

THE WEEK AHEAD

Fund-raiser: The Canton Firefighters Charity Foundation invites you to participate in a golf fund-raiser for the Canton Firefighters No. 2289 Charity Foundation on July 11 at Pheasant Run, Canton. Cost is \$100 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, beverages on the course, lunch at the turn, and chances to win great prizes and a banquet with open bar. For more information, call Capt. Jim Davison or Mike Caruso at (734) 398-5262 Station No. 1. RSVP by July 1.

MONDAY

The Wall: The Moving Wall, a half-size replica of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C., will be at Canton's Heritage Park through end of the day. More than 58,000 names are listed on the wall.

TUESDAY

Meetings: Canton's Board of Trustees will meet starting at 7 p.m.

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' Board will meet at 7 p.m. at the E.J. McClendon Administration building on Harvey Street.

Breakfast club: The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club meets 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-3489.

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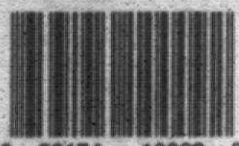
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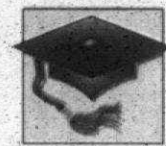
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Science MEAP scores strong



Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' fifth- and eighth-grade students scored highly in recent MEAP tests. School officials are crediting a new "hands-on" approach for the improvements.

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Plymouth-Canton fifth- and eighth-grade students continued to show major improvement in the latest MEAP science scores, remained strong in writing, with social studies needing a lot of improvement.

That's the assessment of Bob Hayes,

director of instruction for Plymouth-Canton Schools.

"We continue to improve as a district in science as individual building scores are showing exceptional improvement," said Hayes. "At the elementary level, we're running 10 percent ahead of the state average. Some say we could be doing better, and we agree."

Districtwide, elementary science

scores, which show the percentage of students who met or exceeded state standards, jumped from 47.8 percent last year to 53.4 percent this year. That compares to 43.6 percent statewide.

In the middle schools, science scores inched up from 28.5 percent last year to 31.5 percent in the latest test. The statewide middle school average in science is 24.2 percent.

"We went from a textbook approach to a hands-on approach for learning in science," added Hayes. "And that's how we'll continue to improve."

Fifth- and eighth-graders continued

to show high marks in writing skills.

"Our scores are really strong in the elementary grades," said Hayes. "It's easy to say that writing is the job of the language arts teacher. However, every teacher needs to teach writing."

Elementary writing scores this year jumped to 81.4 percent, compared to 62.6 percent last year. Statewide, the elementary writing score is at 67.8 percent.

The district's middle schools have remained consistent, averaging 82 percent this year, up from 81.2 percent last year. Plymouth-Canton middle

Please see MEAP, A4



Opening night: Above, Guy Lewis of the Chatauqua Express plays guitar and sings for the crowd at Canton's Liberty Fest on Thursday. Below, Jeff Schwartz, 10, of Canton takes a break from eating his coconut cream pie in the pie-eating contest at the Liberty Fest on Thursday.

STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HIBBELN

Fun, sun mark Liberty Fest's opening day

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
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Roughly 20 children looked as though they found themselves on the wrong side of pie throwing clowns as the Canton Liberty Fest opened Thursday.

Turns out they were just participating in a pie-eating contest.

"Josh, don't worry about anybody else! Just suck it up like a straw," yelled mom Michelle Martinez to her son Joshua Walters, 9 as he shoved his cream-pie covered face into his pie.

"Stick your whole face in," she cheered.

The children had three minutes to eat their pies — without benefit of hands or utensils. Pie-eating contest judge Troy Gibson, Observer News-

papers circulation manager, ordered them to stop and then had to decide which pie was decimated the most.

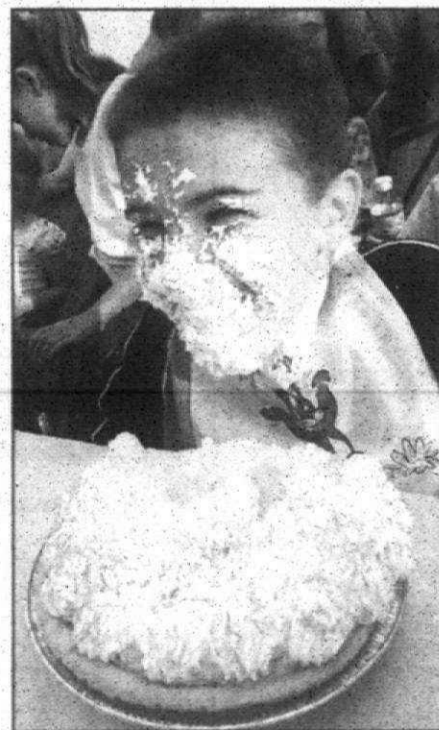
The winner, Harrison Hall, 10, said keeping his eye on the prize was key to his victory. He won a Sony Walkman portable CD player.

A gluttonous appetite didn't hurt his chances, either.

"I'm just hungry all the time," Hall said, adding that eating the pie without hands and utensils was harder than it looked.

"I just like put my head in and at first I was like scared to eat. I couldn't breathe."

His mother, Michelle, said Harrison has a reputation among his family and schoolmates for having a lack



of table manners. "I guess it paid off," she said, beaming with pride at her son's victory.

Please see LIBERTY FEST, A2

Suspect 'beaten' in jail

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
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A 35-year-old Canton man is awaiting possible trial on charges of criminal sexual conduct, domestic violence and assaulting a police officer.

James Patrick Jacobs waived his preliminary exam Friday in 35th District Court before Judge Ron Lowe. He will be arraigned in Wayne County Circuit Court July 7 and is being held in the county jail.

On Saturday, June 16, Jacobs allegedly assaulted a Canton police officer with a knife, assaulted his 32-year-old girlfriend and sexually assaulted a child living in his home.

The incident occurred in the 41000 block of Canton Court.

Jacobs' attorney Corbett O'Meara of Detroit said his client has not been safe in the Wayne County Jail.

"He was apparently rather brutally beaten," O'Meara said following the proceeding. "He has been beaten by groups of people who were told (of his crime) by a guard."

Jacobs' attackers, reportedly fellow

Please see SUSPECT, A5

Hazardous waste day planned

BY TRACEY BIRKENHAUER
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When you clean out the garage this summer, set aside that rusted bucket of paint you've been tripping over since 1982.

Come October, your gallon of semi-gloss will have a proper resting place.

For the first time ever, Canton will host a Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day to accept hazardous waste for proper disposal.

Drop off your pesticides, aerosols, gasoline, latex paint and expired medicine from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Oct. 14 in the Canton Administration Building parking lot.

Unacceptable items include commercially generated waste, smoke detectors, explosives and fire extinguishers.

"We're telling people now about the hazardous waste day because people are cleaning throughout the summer

Please see HAZARDOUS, A5

New health center offers variety of services

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Not all patients are created equal. That's part of the thinking behind the design of the new University of Michigan Health Center building at Saltz and Canton Center. Sick toddlers and children will get to gaze at fish swimming in a 3-by-6-foot aquarium. Radiology patients can use a separate side entrance. Mammography and ultrasound patients will be isolated from other patients in closed areas.

The \$8.4 million, 40,000-square-foot center at 1051 N. Canton Center officially opens Tuesday, June 27,

■ 'We have little fun areas for kids to play.'

G. Keith Crews
—U-M Health Center Manager

but urgent care patients will be seen Monday, June 26. Some services, such as ultrasound and cardiology, will not be available until later.

Internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, adult medicine and radiology — as well as new specialty services, including cardiology, mammography and ultrasound — will be offered on site.

Canton and Plymouth were served by two U-M Health Center facilities previously, both on Lilley Road. Both are now closed.

G. Keith Crews, center manager, said the separate waiting areas are just one of the ways the center implemented patient suggestions. They are color-coded to help people quickly find the waiting room they need.

"We have little fun areas for kids to play," Crews said, showing off the pediatric waiting area. Children will have toy bead structures to play with and miniature tables and chairs. A TV/VCR will play kiddie films.

Please see CENTER, A3

Five arraigned in dog fighting case; exams set

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Five more men were arraigned on charges connected with a pit bull fighting incident broken up by Canton police last month. Arraigned Thursday before Judge John MacDonald in 35th District Court were Mark Paul Barno, 25, of Monroe; Dillard Lee Bryant, 19, John Eric Jones, 27 and Brandon Harrison Jones, 28, all of Ypsilanti; and Christopher Steven Broughton, 29, of Milan. Barno and Broughton face preliminary examinations July 10. The preliminary examinations for Bryant and both Joneses are scheduled for July 30. Three men - Barno, Bryant and John Jones - were charged with (possessing) fighting animals and attending animal fights, both four-year felonies. Brandon Jones and Broughton were charged with attending animal fights, four-year felonies. Canton Officer Leonard Schemanske said Barno and John Jones were charged with two offenses because they reportedly owned pit bulls. The other three men were charged only with attending an animal fight. All men pled not guilty and are being held on \$5,000 personal bond. Altogether seven men have been charged so far. Ronald James Wroble, 33, of Canton and Jeffrey Dean Pepper, 36, of Belleville are awaiting trial on (possessing) fighting animals and attending animal fight charges. A trial date has not yet been set. The men arraigned this week were tracked down through abandoned vehicles at a residence in the 4700 block of Lotz, where the pit bull fighting was discovered. Police reportedly discovered bloody carpeting and rags in the home. The 12 pit bulls involved, which had been held at the Humane Society of Huron Valley shelter in Ann Arbor since their seizure May 6, were euthanized Monday. All costs of housing, handling and euthanizing the dogs will be assessed to the owners. Staff writer Scott Daniel contributed to this report.



New facility: The University of Michigan Health Center will provide a wide range of services, including pediatric care.

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Once in the examination room, they'll have "busy boards" to play with while they wait for a physician. A large reception area at the building's main entrance is expected to efficiently direct patients to where they need to go. And an increased number of check-out stations will make sure they can leave in a timely manner, according to Crews. "We treat (patients) based on what their needs dictate," he said. "We try to do everything we can here so we don't have to send them to a hospital." Blood testing will be done on site. "We run all the lab work here," Crews said. "We don't have to ship it out."

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Coming in second was Ed Ortiz, 14, who won a Super Soaker water gun and Justin Desletts, 11 came in third, winning a Sony Walkman cassette player. Contestant Katie Talarczyk, 11, didn't walk away with any prizes but said she wouldn't forget the contest. "It was sort of hard once I got (the pie) in my mouth because there was so much of it," she said. Gibson said he was impressed with the way the children ate with gusto. "There were more children involved this year," he said. "They seemed to be a lot more excited than they were last year."

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A work of art: Eight-year-old Sarah Dewston of Canton gets her face painted at the Liberty Fest on Thursday.

Summer Wine Dinner

Bonfire Bistro & The Fine Wine Source Tuesday, June 27 Bonfire Chef David Platzer creates a five course menu and Rich Walters of the Fine Wine Source in Livonia pairs each course with fine wines from California and France. Champagne reception at 7:00pm Dinner at 7:30pm Call for more details or a faxed menu and wine list.

Bonfire Bistro & Brewery 39550 Seven Mile Road (Corner of Seven Mile & Haggerty) Northville • 248-735-4570 Tickets are \$45 each at Bonfire Bistro (248-735-4570) or The Fine Wine Source (734-425-8610)

The contest was sponsored by the Observer Newspapers in conjunction with Farmer Jack, 7-Eleven and Damon's - The Place for Ribs. Farmer Jack provided the Sara Lee cream pies and 7-Eleven provided Slurpee certificates for all the contestants. But Damon's supplied arguably the most important items of all - plastic bibs and wet naps to help clean the pie eaters' sticky faces. Another event kicking off the eighth annual festival was a ceremony dedicating the Moving Wall, a half-size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial wall in Washington. Festival officials predict the wall will draw record numbers of visitors to Heritage Park while it is displayed through Monday. Volunteers from Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America chapter 528

will be on hand 24 hours a day to assist visitors with finding people's names on the wall. "I've never seen a better looking wall display," said John Spencer, treasurer of the Plymouth-Canton VVA. He is also a U.S. Army veteran and served in Vietnam 1965-67 as a specialist fifth class. Giving the keynote address was Joseph Michael Mishler, a Vietnam veteran and Holly High School teacher. He teaches a Vietnam studies class that he said is very popular with students. Mishler said memorials such as the Moving Wall are great ways to encourage veterans to speak about their war experiences. "When you bring this wall to the community you're breaking the silence," he said. Mishler, who is president of the Genesee County Vietnam Veterans of America chapter, said an estimated 100,000 people visited the wall while it was displayed in Flint.

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Physical Therapy UPDATE

Hands On Center For Physical Therapy

TENS TO BE HELPFUL

One of the modalities often used in physical therapy is Transcutaneous Electrical Stimulation, or TENS. TENS makes use of an electrical stimulator to send electrical impulses through small electrodes that are placed on the skin near the painful area. While scientists are not entirely sure how the electrical stimulation works, it is well trained, supportive, staff of 3 physical therapists and 4 massage therapists. To learn more, call our center, located at 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 20, at 453-8370. Most insurance plans, Blue Cross, and Medicare usually applied by a physical therapist. The only sensation felt by patients is the usual twitching feeling that is experienced in the area while the electrodes are placed. To find out more about new advances in physical therapy techniques that may benefit your condition, ask your physician for a referral to the HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY. We offer a pleasant state-of-the-art facility therapy is provided in closed rooms versus cubicles to protect your privacy, and a well trained, supportive, staff of 3 physical therapists and 4 massage therapists. To learn more, call our center, located at 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 20, at 453-8370. Most insurance plans, Blue Cross, and Medicare usually applied by a physical therapist. The only sensation felt by patients is the usual twitching feeling that is experienced in the area while the electrodes are placed.

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Holiday tree search under way

With only a handful of months remaining until the lighting of the 2000 State Holiday Tree, the Department of Management and Budget will conclude its search for a tree Aug. 15. A tradition since 1987, the holiday tree search is conducted by the State of Michigan and the Michigan Timberman's Association. The search is open to any individual or organization who would like to join in the holiday spirit by contributing a tree to decorate the front lawn of the State Capitol building. In order to be considered, the tree must meet specific qualifications. It must be a spruce, fir or Douglas fir; be at least 65 feet tall and have a maximum crown diameter of 30 feet.

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Tent, air mattress among items stolen from township resident

Someone reportedly removed a \$50 tent, \$20 camping chair, a \$15 propane heater, a \$35 air mattress and another camping chair of undisclosed value from a locked storage locker in the 8600 block of Honeytree sometime before Monday, June 19.

Drug arrest

A 33-year-old Belleville man was cited for having an expired plate and a broken windshield while a 46-year-old Belleville woman was cited for possession of marijuana following a traffic stop near Michigan and Lotz Monday, June 19. A police report stated the woman, a passenger, had put the marijuana in her sock after the driver was stopped by police.

Domestic assault

A 53-year-old Canton man was arrested for domestic violence following an argument with his wife, a 58-year-old Canton woman Tuesday, June 20, at a residence in the 3100 block of Denton. A police report stated the two fought after she confronted him about using marijuana. She reportedly suffered a cut finger in the scuffle.

Retail fraud

A 37-year-old Farmington Hills woman was arrested for retail fraud Monday, June 19, at Meijer, 45001 Ford. She reportedly attempted to take

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a \$13 pair of sandals and other assorted items worth an estimated \$70 without paying.

In a separate incident, a 23-year-old Wayne man was arrested for retail fraud after reportedly attempting to take eight boxes of golf balls, worth an estimated \$359, without paying while at Meijer, 45001 Ford.

Drunken driving

A 23-year-old Ypsilanti woman was cited for operating under the influence of liquor and possession of marijuana around 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 21, following a traffic stop near Sheldon and Palmer. A police report stated she was stopped for traveling 59 in a 45 mph zone.

Assault

A 32-year-old Canton woman was arrested for assault after reportedly attacking a neighbor. A police report stated that around 10:30 p.m. Monday, June 19, she slapped her neighbor, a 29-year-old Canton woman, knocking her glasses to the ground. The report stated that the victim had requested her alleged attacker and others in her home to be quiet.

Adopt a duck

Adopt your ducks for this year's Great Canton Duck Derby during Liberty Fest at the Special Duck Derby booth being hosted by Canton's Park and Recreation Department. Ducks can also be adopted at the parks and rec office at the Summit. After Liberty Fest, ducks will be available at Canton's Administration building, the library, Summit and other Canton locations. Ducks cost \$2 each, three for \$5 and seven for \$11. New this year is the Slam Duck package of 30 ducks for \$50. Over 100 prizes will be awarded, including the top prize of two round-trip airline tickets on Northwest Airlines. The Duck Derby will be held on Saturday, Aug. 12. A "Quackers and Cheese" party sponsored by Holiday Market will be held at noon while the race gets under way at 1 p.m. Call 397-5110 for more information.

CANTON CONNECTION

Bonds served as an anchor for Channel 2 news and later Channel 7 for more than two decades. He also served as the host on Channel 7's "Special Reports" from 1979 to 1992, a show that won Emmys for Best Public Affairs and Best Magazine Format each year. Chamber members pay \$15 for the luncheon while the cost is \$20 for non-members. Please call the chamber at (734) 453-4040 by July 3 to make reservations.

Election inspectors needed

The clerk's department of Canton Township is accepting applications for the position of precinct inspector for the 2000 election schedule. The position of precinct inspector is limited to working on designated election days in Canton Township. Applicants must be qualified voters within Wayne County and United States citizens. Applicants must fill out the application in their own writing and be willing to declare a political party affiliation. Applicants must be able to work closely with others, assemble simple voting stations, read and write legibly in the English language, perform simple math calculations, fol-

Chamber luncheon

Longtime television journalist Bill Bonds will be the keynote speaker at the Canton Chamber of Commerce's July 5 noon luncheon at Summit on

Seniors compete in beauty pageant

Nine beauty queens, including six from Plymouth and Canton, showed off their best evening wear and their talents recently at a senior pageant in Novi.

Pam Holman, activities receptionist at Waltonwood of Canton, said nine contestants competed in the pageant, which generated three finalists, all of equal standing.

The finalists will advance to a July 25 pageant in Rochester Hills, featuring contestants from across the state.

The finalists at the June 4 pageant held at Waltonwood of Novi were Mary Ann Schencky of Novi, Kathie Gornick of Plymouth and Ellie Pappas of Plymouth.

Contestants included Grace Mitchell of Livonia, Judy Milon of Canton, Helen Gill of Canton, Betty Turner of Canton, Del Grebe of Hamtramck and June Simons of Canton.



Beauties all: From left to right are: Mary Ann Schencky, Novi; Helen Gill, Canton; June Simons, Canton; Kathie Gornick, Plymouth; Del Grebe, Hamtramck; Ellie Pappas, Plymouth; Grace Mitchell, Livonia; Judy Milon, Canton and Betty Turner, Canton.

Holman said Milon and Gill are residents of the senior living complex. Mitchell is a volunteer.

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PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

TO REZONE FROM: AG - AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO REZONE TO: R-1-S - SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DATE OF HEARING: JULY 19, 2000 TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M. PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a petition to rezone the following described property from AG, "Agricultural" District, to R-1-S, "Single Family Residential" District. Containing 2.3 acres, more or less. Application #1626

LEGAL DESCRIPTION TAX ID NO. R-75-042-99-0002-001

The North 300 feet of the following described parcel: A part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 30, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, being more particularly described as commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 30; thence S. 89° 09' 23" W. 685.00 feet, along the North line of said Section 30, to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence S. 02° 00' 29" E. 1297.64 feet, to the centerline of North Territorial Road; thence S4° 02' 17" W. 357.70 feet, along the centerline of said North Territorial Road, and along the Northerly boundary of "Andover Lakes Sub.", as recorded in Liber 109 of Plans, on Pages 75 through 83, inclusive, Wayne County Records; thence N. 02° 03' 06" W. 1304.19 feet, to the North line of said Section 30 (said point being located N. 85° 09' 23" E. 1692.55 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 30; thence N. 85° 09' 23" E. 336.72 feet, along the North line of said Section 30, to the Point of Beginning. All of the above containing 10.0757 acres, gross, deemed for street, road or highway purposes. All of the above being subject to all easements and restrictions of record.

ORDINANCE NO. 83 AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 118 PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON EFFECTIVE DATE

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the map, as printed, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Department of Public Works Building, Community Development Department, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting. The address for application review and written comment is: 46565 Fort Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone No. (734) 453-4372. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall. The address for Township Hall is 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend rezoning of the property to any use allowable under the provisions of the Plymouth Township Zoning Ordinance No. 83.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township Meetings, to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone number: (734) 354-3201. TDD users: 1-800-649-3777 (Michigan Relay Service)

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Plymouth-Canton MEAP Scores. Elementary Science, Elementary Writing, Elementary Social Studies, Middle School Science, Middle School Writing.

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school students continue to be above the statewide average in writing, which is 66.8 percent. 'Our social studies scores aren't nearly as strong as we want them to be,' said Hayes of the two-year-old test.

SHURGARD OF CANTON Notice is hereby given that the following unit(s) will be sold to the highest bidder by open auction on July 28, 2000 at approximately 9:30 am at Shurgard Storage located at 2101 Haggerty Rd., Canton, MI 48187.

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SHURGARD OF PLYMOUTH Notice is hereby given that the entire contents of the following storage units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of an open bid on July 28, 2000 at approximately 9:00 a.m. at Shurgard Storage Centers located at 41889 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

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.

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OBITUARIES

MARIANNE MENZEL Private services for Marianne Menzel, 57, of Plymouth were held June 23 at Knollwood Memorial Park. Burial was in Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton. She was born July 12, 1942 in Breslau, Germany.

JOE HO KIM Services for Jong Ho Kim, 52, of Canton were June 23 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Canton. He was born Oct. 21, 1947 in Korea. He died June 20 in Canton. He owned a dry cleaner.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, July 11, 2000 for the following: Fabrication & Installation of New Acrylic Canopy & Frame

CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE TO BIDDERS Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 29, 2000 for the following: SOCCER EQUIPMENT & UNIFORMS

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mates, have also threatened his life. O'Meara said Friday that he planned to request moving Jacobs to a different facility. Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Karen Fort Hood handles such requests, he added.

Hazardous from page A1

and now they'll be less likely to put hazardous waste in the garbage," said Kelly Kelly, a Canton Public Works project engineer. She said this is part of the township's contract with Sauk Trail Hills Landfill, which is packaging the waste materials and disposing of them at various hazardous waste facilities.

'He has been beaten by groups of people who were told (of his crime) by a guard.' Corbett O'Meara - Lawyer. and one count of CSC second degree, a potential 15-year-felony. Jacobs also was charged with felony assault. He could spend two years in jail on that count.

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McPhail holds back while Duggan, Ward trade jibes

BY RICHARD PEARL
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Sharon McPhail, the Detroit lawyer whom polls show is the leading candidate for Wayne County prosecuting attorney, seemed inclined to let the "boys from the burbs" duke it out Thursday night.

And that's essentially what happened during a special prosecutor candidate forum co-sponsored by the Observer Newspapers, as Deputy County Executive Michael E. Duggan of Livonia and Chief Assistant County Prosecutor George E. Ward of Plymouth Township went at each other before a crowd of about 80 in the Livonia Civic Center Library.

All five candidates — Duggan, Ward, McPhail, state Sen. Virgil Smith and political newcomer Jennifer Colthirst — were present at the Livonia Civic Center Library to debate the issues prior to the Aug. 8 primary election.

Because all are Democrats and there is no Republican opposing them, the primary winner will be the next prosecutor since there will be only one candidate in the November general election.

The forum, co-sponsored by the Time Warner, Comcast and MediaOne cable television services, The Northville Record and the Community Democratic Club, was taped and will be shown on those networks several times in coming weeks.

It was moderated by former Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Marvin Stempin, a prac-



STAFF PHOTO BY BRIAN MITCHELL

Candidates meet: The candidates for Wayne County prosecutor (left to right) Jennifer Colthirst, Michael Duggan, Sharon McPhail, George Ward and Virgil Smith debated issues at the Livonia Civic Center Library.

McPhail told the audience, "There aren't any bad guys."

Though accusations have been made, she said, her focus is on delivering to the public "fair and equal justice — a fair shake in the prosecutor's office."

Displaying one of the copies of her proposed goals and objectives for the office which were distributed at the forum, McPhail said she would create a "public corruption unit" to handle investigations into wrongdoing by office-holders and said it was the only way to restore public confidence.

Then, smiling, she said, "I don't think anybody's ever accused me of being the kind that backs down from that kind of thing (charging wrongdoing by officials)."

"I'm just not known for it and I certainly won't as prosecutor. I'm going to make sure that everybody's feet are held to the fire," she said, nodding affirmatively.

Duggan said Ward's department has not succeeded in shutting down crack houses or stopping children from carrying weapons and has muffed the investigation of contract irregularities at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

He then went on to cite statistics showing up neighboring Oakland County has shut down 45 crack houses via the forfeiture law, while Wayne County has closed only one. He said one house in Wayne County has been

raided 11 times, when the law states forfeiture will be invoked after the second raid.

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level crimes.

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Time Warner, which covered the forum, plans to broadcast it on Channel 12 at 4 p.m. July 5, 8 p.m. July 11 and 7 p.m. July 14. It will be run several more times, a spokeswoman said, including every six hours the weekend before the election.

For the other two cable service schedules, call Comcast at (734) 427-4940, and MediaOne at (734) 459-7300.

Beard files complaint over Thomas' postcard

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Incumbent Wayne County Commissioner Kay Beard has filed a formal complaint accusing challenger Robert Thomas, the mayor of Westland, of violating state election laws on campaign postal cards he sent to 12th District voters.

Beard has asked the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office and the state Bureau of Elections to investigate her complaint that Thomas implied he is the incumbent in their two-way race for the Aug. 8 Democratic primary.

The winner will face lone Republican candidate William Steele in the Nov. 7 general election.

Beard, commission vice chair, raised her allegations Thursday in a two-page complaint that Thomas called "petty."

Beard, a 22-year incumbent, criticized a mass-mailing postal card that read, in part: "Cast your vote for Robert J. Thomas, Wayne County commissioner, District 12, serving Garden City, Inkster and Westland."

She said the card should have said Thomas for Wayne County commissioner.

Thomas denied trying to fool voters and said he had hoped the commission race would focus on substantive issues.

"The intent was not to claim that I was a commissioner," he said Friday. "I fully acknowledge that she is the incumbent commissioner. I'll do a spot on TV with her if she wishes, saying Kay Beard is the incumbent and I am the challenger."

Beard charged that Thomas' literature was clearly written to imply he is the incumbent.

She has asked the prosecutor's office and state elections officials to investigate and hold accountable everyone involved in creating, printing and distributing the "deceptive" campaign material — except for postal employees.

The controversy marked the political race's first major clash



Beard Thomas

between veteran Commissioner Beard and Thomas, who is in his 11th year as Westland mayor. Thomas would leave his city office a year early if elected.

Beard called on county and state officials to enforce a state law that carries a \$500 fine and/or a 90-day jail term for anyone who either misuses the word "incumbent" in campaign material or gives the false impression that a candidate is an incumbent.

Beard hasn't yet received a response from county prosecutors and state elections officials about a possible inquiry.

If contacted by investigators, Thomas said, "I'll acknowledge there was no malicious intent there to try to fool anybody. Why would I do that?"

"If that's what she's going to focus on in this campaign, it seems like she's getting kind of petty," Thomas added.

Beard said she filed the complaint to keep the commission race honest and hopefully to set standards for other political contests in this election year.

Thomas announced in April that he would challenge Beard, saying he wants to address issues such as roads and county snow-plowing efforts.

Beard defended her record and said voters will decide whether she should keep her seat.

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Fox Hills golf benefit helps disabled men, boys

Detroit Red Wings forward Darren McCarty is scheduled to play in the sixth-annual St. Louis Center Celebrity Golf Outing at 1 p.m. Monday, June 26 at the Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth.

Steve Garagiola, co-anchor of WDIV-TV morning news, will emcee the dinner following the golf event. Garagiola has worked in TV since 1979 including stints in Lansing, and Phoenix. He

worked for Channel 7 and for PASS Sports before becoming co-anchor at Channel 4.

The outing benefits developmentally disabled boys and men.

McCarty will join celebrities and former members of the Detroit Lions, the Tigers, and the Olympics to support the St. Louis Center, a non-profit organization located in southeast Michigan in Chelsea, just west of

Ann Arbor. Lincoln Mercy is sponsoring the event.

The cost for the golf outing is \$350 per golfer or \$250 for hole sponsorship, which includes 18 holes of golf for four people, lunch, dinner and prizes.

Golfers will play on the Golden Fox Championship course.

For more information, call the St. Louis Center at (734) 475-8430.

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SCHOLARSHIPS

Kristie J. Good of Canton has been named a recipient of a Presidential Scholarship to Grand Valley State University. Good is a student at Plymouth Salem High School and is the daughter of Jim and Diana Good.

To be considered for a Presidential Scholarship, the recipient must have a 3.8 high school grade point average and a minimum ACT score of 32. The award is renewable for three additional years with a 3.5 GPA or better.

Kimberly Anne Yount of Canton has been named a recipient of a Faculty Scholarship to Grand Valley State University. Yount is a student at Plymouth Canton High School and is the daughter of George and Margie Selan, and Jim Yount.

Jennifer Wrobel of Canton has been named a recipient of a Faculty Scholarship to Grand Valley State University. Wrobel is a student at Plymouth Canton High School and is the daughter of John and JoAnn Wrobel.

To be considered for a Faculty Scholarship the recipient must have a 3.5 high school grade point average and a minimum ACT score of 29. The award is renewable for three additional years with a 3.5 GPA or better.

Matthew Gross, a senior at Plymouth Canton High School, has received a Dean's Award scholarship to attend the Columbus College of Art & Design (CCAD). The merit scholarship was awarded as a result of an art portfolio competition held at the college. The competition was judged by a team of CCAD faculty members. Gross will begin his studies this autumn and plans to major in illustration. He is the son of Steve and Sue Gross of Canton.

Sara Schoeneman of Canton, a 1997 Plymouth Salem graduate, was awarded the Old Kent Southwest Scholarship Award, the Arthur Andersen Scholarship of 2000-2001, and the WMU Honors College Grand Tour of Europe Scholarship. She is a senior at Western Michigan University majoring in accounting and is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta, the Golden Key National Honor Society, and Beta Gamma Sigma (business honor society).

Melissa Carabott of Canton was awarded a Michigan Retailers Association (MRA) college scholarship for \$750 for the 2000-2001 academic year. Carabott, who is studying marketing, will be a junior at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. She received MRA's D. Larry Sherman Scholarship, named for current MRA Board of Directors members and former board chairman D. Larry Sherman. Carabott is employed at Sideways, an MRA member business in Plymouth, and has worked there for more than four years.

GRANTS

Angela Lim of Canton, a biomedical sciences major at Western Michigan University, has received a grant to study "Expression of Glial Cell Line Derived Neurotrophic Factor (GDNF) with Endurance Training in Rats." Her faculty mentor is Dr. John Spitsbergen, assistant professor of biological sciences.

GRADUATES

Craig J. Brunskole of Canton graduated from Albion College with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology. He is the son of Richard J. and Donna M. Brunskole and a graduate of Canton High School.

Christopher Trevarthen of Canton graduated from Michigan Tech University with a bachelor of science degree in the field of computer science, graduating cum laude. He is the son of Tom and Colette Trevarthen and a 1997 graduate of Plymouth

Canton High School.

Kendra Dawn Williams of Canton graduated from Western Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in sociology. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Williams and a 1994 graduate from Plymouth Salem High School. She will be returning to Western Michigan University in the fall to pursue a masters degree in counseling psychology with an emphasis on marriage and family therapy. Williams also serves as a publicist for the Cavaliers, the fencing club at Western Michigan. She was a member of the undergraduate Sociology Club and worked as a tutor for a social-psychology class for one semester.

Darren Ross Neubauer, the son of Michael and Jamie Neubauer, graduated from the University of Michigan-Dearborn with high distinction. He received his bachelor of science degree in mathematics. He was awarded the Chancellor's Medalion as an outstanding student in the College of Arts, Sciences and Letters. He earned a place on the Dean's list every semester, and was named James B. Angell Scholar every year. Neubauer was twice awarded an American Mathematical Society membership from the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. Neubauer is a member of the Pi-Mu Epsilon Mathematical Honor Society, was president of the Student Math Club and was involved in the Philosophy Club. He has served with distinction as a tutor in the Math Lab Tutorial Service. He is a 1995 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and will begin graduate school this fall at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Mary S. Kretschmann of Canton graduated from Central Missouri State University with a bachelor of science degree.

Xinning Li of Canton was among the 1,333 graduates at Campbell University. She received her bachelor of science degree.

Laura Kamm of Canton received the doctor of veterinary medicine degree from Michigan State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. She received the degree during commencement and hooding ceremonies. Kamm is the daughter of Judy and Chris Kamm of Canton and a 1993 graduate of Ladywood High School. She will practice veterinary medicine in Hastings, Mich.

DEAN'S LIST

Jennifer M. Ferrell of Canton was named to the Dean's list at Hillsdale College. Jennifer is a senior majoring in theater and speech. She is the daughter of

Stephen J. and Suzan L. Ferrell, and a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

Christopher Machnacki was on the Dean's list the entire year at Alma College. He is the son of Mark and Judy Machnacki. He participated in the Model United Nations class with which he traveled to St. Louis and New York City where Alma College won first place nationally both times. He received an award as an outstanding delegate. Currently, Machnacki is interning for the PAIZ in Warsaw, Poland, for two months. That is an unpaid internship he is undertaking to learn more about the workings of other political/economic systems. Machnacki is a foreign service major and will be a junior in the fall. He plans to move for the fall semester to Washington, D.C., where he was hand-picked by the State Department to be an intern in the office of our ambassador to the UN, Richard Holbrooke.



**CITY OF PLYMOUTH
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CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR AUGUST
PRIMARY ELECTION**

PLEASE NOTE that Monday, July 10, 2000, is the last day to register for the AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION to be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2000. Registration for City Electors will be taken at the Office of the City Clerk, 201 South Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, or at any Secretary of State Branch Offices. The telephone number of the City Clerk is (734) 453-1234 ext. 234 or 225. The offices will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during normal business hours, please call to set up a convenient time for accommodating the person/s to register to vote.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

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Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
JUDY L. MARDIGIAN, Secretary

Bid Opening: Thursday, July 12, 2000 @ 2:00 pm
Board Review: Tuesday, July 25, 2000

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- Unit #702 - DAVID VAN DERWOP of 1913 Jan Circle, Canton, MI 48187 - TV, corner shelf, clothes, tv stand, closet, phone, file cabinet, dresser, jewelry box, boxes, household items, other misc.
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The championship game of the 2000 Michigan High School Athletic Association's Girls Soccer Tournament, played June 17 in Canton, will be televised statewide Sunday on the MHSAA Championship Network.

The Division I final between Plymouth Canton and Troy Athens is scheduled for 6 p.m.

The MHSAA Championship Network is distributed through the facilities of Michigan Government Television (MGTV). Many participating cable systems, including AT&T Cable Services, Bresnan Communications, Comcast Cablevision, Media One and TCI Cable, will air the games on the same channel on which MGTV is carried.

Check with your local cable system to see if it is participating and for air times.

Canton Conquest conquers

The Canton Conquest, an under-13 premier girls soccer team, won its division with a 5-2-3 record. In the fall, the Conquest will be playing in the Premier I Division.

Conquest team members are Britany Armstrong, Erica Arndt, Katie Boyde, Kristen Boylan, Cindy Edwards, Bailey Fagan, Taylor Foley, Amy Gizicki, Nicole Hardy, Alicia Hay, Colette Gilman, Megan McCarthy, Katie Polera, Molly Priebe, Dani Reinhart and Kim Towne.

The team was coached by Rich Priebe and Dan Fagan. Ed McCarthy was trainer.

Youth soccer sign-up

The city of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will take fall youth soccer registration during business hours throughout the month of June at the Recreation office, located at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

All registrations must have a birth certificate. Cost is \$45 for 6-8 year olds who are city of Plymouth residents, \$65 for non-residents. Cost for those 9-and-over is \$50 for city of Plymouth residents, \$80 for non-residents.

For more information, call (734) 455-6620 or check out the web site at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

Men's softball leagues

The City of Plymouth Recreation Division will have several Men's Softball Leagues this fall. Men's slow-pitch upper division (Class DD and above) is scheduled to play on Mondays. Men's slow-pitch lower division (Class D and below) is set for Wednesdays.

Registration begins July 10 at the City of Plymouth Recreation Office. Fall season starts the week of Aug. 21.

For more information on schedules and fees, call the City of Plymouth Recreation Division at 455-6620. You can also visit the web at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

Volleyball camps

Madonna University is hosting several volleyball camps throughout the month of July.

Camp dates are as follows:

- Elite and general players: July 5-8.
- Setters and youth: July 9-12.
- Hitters and defensive specialists: July 16-19.

For more information, call camp director Jerry Abraham at 734-432-5612.

Father's Day golf tourney

Four teams shot an 8-under par 64 to tie for first place at the 19th annual Canton Parks and Recreation Father's Day Scrambles at Fellows Creek Golf Club.

After a tie breaking procedure, the team of Jim Keppen, Ric Anger and Bill Keppen received first-place honors. Second place went to the trio of Dave Visser, Bob Visser and Gary Awawia. Rounding out the tournament in third place was the team of David LeClaire, Jr., David LeClaire, Sr., and Mike LeClaire.

The longest drive of the day was won by Ryan Nephew.

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.

Honors, All-Stars and fun

All-area squad has four from Salem, Canton

BY OBSERVER STAFF

Before Steve Herman came along, Garden City's baseball team had never been to a regional final and hadn't won a district since the early 1980s.

The Cougars did both of those things this season and posted a 23-5 record along the way, before falling in the regional final to eventual Division I runner-up Redford Catholic Central. The marked improvement is the biggest reason Herman was named as the Observerland Coach of the Year.

"The program had been down for quite a few years, not winning any league or district titles," said Herman, whose team went 19-6 in Herman's first year of coaching in 1999. "We're starting to get a following from fans and that helps the attitude on the team. We've had some unbelievable players, in terms of talent and attitude."

"Hopefully, we'll get even farther with some talented players coming back. When you have a group like this, only good things can happen."

Herman wasn't the only coach blessed with talent this season. Here's a look at the 2000 All-Observerland baseball team:

ALL-AREA FIRST TEAM

Jim Kay, P. Harrison: Kay posted an 8-2 record to lead the Hawks to the Western Lakes Activities Association championship. He never lost a game as a starter; both defeats occurred in relief.

He won both ends of a late-season doubleheader with Plymouth Canton to clinch the WLA Western Division title, and he beat Plymouth Salem in the championship game.

Kay struck out 39 and walked 13 in 45 2/3 innings while allowing 40 hits. His earned run average was 2.75.

"We didn't know what to expect when he transferred (from Farmington High), and he became the ace of our staff," coach John Herrington said. "He was our most valuable pitcher. He got hot and won the big games."

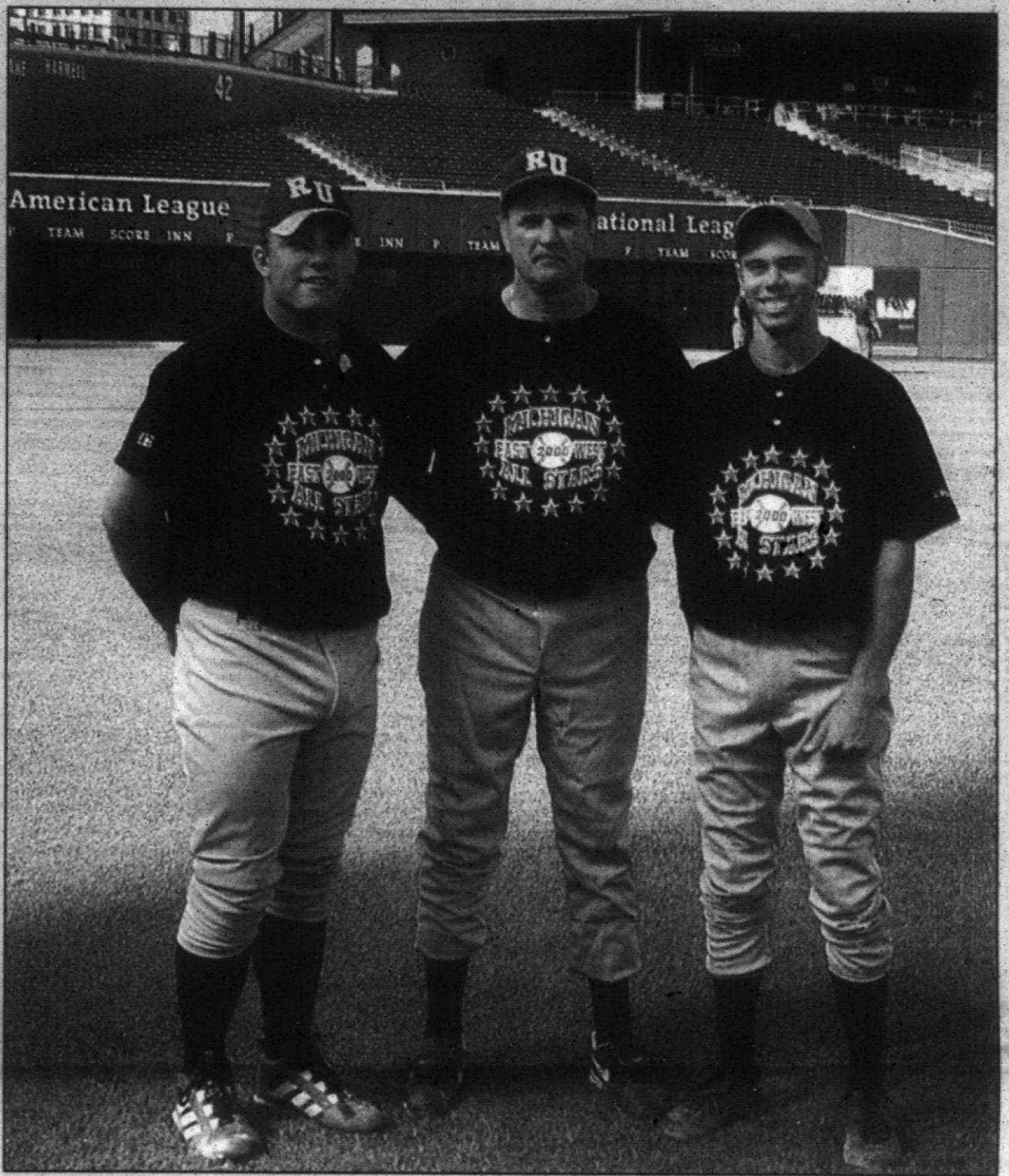
"It seemed he was toughest in the big games and with men on base. In a number of games, he would have two runners on base and would beat down and get the big outs."

Justin Ockerman, P. Garden City: Ockerman was probably the biggest reason that Garden City drew crowds, in more ways than one. The 6-9 righthander was 11-1 with a 2.49 era, 43 walks and 101 strikeouts in 73 innings and a two-year record of 18-2. He was also named second team all-state in Division II.

At the plate, Ockerman hit .346 with a school-record eight homers, 31 RBI, six doubles and 22 walks.

"He hits the ball a long way," said Herman. "He had three homers in one day at the Redford Union tourney. He's an outstanding pitcher and can only get better. He's still developing. Next year, if he develops an off-speed pitch to go with his slider and fastball, he'll be even better. I'm glad I get him for one more year."

See **BASEBALL, B2**



All-Stars: Redford Union third baseman Mike Macek (left), RU head coach Rick Berryman and Plymouth Canton catcher Bryan Kay helped the East All-Stars defeat the West, 14-9, Thursday afternoon at Comerica Park.

Kay plays in memorable All-Star game

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
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It was all about baseball and fun. Just as it should be.

Plymouth Canton's Bryan Kay and Redford Union's Mike Macek combined chuckles with curveballs Thursday when they were chosen to play in the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star Game at Comerica Park. RU head coach Rick Berryman had fun leading the East squad.

They spent two days preparing for memories that will last a lifetime. Share some game-day memories with them ...

9 a.m. — The team arrives at Comerica Park after spending the night in an east suburban hotel. They spent Wednesday practicing and going to the honors banquet. Both teams shared the visiting clubhouse at Comerica Park and dress together. Berryman explains the intricacies of trying to establish a lineup.

"Everyone hit either first or third. No one hit anywhere else in the lineup. One kid did hit sixth. But he is a pitcher."

9:03 a.m. — Macek lashes duct tape around a well-worn cleat and tells of the previous night's festivities. "It was fine other than the fact that I was the only bonehead without a coat at the banquet. I got over it."

9:05 a.m. — Kay walks through the bowels of Comerica Park explaining his night.

"I roomed with (Grosse Pointe North's) Scott Koerber who was Mr. Baseball. He is a totally awesome guy. Did you read his stats? He was All-State three times. I was happy I made all-conference."

9:06 a.m. — Kay comes out of the tunnel leading to the field and can't help himself. "Holy wow, this is nice! Even the bench in the dugout is padded."

9:15 a.m. — Berryman shows the lineup. Macek is hitting fifth and playing third, Kay is hitting and batting

eighth. All of the starters play the first three innings, sit in the dugout for seven and return in the eighth.

9:24 a.m. — Macek comes off the field with this assessment of Comerica Park: "It's kinda like playing at RU ... except for the dugouts, the field, the stands and the scoreboard."

9:31 a.m. — Berryman calls everyone in and gives them details about photos to be taken shortly and what will happen during the game.

9:52 a.m. — Game officials explain the game procedure to Berryman, including calling up to the press box for any lineup changes. "Oh boy," crows Berryman. "I get to use the telephone after all."

9:57 a.m. — Macek is getting his individual photo taken. The photographer shoots one, sets for the second but Macek is making faces at a teammate.

"Alright, one more photo," snaps the photographer, "and NO gum chewing this time." Macek looks like he got

See **ALL-STAR GAME, B3**

Mid Michigan Bucks host U.S. Open Cup playoff

The Mid Michigan Bucks will host a Major League Soccer team in a U.S. Open Cup playoff game for the second year in a row.

On Tuesday, July 25, the Bucks will entertain the Miami Fusion at White Pine Stadium in Saginaw Township.

On June 14, the Bucks upset the host New England Revolution, 1-0, in the second round of the nation's oldest soccer tournament.

The tournament is down to 16 teams and the winner of the Fusion-Bucks match will be paired against the winner of the DC United (MSL)-Rochester Rhinos (A-League) match. The Rhinos won last year's Cup.

"The only thing that could have topped winning at Foxboro is getting the opportunity to host another huge game back here in Michigan," said Livonia native Dan Duggan, who is co-owner of the Bucks along with his brother Jim. "We have twice as much preparation time this year, and we need to get the word out to all those fans who told us they did not know about the game last season."

"I believe July 25 is going to be a very special night." Last year, the Bucks were edged, 2-1, by the MLS Tampa Bay Mutiny in a third-round match played in view of an overflow crowd of 4,887 at White Pine.

Mid Michigan brought in extra bleachers to expand White Pine's 3,000-seat capacity — and it still wasn't enough.

Jim Duggan, the Bucks' general manager, said definitive details concerning ticket sales would be finalized soon.

"We hope to provide reserved section tickets in early July at local outlets," he said, "just like we did last season at 7-11 and Little Caesars."

The Miami Fusion, currently third and trailing New England in the Eastern Conference of the MLS at 6-7-4, feature former Buck defender Jeremy Aldrich, along with goalkeeper Jeff Cassar of Livonia Churchill High School and Florida International.

"I missed the Tampa Bay game last year," first-year Bucks coach Joe Malachino said, "but I heard all year long about what an amazing event it was. This

year should be even better because our guys will have the confidence of knowing they can beat an MLS team. "We know we are capable of giving them a game."

Mid Michigan was 7-2 and in first place in the Great Lakes Division of the Premier Development League (Division IV). The team played June 23 at Dayton (Ohio) and June 24 in Kalamazoo.

The Bucks' leading scorer was Boniventure Maruti with 12 goals and two assists for 26 points. Sam Piraine (Madonna University) was next with six goals and an assist.

Chad Schomaker (Troy), the hero against New England with the game-winning goal in the final minute, has three goals and three assists; Adam Hunter (Beverly Hills Detroit-Country Day), three goals and two assists; Redford's Tino Scicluna (Country Day), one goal and four assists; Ryan Mack (Birmingham Seaholm/Indiana University) one goal and two assists.

For Bucks ticket information, call (517) 781-6888.

BOWLING & OUTDOORS

Local bowlers have a ball qualifying for Senior Olympics

This year's Michigan Senior Olympics held last week in Battle Creek put bowling action in the forefront.



AL HARRISON

There are track and field events plus other sports. Gold, silver or bronze medalists qualify for the U.S. Senior Olympics next year in Baton Rouge, La.

The greatest difference between the Senior Olympics and regular Olympics is the ages of the contestants.

There are several age brackets including with 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79 and 80 and over.

As expected, Jarvis Woehlke, who resides in Dearborn but bowls in Livonia and Redford, easily won in the 80 and over division. There is simply nobody around at his age who can match up with him.

Ed Dudek of Livonia won a gold medal in the men's 55-59, while Mary Mohacs and Shirley Funke of Livonia, took the gold in women's doubles.

Mohacs teamed with Shirley's husband, Bill Funke, to take the gold in mixed doubles.

Doug Swords of Oxford won his age category in men's singles, then teamed up with Funke to win another pair of gold medals in men's doubles.

For all of the Senior Olympic bowling gold medalists, getting older just means getting better.

First prize for the best landscaping of the year goes to Jim O'Neill of Redford, who retired from a construction career at General Motors.

Now at the age of 75, O'Neill combined his two pet hobbies, bowling and gardening to create a "Bowlscape" in his front yard.

His friend, Ken Bashara, proprietor of Wonderland Lanes in Livonia, gave him many of his surplus bowling pins, and in his "spare time," Jim created a wonderful blend of rocks, flowers, pins and a ball as the centerpiece in one of the several groups that adorn his spacious front yard.

A special lady, his lovely wife, Lilas, permitted Jim to do it all, otherwise this stroke of pure genius could not have happened.

It is the perfect answer to what to do with old discarded bowling balls and pins.

O'Neill began his bowling career in 1940 as a pinboy in his rural Illinois hometown, then continued while serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He captured a championship while bowling in California with the Navy Blue Traveling League in 1945.

O'Neill has had a lot of memories from his many years of bowling, the best was when he bowled a 300 game at Redford's Mayflower Lanes Feb. 23, 1998.

If you are driving around near Six Mile and Beech Daly roads, take a turn south onto Five Points, a few blocks down and across from the golf course.

It is well worth a look.

A special note of thanks to John Chmelko, Jr., co-owner of Easttown Printing Company on Van Dyke in Warren.

They printed the programs for the Greater Detroit Bowling Association annual awards banquet, now combined with the Detroit Women's Bowling Association.

Through no fault of theirs, a wrong name appeared on the women's city tournament championship team.

One young lady was very much disappointed at the error, and John was kind enough to run off a couple more booklets with the correct name.

A very surprised and elated Cheryl Slipek of Livonia, a member of the championship team, was given the corrected program booklets with her name on it.

The GDBA/DWBA awards banquet was held last Sunday at the Warren Chateau, and believe me, folks, the meal was incredibly delicious. The menu also included the installation of officers for the coming year.

Michael Monson takes over the presidential gavel of the GDBA and Marvin Dooley moved up to first vice-president followed by James R. Lhamon, Kenneth Swan and Jerry Owasarski.

For the women, Myrtha Cooper will serve as president. Mar-



Bowlscape: Jim O'Neill of Redford, a retired General Motors construction worker, shows off his creation that combines two of his favorite hobbies — bowling and gardening — and won him landscaping of the year honors.

guerite Satko of Garden City was named first vice-president followed by Dolores Skorski and Libbi Fletcher.

Rose Marsh continues her fine work as secretary and Wilma Cogan is sergeant-at-arms.

The All-City Teams were recently recognized along with the city tournament champions.

There are too many names here for this space.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

- Merrill Bowl (Livonia)**
Mom's Nite Out: Kayla Blanchard (age 10) bowled a 180 game and beat her mom. Debbie.
- Longnecks:** Ken Escheiman, 257-206-248/711; Barry Schlusser, 246-278-212/727; David Halstead, 238-278-212/728; Phil Horowitz, 280; Ron Machniak, 267-227-277/771.
- Club Fifty:** Mac Fraser, 224-223/621; Bob Bristow, 225/602; Walt Arsenault, 213; Ed Lynch, 218-245/658; Chuck McFerris, 247; Don Brock, 223; Wil Soukas, 211.
- Woodland Lanes (Livonia)**
Summer Trio: John McGraw, 289/793; Ed Dudek, 267/771; Scott Matusicky, 701; Tim Panek, 279/670; Rob Schepis, 663; Mark Mayniarich, 268; Gill Reppenagen, 666.
- Keglerettes:** Barb Rogers, 218; Karen Glumm, 201/548; Ann Baxteresser, 222; Cheryl Reed, 208; Sherry Bell, 23/673; Sheryl Newton, 220/550; Sue Vancic, 238/646.
- Afternoon Delights:** June Nietuski, 205; Paula Brobst, 211/201; Oeta Palmer, 210; Darlene Hewitt, 220.
- Cloverlanes (Livonia)**
Tuesday Seniors: Ken McDaniel, 277-612; Mary Bowman, 237/569; Jerry Page, 218-216/627; Norm Kovala, 221/587; Dan Uller, 222/528; Larry Trute, 216/568; Otto Sash, 217/556; Bob Charbonneau, 212-202/564; Tony Rye, 226-201/613; Larry Slavin, 221/557; Mary Halstead, 212/528; Chet Zajac, 222-220-207/649.
- Friday Seniors:** Mel Albirte, 228-215-203/646; Tony Rye, 258/557; Jerry Page, 247-237/656; Reggie Budzik, 137-211/654; Dan Uller, 225/575; George Bowman, 256/554; Roy Prater, 247-206/642; Norm Kovala, 218-213-203/634; Andy Wright, 211/594; Howard Simons, 214-200/563.
- Westland Bowl**
Thursday Summer Trio: Mike Hatch, 248/678; Don Cook, 237/671; Erik Hein, 288/676; Bill Gallagher, Jr., 248/700; Richard Setlock, 238/677; Jake Hamblen, 235/603; Christine Shively, 225/632; Annette Wilson, 242; Tom Shively, 246/637.
- Ladies Night Out:** Ann Marie Campbell, 231; Monika Ertles, 187.
- Parent/Youth (Adults):** Evan Karzynow, 208/590; Paul Koenig, 207/585; Sue Addy, 205/549.
- (Youth):** Dale Kandt, 208/535; Alan Allmen, 192/543; Stephanie Wegener, 143; Rachel Koenig, 128.
- Wednesday Night Youth Doubles:** Danny Larocca, 268; Ronnie Sparks, 268; Jenny Chism, 224; Katie Bishop, 199.
- Summer Swingers:** Steve Myers, 234/654; James Stubbs, 232; Chris Brugman, 622.
- Lee Snow, 268/682; Ryan Wilson, 265/717; Bob Schepis, 230/665; Gary Duard, 268; Steve Dirks, 246/644; Joe Jacobs, 234/640; John Lottis, 289/607; Linda Batke, 227/602; Larry Helle, 243; George Fineran, 268/624; Jason Dillaha, 240/653; Mark Ullrich, 258/712.**
- Town 'n Country Lanes (Westland)**
Wednesday Summer Trio: Ron Brusseau, 771; Mark Robertson, 279; Chris Kilczinski, 256.
- Wednesday Night Jet Set:** Cindy Nesbitt, 212; Mike Nesbitt, 235.
- Country Lanes (Farmington)**
Summer Seniors: Otto Kusk, 196; Joe Schimzli, 194; Stella Slowinski, 216.

Westland anglers have a grand time salmon fishing on Great Lakes

What's better than spending a couple days on the Great Lakes trading volleys with hard-fighting Chinook salmon?



BILL PARKER

Give up? How about enjoying the above and reeling in a hefty cash stipend in the process?

That's exactly what Westland residents Craig Randles and Tom Yarnell accomplished recently in southern Lake Huron. The duo teamed with their friends, brothers Rich and

Charles Johnson, and Charter Captain Craig Berch to compete in the recent Harbor Beach Athletic Association Fish-On Tournament.

On the first day of the two-day tournament, the crew of Berch's "Wan-Der-Er" managed to land five Kings and one lake trout that totaled 79.01 pounds, good for second place.

After a slow start on day two, the quintet caught four more Kings and another laker for a whopping two-day total of 134.78 pounds, enabling them to win the tournament championship.

Not only did they enjoy a couple great days on the Great Lakes, but they earned a check for cool five grand to top it all off.

Turkey talk

Turkey camp for the Rize family of Livonia couldn't have been much more exciting. Hunting during the late hunt in Gladwin County, four out of five hunters tagged a bearded spring turkey.

Eric Rize started the string of success on the first day of their season when he took a hen with a five-inch beard. Later that day, 12-year-old Cody Rize, who earlier this year won the Junior Division of the Michigan Turkey Calling Championships, put his skills to good use by calling in a 22-pound gobbler with a 10-inch beard and 1 1/8-inch spurs.

The gobbler, which qualifies for the Commemorative Bucks of Michigan record book, came in

silently and attacked Cody's inflatable decoy before the young hunter leveled his 870 Remington 20 ga. and shot it.

The next weekend, family friend Rudy Erickson of Westland, 59 and hunting turkeys for the first time, was next to fill a tag. He connected on an 18-lb. gobbler with a 9-inch beard.

The hunt ended the following day when Ted Rize and 16-year-old son Tim teamed up on a tough, older bird.

After trading turkey talk with a boss gobbler for some two hours, Ted and Tim were surprised to see three jakes come in to their decoys. That was enough to entice the tom to come barreling in and kick a little turkey butt.

By now, Tim was ready for his shot and dropped the bird in his tracks at 30 yards. The 15-pound gobbler turned out to be what is known as a "metallic" turkey in that it featured all black feathers with no brown bars on his tail feathers or white wing bars.

Fall hunts approved

Speaking of turkeys, the NRC has approved this year's fall turkey hunt, open in 17 units.

The application period runs July 1-Aug. 1 and application guides with specific quotas will be available at that time at license dealers across the state. Last fall, 15,993 hunters combined to shoot 6,523 turkeys.

Three fall elk hunts have also been approved by the NRC. The first hunt will run Aug. 26-31, the second hunt will be Sept. 16-20, and the third hunt will take place Dec. 5-12.

A special "agricultural control hunt," may also be held Jan. 20-26 in Elk Management Unit X, which covers Alpena, Montmorency, Presque Isle, Emmet, Charlevoix, and Otsego counties.

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

Predators find turtle eggs a delicacy they just can't pass up

It happens every year in the same place. Predators unearth the eggs of turtles deposited in shallow holes near the shore.



TIM NOWICKI

After digging their nest holes and depositing their eggs, female turtles leave and are unaware of what happens to them in the future.

Over the past 10 years turtles have laid their eggs in a loose

gravel area only 30 feet from the lake shore. There is a fire circle and a couple picnic tables at this site.

Unfortunately for the turtles, these items are attractive to predators. Raccoons, skunk and opossum are opportunistic feeders and will investigate areas where people eat.

As the predators search for food scraps, they are close to the turtle nests. Since the turtle nests are not extremely deep, predators, with their keen sense of smell, are able to smell the nest area; or they may just recognize a disturbance to the soil

and decide to investigate further. Once they find the nest, their efforts do not cease until all the eggs have been eaten. When I come upon the aftermath, all I see are broken egg shells and some yolk that have spilled on the ground.

I presume it's the same turtle laying in the same area every year, and if I'm right, this turtle is not going to leave many offspring behind. If turtles knew what happened to their eggs then they would adjust their behavior.

This unfortunately does not happen, so they can keep making the same mistake year after year.

Turtles travel at least a third to half a mile to lay their eggs in a suitable location. That is how far the Lewis Wint Nature Center at Independence Oaks County Park is from the lake.

Just the other day a predator unearthed a turtle nest on the lawn. I had no idea it was there until the predator discovered it.

Through the years, snapping turtles, musk turtles, painted turtles and Blanding's turtles have been seen wandering near the building. These species represent one

less than half the species of turtles found in Michigan. Blanding's turtles numbers are declining in Michigan and should be given special concern by another one that encounters one.

I can only hope that the nests I've seen unearthed are only a few of the many nests that have been made in the park.

As people invade natural areas, opportunistic animals like skunk, raccoon and opossum take advantage of our presence. They find perfect shelters in abundance under decks that people build. Food is often not a problem, all

they have to do is scratch through a plastic bag. Water is always near by. They have everything they need to survive.

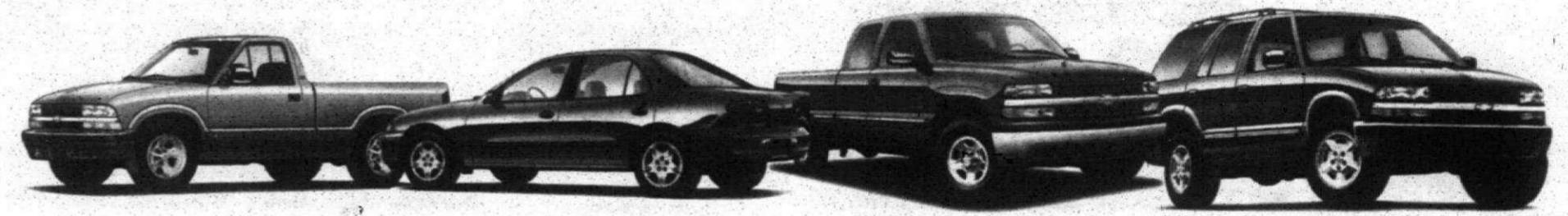
As these predators concentrate in areas where they were not as common before, more pressure is put on other animals that live there.

Bird nests, young rabbits, turtle nests and other animals are more likely to be discovered when there are more predators in the area. Keep your eyes open for a turtle nest, but I hope you don't find one that has been unearthed.

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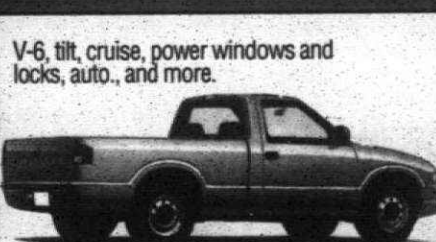


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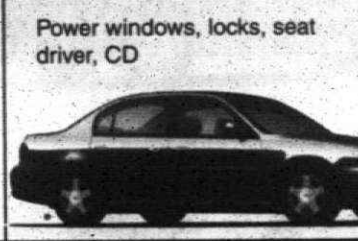
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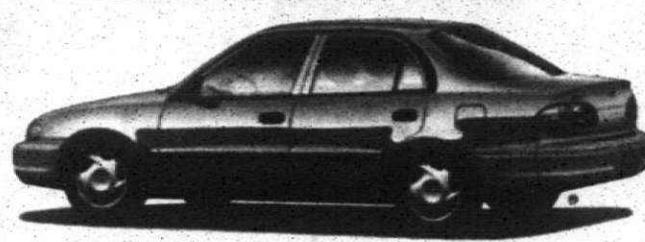
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LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Dance teachers chill out at rink

If you're a skater looking for the right moves, a summer dance intensive just might be the answer. At least Tim Smola, a Garden City dancer and director of dance at the Icebox arena in Brownstown, thinks so.

Smola began teaching the art of dance to skaters last summer after one of the parents of a skating student at the Icebox saw him teach a swing dance class. Smola's been showing skaters at the ice arena how to create the lyrical and flowing movements of dancers ever since.

His summer dance intensive, for skaters and non-skaters alike, will be held Wednesdays and Thursdays in July at the Icebox, 21902 Telegraph, in Brownstown. To register or for more information, call (734) 266-7024.

Students will learn ballet, jazz and hip hop as well as condition and strengthen their muscles in classes with Smola and Garden City dance teacher Tamera Nastev.



Tim Smola

"Kids want something fun," said Smola. "They don't want something with a lot of discipline. They want something they can enjoy doing."

An array of classes will expand students knowledge of skating-related areas as well.

On July 6, physical therapist Jon Nettie will give a 6:30-7:30 p.m. lecture for skaters, parents and coaches on how to prevent injuries that occur on and off the ice as well as what to do if an injury occurs. Costume designer George Bacon will show how to design a costume for competition 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 27. If you'd rather not make your own, Bee's Costume of Garden City will be on hand from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, July 26-27 with skating dresses and accessories, leotards and tights.

Smola, in his ballet classes, will work on the artistic quality of the programs with which skaters compete: the movement of their arms, how the music is filtered through their body and shows in the movements. A certified masseuse, Smola is trained in the physiology of the body which gives him an understanding of how the body works. He'll also pass on the enthusiasm he first experienced for dance during a class in his senior year at Wayne Memorial High School in Westland.

"I'm teaching them to use dance as a vehicle of expression," said Smola. "I tell them they're trying to interpret a story. Everything has to be very clear and precise. The challenge has been to get them to accept dance. They don't understand the two go hand in hand. Movement is movement whether it's dance, gymnastics or skating."

Smola, who earned his bachelor of fine arts degree in dance from the University of Michigan in 1999, should know. He's been a member of Peter Sparling's profession dance company for the last four years. Previously, Smola danced with the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company for six years. He currently is an instructor at Robert Lee School of Dance in Garden City. He'll teach jazz and hip hop at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti next winter.

Nastev is looking forward to teaching a jazz class during the summer intensive at the Icebox. An active member of the Cecchetti Council of America and a former member of the Downriver Ballet Company under Enid Ricardeau, Nastev finds it "interesting to teach dance to ice skaters." She started teaching ballet to skaters at the Icebox last summer.

"It'll be fun and energetic," said Nastev who has taught at the Robert Lee School of Dance in Garden City for 13 years. "It's a challenge to choreograph steps they would use on ice. They have similar steps as we do. It's interesting to see ballet steps on ice."



Croaking Cafe: This rococo toad (top) is hardly a handsome fellow except in the eyes of another toad. Glen Board (left) demonstrates an interactive learning activity on a mural designed by Exhibit Works of Livonia.

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Amphibians make new conservation center home

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Robert Kagan looked every bit the proud papa as he introduced the Detroit Zoo's newest addition - the National Amphibian Conservation Center.

The zoo director and his staff were expecting 500 amphibians to move into the \$6 million facility before opening day, Saturday, June 24. Eventually 1,000 amphibians of 60-100 different species will call the 12,000-square-foot Amphibiville home.

Standing in front of a mural designed by Exhibit Works of Livonia, Kagan spoke about the center's importance as a resource for the conservation and propagation of rare and endangered species of frogs, salamanders, newts and caecilians. The back to back mural focuses on causes of the worldwide decline of amphibians - habitat destruction, pesticides and agricultural chemicals, and increased amounts of UV radiation reaching the earth through holes in the ozone layer. Hardest hit are the tropical

forests disappearing at the rate of approximately 400-500 yards every second. If the pace continues, scientists estimate the delicate environment will be completely destroyed by 2020.

"Three years ago a group of international experts from the conservation community met to develop a place where they could study at one resource center," said Kagan, during a media tour of the amphibian center. "Finally instead of hundreds of splintered efforts it will be a centralized focus for amphibian conservation and research."

Designed by architects Jones & Jones of Seattle, the center will equally divide its attention between breeding, conservation and non-invasive research and the exhibition of Amphibia such as the South American rococo toad. It's easy to see by looking at the huge, less-than-handsome toad why the educational aspect of the center is critical to altering perceptions. The zoo's already won the respect of its peers. It was recently awarded two American Zoo and Aquari-

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Colorful frog: This painted mantella frog is one of the frogs featured at the center.

SPECIAL EVENT

Birthday celebration: Guest conductor Emil de Cou leads the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in a concert to celebrate Livonia's 50th birthday.



PHOTO BY LINA KOHLER

Concert celebrates history of supporting the arts

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It should come as no surprise that one of the many birthday celebrations for Livonia's 50th involves the arts. The city is literally a cultural haven for groups such as the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, Livonia Civic Chorus, Livonia Civic Ballet, and the Livonia Artists Club.

On Tuesday, June 27, many of the members of these local arts organizations along with the rest of the public will assemble on the south lawn of Livonia City Hall to hear a concert by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. And as they say, rain or

shine the show will go on.

"It's a spectacular way to celebrate Livonia's 50th birthday," said Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey. "It's an outstanding opportunity to hear an hour and 11 minutes of the Detroit Symphony without breaks and we're always looking for opportunities to showcase Livonia. I sometimes think we're one of Michigan's best-kept secrets. We're always looking for cultural and fine arts opportunities. The arts are an important part of Livonia's history. When we talk about quality of life it goes beyond public safety. A part

What: The Detroit Symphony Orchestra helps celebrate the City of Livonia's 50th birthday with a concert of Tchaikovsky, Gershwin and Ellington
When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 27

Where: On the steps of Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, east of Farmington Road. Concert-goers are encouraged to park off-site. Beginning at 6 p.m., shuttle service will be available from Ford Field on the southeast corner of Farmington and Lyndon.

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TRAVEL

Stratford Festival's 'Wilde'

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Two actors put their stamp on famous roles and another shows his range, moving easily from drawing room comedy to swashbuckling adventure at this year's Stratford Festival.

Stratford is offering an eclectic season with only three Shakespeare works among the 13 plays being presented. In fact this year the emphasis is not on the Bard but on the bad boy from Ireland, Oscar Wilde, to mark the 100th anniversary of his untimely death. Stratford is offering Wilde's most popular comedy, *The Importance of Being Earnest*, a play about Wilde's scandalous life, *Oscar Remembered*, a Gilbert and Sullivan musical based on Wilde and a month-long series of lectures throughout August. The season also features an appearance by legendary Broadway star Uta Hagen in *Collected Stories*.

Here's a sampling of what you'll see:

'Hamlet'

Paul Gross' Hamlet is an exposed nerve. This isn't just a melancholy Dane but an emotionally overwrought young man full of guilt, disdain and self-loathing.

At first Gross, known in this country as the star of the TV series *Due South*, seems too emotional, but his solid command of the language draws us into his riveting interpretation of Shakespeare's most famous character. Unfortunately, none of the other characters are as well defined, robbing the production of the tension and depth it would have if we had a fuller interpretation.

Director Joseph Ziegler gives *Hamlet* an early 19th century setting, similar to that of Kenneth Branagh's recent film version. But the production is fairly straight forward except for the emotional fervency of Gross' performance.

Stratford Theatre
At the Festival
Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, through Nov. 5
Raby's *The Three Musketeers*, through Nov. 4
Stein, Bock and Harnick's *Fiddler on the Roof*, through Nov. 4
Moliere's *Tartuffe*, Aug. 1 to Nov. 3

At the Avon
Shakespeare's *As You Like It*, through Nov. 4
Goodrich and Hackett's *The Diary of Anne Frank*, through Nov. 5
Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*, through Nov. 4



CYLLA VON TIEDEMANN
Noble Dane: Paul Gross plays Hamlet with emotional force.

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Patience*, July 11 to Oct. 13

At the Tom Patterson
Shakespeare's *Titus Andronicus*, through Sept. 30

Euripides' *Medea*, through Oct. 1

Findley and Thompson's *Elizabeth Rex*, through Sept. 30

Margulies' *Collected Stories*, July 21 to Sept. 2

Mazumder's *Oscar Remembered*, Sept. 8-29

To get to Stratford: take the bridge to Windsor, follow Highway 401 east to Exit 222 (the next exit after Ingersoll), then follow County Road 6 north to Stratford.

For ticket information: Call (1-800)567-1600, or check their Web site at www.stratford-festival.ca.

The other performances are solid, workmanlike but unfocused. Benedict Campbell's Claudius is a man of outward charm but nothing else is suggested either of evil or guilt. Even less clear is Domini Blythe in the pivotal role as Hamlet's mother, Gertrude. Ziegler avoids

the Freudian spin of Laurence Olivier's famous film, but he gives Blythe nothing on which to hang her performance. There is no passion here, either for Claudius or Hamlet. Similarly, Marion Day's Ophelia is too vague.

There are some fine perfor-

mances, including Jerry Franken's officious Polonius, David Keeley's sympathetic Horatio and Graham Abbey's dashing Laertes.

Overall, this is a good introduction to the work, cleanly outlined, clearly and simply spoken, directly performed. But for those looking for new insights into this profound tragedy, it will be less satisfying.

'Fiddler on the Roof'

It's not just that Brent Carver is physically smaller than the actors usually associated with Tevye (Zero Mostel, Herschel Bernardi, Topol), but he also plays the role smaller. Carver's Tevye is just an ordinary man, weighted down by his work as a dairyman and by his family of five daughters. When he complains to God, his conversation is wry, gentle, modulated. Carver sings well but he isn't the bombastic clown of Mostel or the big, bear-like leader of Topol.

This interpretation of Tevye allows director Susan H. Schulman to shift attention to the town of Anatevka and the rich life of its Jewish community in 1905, a time of pogroms and revolution.

The Festival Theatre stage is colorfully transformed into a Marc Chagall painting come to life full of riotous peasant colors, surreally flying animals and, yes, a fiddler on the roof.

"Fiddler" is a joyous celebration of life even under the harshest of circumstances. The Jerry Bock-Sheldon Harnick songs draw on the rich legacy of Jewish culture that informs all American popular music. Here the songs (*Sunrise, Sunset, Tradition, If I Were A Rich Man* etc.) and Jerome Robbins' dances, under choreographer Michael Lichtfeld, are superbly performed by a generally excellent cast and a fine orchestra.

The three daughters, who each break from tradition in their choice of mates, are all per-



MICHAEL COOPER
A deal: Lazar Wolf (George Masswohl) and Tevye (Brent Carver) celebrate a marriage arrangement under the watchful eye of the fiddler (Phillip Hughes).

formed with warmth and zest by Robin Hutton as Tzeitel, Tracy Michailidis as Hodel and Amy Walsh as Chava. Michael Therriault affects a tailor's stoop in his small body and gives a witty, nervous performance as Motel on *Miracle of Miracles*. Fred Love is strong as the revolutionary student Perchik.

It is only in Theresa Tova's Yente, the matchmaker, and Keith Dinicol's Rabbi that the

performances go over the top into Jewish vaudeville. They might have learned better from Carver's restrained, realistic and winning performance as Tevye - a little is good.

(Thursday, *Graham Abbey* moves from *Laertes* to two very different roles in "The Importance of Being Earnest" and "The Three Musketeers." Next Sunday, a look at *Niagara-on-the-Lake's Shaw Festival*.)

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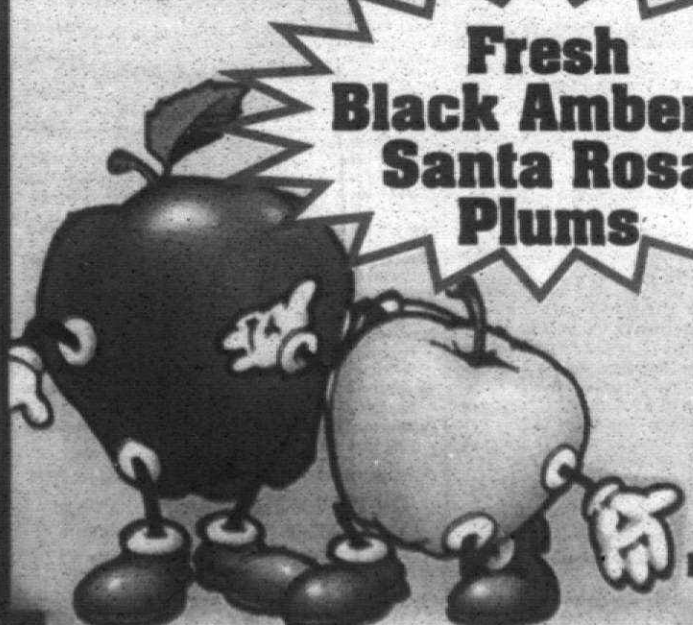
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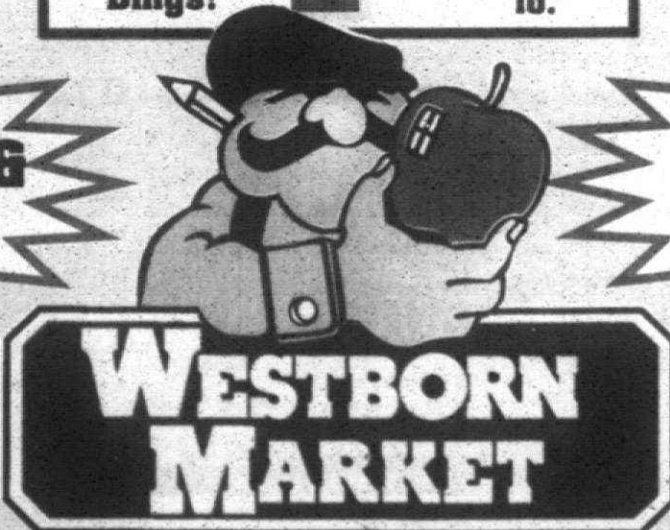
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RAY & ELEANOR HEALD

Chateau St. Jean hits 25 year peak

Time flies! Twenty-five years ago, we were in Sonoma Valley looking at the birth of Chateau St. Jean (CSJ). The old house at the edge of Highway 12 is long gone, and the winery has been expanded several times. The original building on the site was saved when the winery was constructed. With its pillars and vaulted ceiling, it became the focus for the CSJ label.

Since its founding, only three winemakers have made CSJ wines. Richard "Dick" Arrowood put CSJ on the map beginning in 1974, with the first California vineyard-designated wines. Especially noteworthy and still being produced are the chardonnays from Robert Young and Belle Terre Vineyards.

Don Van Staaveren was hired in 1990 to succeed Arrowood when he left to start Arrowood Winery.

Van Staaveren's goal was to bring the fame of CSJ's red wines up to the notoriety of the winery's white wines. His success can be marked by the fact No. 1 wine of 1999 in the Wine Spectator's annual review of the world's 100 best wines.

In 1997, Steve Reeder replaced Van Staaveren as winemaker. His personal challenge is pinot noir, the newest wine in the CSJ stable. We first met Reeder at

Penn Shore Winery in Pennsylvania in the 1980s when he was fresh out of enology school and honing his skills.

Winemaking challenge

Recently, we spoke with Reeder about his winemaking challenge. "I prefer a fruit-forward style of wine that reflects the vineyard source," he explained as we tasted the 1998 CSJ La Petite Etoile Fume Blanc \$14. "Unlike many wines made of sauvignon blanc, this is 100-percent barrel fermented in 50 percent new, medium-toast barrels." A fresh and rich citrus quality leads to melon and nectarine notes (without grassiness) ending with a creamy finish.

When most single-vineyard chardonnays cost \$30-40, the 1997 CSJ Robert Young Vineyard at \$24 is a bargain. A favorite of ours year after year, it shows apple and pear aromas with hints of nutmeg, a bit of barrel toast, and a vanilla finish. "This wine is all about mouthfeel," Reeder said. "Fruit is there, but it is the seamless character that grabs me."

The 1998 CSJ Sonoma County Chardonnay \$13 is an absolute steal. With medium-body, styled to accompany food, it has a smooth creamy finish. A great value, since 45 percent is fruit from Robert Young Vineyard.

The newest vineyard-designated chardonnay is the 1998 CSJ Durrell Vineyard \$24. Durrell is in cool Carneros at the southern end of Napa and Sonoma counties. "The cool climate helps me capture the aromatics and fresh fruit flavors that are the signature of Carneros chardonnay,"

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LOOKING AHEAD

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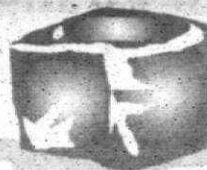
- Focus on Wine
- Vegetarian grilling



Satisfy your thirst with iced tea

Cool sips: Cold Brew Cape Cod Cooler (top) is a flavorful blend of iced tea and cranberry juice cocktail. Cold Brew Lemonade Iced Tea blends two summer sippers - lemonade and iced tea.

Chill out with tea drinks



COLD BREW CAPE COD COOLER

3 cups cool water
4 Lipton Cold Brew Blend Glass-Size Tea Bags
1/3 cup sugar
1 cup chilled cranberry juice cocktail
1 tablespoon lemon juice

Pour water over tea bags and brew 5 minutes, dunking tea bags occasionally. Remove tea bags and stir in sugar. In large pitcher, combine tea with remaining ingredients. Serve with ice. Yield 4 (8-oz.) servings

COLD BREW LEMONADE ICED TEA

4 cups cool water
2 Lipton Cold Brew Blend Pitcher-Size tea bags or 6 Lipton Cold Brew Blend Glass-Size tea bags
1 can (6-oz.) frozen lemonade concentrate, partially thawed and undiluted

In 2-quart pitcher, pour water over tea bags; brew 5 minutes, dunking tea bags occasionally. Remove tea bags. Stir in lemonade concentrate until blended. Pour into ice-filled glasses and garnish, if desired, with mint. Yield 4 (8-oz.) servings.

Recipes tested in The Lipton Kitchen.



To make iced tea with tea bags, Lipton says to use 3 to 5 cup size tea bags (3 for mild flavor, or 5 for full flavor). Bring cold water to a boil and pour 4 cups over tea bags. Brew 3-5 minutes. Remove tea bags and chill. The "Quick Chill Method" is to brew as directed above using only 2 cups boiling water. Remove tea bags and add 2 cups cold water. See recipes inside.

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Drinking iced tea is a refreshing way to keep your cool on hot summer days. It has been since 1904 when Richard Blechynden, a tea plantation owner, dumped a load of ice into freshly brewed tea and served the first "iced tea" at the St. Louis World's Fair.

He originally planned to give away free samples of hot tea to fair goers, but a sweltering heat wave hit, and no one was interested. Blechynden's stroke of genius to save his investment has become one of America's favorite drinks.

Thomas Sullivan, an observant tea merchant in New York, developed the concept of "bagged tea." As he made his rounds to restaurants delivering samples of tea in small hand-sewn muslin bags, Sullivan noticed that the restaurants were brewing his samples "in the bags" to avoid the mess of tea leaves.

Thomas Lipton began blending and packaging his tea in 1909, and incorporated his business in 1915. Lipton's picture began appearing on yellow and red packages of Lipton Tea in 1931, three years after his death.

White Rose Redi-Tea, introduced by the Seaman Brothers of New York in 1953, was the world's first instant iced tea.

Iced tea is an American invention, but tea has been a popular drink for a very long time.

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The National Tea Council reports tea is a source of calcium and other minerals and vitamins, and antioxidants, which may help neutralize free radicals - helping to maintain healthy cells and tissues. Taken without sugar, tea has no calorie or fat content. To learn more about how tea can contribute to a healthy lifestyle visit the Lipton Tea & Health Information Center online www.LiptonT.com or call (888) 547-8668.

In the summer, fresh fruits and fruit juices can add extra "punch" to iced tea. One of my favorite combinations is iced tea and lemonade. Garnish with lemon slices and mint sprigs.

If you're in a hurry, there's always instant tea, or Lipton's new Cold Brew Blend. With Lipton Cold Brew there's no boiling water, just pour cold water into a pitcher, add tea bags, and brew for 5 minutes or to desired strength.

To make iced tea the old-fashioned way, Lois Thieleke of Birmingham, an extension home economist for the Michigan State University Extension - Oakland County, says to measure 3 tablespoons tea leaves per quart of cold water. Combine in a pitcher, refrigerate several hours. Strain over ice.

If you make iced tea with boiling water, and refrigerate it while hot, the tea will become cloudy. To clear, stir in a little boiling water.

Cookbook's 'Kibbee 'n' Spice and Everything Nice'

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Janet Kalush of Haslett wrote Jamie Farr, one-time star of the TV series *M.A.S.H.*, and sent him a sample copy of her soon-to-be published cookbook.

Kalush hoped Farr would examine or sample a recipe or two, then comment favorably about them. Farr, like Kalush, has a Lebanese background.

Instead Kalush got a pleasant surprise.

"He called me, and offered to write the foreword for the cookbook," Kalush said.

Kalush's *Kibbee 'n' Spice and Everything Nice* offers recipes for fans of Lebanese cuisine that are quick, easy and understandable, which impressed Farr.

"Janet Kalush and I have never met personally but we are kindred spirits," Farr wrote. We are both of Lebanese heritage and are both lovers of American food.

"While examining the recipes of *Kibbee 'n' Spice and Everything Nice*, my ample Semitic nose went on a journey of wonderful aromas and tastes from my childhood."

From Arabic cheese to yogurt, it's all

there. Kalush wanted to fill what she calls a "big gap" of a need for Arabic cookbooks.

"The ones that are out there are quite detailed and some are dated," Kalush said. "Sometimes they are hard to follow, so I tried to create a book that was easy and offered step-by-step instructions."

"I wanted to write a book that was easily read, and easily used."

As you might expect, mint is prevalent in the recipes, which Kalush said should always be fresh. Gardeners can grow this stuff easily, as it tends to take a life of its own in a garden.

Tabouleh (Suff-soof) calls for fine bulgur wheat, fresh parsley and mint, green onions and tomatoes, flavored with lemon juice, salad oil and salt and pepper.

While kibbee, the national dish of Lebanon, is traditionally served raw and is constituted of finely ground lamb, the book also shows how to create a cooked version.

Shish kabob, also seasoned with mint leaves, lemon juice and red wine, and stuffed squash also are featured.

But it isn't all meat. There's plenty here for the vegetarians, too. Cracked wheat (bulgur) and chick-

peas are highlighted. There's spinach pie triangles, yogurt cheese pie triangles, lentils and bulgur, lentils and rice, pickled turnips and cucumber and tomato salad.

"I don't think people realized how healthy this food was," Kalush said. "It just took a while for the public to catch onto Lebanese food. It's so healthy."

"There's a lot of beans, a lot of lentils and they use a lot of yogurt." Kalush adds that many of these salads are wonderful at this time of year.

The cookbook lists for \$18.95 and is published by the J. Lorraine Co. It can be purchased or ordered at bookstores throughout the metro Detroit area or online at www.ethnic-cookbook.com

See recipes inside.

Ribbee n' Spice and Everything Nice

Popular and easy recipes for the Lebanese and American family



By Janet Kalush

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Cook these Lebanese treats - pickled turnips, stuffed squash

Here are recipes from Janet Kalaiah's cookbook, Kibbee 'n' Spice and Everything Nice. See related story on Taste Front.

PICKLED TURNIPS (LIFT) 10 whole small white turnips 1.5-ounce whole beets 2 tablespoons salt 2 cups water 1 cup white vinegar 1 clove garlic (per jar) Red hot sauce (optional)

STUFFED SQUASH (KOOSA) 6 small koosa (zucchini) 1/2 cup rice 3/4 pounds, diced or coarsely ground beef or lamb 1 teaspoon salt

Chill out with tea See related story on Taste Front. When you're in a hurry for freshly brewed iced tea, try Lipton's Cold Brew Blend tea bags.

This 'sangria' tastes cool

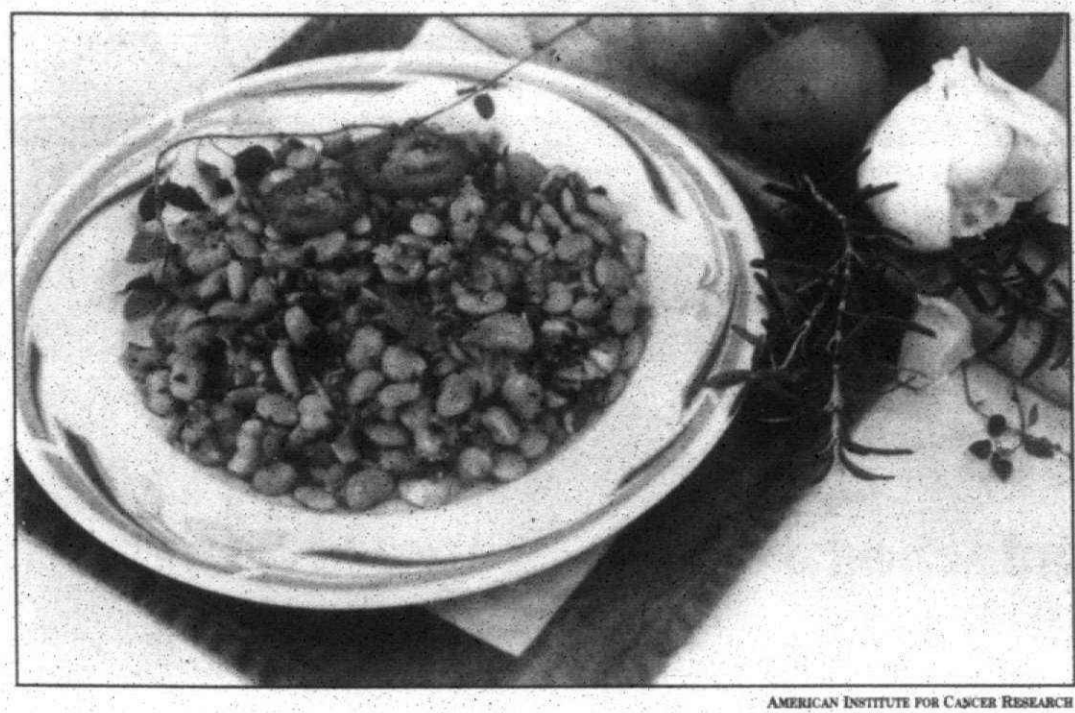
If icy homemade lemonade is your idea of a great summer cooler, you know how refreshing juice drinks can be. Expand your repertoire with some new ideas for elegant summer fruit drinks that can really quench your thirst on a wilting-hot day.

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.

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WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in What's Cooking to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

Fruit 'curds' are versatile spreads

Lemon curd is a traditional spread and cake or tartlet filling. But in her new cookbook, 'From My Chateau Kitchen (Clarkson Potter, \$45)', Anne Willan gives an alternative version of the recipe that uses raspberries.

CORRECTION NOTICE

In our June 25th insert, we advertised the PC game 'Joewood Dale.' The game is now tentatively scheduled for release on Friday, June 30th.

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The hurricane of headaches wrecks havoc with sufferers

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Sure, you've had headaches—a dull pain from too much reading, too much computer work, or too much partying the night before. These are the take-two-aspirin, gone-in-an-hour variety. Then one day your head throbs like a pair of amplifiers on steroids. You're acutely sensitive to light and sound, and you may even feel nausea. You cancel plans and lie motionless in a dark room, waiting for it to pass. When it does, you're drained and lethargic. You've survived but pray it never happens again.

You've had a migraine, the hurricane of headaches.

"It's not like a normal headache," said migraine sufferer Alyce Humphrey of Plymouth. "It's a life-altering condition. You wouldn't wish it on anybody. You're miserable."

Migraine is more than just a "bad headache." It's a legitimate, biological disease affecting 28 million Americans, about 13 percent of the population. According to the National Headache Foundation, one in every four households in the United States has a migraine sufferer. Migraine is more common than asthma, diabetes or congestive heart failure.

The NFS estimates that 157 million workdays are lost annually because of the pain and associated symptoms of migraine. And, according to a study published in the April 1999 issue of the *Archives of Internal Medicine*, migraine costs American employers \$13 billion per year due to missed work and reduced productivity.

While there is no known cure for migraine headaches, there is greater understanding of the dynamics of a migraine attack.

Physiology/Causes

It is thought that a migraine attack is triggered from within the brain itself. Once an attack begins, the pain and other symptoms of migraine may arise from an inflammatory process resulting from an interaction between the trigeminal nerve and blood vessels in the covering of the brain. Serotonin (5-hydroxytryptamine or 5-HT), a naturally occurring chemical in the brain, has been implicated in this inflammatory process.

"Psychological stress is the most common trigger," said Dr. Gerald Riess of the Greater Ann Arbor Neurology Associates. However, anything may trigger a migraine, and triggers are not the same for everyone. In fact, what causes a migraine in one person may relieve it in another. Triggers may include one or more of the following categories:

- Diet (e.g. chocolate, red wine)
- Environment (e.g. bright lights, smoke)
- Emotions (e.g. stress, anxiety)
- Activity (e.g. irregular exercise, lack of sleep)
- Hormones (e.g. menstrual cycle, oral contraceptives)

Medications (e.g. overuse of over-the-counter analgesics/pain relievers)

Humphrey recalled once developing a "rip roaring" migraine after watching a cartoon with flashing images. In fact, it is a pattern of light and dark that often triggers her migraines. "Driving along a residential street with patches of deep shade and glaring sunlight can be awful," she said.

IMPACT!

The NHF has created a easy-to-remember way of giving people information on the core approaches to contain the pain of migraines:

Identify symptoms
Maintain a diary of migraine history
Partner with a healthcare professional
Avoid triggers, like stress or certain foods and beverages

Call the National Headache Foundation for more information and support
Treat migraines effectively
You may contact the National Headache Foundation by calling toll free (888) NHF-5552, fax (773) 525-7357 or www.headaches.org

More treatment options are available

Neurologist Sheena Aurora, M.D., sees patients at Henry Ford Medical Center-Allen Park every Thursday. Many of them have suffered with migraine headaches for years before they come to her.

The International Headache Society describes migraines as among the most undertreated and underdiagnosed conditions worldwide. The economic cost to society is enormous, as is the personal. With a tendency to delay treatment, migraine sufferers are documented as having a worse quality of life than people with hypertension, angina and diabetes. Yet, for many, help is available.

"We now understand more about migraines, and new drugs have been developed that target the mechanism of migraines," said Dr. Aurora, who returned from an American Headache Society conference. "We've made a lot of strides in the treatment of migraines."

Just ask her patients, Deborah Smith, 36, of Brownstown Township and Norma Waskiewicz, 52,

Migraine symptoms

Migraine is characterized by throbbing head pain, usually located on one side of the head and often accompanied by nausea and sensitivity to light and/or sound. The combination of disabling pain and associated symptoms often prevents sufferers from performing daily activities. Attacks occur periodically and can last from four to 72 hours. Symptoms, incident and severity vary by individual and attack.

For Humphrey, the migraine is preceded by flu-like symptoms, "a vague feeling of not feeling well." Afterwards comes the pain. "It always starts out behind my left eye. It feels like a kitchen knife is being put through my eye into my head," she said.

Next comes the nausea. "It can come on quite quickly or slowly, or it can hang on the edge of a nauseated state. I wish it would just come and be done with."

A small number of sufferers experience what is known as "aura." They may see light flashes, blind spots, zigzag lines, shimmering lights and may experience vision loss and numbness prior to the head pain and other symptoms. A common misperception is that most patients with migraine experience aura before the onset of a headache, when in fact, 80-90 percent of sufferers do not.

Sufferer profile

Migraine afflicts both men and women, although women experience migraine more often than men, at a ratio of 3:1. Peak prevalence for migraine is between the ages of 20 and 45 for both genders. Of the approximately 1,000 patients seen at Greater Ann Arbor Neurology Associates, only a handful are elderly, said Dr. Riess.

However, migraine does affect children, he said. "Migraine can happen at a very young age. It is often underdiagnosed in a young child. Children can't always explain their symptoms. Also, people don't think children get migraines."

In addition, children's symptoms may be manifested in motion sickness and stomach problems, said Dr. Riess.

Frequency/Duration

Migraine is a chronic, recurrent disease. Typically, sufferers experience an average of one attack per month. The attack can last from four to 72 hours. Early intervention is the key. "As is always the case, the earlier you treat the headache, the easier it is to treat," said Riess.

Research/Treatment

With the help of a physician, patients can identify and alleviate their symptoms with an appropriate treatment regimen. Humphrey said if she can take two Exedrin Migraine tablets and get to sleep before the nausea hits, the migraine will pass.

Medications generally fall into two categories:

- **Prophylactic:** Taken on a daily basis, prophylactic—or preventative—medications can help reduce the number of attacks in patients who experience more than two migraines per month.
- **Acute or abortive:** Acute therapy treats the symptoms of migraine after the attack begins. Many medications available to treat an acute attack must be taken as soon as the attack occurs, otherwise they may be less effective.

As a neurologist, Riess sees a "skewed" segment of the migraine population, the most severe cases. Most of his patients are on a prophylactic medication regimen. However, the majority of migraine sufferers need only abortive medication. "The cut-off is one headache a week," said Riess. More than that, prophylactic treatment is necessary.

Genetic link

According to the National Headache Foundation, migraine runs in families, as 70 percent of sufferers are found to have a hereditary influence. In fact, a child has a 50 percent chance of becoming a sufferer if one parent suffers and a 75 percent chance of both parents suffer.

Get help

Research indicates that most migraine sufferers go undiagnosed by a physician. Doctor appointments made to solely address headaches account for less than 4 percent of patient visits.

"People with migraines need to take an active role in their healthcare and provide their physicians with detailed headache history and other pertinent information during a visit strictly to discuss their headaches," said Dr. Seymour Diamond, executive chairman of the NHF.

Relief from migraines is a process between patient and physician. Besides behavior modification techniques, there are dozens of medications, as well as combinations of medications, available to treat migraine, said Dr. Riess.

The NHF recommends that undiagnosed migraine sufferers make an appointment with their physician for the express purpose of discussing their headaches. Only then can they take full advantage of the growing number of treatment options.

You may contact the National Headache Foundation by calling toll free (888) NHF-5552, fax (773) 525-7357 or www.headaches.org

Triggers

Both physiological and hereditary factors and environmental and lifestyle issues are tied to migraine headaches. In women, migraine often accompanies the menstrual cycle. Men and women also report other triggering factors, including:

- Alteration of sleep-awake cycle
 - Missing or delaying a meal
 - Medications that cause a swelling of the blood vessels
 - Excessive amounts of acute or abortive medications for migraine or other headaches
 - Bright lights, sunlight, fluorescent lights, TV and movie viewing
 - A host of dietary triggers may cause attacks in certain individuals, though not necessarily on every occasion. These triggers may include:
 - Ripened cheeses (Cheddar, Emmentaler, Stilton, Brie, Camembert)
 - Chocolate
 - Anything fermented, pickled or marinated
 - Sour cream
 - Nuts, peanut butter
 - MSG
 - Figs, raisins, papayas, avocados, red plums
 - Citrus fruits (no more than 1/2 cup daily)
 - Bananas
 - Excessive amounts of tea, coffee or cola beverages
 - Sausage, bologna, pepperoni, salami, summer sausage, hot dogs
 - Alcoholic beverages
- Source: National Headache Foundation

Napster deal will clear way for next MP3 music boom



MIKE WENDLAND

Napster is reportedly dealing with its bitter, lawsuit-plagued battle with the recording industry on the heels of a new study that shows download music on the Internet is not having a serious effect on record sales or harming musicians.

The settlement will clear the way for the next stage of the MP3 music boom, a boom that will transform the way we all listen to music. Detroit automakers are ready to jump on board, making MP3 music players standard on in-car entertainment systems, systems also capable of playing MP3 music directly from the Internet.

The industry already is seeing brisk sales on MP3 portable music players. Next up are MP3 stereo amps and players for home systems. The Napster Web site has an estimated 10 million users regularly trading music

files via the Internet. Several copycat sites are also growing in popularity. Making it all possible is MP3, a way of compressing music files into small files that can be quickly downloaded and then played in near-CD-quality.

The technology is now seen as even more revolutionary than the development of the CD a decade ago. Once MP3 routinely became available in cars, many analysts believe it will soon become the music mode of choice.

Microsoft's future vision

Get ready for a new high-tech acronym.

"We all know that ISP stands for Internet Service Provider. Now, here comes ASP, for Applications Service Provider, or the system of delivering software via the Internet.

And ASP is the lynchpin of what Microsoft calls Next Generation Windows Services, its vision of the future being unveiled this week. It all involves a series of digital tools that will give consumers instant access to e-mail, documents, database files and information-on-demand on everything from

wireless phones to handheld computers to electronic or e-books.

Microsoft envisions a world in which the Internet, rather than shrink-wrapped programs and software-based operating systems, runs our PCs or Macs or whatever job performs computing functions in the future. While Microsoft's announcement surely is getting lots of attention, few specific details of the company's plan have been announced. A major reason for that, of course, is the company is under court orders to break up, and if Microsoft is unsuccessful in its appeal, whatever plans they have may have to be shelved. Other companies, including the burgeoning automotive-related Web sites and many business-to-business operations, say the Microsoft announcement is all hype, PR aimed at building public support during the appeal process.

"Like everything else with Microsoft, this is all smoke and mirrors," said one Detroit area IT exec who obviously didn't want his name used. "ASP technology is already being developed by a lot of us and Microsoft is just trying to leapfrog our work and make it seem like it came from Redmond (Microsoft's headquarters)."

Internet privacy

Still flushed with their victory over Microsoft in the antitrust case, the association of attorneys general from the individual states met this past week in Seattle and vowed to make cybercrime and Internet privacy their next major cause.

Fight for Covisint

Oakland County is worried that the huge auto industry Web site supplier exchange Covisint will be lured away to other Michigan locales or, worse yet, Silicon Valley.

The county is so worried that its PR man, Bob Dushman, is sending out e-mails to members of Oakland's Automation Alley conglomerate of high-tech firms looking for reasons that County Executive L. Brooks Patterson can use to convince the auto supply Web site to make its permanent home in the county.

Right now, Covisint is temporarily headquartered in South-

field. The stakes are high to keep the new company headquartered in Michigan. It is expected to be the world's largest e-commerce company, handling more than \$200 billion in annual purchasing while connecting automakers with thousands of suppliers.

Besides Silicon Valley, with its wired and high-tech job base, Oakland faces stiff competition from other Michigan locations. Ann Arbor's IT Zone near the U-M, Wayne County's Pinnacle Airport near the airport and Detroit's Campus Martius neighborhood near the new Compuware headquarters are all vying for Covisint. A spokesperson for Covisint says it is months away from making a decision.

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Treatment from page D4

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—Henry Ford Medical Center

we can see it in very little kids, sometimes as early as ages two or three. By the age of eight or nine, we identify these kids as the ones who tend to be a little more clumsy."

Migraine patients tend to be more depressed and more anxious. If they smoke, have high blood pressure or take birth control pills, they are at greater risk for stroke. Dr. Aurora said these factors can be modified by a healthier lifestyle that includes exercise and stress reduction.

Arthritis Today

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STEROID SPARING

The use of steroids such as prednisone for treatment of arthritis is widespread, and with good reason. Steroids rapidly resolve your joint swelling and pain, in addition, the medicine often gives you a euphoric feeling that counters the depression that accompanied your previous joint pain.

However, the side effects of steroids are great and include making you fat, bringing on cataracts, placing you at risk for infections, thinning your bones, hair loss, and causing peptic ulcers. In addition, if your treatment consists of prednisone alone, your joint inflammation returns, no matter what dose of cortisone you use.

Physicians use the term "steroid sparing" to mean the introduction of medicines intended to lessen the need for large doses of corticosteroids. In treating rheumatoid arthritis and psoriatic arthritis, it means using methotrexate or similar drugs such as etanercept or arava. In treating lupus, physicians will turn to cyclophosphamide and methotrexate to try to limit the dosage of steroids required to control the disease.

These alternatives have their limits. First, the alternative medications are toxic, and second, they are not the equal of cortisone in their immediate control of inflammation. Investigators continue to look for better steroid sparing agents. The goal, not yet in sight, is to find a medication that is as effective as cortisone in resolving inflammation, but carries none of its side effects.

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New Canton health center

The University of Michigan Health System has expanded its presence in western Wayne County with the opening of the brand new U-M Canton Health Center, located at 1051 N. Canton Center Road. The center will begin seeing patients on a regular basis June 27.

The new \$8.4 million facility will feature internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, adult medicine and radiology, as well as new specialty services, including cardiology, mammography and ultrasound.

"Increasing and adding new services is key to treating our patients," says Dr. Denege Ward, U-M Canton Health Center Medical Director.

The opening of our new facility is a result of listening to our customers and putting their needs first," said G. Keith Crews, manager of the U-M Canton Health Center.

For more information or to make an appointment, call (734) 844-5400.

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Have your blood pressure, cholesterol, blood glucose and nutrition checked at these Botsford medical centers:

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- Newberry Square Family Health Care, 39630 West 14 Mile Road, Walled Lake, (248) 926-8330, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 28.
- General Medicine Center, 19335 Grand River Avenue, Detroit, (313) 535-0077, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, June 29.

Health screenings include a health maintenance checklist, a free gift and chance to meet Botsford's board-certified physicians and tour the facility. Appointments are required. Anyone interested in receiving a free health screening can call the nearest office to schedule a visit.

Top cardiovascular center

Oakwood's Cardiology Center was recently recognized as being one of the nation's top 100 cardiovascular hospitals. The award is the result of a study conducted by the HCIA-Sachs Institute Inc. of Baltimore, Maryland, which collects, manages and distributes comparative healthcare information.

Oakwood's Cardiology Center is the only cardiovascular center in southeastern Michigan to be recognized as a 100 Top Cardiovascular Hospital and one of only three cardiovascular programs in the entire state of Michigan to receive this distinction.

The study focused on cardiovascular services in the areas of acute myocardial infarction, percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty, and coronary artery bypass graft procedures. Dr. Samir Dabbous, director of the Cardiology Center, expressed his gratitude by indicating that "receiving this recognition for the second year in a row is a tribute to all the staff who have made it possible. The doctors, nurses, technologists and all the patient care and support staff share the honor in receiving this distinction."

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer noteworthy information including Medical Databases, upcoming calendar events, Medical Newsletters (appointments/new hires in the medical field), and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies). We also welcome noteworthy ideas for health and fitness related stories. To submit an item to our newspaper you can call, write, fax or e-mail us.

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