, we could have found a lot of things that would have shown



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the airport was not being operated right in many cases. We could have found this and corrected it. "In an operation that huge (Metro Airport), there needs to be a continuing audit presence and an overview, and why they have never allowed this, I will never, never understand," Beard said.

### 'Strange answers'

She said the executive branch "would give us strange answers — that the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) will not

allow" auditors on-site. "But we checked and found the FAA will allow" them.

"I would think they would want it because a lot of federal money is involved. What the heck is going on here?" she asked, perplexed.

As for Bankes' comments about the subpoena vote, Beard said, "Lyn is still learning our system. Our system is not the same as the state's. I'm not going to criticize her because she's still in the learning phase," Beard said.

Bankes is in her first term as commissioner after several terms as a state representative.

Beard, however, did criticize a comment by June West, McNamara's public relations director, who was quoted Thursday saying she thought it was "very unlikely" the commission would subpoena.

"I don't recall that she ever attends any of our (commission) meetings," said Beard. "I don't know how she could make any such comment as to what we would do or not do."

"We (commissioners) are a branch of government and we

are not subject to the county executive's rule," Beard continued, noting that commissioners can even override executive vetoes.

"He (McNamara) doesn't control the county commission — not that he wouldn't like to or doesn't try. Had the county executive or his people cooperated," she said, "we wouldn't have had the state auditor general's office in here going over the records."

"It's as simple as that," Beard said the audit committee, which she chairs, unanimously approved subpoenaing the records the week before, thus sending the issue to the committee of the whole.

The records involve APCOA, the company that manages the airport's parking lots. The county is suing to recover nearly \$1 million in overcharges which Dunleavy's 1998 audit revealed.

Solomon chairs both the commission and the committee of the whole.

Cushingberry is the chairman of ways and means, of which Bankes is a member. It met Tuesday, after the committee of the whole.

## Sex offenders would have to register online screen names

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Is that person your youngster is typing messages to in an Internet chat room OK, or is he a sex offender?

That's the question state Sen. Shirley Johnson, R-Royal Oak, wants to address in legislation she has introduced to require sex offenders to disclose their online screen names and Internet account information to the state police for inclusion on Michigan's sex offender registry.

"Few crimes are as brutal as sexual assault, and sex predators usually strike more than once," Johnson said, explaining her reasons for introducing Senate Bill 1312 on Thursday, June 8.

"Unfortunately, the Internet

has become a key tool for predators to seek out new victims while maintaining a sense of anonymity. My bill strips away the electronic veil from sexual predators and allows parents and potential victims to verify they are not chatting online with someone who poses a significant

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threat to their families' safety."

But the bill is also likely to run into opposition from civil liberties advocacy groups. Sean Kosofsky, director of policy and victims services for the Triangle

Foundation, a statewide gay and lesbian civil rights organization, said some people are getting on the list for "non-violent, non-predatory, unpaid-for" sex between consenting adults.

When first enacted, those convicted of charges like sodomy and gross indecency were excluded

from the list. Since then, the list has been posted on the Internet and, in the last legislative session, sodomy and gross indecency were added back to the list, he said.

His organization believes gays and lesbians are "disproportionately persecuted" by police in

Michigan on such charges.

Kosofsky said he did not believe it was Johnson's intent to target homosexuals with this bill or get them placed on the list, but he believed that could be one result.

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# Wayne-Westland school board welcomes new members

BY DARRELL CLEM  
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Newly elected Wayne-Westland school board trustees Cindy Schofield and Richard Eisminger say they want to boost the image of a district that suffered a budget crisis and massive program cuts in the last decade.

"I'd like to see us work on marketing the district," said Schofield, the top vote-getter in Monday's school board election.

"We need to change the image that's out there in the general public," said Eisminger, appointed incumbent and second-place finisher.

But the two winners and their five board colleagues will face new money problems as the district's budget surplus plummets from \$10.9 million to \$5.4 million during the next year.

"We'll be in deficit after that," Superintendent Greg Baracy said. "Some kind of legislative relief from Lansing is absolutely necessary for us to be even partially whole in the future."

With that gloomy outlook, Schofield, 41, and Eisminger, 40, won handily in Monday's four-way school board race, claiming victory in their first election bids and defeating third-time candidate Marshall Wright and newcomer LeeAnna Denison.

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— Wayne-Westland Superintendent

The victors will receive four-year terms.

Schofield garnered 901 votes compared with Eisminger's 751, Wright's 487 and Denison's 272. Just 1,351 of the district's 70,000 registered voters bothered to cast ballots in one of the quietest Wayne-Westland school board races in memory, according to election officials.

That's a 1.9-percent turnout.

"I had hoped for a better turnout," Eisminger said.

Schofield, a Wayne resident and office manager for a family-run property management business, attributed her first-place finish to support from parents who identified with her pro-education activities.

She has served on numerous district committees, including a citizen panel that supported a voter-approved, \$108.3 million bond issue in 1998 that led to long-delayed school building

improvements.

"I think I have a good handle on what's going on in the district," Schofield said Monday, amid a small group of people awaiting election results at school district offices on Marquette.

Schofield, who has three children in Wayne-Westland schools, cited curriculum improvements and marketing the district's strengths as her top priorities.

"I'm excited, and I appreciate the support the community has shown for me," she said. "I hope the decisions I make justify that support."

Eisminger, a Westland resident and real estate associate broker, won the election 11 months after he was chosen as a school board appointee. He replaced former President David Cox, who stepped down and accepted a Westland City Council appointment.

Eisminger, who also has three children in local schools, celebrated Monday with about 50 supporters at Fire Academy Brewery & Grill on Wayne Road. He attributed his win to "a lot of friends and family and people that truly know me."

Eisminger said his top priority will be to continue improving the Wayne-Westland district's image.

Schofield carried 13 of the district's 17 voting precincts and tied with Eisminger in one. Eisminger captured the most votes in two precincts, Wright in one. One precinct, Jefferson-Barns Elementary School, had only nine voters on day.

Schofield led in votes cast by absentee ballot. District election officials had predicted that 1,700-1,800 voters would cast ballots in Monday's school board race, but unoffi-

cial totals showed that just 1,351 people voted.

Absentee ballots accounted for 303 voters, meaning that just 1,048 of the district's 70,000 registered voters actually went to the polls.

Some of those voters included Michigan Education Association-affiliated employees who favored union-endorsed Schofield and Eisminger.

Robert Kowalczyk, executive director of the Wayne-Westland Education Association, said Schofield's involvement in the school bond construction committee made her a standout candidate.

Kowalczyk commended the job Eisminger has done as a board appointee.

"He has shown he's willing to listen to the teachers and the other union employees," Kowalczyk said.

Schofield and Eisminger will join board holdovers Mathew McCusker, Lorne "Skip" Monit, Martha Pittsberger, Teresa Robbins and Ed Turner. Each board member earns little more than \$1,800 a year.

Board President Robin Moore didn't seek re-election and will step down June 30.

Baracy, the superintendent, said the board will face money problems that could result in a budget deficit within two years.

The district's new \$105.7 million spending plan, approved Tuesday, trims the budget surplus from \$10.9 million to \$5.4 million. A similar trend the following year could leave the district with no money.

Baracy blamed budget woes on money that he said the district has lost since voters passed 1994's tax-slashing Proposal A. Baracy said Wayne-Westland has lost \$70 million in revenue since 1994.

## Artists needed for event

Artists are needed to participate in the Belleville Art Colony, which is under the direction of the Belleville Area Council of the Arts.

The Art Colony will be on display from 2-6 p.m. every Sunday in July and August in Victory Park.

The event is planned by the

Art Colony committee which is subcommittee of the Belleville Area Council for the arts, which is comprised of Tim Marsh, Kim Ensch and Jane Kovach.

Artists will be given a free vendors permit from the city of Belleville for that particular day which will enable the artist to sell art at no expense.

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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 Workers Compensation 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 PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. For additional information, please contact George Przegodski, of the Personnel Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m., Thursday, July 12, 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  
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JUDY L. MARDIGIAN, Secretary

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Published: June 18 and 25, 2000



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# Farmers and gardeners sought for aid program

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Wayne County is trying to take a fresh approach to making its Project Fresh program work this summer.

The state-funded summer-only program, operated by the county's public health department, provides qualified low-income families and individuals with coupons for fresh fruits and vegetables.

But, said program manager Deborah Wendt, many of those eligible lack "dependable transportation" to get to area produce markets to use the coupons. So this year, the department hopes to find gardeners and farmers who'll bring the produce to the

clients.

Specifically, she said, the department has set aside 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays this summer for a farmer's market at the county health administration building at 33030 Van Born Road at Venoy in the City of Wayne. The targeted start date is July 6.

Also available will be a representative of the Michigan State University extension agency to demonstrate preparing, cooking and saving the produce and show safe food-handling, said Wendt.

"A lot of them (department clients) are young, unwed mothers who don't know too much about" those topics, she said.

Wendt hopes the change in format will turn around a program

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which last year saw Wayne County rank at the bottom of the statewide list in coupon redemptions. The county has offered the program since about 1996.

This year, there will be 900 of the \$20, 10-coupon books available, one per family, said Wendt, down from the 1,300 books in 1999. The 900 coupon books are worth a total of \$18,000.

The coupons are good until Oct. 31, "so they can go buy pumpkins, if they want," Wendt said.

Suppliers set their own prices, she said. But they keep the change from unused or partly used coupons.

Project Fresh is a supplemental food program offered only during the growing season to those in WIC, the Women, Infant and Children federal food program operated year-round by the county. Wendt also is WIC coordinator.

Those qualifying for Project Fresh include pregnant or postpartum women with children ages 1-5, either of whom must meet federal poverty-income guidelines, she said.

Single fathers with children can also qualify.

"They may be working people

who are maybe making decent wages," she said. A family of four can have up to \$31,543 in annual income and still qualify for WIC and Project Fresh, guidelines state.

The bulk of Wendt's clients live in Wayne, Inkster, Taylor, Ecorse and River Rouge, but some come from Canton and Sumpter Townships and other area communities.

She said about 8,000 people qualify for Project Fresh: "There's a lot of need out there."

With Project Fresh, "We're looking for partnering" with

senior-citizen gardeners or farmers, said Wendt.

"It's a win-win situation" because they sell their produce and those who are "nutritionally at risk get to expand their awareness" of nutrition, besides eating healthier.

But the bottom line, Wendt said, is, "We should do what we can to assist those less fortunate than us."

To become a supplier, an application must be filled out and sent to the state by June 30, Wendt said. For more information, call her at (734) 727-7107.

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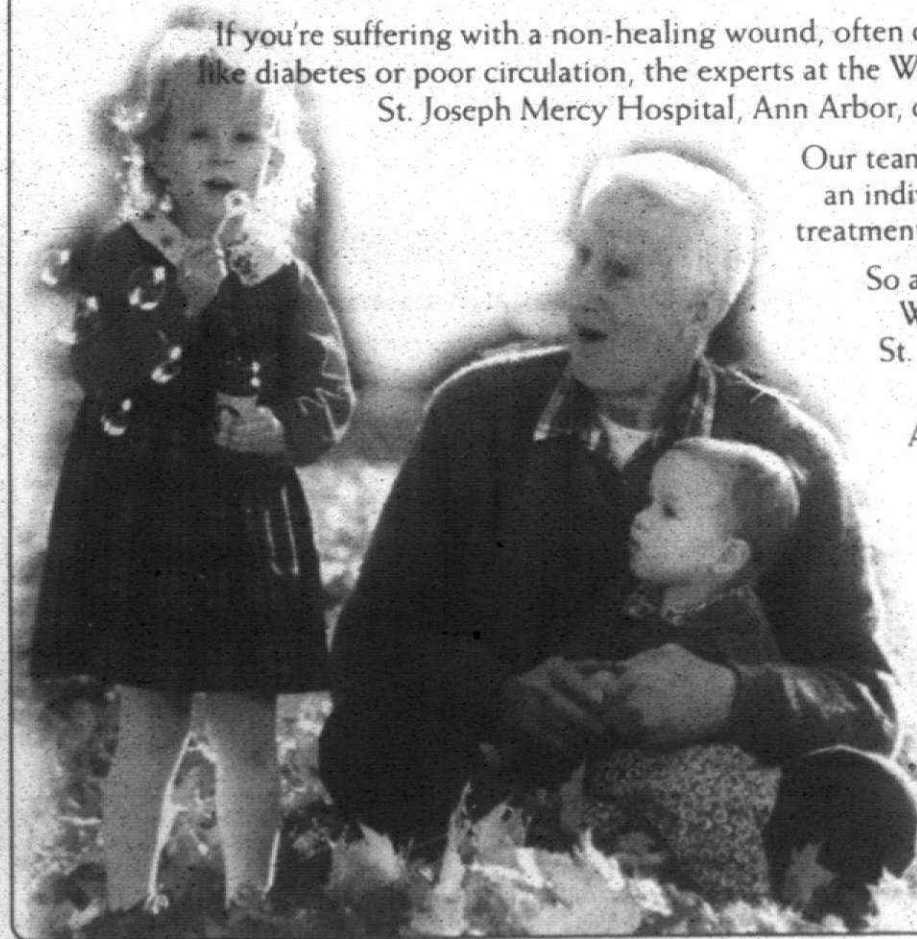
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# Yazaki North America given abatement by township

Below is a roundup of some action items approved by the Canton Township Board of Trustees at its Tuesday, June 13, meeting:

■ Tax abatement for Yazaki North America Inc., 50 percent for eight years. Yazaki is planning a \$6.86 million, 15,000-square-foot expansion of its research and development testing center, producing 25 new jobs.

■ Receipt of agreement for Cherry Hill Village planned development, built by Biltmore Properties. A 338-acre development in the Cherry Hill/Ridge area is planned that would include a variety of homes incorporating a historic theme as well as "hamlet-style shopping." A farmers market and cider mill would be among possible developments as well as pedestrian

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friendly features such as parks and walkways.

■ Clubhouse and pool site plan for Central Park Subdivision #2, located on 3 acres on the east side of Denton, south of Proctor.

■ Site plan for Vistas of Central Park clubhouse, on 11.3 acres west of Beck, south of Proctor as part of Central Park planned development district. Clubhouse would serve condominium residents.

■ Site plan for Cobblestone Ridge South site condominiums, a 48-unit development on 24 acres south of Salt between Canton Center and Beck.

■ Site plan for Cobblestone Ridge subdivision #4, located on

2.55 acres north of Salt, east of Beck. Subdivision consists of four lots and will extend Hendrie Drive to Beck Road.

■ Customer service training session for municipal services department employees in the amount of \$10,800. Two-day sessions would be conducted by Career Directions of Ann Arbor and will emphasize ways employees can improve customer service.

■ Purchase of a \$1,841 drill and tap machine and \$3,940 power air operator for use in installing water taps. Present equipment is eight years old.

■ Creating and filling a mechanic position for golf course/grounds maintenance at

Pheasant Run Golf Course.

■ Hiring Siegal Tuomala Associates Architects and Planners Inc. of Farmington Hills for architectural and engineering services for the new police gun range for \$54,500. Site is located on Lilley north of Van Born. \$408,000 has been budgeted for the gun range.

■ Hiring Carport Structure Corp. of Redford for \$9,050 to build an additional carport for police vehicles at township hall. Northstar Sales of Westland was selected to install brick work for \$10,000.

■ Installing new tile in the public safety briefing room. The selected bidder was Northstar Sales of Westland, also the only bidder. Their bid quote was \$12,225.

■ Installing a canopy awning at the Canton Softball Center.

Michigan west of Beck. Marygrove Awning was the lowest bidder at \$7,998. Also approved was landscape fencing at the center for \$20,262, awarded to Nationwide Fence & Supply Inc. of Detroit.

■ Electronic sign to be posted in front of township hall. Townsend Neon was the lowest bidder at \$71,400. Sign will be used to display updated information to residents regarding township activities and events.

■ Increasing contract amount with AMS Planning and Research from \$28,800 by \$3,000 to \$31,800. The firm is conducting a business plan study for a proposed performing arts and education center. The additional funds will be used to revise the plans to reflect a 400-seat rather than a 750-seat theater.

■ Awarding bid for engineering and architectural services for Fellows Creek Golf Club's parking lot expansion and sidewalk renovation, \$11,300 to be performed by Dynamic Consultants Inc. of Plymouth.

■ Purchasing LCD projector for Summit on the Park Professional Center for \$6,747.

■ Purchasing a sprayer for \$11,989 from Spartan Distributors Inc. of Sparta.

■ Revising purchase agreement with High Velocity Sports, which plans to build an indoor sports facility on the Canton Softball Center grounds. The revised agreement would extend the closing to March 31, 2001, eliminate a down payment and extend the term to 24 months. Opening of full facility projected in fall, 2001.

## Canton set to study 911 phone system

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Canton Township trustees took a step toward purchasing a sophisticated telephone system that might allow for receiving emergency 911 calls from mobile phone users.

On June 13, the board approved hiring the consulting

■ 'The 911 system now in place is really outdated.'

John Santomauro  
—Public Safety Director

firm Dorsey-Pages LLC for a fee not to exceed \$15,790.

The consulting firm will evaluate the existing E-911 system, determine the requirements for replacing the system and allowing for integration with the dispatch system and evaluate the dispatch telephone system, among other things.

Public Safety Director John Santomauro said the present system is in bad need of replacing.

"The 911 system now in place is really outdated," Santomauro said. "We're unable to get (replacement) parts for it."

Replacing the system could cost an estimated \$50-\$75,000 or more, he said. Funding for hiring the consultant and purchasing the system will come from 911 surcharge revenues from telephone customers. Canton's emergency 911 fund has a \$541,073 balance.

"We're careful not to spend those funds except when absolutely necessary," Santomauro said.

Pending 2002 legislation that would require emergency dispatch centers to take 911 calls originating from mobile phones is the driving force. The Michigan State Police Detroit post accepts 911 calls from Western Wayne County communities, Detroit, Canada and other surrounding jurisdictions. The MSP post takes in approximately 80,000 to 100,000 911 calls monthly.

Canton's emergency 911 system was originally purchased in 1989 and needs updating to comply with pending regulations that would require emergency 911 centers to take mobile phone calls.

Other factors the township needs to consider:

■ Deciding whether to purchase an 800-megahertz system, with which the emergency 911 system should be compatible

■ Making sure the new system is compatible for Computer Aided Dispatch

■ Ensuring the new system is compatible with the township telephone system

## Police dispatch antenna excluded from state 'Christmas tree bill'

BY MIKE MALOTT  
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Michigan lawmakers deemed last week to allocate \$1 million for the construction of a new antenna in Livingston County to fix deficiencies in a state-wide police dispatch system.

Rep. Judith Scranton, R-Brighton, who asked for the money, was upset about the decision, especially since she was attempting to add the expenditure to a bill that has come to be referred to in Lansing as a "pork barrel bill" and a "Christmas tree bill."

The supplemental appropriations budget includes nearly \$650 million in grants for a long list of projects across the state from polar bear cages at the Detroit Zoo to an aviation museum in Kalamazoo.

But House Appropriations Committee Chair Terry Geiger opposed Scranton's amendment to tack on an extra million for the police dispatch antenna.

## APPROPRIATIONS

He urged a no vote on the House floor during a debate Thursday, June 8, saying he believed the project was too "geographically specific." Scranton disagreed.

"I'm trying to save some lives here," she said. She explained that the Livingston County Sheriff's Department along with all other police departments in the county have joined in the state's emergency services communications system, known as the "800 megahertz" system.

According to Dick Winsett, director of 911 services in Livingston, the system is supposed to be an improved state-wide radio communications system, allowing police from all departments and the State Police to talk on the same channels in a coordinated manner.

But Livingston is a pilot program. And, because the county

lacks a radio tower, the signals are not strong there. When officers are on the inside of buildings, they often cannot communicate with their dispatchers by handheld radio, Scranton and Winsett said.

The addition of an antenna in Livingston County would resolve the problem, Scranton and Winsett contend. The tower is already under construction, but the county government is fronting the cash.

And Scranton's amendment would have provided the reimbursement for a segment of the state communications system.

Still, Scranton's amendment was rejected in a 13-87 vote, with 10 representatives not casting ballots.

Less geographically specific were amendments offered by Reps. Bob Gosselin, R-Troy, and Tom Kelly, D-Wayne.

Gosselin proposed \$220 million for tax refunds to state taxpayers. He would have had the state issue checks of \$25 to every

person in the state. "While we are spending all this money, why don't we give a little back to taxpayers," he said. His amendment was defeated 36-59, with 15 members not voting.

Kelly's amendment would have allocated an additional \$50 million to the state school aid fund to make up for trimming done during the budgeting process.

His amendment was defeated 41-54, with 15 not voting.

The supplemental appropriations bill however did include:

■ \$10 million for a polar bear exhibit and an amphibian conservation center at the Detroit Zoo.

■ \$5 million for the Kalamazoo Aviation History Museum.

■ \$1 million for preliminary work on legislative redistricting.

■ \$9.6 million for arts and culture grants.

■ \$500,000 for a Vietnam veterans memorial in Lansing.

■ \$500,000 for upgrades at the Iron Industry Museum in Negaunee.

■ \$5 million for the demolition of abandoned buildings in Detroit and other cities.

■ \$3 million to upgrade the St. Aubin Marina in Detroit.

■ \$50 million for land purchases, and construction of roads and sewers in urban communities.

## Island rhythms concerts free

Two free concerts featuring Caribbean music are scheduled this week by the Wayne County parks division.

On Tuesday, June 20, children can limbo along with The Gratitude Steel Band in a special 6:30 p.m. Kids Kaleidoscope Series concert at Bell Creek Park in Redford Township.

The band, which plays reggae, calypso, West African "Yelle" and American pop music on steel drums, also has a conga line and is made up of nine musicians from Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Grenada and the United States.

Bell Creek Park is at Inkster and Five Mile Roads

in Redford. On Wednesday, June 21, Caribbean recording artist Ya Tafari will present an island rhythms concert at 7 p.m. in Inkster Park.

Tafari, a Bahamian, has received both the Spirit of Detroit and Detroit Renaissance Music awards. He has performed in the Caribbean and Latino World, Bob Marley Reggae and Cincinnati Street Jazz festivals.

Inkster Park is on John Daly, north of Michigan Avenue, in Inkster.

Both concerts are funded by the Wayne County Parks millage.

For additional information, call (734) 261-1990.

## 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 Purchase of Video Equipment for the Discovery Middle School. 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 PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. For additional information, please contact Jim Casteel, PCCS Director of Integrated Technology, at (734) 416-2708. Sealed bids are due on or before 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 12, 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

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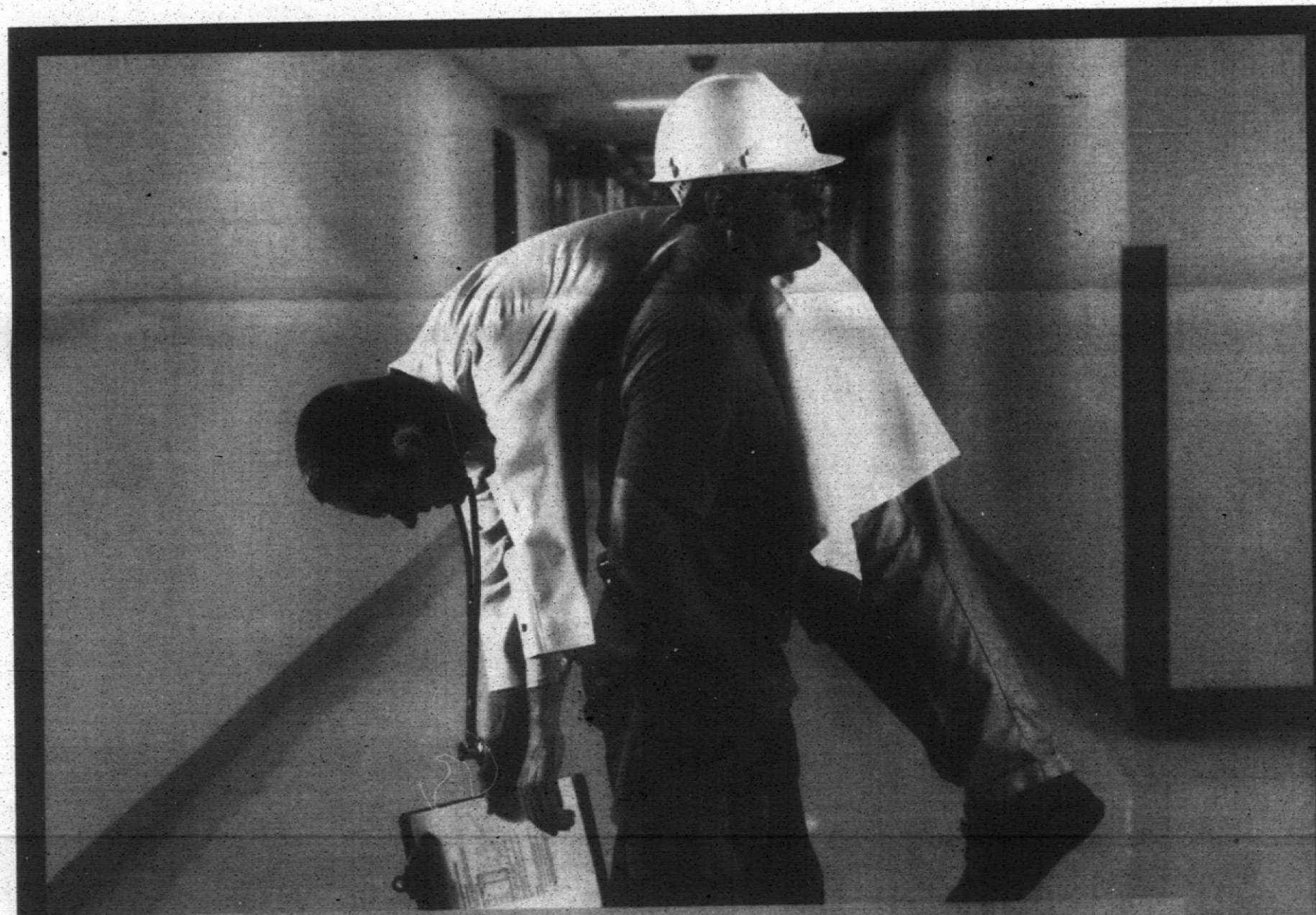
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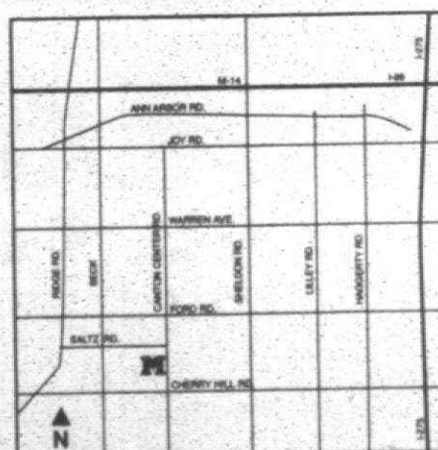
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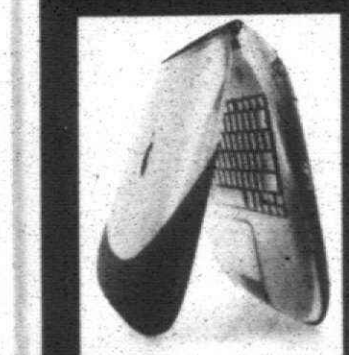


## WVSL SOCCER TRYOUTS

Michigan United, one of Southeast Michigan's top developmental soccer programs is having tryouts on June 19th and 20th for the following age groups:

- U-10 boys select coached by Dave Radcliff
- U-12 boys premiere coached by Steve Schrommer

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## Whalers make camp

Justin Williams and Stephen Weiss of the Plymouth Whalers have been selected to represent Canada.

Williams, who led the Whalers in scoring during the regular season with 37 goals and 46 assists, has been invited to the 2000 Canadian National Junior Team's evaluation camp in Calgary, Alberta. The evaluation camp will be used to select the Canadian National team that will compete in the 2000 World Junior Tournament.

Weiss, who had 24 goals and 42 assists during the regular season, was one of 22 players named to the Canadian National under-18 team. The National under-18 team will compete this August in the Four Nations Tournament to be held in Slovakia.

Along with Canada, the Czech Republic, Slovakia and the United States will field a team in the Four Nations Tournament.

Last season, Weiss played under Whalers Associate Coach Steve Spott for the Canadian National under-17 team, where he helped lead the team to a silver medal.

The Whalers were regular season champions of the Ontario Hockey League with the best overall league record of 45-19-4.

## Junior golf clinic

Junior golf lessons will be conducted on July 12, 19 and 26 and Aug. 2 at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton. Cost is \$60 for all four sessions; there are no residency requirements. The first session is a clinic from 10 a.m.-11 a.m.; remaining times will be determined by age and skill level.

A T-shirt will be included in the cost. Participants should wear tennis or golf shoes and will need a three- or five-wood, a seven- or nine-iron, and a putter.

Registration is now underway at the Canton Parks and Recreation Services offices, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. Call (734) 397-5110 for more information.

## Canton camp

The Plymouth Canton baseball coaching staff and players will sponsor the Canton Chiefs baseball camp from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. June 19-23 at the Canton varsity field. The camp is for kids 7-14 years old.

Individual instruction in all phases of the game will be emphasized. Cost is \$85 before June 10, \$90 after. A T-shirt and lunch is included.

Also: An eighth-grade baseball camp, for those who will be freshmen in high school in the fall, is scheduled for 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 24 at the Canton HS varsity baseball field. Group and individual instruction by the Canton varsity baseball coaching staff will be conducted. Cost is \$15, with lunch included.

For more information, call Sharon Hanson at 459-8477, Linda Wall at 455-6285 or Carole Reddy at 451-2084.

## Golf Outing

The Metro Detroit Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute's annual Scholarship Golf Outing is scheduled for Monday, August 21 at the Washtenaw County Club in Ann Arbor.

The outing will benefit students of construction technology in the form of college scholarships. The outing is open to all, and will feature many contests and prizes, including a chance to win a new car.

Registration and lunch will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The scramble tournament will have a shotgun start at 1 p.m. A long-putt contest is set for 6:30 p.m. A buffet dinner and cash bar is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Cost to golf is \$150 per player. Prize donations and sponsorships are greatly appreciated.

The Construction Specifications Institute is an international professional association dedicated to the advancement of construction technology through education and communication among the different groups involved in the construction industry.

For more information, call Lolita Taylor at (248) 398-1200, ext. 163. To sign up, call Connie Hierta at (313) 491-5610, ext. 214.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

Not quite enough  
Canton falls to Athens in state title bid, 4-1

BY C.J. RISAK  
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Waiting to be waylaid.

That could have been, should have been, Plymouth Canton's motto have been, Saturday's Division I state championship in girls soccer. The team the Chiefs would meet — Troy Athens — was rolling, having won 11-straight games.

The Red Hawks had also beaten Canton 3-0 earlier in the season. And they were coming off what their longtime coach, Tim Storch, called his "best victory ever" when they came from behind to beat Troy 2-1 in overtime in a state semifinal.

All this would have to mean an Athens' letdown, right? And Canton, with two key players — midfielder Amanda Lentz and sweeper Jessica Palis — in the lineup after missing the first meeting between these two teams, and the state final to be played on Canton's home field, well, what better scenario could an underdog ask for?

If those factors favored the Chiefs, then there was a bigger one that went to the Red Hawks: They were simply better. And they proved it.

For all but a few short stretches, Athens dominated in front of an overflow crowd, scoring two goals in each half to pull away to a 4-1 triumph.

The Red Hawks conclude their championship season with a 22-2 record. Canton finishes at 21-2-2.

For Athens, it's their fourth state title in girls soccer, having won in 1989, 1991 and 1993 (the last by a 2-0 count over Canton).

"They ambushed us," said Canton coach Don Smith. "We were in it for a good while, but that second (goal) down there really hurt us. If we could have held onto it and been tied at halftime, it might have been different."

Maybe. Athens, however, wasn't going to let Canton take over this game. The Red Hawks scored the game's first goal with 24:17 left in the half, Tiffany Laskowski working her way past Canton defender Arielle

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Bryant to angle a shot off the hands of keeper Amy Dorogi and into the net.

To that point, Athens had controlled play, keeping the ball in Canton's end of the field. But the Chiefs got their offense going and, with 6:19 to play, Stephanie Johnson pushed the ball down the left wing to Lentz, and when the defense closed on her, she slid the ball in front to Anne Morrell for the game-tying goal.

It was a violation of Athens' main objective for the game. "We knew Anne Morrell would be the key," said Storch. "If we did the job on her, we would do all right."

"You're never going to shut down a player like that. You just try and contain her, and we did."

Indeed, Athens' Allison Epple did an effective job marking Morrell all afternoon, with other Red Hawks often helping out. The Canton junior did not get many other good scoring chances.

The goal that turned the tide for good came with 2:43 left. The Chiefs tried to build off Morrell's tying goal, but Athens played them evenly. With 2:43 left in the half, Erin Brown found open space down the right wing and centered the ball into the box.

Dorogi leapt after the shot, but couldn't corral it. The deflection trickled back to Laskowski, who bounced it past the prone Canton keeper to give the Red Hawks a 2-1 halftime lead.

"The key for us was to respond properly," said Storch of Canton's goal, and Athens' immediate answer. Stretches in the game that made the difference, according to the Athens' coach, were the last five minutes of the opening half and the opening 20 of the second.

While Canton could sustain nothing offensively, Athens kept building. "We started panicking," said Smith of his defense. "We weren't playing it to peo-

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Consoling: Canton keeper Amy Dorogi (middle) is comforted by teammate and back-up keeper Briana Wolcott (left). It was a tough day for Dorogi; two goals went off her fingertips.

## State's best pair off

BY JIM TOTH  
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Like a couple of prizefighters, Tiffany Laskowski and Anne Morrell delivered their best shots in the biggest game of their careers.

Laskowski, the heart and soul behind Troy Athens' success this spring, and Morrell, the catalyst in Plymouth Canton's drive to the finals, had the highlight reels working overtime Saturday in the Division I girls soccer finals at Canton. The two combined for all the scoring in the first

## PROFILE

half — two by Laskowski and one from Morrell — then saw their teammates get more involved in the second half.

"In the first half, it was give me your best shot, and now it's my turn," described Athens coach Tim Storch of the play between the two. "There were 10 other great players on each team, but it was almost like being privy to a great one-on-one basketball matchup."

Fortunately for Laskowski — who scored her first goal 15 minutes into the game and then again with 2:43 remaining before halftime — the support was more than enough to propel the Red Hawks to a 4-1 triumph over the Chiefs and lay claim to the school's fourth state championship overall in girls soccer.

"This definitely is the best present for all of our group to get," said a smiling Laskowski, who along with Morrell are the favorites to gain the prestigious Miss Soccer

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Difference-maker: Tiffany Laskowski (left) proved hard to mark for Arielle Bryant (14).

## CC reaches final

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK  
STAFF WRITER

Live-wire Kevin Entsminger put a charge into Redford Catholic Central's offense, shocked Hartland's high-powered attack Friday and jump-started the Shamrocks into the Division I baseball finals for the second-straight year with a 12-11 victory over the Eagles.

CC met Catholic League rival Warren DeLaSalle in the Michigan High School Athletic Association Division I final game at Bailey Park in Battle Creek, a curiosity in that neither school qualified for the Catholic League title game in Comerica Park, let alone the DCL playoffs.

Entsminger acts like he's seen too many Mark Fidrych films, he's so hyper on the field. He's animated, energetic — and just what CC needed when it looked as though the Shamrocks were going to go comatose.

The junior right-hander was summoned to the mound in the bottom of the fifth after Mike Wadowski, the third of four pitchers coach John Salter called upon to stem the tide of Hartland hits,

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had walked a batter to put runners on first and third with two out. Hartland had scored earlier in the inning on a wild pitch to take an 11-9 lead.

Entsminger struck out cleanup hitter Aaron Ollila and blanked the hard-hitting Eagles over the next two innings to pick up the victory.

"Kevin Entsminger was fortunate to be able to hold them in," Salter sighed. "And he got some key hits to get some rallies going."

The Canton native entered the game as a pinch-hitter for Matt Loidas to start the fourth inning after Hartland had drilled seven straight two-out hits to score six runs and take a 9-4 lead.

"Our kids wouldn't quit," Salter said. "We got key hits when we had to. Hartland is a good team. We were fortunate to get big hits."

Entsminger grounded a single to right that triggered a five-run Shamrock rally and tied the score at 9-9. Brian Williams and sophomore Ryan Rogowski both dou-

bled, John Hill walked and Charlie Haeger doubled two runs home.

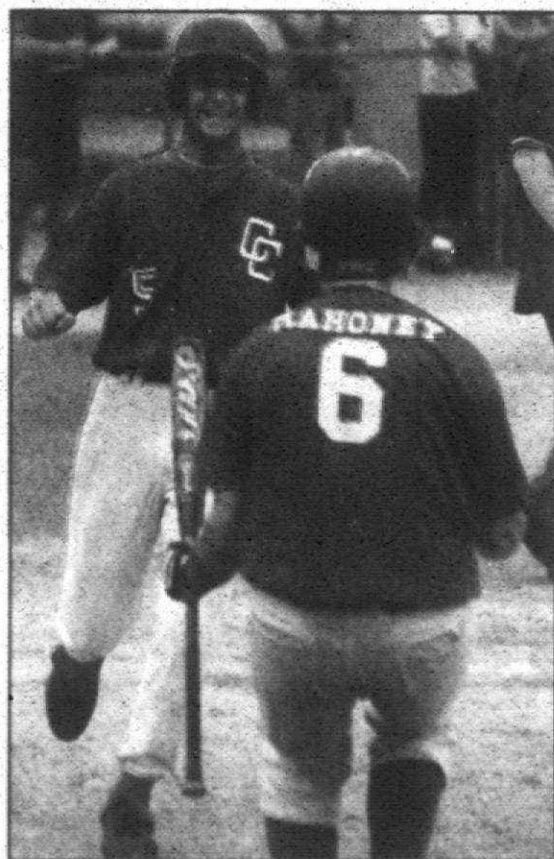
Haeger was sacrificed to third and he scored on starting pitcher Adam Kline's groundout to short.

"Even after they scored six runs, the way we were hitting early, I figured we'd get more runs," Salter said. "I felt it was just a matter of holding them in."

Entsminger singled with one out in the sixth (and was called out later for failing to retouch second base on a flyout to left by Williams) and doubled to right center to open the seventh. Williams sacrificed him to third and Rogowski, who had four hits, grounded a single to right that brought Entsminger in with the winning run.

Leadoff hitter and losing pitcher Michael Cieszkowski singled up the middle with one out in the bottom of the seventh. He was running on a pitch Chapin Cornilaud hit to right — and was doubled off when Rogowski caught the ball and fired to first to end the game.

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Game-winner: CC's Kevin Entsminger (5), from Canton, scampers home with the game-winning run against Hartland.



Jordan Chapman Plymouth Canton Jerry Gaines Plymouth Canton Mike Gaura Livonia Churchill Mike Morris Catholic Central Eric Scott Livonia Churchill Derek Laskowski Farmington Harrison Nick Hall Farmington Harrison Darryl Anglin Bishop Borgess Chris Kallis Plymouth Canton

## Observer's top trackmen

### Trio of Chiefs rank among the state's best

BY OBSERVER STAFF

Prior to the season, Plymouth Canton boys track coach Bob Richardson indicated the goals for his team hadn't really changed all that much: Make progress, aim for the Western Lakes Activities Association championship and... The third goal had been to finish in the top half of the WLAA. That changed; as Richardson indicated, this team was too good to settle for that.

He then guided the Chiefs to their best season since 1993, when they won the WLAA. Canton came within a whisker — actually, three points — of winning the Division I regional championship, then got edged by Farmington Harrison and Walled Lake Central at the WLAA meet.

Their third-place finish at league meet could not diminish an otherwise superb season. Canton won the Observerland Relays, rallying from 21 points down to beat Redford Catholic Central in the last six events.

They also served as WLAA Western Division champs. All of which is why Bob Richardson was selected as Observerland's coach of the year.

Now: Here are the best male track and field athletes of 2000.

**FIELD EVENTS**

**Mike Gaura, shot put, Liv. Churchill:** The senior finished undefeated in dual meets and was a Division I regional champion at Redford Union. His best throw of the season came at the regional with a toss of 53 feet, 6 1/2 inches. The state qualifier was also a team captain.

Michael dedicated himself to his senior season staying focused on several of his goals," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "His increase in strength and quickness across the circle provided great results.

"He has decided to throw collegiately next fall at Ferris State University."

**Mike Morris, discus, Redford CC:** Morris won shot put and discus at the Catholic League Championship and was Division I Region V champion in discus with a distance of 149-4.

For the second consecutive year, Morris was a state qualifier in both the shot and discus. He led the Shamrocks discus relay team to a school and meet record at both the Elks Relays and the Observerland Relays.

Morris had an area best 53-11 in the shot and 151-8 in the discus. Undefeated in the shot in dual meets, Morris was shot put champion at the Jackson Invitational.

Morris earned the Whelan Award at CC for being a "scholar, athlete and gentleman."

"That award says it all," CC coach Tony Magni said. "Besides being one of the top throwers in the state in both events, Mike is a good student, and an outstanding gentleman. He has left an incredible mark on Catholic Central."

**Eric Scott, long jump, Liv. Churchill:** The junior won the Division I regional at RU with an area best jump of 21-3/4.

He finished ninth in the state meet and fourth in the Western Lakes Activities Association meet. Scott also holds the school record at Churchill (21-3). He also competed in the sprints with times of 11.3 and 23.3 in the 100 and 200, respectively.

"Eric has an excellent attitude," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "He's one of the best athletes I have had the opportunity to coach."

"Eric ran the 100, 200, 400. He ran in the events to help us win a state meet. He's a very unselfish athlete."

**Jordan Chapman, high jump, Ply. Canton:** The junior was WLAA Conference champion in both the high jump and pole vault.

Chapman set school records in the high jump (6-6 1/4) and pole vault (13-7) this season. He was also on the

school record setting high jump relay, pole vault relay and long jump relay teams.

Chapman won the high jump and pole vault at the Team State Invitational Meet and finished eighth in pole vault at the Catholic League Championship and was Division I Region V champion in discus with a distance of 149-4.

For the second season in a row, Chapman was Academic All-State and currently has a 3.934 grade point average.

"Jordan has tremendous work ethics and concentration and played an important part in the success of the team this season and will help lead the Chiefs in 2001," Richardson said. "He was honored by his teammates and coaches by being elected captain for next season and was voted co-MVP of the team this season."

"Jordan also was named the Outstanding Field Athlete of the Year by the Ann Arbor News."

**Derek Laskowski, pole vault, Farmington Harrison:** Laskowski ended a fine career by finishing third in the Division II state meet. He has been one of Observerland's top vaulters for four years, and he had an area-best vault of 14-2 this year.

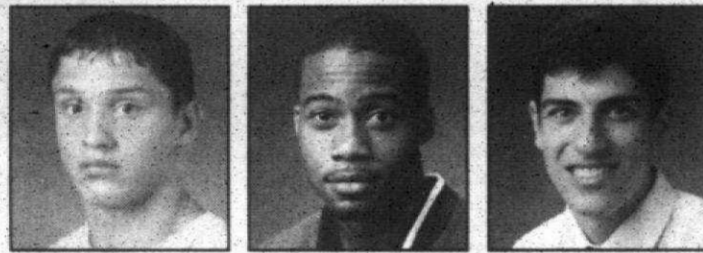
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Laskowski won regional and Farmington city championships, and he finished second in the Oakland County, Western Lakes and Observerland meets.

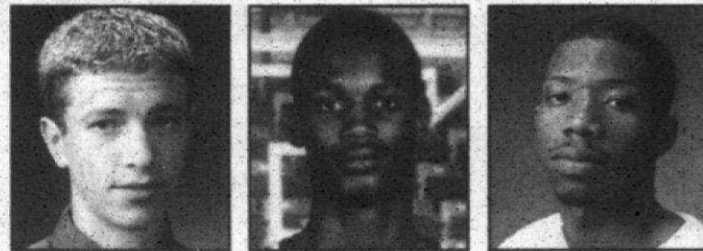
"Derek has been the top vaulter in the area for two straight years and has two top-five finishes in the state," coach John Reed said. "Derek is an excellent athlete and student who also excels in the shot put and discus. We will really miss him next year."

### ALL-OBSERVER TRACK

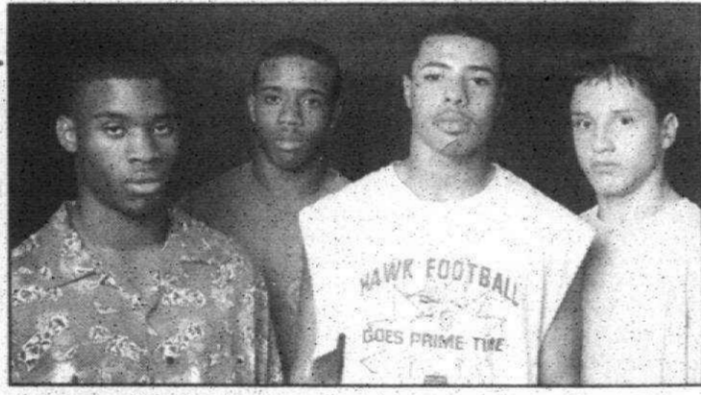
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FIELD EVENTS	
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<b>Discus:</b> 1. Mike Morris, Sr., Redford Catholic Central; 2. Charlie Stamboulis, Jr., Redford CC; 3. Nate Meckes, Jr., Lutheran High Westland.	<b>3,200:</b> 1. Matt Daly, Jr., Redford CC; 2. Jason Richmond, Jr., Livonia Churchill; 3. Dan Krawiec, Jr., Redford CC.
<b>Long jump:</b> 1. Eric Scott, Jr., Livonia Churchill; 2. (tie) Kwame Hampton, Sr., Wayne Memorial; 3. Ugo Okunmus, Jr., Plymouth Canton.	<b>RELAY EVENTS</b>
<b>High jump:</b> 1. Jordan Chapman, Jr., Farmington Hills Harrison; 2. Jeremy Maes, Jr., Farmington; 3. Kyle Meteyer, Sr., North Farmington; 4. Derek Laskowski, Sr., Farmington Hills Harrison; 5. Jim Gabriel, Jr., North Farmington; 6. Shannon Simon, Jr., Garden City.	<b>400:</b> 1. Harrison (Agim Shabaj), Soph., Chris Roberson, Jr.; 2. Marcus Woods, Jr.; 3. Kevin Woods, Sr.; 4. Farmington (Mark Ostach, Sr.; Jason Spinks, Jr.; Todd Anthony, Jr.; Dustin Gress, Sr.); 5. Bishop Borgess (Jose Kincannon, Jr.; Jason Smith, Soph.; Darryl Robinson, Sr.; Darryl Anglin, Soph.).
<b>Pole vault:</b> 1. Derek Laskowski, Sr., Farmington Hills Harrison; 2. Jim Gabriel, Jr., North Farmington; 3. Shannon Simon, Jr., Garden City.	<b>800:</b> 1. Harrison (Agim Shabaj), Soph.; 2. Chris Roberson, Jr.; 3. Marcus Woods, Jr.; 4. Kevin Woods, Sr.; 5. Farmington (Mark Ostach, Sr.; Jason Spinks, Jr.; Todd Anthony, Jr.; Dustin Gress, Sr.); 6. Bishop Borgess (Jose Kincannon, Jr.; Jason Smith, Soph.; Darryl Robinson, Sr.; Darryl Anglin, Soph.).
<b>110-meter hurdles:</b> 1. Nick Hall, Sr., Farm. Hills Harrison; 2. Brian Jones, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; 3. Ben Lukas, Jr., Farmington; 4. Nick Hall, Sr., Farm. Hills Harrison; 5. Darryl Anglin, Soph., Bishop Borgess; 6. Kevin Woods, Sr., Farmington.	<b>3,200:</b> 1. Harrison (Terrell Mayberry, Soph.; Nick Hall, Sr.; Jason Scarbrough, Sr.; Agim Shabaj, Soph.); 2. Franklin (Dennis Kusiek, Sr.; Ryan Kracht, Sr.; John Moore, Jr.; Kevin Schneider, Sr.); 3. N. Farmington (Mike Millat, Sr.; Charlie Stamboulis, Sr.; Blair Weiss, Jr.; Anthony Beal, Sr.).
<b>300 hurdles:</b> 1. Chris Kallis, Jr., Plymouth Canton; 2. Jeff Frederick, Sr., Farmington; 3. Kyle Meteyer, Sr., North Farmington; 4. Derek Laskowski, Sr., Farmington Hills Harrison; 5. Jim Gabriel, Jr., North Farmington; 6. Shannon Simon, Jr., Garden City.	<b>400:</b> 1. Harrison (Terrell Mayberry, Soph.; Nick Hall, Sr.; Jason Scarbrough, Sr.; Agim Shabaj, Soph.); 2. Franklin (Dennis Kusiek, Sr.; Ryan Kracht, Sr.; John Moore, Jr.; Kevin Schneider, Sr.); 3. N. Farmington (Mike Millat, Sr.; Charlie Stamboulis, Sr.; Blair Weiss, Jr.; Anthony Beal, Sr.).
<b>100 dash:</b> 1. Darryl Anglin, Soph., Redford Bishop Borgess; 2. Mike Clark, Soph., Lutheran Westland; 3. Marcus Woods, Jr., Farm. Hills Harrison.	<b>COACH OF THE YEAR:</b> Bob Richardson, Ply. Canton
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4x100-meter and 4x200-meter relay: Farmington Harrison's Marcus Woods, Kevin Woods, Chris Roberson and Agim Shabaj.



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## Boys track

undefeated in dual meets. "Nick is an excellent athlete who did a lot for the team," Reed said. "He's a great leader who was willing to run anything to help the team. Nick worked extremely hard, and his efforts surely paid off."

**Chris Kallis, 300 hurdles, Ply. Canton:** The junior set the Canton school record in the 110 high hurdles with a time of 14.8 seconds this season and won the Team State Invitational and Ann Arbor Meet of Champions. Kallis was also on the school-record setting shuttle hurdle relay and high jump relay teams.

Kallis ran his best time of 40.2 seconds in the 300 hurdles at the Ann Arbor Meet of Champions.

"Chris had a fantastic season and was a large part of the team's success," Canton coach Bob Richardson said. "He is a very hardworking, dedicated athlete who will help lead the Chiefs in 2001."

"He was ranked in the high jump, 110 high hurdles and 300 intermediate hurdles all season."

**Darryl Anglin, 100 dash, Bishop Borgess:** Anglin finished second in the 100 dash (11.12) and fourth in the 200 (23.14) at the boys Division IV state track and field championships at Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern High School.

Anglin was also on the Spartans' 800 relay team that won the state title.

**Agim Shabaj, 200, Farmington Harrison:** Shabaj was one of the standouts on a team with a lot of outstanding sprinters.

Besides running the three relays, he had the fastest time in Observerland over 200 meters at 22.1. He won the Western Lakes championship, finished second in the regional and was third in Oakland County.

"Agim was awesome this season," Reed said. "He made all-area in four events, and I don't think anyone else in the area can say that. We look forward to working with him the next two years."

**Anthony Beal, 400, N. Farmington:** Beal, who is still a relative newcomer to track, blossomed into an outstanding sprinter as a senior and finished sixth in the Division I state finals.

Beal set the school record of 48.7 seconds in the city meet and matched that effort in the Western Lakes finals. He won those competitions, as well as the regional. He also won the state indoor 300-meter championship earlier this year.

Beal, who also ran the shorter sprints and relays, will attend the University of

Michigan on a partial track scholarship. "Anthony, in only his second year of track, has come a long way," North coach Jeff Simpson said. "He was a tremendous individual to have on our team."

**Jerry Gaines, 800, Ply. Canton:** The junior ran a school record time of 1:57.8 at the Ann Arbor Meet of Champions. He also set a school record in the 400 dash of 49.3 seconds this season, and was part of the school record setting high jump relay, 800 relay and sprint medley relay teams.

Gaines was Division I Region V champion in the 400 and runner-up in the 800 and qualified for state in four events. He finished fourth at the state meet in the 400 with a time of 49.52 seconds.

"Jerry was a very important part of the team's success this season and will help the Chiefs in 2001," Canton coach Bob Richardson said. "Jerry was honored this season by being voted co-MVP of the team and elected by his teammates a captain for next season."

"Jerry is one of the finest all-around athletes in the history of Canton High School."

**Charles Stamboulis, 1,600, N. Farmington:** Stamboulis was in the distance events, with teammate Anthony Beal was the Raiders in the sprints — the team leader and first-rate competitor.

He was second in the league (4:34.5), Observerland Relays (4:27.4) and regional (4:29.9); he was third in Oakland County (4:23.1) and 12th in the Division I state finals (4:24.4).

Stamboulis also won the city championship for the third straight year in the 1,600 and was a double winner this year with a first-place finish in the 3,200.

He will attend Wayne State University on a full-ride scholarship.

"Charlie was a tremendous leader on our track team," Simpson said. "He's one of the most dedicated athletes we've had, and he will do anything for the team."

**Matt Daly, 3,200, Redford CC:** Daly was undefeated in dual meets this season in both the 3,200 and 1,600. He was Catholic League champion and Division I Region V champion (9:33.8).

Daly clocked his best time of 9:23.6 in the 3,200 at the state final.

"Matt has great character, discipline and unmatched work ethic," CC coach Tony Magni said. "He's a leader ethically and in the classroom."

"Matt is a team leader and his consistent performance was a stabilizing factor throughout the season. As the

other teammates became faster and faster, Matt was there for them to model their efforts after."

"Matt's mental strength and desire to win drives him through the spots in the race where other runners start falling back in the race. The tougher the competition, the harder Matt runs. His best quality is his humility."

**RELAY EVENTS**

**Harrison (Agim Shabaj, Chris Roberson, Marcus Woods, Kevin Woods), 400:** The four members of this unit represent the "best relay team ever at Harrison," according to coach Reed.

The Hawks broke the Observerland Relays record and also won conference, regional, county and Novi Relays championships.

Harrison had the area's fastest time at 42.9 seconds and finished fourth in the Division II state finals.

"They performed extremely well in the big meets," Reed said. "It's a hard-working group whose efforts really paid off with a tremendous season."

**Harrison (Agim Shabaj, Chris Roberson, Marcus Woods, Kevin Woods), 800:** The same foursome won the Observerland, regional and Novi championships, finished second in Oakland County and placed third in the conference.

The Hawks had the best time in Observerland at 1:29.2 and earned all-state honors with a third-place finish in the Division II finals.

**Harrison (Terrell Mayberry, Nick Hall, Jason Scarbrough, Agim Shabaj), 1,600:** The Hawks always had a big finish with this outstanding relay running at the end of every meet.

Harrison won city, conference and regional championships. It just missed medaling in the state meet, finishing ninth. The Hawks had the best area time at 3:26.8.

"This was a special group, because they're all so mentally tough," Reed said. "Each of these athletes had to run this race exhausted from previous events, and they rose to the occasion every time in big meets. It's an exciting and special team to watch."

**Stevenson (Dave Novara, Matt Isner, Brad Carroll, Steve Kecschemeti), 3,200:** This quartet broke the school record three times this year including a season and area best 8:01.5, good enough for 10th place at the Division I state meet held in Rockford. The foursome also claimed regional and WLAA titles, along with the Ann Arbor Invitational crown. Novara is a sophomore, while Isner, Carroll and Kecschemeti are all seniors.

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## Stars sweep a pair of twinbills

The Plymouth Canton Stars Connie Mack team won a pair of doubleheaders last week and are 4-1 this season.

Brad Kaufman (Canton) pitched a six-hit complete game, striking out four, in the Stars 8-3 win over Adrian on Thursday.

He came in and got the last five outs of the second game to preserve Andrew Davignon's 14-9 victory. Davignon pitched hitless ball the first three innings before having to come out with a leg cramp in the fourth.

Shea Harte went 3-for-5 with four RBI in the second game. Will Wojcik Shook (Plymouth) went 2-for-3 with three RBI and Bobby Hoernschmeyer reached base five straight times and scored three runs.

In the first game, Scott Siedlaczek (Salem) and Bryon Kinnerday (Salem) each went 2-for-3. Danny Boylan (Canton) went 2-for-4.

On Tuesday, the Southeast Michigan Connie Mack team defeated Summerfield, 14-7 and

10-7. Marshall Tucker (Livonia Churchill) gave up two earned runs in four innings to gain the win in the opener. Davignon had two hits and three RBI. Hoernschmeyer went 2-for-2 and scored twice, while Wojcik Shook got the last four outs for a save.

Tucker smashed solo home runs his first two times up June 11 in an 11-9 loss at Ypsilanti Lincoln.

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# Drago, Goose to kick off Rockers' camps

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Some big names will be coming to Livonia's Bicentennial Park Monday morning.

The two most prominent consist of just five letters each and, if they were paired together and presented to the uninitiated, those questioned would probably identify "Drago and the Goose" as some sort of upcoming sitcom.

But the people who show up at Bicentennial Monday will know. They'll recognize the Rockers coach and the team's long-time keeper, Bryan "Goose" Finnerty, who will be on hand with a few other members of the Detroit Rockers, among them midfielder Sean Bowe and defender Drew Callahan, to kick off the Rockers' Summer Soccer Camps.

"These camps are a great way for us

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to give back to the soccer community," Rockers' coach Drago said. "I think it is great that we can give these kids excellent instruction from professional players."

The Livonia and Novi camps are the first of 21 camps designed for players of all skill levels between the ages of 6 and 14. All of the camp sessions are a week long. Kids will learn fundamental ball-handling techniques, go through shooting exercises and teamwork drills, then put it all together during the "World Cup" tournaments at the end of each camp.

The camps run throughout the summer, with the schedule winding up Aug. 25 in Brighton.

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er/Goalkeeper Camps are scheduled for Plymouth (July 17-21) and Troy (Aug. 7-11). These camps will feature dramatic game-situation drills as well as individual instruction from Finnerty and Alan Placek.

Other local camps will be July 10-14 at Canton's Heritage Park; July 17-21 at Plymouth's Sheldon Plant and Farmington's Little Caesars Park; July 24-28 at Plymouth's Ford Sheldon Plant; and July 31-Aug. 4 at Livonia's Bicentennial Park.

To find out more about the Rockers' Summer Camps, call Summer Camps Coordinator Jennifer Walker at (248) 366-2114.

ThunderHawks join NPSL

Commissioner Steve M. Paxos has announced that the Toronto ThunderHawks will begin play this fall as a

National Professional Soccer League expansion team. The announcement came at the recently-constructed Hershey Centre, which will serve as the home of the new team in Mississauga, Ont., a suburb west of Toronto.

"A successful franchise in the major market of Toronto has been a target goal of the league and we are excited to welcome a prestigious ownership group into the NPSL," Paxos said. "Toronto has long been a hotbed of soccer. Some of the NPSL's greatest stars, all-time superstars, like Hector Marinaro and Gino DiFlorio, grew up in the area."

"Now fans in Ontario will get to see these great players and others in the NPSL on a regular basis in a state-of-the-art facility here."

A partner in the ThunderHawks is long-time National Hockey League all-star defenseman and former Red Wing

Paul Coffey. Neil Jamieson, President and CEO of Scotian RSA Ltd., in Toronto, is the team owner.

Toronto becomes the third Canadian team in the league, joining the Edmonton Drillers and Montreal Impact. Both the Drillers and Impact are teams that were relocated from cities in the United States during the late 1990s. They have added several fine Canadian players and built their squads into championship contenders that gained playoff berths the last two seasons.

## Champs crowned

The NPSL recently completed its record 16th season when the Milwaukee Wave defeated the Cleveland Crunch in an exciting five-game NPSL Finals. The Wave won the championship at home with an impressive 19-6 triumph on May 5 in front of 15,469 fans.

## CC semifinal from page B1

"We got a great break when that kid was stealing on the last out," Salter said.

Haeger, who bailed CC out to win the title game last year as a sophomore and also bailed the Shamrocks out in the quarterfinals, didn't have his bucket with him Friday.

Kline wasn't fooling anybody, either. He was roughed up for seven hits and seven runs while

Haeger was hammered for six hits in 1 2/3 innings and Wadowski pitched to two batters and got one of them out.

CC got to Hartland starter Heath Craven for 11 hits and nine runs before he was removed in favor of Cieszkowski while the Shamrocks were retaliating in the fourth. He pitched scoreless relief until the sixth.

Rogowski singled leading off, stole second and went to third on a catcher throwing error and scored on a one-out sacrifice fly by Haeger, cutting the deficit to 11-10. Wadowski walked, Kline singled to left and Dave Tovey tied the score with a single to center.

The Shamrocks started out like they were going to make a

sham of the Division I semifinals.

Craven wasn't able to blow the ball by the hitters and hadn't yet established his offspeed stuff.

So the score was 3-0 a half-dozen pitches into the game. Williams creamed a double down the left field line, Rogowski beat out a punt for a single and Hill blooped a single to right center

that brought in the game's first run.

Haeger sacrificed and one run scored on Wadowski's groundout to short while another came in on a double by Kline.

The Eagles were not intimidated. Cieszkowski doubled to right center in the bottom of the first, Cornillaud singled to short and

both runners moved up on a throwing error to third and Michael Sattler singled to shave the deficit to 3-2. Tom Bianchette tied the score with a one-out sacrifice fly to left.

Then the game went from baseball to tennis. Until Estminger and CC held serve at the end to set up a rematch with DeLaSalle.



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## SUMMER SOCCER CAMPS, TRYOUTS

### Detroit Rockers

The Detroit Rockers Summer Soccer Camps will be throughout the metro-Detroit area during the summer months, featuring instruction from Rockers' players, a camp T-shirt, a NPSL replica soccer ball and two general admission tickets to five selected Rockers' home games.

Cost is \$119. Camps will be either 9:30 a.m.-noon or 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information or to enroll, call (877) 480-KICK or (248) 366-6254.

### Locations and dates of nearby camps are:

**June 18-23** — 9:30 a.m.-noon at Livonia's Bicentennial Park, 1:30 p.m. at Novi's Community Sports Park;  
**July 10-14** — 9:30 a.m.-noon at Canton's Heritage Park, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at Southfield's Catalpa Park, 1:30 p.m. at South Lyon Middle School;  
**July 17-21** — 9:30 a.m.-noon at Plymouth's Ford Sheldon Plant, 1:30 p.m. at Farmington's Little Caesars Park;  
**July 24-28** — 9:30 a.m.-noon at Plymouth's Ford Sheldon Plant, 1:30 p.m. at Plymouth's Walled Lake's Commerce Elementary;

**July 31-Aug. 4** — 1:30 p.m. at Livonia's Bicentennial Park;  
**Aug. 7-11** — 9:30 a.m.-noon at Dearborn's Crowley Park;  
**Aug. 14-18** — 9:30 a.m.-noon at Salsine's Miller Field;  
**Aug. 21-25** — 9:30 a.m.-noon at Brighton's Maltby Field.

### Plymouth Soccer Club

Tryouts for the Plymouth Soccer Club's various select and premier teams will be on-going throughout this month. Teams compete in the Western Suburban Soccer League and in the Michigan State Premier Soccer Program (Little Caesars).

Players are asked to arrive 15-30 minutes early on the first day to sign in. Please bring water, an inflated soccer ball with your name clearly

### Canton Soccer Club

The Canton Soccer Club, with Detroit Rockers' keeper Bryan "Goose" Finnerty serving as head coach and director of coaching/player development, will host a series of summer tryouts for various teams.

**Boys tryouts**  
**Under-9** select: 6 p.m. June 18 at West Middle School; call Tom Walsh at 420-3671 or Dean Kruty at 454-9415.  
**Under-10** select: 6 p.m. June 18 at Tanger School; call Paul Neissen at 416-0882.

**Under-11** select: 6 p.m. June 19 and 6 p.m. June 21 at Heritage A (Ford Plant); call Mark McGraw at 420-3206.  
**Under-12** select: 6 p.m. June 20 and 6 p.m. June 22 at West Middle School; call George Veila at 453-7379.

**Under-14** select: 6 p.m. June 20 and 6 p.m. June 22 at Heritage B (Ford Plant); call Mark McGraw at 420-3206.  
**Under-14** select: 6 p.m. June 22, 10 a.m. June 24 at East Middle School; call Randy Leslie at 459-1071.

**Under-15** premier: 6 p.m. June 20 and 6 p.m. June 22 at Hines East; call John Deben at 459-1094.  
**Under-16** premier: 6 p.m. June 19 and 6 p.m. June 21 at Hines West; call Bill Evers at 207-1659.

**Under-18** premier: 6 p.m. June 26 and 6 p.m. June 27 at Hines East; call Glenn Kaatz at 454-0712.

**Girls select and premier**  
**Under-10** select: 6 p.m. June 20 and 6 p.m. June 22 at Tanger School; call Mike David at 207-1962.  
**Under-11** select: 6 p.m. June 22 and 6 p.m. June 23 at Canton HS; call Coach Zurewsk at 722-8343 or Peggy Bohrer at 454-9613.

**Under-12** select: 6 p.m. June 20 and 6 p.m. June 21 at Canton HS; call Coach Zurewsk at 722-8343 or Peggy Bohrer at 454-9613.  
**Under-13** premier: 6 p.m. June 20 and 6 p.m. June 22 at West Middle School; call John Maloney at 453-2055.

**Under-14** premier: 6 p.m. June 20 and 6 p.m. June 21 at East Middle School; call Scott Boothroyd at 451-0967.  
**Under-15** premier: 6 p.m. June 19, 6 p.m. June 21 and 6 p.m. June 26 at Hines East; call Tom Esper at 420-2236.  
**Under-18** premier: 4 p.m. June 24 at Hines East; call Dan Schick at 459-8826.

**Girls tryouts**  
**Under-9**: 6 p.m. June 20 and June 21 at Canton HS; call (734) 455-9946.  
**Under-10 A**: 6 p.m. June 19 and June 20 at Flodin Park; call (734) 454-9072.  
**Under-11 A**: 6 p.m. June 21 and June 22 at Flodin Park; call (734) 397-3947.

**Under-13** premier: 6 p.m. June 19 and June 20 at Flodin Park; call (734) 416-4246.  
**Under-16** select: 6 p.m. June 21 and June 22 at Canton HS; call (734) 844-1104.  
**Under-17** premier: 6 p.m. June 20 and June 21 at Canton HS; call (734) 459-0927.

**Long jump**  
Eric Scott (Churchill) 21:3/4  
Gabe Coble (Salem) 21:3/4  
Ugo Okumabua (Canton) 21:0  
Kwame Hampton (Wayne) 21:0  
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 20:3  
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 20:2 3/4  
Michael Rashad (Wayne) 20:1 1/2  
Jawon Sparks (Farmington) 20:1 1/2  
Ken Page (Canton) 20:1  
Aaron Vethoven (Redford CC) 20:0

**400-METER DASH**  
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 48.7  
Jerry Gaines (Canton) 49.3  
Kevin Schneider (Franklin) 50.2  
Terrell Mayberry (Franklin) 50.8  
Blair Weiss (N. Farmington) 50.9  
Nick Soper (Livonia) 51.4  
Gabe Coble (Salem) 51.5  
Jack Tucci (Canton) 51.7  
Darryl Robinson (Borgess) 51.9  
Paul Karolik (Churchill) 52.7

**800-METER RUN**  
Matt Markowicz (Redford CC) 52.7  
Jerry Gaines (Canton) 1:57.8  
Gabe Coble (Salem) 1:58.0  
Ryan Galt (Churchill) 1:59.2  
Brad Carroll (Stevens) 2:00.5  
Jason Scarbrough (Harrison) 2:00.5  
Steve Kackemert (Stevens) 2:01.0  
Jeff Haller (Redford CC) 2:01.3  
Brian Horst (N. Farmington) 2:02.2  
Charles Stamboulis (N. Farmington) 2:02.4  
Robert Tymowski (Redford CC) 2:02.4

**1,600-METER RUN**  
Charles Stamboulis (N. Farmington) 4:23.1  
Matt Day (Redford CC) 4:26.0  
Brian Kutz (Franklin) 4:29.4  
Jason Richmond (Churchill) 4:29.7  
Donnie Warner (Salem) 4:29.9  
John DiGiovanni (Redford CC) 4:32.6  
Phil Johnson (Churchill) 4:34.5  
Marvin Gill (Salem) 4:34.7  
Ryan Lowry (Redford CC) 4:35.5  
Isaac Kaufman (N. Farmington) 4:39.9

**3,200-METER RUN**  
Matt Day (Redford CC) 9:23.6  
Jason Richmond (Churchill) 9:36.0  
Don Krawiec (Redford CC) 9:36.0  
Eric Trapp (Churchill) 9:59.2  
John DiGiovanni (Redford CC) 9:59.2  
Steve Stewart (Franklin) 10:03.4  
John Krawiec (Redford CC) 10:04.8  
Donnie Warner (Salem) 10:05.5  
Pat Luskert (Farmington) 10:18.2  
Doug Gibbons (Redford CC) 10:19.8

**400-METER RELAY**  
Farmington 42.9  
Farmington 43.1  
Redford Bishop Borgess 43.7  
Livonia Stevenson 44.1  
Plymouth Canton 44.2

**800-METER RELAY**  
Farmington 1:29.2  
Farmington 1:29.7  
Redford Bishop Borgess 1:30.0  
North Farmington 1:30.5  
Plymouth Canton 1:30.5

**1,600-METER RELAY**  
Farmington 3:26.8  
Livonia Franklin 3:27.0  
North Farmington 3:27.1  
Plymouth Canton 3:27.9  
Livonia Stevenson 3:28.5

**3,200-METER RELAY**  
Livonia Stevenson 8:01.5  
Redford Catholic Centre 8:11.5  
Plymouth Salem 8:18.6  
North Farmington 8:20.5  
Plymouth Canton 8:22.6

## FINAL OBSERVER BOYS TRACK AND FIELD PERFORMANCES

### SHOT PUT

Mike Morris (Redford CC) 53-11  
Mike Gaura (Churchill) 53-6 1/2  
Mike Snyder (Salem) 50-9 1/2  
Nate Meekes (Luth. Westland) 48 1/2  
Nate Hansen (Franklin) 48 1/2  
Jeff Duenewke (Redford CC) 46-6 1/4  
Assa Hensley (Canton) 45-10  
Josh Meekes (Luth. Westland) 45-8  
Dave Boucher (Salem) 45-4  
James Cook (Harrison) 45-1  
Jeff Swinger (N. Farmington) 45-1

**DISCUS**  
Mike Morris (Redford CC) 151-8  
Charlie Rozum (Redford CC) 148-7  
Chris Kallis (Canton) 145-1  
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 144-6  
Brad Person (Harrison) 144-6  
Andrew Ribar (Churchill) 142-6  
Mike Snyder (Salem) 142-5  
Jeff Duenewke (Redford CC) 141-5  
Nate Hansen (Franklin) 139-10  
Ben Lukas (Farmington) 134-11

**100-METER HURDLES**  
Nick Hall (Harrison) 39-3  
Chris Kallis (Canton) 40-2  
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 40-4  
Brad Person (Harrison) 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 Jones (Stevens) 42-3  
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 42-3

**100-METER DASH**  
Darryl Anglin (Borgess) 10-8  
Mike Clark (Lutheran Westland) 10-9  
Marcus Woods (Harrison) 10-9  
Kevin Woods (Harrison) 11-0  
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 11-0  
Jamie Bonner (Canton) 11-1  
Jeremy Mizes (Farmington) 11-1  
Nick Doherty (Luth. Westland) 11-1  
Mark Weiss (N. Farmington) 11-1  
Mark Ostach (Churchill) 11-1

**200-METER DASH**  
Agim Shabal (Harrison) 22-1  
Kevin Woods (Farmington) 22-4  
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 22-4  
Darryl Anglin (Borgess) 22-4  
Blair Weiss (N. Farmington) 22-5  
Todd Anthony (Farmington) 22-6  
Dustin Green (Farmington) 22-7  
Jason Smith (Borgess) 22-7  
Mark Ostach (Farmington) 22-8  
Mike Clark (Luth. Westland) 23-



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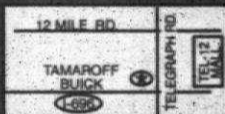
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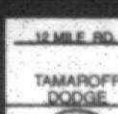
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## ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

### Opera company connects singers with audiences

Patricia Willington and Dina Kessler seem unlikely friends since both sopranos sing in operatic style. But it was their shared enthusiasm for the music that drew them together – that and the lack of opportunity for local singers to perform in productions.

"We don't sing the same roles, so we were never rivals," said Willington, who grew up in Livonia and now lives in Southfield. "We met when we both were hired to sing at the Michigan Bach Festival six years ago. That's when we realized we lived a block apart at the time."

Over the years, the two talked repeatedly about the few engagements available around town. The Michigan Opera Theatre usually hires only well-known international vocalists to sing its lead roles; local singers are relegated to the chorus. A few smaller opera companies in the area do put on productions but on a hit-and-miss basis.

Willington and Kessler decided if anything were to change, they would have to provide the singing opportunities for local vocalists and themselves. In September, they formed the Great Lakes Lyric Opera. The company would not only promote productions with local singers but do it consistently during a regular season.

"Our goal is to offer performance



**Company co-founders:** Patricia Willington (bottom) and Dina Kessler played "Hansel and Gretel" in the Great Lakes Lyric Opera's first production last December.

opportunities for professional singers since there's very little offered in Michigan," said Willington, company artistic director. "We're going to do opera in English and emphasize performances for children once a year. It's going to be more like chamber opera not full-scale productions of *Madame Butterfly* and *La Traviata*.

#### Initial production

After making the decision to start their own company and "a lot of phone calls back and forth," the Great Lakes Lyric Opera opened its first production in December at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. Kessler had sung *Hansel and Gretel* with the Toledo Opera Association a few years before.

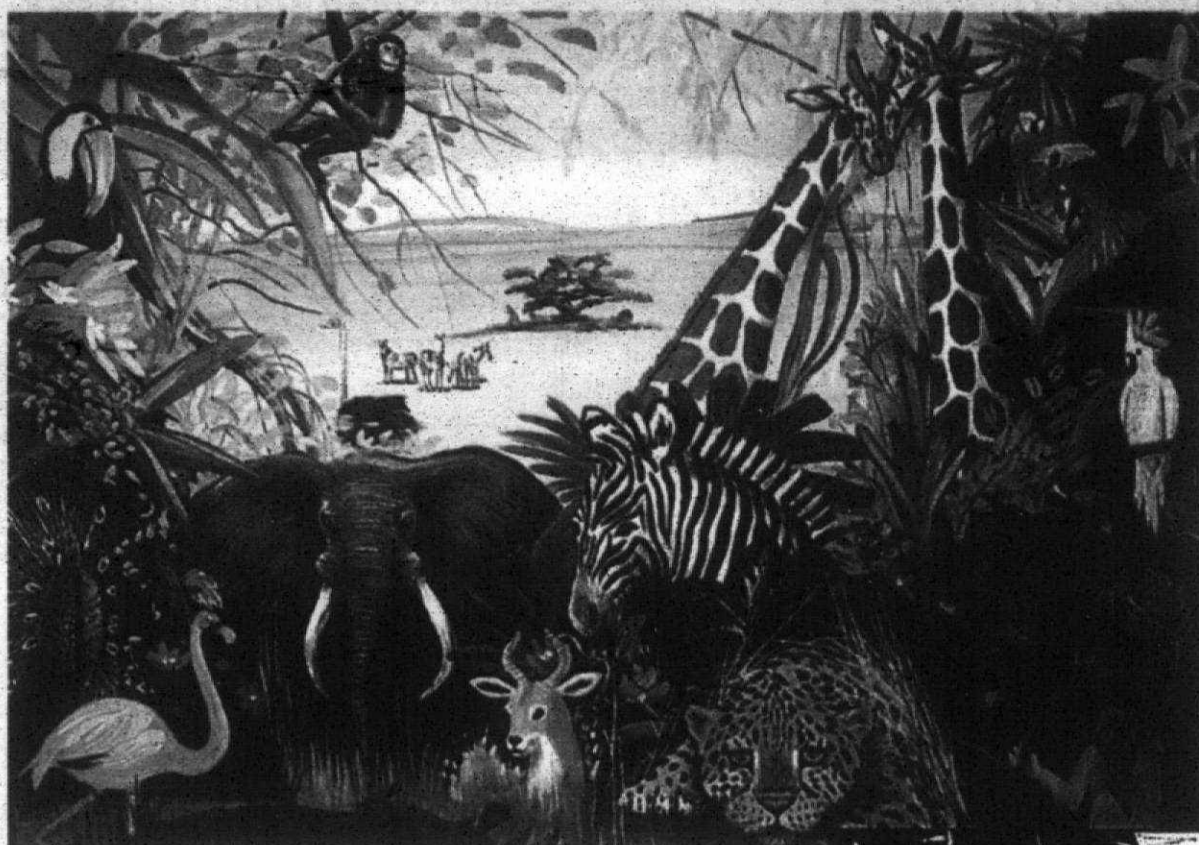
"Dina's father worked on the set and, before long, I had a 9-by-12 gingerbread house in my garage," said Willington, youth choir minister at Central Woodward Christian Church in Troy.

The house was packed for that first production. In fact, they made so much money they decided to give it back by holding a competition for vocalists. The April 15 competition awarded \$2,000 in cash prizes to high school and college students, and professionals.

"We made a lot of money from *Hansel and Gretel*," said Willington. "One of our missions is to get classical music going in the area, so we wanted to encourage singers."

Great Lakes Lyric Opera is encouraging youth to take an interest in opera as well. *Hansel and Gretel* continues to be popular with students at

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**African plains:** Barbara Demgen paints watercolors of animals, florals and landscapes.

### Evolving artists bring latest works to Liberty Fest

**Noah's animals:** Below, Michael McCullough created this woodblock print titled "Off the Ark."

## Fine Arts Fine Crafts

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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Michael McCullough spent untold hours last winter carving the images into his newest woodblock. But that was just the first step in creating *Off the Ark*. Next, the Farmington Hills artist inked the block then hand-rubbed the animals onto rice paper over and over again until he'd built up enough stock to show them in 16 outdoor art fairs this summer.

Just like the Liberty Fest Fine Arts and Fine Crafts Show, McCullough's work is getting bigger and better than ever. He will bring dozens of the black and white and color woodblock prints of wildlife, flowers, vegetables and multi-cultural scenes to the Canton show June 24-25 in Heritage Park.

#### First time exhibitor

This is McCullough's first time at the Liberty Fest fine art show although he's shown work in the Canton Project Arts fine art exhibit every October for the last two years. He started on the outdoor show circuit in May at Art in the Park in Birmingham and has displayed work this spring in Chicago's Old Village and Charlevoix, Grand Rapids and South Haven.

Locally, fairgoers can see McCullough's work at Art in the Park in Plymouth in July and at the Detroit Festival of the Arts in the University Cultural Center in September.

A compelling series McCullough began two years ago focuses on the

**What:** A fine art and craft show featuring more than 100 artists  
**When:** 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 24 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 25  
**Where:** Heritage Park, behind the Canton Administration Building at 1150 Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill. Call (734) 397-5395 for information.

human experience. Veiled women whispering in the night, a screaming woman tortured by her own psyche – McCullough prods viewers into imagining the stories at which the

works hint. One of the dramatic black and white works, *The Legacy*, was juried into the Livonia Arts Commission's Fine Arts in the Village. The exhibit continues at the Livonia Civic Center Library through June 30.

"I'm working larger and with more color but I'm also continuing to create smaller images which in many instances are placed next to each other in a series," said McCullough, who grew up in Redford. "I've been adding watercolor to the black and white prints and using a multi-inking process where you layer color one over the other. It's more vibrant with the contrasting colors. They kind of explode."

#### Watercolor wonders

Barbara Demgen paints one watercolor at a time but her high output ensures she'll have plenty of landscapes, florals and African animal studies for the Liberty Fest show as well as outdoor fairs in Troy Aug. 27 and Sterling Heights



Sept. 16-17.

Looking for a portrait of your pet or house? Demgen spends much of her time painting commissions. One couple had her paint portraits of the houses they grew up in.

This is her first time in the Canton show, though she's exhibited in Canton Project Arts' fine arts exhibit. Her work was also on exhibit at the University of Michigan Hospital lobby in March, and come November she'll return to the Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills for their annual show.

Demgen retired from teaching the visual arts in the Creative and Performing Arts program at Churchill High School in 1992.

"People keep asking me if I'm getting bored yet," said Demgen of Livonia. "I always have five paintings in my head that I want to do. My husband and I have been walk-

ing around the grounds of Madonna University for four seasons now so I have plenty ideas for my watercolors."

#### Challenging reality

Cheryl Conlin brings impressionistic landscapes and paintings of her surreal "aura faces" to the Liberty Fest along with ceramic wall and lawn sculpture and jewelry.

She expects her sci-fi-like *Children of the Sun* to continue to be a popular seller. The vibrantly colored creatures in wrap-around sunglasses seem almost amusing with hair almost as tall as they are.

"My art is evolving but I'm still concentrating on the heads, or aura faces," said Conlin, a Redford resident. "They're faces that look at the different colors of energy in a person."

See related story inside.

## SUMMER CONCERTS

### Music series plays on sense of community



**One man band:** Guy Louis' music is loved by children and adults alike.

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Guy Sferlazza's music is a community experience. If fact, the Rochester one-man band calls it just that – community music.

Sferlazza, who goes by the stage name of Guy Louis and the Chautauqua Express, plays his music in parks and schools in the area with the hopes of instilling a sense of togetherness. On Wednesday, June 28, the audience at Kellogg Park in Plymouth will be treated to songs from the '60s and children's music along with a large dose of community spirit.

And if you choose not to participate in all the hand-clapping and hoopla, it's always fun to watch the children parading around in a circle singing The Beatles' *Yellow Submarine*. For information on the 40 free concerts Sferlazza will give this summer in addition to Plymouth,

visit his Web site at [www.guylouis.com](http://www.guylouis.com).

"In the park I'm after a community style of music, expanding family music a little bit, widening it from grandmas and grandpas all the way down to toddler," said Sferlazza. "I'll be breaking out new Beatles' tunes this summer in addition to singing straight ahead songs kids love so that they'll stay engaged and parents don't have to worry about keeping them still."

Sferlazza will have kids up and moving to songs such as *Skip to My Lou*, and the *Garden Song* will plant positive thoughts about persevering and growing "inch by inch, row by row."

"I like to keep the kids involved," said Sferlazza. "They're so full of energy. It's also a delight for the adults who can watch them. They help make the show entertaining with all that energy and it brings a

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#### Music in the Park

**When:** Noon Wednesday, and 7 p.m. Friday  
**Where:** Kellogg Park, Main Street, north of Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. For information about Wednesday concerts call (734) 416-4278.

For Friday concerts call (734) 455-1453.

#### Wednesday concert schedule:

- June 21 – Marc Thomas & Max the Moose
- June 28 – Guy Louis, Chautauqua Express
- July 5 – Liberty Brass Quintet, Plymouth Symphony members
- July 12 – Matt Watroba
- July 19 – Robert Jones
- July 26 – Josh White Jr.
- Aug. 2 – O.J. Anderson, comedian
- Aug. 9 – Harpbeat
- Aug. 16 – Guy Louis, Chautauqua Express
- Aug. 23 – Marc Thomas & Max the Moose

#### Friday concert schedule:

- June 23 – The Warren Commission (jazz)
- June 30 – One Flight Up (folk)
- July 7 – Lady Sunshine and the X Band (blues)
- July 21 – Terraplanes
- July 28 – Detroit Rock City
- Aug. 4 – Steve King and the Ditties
- Aug. 11 – Robert Jones and Matt Watroba
- Aug. 18 – Regular Boys
- Aug. 25 – Mike Karoub and his Cello Jazz
- Sept. 1 – Buddy Budson and Ursula Walker

# Show bigger than ever

BY LINDA CHOMIN

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Michael McCullough, Barbara Demgen and Cheryl Conlin are but three of more than 100 artists featured in the ninth annual Liberty Fest Fine Art and Fine Craft Show juried and co-chaired by Sharon Dillenbeck.

"It's bigger and better than ever with artists from Michigan, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Washington," said Dillenbeck, an artist who owns D&M Art Studio in Canton.

"The most exciting thing is the artists are wanting to join us. The variety is super and there'll be more demonstrations than ever. And it's affordable for anyone. We have pieces from a few dollars probably to \$1,000. Many artists paint by commission so bring your fabric."

Dillenbeck said visitors won't want to miss the exhibit of new sculptor George Hauck who does decorative metal wall sculpture that's abstract. Liz Burley will be there with oil paintings by her late husband Hugh Burley who was a well-known artist in the area. A student booth will feature works by all ages including senior citizens. Dillenbeck's own daughters will display jewelry and painting.

"We'll have face painting by

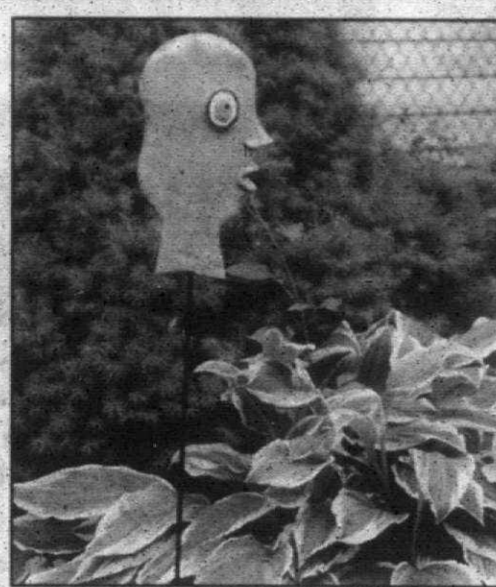
students of D&M studios and if kids wear a D&M T-shirt, they'll get their faces painted for free," said Dillenbeck.

Co-chair Joyce Murphy is looking forward to seeing the new acrylic paintings Rick Weidel has created. He's one of more than 100 reasons, Murphy and the rest of the volunteers will be at the park at 6:15 a.m. Saturday morning. They want to do everything they can to help the artists display their work in the community.

"His work looks like a kaleidoscope of color but when you look closer you can see human form and environment," said Murphy. "There'll also be Indian art, including moccasins by Clifford Brook and Heather Healey of Washington. And they shouldn't be afraid to ask the artists how the works were conceived or about the materials that were used. It makes you see the work in a different light."

Caricaturist Preston Lindsay is sure to attract visitors to the Canton Project Arts booth where they can have their picture drawn and find out more about the nonprofit organization's creative activities all at the same time.

"We're doing more for kids this year because we want to get kids involved with art. Deborah



Think twice: This "aura face" ceramic lawn sculpture is by Cheryl Conlin of Redford.

Shellman of Fairhaven will help children make jewelry out of stones and fossils."

Canton's Parks and Recreation Department will have a separate

tent where kids can try their hand at art as well.

"We're committed to family fun," said Murphy, "and pride in the community."

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sense of community with everyone either watching or participating."

### Education

Sterlizza educates and entertains all year long. In fall, winter and spring, he introduces world music and string instruments such as the sitar and renaissance lute to students in schools. In summer, he plays his community music in parks around the area. It's all part of the Chautauqua experience.

"This is what chautauquas were 100 years ago," said Sfer-

lizza who doesn't have any children himself but has plenty of nieces and nephews. "They were an element in society that could bring about a romantic sense of humanity but a classic learning of the human experience all to enrich people. They set up tents and put on these shows for fun but also cultural and educational purposes."

"When I first began I didn't analyze it before I did it but found it was a joy to do. I enjoy introducing them to music and educating and it brings a sense of community. They're out there making music fun. When we go

## Expressions from page C1

local schools where the production is touring. "I think people are really interested," said Kessler, general manager for the company. "And part of our mission is to bring opera into the schools."

### Upcoming production

Now that the competition is over and the tour is running smoothly, Willington and Kessler are turning their attention to a second production and looking to reach those local singers. *The Old Maid and the Thief* will take over the stage at the Southfield Centre for the Arts Sept. 14 and 16. Auditions for the two operas and a December children's production will be held Monday, June 26 by appointment. For more information or to schedule an audition, call (248) 547-2027 or e-mail GLLO@mediaone.net.

"We're looking primarily for baritone voices with beautiful voices," said Willington. *The Old Maid and the Thief* is an English opera written in the 1950s.

"Even though one of our focuses is to do opera in English, we're not really looking for musical theater, but if they have a beautiful voice, we're interested," said Kessler, a Royal Oak resident who grew up in Troy. "A lot of people can cross over. We just don't want a pop music tone."

"And we don't just want students but moms and dads who have day jobs to come and sing for us," added Willington. "They don't necessarily have to sing operatic style."

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to Africa they find out people do it in community. It's a community experience. It's fun for people."

That's exactly why Debbie Madonna has asked Sferlizza to bring his Chautauqua Express to Kellogg Park this summer. Madonna coordinates the Plymouth Community Arts Council Music in the Park series, which is sponsored by Carl Schultz of Sealant Equipment & Engineering in Plymouth.

"A lot of people like the same acts like Guy and Marc Thomas & Max the Moose," said Madonna. "When Guy's up there you can't seem to sit down. And Max the Moose is just like a sassy 4-year old. Marc is very good, too."

In addition to children's music, the arts council series spotlights a variety of styles ranging from folk to classical compositions by the Liberty Brass Quintet.

"Folk musicians Robert Jones, Matt Watroba and Josh White Jr. have a respect for music that's been around a long time," said Madonna. "Harpebeat returns bringing a lot of different instruments and music which is a good experience for the kids. And O.J. is a crazy guy. He's really bouncy and funny. We're geared toward families but espe-

cially to appeal to kids. If kids are happy enjoying the music, families are happy."

Madonna's own children love the series so much they volunteer to help her make sure everything runs smoothly during the concerts. John, 15, especially likes to run errands and just be an extra set of hands. Andrew, 17 helped her the first few years she served as chairperson. Mark, 11 is beginning to take an interest in helping mom.

"It's a good experience to work with my kids," said Madonna. "They even gave me feedback on coordinating the concerts. And it's an opportunity for them to give back to the community."

### Friday series

If you can't make it to the Wednesday noon series, Plymouth's Downtown Development Authority is offering everything from folk to jazz at *Music in the Air* series 7 p.m. Friday in Kellogg Park.

In the past, the concerts had been held on street corners but proved so popular, they were moved to the larger venue in the park this summer. Additional activities on the streets and in the stores are sure to draw even bigger crowds so get there early.

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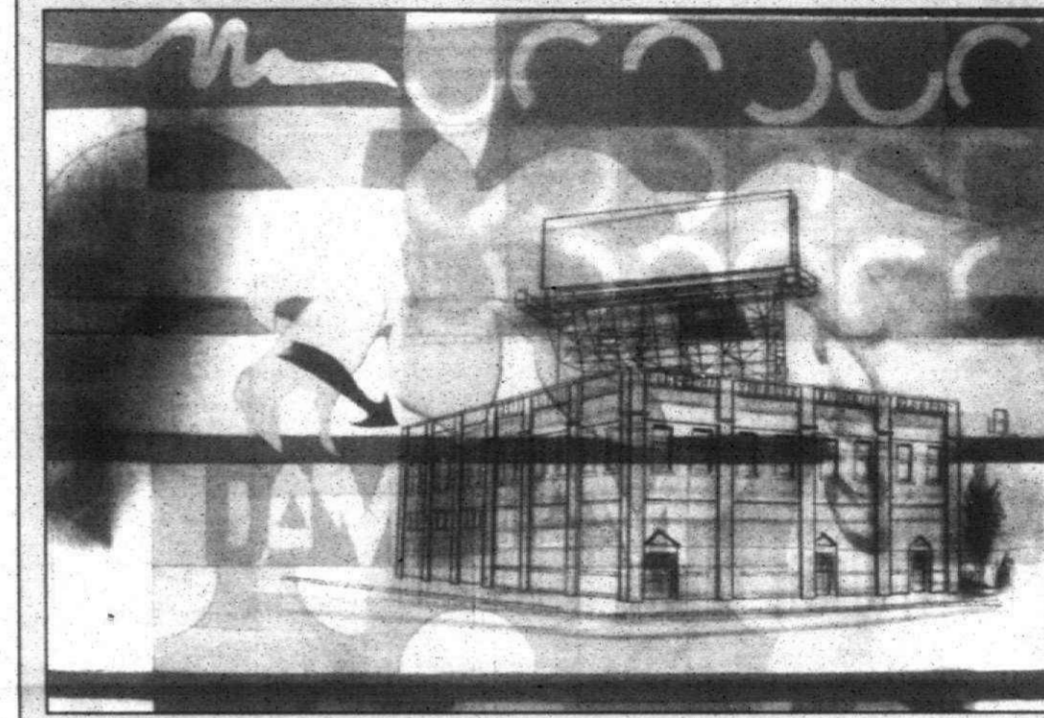
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Through June 24 — Artist Dennis Summers will be creating a large scale interactive multi-media installation at the gallery. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

### D & M SUMMER CAMP

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Through July 21 — *Inner reflections: A Mi-Kyoung Lee installation exhibit*. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

## C-POP GALLERY

Through June 29 — The art of Derek Hess. 4160 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-9901.

## CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Through July 9 — A solo show by Lilham Mahfouz. 47 Williams, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849.

## JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY

Through June 22 — Eileen Aboulafia: *And the Birds Still Sing*. 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

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Through June 24 — *Art & Artifact*. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 454-7797.

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Through July 21 — Carol Ann Carter mixed media and Frank Bowling: *Painter's Painter*. 161 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-2700.

## PANGBORN DESIGN GALLERY

Through July 14 — Detroit Area Artists Connection will be having an exhibition to benefit Children's Center. 275 Iron, Detroit. (313) 259-3400.

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Through June 25 — Paintings and limited edition graphics of Ali Gokkar. 4301 Orchard Lake, Suite 145, Crosswinds Mall, West Bloomfield. (248) 626-5810.

## PEWABIC POTTERY

Through July 22 — Plates and platters: salon style-a group exhibition. 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0054.

## PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Through July 31 — Artwork of Donna Andricoli Vogheheim. 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 416-4ART.

## REVOLUTION

Through July 1 — Brenda Goodman: *Recent Paintings and Works on Paper*. 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

## SMALL WORLD CAFE

Through July 1 — Ocean World, paintings by Brian Taylor at the International Institute's cafe, 111 E. Kirby, Detroit. (313) 871-8600.

## SOUTHFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through June 30 — a group art exhibition by the Chaldean-American Association of Fine Arts. 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

## ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY

Through June 30 — Spring Celebration 2000 with Michigan children's book author and illustrators. Through June 24 — Center for Creative Studies.

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## HABAT GALLERIES

Through June 30 — Colin Heaney and Tom Scoon. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-2060.

## ELAINE JACOB GALLERY

Through July 28 — *Process: An Exhibition of Sculpture*. 480 W. Hancock between Cass and Second on the campus of Wayne State University. (313) 577-2423.

## ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Through July 22 — Paintings by Robert Sherer and new sculpture by John Woodward. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

## LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Through June — *Edges: Hard and Soft*, the works of Helen Honigman and son Robert Honigman. 6 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6716.

## LEMBERG GALLERY

Through June 30 — Stephen Maggis: *Urban Landscapes*. 538 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-6623.

## LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Through June 30 — Denise Crews' hand-painted items in the exhibition cases. Through June 30 — Juried art from the 1999 Fine Art in the village exhibition, both in the Livonia Civic Center Library. 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington. (734) 466-2490.

## MANISCALCO GALLERY

Through Aug. 1 — Lighthouses, puppies and boats. 17329 Mack, Detroit. (313) 886-2993.

## MUSEUM OF NEW ART

Through June 30 — sculpture by Karen Lemmert and Shelley McAneeley, painting by Randall Veilleux and an installation by Chris Hausman at the gallery's temporary location at 19 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 210-7560.

## LECTURES

### FORUM ON URBAN ISSUES

*Saving the Past to Build the Future: People, Place and Preservation* is the topic of the Richard Van Dusen Forum on Urban Issues 8:10-10 a.m. Wednesday, June 21 at St. Andrew's Hall. 918 Ludington Mall, Wayne State University campus, Detroit. The event is free, but pre-registration is recommended. (313) 577-5071.

### LAWRENCE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

Summer lecture featuring Henry Sorenson is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 20 in the Architecture Building A-147, Lower Level, 21000 W. Ten Mile, Southfield. (248) 204-2880.

## LITERARY

### THE WRITER'S VOICE

Poetry reading with Karen Mulvihill, John R. Reed & Torvald's Jill Battison & Stan Rogal at 6:30-8 p.m. Monday, June 26 at the Detroit Opera House, Madison & Broadway, Detroit. (313) 267-5300, ext. 338.

## MUSEUMS

### CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through Aug. 20 — *The Art Deco Rug: Studio Loja Saarinen and the Cranbrook Tradition*. Lecture featuring Ashley Brown, curator at assistant, Cranbrook Art Museum, is 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16. Through July 9 — *The Clarity of Seduction III*. Through Oct. 1 — *The Cost of Power in China: The Three Gorges Dam and the Yang*

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## KITCHEN KAPERS



KEN ABRAMCZYK

## Food: A centerpiece of family, life

I don't know where my interest in food began.

It might have been during childhood. I cherish the memory of my mother's kitchen, and the smell of her beef stew, meat loaf and pot roast. In those days, I wasn't much help in a kitchen. Friends were more important.

In the summer in Lexington, neighbors would pool their favorite dishes for a group picnic. Mom was known for her chicken and potato salad. I saw a friend of mine eat about six or seven drumsticks once.

My interest in food might have been inspired by the chef from Tennessee with a thick Southern accent at the restaurant where I worked on Telegraph Road in Redford in 1976. I never understood him, although he talked in language that can't be repeated here.

"Kenny, get me some tomatoes" sounded like "Kinny, git me some 'maters." I would return, grinning like an idiot, with 24 potatoes.

Maybe it was the years I bartended — and later, cooked — at the former Holiday Inn in Livonia on Plymouth Road in the late 1970s and early 1980s while attending Wayne State University. There I expanded on my basic knowledge — learning, for example, how to cook a prime rib — and made some classic mistakes — I once baked muffins using baking soda instead of baking powder.

## Recent memories

Then there are the more recent memories of the smell of a rack of lamb encrusted with tons of garlic, cooked by some old friends who enjoy good eating. We affectionately called ourselves the Gut Guys, tagged once on a trip to Chicago and an infamous dinner of crab legs and beer at a bar with a cement floor.

When my holidays weren't so crammed with activities, creating traditional holiday plum pudding at my brother's home in Dearborn also was a treat.

My interest in food might have been inspired by family potlucks. I'd be apprehensive about the dish I made, or planned to make, usually some brave new world I planned to visit, like chocolate mousse for about two dozen people.

## Socializing

Food, for me, has always been the centerpiece of socializing, sharing love and friendship with family members and friends. That pasta salad or rumaki always initiates conversations at a potluck.

A night out almost always consists of dinner. And dinnertime at home is a day-in-review for family members and an excellent time to find out exactly what your kids are up to, or for that matter, your spouse.

Today, it might just be the sheer pleasure of food preparation that draws me to it — watching the creativity of a master chef, the dynamics of the marriage between spice and sauce, flour and butter, yeast and water (always lukewarm, not too hot).

But it's also fun for me. Spending time in a kitchen allows me a chance to focus on something else besides sitting at a computer or talking on the telephone. Like building and gardening, it allows me to work with my hands, such as encasing a roast or chicken with garlic and herbs, entrapping juices and flavor and experiencing the anticipation of a glorious dinner.

Walking the few steps to my herb garden to pick a few sprigs of thyme and for a beef stock, or to season asparagus or zucchini dishes also is a joy.

Making fresh salsa is easy — grab a few cilantro leaves, pick three toma-

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## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Summer Sippers
- Lebanese dishes

# Strawberries, Cherries

are just the Berries

## Pick-it-yourself for some berry-delicious desserts

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Rose Timbers, special events coordinator at Wiard's Orchards in Ypsilanti, calls it a family activity "you can't find anywhere else in the world."

You pick. You decide. You choose what fruit you want off that tree, that patch, that bush. No need to sort through produce at the market. You want it, you pick it.

Oh, those sweet fresh strawberries and cherries. Strawberry shortcake and cherry pie. Strawberries dipped in chocolate, sweet cherry turnovers. Strawberry fields forever, and cherry, cherry.

With strawberry season kicking off this week, and cherries expected as early as the last week of June, "u-pick" farms soon will be bustling with activity.

## Nutritional value

Gail Cox, nutrition coordinator at Botsford Hospital and a registered dietitian, advises people not to worry about the calories. Each cherry contains about 4 calories each, so 25 of them contain about 100 calories.

## Berry recipes can be found on inside pages

"It's better they should eat these foods in high quantity than fill up on cookies and chips," Cox said. "People never gained weight by eating fruit."

Gail Posner, a West Bloomfield nutritionist, said fresh strawberries and cherries, like many other freshly picked produce, have wonderful nutritional value.

"The vitamin content diminishes with its storage time," Posner said. "Fresh-picked fruits are a good source of vitamins and they're a lot tastier."

Indeed, about eight medium strawberries contain 8 grams of fiber, more than a slice of whole wheat bread. They are an excellent source of Vitamin C, more than a glass of orange juice and a good source of potassium.

"It's also a good source of folate and ellagic acid, a phytochemical, which is believed to fight against cancer," Posner said.

Cherries are also a good source of Vitamin C. About 25 of them contain 3 grams of fiber. Cherries also contain quercetin, another phytochemical believed to help fight carcinogens. Let's not forget they taste good, too.

## U-drive to u-pick

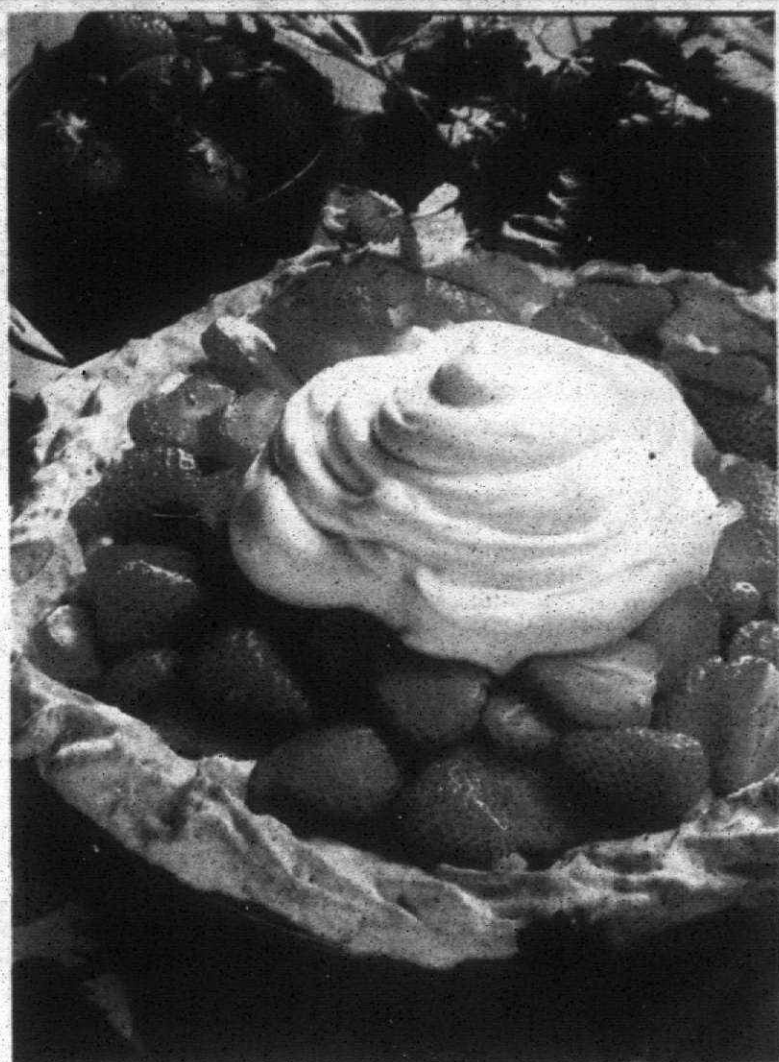
Timbers said u-pick's popularity has more to do with the experience of picking your own produce, and not because consumers will save money.

"You get to go outside and do something they can't do anywhere else in the world," Timbers said. "It gets the kids out and it's a good family activity."

"The experience isn't about saving money, but it is about a nice family activity."

Matt Spicer, son of the owner of Spicer Orchards in Fenton and manager of the farms there, said this year's strawberry crop is "great." The harvests bring out the families to the farm, Spicer said.

"We get a lot of moms and dads with their kids," Spicer said. Straw-



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**Whip It up:** Easy-to-bake Strawberry Kissed pie has a golden brown meringue crust filled with berries and vanilla pudding, topped with reduced-fat whipped topping. Sliced almonds and wheat germ add a chewy, crunchy texture to the pie crust.

berry picking began about 10 days ago. Spicer expects strawberries to continue for another three weeks.

The key to growing a good strawberry — sandy ground and lots of rain. "We haven't had to irrigate much this spring," Spicer said. "If it's dry, we irrigate once every three days."

## Cherries almost here

For true cherry lovers, the National Cherry Festival in Traverse City is scheduled for July 1-8 and is also the world's largest cherry festival. The festival expects to draw 700,000 visitors to savor the flavor of cherries in pancakes, pies, cannoli, turkey wraps and salsa.

For those who don't want to battle the throngs, u-pick can be a viable alternative that's local.

Wiard's offers u-pick cherries. Call next week for picking information and crop availability.

A late freeze may have damaged cherries, but orchard owners won't know for sure until the crop ripens.

Too much rain also splits the cherries, Timbers said. "It's very weather dependent."

The picking season for cherries is very short. "You have to pick them very quickly, you have a very short window," Timbers said.

Spicer offers tart and sweet cherries for picking. The tart cherries will be available for about two weeks, but sweet cherry picking season last only about three or four days, Spicer said.

Orchard operators advise people who wish to visit their orchards to call first to check the availability of berries.

See recipes and u-pick information inside Taste.

## U-call before u-pick

Here are some farms and orchards to call about u-pick strawberries and cherries:

■ **Blake's Big Orchard Apple Orchard** — Armada, one mile south of Armada on North Avenue and 33 Mile Road. Five miles east of Romeo. U-pick strawberries, raspberries, cherries, (810) 784-9710

■ **Blake's Orchard and Cider Mill** — Armada, near intersection of Romeo Plank Road and Armada Center Road. Three miles west of Armada or five miles east of Romeo. U-pick strawberries, raspberries, and cherries, (810) 784-5343.

■ **Long Orchard & Farm** — Commerce Township, on Bogie Lake Road — One-third mile north of Wise Road. U-pick strawberries, (248) 360-3774

■ **Spicer Orchard** — Fenton, U.S. 23 north, three miles north of M-59 to Clyde Road exit, exit east. U-pick strawberries, blueberries, and cherries, (810) 632-7692.

■ **Wiard's Orchards** — Ypsilanti, I-94 to Huron Street, exit 183, then south four miles, follow the signs. U-pick strawberries, (734) 482-7744.

## Festival

For information on the National Cherry Festival, call 1-800-968-3380 or visit the festival Web site at [www.cherryfestival.org](http://www.cherryfestival.org). The Observer Newspapers will be running periodic updates in the Taste section on u-pick orchards and the produce available.

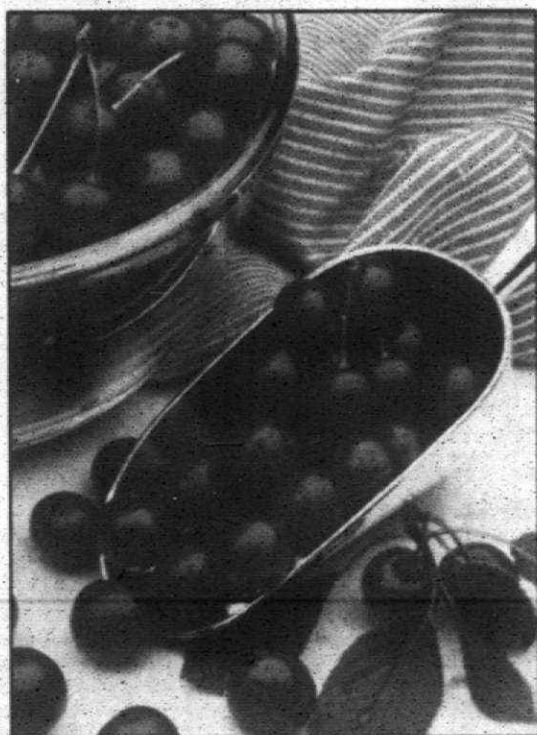


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# Winemakers say law will harm sales

House Bill 4752. Good intentions run amuck or hidden agenda?

Michigan winemakers such as Mark Johnson of Chateau Chantal said it will harm sales. "We can ship direct to a person in Michigan ordering wine by telephone, but if that person wants to send our wine as a gift to a friend or business associate, we can't under HB 4752," he said.

Wine merchant John Jonna said, "If we can't ship gift baskets containing wine or spirits in the state, that's the difference between profit and loss in a year."

Walter Keck, administrative commissioner for the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, said that if HB-4752 (S-2), is passed with its current language, "It would require the vote of three out of five commissioners and could take up to six months to promulgate the required rule," so wine transactions Johnson and Jonna refer to could become legal again.

What's going on?

Bill sponsor Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, claims, "My only aim is trying to protect minors from being able to purchase wine

over the Internet and retain Michigan liquor laws as they are."

Yet insider information indicates that preliminary language for HB-4752 was drafted by attorneys for the Michigan Beer & Wine Wholesalers Association (MB&WWA) and that two days after introduction of this bill last February, Rep. Cassis had a party sponsored by the MB&WWA. Rep. Cassis denies MB&WWA language involvement, but said she used a room MB&WWA made available.

Yet St. Julian Winery (the state's largest) owner Dave Braganini claims, "The MB&WWA is sticking it to us on this bill."

## Influence

MB&WWA represents a monopoly with big bucks. They have filed many a campaign coffer in this state. They want to protect their lucrative monopoly by further restricting your rights. MB&WWA is Velcroed to HB 4752. Bit by bit, they influenced amendments to Cassis' bill, both in

the House and Senate, strengthening their position and caring little about language harming Michigan wine business.

"I promise to investigate the language of amendments further," Cassis said. "If it is harmful to small business in Michigan, I will get it changed." But Cassis also said that her bill "protects the Michigan wineries from all the small California wineries desirous of direct-shipping wine to Michigan consumers."

Odd, because Michigan wineries spoke with have no concern about this. With quality wines, they do not fear competition and do not desire protection.

John Jonna said it best, "The more big business [MB&WWA] controls laws, the more it hurts the little guy like me. There is no level playing field when big business monopolies are in control." He also believes that expressions of protection from the Internet and reduction of free trade "is causing Michigan to lose its competitive business edge."

Jonna senses the smoke screen of protection of minors veiling the real issues of financial gains of a monopoly not caring

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## Wine Picks

■ **Pick of the week:** 1998 Quivira Dry Creek Cuvee \$15, a blend of grenache, mourvedre, syrah, and zinfandel is smooth and delectable, easy to drink and an "enjoy me now" wine.

■ **Merlot** is a great match with summer grilled foods. The best bottles of merlot have loads of lush fruit giving the wine "sweetness" although they are perfectly dry. Fruit "sweetness" matches them to grilled firm-fleshed fish, poultry, pork, grilled veggies and red meats. Enhance these with fruit salsa or a not-too-sweet, rather spicy barbecue sauce. With merlot, complexity increases with price. The best are generally over \$20.

■ **Super stuff:** 1997 Dry Creek Vineyard Reserve Merlot, \$35; 1997 Geyser Peak Reserve Merlot, \$32; 1997 Clos du Val Merlot, \$28; 1997 Robert Mondavi Merlot, \$24; and 1997 Ferrari-Carano Merlot, \$23.

■ **Good values:** 1998 Coppola Diamond Series Merlot, \$15; 1997 Columbia Crest Merlot, \$12; and 1998 Carmen Merlot, Chile, \$8.

## Strawberry pie crunches with nutty wheat germ

See related story on Taste front.

Wheat germ can add nutty flavor and a crunch to a wide variety of healthy dishes and baked products. Strawberry kissed pie is a delicious example.

This easy-to-bake pie has a golden brown meringue crust, vitamin-rich berries and calcium-rich vanilla pudding with reduced-fat whipped topping. Sliced almonds and wheat germ add a chewy, crunchy texture to the pie's crust in addition to vitamin E.

### STRAWBERRY KISSED MERINGUE PIE

3 large egg whites, at room temperature  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
2/3 cup granulated sugar  
1/4 teaspoon almond extract  
1/2 cup wheat germ, any flavor  
1/3 cup shredded coconut (optional)  
1/4 cup sliced almonds  
1 pint ripe strawberries, washed, hulled and sliced (about 2-1/4 cups)  
1 tablespoon powdered sugar  
1 package (1 ounce) sugar-free, fat-free vanilla instant pudding and pie filling mix.  
1-3/4 cups fat-free milk  
1 cup thawed reduced-fat or fat-free frozen whipped topping

Heat oven to 325° F. Spray the bottom and sides of a 9-inch glass pie plate with cooking spray.

In large bowl, beat egg whites and salt with electric mixer at high speed until whites begin to mound. With mixer at high speed, add sugar, 2 tablespoons at a time, and almond extract, beating until sugar dissolves and whites stand in stiff glossy peaks when beater is raised. With rubber spatula, fold in wheat germ, coconut and

almonds. Spread meringue in pie plate to cover bottom and sides, but not the rim. Make sides a little thicker than the bottom and 1/2 inch higher than the rim of pie plate.

Bake 35 to 40 minutes until golden brown and firm to the touch. Turn off oven and let meringue shell dry in oven until inside of oven and meringue shell are completely cool. (Do not open oven door while meringue shell is cooling.)

To serve, combine strawberries and sugar in medium bowl. Let stand 15 minutes. Prepare instant pudding and pie filling mix according to package directions using fat-free milk. Fold whipped topping into pudding; reserve 3/4 cup of mixture. Spread remaining pudding mixture over bottom of meringue shell. Top with berries. Swirl remaining pudding mixture in center of pie. Refrigerate 1 hour. Cut into wedges to serve. Refrigerate leftovers.

Makes 8 servings.

Nutritional Information (1/8 of recipe): Calories 190, calories from fat 40, total fat 4.5 g, saturated fat 1.5 g, cholesterol 0 mg, sodium 200 mg, total carbohydrates 34 g, dietary fiber 3g, protein 7g.

Cook's Tip: Use blueberries or sliced peaches or nectarines instead of sliced strawberries.

Recipe compliments of Ketchmer wheat germ. It's the Berries! Historic Food Week begins on June 24 and 25 at Greenfield Village to celebrate the berries of summer. Six homes that will feature berry recipes include the Susquehanna Plantation, Daggett Farmhouse, and the Henry Ford Birthplace. Presenters will prepare not only period recipes but also regional recipes featuring berries and other summer fruits. Learn how people made ways to make bounty last in the forms of jellies, jams, marmalades, pickles and preserves. Historic Food Weekends are free of charge with admission to Greenfield Village. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.

## Marinate beef overnight, then grill kabobs the following day

See related Kitchen Kapers column on Taste front.  
BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
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Here are two of my favorite recipes. I like to marinate the beef overnight, then grill the kabobs the following day. The burgundy and soy marinade gives the beef a real hearty flavor. The Vidalias, green peppers and pineapple add sweetness to the dish. It's a wonderful combination of flavors.

Serve it on a bed of rice pilaf and your favorite tossed salad.

### MARINATED BEEF KABOBS

Marinade:

2 small cloves garlic, minced  
1/2 cup and 1 tablespoon soy sauce  
1/2 package dry onion soup mix  
1/4 cup and 1 tablespoon Burgundy wine  
2 tablespoons brown sugar  
2 tablespoons cooking oil  
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
Dash pepper

1 to 1 1/2 pounds sirloin, cut into chunks for skewers

Mix and marinate in a non-aluminum dish overnight or at least four hours.

Kabobs:

One or two Vidalia onions, quartered  
Two green peppers, cut into large chunks for skewers  
One (16 ounce) package large mushrooms, left whole  
One pint or a small container of cherry tomatoes  
One 20-ounce can pineapple chunks, drained (optional)

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toes, douse in boiling water to peel 'em, seed them, then dice. Mince one clove of garlic, chop about 2 tablespoons onion and 1 or 2 tablespoons of jalapeno, add a dash of hot sauce, and 2 tablespoons olive oil.

The possibilities are endless - fresh cilantro, about 1/2 cup, mixed with the juice from one or two limes makes a great marinade for tuna. You can throw a few pieces of soaked mesquite wood on the grill, and in a few minutes, you'll have an excellent and incredibly easy-to-make meal.

Juice a lemon and mix about six sprigs of thyme to make a flavorful marinade for trout. Dill adds a subtle, yet not overpower-

Marinate mushrooms with meat about 1/2 hour before placing beef and vegetables on skewers. Alternate beef with mushrooms, onion, green pepper, cherry tomatoes and pineapple.

Preheat grill to medium-high heat. Cook and sear the outside of the kabob, then turn and cook accordingly for a total of about 8-10 minutes or until desired doneness. Serve atop rice pilaf. Serves 4.

### RICE PILAF

8 bacon slices, diced  
1 medium onion, finely chopped  
2 cups regular long-grain rice  
2 (10-ounce) packages frozen green peas  
2 cups water  
1 (13-ounce can) chicken broth  
2 teaspoons salt  
1/4 teaspoon pepper

In a 12-inch skillet over medium heat, cook bacon until crisp. With slotted spoon, remove bacon to paper towels; set aside.

Pour off all but 1/4 cup bacon drippings from the skillet. Add chopped onion and cook until tender, about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Stir rice, frozen peas, water, chicken broth, salt and pepper into mixture; heat to boiling. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer about 20 minutes until rice is tender.

To serve, toss rice mixture together with the reserved bacon until well-mixed. Transfer mixture to a warm serving dish and serve immediately. Serves about 12. Recipe reprinted from "The Good Housekeeping Illustrated Cookbook" by Zoe Coulson, copyright 1980.

### Michigan produce is another reason to enjoy summer.

ing, flavor to sole, and accents potatoes wonderfully.

Fresh produce Michigan produce is another reason to enjoy summer. Local farm markets offer an abundance of locally grown fruits and vegetables. Buying these fresh, nutrient-packed "fruits of labor" is an excellent way to support local farmers.

But, even if you're like me and enjoy good food, you don't want to spend the next millennium preparing it. That's why I want

to keep things simple in Taste, and yet fun and delicious.

I'd love to hear your stories about family picnics and meals, and try one of your recipes. How do you get dinner on the table in a hurry after work? What kinds of recipes would you like to see in Taste?

Please give me a call, or send an e-mail. I can be reached at (734) 953-2112 during normal business hours or online at kabrancyk@oe.homecomm.net. Send recipes and other information to me at the Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

I look forward to hearing from you, and hope you'll enjoy my recipe for marinated beef kabobs and rice pilaf.

### Food safety hotline available

Questions about food safety, nutrition and preservation can be answered via e-mail or the telephone at the Michigan State University's Food and Nutrition Hotline.

The phone hotline allows people to get answers to their food questions and concerns from an actual person who has a background in food and nutrition. A trained staff member is available 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Food and Nutrition Hotline number is (248) 858-0904. The online edition can be accessed by sending e-mail to treitman@msue.msu.edu.

### CORRECTION NOTICE

In our June 18 insert, we advertised the Buell Ryders "Bye Bye Vol. II" CD as newly available on Tuesday, June 20. Due to manufacturer delay, this item will not be available and we do not know when it will be available. As we expect it to become available soon, we will be issuing reinserts. We apologize for any confusion or inconvenience this may have caused.

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## An Orange A Day Keeps The Doctor Away

Scientists in Denmark have discovered a common substance in apples and citrus fruit which enhances the immune system. The substance is known as pectin, and it works like a natural biochemical signal, activating the life processes of white blood cells.

Research done at New Nordic's laboratories in Denmark and results from other international laboratories such as the Max Planck Gesellschaft in Germany and the Kinase Institute in Japan, demonstrates how a particular form of pectin, called modified citrus pectin, can activate human natural killer cells, T cells and macrophages.



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## Cherries blossom in smoothies, muffins

See related story on Taste front.

Here are some recipes from the Cherry Market-Institute in Lansing. The Web site is [www.cherry.mkt.org](http://www.cherry.mkt.org).

### CHERRY SMOOTHIE

1 ripe banana, peeled  
1 cup frozen unsweetened tart cherries  
1 cup skim milk

Put banana, frozen cherries and milk in the container of an electric blender. Puree until smooth. Serve immediately. Makes 2 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories, 125; fat 0.7 grams, 2.2 mg cholesterol.

### MAPLE CHERRY SAUCE

1/3 cup cherry juice blend  
2 tablespoons cornstarch  
1 cup frozen unsweetened tart cherries, thawed and well-drained  
3/4 cup real maple or maple-flavored syrup  
1/2 cup chopped walnuts  
1 teaspoon grated orange peel

Put cherry juice blend and cornstarch in a small saucepan; mix well. Cook over medium heat until thickened. Add cherries, maple-flavored syrup, walnut and orange peel; mix well. Cook, stirring frequently, over low heat until all ingredients are hot. Serve over roast turkey, pork or ham. Makes about 1 1/2 cups, about 6 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories, 196; fat, 6.4 grams; 90 mg cholesterol and 28 percent calories from fat.

## Saffron-garlic sauce flavors shrimp and pasta

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Light for summer, in fat content and in time spent over a hot stove, Capellini With Shrimp in Saffron-Garlic Sauce is the dream answer to a busy cook's needs.

Featured in the June edition of Health magazine, this stylish main dish can be ready in 20 minutes, will taste terrific and will not overload the diet with fat calories.

The magazine includes instructions for quickly peeling and deveining raw shrimp. Starting at the fat end of the shrimp, pull off the shell and legs, one segment at a time. Leave the last segment and tail fine intact. Lay the shrimp on a cutting board. With a sharp paring knife, make a 1/8-inch-deep cut along the length of the back to expose the dark vein. Using the knife tip or your fingernail, lift out the vein, taking care not to leave pieces behind. Discard vein, rinse shrimp.

To store for up to 48 hours, drop peeled shrimp into a large zip-top plastic bag and place the bag in a medium-size bowl amid a few cups of ice. Seal the bag, add more ice to cover, and refrigerate until ready to use.

### CAPELLINI WITH SHRIMP IN SAFFRON-GARLIC SAUCE

(Preparation and cooking time 18 minutes)

1/2 teaspoon saffron threads  
1/2 cup vermouth or dry white wine  
12 ounces dry capellini or angel-hair pasta

2 teaspoons olive oil  
1 pound (about 24) large shrimp, peeled and deveined, tail intact  
4 cloves garlic, minced  
1 1/2 cups reduced-sodium, nonfat chicken broth  
1 tablespoon cornstarch  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper  
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley, optional

In a small bowl, combine saffron threads and vermouth; let soak 5 minutes.

Cook capellini in a large pot of rapidly boiling water 4 to 6 minutes or until just tender. Drain and set aside.

Meanwhile, heat oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add shrimp and garlic, and saute 3 minutes or until shrimp just turn pink. Remove shrimp with tongs, leaving garlic in pan, and transfer to a plate. Cover with foil to keep warm.

Reheat the same skillet over medium heat, then add vermouth mixture. Simmer 1 minute. Dissolve cornstarch in chicken broth and add to skillet. Simmer, stirring gently, 1 minute, or until sauce thickens.

Return shrimp to skillet, add capellini, and cook 1 minute to heat through. Remove from heat, and season to taste with salt and pepper. Spoon mixture into shallow bowls; garnish with parsley if desired.

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**Vegetarian Cooking** - Lenore Yalissou Baum, author of Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Your Essential Guide to Wholesome Vegetarian Cooking, conducts vegetarian cooking classes at Lenore's Natural Cuisine, 22899 Inkster, Farmington Hills. Baum teaches a beginning cooking series of four classes from 6:30 p.m. on Mondays in June. Other June classes from 6 to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays include: cool pasta salads, June 21; and delicious vegetables, June 28. Call (248) 478-4455.

**Chili cookoff** - If you like spicy food, the hottest ticket in town this summer is the fourth Unscheduled Chili Cookoff scheduled for Saturday, July 22, at the Wayne County Fair. The Fairgrounds are located at I-94 and Belleville Road (Exit 190). Take the westbound service drive past the Cracker Barrel Restaurant to Quirk Road and make a right turn. The fairgrounds are 1/4 mile further. Fair dates are July 18 through July 23. Contest rules and applications are now available. Space is limited. Call Kay at (734) 697-9376 or Jill at (734) 525-7799 for more information or to request registration forms.

**World of Flavors** - Spice up your palate with marinades, dry rubs, herbs, spices and infusions. Learn to create a wide variety in

your food in this class at Schoolcraft College 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, July 8. Flavors will come from numerous international traditions and cuisines, applicable to meat, fish and vegetables. Call (734) 462-4448.

**Basic essentials** - This class at Schoolcraft College will introduce people to the essential staples to add flair to every meal at sessions on Wednesday, July 12, and Wednesday, July 19. You will learn what items to keep on hand, where to purchase them and how to use them in a variety of recipes. Call (734) 462-4448.

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**Eastern Market** - Tour historic Eastern Market with master chef Kevin Gawronski from Schoolcraft College as your guide. Gawronski will introduce you to local and exotic food products and allow free time for shopping. The class will return to Schoolcraft to challenge the chef to a cooking demonstration using products found at the market. Class will meet at 8 a.m. at the corner of Russell and Winder streets in Detroit. Call (734) 462-4448 for more information.

**Dietary program** - Four out of five children at the age of 10 are afraid of being fat. Beverly Price, a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist, has information on how you can implement programs on eating disorder awareness and prevention at your school. Price operates Living Better Specially, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. For information, call (248) 539-9424.

## Soy snacks, cereal chosen for Top 10

PRNewswire/ - The Organic Garden's SoyNuttty Crunchies snacks and SoyNuttty breakfast cereal were chosen by supermarket guru Phil Lempert as two of the top 10 best tasting soy-based foods on the market. Lempert tried hundreds of new soy products while monitoring supermarket trends and products for the Lempert report newsletter and for his Web site [www.supermarket-guru.com](http://www.supermarket-guru.com).

Referring to The Organic Garden's SoyNuttty Crunchies, Lempert said, "I really love the taste of this product." Lempert also said soy nuts have "the next snack craze" potential. SoyNuttty cereal from the Organic Garden also made the top 10 for great taste. Along with that taste comes a high-protein food, reducing the risk for heart disease and certain

cancers and boosting isoflavone and calcium intake - especially helpful to women. SoyNuttty products are sold in health and natural food stores and selected grocery stores throughout the country. For more information, log on to the company's Web site [www.theorganicgardenfood.com](http://www.theorganicgardenfood.com), or call (800) 817-1281.

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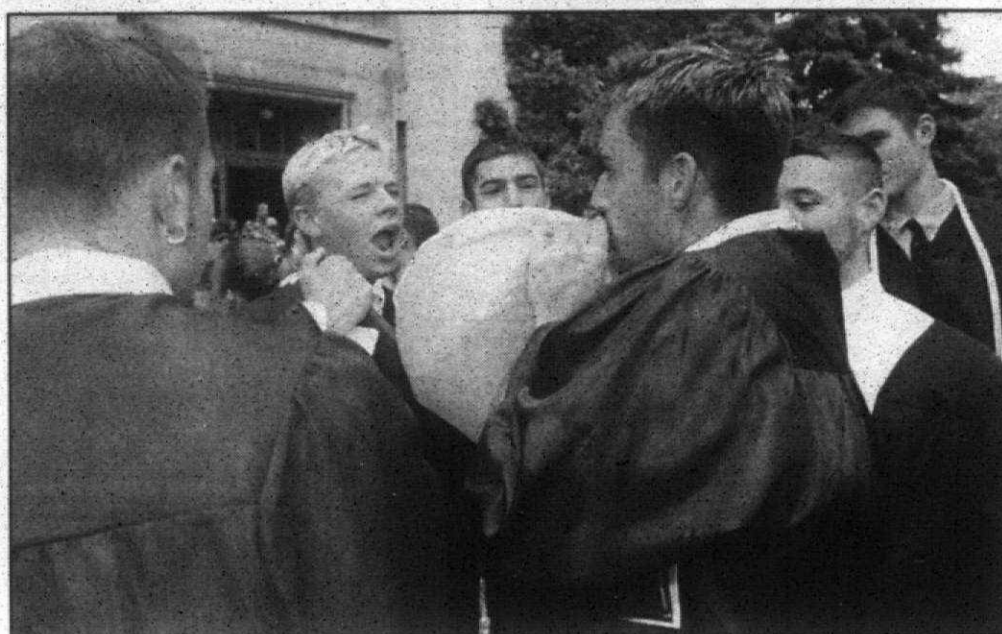




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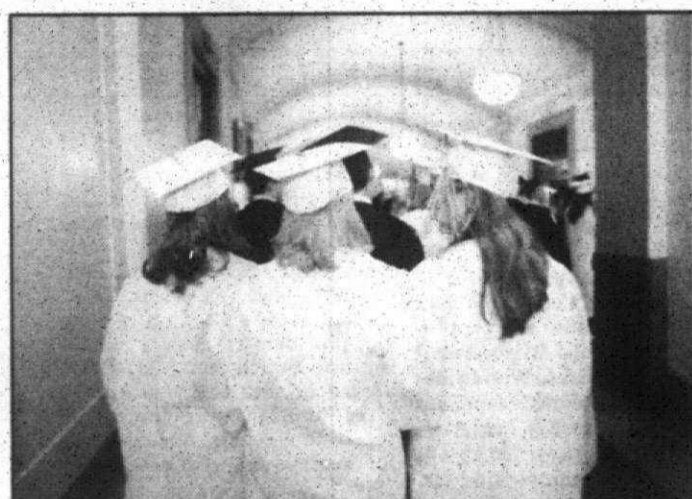
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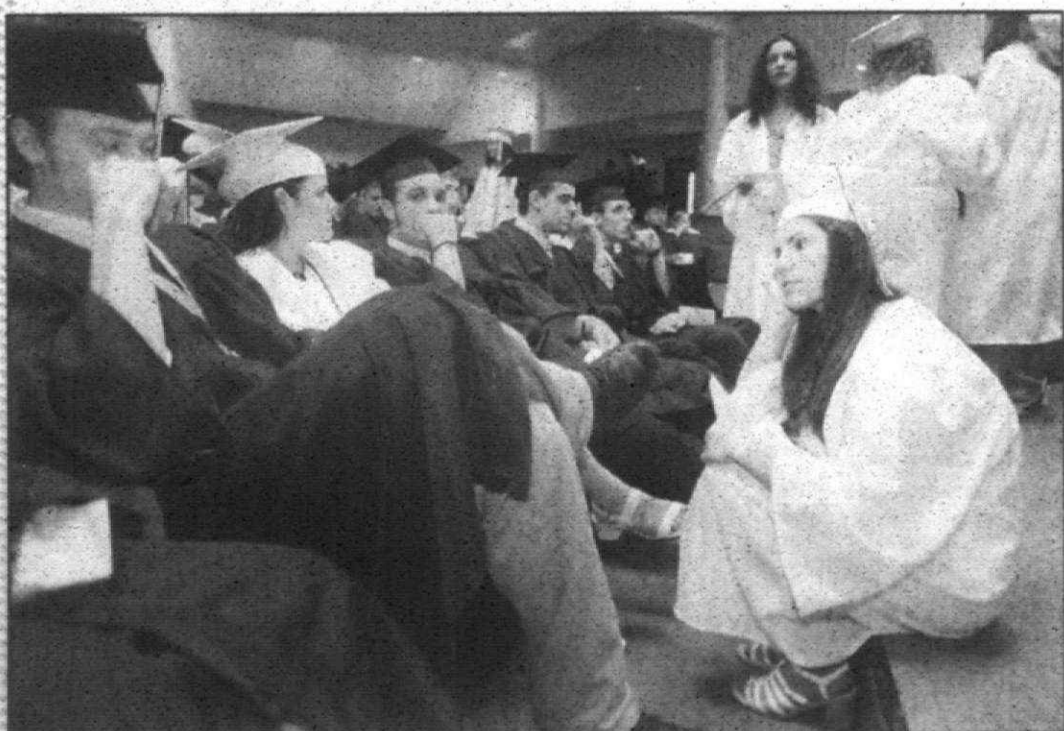
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Scott Jason Kutnick  
Christopher Ryan La Masse  
Albert Bao Lam  
Ronald W. Lang  
Amy Elizabeth Larson  
Jessica Elaine Lavander  
Sara Marie Le Duc  
Courtney Ryan Leaym  
Meghan Elizabeth Leddy  
Matthew John Leon II  
Sean David Lewkowicz  
Michelle Verzoza Liebau  
Jessica Anne Lobenzherz  
Brandon Miles Loftus  
Nicholas L. Long  
Constance Marie Longpre  
Amardeep Kaur Lota  
Lyndsay Raye Lowman  
Christopher Lucas  
Jason Edward Lukasik  
James R. Lundberg  
Cynthia Joy Lupo  
Candace C. Lynett  
Marivenus Mangahis  
Magbitang  
Monica Jo Mair  
Meril Maman  
Eric Todd Mancha  
Katie Anne Markley  
Edward J. Martin  
Jennifer G. Mason  
Stacey Renee Mason  
Julie Ann Masters  
Elizabeth Anne Masterson  
Rachael C. Maurer  
James Patrick Mc Caffrey  
Matthew Edward Mc Caffrey  
Nicholas N. Mc Donald  
Rachael Leann Mc Farlin  
Patrick Connor Mc Inerney  
Christine Michele Mc Kay  
Katherine Ann Mc Kinley  
Benjamin Christopher  
McNulty  
Matthew Sean McNulty  
Jason David Meininger  
Kristin Lynn Mellian  
Haley Lynn Menard  
Timothy Paul Merenda  
Jacqueline Marie Mester  
John Joseph James Michalek  
Brian Robert Miedlar  
Jeremy David Mills  
Tara G. Mitchell  
Allison Kay Modras  
Michelle Renae Monte  
Rachel Macie Moraitis  
Michael P. Morton



**Matching wardrobe:** Megan Bohr (left) and Kim Tammie show off the fact that they discovered they were wearing the same dress under their gowns following commencement exercises last Sunday at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor.

Andrea Nicole Mott  
Anna Marie Mueller  
Adrienne Eva Muncy  
Sadiya Binth Muniruddin  
Rebecca Anne Murray  
René Aletta Murray  
Nickolas C. Nanry  
Jonathan Robert Neal  
Kyle Andrew Neubauer  
Kelly Marie Newsom  
Gregory Theodore Niewola  
Ryan G. Nimmerguth  
Kristina Danielle Northgrave  
Lisa Marie Norton  
Jaclyn Amanda Novak  
Laura E. Novkov  
Christopher R. Noyes  
Gregory J. O'Neill  
Erin Elizabeth O'Neill  
Carrie Marie O'Rear  
David Gregory Oliver  
Susan Elizabeth Olli  
Sukhpreet K. Otal  
Kristine Ann Pagan  
Bridget Anne Palumbo  
Amanda Ann Pannaralla  
Bree Ann Pastalanec  
Michael B. Pasternak  
Hiren Patel  
Ketuben K. Patel  
Neha Praful Patel  
Tejal B. Patel  
Christopher Vance Patterson  
Elizabeth J. Patterson  
Jody Marie Pattison  
James Pawlica  
Amber Alyce Payne  
Justin Andrew Perkins  
Lori Ann Perry  
Scott Allen Peruski  
Andrew T. Peters  
Denise Elizabeth Philips  
Daniel G. Pilon  
Pawel K. Pindera  
Laura Rose Pino  
Jennifer Ann Pitt  
Matthew S. Pohl  
Kristen Marie Pollice  
Justin M. Pollock  
Michael James Popeney  
Katherine Elizabeth Porter  
Dustin R. Potes  
Shae Jacqueline Potocki  
Karianna Nicole Powell  
Angel Krystyl Proffitt  
John Brian Putala  
Joanne Irlene Pyle  
Jordan Marie Raber  
Sean Michael Rahman  
Javier A. Ramirez  
Mohammad Farid Ramlawi  
Kristin Gail Ramsey  
Robert John Randall  
Casimir G. Rapnicki  
Jason M. Rebarchik  
Brandon Lee Redding  
Paul Edward Reger  
Stephen Russell Reitzel  
Kris Marie Renault  
Matthew A. Renfrow  
Nicole Allison Reno  
Kristen Anne Repasky  
Eric W. Reynolds  
Carl Wayne Ritchey  
Rick L. Rodriguez  
Amanda Caroline Roedding  
Sarah Elizabeth Rogers  
Nathan Ward Roller  
Robert Joseph Ross  
Jessica Lynn Rowe  
Zachary Andrew Rozof  
Maria E. Ruehr  
Matthew Salem Salah  
Megan Cathleen Salata  
Joshua Owen Samczyk  
Christine Renee Sanders  
Jessica Marie Sandoval  
Thomas Ryan Sandoval  
Steven Richard Sarten  
Jennifer Renee Savage  
Julie Elizabeth Savage  
Lara Victoria Savitskie  
Matthew James Schenkel  
Jacob Leonard Scherbaty  
Todd Michael Schmalhurst  
Amy Lee Schneider  
Todd Edward Schoeneman  
Faith Anne Scholfield  
Christopher W. Schrieber  
Andrew John Seiter  
Benjamin Joseph Shaft

Manish Sharad Shah  
Jason Lynn Shamberger  
Christopher John Sherfey  
Elizabeth Rose Shoemaker  
Melissa Anne Shoemaker  
Christen Elizabeth Shull  
Milan Sibinovic  
Faraaz Siddiqui  
Scott V. Siedlaczek  
Kenneth Glenn Siegner  
Ryan Anthony Silva  
Gjon Sinishtaj  
Andrea Lynne Sinkunas  
Matthew David Smelser  
Stephanie M. Smethers  
Danielle Shanea Smith  
Ginelle L. Smith  
Justin Christopher Smith  
Matthew Conrad Sniogowski  
Stephen Gene Spencer  
Steven J. Spigarelli  
Cynthia T. Stabnick  
Christopher Thomas Stanley  
Erica Danielle Stengle  
Steven Bradley Stiles  
Brett James Stinar  
Kristina Stoilkovic  
Damian T. Stone  
Timothy Andrew Strand  
Teresa Jade Strang  
Lucas Henry Stump  
Amanda Marie Suder  
Richard F. Sulpher  
Hayward Paul Summers  
Shane Duffy Sutton  
Jeffrey Alan Swartek  
Kimberly Lynn Tamme  
Philip John Taylor  
Amy Lucille Tacher  
Christina Marie Taylor  
Codee Nicole Taylor  
Jennifer Jane Taylor  
Erica Marie Thomas  
Jason Richard Thomas  
Ronald Stephen Thompson II  
Kevin M. Tierney  
Marissa Anne Tierney  
Melissa Ann Timte  
Arthur Charles Tomlin  
Suzanne Towne  
Joyce Tseng  
James Todd Tudor  
Sreedevi Tumati  
Lisa Marie Turner  
Rebecca Ruth Turza  
Jason Michael Tyranski  
Sofia Ujkaj  
Dominic G. Valeri  
Lauren Elizabeth  
Van Dierendonck  
David Villanueva Jr.  
Amy Marie Villet  
Marisa Anne Viola  
Jamie Lynne Wakefield  
William Tyler Walker  
Kristin Kelly Walsh  
Iyleen Warah  
Lois Mary Watson  
Stephanie Victoria Watson  
Peter Scott Weiland  
Charleen Kay Werman  
Amie Dawn Wester  
Sara Elizabeth Wheeler  
Andrea Marie Whipple  
Miranda Lauren White  
Cherie Lynn Wiltfang  
Ian Jacob Raymond Winter  
Peter Bernard Wist  
Mark Donald Witthoff  
Roberta Sue Woelfel  
Amy Marie Wolfe  
Gregory John Wood  
Stephanie Ann Wood  
Marie Ann Woodruff  
Patrick Jung-Hin Wu  
Jonathon Andrew Wurts  
Michael Jay Yockey  
Cole-Michael Edward  
Pietrzak Young  
Colin Robert Young  
Jessica Marie Young  
Matthew James Young  
Nicole M. Young  
Shauna Lynn Young  
Meosha Rochell Zachery  
Katherine Rae Zelanski  
Darren Glenn Zielinski  
David A. Zopf



**Anxiously awaiting:** Kristin Mellian (seated right) waits with classmates for the start of commencement exercises last Sunday.