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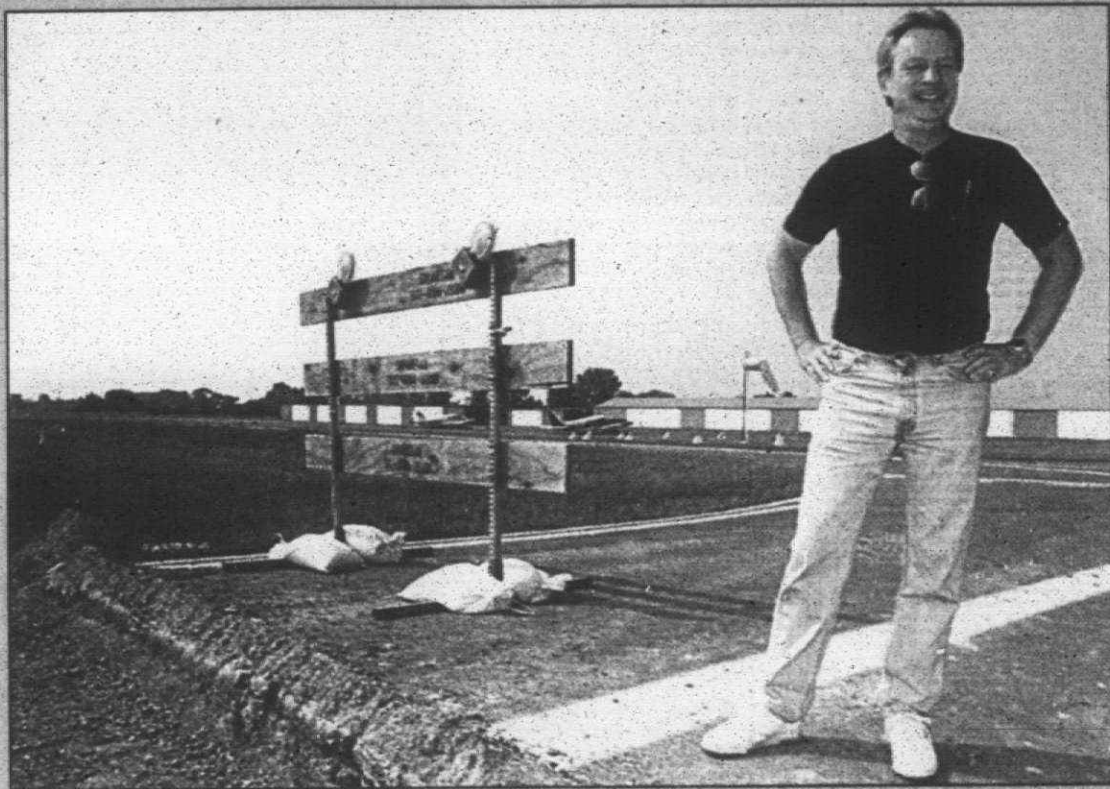
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Standing by: Doug Kitze, Mettetal Airport manager, stands on the runway that is still under construction, a project which he believes will not draw more air traffic.

New runway for Mettetal provides increased safety



If you haven't noticed, Mettetal Airport is closed, but only while the 2,556-foot-long runway is reconstructed and widened to provide more room for safe landings.

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
SPECIAL WRITER

"The biggest project you can do is to replace your runway," said Doug Kitze, airport manager at Canton-Plymouth Mettetal Airport.

On August 13 Mettetal closed operations to begin a month-long project of widening its runway from 45 to 75 feet. The runway is 2,556 feet long. It will be black-topped and, like the old runway,

have an aircraft weight limit of 12,500 pounds.

"It just give us a little more width for landing. It seems there's always a crosswind from the west. This gives us a little more of a safety factor," Kitze said.

Besides widening the runway, improvements include:

- Two runway turnoffs to aid traffic flow. Aircraft approaching from the south can exit the runway a third of the way down rather than taxiing all the way to the end.

"It just give us a little more width for landing. It seems there's always a crosswind from the west."

Doug Kitze
—Mettetal manager

A new north-end turnoff will allow for easier access to the hangers.

- A hanger taxiway will be redesigned into a right angle to allow better northern visibility.

In addition, the airport will receive a new beacon and a pilot-

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Teen is back in hospital

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Greg Unger, the Canton teen who underwent a double-lung transplant 13 months ago, was scheduled to have a second surgery Wednesday at St. Louis Children's Hospital using living, related donors.

Considered rare, the surgery involves taking a lobe from his 51-year-old father, Bill, and one from his 23-year-old sister Jamie and transplanting them into Greg, 16. Each person has five lobes to their sets of lungs and each donor would donate one of their lobes to Greg, who is now bedridden.

"We feel this is our last option in order to give Greg a chance to live. We know going into this that the risks are high but his whole family feels that we have to give Greg every chance to live a normal life," Bill Unger said in a statement to the press.

Acting as the family's spokesman, Bill's brother Richard added, that

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Greg Unger

Half-done houses irk neighbors

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

When Frank DeSmet looks out the side of his house he sees a nightmare - an open, weed invested and unfinished basement.

"Safety is my main factor," said the Meadowbrook subdivision resident. "I've got six grandkids. You've got to have them on leashes. The rest of the neighborhood is full of kids."

SUBDIVISIONS

DeSmet and his neighbors have waited for months for the basement on Baywood Drive to be filled in and a dilapidated framed house, also in Meadowbrook, just south of Saltz Road, to be demolished.

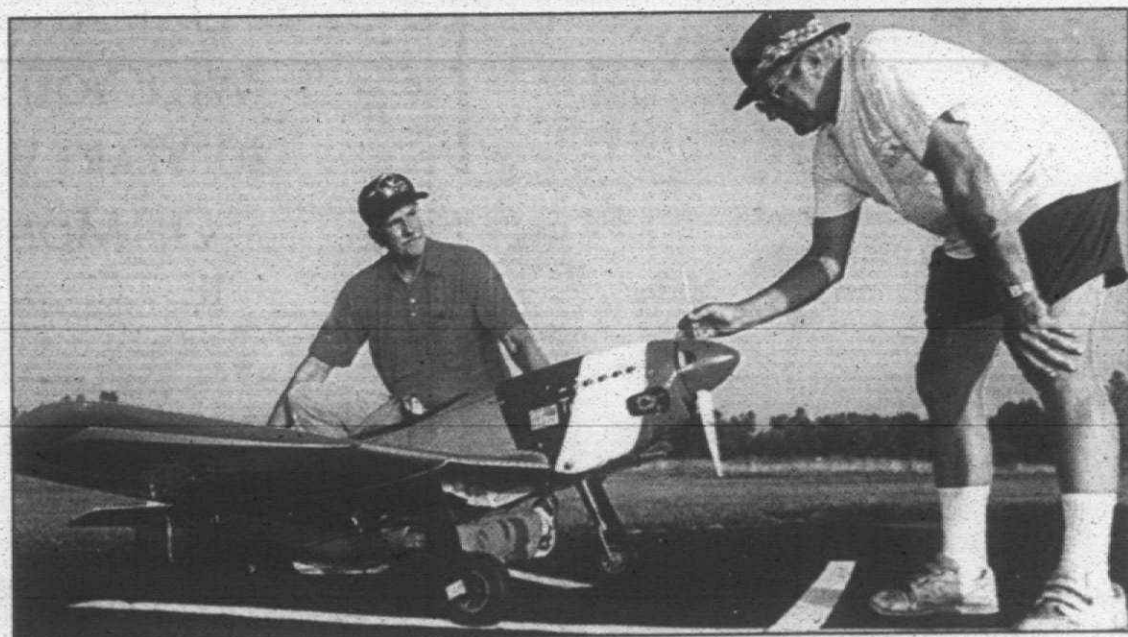
The basement and the framed house, as well as at least three empty models, were started by Hilton Homes, which has since filed for bankruptcy. Sterling Bank has secured at least one of the homes.

In May, the Canton Township Board of Trustees voted to authorize action in Wayne County Circuit Court to allow the township to hire a company to fill in the open basement, demolish and backfill structurally unsound frames and board up homes, which are partially completed and on which liens have been placed by unpaid subcontractors.

But the bankruptcy filing put the township's efforts on hold. "We are going to court Friday to have the court lift the bankruptcy stay to allow us to proceed to circuit court," said John Weyer, Canton building

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Flying Pilgrims take to the skies on gossamer wings



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Up and away: Andy Pesonen and Richard Vukmirovich fire up a scale model of a P-51 Mustang, a World War II vintage airplane just days before the annual Fun Fly.

BY DIANE GALE
SPECIAL WRITER

From a distance you'd swear they were a group of boys flying their remote control planes in a grassy park on a breezy late summer night.

Up close, you see the members of Canton's Flying Pilgrims, mostly middle-aged and older, flying scale-size miniature planes with the same excitement as the kids you imagined.

The group invites the public to see their crafts and experience

their enthusiasm at the annual Flying Pilgrims Fun Fly: The Giant Scale Fall Phase Out Fun Fly, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 and from noon to 6 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 8 at a field on Ridge and Geddes roads in Superior Township.

Last year about 1,000 people came to see the miniature aircraft, mostly scale-size and painted exactly like the real planes. There is a \$2 parking donation request.

Refreshments also will be sold. "People enjoy looking at the flight-

er airplanes with their grandpas and the grandpa saying I flew one of those," according to Andy Pesonen, Flying Pilgrims president.

Some of the planes that will be on hand include Miss U.S.A., a one-third size scale model of an older Laser 200 airplane; a German Fighter FW 190 D9 and a P-51 Mustang. The mini air show will also feature aerobatics with skilled pilots making the planes dance through the sky with trails of smoke.

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official.

Meanwhile, Hilton Homes, owned by brothers Jeff and Allan Brooks of Farmington Hills, has trustee Lawrence Friedman attempting to sell 13 vacant lots and six partially built homes in Meadowbrook and nearby Savannah Pointe subdivisions to Steuer & Cavanaugh for approximately \$1.6 million, according to court papers.

Friedman is represented by attorney Stephen Stella of Detroit. Stella acknowledged the concern of neighbors and township officials. "I think it is the intent of the property purchaser to complete the homes that are partially built or tear down the ones that can't be salvaged."

But Stella said he needs an order from the bankruptcy court to authorize the trustee to sell the property. "We have received objections to the sale."

And everyone is still waiting. "We are not permitted to do anything without permission from the trustee," said Aaron Machnik, Canton municipal services director, adding that the trustee previously opposed Canton petitioning the court for permission to resolve the safety problems in Meadowbrook. "We

I keep threatening to go out and get a bulldozer myself.

Frank DeSmet
—Homeowner

are absolutely stayed from taking any action whatsoever."

That makes a lot of Meadowbrook residents unhappy. "It's a shame someone will get hurt before they do something," DeSmet said. "They won't do anything with this hazard next to me. They won't do anything because they can't recoup the money."

But Stella said, "My client feels the property is no more dangerous than any other homes under construction."

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack acknowledges neighbors' frustrations. "We would look to use the money from the developer/builder (in an escrow account). We would use it certainly to fill in the basement. But we can't do that until a judge lets us do that. We have not been able to implement that plan."

Stella said he expects to be in

court Friday when the township requests permission to go to circuit court to get the safety work done. "We will request an evidentiary hearing," Stella added.

The last time something like this happened in a growing neighborhood was in the 1981-82 recession. "In my eight years (as supervisor) I don't think I can remember a situation like this," Yack added.

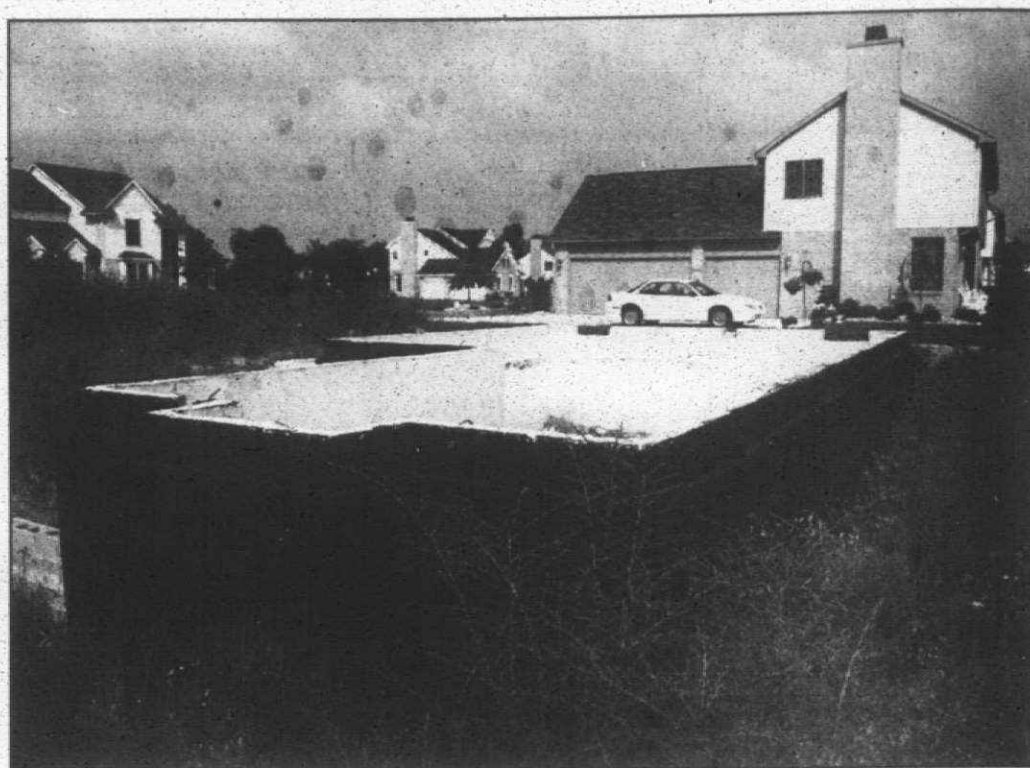
Because of the bankruptcy of the builder/developer and the safety hazards with the unfinished houses, residents in Meadowbrook were advised not to form a homeowners association that might address the problems.

"We're afraid to because of the liabilities that exist," DeSmet said. "I keep threatening to go out and get a bulldozer myself."

The homes that sell for about \$200,000 were built on speculation for the most part, DeSmet said.

Hilton Homes' bankruptcy has caused heartache for potential buyers, as well. DeSmet tells the story of a young couple who lost about \$20,000 on one of the homes because there are so many liens on it.

"It's a shame," DeSmet added.



Eyesore: Frank DeSmet of Meadowbrook subdivision lives next to this unfinished and open basement on Baywood Drive. The builders went bankrupt and left the basement and other homes unfinished.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRENNER

Make A Difference Day observed Oct. 26

Plans are beginning for Make A Difference Day in the Canton community. Saturday, Oct. 26, is being observed throughout the nation as a day set aside for helping others.

Through the efforts of the Canton Community Volunteer Program, Canton Chamber of Commerce, and the Canton Commu-

nity Foundation, a variety of projects are being coordinated which will provide community organizations, businesses, churches, families and individuals with opportunities to be a part of this special event.

The Good Food Company of Canton has offered, in conjunction with their restaurant grand

re-opening, to serve as the host site for this community wide. Participants will be able to come to the store on Make A Difference Day to register for their Make A Difference Day assignment where they will be treated to complimentary food samples by the store vendors and other activities.

Other projects are being organized that will include collections of non-perishable food for the Canton Goodfellows assistance program, as well as the Salvation Army Food Pantry, a clothing drive by the Vietnam Veterans of America will benefit homeless veterans. New socks are being collected by Retired Senior Volunteer Program to be distributed to needy families, and several fall cleanup projects are being coordinated in the community.

Businesses will be contacted and invited to donate a percentage of their after-tax profits on that date and employees will be offered a chance to pledge one hour of wages to benefit the Canton Community Foundation, Children's Leukemia Fund and the St. Peters Home for Boys.

For more information, call Kathleen Salla, Canton community volunteer coordinator, 397-6450.

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Leads, leads, leads

New Canton group opens networking chapter

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
SPECIAL WRITER

Every successful business person knows that doing business is all about leads, leads, leads.

How do I get them? Which ones are the best? Where can I get more?

Business Network International, a California-based company founded in 1985, is in the business of generating leads for its members. BNI has more than 450 chapters in United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.

Canton is holding its first BNI meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10 at the Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton.

Brian and Cara Maxson of Canton are regional co-directors of the southeastern Michigan franchise of BNI. They are looking forward to getting the Canton chapter started.

"Canton already has 16 committed people, and we haven't even had our kick-off yet," said Cara. "I think Canton will be like Plymouth. They will have

some high numbers. They will have a powerful chapter."

According to an Oct. 1995 article in "Crain's Detroit Business," BNI has more than 8,000 members and generates over \$106 million in referrals each year.

There are several BNI chapters in Michigan, including Birmingham, Farmington Hills, Novi, Livonia and Plymouth.

BNI was founded on the precepts of personal referrals and business exclusivity. Business exclusivity in a BNI chapter means a non-competitive arena.

For example, each chapter only has one attorney, one mortgage broker, one florist, one printer.

"Once you get in, you have veto power to prevent another business from joining if they are in direct competition to what you are doing," said Ray Velasco, president of the Canton chapter.

Velasco co-owns Financial Network Mortgage Corporation in Plymouth.

Velasco said the amount of referrals his company has received from BNI "has more than paid the cost of member-

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Ray Velasco
—Canton chapter president

ship many times over." Annual dues are \$210.

Brian Maxson, a financial consultant and assistant vice president at Merrill Lynch, joined a BNI chapter because he believes that in business it's the "givers" who gain.

"Essentially, I had a bunch of loose professional connections. I was looking to establish a trusting relationship with a group of professionals in a non-related industry so I could be an all-purpose resource to my clients."

Membership in BNI has benefited Maxson in several ways.

"It's increased my business. I've generated a lot of commissions, made friends I can't replace, and established good business contacts."

BNI members have an opportunity to foster trusting relationships, said Brian Maxson. "When you're handing over your mother's \$100,000 CD, you want to know who the person is," he said.

During BNI chapters meetings, which are scheduled every Tuesday morning at for an hour-and-a-half beginning at 7 a.m., "leads slips" are exchanged among members. The slips contain a prospective client's name and address and a few words of comments. A small graphic of a thermometer allows the referral source to rate the lead from 1 (tepid) to 5 (hot).

"Most chapters of 15 people will exchange 15 leads in a month, and a chapter of 30 people will generate 150 leads," said Cara Maxson. "The people who were in the chapter the longest had an exponential growth."

A BNI membership is a two-

way relationship. Besides attending early bird meetings every Tuesday, members must assume leadership roles. Offices, like the presidency, are rotational. Every six months, someone else gets a chance.

"It has to be pro-active," said Brian Maxson. "We like people to step out of their comfort zone. It forces everybody to do something eventually."

Meetings begin with 15 minutes of socializing. At 7:15 a.m. the president starts the meeting. Each person gives a 60-second self-commercial followed by the featured speaker. Everyone has the opportunity to be the featured speaker.

And, of course, leads are exchanged.

"We're a brass tacks business," said Cara Maxson. "We're really here to do business. Unless you let me down, you're the guy I'm doing business with."

Brian and Cara Maxson can be contacted at (313) 844-3432.

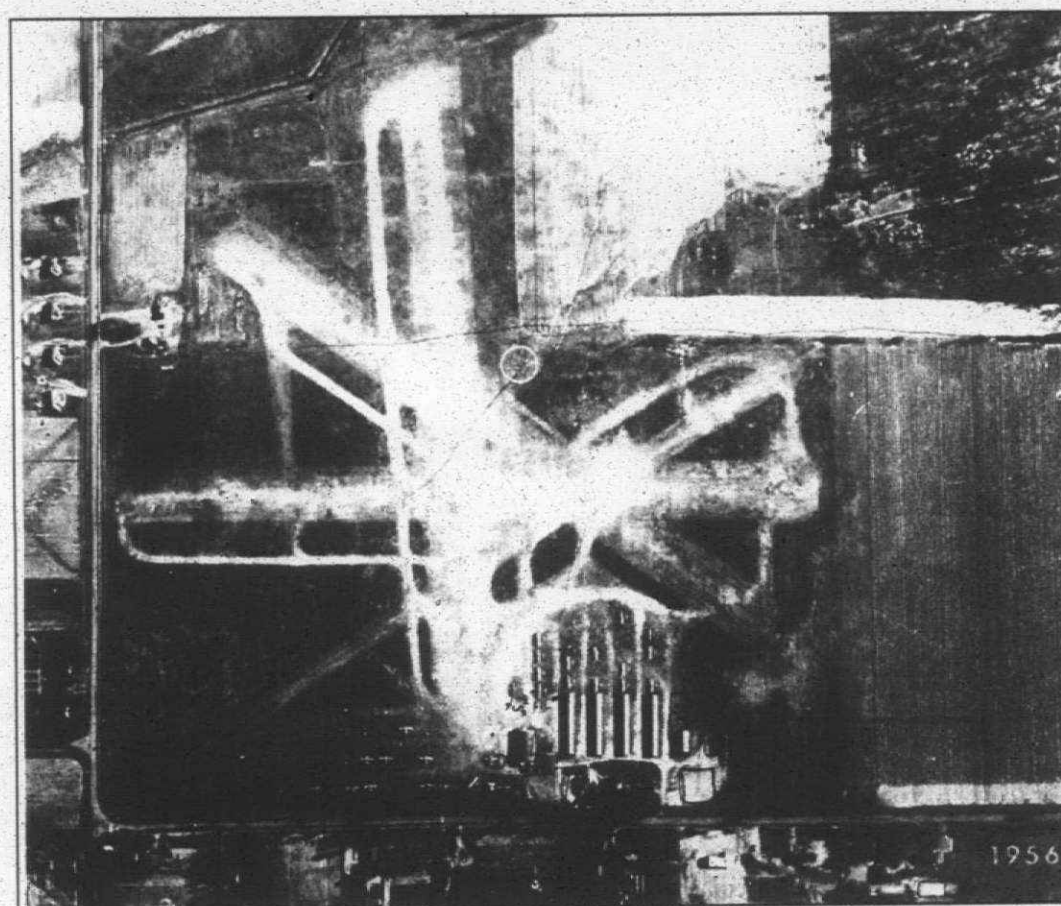
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Business: Ray Velasco is the president of the new Canton chapter of Business Network International.

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Back then: This is an aerial view of Mettetal Airport in 1956 when there were more than one runway. At the bottom of the photo is Lilley Road and Joy Road is at the left.

activated runway lighting system. "A pilot flying in at three in the morning can just click the microphone in the airplane and the lights will come on," Kitzze said.

The new runway lights, which are color-configured to guide pilots to proper locations, can be intensified by two or three clicks. Presently, the old lights described as "just baby food jars and wire" stay on all night.

Randy Collier, manager of the Licensing and Enforcement Section of the Michigan Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aeronautics, said the project cost is approximately \$450,000. That figure can be broken down as follows:

- \$324,000 from the Federal Airways Trust Fund.
- \$63,000 from the State Aeronautics Trust Fund.
- \$63,000 from airport users.

According to Collier, the project is completely financed by people who use the aviation system. They pay into the federal and state funds. "It's not general tax dollars."

Collier said the state, which has owned the airport for three years, has a five-year plan that includes improving existing hangars and building new ones. Only a few of Mettetal's 110 planes remain unleased, but there's a waiting list of 40 or 500, according to Collier.

Kitzze said the airport presently has 108 tenants. Hangar fees range from \$106 for an older

unit with no door to \$231 for a newer corner unit. Kitzze said there are no plans to raise hangar fees once the runway project is completed on Sept. 12.

"The only fees he airport charges are for commercial operators," Kitzze said. Commercial operators, rare at Mettetal, are charged \$15.

Collier said the state has no plans to lengthen the runway at any time in the future. That would be a community decision. The airport has an advisory board that works with the state on planning matters.

Mettetal, which occupies approximately 60 acres, is defined as a "reliever" airport. It accommodates small-aircraft traffic overflow from Detroit Metropolitan, Willow Run and Oakland-Pontiac Airports.

Mettetal houses 108 aircraft and experiences 71,000 "movements" (take-offs and landings) a year. When asked how Mettetal compares to other area airports, Collier provided the following statistics:

- Port Huron houses 105 planes and has 37,000 movements yearly.
- Jackson County Airport, which has a control tower, houses 103 and has 69,000 movements yearly.
- Muskegon County Airport houses 75 planes and has 71,000 movements yearly.
- Detroit Metropolitan Airport houses 122 small aircraft and has

508,000 movements yearly (total for all aircraft).

One factor that will remain the same at Mettetal after the runway is widened is the traffic pattern. "Our traffic pattern here is 1,000 feet above the ground," Kitzze said.

Planes enter the pattern from either the east or the west at a 45-degree angle, descend on northward or southward parallel and make two left turns onto the runway.

Kitzze doesn't anticipate that the widened runway will translate into heavier traffic. "It's more user friendly and safer. Just the runway alone I don't think will increase our traffic flow," he said.

Collier said the state is pleased with Mettetal's development. "We want it to be a good community airport. We've worked very hard to make it neat, give it a good appearance. It's something the community can be proud of."

Fall Festival is celebrated

BY JEFF COUNTS
STAFF WRITER

It'll be smooth sailing for Plymouth's 41st annual Fall Festival that arrives at noon Thursday and runs through Sunday in and around Kellogg Park.

Last year, road and sidewalk work being done downtown hampered the festival. "But the streetscape is completed and we'll have all the food booths located on Main Street," said Paul Sincok, assistant city manager.

"We've also expanded the kiddie ride area," he said, adding that the streetscape allows for a different setup of both the rides and booths.

Festival highlights include

entertainment in and around Kellogg Park, and the Rotary Club chicken barbecue, he said.

The festival has its origins in the barbecue, which was first hosted by the club in the mid-1950s as a way to raise money for playground equipment.

Since then, the festival has grown from a neighborhood affair to one that attracts 150,000 people from around the metro Detroit area.

The barbecue starts serving at 11 a.m. on Sunday and continues until 6 p.m.

Here's a quick list of festival events:

• Opening ceremonies, 6:30 p.m. Friday; Plymouth Fire and Drum Escort; 7 p.m., Commu-

nity Band, strolling entertainment, Jason Abbot, magic; 7-9:30 p.m., Business and Professional Women bingo at The Gathering.

• Kiwanis pancake breakfast, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Gathering; 9-11:30 a.m., Optimist Pet Contest at the Bandsell, Plymouth Community Arts Council Arts and Crafts Show, Central Middle School.

• On Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., a Performance and Antique Car Show on Main Street with "Pinheads" demonstration; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Rotary Club 41st annual chicken barbecue.

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Greg

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there are risks for the donors but it's much higher for Greg, a student at Westland John Glenn High School.

The surgery for Greg is longer. It's three hours for the donors, and six or seven hours for the recipient. The thing is now we'll have to deal with two different foreign tissues. That's what makes the risk much higher.

St. Louis Children's Hospital, under the direction of Dr. George Mallory, has done seven of these surgeries with success, Richard Unger said.

"My brother Bill once told me that Greg can get an 80 percent lung capacity from these two (lobes) which sounds pretty good to me," Richard Unger said.

Greg, who suffered from cystic fibrosis since birth, had his first transplant Aug. 6, 1995, at the St. Louis hospital.

Prior to the surgery, the family, with the help of area agen-

■The last time I saw him was back in the spring. He looked great. He was up at Damon's for the Sega hockey challenge with the Red Wings.'

Sgt. Jim Davison
—Canton firefighter

cies, and the Children's Organ Transplant Association, Inc. (CODA), raised \$196,000 — \$96,000 more than what was needed.

Sgt. Jim Davison of the Canton Fire Department, one of Greg's biggest supporters, was shocked to hear about Greg's condition.

"The last time I saw him was back in the spring," he looked

great. He was up at Damon's for the Sega hockey challenge with the Red Wings. He won it but his big thing was that he wanted a kiss from one of the Bud Girls. We were kiddin' with him saying we were going to tell his dad. His brother (Kris, 27) said, 'You won't have to. I have pictures.' That was the last time I really talked to him."

The first nine months after the transplant went well but complications arose and his body has rejected the lungs.

The lungs he received tested positive for Epstein-Barr virus, there's a lot of complications," his mother Barbara Unger said in January. "In Greg's case it causes malignant lesions in the lungs. It's serious but they feel like they caught it early."

A hospital spokeswoman, who wished to remain anonymous, explained that when the immuno-suppression medication, Cyclosporin, is cut down it causes the potential for rejection to occur. His body rejected the lungs and he came down with bronchiolitis obliterans, a disease that many lung transplants die from, she said.

"They've had cases of it before and they treat it by cutting back on the amount of immuno-suppression (medicine) that he receives so that his own natural immune system can fight off the proliferation, and they give him medication."

"When they saw these tumors, they had to reduce the anti-rejection drugs so they could treat the tumors. That started the rejection most likely — a combination of the anti-rejection drugs and the cancerous tumors on his lungs."

Back in January, Barbara said that the transplant would still have been done had the doctors known about the virus.

"They don't consider it that big of a risk," she said. "It's kind of funny. It seems like a big risk to me."



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Enjoying: Canton teen Greg Unger and his mom Barbara enjoyed a benefit hockey game to raise money for his first transplant.

Register for Summit programs

As the lazy days of summer draw to a close, everyone looks forward to a new season at the Summit.

Fall program registration will take place on a first-come, first-served basis for Canton residents, followed by registration for everyone.

Canton residents may participate in general registration and adult aquatics registration 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, in the Summit banquet rooms.

Residents may register for youth aquatic programs only 8-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, in the

Summit gymnasium.

Separating general registration from youth aquatic registration should ease the long lines found at previous registration sessions, said Debra Bilhrey-Honsowetz, Summit manager.

"While it may be inconvenient for people to register on two different days, we are confident the process will be quicker and more efficient under this new schedule," Honsowetz added.

Canton residents are reminded to bring proof of their residency, such as a driver's license, to reg-

istration.

Additionally, annual pass holders must show their Summit identification card to receive the annual pass rate.

Registration for everyone, including non-residents, will begin Monday, Sept. 9, during regular business hours 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. After 5 p.m. an after-hours registration drop box will be available in the Summit lobby.

During this general registration, any openings left in any program may be claimed.

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Women's Health Series at Canton's Summit on the Park

Thursday, Sept. 19 **Hormonal Highs and Lows: What to Expect in Your 30s and 40s**

Doug McKay, MD, OB/Gyn, and Cathy Riffe, PA

This program will help women in their 30s and 40s understand and prepare for changes that commonly occur during the transition between a woman's reproductive years and menopause.

Tuesday, Oct. 15 **Osteoporosis: What Every Woman Should Know**

Dana Berry-Richardson, RN, CFNP, and Judy Benkaser, RN, BSN

Women of all ages will learn to identify and evaluate their risk factors for this bone-thinning disease as well as to learn the steps to take for disease prevention. Also, get the latest information about the advances in diagnosing and treating osteoporosis.

Tuesday, Oct. 29 **Preparing for Pregnancy**

Donna Hrozencik, MD, OB/Gyn

Learn what to expect and how to manage the physical, emotional and lifestyle changes related to pregnancy and childbirth. Topics include encouraging pregnancy, the role of exercise and nutrition and pregnancy after age 35.

Thursday, Nov. 7 **Women and Heart Disease**

Marti McClain, RN, MSN, Heart of a Woman program, Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

A woman has nearly a one in two chance of developing heart disease in her lifetime. This informal discussion will cover what's different about heart disease in women and will answer your questions on how you can live a more heart-healthy life.

Wednesday, Oct. 2

6 p.m. - Networking
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Dinner
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County school chief says state test sets new standard

By BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

Good morning boys and girls. Do you have your number two pencils ready?

That's how Wayne County Schools Superintendent Michael

Flanagan started off a session in which business people, media representatives and educators took a crack at a sample of the high school proficiency test at the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency education building last week.

The results of the first taking of the new high school proficiency test are expected to be released soon. Eleventh-graders statewide were required to take the test last school year. Now seniors, the students can still graduate without passing the test, but must pass it to receive state endorsements on their diplomas. The test is divided into mathematics, science, reading and writing.

"It was going to be a high-stakes test," Flanagan said, but now the stakes aren't quite as high. The test became a standard rather than a requirement to graduate when officials realized how many students would not be able to pass and therefore would not graduate, Flanagan said in making remarks to put the upcoming scores in perspective.

"We're not nearly good enough for today's global competition," Flanagan said of today's students. "We (educators) get beat up about the old days, the days when students were taught the basics, he said.

But when making comparisons people should consider that in the "old days" about half of students dropped out of high school. Today an overwhelming majority of students stay in school and all of them are required to take this test.

Based on a representative sample of student work across the state, 48 percent of students

are expected to attain a proficient rating in mathematics, 31 percent in science, 41 percent in reading and 31 percent in writing.

The high school proficiency test is part of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP). The test is given to 11th-graders, but the students will get other chances to take the test before the end of their senior year.

Eventually ninth and 10th-grade students will be given an opportunity to take the test, according to Sam Ewing, consultant on assessment and evaluation for the Wayne County RESA. Passing the test early can give these students the opportunity to take college-level courses as well as high-school course work, he said.

Passing the test leads to three endorsements: math, science and communication arts (by passing both the reading and writing portions of the test).

Students spent 11-14 hours completing the test over the course of several days. Some School districts will be giving retakes at the end of September and again in the spring. Students don't have to retake the whole test, just the parts they didn't pass.

The tests are based on standards distributed in 1990-92 in a shift from basic skills to essential skills, Ewing said. "This is

the first time kids have been tested against those standards," he said.

Not just multiple choice, in many cases the test requires students to show their work and even explain the process they used.

The completed tests were sent out of state to Measurement Inc., a professional scoring company.

"We didn't know when the kids took the test what the passing score would be," Ewing said. Committees met this summer to review the standards and recommend passing scores on each portion of the test, Ewing said.

Scores fall into three categories, those considered proficient in the subject, novices and not-yet novices. Only those receiving proficient scores will receive state endorsements.

The tests aren't going back to the basics, Ewing said. "You can't go back to the basics, you have to take the basics and go beyond."

"They just can't guess; they have to be able to explain why they did it," Ewing said. The scores are expected to exaggerate the difference between buildings, Ewing said. For example, the range between scoring 70-85 percent can represent six or seven items on the test, he said.

Local educators at the session cautioned about comparisons. Linda Pallas, director of instruction at Redford Union Schools, cautioned that it's really dangerous to only look at the numbers without knowing the students and their strengths.

People need to understand the process and the changes in the test-taking process, said Judy Evola, director of community relations for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

Here's a sample of one type of question on the mathematics portion of the test:

The following are the recommended dosages for children's pain relief tablets based on a child's weight in pounds: 6-11 pounds - 40 milligrams; 12-17 pounds - 80 mg; 18-23 pounds - 120 mg; 24-35 pounds - 160 mg; 36-47 pounds - 240 mg. For every additional 12 pounds an additional 80 mg is needed.

If you continue using this information, which of the following would calculate the number of tablets (160 mg each) a child weighing between 72 and 83 pounds should be given?

- A. $(4 \times 80) \div 160$
- B. $(240 \div 2 \times 80) \div 160$
- C. $(240 \div 3 \times 80) \div 160$
- D. $(240 \div 4 \times 80) \div 160$

The answer is C.

Test targets 4 areas

Here's a breakdown of the high school proficiency test:

■ **Reading** - two parts: in part one, all students read three to four reading selections that present perspectives on the same key concept. The selections vary from 100 to 1,500 words in length. After reading, students are asked to respond to a series of questions. In part two, students are asked to read about a real-life situation related to the key ideas in the reading selections. Then students are asked to answer a question related to the scenario. Using evidence from all of the reading selections, they compose at least a one-to-two page thoughtful response.

■ **Writing** - three parts: in part one, students must select and bring with them two pieces that best illustrate their writing proficiency. At least one piece must be from a class other than English or language arts. Students are then asked to think critically and report and reflect on their own writing. In part two, students are provided a topic and some information related to that topic. Students are then given 20 minutes to respond in writing to a focus question. Afterwards, students have an opportunity to discuss and refine their ideas in small and large group discussions in preparation for the third writing task. Part three asks students to

write about a topic that is connected in some way to the topic in part two. They may respond in any type of writing: stories to essay, fact to fiction. With 100 minutes to respond in part three, students have time for revision and proofreading.

■ **Mathematics**: There are no questions on the test that are purely computational. The test reflects the Model Core Curriculum outcomes approved by the state Board of Education in 1991. The test contains 46 questions. Forty are multiple choice, with 10 questions from each of four content areas: number, data analysis and probability, algebraic ideas and geometry and measurement. The other six questions are open-ended, requiring students to write or construct their own responses.

■ **Science**: The test assesses students' performances on five dimensions of science: using life science, using earth science, using physical science, constructing new scientific knowledge and reflecting on scientific knowledge. There are 30 independent multiple-choice questions, 10 each from the three areas of life science, earth science and physical science. In addition, there are cluster problems, which include four multiple-choice questions and one that requires a constructed response.

The convention grind is mild compared to the last few weeks. As the county's top civil lawyer, she worked on the Detroit Lions stadium deal "a very rewarding experience. I went several nights without sleep to beat the deadline to get it (tax question) on the Nov. 5 ballot."

What stood out at the convention? The Christopher Reeve speech was very much appreciated. He's not a traditional Democrat. He underscored the differences of visions of the two parties. It's ironic, a physical specimen who played Superman winds up a quadriplegic. It could happen to anyone.

■ **I'm a Catholic, and the Catholic Church has tried to pull people up who can't help themselves,** said the member of Our Lady of Good Counsel parish in Plymouth. "I'm more comfortable with a party with an affinity to help."

The issue of assault weapons has been very important to me. When I was in the U.S. attorney's office, all we did were guns and drugs. Drug cases all involved gangster weapons."

She was in Chicago solo for the convention. Husband Daniel Granholm Mulhern was home being vice-president of University of Detroit High School and watching their "fabulous" daughters Kate, 5, and Cecelia, 6, as they start school.

Jennifer Granholm's life has been a series of metamorphoses: ■ **"1976 was when I first became conscious of politics. I actually walked for (President) Jerry Ford in California.**

■ **In 1980 I became a U.S. citizen. I was born in Canada and worked for (independent presidential candidate) John Anderson.**

■ **In 1984 I worked for (Democratic nominee Walter) Mondale, and in 1988 I was deputy director for constituents (for nominee Michael) Dukakis.**

■ **"I went to the American Academy of Dramatic Arts after high school because I wanted to become an actress. But I found you need to have some skills other than yourself. I told myself, I'm tired of being treated like this; I'll show you all; I'm going to be the best law school."**

■ **That was a transforming experience. Women should be strong, and not have to rely on a life partner.**

■ **"I was the first person in my family to go to college. That was University of California at Berkeley, BA, 1984, with majors in political science and French;**

Demos credential process leaves some press fuming

By TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

CHICAGO - Now we know why Republicans want to make English the official language. It takes some explaining.

This year the Democratic National Convention decided to issue just one credential, one time, to the working press. In past years, we had to waste an hour or two each day getting to the convention headquarters to pick up daily credentials.

So at first blush, it appeared the Democrats were improving things.

The Monday session began at 5 p.m. (eastern time). Photographer Doug Ashley suggested we be at the United Center at 4:45 p.m. to do floor pictures of, and interviews with, delegates.

At 4:40 this scribe arrived. But where was the seating? Two trips around the '100 level revealed no doorway where one could enter with a yellow press pass.

Ditto with the suite level, where the VIPs and the TV booths were located.

Ditto with the 200 level. Ditto with the 300 level.

Five inquiries to black-suited "security" officials produced a suggestion that seemed incredible, unbelievable, impossible: Maybe the yellow press pass didn't entitle the wearer to get inside at all - that one had access only to the corridor.

"Go down to room 310 and see the girls in the white T-shirts," said a befuddled security officer. By 5:20 the search ended at

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suite 310. "We can issue you a 30-minute floor pass when the room is opened," said Anamary Torres, who was in charge of the office, "but the room is locked."

At 6 p.m., a full hour after the convention started, Torres had the room opened up. This scribe

was No. 2 in a queue of reporters who, for the first time in anyone's working lifetime, had been denied a seat in any party's convention. They let Torres know how unhappy they were at the seating denial and the hour wait for floor passes.

"I understand how you feel, but you don't know the inside of it," she replied, trying to be cheerful. Would she tell us and let us quote her? "Oh, no," she blurted, waving her hand negatively.

Torres addressed her staff in Spanish, a language which we recognized but in which we weren't fluent. Now we knew why the other party was so hot on English as the official language.

Someone raised a protest about the denial of seats inside the United Center. Replied Torres: "The letter is very clear."

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Voters face many county issues on election ballot

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
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Voters have a few things to think about when they cast their ballot in the Nov. 5 election.

Wayne County commissioners approved several ballot proposals during a special meeting Aug. 22. The deadline to put items on the ballot was Aug. 27.

Not only was a ballot proposal to levy an excise tax on hotel rooms and rental cars in Wayne County to fund a Detroit baseball stadium approved, but commissioners also approved ballot proposals to authorize the commission to appoint an independent commission legal counsel, define the powers of the auditor general and define the veto powers of the county executive.

In an 11-4 vote, the commission refused to consider two ballot proposals introduced by the three Republicans on the commission — term limits and a proposal to require approval of two-thirds of the commission to put a tax increase proposals on the ballot. Local commissioners Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, were two of the sponsors.

Another ballot proposal, a plan to put the 1-mill public safety

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tax on the ballot early that was sent to committee Aug. 15, didn't make it out of committee Aug. 22.

The 1988 proposal authorized levying 1 mill for 10 years from 1988 to 1997 to acquire, construct and/or operate jail, misdemeanors or juvenile incarceration or detention facilities and adult penalty options such as work release, home detention and community restitution; with at least one-tenth of a mill to acquire, build and operate a juvenile work/training institution.

Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, introduced the proposal to change the county charter to allow the commission to appoint independent legal counsel "to assert and defend the legal rights, powers and duties of the county commission" at the Aug. 15 meeting. It was approved by an 8-7 vote Aug. 22.

Local commissioners Michelle Plawecki, D-Dearborn Heights, and McCotter and Patterson voted no. Beard voted yes.

Many legal issues have arisen

in which the commission and the chief executive officer have differing interests and in which the corporation counsel is placed in conflict with the Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct for Attorneys, according to the resolution attached to the proposal.

Another ballot proposal the commission approved would repeal part of the county charter to give the auditor general rather than the chief executive officer power to hire an independent external auditor to prepare a comprehensive annual financial report, power to audit the operations and administration of all county agencies, power to subpoena witnesses and evidence and to authorize penalties for one who conceals or falsifies records or refuses to answer a reasonable inquiry.

A ballot proposal defining veto powers was approved on a 9-6 vote. McCotter, Patterson and Plawecki voted no. Beard voted yes.

It calls for amending the county charter to define those powers that are and are not subject to veto. For example, a veto override would not be subject to veto under the proposal.

Area teachers among first to earn special certification

Thirty teachers participated in a pilot test-preparation project led by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, including four from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

They are among the first 61 educators nationwide to receive certificates in early childhood from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

Kathy Lysaght Dascenzo, Constance J. Flynn, Penny Kay Joy and Jean Marie LaPointe all of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools achieved certification.

To earn national board certification, teachers demonstrate their knowledge and skills through a year-long series of performance-based assessments, including portfolios of student work, interviews, videotapes and analyses of their classroom teaching.

Teachers also complete assessment center exercises that include essays that probe their knowledge.

This is the first time the

national board has awarded certification in the area of early childhood (students ages 3 through 8). In anticipation of the first round of testing, the national board awarded a grant to RESA in 1994 to set up a pilot certification preparation project. RESA consultant Gloria Conn led the project, which involved holding weekly support classes from January through July 1995 for teachers from metro Detroit who had agreed to go through the national board certification process. These classes involved a combination of training in practical skills, such as how to put together a portfolio or video, along with preparing the teachers for the written part of the assessment. In July 1995, 44 teachers who had participated in the project began the certification process; of those, 30 received certification.

"I am so proud of the teachers who completed the process for certification," Conn said. "This was a very rigorous professional development experience and

they were truly pioneers. Their students, parents and communities should be very proud of them."

"For all teachers who seek national board certification, this is a powerful professional development experience that prompts them to reflect on the strategies they use to reach students, to work collaboratively with their colleagues and to improve their teaching practice," said James A. Kelly, president of the national board. In addition to the 61 teachers nationwide who earned certification in early childhood, another 47 earned certification in middle childhood (student ages 7 through 12). Eventually, the national board will offer more than 30 different certificates covering kindergarten through 12th grade student ages and subject areas.

RESA provides services to the 34 public school districts, 19 public school academies and 212 private schools in Wayne County.

Library program will showcase works of William Shakespeare

Area residents and others intrigued by the writings of William Shakespeare can explore his original plays and their modern counterparts in the series, "Shakespeare — Not for an age, but for all time."

Presented by the Carl Sandburg branch of the Livonia Public Library, the series features six Madonna University faculty who will share their insights on Shakespeare's works.

Programs will be held on Monday and Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. Admission is free and refreshments will be served. The series begins Tuesday, Sept. 10, and concludes Monday, Dec. 16.

On Tuesday, Sept. 10, participants will view the film "Kiss Me Kate" followed by a Monday, Sept. 16, presentation by Jacqueline Anderson about

"Taming of the Shrew." Anderson is an associate professor of communication arts.

On Tuesday, Oct. 1, the film "Hamlet" will be shown. Kathleen O'Dowd, professor of communication arts, will present a program about the play "Rosenkrantz & Guildenstern are Dead" Monday, Oct. 7.

Akira Kurosawa's film "Ran" will be shown Tuesday, Oct. 22, with a discussion led by James Reilly about "King Lear" Monday, Oct. 28. Reilly is a professor of communication arts.

The Academy Award-winning film "West Side Story" will be featured on Tuesday, Nov. 12, followed by Richard Sax's program on "Romeo and Juliet" Tuesday, Nov. 19. Sax is dean of Madonna University's College of Arts and Humanities.

Madonna plans homecoming to mark university's 50th

All Madonna University alumni and friends are invited to attend the school's 50th anniversary homecoming weekend, Friday through Monday, Sept. 27-30.

Among the events will be a president's reception Friday evening; an open house with guided tours, workshops and an informal dance on Saturday; a

recognition luncheon on Sunday and the Golden Classic Golf Outing held at the Golden Fox, Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth on Monday. Other activities will include Eucharistic Liturgies, a Franciscan tribute, a deli luncheon and continental breakfasts.

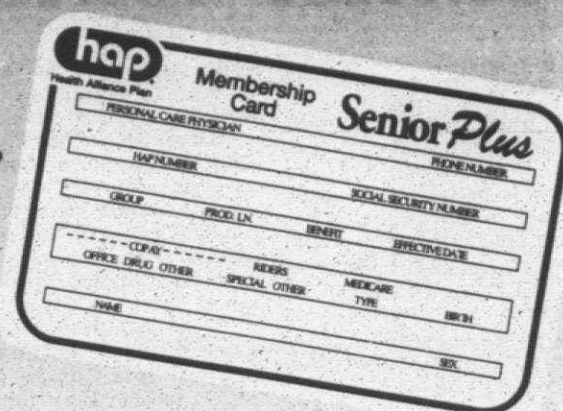
Out-of-town guests can stay at the Holiday Inn Livonia West for

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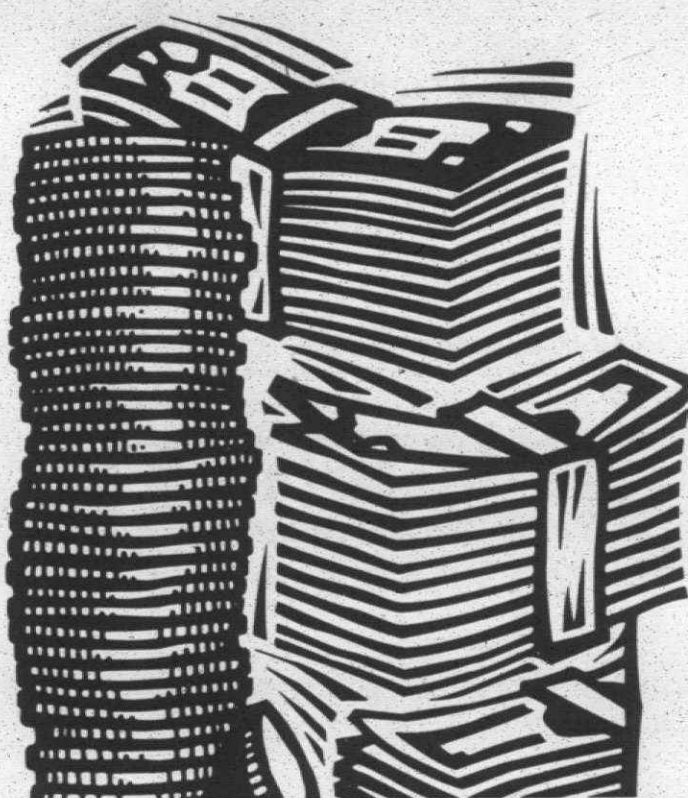
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Teacher contract negotiations continue today

BY M.B. DILLON
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With five years of college and a 16-year teaching career to her credit, Betty DuBois says she deserves to be treated as a professional. With the Plymouth-Canton teachers' contract still unsettled, that's not the case, says the Canton High School life management skills teacher.

My personal opinion is that they are not treating us as professionals at all, and I don't know why I feel as though I've done something wrong — even though I know I haven't — and I'm being punished," DuBois said. "It's very discouraging."

Negotiators for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and its teachers have been bargaining

since the first of the year. The district is asking teachers to switch health care carriers.

Bargainers for the Plymouth-Canton Education Association and the district are set to resume negotiating at 3:30 p.m. today. The board met in closed session to discuss negotiations last night at the intermediate school district in Wayne.

"Teachers are working and doing their job, but they're not happy," said Central Middle School teacher Earl Harrington. "There seems to be the threat of losing insurance, or paying a whole lot extra to keep what we've got. We've been going since January; you'd figure we'd be done. This hurts everything; it hurts your morale; that's for

sure." Errol Goldman, chief negotiator for the district, said, "When you have a health insurance plan that's comparable as determined by a union-selected consultant, the district should be paying the lower cost."

"We've tried to address the concerns and make sure teachers get to pick their own doctors. They can continue with Blue Cross (for \$23 a month for a single person). If we can provide teachers with a comparable plan for less cost, we have an obligation to the community to do that."

Tom Cotner, chief negotiator for the PCEA, said, "I don't understand why they feel it is necessary to go after both salary and benefits in the same contract, especially since it is only a one-year contract we're trying to get. I understand they're feeling their oats — generally because of attitudes toward teachers right

now, and specifically because of changes in the law."

A new state law gives teachers for work stoppages and empowers school boards to invoke their last best offer if an impasse is reached and arbitrator's decision isn't to their liking.

"Negotiations are give and take," Cotner said. "The pendulum swings back and forth. Frankly, there have been times when we had the power, and times when they had it. But I've never seen them quite this mercurial."

Goldman says there's "certainly no fat in the budget. The union is welcome to look at the budget."

Other districts are confronting similar situations with health care, said Goldman. "I don't know specifics of other districts, but I do know it is a major piece of employment costs. You start looking at areas where you can make some adjustments."

Cotner says that while health care is a big issue nationally, "I cannot find a single situation (in other school districts) where this is happening with this scope."

While Blue Cross and Mercy coverage may be comparable, "the size of the networks (Blue Cross and Mercy, favored by the district) isn't even close," said Cotner. "Obviously Blue Cross is a well-recognized, national organization. Mercy is basically Washtenaw County. At this time, there's one participating hospital in Wayne County: Henry Ford, and other than that, St. Joe's."

"We're talking about people who've gone to a doctor for 25 years. All of a sudden they can't go to that doctor unless they're willing to pay."

Goldman says the district is concerned about teacher morale. "The board is not out to punish any teachers. If we can choose between comparable carriers, we

believe we should be paying for the lesser expensive of the two. We're still allowing teachers to continue with Blue Cross, so they still have their choice."

Board vice president Mike Maloney said, "I'm hoping we will be able to get an amicable settlement within the next couple weeks. I'm pleased that employees are conducting themselves in a very professional way."

Maloney is married to an Allen Elementary School teacher, which makes this "stressful for our family. I don't think there is anyone in the district who would like a settlement more than we would."

Also negotiating is the Plymouth-Canton Administrators' union. The custodial-maintenance union is bargaining a wage re-opener with the district.

Flying from page 1A

"It's a challenge — you buy a kit and it comes in a bunch of pieces of wood and you put it together," explained Richard Vukmirovich, Flying Pilgrims public relations coordinator.

And the challenge is to see if it flies," he said. "We're just a bunch of old folks having a good time. I always wanted to fly. I got my pilot's license at 17 years old."

The 180 club members range from teenagers to men in their 70s with the majority being middle aged and older. They come from all over Michigan and Canada.

"We promote the hobby, because it's good for younger kids and older guys," Vukmirovich said. "When I came to the club 10 years ago there were 40 or 50 members. A lot of older gentlemen are starting to get into model airplanes."

The most exciting part of the hobby, Pesonen said, is building a plane all winter long and taking it on a field and seeing if it flies.

"Anytime you have a new airplane it's very exciting," said Pesonen, a Westland resident.

"It limits a lot of younger guys, because it is expensive, but it is rewarding."

Miniature aircrafts range from \$200 to \$10,000 and they're not easy to fly. In fact, Pesonen explained it takes about 15 hours of instruction before most people can fly solo in a real plane. However, before you are certified to fly miniature aircraft you need about 20 hours of instruction. Flying Pilgrims offer training programs.

Brandon Blair, a 15-year-old Plymouth resident who hopes to be a fire pilot someday, was recently certified to fly miniature planes.

"I'm just now learning to fly the different types of planes," said Blair who will be flying during the phase out with his father, Ken.

"It's fun," Blair said.

Stanley Spiewak, 74, said he's been flying miniature planes since 1929. "I've tried every other sport in the world and this is the best," he said. "As a boy I couldn't stay away from Detroit City Airport. My mother would have to come down there to find me."

Anyone interested in joining the Flying Pilgrims should call Vukmirovich at (313) 537-2546.



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Seat belt use in Wayne County lags behind state

Safety belts only work when they are buckled up.

That's the message police officers are trying to deliver as they step up enforcement of the state safety belt law.

During the Safe & Sober enforcement period through Sept. 8, additional officers have been on duty to watch specifically for safety belt use on city streets, roads, highways and freeways in Wayne County, according to Lt. John A. Mitchell of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department.

Motorists who are not buckled up will be ticketed. Tickets for failing to buckle up in Michigan range from \$50 to \$75. In Michigan, motorists violating the safety belt use law may only be cited if they are pulled over for another moving violation. Each passenger 16 and older who is not wearing a safety belt may be given a ticket.

In a recent observational survey conducted by the University of Michigan, 67 percent of motorists were wearing safety

belts. Although safety belt use in Wayne County has increased in recent years, it still lags behind the state's average at 60 percent usage.

It's easier for people to understand the value of safety belts when they see the science behind them, according to Mitchell.

To accomplish this, police have joined forces with AlliedSignal Automotive to provide a look at safety belt research.

The two-inch strip of fabric that consumers call the safety belt is actually a system of 30-90 component parts which are subjected to more than 200 rigorous tests to ensure they meet government standards and minimize occupant injury in car crashes, according to Don DeFosset, president of AlliedSignal Safety Restraint Systems and chairman of the Automotive Occupant Restraint Council.

In addition to sled tests that measure occupant movement and injury, safety belt systems

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also undergo tests where they are subjected to temperatures greater than 200 degrees and as cold as 50 degrees below zero to ensure they operate as effectively in Phoenix and Anchorage as they do in metropolitan Detroit, DeFosset said.

"Restraint systems are constantly being refined to improve consumer comfort and convenience," DeFosset said in a press release. "Some of these improvements include softer webbing, adjustable turning loops for shoulder harness webbing and end release buckles."

Some safety belt facts:

■ Three years after Michigan

enacted its safety belt use law in 1985, injuries from auto accidents decreased substantially. Fatal injuries were 31 percent lower; serious injuries, 49 percent; and minor injuries, 13 percent. During the same period, costs associated with injuries declined as well: fatal injury costs dropped 53 percent; severe injury costs, 35 percent; and serious injury costs, 49 percent.

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■ Forty-eight states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Territories have enacted

safety belt use laws.

■ A survey of Michigan motorists conducted by the University of Michigan showed that safety belt use was lowest among drivers and passengers of pickup trucks. Only 44.9 percent of these individuals were buckled up during a 1994 observational study of Michigan vehicles.

■ Safety belt use is lowest among 16- to 29-year-olds. Only 60 percent of these young and men wore safety belts during the most recent observational survey. Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death in this age group.

■ More than 70 percent of babies ages one to four and adults 60 and older obeyed Michigan's safety belt use law. Usage is highest among these groups.

■ Michigan law requires children from one to four years old to be in a child safety seat in the front or rear of the vehicle. It is also permissible for youngsters to be restrained by a safety belt in the rear seat.

■ Passengers ages four to 16 must be in a safety belt in the front or back seat of a vehicle. If stopped, the driver of the vehicle will receive the citation for violations for this age group.

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State web site provides access to current health-related data

Want to know how many babies were born in Michigan in 1990? Or how many people got married in 1992? Or how many long-term care facilities there are? If you have a computer and you're on the Internet, that's now easy to do.

Statistical tables, graphs and reports from the Office of the State Registrar and Division of Health Statistics (OSR) are now available on the department's Internet web site, Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) Director James K. Haveman, Jr. announced last week.

"The Internet is an important vehicle for making our information available to the public," Haveman said. "Because materials on the Internet can be

accessed from anywhere in the state and the world, it provides an excellent opportunity to extend our services and distribute our data and statistics to our customers," he added.

The Office of the State Registrar (OSR) is responsible for the collection, compilation, analysis, and publication of statistics about health and health-related matters. The office maintains databases on births, deaths, marriages, divorces, cancer diagnoses, hospitals, hospital discharges, abortions, licensed physicians, licensed nurses, magnetic resonance imaging, long-term care facilities, and birth defects.

OSR provides these data through a variety of mechanisms to ensure that they are useful,

accessible, and timely. "The web offers a technology by which our materials are instantaneously accessible to the public," said State Registrar George Van Amburg. "It is an excellent enhancement to our existing services."

The new OSR web site provides access to the most frequently requested tables, graphs and reports. "We will add new and additional statistical materials and features on a regular basis," Van Amburg said. "The use of the Internet technology enhances our efforts to distribute the most current data to the public in a timely and efficient manner."

The OSR web site can be accessed from the department's home page. The address (URL) is: <http://www.mdch.state.mi.us/>. SOURCE: Michigan Department of Community Health

Hines Drives now closed weekends through September

Saturday in the Park has been a big hit with walkers, runners, bicyclists and skaters for the past few years, and now the program is expanding to Sundays.

Now every Sunday through Sept. 29, 6 miles of Hines Drive will be closed to vehicular traffic between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. so that the public can run, walk, cycle or skate safely.

"It's great to see people coming out to enjoy the park," Hurley Coleman, director of Wayne County Parks, said.

"Parents can bring their children with tricycles and bicycles with training wheels on Satur-

days and Sundays. It's also a great place for skaters; more and more are coming to Hines Drive since so many communities have passed ordinances against skating in the streets," Coleman said.

Hines Drive will be closed from Ann Arbor Trail to Outer Drive for the Sunday in the Park program. Parking is available at Warrendale (Warren Avenue east of Telegraph); Meriman Hollow (Meriman Road and Hines Drive); and Nankin Mills Picnic Areas (Hines Drive and Ann Arbor Trail).

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Newcomers

Club has helped for 25 years

Moving to a brand new community can be intimidating and lonely.

You don't know anyone. No one knows you. You aren't sure where to shop, who to call for babysitting, where the nearest doctor, dentist or hospital is. And pretty much you're still trying to get your bearings and get over being homesick for your last home, neighbors, friends and community.

That's why the Canton Newcomers Club was started 25 years ago by a small group of women who had just moved into the township. They were stay-at-home moms in a new community and they wanted to find friends to share the same new experiences.

The group of women was told they couldn't join the existing Plymouth Newcomers Club because... well they lived on the other side of Joy Road in Canton.

That didn't faze the women one bit. They jumped in and started the club. Within the first and second year, the club had about 300 members.

Today, those early founders of the Canton Newcomers are being sought by current members to help celebrate the club's 25th anniversary. These women deserve credit for planting the foundation of what has become a popular and wildly successful non-profit organization that continues to draw members.

But credit also goes to today's members, officers and committee chairs who through changing times have kept the club healthy and involved in the community.

Don't think for a moment that the Newcomers is a fancy name for a kaffee klatsch. On the contrary, members work hard to keep the club successful.

For members, the club offers social activities, such as arts and crafts, card groups and nights on the town. It also provides a base for mothers to get together and share babysitting and play activities for their children.

But the club does more. It particularly helps new residents get acquainted with the community and gets them involved with the community. Guest speakers are invited to the monthly membership meetings. Coming up is Sandra Murphy of the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Out-Wayne County.

What really clinches the club's success is its membership's unselfish devotion to helping others in need. The club's most noticeable effort is the annual fund-raiser for Community Hospice. And it's not an amateur effort.

By selling raffle tickets and garnering support and gifts from community businesses, the Newcomers raise thousands of dollars annually for the hospice.

Already, members are gearing up to help with the communitywide Make A Difference Day Oct. 26 by collecting food for needy families. They also help First Step, a shelter for battered women, by making and filling Christmas stockings and Easter baskets.

What makes this club stand out among the rest is its continuing freshness and its commitment to members and the programs and projects that make Canton a nicer place to live.

You'll come across the Newcomers in the community because they know how to get out and get things done. And when you hear someone say they are with the Newcomers, ask how to belong and then get involved.

School bells ring for safety

School's open now and while students need to focus on academics, parents and adults need to remember the ABCs of traffic safety.

Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death for children under 15, according to AAA Michigan.

In Michigan, from 1990 through 1994, 146 child pedestrians under 15 were killed in motor vehicle crashes, an average of 29 children per year.

In addition, in the 1993-94 school year, 45 students were killed nationally in school bus transportation accidents. Of these, 35 were either approaching or leaving a school bus loading zone, according to the National Safety Council.

And if these "numbers" don't adequately put a face on the safety issue, take some time to look around your neighborhood and even your own family.

"These numbers are just too high, when you consider that those lives could have been saved if drivers and students had exercised a little more caution," said Jerry Basch, AAA Michigan Community Safety Services manager.

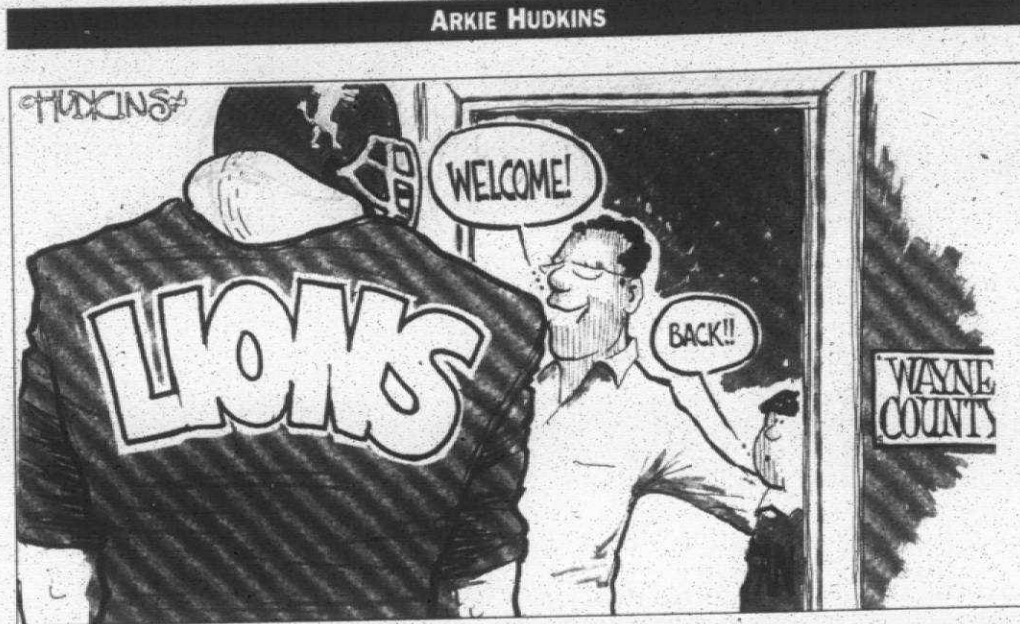
AAA Michigan recommends the following safety tips:

- Slow down around schools and in residential areas.
- In neighborhoods near schools, drive with your headlights on (even during the day) so children and other drivers can see you.
- Look for clues that indicate children

might be in the area (i.e., school safety patrols, adult crossing guards, bicycles, school buses, playground).

- Practice extra caution in bad weather.
- Always stop for school buses that are loading and unloading students.
- Buckle up every time you get in a car. Although drivers need to be extra careful this time of year, safety is an issue for all ages.
- For students:
- Choose the route with the fewest streets to cross.
- Go directly to and from school.
- Cross only at corners or designated areas.
- Cooperate with school safety patrols and adult crossing guards.
- Stop and look in all directions for approaching and turning traffic before crossing.
- Look left, then right, then left again for a safe gap in traffic before crossing.
- Obey all traffic signs and signals.
- Walk on the left side, far from the roadway, facing approaching traffic on roads with outwalks.
- Be extra alert in bad weather.
- If you're out after dark, wear light colors with reflective materials.
- Be especially careful walking to and from school bus stops.

Let caution be the watchword for parents, students and motorists now that the 1996-97 school year is under way.



LETTERS

Negotiators, "stand firm"

I would like to take this opportunity to comment on the issue of PCEA Contract Negotiations. Last evening I attended the PCCS board of education meeting.

Had I known what to expect at that meeting in terms of the turnout of teachers and their comments, I would have been more prepared to address them and the board at that time. Since I wasn't prepared, I hope that these comments will reach them and much of the community through this medium.

I would like to encourage the negotiators to "stand firm" on the issues. Based on the comments from the teachers (and the signs), it seems that the two major issues are salaries and benefits.

I understand that it is the right of the union to negotiate a fair settlement but I find it necessary to ask the question, "when is enough, enough?"

These teachers need to realize that we all live in a world of dual-income families and shrinking middle class.

As it was explained last night, and has been explained at other board meetings that I have attended, the medical benefits are not being "taken away" from the teachers. They are simply being asked to contribute if they choose to keep their current coverage.

I don't believe that this is any different from what many companies are doing now. As far as salaries are concerned, teachers in our district earn from approximately \$30,000-\$60,000 annually. I believe that this is competitive with professional salaries overall and on the high side for teachers.

As a parent in this district, I want the best education for my children and I understand that the teachers want the best for themselves.

However, current financial conditions are dictating that everyone work together to make the most of what we have. I hope that the teachers can understand the current situation and act accordingly.

I would also like to take this opportunity to comment on the way that the teachers have conducted themselves. It seems to me that a group of people who want to be treated as professionals should make more of an effort to act professionally. I don't find it very professional to disrupt meetings by talking amongst themselves during the meeting and hissing at opinions that differ from theirs.

I would also suggest that if they attend the meeting to share their opinions, it would be beneficial for them to stay for the entire meeting to learn what other issues are facing the district and The Board of Education. It may give them a better understanding of why some of the decisions are being made the way they are.

Thank you for allowing this opportunity to.

voice my opinion.

Suzanne Dershem
Canton

End blockade of Cuba

It is time to end not only the Helms-Burton Agreement, but to end the blockade of Cuba. It is counterproductive to all our interests there. At a time when the most advantageous position would be that of a friendly neighbor, we have chosen once again to be the bully.

In recent conversations with Cuban friends I find a surprising contentment among the populace despite the many hardships that have arisen since the dissolution of the Soviet empire. This is the ninth consecutive administration to use the same tactics to force Fidel Castro from office - it should be pretty obvious that it doesn't work.

The embarrassing unilateral embargo by the United States is a policy dictated by the powerful (and wealthy) Cuban population of Miami. It is a classic case of the tail wagging the dog. Most people in the rest of the United States know little of the realities of the Cuban situation, nor do they care much about it. The information they do receive is all filtered through Miami.

It is a time when Castro sees the need for change and, although he insists on (as always) doing it his own way, a change in U.S. policy could well lead to an opening of Cuba. It is criminal to deny the people of Cuba the food and medicine that they so desperately need. Despite its many problems, Cuba has, under Castro, been a country of the people. In no other third world country are the health care systems and educational systems so dedicated to the welfare of all citizens as they are in Cuba.

I realize that the downing of the two Brothers to the Rescue planes caused a setback in advancing U.S./Cuba relations, but let's not lose sight of the fact that it is Jose Basulto who is the criminal here. It is incredulous to me that the Miami Cuban population can wield so much power - their vote will be Republican regardless of what happens and yet the president and the Democrats in Congress still bow to their wishes. The reality is that the land in Cuba changed hands almost 40 years ago and, regardless of the changes that take place now or in the future, things will never revert to former times.

Helms-Burton equates Cuba with terrorist nations such as Libya, Iraq, and Iran. For the United States to have favored trade status with such repressive nations as China, Kuwait, and Saudi Arabia and yet attempt to further isolate a neighbor such as Cuba is unacceptable. End the embargo now.

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POINTS OF VIEW

Old-fashioned humor can lift youthful gloom

After waking up screaming from dreaming I was back in high school, I wonder if kids view going back to school these days with high hopes or a sense of dread.

The non-stop bickering and demands on and from parents and teachers in the chaos that freedom of choice often inspires probably doesn't help spur them on with any great enthusiasm, and in crowded inner cities riddled with violence and neglect it is simply every kid for themselves rather than one for all.

I recall being a rather morbid child, but reflecting upon the times I can certainly see why. I personally have no nostalgia for the 60s because innocent elementary school days were weirdly woven with what seemed like incessant assassinations, mass murderers and war. Bad drugs, bad music and bad fashion not to mention the twisted concept of "Free Love" that everyone is paying dearly for

now, made a grim backdrop for many kids who were determined not to be swept away by waves of bitter conflict.

I considered myself eager for knowledge and willing to learn, yet always hampered by a certain social ineptitude that baffles me to this day. The first nine years of school were mapped out by three older sisters who were talented enough to work to my advantage in most cases where we all had the same teachers.

I do, however, question the wisdom of lifting me up on to an already upright piano on my very first day of school to sing "I've Been Working on the Railroad" while the entire class stared up my dress. The principal was a formidable blend of Margaret Thatcher and George Patton whose office I was only sent to once for cornering the despicable Richard LaPierre who dashed over on a daily basis to pull up the skirts of weaker

GUEST COLUMNIST



DOROTHY MATSU

prey for the other boys who would be boys. A scaredy-cat of no repute, I snapped one day and hurled him into the chain link fence proceeding to thrash him roundly with my deady jump-rope made of plastic covered clothesline. I stood in the cloakroom for an hour and savored every moment of it.

My only other outburst would be in the fourth grade. Wayne White was

the terror of the city and the class, a loathsome torturer who could make Satan burst into tears and whose intimidation overlooked no one child or adult. As I stole myself to pass the evil one's desk I saw him gloating over the collection of lunches he had already stolen before school and seized upon the opportunity to slam the top down on his pointy little head. For this I received a satisfying round of applause from the long-suffering teacher and crowd of fellow victims.

Junior high was dangerous with some hulking students older than the teachers and the "Special Class" of criminally insane youths lurking in the locker and washrooms. We tried our tongues at languages, babbling in French, and rolling Rs in a German class where the foolhardy Herr Genis tried to get us to sing his national anthem every day. I excelled at obscure interests, yet in spite of summer school and tutors, remained

dumb as a sack of doorknobs at any math past long division.

We are all concerned about illiteracy and depression among youth, so I pray some mandatory reading has been revised. Just when we needed it least we were fed a mean diet of Camus, Kafka, Dostoevsky among others wallowing in plague, penal colonies and sickening angst. Small wonder many teens prefer fashion trends that in their quest for individuality finds them all looking like specters of death.

Some decent doses of Great American Humor might just do wonders to lift the gloom a bit, not to mention encouraging reading as a pleasure and a privilege. Good luck kiddos!

Dorothy Matsu is a Plymouth resident. If you are interested in submitting a guest column, please contact Joanne Maliszewski, Canton Observer editor, 459-2700.

Voters will decide Democrats' new moderation

Democrats as a party are moving to the moderate middle of the road - just as Doug Ross, a former official in Gov. Jim Blanchard's and President Clinton's administrations, said. Evidence:

- "A smaller, more effective, more efficient, less bureaucratic government."
- "A record number of new small businesses in each of the last three years."
- "The private sector is the engine of economic growth."
- "We fought to put America's economic house in order so private business could prosper."
- "Cutting the deficit, expanding trade."
- "Fiscal responsibility."
- "Schools should be run by teachers and principals, not by Washington."
- And Hillary Clinton's retreat. Hillary's retreat??? Absolutely. Democrats, like all partisans, have selective hearing. In their euphoria, they heard the first lady make a spirited defense against Republican nominee Bob Dole's attack on her book, "It

Takes a Village."

Read her Aug. 27 convention speech in black and white, by the cool light of dawn, however, and she says something different.

Dole's view is that it takes a family to raise a child. A man gets a job and marries a woman sometime before the first baby arrives. It's tough, but they try to make a go of it.

The counterculture view is that a girl has a baby at 14 and two more by the time she's 21; never marries, cracks a book or qualifies for a job; collects AFDC, food stamps and rent supplements; and becomes a grandmother by 30. Her support is not husband and family but government - "alias 'a village.'"

Mrs. Clinton's retreat was subtle: "For Bill and me, family has been the center of our lives..." In October, Bill and I will celebrate our 21st wedding anniversary. Bill was with me when Chelsea was born. In the delivery room. In my hospital room. And when we brought our baby daughter home

"Bill and I are fortunate that our jobs have allowed us to take breaks



TIM RICHARD

from work, not only when Chelsea was born but to attend her school events and take her to the doctor."

She alternately referred to him as husband Bill and the president.

She muscled onto Dole's ground in arguing: "Family has been the center of our lives" but stuck to her governmental guns by adding, "But we also know that our family, like yours, is part of a larger community that can help or hurt our best efforts to raise our child."

The moderate approach is correct. First priority:

ty: a working dad, married to the mother, with hopefully supportive grandparents, aunts and uncles. Second priority: good public schools, insurance, safe streets and other community supports.

Mrs. Clinton's speech, along with the platform quoted above, is a major shift from such Democratic conventions as 1984's in San Francisco where every speech paid homage to "sexual preference," where more social services were the cure for everything. Folks who voted for the New Deal would recognize the 1996 Democratic rhetoric.

Meanwhile, the GOP has turned to the right. The two at the top of the ticket are moderate enough, but the Republican Party that was born "under the oaks" at Jackson, Michigan, is now run from under the mag-

nolias of Jackson, Mississippi.

Consider: The Senate majority leader is from Mississippi; the party chair is from Mississippi; the House speaker is from Georgia; the evangelist who controls the biggest bloc of votes is from Virginia. The states that bolted the Democratic Party in 1948 have taken a disproportionate number of key posts in the Republican Party.

Democratic rhetoric clearly has shifted to the middle of the road, where Eisenhower in 1952 and Jim Blanchard in 1982 won and ruled.

Whether Democrats are serious about their new moderation will be up to voters to decide.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events.

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QUESTION:
What's your favorite fall activity?



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Westland



Carolyn Sumner
Canton

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.

"Going to the apple orchards and cider mills."

"I guess going to the park with my kids."

"Football! Both playing and watching it."

"Walking in the park. Anywhere outside."

Fall Festival Schedule

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6

SENIOR CITIZENS' DAY

6:30 P.M., OPENING CEREMONIES, PLYMOUTH FIFE AND DRUM ESCORT.

7 P.M., COMMUNITY BAND, STROLLING ENTERTAINMENT, JASON ABBOT, MAGIC.

7 P.M. - 9:30 P.M., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMAN BINGO AT "THE GATHERING."

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

KIDS' DAY

7 A.M. - 1 P.M.

KIWANIS PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT "THE GATHERING."

9 A.M. - 11:30 P.M.

OPTIMIST PET CONTEST AT THE BANDSHELL, PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW, CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL. KIDS RIDES AND GAMES.

NOON

POLISH CENTENNIAL DANCERS.

1 P.M.

THE FABULOUS MIPPS, PUPPET THEATER.

2 P.M.

IRISH DANCERS, STROLLING FRED THE SMOOCH, SPAGHETTI THE CLOWN, THE INVISIBLE MAN.

3 P.M.

CHATAQUA EXPRESS.

4 P.M.

ALIEN INVASION, SPACE PUPPET SHOW.

5 P.M.

DEREK DYE, CIRCUS JUGGLING.

6 P.M.

BILL SCHELLIRT, ILLUSIONIST.

7:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M., DR. BOB HEYDEN, DJ STREET DANCE BY THE BANDSHELL.

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KAREN MEIER

*Cecil suffered
for the dollar*

Something went wrong with our pet turtle.
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And it wasn't until Friday that we knew it. That morning when I came downstairs for breakfast I saw Cecil in his turtle tank, sitting on his rock. I told him, "Good morning," like usual. And then I noticed his head resting on the rock. I'd never seen him do that. It looked odd. I tapped on the glass and he lifted his head. I was relieved. But only for a moment, because then he put it back down again. Perhaps the lingering darkness of that rainy morning made him think it was still night? I hoped. But when I flipped the light on, he didn't perk up. I put him in his water to let him swim and give him food. He didn't paddle his feet and he didn't zero in on the food and he didn't get his head above water.

He's a water turtle, not a fish. He needed air. I brought him back up on his rock.

Something was wrong.

I looked in the Yellow Pages – for a vet. I wasn't sure a vet was even the one to call. Would a vet look at a reptile? I called. The receptionist said that in their waiting room in a tank was a turtle, a red-eared slider. (Cecil was a red-eared slider.) This doctor knew turtles. I then described what'd happened that morning. I was told, "Bring him in."

So with children in tow, I took Cecil to the vet.

See **FAMILY ROOM, 3B**

Diamonds add sparkle to benefit

■ "Hollywood Nights" has been St. Mary Hospital's fund-raiser for four years. This year they decided to make the benefit truly "Hollywood."



BY DIANE GALE
SPECIAL WRITER

The Diamonds will add sparkle to St. Mary Hospital's annual benefit, Hollywood Nights IV.

"We thought since it's Hollywood Nights we would go Hollywood this year," according to Sherri Fletcher, St. Mary Hospital director of fundraising and volunteer services.

"We like to call it a diamond-studded extravaganza," she said. "This is the largest fund-raising effort of the hospital."

The soiree, which includes taped music by The Diamonds of "Why Do Fools Fall In Love" fame, is Thursday, Oct. 17, at Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center in Livonia and will also include music from the Johnny Trudell Band.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 7 p.m. Formal wear is optional.

"It's a vehicle to make people aware of what St. Mary is about," Fletcher said. "We want people in the community to know we are doing everything possible to ensure quality and excellence."

She pointed to the hospital's recent accreditation with commendation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health-Care Organizations. Only 12 percent of the more than 5,000 hospitals nationwide received the recognition. St. Mary Hospital's 98 score out of 100 points makes the facility one of 3.6 percent of accredited hospitals awarded the score nationwide.

"We're building the future for the



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

A 'Hollywood' affair: Sherri Fletcher, director of fund-raising and volunteer services at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, says "Hollywood Nights IV," a benefit held Thursday, Oct. 17, at Laurel Manor, is a good way to inform the public about about the hospital.

health care of the community," according to Julie Sproul, St. Mary Hospital director of community relations.

Changes at the Five Mile and Levan facility during the last year have been constant and include the relocation and additions to the emergency center; a child care center; 20 private suites for labor, delivery, recovery and postpartum that are scheduled to open in the spring; a new surgical suite; and an addi-

tion to the Marian Women's Center as a support for women's health care.

"Everyone sees the brick and mortar expansion," Fletcher said. "There's also more high-tech equipment going in and an expanded physician base. There's anticipation of many things to come." One new advancement is a method for providing surgical instruments and sterile supplies to operating rooms.

Amid the hospital metamorphosis,

employees held a kick-off for Hollywood Nights that featured hula hoop dancing and a party with tape music by The Diamonds. Even the people who are too young to remember the group have heard some of their music.

The Diamonds began their recording career in 1956 with "Why Do Fools Fall in Love," followed by "Church Bells May Ring," and "Little Darlin'," which was one of the

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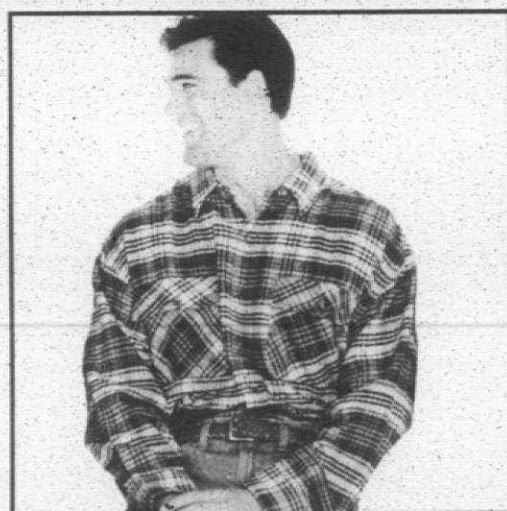
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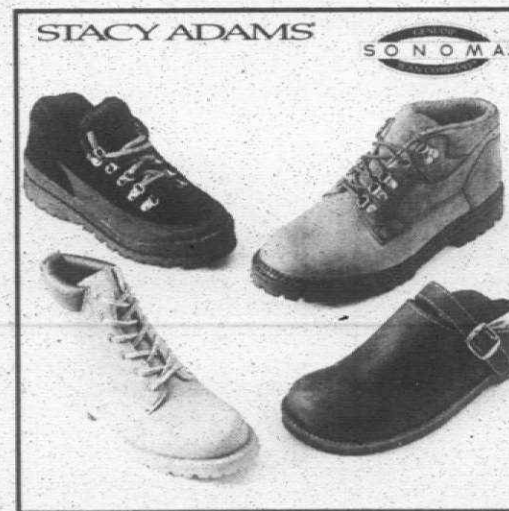
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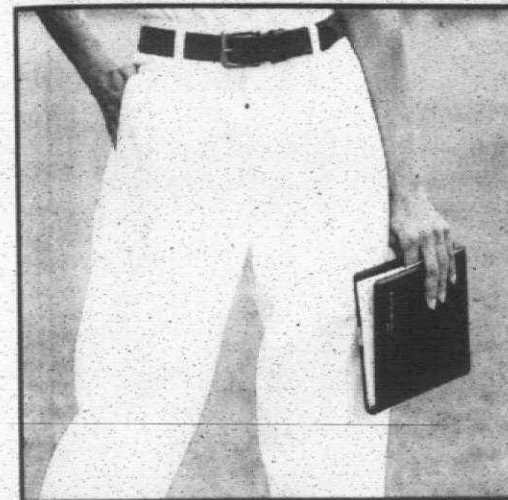
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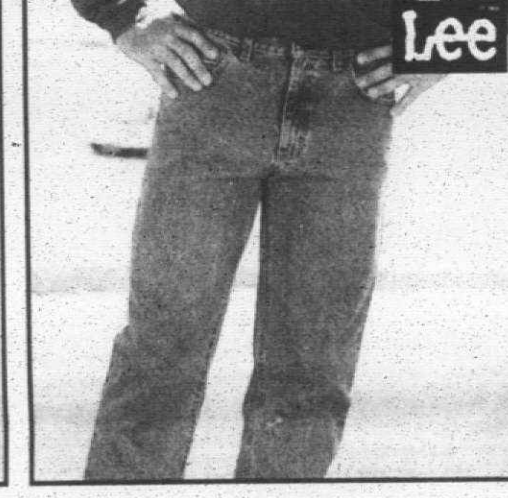
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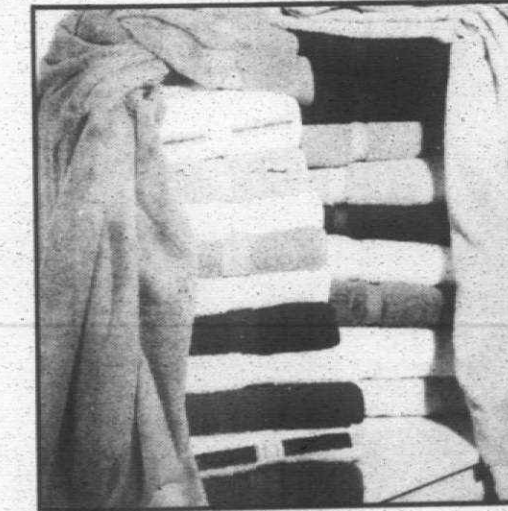
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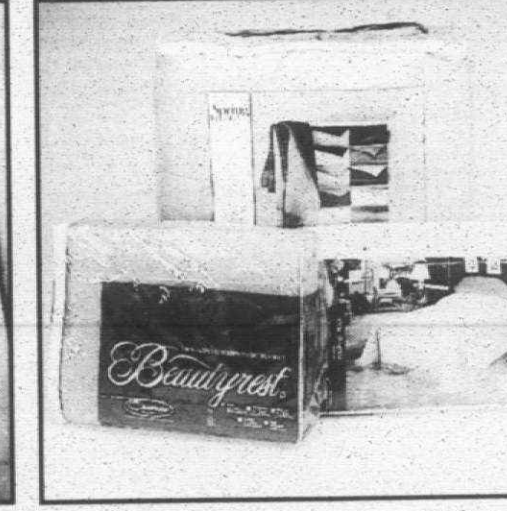
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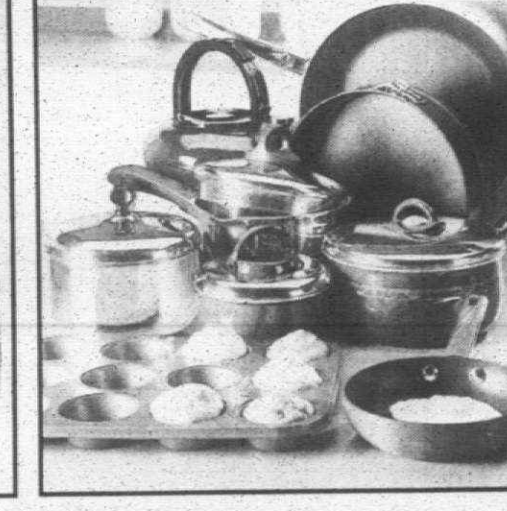
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ST. RAPHAEL FESTIVAL

St. Raphael Church, 31530 Beechwood, Garden City, is having its annual festival Friday, Sept. 13-Sunday, Sept. 15, featuring country music and line dancing by Waco, '50s and '60s music by The Larados, and a Polka Mass on Sunday. There will be a drawing for \$7,500 in prizes. For more information, call (313) 427-1533.

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FALL PICNIC

St. Martin Episcopal Church is hosting a "Meet Your Neighbor Fall Picnic" from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, at the church which is on the corner of Seven Mile Road and Grand River. The

picnic includes entertainment, games and food.

FALL SEMINAR

Aglow International's Michigan Southeast-Area Fall Seminar for women will take place from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, at Trinity Assembly of God, 4363 W. Mount Morris Road, Mount Morris. Ann Arbor resident Barbara Yoder will be the guest speaker. Registration fee is \$25. For more information, call Phyllis Hyslope at (313) 397-1111.

GRAND OPENING

The Rev. James Stathakios and the Parish Council announce the grand opening of Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 36375 Joy Road, Westland on Sunday, Sept. 15. The day's events include an 8 a.m. Orthros Service, a 10 a.m. procession to the new church, an 11 a.m. divine liturgy, and a 2 p.m. grand opening luncheon.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Newburg United Methodist Church is holding its second Women's Retreat Friday, Sept. 27-Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Quality Inn, at I-275 and Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. "Seasons of the Spirit" is a spiritual enrichment retreat in which the church will use the seasons of the Christian year as a mirror to explore spiritual lives. The fee is \$35. To register, call Judy Mayo at the church before Sept. 15, (313) 422-0149.

INFORMATION CLASS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, Livonia, is hosting a 10-week Adult Information Class that will "help clarify God's word and beliefs of the Lutheran Church," 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17, at the church, 14175 Farmington Road (just north I-96), Livonia. To register for this free class, or for more information, call Bob D'Ambrosio at (313) 522-6830.

CARMAN IN CONCERT

Christian artist Carman will perform at The Palace of Auburn

Hills at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20. Tickets are \$4 and available at all Ticketmaster outlets. Dubbed the "R.I.O.T. (Righteous Invasion of Truth) Tour," the show features state-of-the-art staging, lighting, sound and video. The modular stage has multiple levels, the tallest one reaching seven feet high allowing for dressing rooms and walkways underneath the stage for Carman's six dancers to make numerous costume changes. A four-camera live show will interact with video playback throughout the show and be projected onto 13x17 foot screens mounted above the stage. For more information about the show, call (810) 377-0100 or (810) 645-6666.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church is having a benefit all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner from 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21. Advance tickets are \$5 or \$5.50 at the door. The cost is \$2.50 for children aged 5-13, and free for those younger than 5. Dinner will include salad, bread, dessert and beverage. The church is located at 26123 McDonald, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call (313) 292-9693.

MOPS PROGRAM

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church is sponsoring MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers), beginning Sept. 22, and will meet the second and fourth Sundays from 2-4:15 p.m. at the church on Farmington and Schoolcraft. Fun, friendship and education are the focus of this program. Pre-school children (ages 6 and younger) are also welcomed. Registrations are being accepted through Sept. 8. For more information, call (313) 522-6830.

CONCERT PERFORMANCE

David Haas, director of the Emmaus Center for Music, Prayer and Ministry in St. Paul, Minn., will present a concert at St. Michael Parish, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia, at 7:30 p.m. Fri-

day, Sept. 27. Ticket prices are \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and students, or \$30 for families. The following day from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Haas will conduct a vocal workshop focusing on vocal techniques, tonal production, nurturing a healthy voice and blending as a choral group. The workshop costs \$25, which includes lunch. There is a special rate for the concert and workshop of \$30. For more information, call (313) 421-1569 or (313) 421-5920.

CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN

"Breakaway: A Conference For The Christian Woman In The Workplace" will be held from Friday, Sept. 27-Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Troy Marriott Hotel, 200 W. Big Beaver, Troy. The weekend includes a banquet, guest speakers, networking, and mini-sessions. For more information, call Faith Lutheran Church at (810) 689-4664.

LIFE CHAIN

Registrations are now being accepted from churches that wish to participate in the seventh annual National Life Chain Sunday, 2-3 p.m. Oct. 6. The chain lines the sidewalks of Woodward Avenue from Seven Mile Road in Detroit to 12 Mile Road in Berkley. Last year, 7,500 people from more than 150 churches participated in the event. For registration information, call (313) 533-9090.

"DESTINY" CONCERT

"Destiny," a contemporary Christian music group, performs at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, at St. Matthew Lutheran Church and School, Westland. Admission is free, with an offering taken to further the ministry of "Destiny." Refreshments will be served following the concert.

SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

In September, St. Paul's Presbyterian Church will be creating a special education Sunday School class for teens. Any interested teens or volunteers are asked to call Karen Rouhan at (313) 522-2095 or (313) 972-6081. St. Paul's is at 27475 Five Mile Road between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, Livonia.

LITURGY ON TAPE

The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom is available on videotape for a cost of \$15, plus \$3 postage, from Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile, Livonia 48152. The tapes make a great gift for a shut-in or those unable to attend the liturgy. The tapes also can be given to those people who are either seeking or expressing an interest in the Orthodox faith.

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church of Livonia is looking for people interested in drama within the church setting to be a part of its "In The Spotlight" group. For more information, call (313) 422-1470 and leave a message for Richard Hutchison.

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A charismatic prayer group meets at 6 p.m. Sundays in Patio Classroom 1 on the ground floor of the University Center at Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan, Livonia. For more information, call Shawn at (313) 464-9057.

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH?

An open invitation is extended to anyone inquiring about membership in the Catholic church by St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland. For more information, call Claudia at (313) 729-4411.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church sponsors a men's fellowship group at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month in Garden City. For more information, call the Single Point office at (313) 422-1854.

ALCOHOLICS

The Alcoholics for Christ, Meet Your Needs Group, meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Tri-City Christian Center, Michigan Avenue at Hannan in Canton. Alcoholics for Christ is a non-denominational, nonprofit Christian fellowship for alcoholics and their families. The group's chief goal is to direct alcoholics, family members and other concerned people to a dedicated, sincere relationship with Jesus Christ. For more information, call (313) 326-0330.

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Oakwood C.A.R.E.S. Cancer Risks Can Be Inherited

By Julie Zenger Hain, Ph.D., FACMG

One in three individuals will develop cancer at some point in his or her lifetime. Once a family member has been diagnosed with cancer, it is natural to ask, what is my risk of developing cancer?

Medical researchers have proposed that some inherited factors or genes must play a role in starting the disease process because some families have multiple cancer victims. Researchers have identified genes that increase one's likelihood of developing certain forms of cancer, however, inheriting one of these genes does not mean the individual will necessarily develop cancer. Genes have been identified in some forms of breast, ovarian, colon, thyroid, and kidney cancers. Only approximately five percent of all cancers appear to be inherited.

Cancer develops from a cascade of genetic changes in a single cell where the regulation of cell's normal activities is altered. These genetic changes result in uncontrolled growth and a cancerous tumor may develop out of that one cell. The vast majority of cancers are not inherited and non-genetic factors (i.e. diet, viruses, environmental exposures) are involved in the initiation of the cascade of genetic changes that lead to the development of cancer.

Although the majority of people are never diagnosed with cancer, routine physical examinations by your physician and following the American Cancer Society's guidelines for early detection of cancer are recommended for everyone. If you have multiple family members with cancer and some of these relatives developed the cancer when they were under the age of 50, there may be a genetic predisposition for developing cancer in your family.

If you are concerned about being at an increased risk for developing cancer or having a genetic cancer syndrome in your family, talk with your family physician to determine appropriate screening for early detection and treatment.

Dr. Julie Zenger Hain is the director of the Cytogenetics Laboratory at Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center - Dearborn. She is a board-certified cytogeneticist and Ph.D. medical geneticist.

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Softball tryouts

The Michigan Indians Baseball Club is expanding into the softball world, and will introduce a girls fast-pitch softball program for 1997.

Tryouts will be Sunday from 5-7 p.m. at Massey Field in Plymouth, located at Haggerty and Plymouth roads. There will be teams in the 12-and-under and 14-and-under age groups.

For information, call Greg Lenhoff at (313) 455-0793.

Hockey sign-ups

Three hockey leagues for the new Compuware Arena are taking registrations.

The Silver Sticks Hockey League for players over age 47 needs individuals for a Wednesday night draft league.

New senior over-20 and over-40 Sunday night leagues are taking registrations for both teams and individuals.

Call John Wilson at (810) 471-0658 for further information and registration forms.

TeeTime Golf

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College is hosting its second TeeTime Golf Classic to fund women's scholarships.

The event is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 6, at Cattails Golf Club in South Lyon. There is a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m.

A \$65 ticket includes 18 holes of golf, cart, small bucket of range balls, lunch, buffet dinner and prizes.

For information or to order tickets call the Women's Resource Center at (313) 462-4443. The center provides members of the community and campus with support for exploring entrance or re-entrance into college, new career options, referrals for services or information.

Kensington Challenge

The Kensington Challenge, featuring 15K and 5K races, as well as a fun run, will be held Saturday, September 21, at the Martindale Beach in Kensington Metropark. The fun run begins at 8:30 a.m., the 5K begins at 9 a.m. and the 15K starts at 9:10 a.m. The runs are hosted by the Metroparks and conducted by the Ann Arbor Track Club.

For more information and entry forms call 1-800-4773178 or (810) 685-1561.

Adult hockey leagues

Applications are still being accepted for the fall/winter adult hockey program at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena.

The four leagues (over 18, 30, 40 and 50) offer individual hockey players an opportunity to participate in league competition. Applications are available at the arena, 35500 Eight Mile Road.

If interested in becoming a sponsor in the Farmington Hills Adult Hockey Association or if you have questions regarding the program call (810) 478-2583.

Vikings seek players

NFWB Vikings are looking for interested athletes to fill their fall football and cheerleading rosters. There is no residency requirement and youths age 8-14 are welcome.

The Vikings have been in existence for 31 years and are the defending American League champions of the Western Suburban Football League.

Practice is currently being conducted 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. weekdays at North Farmington High School.

Interested athletes should show up at practice or call Jim Davey at (810) 737-3010.

Soccer players needed

Coach Bill Kollias of the '86 Farmington Bandits II is looking for three good soccer players, regardless of position.

The successful under-11 boys select/travel team wants to fill its roster with experienced players for the upcoming fall, winter (indoor) and spring seasons.

Interested players should call Kollias at (810) 476-1371.

Correction

In Monday's editions of the Plymouth and Canton Observer, an error was made regarding tryouts for baseball teams. The tryouts are for Pee Wee Reese and Sandy Koufax teams on Saturday, Sept. 14 at the Canton HS field.

The Pee Wee Reese tryout, for those 11-12 years old as of Aug. 1, will be from 10 a.m. until noon.

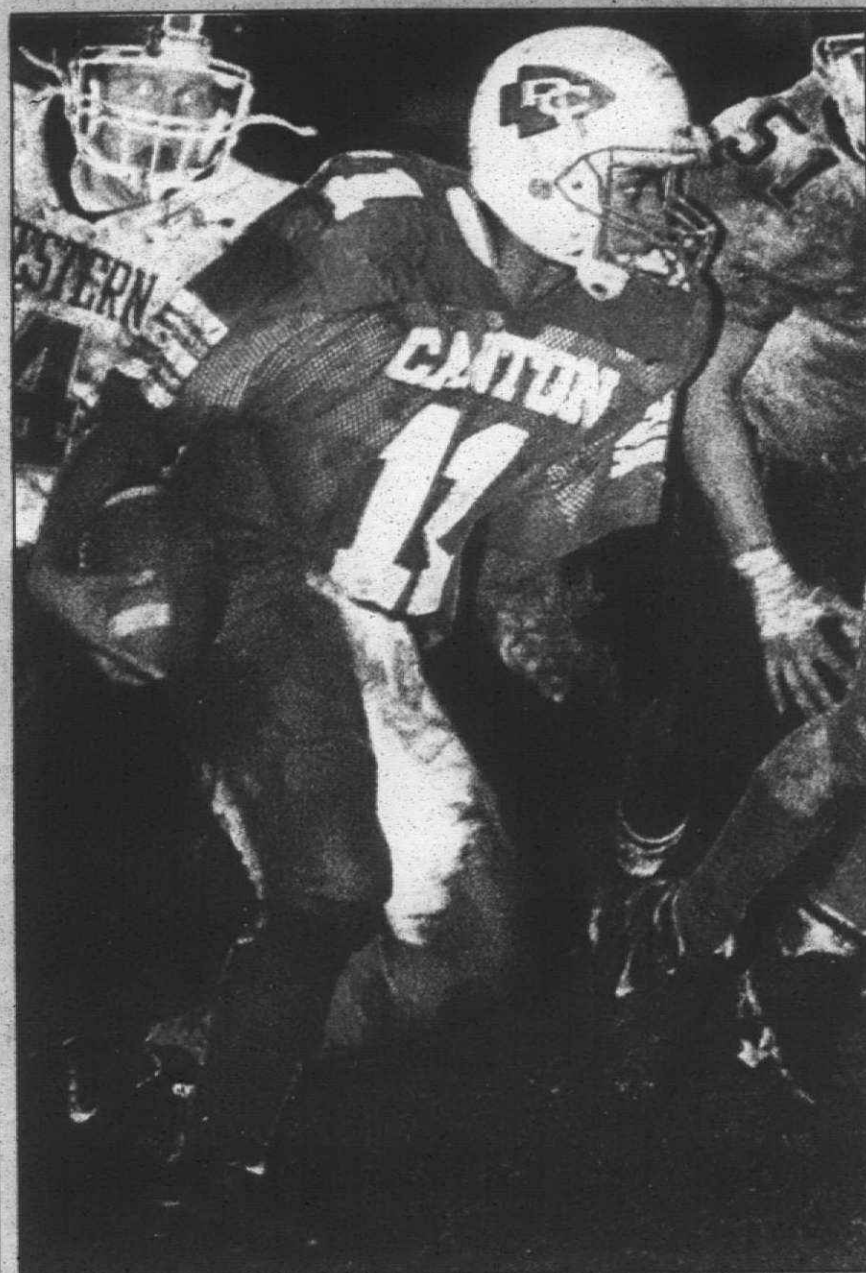
The Sandy Koufax tryout, for those who will be 13-14 by Aug. 1, will be from noon to 2 p.m.

It was incorrectly reported that the team were associated with the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League. They are not.

For further information, call Bill Boyd at 266-6258.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may fax them to (313) 591-7279.

Johnson key for Chiefs



Big time: Rob Johnson, entering his third year as a starter for the Chiefs, has all the tools -- something not lost upon NCAA Division I recruiters, who have sought to sign him.

Senior quarterback Rob Johnson gives Canton one of the state's premier offensive weapons. Question is, how far can he carry the Chiefs?

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

If you know old movies, then you know how Plymouth Canton quarterback Rob Johnson might feel as he and his mates prepare for the start of the '96 campaign.

Gary Cooper in *High Noon* comes to mind most readily.

Maybe that wouldn't be quite fair to the rest of the Chiefs. In *High Noon* Cooper, playing the sheriff, was abandoned by the townfolk; he was left to his own resources to face overwhelming odds favoring the bad guys.

Johnson hasn't been abandoned. It's just that the guys on his side who will be on the field with him, starting Friday night at home against Monroe, have for the most part never been there before. They're unproven.

So don't blame Johnson if at times he feels rather lonely this season.

Actually, that was often the case last year; Canton had no ground game to speak of. But at least Johnson had Ron Hunter to unload the ball to.

Unfortunately, Johnson's leading receiver from a year ago (Hunter caught 47 passes for 875 yards and 10 touchdowns) is now at Michigan State.

As a junior, Johnson completed 82 of 157 passes, with 11 touchdowns and just three interceptions. But a lot of that offense left with Hunter.

"The difference between last year and this year was that we had Hunter out there," said Canton coach Bob Khoenle. "He could run, he could jump, and he was a threat after he caught that ball."

The Chiefs' lack of a running game was one reason they were 5-4 in '95. Johnson was their leading ground-gainer with 628 yards rushing -- mostly on scrambles -- on 78 carries, with eight TDs.

His numbers, together with his size (6-foot-4, 205 pounds), speed and throwing ability, and the way he's performed at off-season quarterback camps, have made Johnson one of the most sought-after recruits in the state.

He's also why Canton cannot be discounted this season.

Khoenle's attitude can hardly be called overly optimistic. "You win with defense," he noted. "That's half our problem. The other half is our inexperience on the line."

The play of his offensive and defensive lines are, without doubt, Khoenle's biggest concern. "They're doing as well as we can expect," he said. "There sure has been a big improvement in our team from the first scrimmage until now."

"But there's no substitute for experience."

And that's what's lacking. Nick Kanaan, a 6-1, 220-pound senior guard, is the only returning starter on the offensive line. Kanaan and Johnson are team co-captains.

Jason Tallant (6-0, 190, center), Scott McLane (6-0, 185,

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Salem's shorthanded, but game

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

In 1995, Plymouth Salem endured a season-full of injuries that began before the season did.

The Rocks had to withstand the humiliation of three season-opening losses by lopsided scores: 42-0 to Belleville, 31-7 to Northville and 16-0 to Westland John Glenn.

And yet, Salem still managed to win three of its last six games to finish 3-6. Included among those wins was a 28-21 comeback triumph over Canton in the finale.

Something to build on?

Perhaps. But don't expect miracles from the Rocks.

"I'm looking for us to be better overall (than last year)," coach Tom Moshimer said, "even though we're weaker up front. We just don't have

the depth or experience up there."

Line strength and depth is the biggest question mark facing Salem, and Moshimer -- the only man ever to coach the Rocks (with a career record of 197-123-6) -- knows it.

But this isn't a team without strengths.

It starts in the offensive backfield with the return of quarterback Nate Gray, 6-foot-2 and 185 pounds, was pencilled in as the starter prior to last year, but an injury sidelined him for the first three games.

"He's matured as a quarterback," said Moshimer. "And his decision-making has improved quite a bit. I know there are a few real good quarterbacks in our league, but I feel Nate Gray is best for what we do."

What Salem does is run the ball,

and what Moshimer will have in abundance is runners. At fullback, he has Matt Johnson, a senior (5-10, 175); Brett Burlison, a junior (6-0, 180); Eric Peterson, a sophomore (6-2, 195); and Tim Kocloski, a senior (5-10, 175) to choose from.

Kocloski is just coming back from an injury, so he may not play on offense much to start with. But the others are all solid, and are all fairly equal in ability. Johnson has some varsity experience at the position.

At the running back/wingback positions, Moshimer will use senior James Chapman (6-0, 185), who shares the captaincy with Gray; junior Charlie Schmidt (5-7, 155); senior Doug Kinney (5-10, 150); senior Lawrence Nunn (5-6, 155); and junior Dearborn Heights

See SALEM, 4C



Top returner: Nate Gray will lead Salem.

Skater speeds to a bronze medal



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRINKLEY

Fast track: Charlie Craven has proven himself to be one of the nation's top in-line speed skaters.

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Flat-out speed is everything.

No, it's endurance that makes the difference.

Or is it the know-how of putting those elements to proper use?

Then again, there's no discounting mental toughness, is there?

What goes into making a successful in-line speed skater is, well, all of the above. And Charlie Craven, a sophomore at Plymouth Canton HS, has proven he has it all.

Craven competed at the National Indoor In-line Skating Competition in Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 19-21 as a member of the Wolverine Speed Team. Actually, things weren't going that great for Craven; he needed to win the last of his three races (final results are determined by how well a competitor fares in races of 500, 1,000 and 1,500 meters) to win a medal in the sophomore (14-15 years old) division.

Craven proved he had what it takes -- speed, endurance, smarts and mental toughness -- by winning that final race, the 1,500, by a mere one-tenth of a second.

That earned him a bronze medal, and a measure of redemption. Craven, who has competed for four years in in-line speed skating, missed a chance to make the U.S.A. Junior World Team in outdoor inline skating, placing sixth on the banked track and 10th on the road at the Outdoor

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In-line Nationals; the top four overall make the U.S. team.

Claiming a medal at the Indoor Nationals was quite an accomplishment for the 15-year-old, whose work habits offer proof that he does, indeed, possess the proper blend of the needed elements -- including stamina.

"After (indoor) nationals, I take a week off," he said. "Then I go right back at it."

By "right back at it," Craven was referring to workouts -- six days a week, 50 weeks a year. He trains at the Great Skate Roller Rink in Roseville, the home of his Wolverine Speed Team, and at the Skatin' Station II in Canton. When the weather turns warmer, some of the 4-to-6 hours a day he spends training is outdoors.

Now, in case that doesn't seem like enough to any masochists out there, consider that Craven has added biking to his exercise regimen -- 10 hard miles each session.

Craven said it took a few years for him to develop the stamina needed to compete nationally. Now: "I have a little bit more endurance than everyone else. On shorter races, some guys might get out faster, but by the end I start catching up."

"By that time, though," Craven added, smiling,

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COLLEGE SOCCER

SC stumbles at start

Despite returning from its first two games on the east coast without a win or even a goal, Schoolcraft Community College men's soccer coach Van Dimitriou is proud of his team.

And perhaps more importantly, he is thankful to return with his team.

The Ocelots knew they would have a couple tough games with Mount Ida (Newark, N.J.) and Essex (Mass.), but had no idea just how tough.

On Saturday, Schoolcraft played scoreless soccer with Mount Ida for 75 minutes before Dimitriou had seen enough.

"We start 10 freshmen and one sophomore," Dimitriou explained. "Mount Ida was a very veteran team with no one under 20 years old. They also had a lot of experienced English players. This could have been the most talented team we've played since I've coached here since 1984."

"But with about 15 minutes to play, one of their players gave a forearm to (freshman midfielder) Matt Keller. We were taking a beating the entire game and this was the finale."

The referee admitted to Dimitriou that he missed the play. As Keller laid on the field during for about 10 minutes, Dimitriou

decided to take his team off the field and conceded the game.

"I felt our players were in danger and the referees weren't going to protect us," Dimitriou added. "I have no doubt that Mount Ida thought they'd run up the field, but we showed we could play with them. We had nothing else to prove."

Luckily for Schoolcraft, Sunday's game against Essex was a different story. Despite losing 1-0, Dimitriou was pleased with the play of his squad.

"To allow one goal in two games -- against teams that both finished in the top eight last season -- is quite an accomplishment," he said.

Dimitriou was especially proud of goalkeeper Travis Miller, a freshman from Redford Catholic Central. He also singled out the performance of freshman forward Mike Minicilli (Livonia Stevenson), freshman defender James Bossieux (Plymouth Canton), freshman defender Mike Dean, freshman forward David Fritz, freshman midfielder Kevin Krips and Keller.

"This was a tremendous experience for all of us," Dimitriou said. "We grew up fast against the two best teams we'll face all year."

Revenge doesn't get much sweeter than it was last Saturday for the Schoolcraft Community College women's soccer team.

Fresh in the minds of the Ocelots was Monroe Community College (Rochester, N.Y.). Monroe eliminated Schoolcraft from the second round of last season's national playoffs with a 3-2 victory in an overtime shootout.

And to begin this season, it didn't appear the Ocelots would fare much better, as they traveled to Monroe -- the pre-season number one ranked team in the nation.

But Schoolcraft, ranked 15th in the nation and playing with no substitutes, stunned Monroe 1-0. Forward Dawn Koonitz's goal midway through the first half proved to be enough.

"There was a big revenge factor for us," Schoolcraft coach Nikki Johnson said. "We lost last year's game after we led with only two minutes left. On Saturday, I could hear the returning players yelling to the younger

Crusaders collect a title

BY C.J. RISK
SPORTS EDITOR

When you reach the level that Madonna University's volleyball team has achieved -- an NAIA top-10 team, year-in and year-out -- what a coach must do is fine-tune his squad during the regular season before the post-season begins.

Jerry Abraham knew this. The Lady Crusaders' coach knew he had the kind of top-level talent, in particular Kelly McCausland (a returning All-American), Julie Martin and Meg Paris, to construct a national champion around.

The question: What about the rest of the team? Could they meet the challenge?

If Madonna's opening weekend is an accurate indication, any

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concerns Abraham had regarding his team's depth are unfounded.

The Crusaders traveled to the Coca Cola Classic, hosted by Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colo., last weekend and went up against four NCAA Division II squads -- and beat them all to win the championship.

Three of the four matches went to the deciding fifth game, which was determined by rally scoring (a point awarded on each serve, regardless of who served it). In its final two matches, against Western State (Colo.) and Alaska-Fairbanks on Saturday, Madonna faced 2-1 deficits in

games; both times they rallied to win the final two games.

"I thought we played extremely hard and with a lot of poise," Abraham said. "And we got stronger as the tournament went along, and as the games (in each match) went along."

"It was a very good weekend for us."

Indeed it was. Both McCausland, a senior middle hitter from Redford Union, and Martin, a senior middle hitter from Livonia Stevenson, were chosen to the six-player all-tournament team.

Abraham felt another of his players -- Paris, his senior setter -- deserved a spot as well. She collected 165 assists-to-kills in the tournament (9.2 per game), to go with 44 digs and 22 kills.

McCausland and Martin led the attack for the Crusaders, McCausland with 73 kills and Martin with 71. McCausland also totaled 65 digs and nine solo blocks, while Martin had 56 digs and 22 solo blocks.

Others, however, contributed heavily. Heather Steinhilber had 54 digs and 20 kills; Karen Sisung had 61 digs and 11 kills; Erin Comment collected 48 digs and 15 kills; Erin Gregory had 54 digs and 10 kills; and Jennifer Russell got 23 digs.

The Crusaders open their home schedule tonight when they host the University of Rio Grande (Ohio) at 7 p.m. On Friday and Saturday, they host the Madonna University Invitational, with Georgetown College, Spring Arbor and Trinity Christian competing.

Lady Ocelots shut out Monroe

WOMEN'S SOCCER

players to pick them up. They didn't want a repeat of last season."

Ironically, it was the freshman that stepped up for the undermanned Ocelots.

Koonitz, a freshman from Plymouth Canton, scored on a header off a corner kick by Kelly West, another freshman from Canton.

The goal was all Janelle Baldwin, a freshman from Royal Oak Kimball, needed as she stopped all 12 Monroe shots.

"Janelle was the surprise of the trip," Johnson said. "I saw her play a couple games at Kimball, but didn't know what to expect. It was a hard game the whole way as Monroe generated a lot of offense. But Janelle played great."

"With the limited number of players, the new players pulled together well with the

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday, Sept. 6
Churchill at Dearborn, 4 p.m.
Claremontville at G.P. Liggett, 4:30 p.m.
Adrian at Wayne, 7:30 p.m.
Garden City at Crestwood, 7:30 p.m.
Thurston at Bridgeport, 7:30 p.m.
Franklin at S.H. Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.
Redford Union at Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.
Salem at Belleville, 7:30 p.m.
Farmington at Novi, 7:30 p.m.
Harrison at Oxford, 7:30 p.m.
N. Farmington at Hartland, 7:30 p.m.
John Glenn vs. Det. MacKenzie at Martin Luther King, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 7
Harper Wds. at Luth. Wld., 1 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Det. Pershing at Pontiac Silverdome, 7 p.m.
Bishop Borgess vs. Ecorse

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Thursday, Sept. 5
Huron Valley at St. Agatha, 5:30 p.m.
Det. Urban at Claremontville, 6:30 p.m.
Flat Rock at Luth. Wld., 6:30 p.m.
Churchill at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Trenton, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Farmington, 7 p.m.
Farmington at Waterford Mott, 7 p.m.
N. Farmington at Brighton, 7 p.m.
Novi at Harrison, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Romulus, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Allen Park, 7 p.m.
(Mercy Hoops Classic)
Roch. Adams vs. Canton, 5:30 p.m.
Mercy vs. Lakeshore, 7:15 p.m.
Harrison at R.O. Dondero, 1 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 7
Redford CC at Riv. Richard, 11 a.m.
Canton at Brighton, 1 p.m.
Harrison at R.O. Dondero, 1 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER
Thursday, Sept. 5
Redford CC at Eden Ford, 4 p.m.
Luth. Wld. at Luth. Wld., 4:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 6
Wayne at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Taylor Truman at Garden City, 4 p.m.
N. Farmington at RU, 4 p.m.
Luth. Wld. at Fairlane, 4:30 p.m.
Huron Valley at Warren Zoo, 4:30 p.m.
Phy. Christian vs. Phy. Agape at Hagerty Field, 4:30 p.m.
Rockledge at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 7
Redford CC at Riv. Richard, 11 a.m.
Canton at Brighton, 1 p.m.
Harrison at R.O. Dondero, 1 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Thursday, Sept. 5
Albion at Madonna, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 7
Lakeland at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Sept. 7
Schoolcraft vs. Maramec (Mo.) at DuPage (Ill.), noon.
Sunday, Sept. 8
Schoolcraft vs. Florissant Valley at DuPage (Ill.), noon.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Sept. 5
Rio Grande at Madonna, 7 p.m.
Friday, Saturday, Sept. 6-7
Madonna Invitational, TBA
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Skater

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"the race is over."

His ability to handle the trials of a challenge were tested this summer. And not just at the indoor nationals, where after two races in the day-and-a-half-long meet he found himself needing a victory to get a medal.

At the outdoor nationals, held at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs May 22-31,

Craven was disqualified in two of the 24 races (12 on the track, 12 on the road, all of varying distances) for improper contact. Still, he persevered and narrowly missed making the U.S. Junior World Team.

He then beat all but one of the skaters who finished ahead of him outdoors at the indoor

national meet.

Which makes the future appear bright for Craven, who is coached by Rob Dunn and Jay Ingram. Bright enough, in fact, so that there seems no reason to alter his pattern to any great extent.

"I'm going to keep doing what I'm doing," he said. "It got me

where I am right now."

And hopefully, in the near future, it will get him to where he wants to be -- onto the U.S. Junior World Team and, eventually, to something even larger: "Hopefully, I'll win something at the World's."

That just might not be too far in the future.

Canton QB ranks among Observerland's best

Here are the top 10 returning football players in Observerland, rated by Sports Editor Steve Kowalski:

1. **Lorenzo Guess, 6-3, 185-pound senior quarterback, Wayne Memorial:** It seems like Guess has been around forever, starting on the varsity in both football and basketball since his freshman year. Guess is equally as comfortable at quarterback and safety. His intelligence combined with his athleticism make him a threat to score on both sides of the ball. Guess stands 6-3, which helps him to see over most linemen, who also have to worry about his sprint-out ability.

2. **Rob Johnson, 6-4, 195-pound senior quarterback, Plymouth Canton:** Knee surgery interrupted Johnson's basketball season in 95-96, but he's right on schedule to return for his senior football season. Johnson has good size, intelligence, leadership ability and a strong arm to go with good speed. He also has returned punts, but coach Bob Koonitz probably isn't as anxious to have him in that capacity after the injury.

3. **Paul Terek, 6-3, 185-pound senior wide receiver/defensive back, Livonia Franklin:** Terek is a standout in both the defensive secondary and as a wide receiver. The 6-3 senior has the range to cover fast receivers and likes to hit, making him a Division I prospect in the secondary. He has the speed and elusiveness to be an effective receiver. Perhaps the best all-around athlete in Observerland, you might hear about him being a decathlon participant in the future.

4. **Greg Clark, 6-1, 190-pound senior quarterback, Detroit Catholic Central:** Call is an outstanding two-way player who will likely play defensive back in college. He passed for more than 500 yards and ran for almost 400 more in 13 games to lead the Shamrocks to a Class AA state championship.

5. **Matt Kukus, 6-4, 210-pound senior tight end, Redford Thurston:** Kukus has outstanding hands and always knows where the flag sticks are, as 14 of his 24 receptions last year resulted in first downs. He can catch the ball high or low in traffic and is tough to bring down.

6. **Francis Gojcaj, 6-3, 285-pound senior tackle, Farmington Hills Harrison:** A first-team All-Observer pick in 1995, Gojcaj is an intimidating presence for the Hawks. Teams avoided his side, and he still ended up third on the team in tackles.

7. **Nick Shaieb, 5-9, 185-pound fullback/linebacker, Farmington Hills Harrison:** Another first-team All-Observer returnee, he gained nearly six yards per rush and was also the Hawks' top linebacker. He'd be on more schools' recruiting lists if he was taller.

8. **Richard Rashad, 6-4, 195-pound senior wide receiver, Wayne Memorial:** Rashad is the primary target of Guess and returns for his senior year after earning All-Observer first-team honors last season. A converted tight end, he caught 30 passes for 387 yards last year.

9. **Matt Griglio, 5-11, 200-pound senior linebacker, Westland John Glenn:** Griglio has led the Rockets in tackles the last two years. He is an excellent student of the game.

10. **Rich Deptula, senior nose guard/fullback, Detroit Catholic Central:** The 6-1, 230-pound senior is more streamlined than a year ago, which means trouble for quarterbacks who saw him enough in the backfield last year. He has the ability to make the big play and is exceptionally strong, which enables him to play both ways when needed.

Here are the best of the rest, listed in alphabetical order:

Greg Alcala, senior running back, Detroit Catholic Central: The 5-foot-9, 175-pound senior shared time at tailback as a junior but he stood out when it was his turn, especially in the Class AA state playoff second-round win over Troy. He is a shifty runner with good quickness and outstanding speed the first 40 yards.

Mike Allison, 5-9, 179-pound linebacker, Livonia Stevenson: He led the team in tackles as a junior.

Kevin Bamboek, senior quarterback, Farmington Hills Harrison: The third-year returning starter brings experience and a strong arm to the fold, passing for more than 1,500 yards in the last 11/2 years after taking over the starting job as a sophomore.

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TOY & TRAINS

A Toy and Train sale will be held 11 a.m. till 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Plymouth Cultural Center in Plymouth. Admission is \$2. \$1. They will feature new, used antique collectible toy and model railroad supplies for sale. There will be a operating train display featuring vintage "Lionel" trains from the 1940s and 50s in operation. Railroad artist, Paul Adams will be showing and selling his art prints as well as clothing featuring his original artwork.

ART AND CRAFTS

A Painter's Potpourri art show and craft sale sponsored by The Village Painters will be held 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street in Plymouth. Admission, \$1. No strollers.

FALL FESTIVAL

The 41st Plymouth Fall Festival will be held Fri., Sat., Sun., Sept. 6, 7, 8, at Kelllogg Park in downtown Plymouth. Fun for all ages. Come and enjoy.

REUNION

The class of 1976 Canton High School 20-year reunion will be held Saturday, Oct. 12, at the Holiday Inn Livonia-West. For more information call 459-7208.

AROUND TOWN

FREE VACCINATIONS

On Saturday, Sept. 7, free shots will be provided to children in Wayne County on a walk-in basis from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Mary's Health Care Center, 5800 N. Lilley Road, Canton, (313) 655-2168. For more information about Super Saturday call 1-800-26-BIRTH of Jan Arsenault, Wayne County Health Department Immunization Coordinator at 467-3375.

YMCA

The Plymouth YMCA is having their annual Haunted House and are need of volunteers ages teens through adults. The haunted house will be on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 25 & 26. They need volunteers who can set-up and take down Oct. 24 & 25. 453-2904.

Registration for fall classes is currently being accepted for street hockey, flag football, karate, outdoor soccer league, youth

CAMPUS NOTES

To submit your academic honor or graduation announcement to Campus Notes, send the material printed or typewritten to: Bridget Lucas, Plymouth Canton Observer, 794 S. Main, Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

PARTNERS IN POLICYMAKING

Mary Margaret Myers of Canton graduated from the first class of Michigan Partners in Policymaking recently. Since September 1995, Myers has been learning how to work with officials who shape public policy affecting persons with disabilities as a part of Michigan Partners of Policymaking. This

525 Farmer Street, in Plymouth. Noon-1:40 p.m. Monday; 11:50 a.m.-1:40 p.m. Wednesday; 12:50 a.m.-1:20 p.m. Friday's. Skate Fees: \$2 city resident, \$2 if you work full time in the city of Plymouth; \$2.50 non-resident; 50 cents skate rental. Information, 455-6623.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

A prescription drug program for senior citizens has opened in Plymouth. This program is funded by the State of Michigan grant for seniors on limited income who do not have insurance coverage for prescription drugs. It is made available twice monthly by appointment at the Plymouth Township Hall (by the Clerk's office) by prior appointment only. Information, call Frances Rudd between 1 & 4 p.m. weekdays at 455-7526.

PLYMOUTH OPTIMISTS

"Friend of Youth" will deliver '97 Entertainment Books to your home. All proceeds go to children's charities. Entertainment books offer up to 50 percent savings on dining, movies, special events, theater, travel, car washes and much more. Price \$40. Contact Bill VonGlabn at 313-453-8253 or Ken Fisher at 313-728-7619.

FALL FOOTBALL

The City of Plymouth Parks & Recreation Department will be holding registration for fall men's soccer league starting Wednesday, Aug. 28. The entry fee is \$175, plus \$15 per game for umpires. Teams will play a 10 game schedule starting Thursday, Sept. 13. League nights will be Tuesdays and Thursdays. Teams are allowed an unlimited number of non residents. Each non City of Plymouth resident pays a one time \$15 non resident fee. League limit is 8 teams. Deadline for registration is Monday, Sept. 9. Information, contact the Recreation Dept. at 455-6620.

SKATIN STATION

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OPEN SKATE

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FREE SCREENINGS

Free cancer screenings - Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center offers free prostate, pap and colorectal screenings each month. Limited number of breast screenings also available. For next date and appointment call 467-5555.

DANCERS

CLOGGERS - Come join the fun at the daytime Clogging classes at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road, Novi. Drop-in classes Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Inter-mediate: 12:30-3:30 p.m.

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VOLUNTEERS

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ART SHOW

"Sharing the Gift" 4th annual juried fine art show. 1996 entry forms now available. Featuring Edee Joppich, juror, and 125 regional artists. Oct. 5-11 show at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. On site jurying of multi-media works, including watercolor, oil, collage, sculpture, graphics, photography, clay and fiber. Cash awards from \$50-\$300. Information, 455-8940.

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VIETNAM VETS

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PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

"Collections" is the theme for the museum this summer and fall featuring 35 different collections from all over the area. An extensive collection of Victorian Artglass is one of the featured collections including Satin Glass, Opal Glass, Tiffany, Crown Milano, Amberina and Mary Gregory and a variety of fancy lamps are on display. Included in this exhibit are items "Made in Plymouth." An extensive collection of Daisy and King B-B guns are on display illustrating Plymouth's most famous industries, but others lesser-known items are featured as well. Plymouth offers the "World's Best Mole-Trap," Frog Spears, and Cigars, the Plymouth Alter Car, the Sun Shield Visor, the Perfection lawn sprinkler and many more. Currently Plymouth boasts several famous industries including Michael Cam's Reproduction Furniture and Mama Mucci's Pasta. Come visit the museum and enjoy the exhibit as well as our famous "Main Street of Shops." Children will enjoy the Museum Scavenger Hunt and each child wins a prize. The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main Street, Plymouth, and the 455-8940. The Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is adults - \$2, students, (5-17) \$.50 and family is \$5.

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PAINTER'S POTPOURRI

The Village Painters are hosting "A Painter's Potpourri" art show and craft sale from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., Plymouth. Admission is \$1. Strollers are not permitted.

LIVONIA MALL

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Thursday, September 10th, 1996 at 4:00 p.m.

VEHICLE(S):

YEAR/MAKE/STYLE/VEHICLE ID NUMBER	CASE NUMBER
1980 Ford 2D 0F024267199	96-7756
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Thursday, September 19th, 1996 at 4:00 p.m.

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1986 Pont 2D 1GJ2703676332488	96-7488
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The Planning Commission seeks input to

CLASS REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include the date of the reunion and the first and last name of at least one contact person, and a telephone number.

Annapolis

CLASS OF 1976
Nov. 30 Holiday Inn, Fairlane.
(313) 278-9870 or (313) 278-1900

CLASS OF 1986
Sept. 28 at the Royce Hotel, Romulus.
(313) 421-7729 or (313) 449-8531
Benedictine

CLASS OF 1986
Is planning a reunion.
(810) 643-0040 (days), (810) 952-1527 (evenings), or (810) 887-1464

CLASS OF 1976
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 531-0141 (St. Scholastica-Rectorry in Detroit)
Berkley

CLASS OF 1971
Nov. 30 at the Kingsley Inn, Bloomfield Hills.
(313) 886-0770

CLASS OF 1956
A reunion is planned for Oct. 12.
(810) 673-1557 or (810) 478-9821

CLASS OF 1986
Sept. 7 at Farina's in Berkley.
(810) 258-9753 or (810) 623-8992

ALL SCHOOL REUNION
Sept. 21 at the American Legion Hall, Royal Oak.
(810) 545-6032
Birmingham

CLASS OF 1956
Reunion weekend is planned for Oct. 26 at the Kingsley Inn, Bloomfield Hills.
(810) 644-8797
Birmingham Baldwin

CLASS OF 1946
Is planning a reunion.
(810) 363-3030 or (810) 642-9685
Birmingham Seaholm

CLASS OF 1986
Nov. 29 at the Northfield Hilton Hotel, Troy.
(810) 473-7100
Bloomfield Hills Eastover Elementary School

ALL CLASSES REUNION
Reunion/40th birthday party fundraiser, 5-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Proceeds to go to the media center.

(810) 642-1113

Bloomfield Hills Lahser

CLASS OF 1976
Is planning a reunion.

(313) 973-8297 or Drew Pear, 2890 Hawks, Ann Arbor 48108
Center Line

CLASSES OF 1929-1954

Sept. 21 at the Warren Chateau Hall, Donald Akhurst, 8165 Bernice, Center Line 48015; or (810) 757-2107
Cherry Hill

CLASS OF 1986

A reunion is planned for Sept. 20.
(313) 581-6475 or (313) 326-3179

Clarkston

CLASS OF 1976

Is planning a reunion.

Rod and Debbie Hool, 5995 Dvorak, Clarkston 48346-3228, or (810) 623-0958, or by fax at (810) 625-8938, attention Mike Crestwood

CLASS OF 1976

Sept. 28 at the Holiday Inn, Livonia.

(313) 729-3733

CLASS OF 1986

Nov. 22 at St. Mary's Cultural Center, Livonia.

(810) 229-3268

Dearborn

CLASS OF 1986

Nov. 29 at Hawthorne Valley Country Club, Westland.

(810) 360-7004

Dearborn Fordson

CLASS OF JUNE 1966

Nov. 9 at the Italian-American Club, Dearborn. A pre-reunion get-together will be Nov. 8. Deadline for tickets is Oct. 1. Classmates from other graduating classes are welcome.

(313) 274-9694 or (313) 654-3958 and (313) 441-4051 for the pre-reunion get-together.

CLASS OF 1951

A reunion is planned for Sept. 7.

(313) 562-7524 or (313) 420-3168

OH Roosevelt-Robichaud

CLASSES OF 1960-61

Sept. 28 at the Woodlands of Van Buren.

(313) 595-4927

Detroit Cass Tech

CLASS OF 1977

A reunion is planned for June 1997.

Elizabeth Bell Smith, 10608 Beaconsfield, Detroit 48224 or (313) 372-6657 after 4 p.m.

CLASSES OF 1964-66

Sept. 28 at Warren Chateau Hall.

(313) 837-5880 or (810) 746-3340

CLASSES OF 1964-66

A combined reunion is planned for Sept. 28 at the Warren Chateau Hall, Warren.

Cass Technical Reunion, 19785 W. 12 Mile Road, Suite 559, Lathrup Village 48076

Detroit Central

CLASS OF 1986

A reunion is planned for Nov. 30.

(810) 559-4306

Detroit Chadsey

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1947

A reunion is planned for June 1997.

(313) 981-2825 or (313) 421-1257

Detroit Cody

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1965

Sept. 20 at Laurel Manor, Livonia.

(810) 685-9738 or (810) 632-6926

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1976

Nov. 29 at Burton Manor in Livonia.

(313) 425-7099 or (313) 454-4387

Detroit Cooley

CLASS OF 1956

A reunion is planned for Nov. 2.

(810) 781-4360 or (810) 753-5046

CLASS OF 1986

A reunion is planned for Aug. 31.

(810) 553-9138

Detroit Denby

CLASS OF 1956

Sept. 14 at the Club Venetian, Madison Heights.

(517) 548-7983

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1967

A fall 1997 reunion is planned.

(810) 776-4970 or (810) 773-5878

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1966

Nov. 2 at the Van Dyke Suite Hotel, Warren.

(810) 362-3744

Detroit Eastern

ALL CLASSES UP TO 1950

With the classes of 1936 and 1946 to be honored, Oct. 4 at the Ukrainian Cultural Center, Warren.

(313) 886-9524 or (810) 626-6580

Detroit Finney

CLASS OF 1976

Sept. 14 at the Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights.

(313) 886-0770

Detroit Girls CC

CLASS OF 1946

Is looking for classmates.

(313) 383-7099 or (810) 778-9094

Detroit Henry Ford

CLASS OF 1965

A reunion is planned for Nov. 23.

(313) 277-3876 or (810) 348-6373

CLASS OF 1966

A reunion is planned for Oct. 11.

(517) 673-2931

Detroit Mackenzie

CLASSES OF 1955-56

A reunion is planned for Sept. 6-8.

(810) 478-9539

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1946

Sept. 21 at the Novi Hilton Hotel, Novi.

(810) 348-2375 or Donna Fairful White, 19440 Cardeme, Northville 48167

Detroit Mumford

CLASS OF 1956

Oct. 19 at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, Dearborn.

(810) 855-9160

CLASS OF 1966

Is planning a reunion.

(313) 535-1192 or (810) 626-1500

Detroit Northwestern

CLASS OF 1976

Is planning a reunion.

(810) 350-1196 or (313) 865-5365

CLASSES UP TO 1950

Sept. 21, Western Golf and Country Club.

(313) 937-8573

Detroit Redford

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1976

Sept. 14 at the Italian-American Club, Livonia.

(810) 684-5807

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1951

Sept. 14 at the Meadowbrook Country Club, Northville Township.

(810) 356-1866 or (810) 626-6643

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1971

Nov. 9 at the Novi Hilton Inn, Novi.

(313) 459-3041 or (810) 673-3041

Detroit St. Andrew's

CLASS OF 1954-1958

Oct. 4 at Laurel Manor, Livonia.

(313) 453-1022

CLASS OF 1976

Sept. 21, Hyatt Regency, Dearborn.

(313) 453-5549

Detroit St. Anthony

CLASS OF 1946

Sept. 21 at the St. Clair Inn.

(810) 776-5402

Detroit St. David

CLASS OF 1946

Noon Sept. 15 Birmingham Country Club, Vespers 4 p.m. Monastery of Blessed Sacrament, Farmington Hills; Memorial Mass 8:45 a.m. Sept. 16, St. Clements of Center Line.

(810) 644-8604

Detroit St. Leo

CLASS OF 1946

A reunion is planned for Sept. 7.

(313) 722-5129 or (313) 282-3809

Detroit Southeastern

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1946

A reunion is planned for Oct. 5.

(810) 652-1477, (810) 268-7093 or (810) 542-1087

CLASSES OF 1956-57

Nov. 8-10 at the Northfield Hilton Hotel, Troy.

(810) 777-4266 or (810) 646-3979 (Class of 1956) or (810) 751-5694 (Class of 1957)

CLASSES OF 1941-43

Oct. 11 at the Royalty House, Warren.

(810) 642-3946

Detroit Southwestern

JUNE CLASS OF 1936

Sept. 29 at Park Place, Dearborn.

(313) 561-4236 or (313) 383-5324

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1957

A reunion is planned for April 1997.

(313) 532-4379 or (313) 274-2585

Detroit Western

CLASS OF 1946

A reunion is planned for Oct. 25.

(810) 792-1971

JANUARY AND JUNE CLASSES OF 1941

Sept. 14, Marriot Hotel, Livonia.

(810) 737-2482 or (810) 685-2345

East Detroit

CLASS OF 1971

Sept. 14 at the Van Dyke Park Hotel, Warren.

(810) 465-2277 or (810) 263-6803

CLASS OF 1976

Nov. 23 at Zuccaro's.

(810) 449-4039

CLASSES OF 1941-42

A reunion is planned for Sept. 14.

(810) 685-2345 or (810) 737-2483

Farmington

CLASS OF 1976

Sept. 7 at the Doubletree Suites in Southfield.

(810) 360-7004

CLASS OF 1966

Nov. 30 at the Livonia Marriott.

(810) 632-7765 or (810) 620-8872

Farmington Harrison

CLASS OF 1976

Nov. 30 at the Glen Oaks Country Club

(313) 886-0770

Ferndale

CLASS OF 1971

Nov. 30 at Doubletree Guest Suites, Southfield.

(810) 360-7004

Ferndale Lincoln

JANUARY-JUNE CLASSES OF 1951

Are planning a fall reunion.

(810) 643-7148 for January class,

(810) 335-7383 for June class.

JUNE CLASS OF 1956

Sept. 28 at the Northfield Hilton Hotel, Troy.

(810) 399-1066, (810) 544-7135,

(810) 545-2321, (810) 879-1549 or

(313) 538-4461

Ferndale St. James

CLASS OF 1956

Sept. 21 at the high school.

(810) 644-2732 or (810) 473-0948

Garden City

CLASS OF 1986

Oct. 19 at St. Aidan's Banquet Center, Livonia.

(810) 360-7004

CLASS OF 1987

A reunion is planned for Fall 1997.

Kurt Tyszkiewicz, 1592 Nautical Lane, Marine City 48039 or

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1996

HEALTH NEWS

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Menopause Support

Michael Gatt, M.D., an obstetrician/gynecologist at St. Mary Hospital, will discuss "Hormone Replacement Therapy" at the Marian Women's Center 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4, in the Marian Pavilion Conference Room B near the south entrance off Levan Road. The menopause support group gives women the opportunity to share with others in a private, confidential, relaxed environment, questions and concerns about menopause and other mid-life health and personal items. For more information, call (313) 655-3314. The Marian Women's Center is adjacent to St. Mary Hospital at Five Mile and Levan roads, Livonia.

Bloodmobiles

The following are American Red Cross bloodmobiles open to the community during the month of September: Thursday, Sept. 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at State Farm Insurance, 14021 Middlebelt (training room). For appointments, call (313) 513-3907; Sunday, Sept. 15, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Newburg Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail (Fellowship Hall). For appointments, call (313) 422-0149; Thursday, Sept. 19, from 2-8 p.m. at St. Genevieve Catholic Church, 29015 Jamison (activities center), Livonia; For appointments, call (313) 427-3718.

Alzheimer's Support

The Thursday, Sept. 5, meeting of the Alzheimer's Support Group is entitled "Conversation." The group meets 10 a.m. to noon monthly at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 32000 Civic Center, located at Five Mile and Farmington roads. Free. For more information, call (810) 557-8277.

Pain Management

A symposium for patients and caregivers dealing with pain will be held 12:30-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at Madonna University at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia. The program, sponsored by the nursing departments of Madonna and Oakland Community College, will increase awareness on the multi-dimensional nature of pain and will educate patients and caregivers about pain management and self-care. "Taking Charge of Your Pain" includes workshops on adaptive exercise, communicating/explaining pain, depression, humor, pain medication, meditation and patient rights. Neal Shine, retired publisher of the Detroit Free Press and a cancer survivor, will deliver the keynote address. Registration is \$6 at the door. For more information, call Nancy Krieger at (810) 471-3133.

Cancer Study

Researchers at Detroit's Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute are looking for area women to participate in a study for breast cancer prevention. The Breast Cancer Prevention Trial, established in 1992, is an international effort to determine whether the drug tamoxifen can prevent breast cancer. Tamoxifen has already proven effective in treatment of breast cancer, to prevent recurrence in women already diagnosed with the disease. To be eligible, women must be 35 years or older, with a family history of breast cancer or a personal history of benign breast biopsies. Participants will receive either the drug or a placebo. For more information, call Erica Anderson at (313) 745-9600 or Ann Marie Ferris at (313) 993-0097.

NICU Survivor Picnic

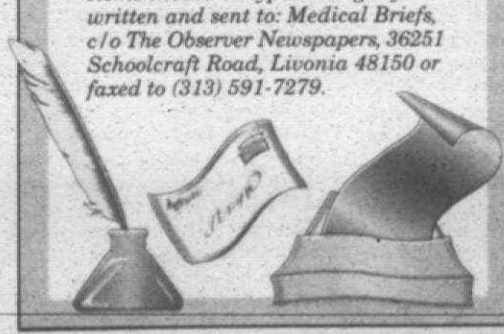
Oakwood Healthcare System is hosting its 13th annual NICU Reunion Picnic for former Neonatal Intensive Care Unit patients of the Oakwood Hospital or Medical Center-Dearborn and Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne NICU departments. The picnic will be held 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, on the campus of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen Road. For more information, call (313) 593-8750.

Open Heart Open

Oakwood Healthcare System is sponsoring a golf outing to benefit its Cardiology Center of Excellence to reduce heart disease. The 18-hole outing is set for Monday, Sept. 9, at Dearborn Country Club. Cost is \$150 per person for Open

See MEDICAL BRIEFS, 2D

Items for Medical Briefs are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Briefs, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150 or faxed to (313) 591-7279.



Joggers encouraged to take baby along

STORY BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN • SPECIAL WRITER

Researchers at Henry Ford Hospital's Levine Health Enhancement Center say having a baby doesn't have to mean hanging up your running shoes.

A new study, presented earlier this month at the annual meeting of the American College of Sports Medicine, shows that jogging with a baby cart requires less effort than thought by runners, encouraging parents to stick with an exercise program.

The ACSM recommends that most Americans accumulate 30 or more minutes of moderate intensity physical activity on most days of the week. Exercising with a baby jogging cart gives parents an option to achieve that goal.

"We discovered that jogging with a cart only raises the heart rate 3 to 5 percent compared to jogging alone," said Frank Fedel, lead researcher and an exercise specialist at Henry Ford's Health Enhancement Center.

"That information may encourage parents who thought it was too hard to try jogging with a baby cart, and can help them adjust their workout goals."

Thirteen healthy regular exercisers participated in the study, nine males and four females ranging in age from 21 to 41. Six commercially-available baby jogging carts were tested, each loaded with a 40-pound weight to simulate a child. Each subject jogged one lap of a half-mile flat course without a baby jogging cart to establish his or her control pace. They then ran six trials in random order with a baby jogging cart at their control pace, taking a two-minute rest period between trials.

Each jogger's pace was monitored by an investigator skating at his or her side. Investigators measured heart rate, oxygen consumption, expired air volume, total elapsed time and perceived level of exertion using each cart as well as subjective data such as control on turns and straight-aways, maneuverability, weight, handle height and handling on bumps.

"We found that jogging with a baby cart burns an average of five to 40 calories more per half hour than jogging alone, depending on your body weight and the type of cart used," said Fedel. "If you want to achieve the same workout intensity jogging with a cart that you have when jogging without one, you need to slow your pace about 20 to 30 seconds per mile."

This formula is based on test participants who averaged a seven minute, 30-second pace per mile. Participants also rated



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOBFIELD

Around the bend: Lisa (left) and John Coleman and their 2½ month old daughter Rachel are out for a jog.

each cart on subjective criteria. They were most satisfied with the handle heights of carts, control on straight-aways, weight of the carts, and the way each handled on bumps.

The results of the study confirmed what Kathy and Brian Renaud of Redford Township already knew from experience. The couple began running with their son Kyle at age six weeks. Now that he is 3 1/2 months old, the family runs three miles, three to four days a week.

"I thought it would be harder than it is. I started with the baby jogger because I still wanted to be able to run, to get out and bring the baby with me. Because I work full time, I want to be with him as much as I can," said 37-year-old Kathy Renaud.

Concerned about losing the weight gained during pregnancy, she realized running with a baby jogging cart offers many benefits for new parents.

"Running is a good stress reliever. The health benefits include losing the weight right

away that I gained in my pregnancy without dieting," Renaud said. "When it's really hot or raining, I don't take him out, I put on an aerobics tape."

Concurring with the ease of use is Vicki Webster, age 40. A member of the Redford Roadrunners, she used a baby jogging cart until just recently when daughter Amanda turned 5. Webster and husband Michael, 37, took turns pushing her in the cart.

"Although hills are a little tough, the strollers are made so well I can push it with one finger, literally. With a free arm, I keep my rhythm," said Vicki Webster of Northville.

When Amanda was young, Webster ran as she slept. At around age 3, Amanda started reading books and munching on snacks provided by Webster to keep her amused. Today at age 5 1/2, Amanda runs along with her parents.

"She's a big girl now because she's about to enter kindergarten but it was fun. Otherwise, we'd have to get a babysit-

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ter," Webster said.

That was John and Lisa Coleman's concern when daughter Rachel was born 2 1/2 months ago. The Canton Township couple wanted to maintain their independence as much as possible. Members of the Redford Roadrunners club presented them with a baby jogging cart as a baby shower gift.

"From the time she was 1 week old we used it as a stroller. When she was 6 weeks old, we began running with her," said 33-year old John Coleman, who does most of the pushing until Lisa's strength returns.

"It give us some freedom in that we both like to run. Otherwise, one of us would have to stay home. Now, we can run together. The vibration seems to put her to sleep. Because of the larger wheels, there's lower rolling resistance and greater shock absorbency."

Added 34-year old Lisa, "I can get my exercise in. It's convenient to have her run with me."

While running in a recent race when temperatures climbed to 95 degrees, John Coleman was concerned whether they should have brought Rachel with them. He wondered at what age does a baby have sweat glands.

According to Jay Berkelhamer, M.D., chairman of pediatrics at Henry Ford Hospital, babies are born with sweat glands. However, he cautions parents to use common sense when jogging with baby. Depending on the nature of the carrier and circumstances such as the amount of sun exposure and extreme temperatures, the health of tiny, passive occupants could be in jeopardy.

"People have to use good judgment," said Berkelhamer. "I would be cautious about newborns to maintain good posture and to insure the head is propped. A child's development is such that it isn't until 3 to 4 months old that a baby starts getting their head control, and it's 7 months of age before they're sitting. We recommend a baby be 1 year of age before they go on the back of a bike. So be sure the baby's head is properly steadied."

Berkelhamer offers this advice to parents if they're going to consider jogging with a baby.

"Check with your pediatrician first. In high temperatures, there is a potential for overheating. We tend to overwrap babies. If they're unwrapped, it exposes more of the skin for cooling. A baby shouldn't be heavily wrapped, should have plenty of fluids and be protected from the sun."

Job fair focuses on health care fields

It's the place to be if you need a cure for a case of the jobless blues: It's the Health Care Job Fair and it's coming soon to a popular venue near you.

Several Detroit area hospitals will join local nursing homes and health-care providers in recruiting workers at the upcoming Health Care Job Fair.

The Job Fair will run 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, in the second-floor Ambassador Dining Room of Cobo Center

in downtown Detroit. It is the fourth of six events jointly sponsored by the Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESC) and the BRIDGES (Building Relationships Increases Detroit's Growing Economic Stability) project of Michigan Neighborhood partnership. The City of Detroit Employment and Training Department is also a co-sponsor.

"All types of jobs are available, not just jobs in the health-care field," MESC Direc-

tor F. Robert Edwards said. "In addition to the fair, job-seekers can attend any of several workshops designed to increase their employability skills."

"These large hospitals are almost like small, self-contained communities in themselves. They're such a vital part of their surrounding communities - both as caregivers and employers. It's exciting to see

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MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

Items for Medical Newsmakers are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies, residents and professionals active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Briefs, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150 or faxed to (313) 591-7279.

VNA DIRECTOR

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan (VNA) has named Mubarek A. Choudhry as its director of information technologies and sys-



Choudhry

tems integration. Choudhry will be responsible for overall development and integration of information systems on an organization-wide basis. He will provide strategic direction related to information systems and technology. He was previously director of management information systems for Meadows Regional Medical Center, Vidalia, Ga., and has seven

years experience in health care information systems. He holds a master's in business administration and a bachelor of science from the University of Evansville, Ind. As Michigan's largest independent home health care provider, VNA offer a wide range of nursing, therapeutic and personal care services in the home. The organization is accredited with commendation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations, and has offices in Dearborn Heights,



Hunter

Detroit, Monroe, Pontiac, Southfield and Warren.

JOINS HOSPICE STAFF

Walter R. Hunter, M.D., has joined the staff of Hospice of Southeastern Michigan. He will oversee the medical care of hospice patients. Hunter comes from Murrells Inlet, S.C., where had a general internal

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Hearer status and \$200 for Friend of Open Hearer designation. Each includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch and dinner. For more information, call (313) 791-1234.

Bladder Health

In conjunction with Bladder Health Week, St. Mary Hospital at Five Mile and Levan will offer a free seminar on bladder health and control 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, in the auditorium near the Five Mile entrance. Presented by Zvi Levran, M.D., urologist, the seminar will provide information on diagnosis and treatment options to promote a healthy, active lifestyle. To register, call 1-800-494-1650.

Diabetes Support

Amy Altwater, R.N., of the St. Mary Hospital Community Outreach Department, will discuss positive thinking at the diabetes support group meeting 7-8:30 p.m. in the hospital auditorium near the Five Mile entrance. The program is free. For information, call 1-800-494-1650 or (313) 655-2922.

Living with Cancer

Community Hospice Services and Comprehensive Hematology Oncology Physicians are co-sponsoring a free six-week group for

people coping with cancer, their family and friends. The group meets for two hours on Thursdays beginning at 6 p.m. Sept. 12 at the Mercury-Hubbard Building, 4900 Mercury Drive, in Dearborn. The group is offered free of charge. For more information and registration, call Maureen Karby at (313) 522-4244.

Perinatal Education

MedMax, Inc., the area's first health care super store at 35600 Central City Parkway in Westland, will host a program for expecting mothers and their support persons. The program is sponsored by Garden City Hospital and will be 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12 through Oct. 17. To register, call (313) 458-4330. Fee is \$55.

New Program at UDM

The University of Detroit Mercy will begin its first class in the new graduate-level Family Nurse Practitioner program in January 1997 - the first of its kind in the Detroit area. Approximately 15 students will be enrolled in the first class of the new program, which will offer full- and part-time study options. Prerequisites for the program include a bachelor's degree in nursing or a master's degree in nursing.

Rational Recovery

Rational Recovery meets at 12:30 p.m. every Thursday and 7 p.m. every Friday at Harrison School in Garden City. The support group is an international, non-profit, self-help organization for men and women who are experiencing problems as a result of alcohol and/or substance abuse or other self-defeating behaviors. For more information, call (810) 476-2657.

Smoking Cessation

St. Mary Hospital will offer a series of four smoking cessation classes, "Smoke-free Living," 7-9 p.m. Sept. 9, 12, 16 and 19, in Pavilion Conference Room B. The \$25 course fee includes all materials. For more information, call (313) 655-2922 or toll-free at 1-800-494-1650. Registration is requested by Sept. 2. St. Mary Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, is located at Levan in Livonia.

Pre-Postnatal Exercise

The Marian Women's Center, St. Mary Hospital, Livonia, will offer a new Pre-Postnatal exercise class for expectant and new mothers. 6-7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, beginning Sept. 12. The six-week class is designed to promote fitness and a healthful lifestyle. Cost is \$35. For more

information, call (313) 655-3314 or toll-free at 1-800-494-1650.

Infant Care

St. Mary Hospital is holding an infant care class 7-9 p.m. Thursdays, Sept. 12 and 19, taught by a registered nurse. The first class, "Getting To Know Your Newborn," focuses on care of your well infant, including feeding, bathing, sleep and activity habits. The second class, "Caring for the Sick Infant," features infant safety, such as how to childproof your home, immunizations and signs of illness. The class is not just for parents, but anyone who cares for infants. Cost of the class in \$18 for one session or \$35 for both. For more information, call (313) 591-3314.

Making Rehab Easier

A free seminar for individual in physical therapy program, sponsored by Bollinger Health Care, a manufacturer of physical therapy products, will be held 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18, at MedMax Inc., 35600 Central City Parkway, Westland.

Holistic Health Classes

Free classes in different

aspects of holistic health are being offered at 7 p.m. Mondays as a community service at the Holistic Health Center in Livonia. The clinic, under the direction of Kathy Sinnett, R.N., is located in Suite 140 of the Livonia Pavilion, on Vassar east of Middlebelt across from Sears at Livonia Mall. For more information, call (810) 471-7010. October classes include headache and carpal tunnel syndrome on Oct. 7, self-hypnosis for relaxation on Oct. 14 and therapeutic/healing touch on Oct. 28. For more information, call (810) 471-7010.

Women's Health Group

The Women's Health Program Team at Mission Health is seeking two community members with an interest in women's health to help in the development and evaluation of programs for women. Community members interested in joining the team should have experience in using health care services for women, not necessarily within the Mission Health system. Time commitments include attendance at approximately 10 evening meetings per year. Meetings will be held in Novi and mileage reimbursed and transportation provided if needed. For more information, call (313) 712-4106.

Substance Abuse

Madonna University will offer two courses on substance abuse this fall. "Chemical Dependency: Resources" will be 6-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, and from 8-30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept.

14. "Substance Abuse and AIDS" will be held Friday and Saturday, Oct. 4-5. The course is scheduled from 6-10 p.m. Oct. 4 and from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Oct. 5. Fee is \$95 for each course. Call (313) 432-5731 for information.

Free Screening

Botsford General Hospital will offer free blood pressure screening and information on taking care of your feet 8-10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 23, in the Jacobson's court at Laurel Park Place, Newburgh and Levan roads in Livonia.

Accreditation

Renaissance Home Health Care was recently awarded accreditation with commendation, the highest rating, by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. Renaissance received the three-year award after the joint commission found the organization had demonstrated compliance with national standards for home care organizations. Founded in 1975, Renaissance, a non-profit home health agency serving the metro Detroit area, is affiliated with Detroit Medical Center.

Botsford Programs

Botsford General Hospital offers a variety of education and support programs ranging from food allergy counseling to managing stress. For more information, call (810) 477-6100.

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medicine practice. Hunter graduated from college and medical school at Indiana University and did his residency in internal medicine at Youngstown, Ohio. Hospice of Southeastern Michigan is a program of Hospice of Michigan, a nonprofit organization licensed by the state of Michigan. Hospice delivers home care or in a homelike setting to people with a terminal illness.

ELECTED TO SINAI BOARD

Jerome L. Schostak was elected to the Board of Directors of Sinai Hospital. Schostak is chairman and CEO of Schostak Brothers & Company Inc. Realtors. He has been the leading force in the development of major commercial and retail complexes throughout southeastern Michigan. Recent developments include the First Center Office Plaza in Southfield, the Macabees Center Tower Office Building, the Oakland Technology Park in Auburn Hills and the Laurel Park Place retail and office complex in Livonia.

CHAIR NAMED AT MERCY

Brenda J. Thomas has accepted the position of the chairperson and medical director for the Department of Pediatrics at Mercy Family Care Group at Mercy Hospital. Thomas, a graduate of Howard University School of Medicine, has been the interim chair and medical director for the Pediatrics Department since April 1995. She has been instrumental in providing leadership to several committees throughout the hospital as secretary and cur-

rently as president-elect for the medical staff of Mercy Hospital. She is also active in the community as a mentor for St. Timothy Softball League and coach for the Rosedale/Grandmont Association Softball and Soccer League.

HOME CARE SEMINAR

Mary Nolfo of Sunrise Home Health Services of Livonia recently attended the seminar of the Michigan Chapter of the Home Care Association of America in Frankenmuth. There were representatives from 20 home health care agencies with more than 50 participants, including various state lawmakers.

NEW COORDINATOR NAMED

Margie McGraw Maly, R.N., B.S.N., C.D.E., has been selected diabetes education coordinator for Diabetes Self Care, a subsidiary of Universal Self Care. Maly, a certified diabetes educator, served as coordinator of the Outpatient Diabetes Education Program at the Macomb Hospital Center in Warren prior to joining Diabetes Self Care.

MEDIA COORDINATOR APPOINTED

Kelly Shreer of Royal Oak was recently appointed coordinator of media relations and special events at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit. Shreer is a 1996 graduate of Michigan State University, where she received her bachelor of arts degree in communication.

Fair

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such movement involving jobs in the Detroit area.

The Job Fair represents "just the kind of community partnership that the MESC is striving to build on across the state," Edwards said. "Everybody wins with such cooperation."

He added that while no job fair can guarantee jobs to anyone, it is a positive economic sign that several major local employers are hiring.

The fair's employers include Detroit Medical Center, Henry Ford Health System, Michigan Health Care Corp., St. John Health System, Sinai Hospital and Veterans Medical Center.

Full- and part-time jobs - ranging from entry level to skilled to professional - are available and some employers have immediate openings. Employers are seeking workers for direct patient care, maintenance, housekeeping and food preparation, among other things. Training is provided in some cases.

Job-seekers planning to attend

■ The fair's employers include Detroit Medical Center, Henry Ford Health System, Michigan Health Care Corp., St. John Health System, Sinai Hospital and Veterans Medical Center.

The Job Fair are urged to bring pens and several copies of their resumes.

The free Fair is no-advance registration for job-seekers. Cobo Conference-Exhibition Center is at 1 Washington Blvd. and West Jefferson in Detroit. Persons wanting more information about the Job Fair can call the BRIDGES hotline any time at (313) 872-0195.

DATEBOOK

MONDAY, SEPT. 9

BUYING POWER
Demystifying Benefit Buying, the 1996 Benefit Buyers Conference, will focus on "Marshaling Information to Maximize Your Buying Power," at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Dearborn. Cosponsored by the Southeast Michigan Health & Hospital Council and Health Decisions Inc., the conference begins at 8 a.m. with registration, followed by breakfast and a keynote address by D. Joseph Olson, commissioner of the Michigan Insurance Bureau. The luncheon program features a point-counterpoint presentation "Managed Care in Michigan." Registration is \$50. For information, call (800) 589-2500.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

BUSINESS IMMIGRATION
A half-day seminar for human resource and finance professionals will focus on recent developments in immigration and related laws and the growing industry-based specialization and application of immigration law for temporary and permanent classifications. Registration fee is \$50 for the first registrant and \$40 for additional registrants from the same company. Includes continental breakfast, lunch and seminar materials. Register by fax or mail to Sherry Beutrup at Butzel Long, Suite 900, 150 W. Jefferson, Detroit 48226. (313) 983-7415 or fax (313) 225-7080.

CORRECTIVE & PREVENTIVE

The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer a half-day course titled "QS 9000 Corrective & Preventive Action." The seminar focus will include root cause investigation, problem-solving, solution methods and avoiding nonconformances. 8 a.m. to noon at Schoolcraft College, Livonia. Registration fee is \$95 and includes all course materials and continental breakfast. Call (800) 292-4484, ext. 4107.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 10

INDUSTRY SYMPOSIUM
The Seventh Annual GMI Industry Symposium, titled "Technology and the Quality Revolution: The Changing Role of the Engineer," will feature keynote speaker Phil Abramowitz, manager of manufacturing technology planning at Ford Motor Co. Cost is \$25 a person and lunch is included. (810) 762-7996.

KICKOFF MEETING

The 1996 kickoff meeting of the Canton Chapter of Business Network International will be at Fellowes Creek Golf Course in Canton from 7-8:30 a.m. A group of business representatives in banking, law, investments, real estate, insurance, marketing, printing, accounting and computer support has been meeting weekly since June. Members exchange qualified business referrals. Only one person per profession can join a chapter. Call Jim Eldridge at (313) 453-8700.

PRESENTATION SKILLS

The meeting of the Women Business Owners of Southeastern Michigan will feature Marlena Reigh in a program titled "Speak Up - How to Use Your Voice in Sales." Reigh, owner of Radiant Communications, is an expert in voice, image and presentation skills. Meeting is at 777 Building on Eisenhower at State Street in Ann Arbor. Networking begins at 6:30 p.m. with meeting from 7-8:30 p.m. The meeting fee is \$10 for non-members and free for members. Reservations are required. (313) 994-0367.

NONPROFIT ACCOUNTING

Zalenko & Associates, Crain's Nonprofit News, and the Jewish Community Council are offering a free seminar for nonprofit executive directors and financial officers on the new accounting reporting requirements that take effect in 1996. The seminar will be 1:30-4:30 p.m. at the Novi Hilton, 2111 Haggerty Road in Novi. Register in advance. Call Kim at (810) 357-2404, ext. 1-233.

PRIVATE FINANCING

The Southeastern Michigan Venture Group's September meeting topic is "Private Financing" at 8 a.m. at the Southfield Marriott Hotel, 27033 Northwestern Highway in Southfield. Cost is \$20 a person for members, \$25 after Sept. 6, \$30 a person for nonmembers and \$35 after Sept. 6. Call (313) 596-0351.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11

BREAKFAST SEMINAR

"Can You Survive Two Weeks with an EPA SWAT Team at Your Facility?" is the subject of a breakfast seminar presented by ToTest Inc. of Plymouth. 8-10 a.m. at the Novi Hilton, 2111 Haggerty Road, Novi, \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. For reservations, call Janet or Lisa at (313) 455-9600.

DATA PROCESSING

The Data Processing Management Association Metropolitan Detroit Area Chapter will hold its September meeting at the Dearborn Hyatt Regency, at 7:30 p.m. with social hour at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$50 for members and \$60 for guests. Call (810) 988-7219 for reservations by Sept. 6.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

FREE WILL AND TRUSTS
A free wills and trusts workshop will be presented by John Hancock Financial Services and Don Rosenberg of Barron & Rosenberg, an estate and long-term care planning attorney, at 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Gratiot and 16 Mile Road, Mount Clemens General Building, 22500 Metropolitan Parkway, Clinton Township. Call Dave Howard at (810) 792-3939, ext. 269.

B.E.S.T. SHOW

The 1996 version of the annual B.E.S.T. Show will take place at Laurel Manor Banquet and Community Center in Livonia. It promotes electronic instrumentation products from more than 300 producers of electronic equipment. Show hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call (810) 380-5710, fax (810) 380-5714.

TUE-THURS, SEPT. 17-19

CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION
The Automotive Industry Action Group's annual Auto-Tech show will be at Detroit's Cobo Center. More than 120 educational sessions, including pre-conference tutorials, technical workshops, and interactive town meetings and more than 100 exhibitors will be featured. Call (810) 358-3570 or fax requests to (810) 358-3253.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 13

FOCUS ON FUTURE

A one-day seminar for business marketing and communications professionals on the changes expected in the industry over the next decade will be held at the Michigan State University Management Education Center in Troy. The 14th annual Business Communications Forum is titled "http://www.changes.mktg.com: Marketing and Communications on the Way to the 21st Century." Call (810) 353-6770.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 17

BAR ASSOCIATION

Members of the Livonia Bar Association will meet at Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road in Livonia. Cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner and program at 7 p.m. Cost is \$15 a person. Call Nicolas Nicoloff (313) 421-3467.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 20

TIMEQUEST SEMINAR

The Franklin Day Planner Seminar "TimeQuest: Increasing Personal Productivity Through Value-Based Time Manage-

ment," will be 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Livonia. Call Bridget Beaton at (800) 963-1776 ext. 6146 to register.

PROBLEM SOLVING

Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) will present a pre-business problem-solving seminar, sponsored by the Birmingham Principal Shopping District and the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce. Subject matter will include money management, record keeping, business plans, financing and sources of information. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. at the Birmingham Community House at 380 S. Bates. The presentations will continue through 4:30 p.m. Seminar fee is \$15. Call (313) 226-7947.

THURS-FRI, SEPT. 19-20

PUBLISHERS' CONFERENCE

Independent publishers will network and learn cost-cutting techniques at the 1996 conference of Mid-America Publishers Association to be held in Toledo, Ohio. Cost is \$165 for non-members, \$150 for MAPA members. Information: Jerry Kromberg (402) 421-9666.

TUES-WED, SEPT. 24-25

ISO COURSE

Arch Associates offers a 16-hour course on the ISO 9000 series of standards. ISO 9000 requirements are included in QS-9000, the quality standard adopted by General Motors, Ford and Chrysler. The seminar is \$895, including all course materials and refreshments, and will be held at Quality Inn, Plymouth. For information call (810) 449-5433.

THURS, SEPT. 26

HALF-DAY SEMINARS

Arch Associates is offering a series of half-day seminars designed to give senior automotive supplier executives an overview of QS-9000. The seminar is taught by Arch chief executive officer William Harral. The cost is \$195, including seminar materials and refreshments, and will be at the Quality Inn in Plymouth. Call (810) 449-5433.

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BUSINESS PEOPLE

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LAND PROMOTED

Michael Land has been promoted from loan officer-commercial lender I to assistant vice president-commercial lender II of First of America Bank-Michigan.

Land began his career with the bank as commercial credit analyst in 1991. After his commercial loan internship that began in 19094, he was promoted to commercial loan representative in January 1995. In December of the same year, he gained his commercial loan officer I title.

Land received a bachelor's degree in finance from Michigan State University.

Land's office is in Livonia. He is the new business ambassador with the Livonia Chamber of Commerce.

ASSOCIATE RECOGNIZED

The Longaberger Company recently recognized several local sales associates at its annual convention in Columbus, Ohio.

Karen Greger of Canton Township was recognized as a 1996 national sales award winner. Greger generated sales of more

than \$45,000.

Margaret Wilde of Redford Township was recognized as a 1996 national sales award winner and a 1996 national top sponsoring award winner. Wilde generated more than \$45,000 in sales and sponsored more than five new associates.

Laurie Maltby of Canton Township was recognized as a 1996 national top sponsoring award winner and a 1996 VIP national sales award winner. Maltby sponsored more than five new associates and generated sales of more than \$35,000.

Kristine Moga of Canton Township was recognized as a 1996 sales achiever and a 1996 national top sponsoring award winner. Moga generated sales of more than \$20,000 and annual sponsorship of more than five new associates.

The four-day convention, known as The Bee, attracted more than 11,000 Longaberger independent sales associates from around the United States. Products include baskets, pottery, dinnerware, fabric liners and accessories, dividers and lids and wrought iron products.

LEADER AWARD

Dennis Hermatz, representing Wayne Lawn & Garden Center in Westland, was presented the Blue Leader Award for outstanding Dixon ZTR riding mower sales achievement at the annual national Dixon dealer meeting held in Nashville, Tenn.

Wayne Lawn & Garden Center Inc. has been an authorized Dixon dealership since 1995. The national Dixon dealer meeting

introduced new products and marketing programs for 1997.

AUDIT ASSOCIATE

Mark C. Schilling, certified public accountant, has been promoted to audit associate at Plante & Moran.



Schilling

As an associate, Schilling will manage staff on engagements for the manufacturing, retail and service industries.

Schilling joined the firm in 1995 as a staff auditor and is based in the firm's Southfield office. He received a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is a member of the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Schilling lives in Garden City with his wife, Denise, and their son, Liam.

PROMOTED TO DIRECTOR

Mike Bjerke, a Foodland employee for 12 years, has been promoted to director of warehousing at Foodland Distributors in Livonia.

Prior to his promotion, Bjerke was day warehouse manager at Foodland.

As director of warehousing, Bjerke is responsible for all phases of warehousing including budgeting, scheduling, production and quality. "My goal as



Bjerke

Bjerke, a graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in business administration, and his wife, Diann, have two children, Sarah and Michael.

SERVICING ADMINISTRATOR

Rebecca S. Hauser has joined the Southfield-based commercial mortgage brokerage firm of Hadley & Associates as a servicing administrator.

Hauser's responsibilities will include overseeing all loan servicing activities for the correspondent

company's lenders. These activities include loan payments and remittances, property inspections, monitoring of tax and insurance escrows, borrower reporting, investor reporting and maintenance of the office's servicing systems and procedures.

Prior to joining Hadley & Associates, Hauser served as a loan officer assistant at Tranex Financial Inc. in Ann Arbor.



Hauser

There she assisted with the processing of residential mortgage loans and coordinated comprehensive client marketing programs. She also served as an apartment manager for Metro Property Services.

Hauser graduate from the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree.

While attending college, she worked in the university's Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program as a research assistant in the departments of political science, psychology and Latino studies.

Hauser lives in Westland.

WIC OFFICERS

The Detroit Chapter of Women in Communications has elected its officers for 1996-97 and two local residents were elected.

Susan Floyd Voyles, of Canton Township and formerly WIC's vice president of public relations, was elected president-elect. Voyles is academic programs marketing officer at Madonna University in Livonia.

Wendy Pierman Mitzel was elected vice president-student affairs. She is a Livonia resident and a reporter for the Novi News.

NEW OFFICERS

A. William Butterfield, of Butterfield Industrial Sales Inc. in Birmingham, has been elected president of the Society of Manufacturers Representatives.

Other officers are H. Jay Thomsen, vice president; Herbert Hipple, treasurer; Catherine Koch, secretary.

Serving with them on the

board of directors are Harry Merigian, Robert Witek, David Jackson, Joe D. Johnston, and Robert Bird.

The Society of Manufacturers Representatives is a professional society and nonprofit corporation.

BRANCH MANAGER

Toni Kenny has been appointed branch manager of the Plymouth office of USA Federal, at 13000 Haggerty Road.

Kenny has 12 years of management experience.

She has a master's degree in business administration from Eastern Michigan University and a bachelor's degree in science from Michigan State University.

TAX EXECUTIVES

Christopher J. Czarka has been elected president of the Detroit Chapter of the Tax Executives Institute Inc. for the upcoming year.

Other chapter officers elected are Ellen M. Skuta of the Amerisure Companies as executive vice president; Andrew F. Shimko Jr. of Comerica Inc. as vice president; Kevin J. Little of Elopak Inc. as chapter secretary; Sandra Bulger of General Motors Corp. as chapter treasurer; John Mills of ANR Pipeline Company, as assistant secretary and Loren Oppen of Ford Motor Co. as assistant treasurer.

Tax Executives Institute has nearly 5,000 members. The Detroit chapter was organized in 1946 and has 110 members from southeast Michigan and north-west Ohio.

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JOINT VENTURE

Siemens Automotive and Daewoo Motor Company have formed a limited joint venture operation for the manufacture of advanced automotive components and electronic systems for the global automotive market. By 1998, the Siemens/Daewoo joint venture will begin mass production of 13 major automotive parts comprising engine management and powertrain control systems, fuel injectors, composite intake manifolds and electric exhaust gas recirculation valves. Once a plant site in South Korea has been selected later this year, the two partners will begin construction of a manufacturing facility. The two companies have set a goal to complete the facility and adjoining applications center by early 1998.

JOB SERVICE SCORES WELL

Michigan's public employment service scored well in a recent survey of state employers and is becoming a recommended source for job applicants, according to findings released by the Michigan Employment Security Commission. The survey went to 15,000 Michigan employers in December and followed up on a similar survey conducted by MESC in 1994. Employers also reported MESC's job matching services were among the most important of the 16 services listed in the survey. Six most important services for employers were:

- qualified job applicants sent directly to them by MESC
- their job openings posted by MESC for job seekers to see
- job applicants prescreened by MESC

- a list of qualified job applicants supplied by MESC that employers can contact
- information on prevailing wages and
- local job market information.

The survey also revealed some areas where the agency needs to improve. Education of employers and working more closely with them to improve ability to match the right worker with the right job.

CREDIT UNION WINS AWARD

Co-op Services Credit Union of Livonia has won a first place award in the Dora Maxwell Social Responsibility Program for credit unions. The program, co-sponsored by the Michigan Credit Union League and the Credit Union National Association and affiliates, honors credit unions for their involvement in community projects and activities. The credit union's entry detailed their involvement with the Livonia Job Fair, designed to bridge the relationship between area businesses and the young people of the community. The program provided local businesses with a chance to fill vacant employment positions and free workshops for the attending youths, age 16-24. Workshops covered interviewing skills, financial management and how to join a credit union. The credit union's entry will advance to the national competition at CUNA in Madison, Wis. It will compete with other projects from credit unions in the same asset category nationwide. The competition is named after Dora Maxwell, a credit union pioneer, who worked with several organizations to improve the

living standards of the poor and needy.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS GIVEN

Two Plymouth auto dealership received awards recently from Chrysler Corp. Fox Hills Chrysler-Plymouth-Jeep-Eagle located at 111 W. Ann Arbor Road and Dick Scott Dodge, Inc. at 684 Ann Arbor Road have each been awarded the prestigious 1996 Five Star Award for Excellence. The award recognizes total commitment in both sales and service as determined by customer satisfaction ratings. Fox Hills Chrysler-Plymouth-Jeep-Eagle has consistently earned superior satisfaction ratings and met Chrysler Corporation's highest standards in management, personnel training and equipment.

PROPERTIES SOLD

The Chicago-based First Industrial Realty Trust has broken ground on a 140,000-square-foot build-to-suit distribution facility for General Medical Corp. at 38200 Plymouth Road on 10.7 acres in Livonia. The building is designed to accommodate an 80,000-square-foot future expansion.

An additional 16 acres remains at First Industrial's Livonia site which can accommodate up to an additional 280,000 square feet of future development. FIRT also recently raised \$11.6 million with the sale of a 14,324-square-foot light industrial property in Livonia, and another 204,000-square-foot warehouse out-of-state. The Livonia property is at 32380 Howard Street.

U-M RECEIVES DONATION

A significant donation of flat panel display manufacturing equipment and intellectual property valued at \$18 million was presented to the Center for Display Technology and Manufac-

turing at the University of Michigan from Lucent Technologies. The donation is expected to reinforce the center's position as a world-class research, training and education facility supporting the U.S. flat panel display industry.

Affiliates of the Center include Optical Imaging Systems of Northville.

ASSETS ACQUIRED

Detroit Diesel-Alison Australia Pty Ltd., has acquired the assets of Rexam PLC's Australian Detco operation. The newly formed affiliate of Detroit Diesel is now the Australian distributor for Detroit Diesel, MTU Perkins Engines, Electro-Motive Diesel and Allison Transmission products. It is the largest engine and transmission distributor in Australia.

In other news, Detroit Diesel and its affiliates have entered into agreements with the Redevelopment Agency of Tooele City, Utah to acquire a 400,000-square-foot, remanufacturing facility at the U.S. Army Depot in Tooele. The purchase price was \$10 million.

NEW SERVICE WEB SITE

The Service Technicians Society, an affiliate of the Society of Automotive Engineers has opened a new Website on the Internet for service technicians. The Website can be accessed at www.sts.sae.org and features a basic introductory home page, which includes tips for technicians new to the Internet. Beginning in October, STS plans to add a Tech Talk section to the Website.

RETAINED BY SOLTEC

Rein Nomm & Associates Inc., a public relations and marketing communications firm in Plymouth, has been retained by Soltec Inc. of Troy to provide

public relations and marketing services. Soltec provides business process consulting services to major corporations across the United States to improve efficiencies in administrative functions such as purchasing, finance, accounting, treasury, inventory and supply management, and sales and marketing.

STRATEGIC ALLIANCE

Software Services Corp. of Ann Arbor and New Horizons Com-

puter Centers of Michigan, which has a facility in Livonia, have announced a strategic alliance that includes a technological partnership and cooperative marketing, strategic account penetration and sharing of technical resources. Software Services will provide planning, development and implementation services using Microsoft Windows NT, BackOffice and Exchange. New Horizons will provide training.

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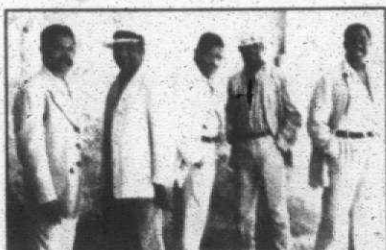
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SATURDAY



Daniel Meyer and Moira Brennan star in "Straight to the Heart" exclusively at the Birmingham Theater, 211 S. Woodward. Call (810) 644-FILM for show times.

SUNDAY



Autumnfest at the Mary Thompson Cultural Center and Farm, 25630 Evergreen Road, Southfield, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. offers free entertainment, craft booths, and lots of activities for children. Admission is free, call (810) 424-9022 for information.



HOT TIX: Experience life in the past lane as collectors from across the nation gather Sept. 7-8 with their vintage vehicles (1932 and earlier) for the Old Car Festival at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Call (313) 271-1976 for details.

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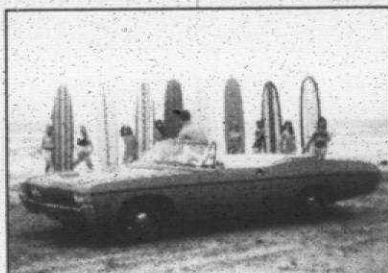
PHOTOS FOCUS ON MOTOR MYSTIQUE

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN • SPECIAL WRITER

From special tent lighting used on the stage of Music Hall in the 1950s to creating an island on a barge in the middle of Biscayne Bay in the 1960s, Detroit's car photographers portrayed a nation's love affair with the automobile.

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of automotive manufacturing in North America, the Detroit Institute of Arts documents the history of car photography with an exhibition of 80 images created primarily between the 1950s and 1990s.

Bill Rauhauser, a retired photography history professor at Center for Creative Studies in Detroit, proposed the idea for the exhibit to the DIA's graphic arts department several years ago. He along with Ellen Sharp, curator of graphic arts and Nancy Sojka, associate curator of graphic arts, looked through hundreds if not thousands of transparencies from Ford



Motor Co., GM Media Archives, the Detroit Public Library's National Automotive Collection, and original photographers like Ken Stidwill of DGM Studios in Bloomfield Hills while researching and assembling the exhibit.

Until the 1950s, most ad art was done by illustrators who worked in pen and ink and color pigments to depict automobiles free of unwanted lighting effects on car surfaces. The demand for car photography grew as auto production increased after World War II.

"Color film as we know it today is a product of the 1930s. But with the Depression and World War II there wasn't any time or way to use it. After the war just as Detroit was the home of cars, it was the home of car photography. Detroit is where it began," said Nancy Sojka who admits the exhibition on car photography is a first for the DIA.

"Curating the exhibition we were interested how the photographers manipulated the medium by changing lenses, using gels and waiting for what was known as sweet light captured at low-angles during sunrise and sunset usually out in the desert. The preparation for creating these was fantastic. It took seconds to shoot it, but weeks to set it up. It was an era of unlimited budgets."

Effective advertising was paramount to the success of the auto industry. A pioneering generation of photographers such as Walter Farynk, Jimmy Northmore, Mickey McGuire, Vern Hammarlund, Guy Morrison, Warren Winstanley and Dennis Gripenrotg invented technological advances including wide

angle lenses and special curved film holders to turn cars like a 1959 Lincoln Continental into a long, low, powerful machine.

Multiple exposures created a sense of movement and speed. Tent lighting eliminated unwanted reflections.

In an age of when computer technology is changing the way photographers work, techniques used to create the exhibit's images are going the way of the dinosaur.

"In those days when they had chrome, to make it look white was a big deal because chrome is what car buffs wanted. Highly controlled lighting of the environment was essential," said Sojka.

The Detroit School of Automotive Photography placed models, like a young Tom Selleck, behind the 1973 Mercury Montego while the New York Style positioned models in front. Throughout the show, another aspect of car photography

relays the cultural and sociological issues of the era. Bigger cars sporting monstrous tail fins and as much as 44 pounds of chrome were definitely better. Detroit, fueled by the automotive industry, had the highest rate of home ownership in the nation. Cars were frequently set before idyllic homes in the suburbs or rural areas, never in the inner city.

"What I found interesting is that nearly every image has to do with romance and adventure, two basic instincts everyone has," said Sojka, "and not only romance between people, but romance of the road and the automobile; the idea you get into this vehicle and it takes you anywhere you want to go."

Farynk is important because he trained a generation of car photographers including Ken Stidwill at Center for Creative Studies. After graduating, Stidwill assisted Northmore and McGuire at Boulevard Photographic, the most active car studio in the world from the '50s to the '70s. He moved to DGM Studios in 1982 where his clients include BBDO, Ross Roy and J. Walter Thompson.

"Fifteen to 20 years ago you came to Detroit for a shooter. It was important to get as glamorous an image as possible out there," said Stidwill who in September begins shooting a campaign to introduce Chrysler's new Prowler.

"Photography helps to sell cars. It's an important marketing tool for the entire economy. People's jobs depend on it."

It's the mystique; that what you see is what you get.



Adventure: (Above) Ken Stidwill of DGM Studio in Bloomfield Hills illustrates the concept that a vehicle like this Jeep can take people to out of the way places regardless of terrain. (Top left) This 1968 Chevrolet Impala was shot using the Detroit School of Automotive Photography style, which placed the models behind the vehicle. After all, Detroit was the world center of the automobile and car photography. The New York School positioned models in front of cars.

THE CAR AND THE CAMERA: The Detroit School of Automotive Photography

What: An exhibition documenting the history of car photography in Detroit with emphasis on the 1950s to 1970s.

When: Through Nov. 24. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Where: Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Avenue.

Cost: Suggested admission \$4 adults, \$1 children, Founders Society members free.

RELATED EVENTS:

■ **Sept. 17 to Oct. 27** — View the champion low rider truck from California installed in Rivera Court. The phenomenon of transforming automobiles into low rider cars began in the 1940s in Mexican-American communities in the Southwest. These vehicles are not about speed but aesthetics.

■ **"Beauty and Popular Mechanics,"** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12 — workshop for teachers grades 6-12 to discuss popular culture, and how cars have been transformed into visual statements of cultural identity. After exhibit tour, teachers complete hands-on project based on folk forms. A packet for classroom use is included. Fee general public \$50, \$40 Founders Society members. Pre-registration required, call (313) 833-2323.

■ **"InCarNation: The Automobile and 20th Century Culture,"** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26 — a conference examining the automobile's impact on culture and aesthetics in this century. Speakers include concept car designer N. Toledo; Jerry Herron, director of Critical Studies Program at Wayne State University; Dana Polan, Paris Center for American Studies director; Matthew Roth, founding curator of Peterson Automotive Museum in Los Angeles, and Terry Smith, director of Power Institute of Fine Arts at the University of Sydney. Fee \$30 general public, \$24 members, \$12 students.

■ A reading of Detroit-area poet and playwright Chris Tysh's play, "Car Men: (A Play in D)," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15 in Lecture Hall. Tickets \$10; \$8 Detroit Founders Society members, \$4 students with ID. For general information call (313) 833-7900.

ART SHOWS

FALL ART FESTIVALS

■ Art in the Park in Birmingham

What: The 22nd annual fair, featuring 156 artists and craftsmen, benefits Common Ground. Admission is free, call (810) 456-8150.

Where: Shain Park, north of Merrill, east of Bates, downtown Birmingham.

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 and until 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8.

■ Plymouth Community Arts Council's Artists and Craftsmen Show

What: Now in its 25th year, the show spotlights more than 100 exhibitors. For more information call (313) 416-4ART, admission \$2 donation adults, \$1 seniors/students to fund arts council programs in the community.

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8.

Where: Central Middle School, Church and Main Street, downtown Plymouth.

■ Art & Apples in Rochester

What: Presented by Paint Creek Center for the Arts, the festival highlights 300 artists and is expected to draw more than 125,000 visitors. Now in its 31st year, the fest funds PCCA programs, call (810) 651-4110 for information. Admission suggested donation \$2 to benefit Paint Creek Center for the Arts.

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 until 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8.

Where: Rochester Municipal Park, north of University/Walton between Main Street and Ludlow, downtown Rochester. Free shuttle service from Rochester High School, University and Livernois and Sanyo Machine America, Avon and Rochester Road. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, until 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

Note: City ordinance will be enforced prohibiting dogs in the park during the festival.

Fairs blend art, food and entertainment

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER

Fall's cooler weather is the perfect time to enjoy all that art festivals have to offer families: plenty of food and entertainment, a vast array of media, and kids and adult art activities plus bonuses like special exhibits. Three of the fairs, rated among the top 200 in the country by Sunshine Magazine, take place in our area Sept. 7-8. Why not map out a route and make a weekend of it by visiting all three? Here's a guide to what each is about and what they do best:

Birmingham

Art in the Park is a mid-size fair with 156 artists exhibiting their work to benefit Common Ground, a 24-hour crisis intervention and emergency psychiatric screening center in Pontiac. Founded in Birmingham in 1971, the non-profit organization also provides a victim's assistance program, legal clinic, and community education and training as well as programs like the Oakland County Response Team formed to assist in the after-

math of the Royal Oak Post Office shootings in 1991. Proceeds from last year's Art in the Park went to open the Crisis Stabilization Unit in Royal Oak. In cooperation with Sinai Hospital, the 10-bed short-term unit provides 24-hour nursing and medical supervision for psychiatric emergencies.

Fair Highlights include a Children's Art Area, Pewabic Pottery tile-making area, a showcase of art by disabled students of the Kennedy Center in Pontiac, live entertainment, a wide array of food, and a silent auction of works donated by the artists. Admission is free, thanks to sponsorship of the Shirley Schlafer Foundation, Sinai Health Systems, the Observer & Eccentric



Festival Fun: Art fairs in Birmingham, Plymouth and Rochester Sept. 7-8 provide one last golden opportunity to enjoy the outdoors before winter.

Newspapers, Huntington Bank, St. Joseph Mercy-Oakland, Paramed, Merchant of Vino and TBS Industrial Recycling.

"One of the nice things about Art in the Park is the size. It's not too overwhelming. It's more of a family event because there are lots of activities besides the high-quality art.

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FINE ARTS

Violence, war and peace inspire artist's work



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Connie Lucas was surprised when her painting "Don't Tell" was juried out of several shows. A Raggedy Ann doll with a broken arm and her mouth sewn shut sits on a dresser in this portrait of child abuse. Next to the doll, a wedding photo is reflected in a cracked hand mirror.

Unpleasant images frequently flatter by the wayside. Lucas comes face-to-face with this shied away subject and more when she explores "A Social Passion." Presented by the Livonia Arts Commission, the exhibition of mixed media, watercolor, acrylics and assemblages runs through Sept. 27 at the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile.

"I hope people will think about child abuse and report it when they see it," said Connie Lucas, a Canton Township artist.

"I want them to relate to what they see in their lives and what they see in the world. Be aware."

Lucas's one person show features polemic art or art which focuses on controversial political

'I like to pull the viewer in with my color, like to make it all work together, the color and composition.'

Connie Lucas

or social issues. Honore Daumier, William Blake, George Grosz, Otto Dix, and Ben Shahn are among the artists over the last 400 years to utilize their work as a forum.

Influenced by the death of her patriot father in 1987, Lucas depicts violence and war using symbols such as coffins, missiles, atomic mushrooms, and children's toys. Snakes are a favorite slithering into many of the works including "Earthly Delights," a 12-inch Lucite cube containing a pear surrounded by dozens of hand-painted snakes made from driftwood.

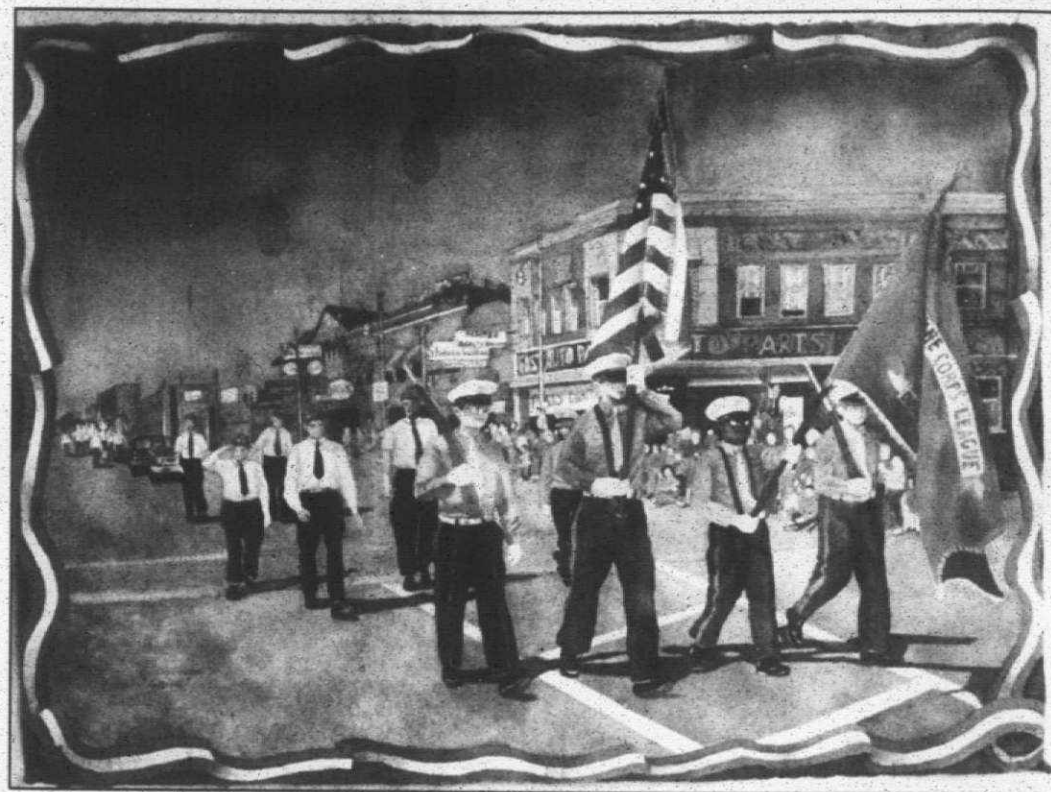
"The pear is the forbidden fruit. Historically snakes have been symbols of sexuality, phallic symbols, symbols of rebirth because of the snakes shedding their skin. The snakes in Earthly Delights represent all the problems in the world we have to work around," said Lucas whose watercolors were recently shown at Livonia City Hall in the "Peace Through Art" exhibit on loan from Swords into

Plowshares Gallery and Peace Center in Detroit.

Strong color is an important part of every painting Lucas creates. "I think I'm best known as a colorist. I love color of any kind and seem to have a warm palette. I like to pull the viewer in with my color, like to make it all work together, the color and composition. Color affects you psychologically. Warm colors, which I use a lot, are happy colors."

When Lucas was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1990 those vibrant colors turned dark. After five years in remission, her hues are more vibrant than ever. The 62-year-old artist continues to exhibit her work and win awards in competitions from Canton Township to Midland. Two of her pieces will be in the prestigious "Our Town" exhibition in October in Birmingham.

An opening reception to meet the artist is scheduled 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 at the library. The public is invited.



Commentary: Connie Lucas' paintings provoke the viewer to think about social and political issues.

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There's a children's art area where kids can create their own projects from found materials, and Pewabic Pottery is on site so you can make tiles for free or \$15 if you want them glazed."

said chairwoman Nancy Clark.

Jeweler Robin Servo of Bloomfield Hills, one of the 156 artists chosen from 900 applicants, has been doing Art in the Park for about 12 years. A graduate of Cranbrook Academy of Art, her limited production line of contemporary jewelry in sterling silver and 14K gold is comprised of geometric shapes and forms. Layers of metal and inlaid colors produced with epoxy resins create detail and give movement to the pieces. Epoxy resins with enamel-like appearances allow Servo to use a wider range of colors than available with semi-precious stones, which she also works with in her jewelry. Prices start at \$35 on up.

"I do really enjoy Art in the

Park. It's a nice time of year, the weather's cooler, and it helps Common Ground," said Servo.

Plymouth

The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents its 25th artists and crafts show featuring more than 100 artists in a historic setting, the city of Plymouth. This is the primary fund-raiser for the council, which provides art classes, picture program in Plymouth-Canton elementary schools, children's computer program, music in the park series, and scholarships for teachers and students. One of the bonuses of this show is it's scheduled to coincide with the Plymouth Fall Festival, a smorgasbord of food concessions benefiting dozens of non-profit organizations.

"We're excited about the diversity of the show this year especially the traditional crafts," said

chairwoman Carolyn Simon.

Artist William Buesching need not worry his tin wares will rust if it rains because this is an indoor show. The Livonia artist revives the craft of tin-smithing with his authentic reproductions of antique lighting devices including Shaker candle tubes and blacksmith lanterns, scones, comb holders and chandeliers. If you're a history buff, Buesching has plenty of stories about their use.

"There's an incredible history to these. The lighting devices go back to the 1700s and were used by country people from a poorer class: the New England barn lanterns farmers used when going from the house to the barn," said Buesching, a retired vice president of Windsor-based Hiram Walker, Inc.

"People buy these that like to have something that's an interesting accent in their home." Buesching will also have

Christmas icicles and punched tin lanterns from an era when Presidential campaigns punched candidates names into tin. Used during Abraham Lincoln's time, the glow of a candle would serve as an advertisement by lighting the name to vote for. Prices range from \$5 to \$150.

Rochester

Founded 31 years ago by the town's fathers, Art & Apples is the largest of the three fairs, boasting 300 artists from 39 states and Canada. The high-quality show, presented by the non-profit Paint Creek Center for the Arts as a fund-raiser, was named eighth best in the country by Sunshine Magazine.

Highlights include musicians, singers and dancers performing continuously on two stages; jugglers, clowns and musicians throughout the fair, free hands-on art activities for kids; 25 non-

profit food concessions including homemade apple pies by the Older Persons Commission; "Installments III," five temporary outdoor sculptures installed around the park pond Sept. 5-13, and the 10th annual "Celebrate Michigan Artists" exhibit at the PCCA, 407 Pine Street.

The small waterfall, creek, duck pond and mature trees with plenty of shade in Rochester's Municipal Park create a perfect place for an outdoor fair.

"What makes Art & Apples special is the art, the setting and the community involvement. There's puppeteer, and we encourage the children to paint and weave," said Joyce Rolf, public relations coordinator.

Richard Salay of Troy will bring his raku bird houses and large-scale clay bird characters with long gawling legs. A film producer by day at Salay & Associates in Farmington Hills,

the humorous artist works nights to create the birds with smiles on their faces.

"I don't really do them. They simply seem to emerge out of the clay independent of me," said Salay about his three-foot Bird Buddies.

Salay's bird abodes, like the birds, are born from clay. Looking like found objects instead of glitzy getaways, the houses provide cool moist environments for the birds because of the clay's ability to absorb moisture. Designed specifically for song birds with 1 1/8-inch entrances, chickadees and finches love them. Prices for Salay's work range from \$55 to \$145. This is his third year in Art & Apples.

"Art & Apples is a good forum for good art. Rochester is a growing, booming community and people are willing to spend the money," said Salay.

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CZECHOSLOVAKIAN GLASS ARTIST TO SPEAK AT DIA
Glass master Dale Chihuly refers to Czechoslovakians Stanislav Libensky and

Jaroslava Brychtova as "the greatest glass artists in the world." At 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8 Libensky will deliver a slide-illustrated lecture on their work at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward. The lecture coincides with an exhibition of their work at Habatat Galleries in Pontiac.

Libensky and Brychtova create kiln-cast glass sculptures in which light and form are the operative agents. The opacity

and transparency of the glass is used to explore the presence of the object in space.

A video entitled "The Glass Dimension," in which the two artists discuss their ideas and inspirations, will be shown 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14 in the Lecture Hall.

Both programs are free with museum admission of \$4 adults, \$1 children. Founders Society members free. For more information call the DIA, (313) 833-7900.

PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT CELEBRATES DIVERSITY

"It's Us: A Celebration of Who We Are in America Today," a national traveling exhibition is on display through Sept. 28 at the main branch of the Detroit Public Library, 5201 Woodward across the street from the Detroit Institute of Arts. Detroit is one of 74 cities throughout the United States selected to display the exhibition.

The exhibition coincides in part with the library's celebration of International Awareness Days in September and October

when all library locations will feature programs celebrating our ethnic heritages and cultural contributions. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and 1-9 p.m. Wednesday.

PROPOSALS WANTED

Artists have less than three weeks to submit ideas for an exhibition titled "Ambient Luminosity" at the Detroit Artists Market April 4 to May 9, 1997. The exhibition, to be curated by Douglas Bulka, will showcase work in all media dealing with artificial light sources ranging from filament lamps to fire/lane.

Entry submissions are open to all artists living within Michigan and Essex County, Ontario. Artists may enter up to 15 slides or a VHS video tape not to exceed 20 minutes. Installation artists may choose to use slides and/or video. Deadline for proposal submissions is Sept. 28.

For more specifics call the Detroit Artists Market, (313) 393-1770.

Libertarian candidate gives anti-government view



ESTHER LITTMANN

Most of us are too cynical about human nature to believe that good intentions alone will bring about a better world. "There should be a law" we rail when protesting an offense against our person or

property. But what about laws that help feed the hungry and heal the sick? Should we pass laws to improve the quality of life for ourselves and the underprivileged? Democrats and Republicans generally answer "yes," although they differ in degree. "Compassion" and "fairness" are important considerations in our country's political discussions and decision-making process.

But that's where politicians

and the electorate go wrong, writes Harry Browne, investment adviser and author of nine books, three of which have appeared on the New York Times bestseller list. In his latest publication, "Why Government Doesn't Work" (St. Martin's Press, 1995, \$19.95), this year's Libertarian candidate for president maintains that "government is an agency of coercion." And because it has the power to force compliance, its programs, no matter how well intentioned, do not produce the intended result. That's because citizens modify their behavior to conform to their own best interests, the author explains.

Take welfare, for example. First, recipients become dependent on its benefits and are tempted to ask for more. Then others, also eager to enjoy an advantage, find ways to qualify. Meanwhile, taxpayers seek loopholes to minimize or avoid their

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tax burden. And political leaders perpetuate the programs as a way of increasing their own influence.

Unfortunately, Browne writes, the true consequences of a government program have a delayed reaction. So people fail to see a connection between the program and its results. If things go wrong — unemployment, increased violence, escalating cost of medical care — the government can always place the blame on the private sector or on the "decade of greed." Government then launches yet another program to fix the problem: the first program created. Thus, writes the author, "Coercive programs almost always fail — and on their

way to failure they get bigger, more expensive, and more intrusive."

Browne's lucid prose and ready wit make his 232-page book readily accessible to the layperson. And well documented statistics and graphs provide credibility. A study based on the work of the Rochester Institute of Technology (New York), for example, estimates that taxes plus the price of regulation take 57 percent of the average wage earner's economic life. Furthermore, to counter those who object to Japan's "aggressive" tactics in the auto industry, Browne calls on the findings of the U.S. Department of Commerce (1995), which demon-

strate that the United States sells far more items to Japan than Japan sells to us, such as aircraft, aluminum, inorganic chemicals and meat.

Identifying the problem is not the only objective of this 63-year-old investment counselor and author of "Special Reports," a financial newsletter. Solutions to the problems of social security, balancing the budget, inflation and the role of the military — plus the articulation of his presidential platform — occupy the second half of Browne's work. The comedy thread that runs through all his proposals is downsizing government through privatization.

"You may not agree with everything in this book," Browne concedes. "But, most likely, you will agree with me that ... cutting government substantially would be good for you ... and good for America."

True, his readers may not

agree with all his ideas. But the seriousness of our problem deserves an open mind devoid of mental reflexes nurtured by preconceptions and wishful thinking. Perhaps we need to rethink our belief that force rather than freedom creates a more responsible and secure society.

Harry Browne's books are available at Barnes and Noble. The author will speak at the Dearborn's Masonic Temple at 8:30 p.m. Sept. 7 (810-352-3170), at the Sterling Inn in Sterling Heights at 8:45 p.m. Oct. 19 (810-828-7690), and at the Economic Club of Detroit at noon Oct. 21 (313-963-8549).

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TRAVEL

Sightseers have a whale of a time in the Pacific Northwest

BY KRISTIN JACKSON
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"Over there, over there!" shrieked an excited woman from Ohio as two orcas surfaced just 100 feet from the boat.

With a chorus of oohs and aahs, and cameras clicking madly, three dozen tourists eagerly watched the whale's every move.

On the other side of our tour boat, several more orcas undulated past, bringing the sightseers scurrying over to see them.

The orcas' 5-foot-tall, jet-black dorsal fins poked out of the water like submarine periscopes. They swam so close to the boat that the tourists could hear the breath hissing through the orca's blowholes.

The tourists held their breath in awe.

This is shaping up as a rich whale-watching season around the San Juan Islands, where an estimated 97 orcas are cruising the waters this summer.

Haro Strait and the islands that border it — both the San Juans and the adjacent Gulf Islands in British Columbia — are among the best and most accessible places to see orcas in North America. The orcas linger in the area to feast on migrating salmon from late spring into September. (At other times of the year, they may range up to 200 miles away.)

For Seattleites or other urban-dwellers yearning to be free of the city for a day, a whale-watching trip is an easy way to get a taste of the wilderness.

Tour boats depart daily from ports around Puget Sound and the San Juans. But don't expect that you'll be the only boat out there. About 80,000 people are expected to go on whale-watching day trips in the area this season, said Rich Osborne, curator of science services at the Whale Museum in Friday Harbor on San Juan Island.

It was marine gridlock at one spot in the San Juans in June when 100 boats (many of them privately owned) converged to watch 22 orcas. Still, there are days when the orcas can't be found and sightseers will have to be content with watching

seabirds, seals, and the San Juans' scenery of sun-washed, rocky islands and tangle of inlets.

I didn't know what sort of whale-watching crowd — or how many orcas — I'd see in the San Juans on a weekday tour earlier this summer. But eager to avoid the crowds on the freeway or ferry, I took one of Clipper Navigation's boats from downtown Seattle to Friday Harbor, then transferred to the 65-foot Glacier Spirit for a three-hour whale-watching tour.

The two-boat package, booked through Clipper, cost \$74 and included an hour's free time to wander around Friday Harbor. It made for a long day trip — about 11 hours in all — but leaving Seattle behind so effortlessly made me feel like I'd been away for days. And seeing more than a dozen orcas in the wild made it one of my most memorable day trips.

It's not a luxury cruise — the 231-passenger Clipper III catamaran that carried us from Seattle to Friday Harbor and back is a plain vessel, with somewhat cramped seating and the charm of a Greyhound bus. And the 72-passenger Glacier Spirit that took us whale-watching felt crowded, especially on deck, even when the boat was only about half full.

Still, it's what's outside the boats — the scenery and the orcas that makes it a trip very worth taking.

The Clipper III sped along the east side of Whidbey Island and through Deception Pass, powering through the tidal rips and under the soaring road bridge that spans the pass. Along the way, one of Clipper's staff members talked of Puget Sound history and pointed out towns and landmarks.

As we emerged from the pass and headed west to the San Juans, the sun finally banished the cloudy chill. Passengers crowded the Clipper III's upper deck to watch the sun-sparkled maritime parade of barges, ferries, sailboats and the tapestry of islands.

We docked at Friday Harbor, its streets lined with art galleries and souvenir shops,

restaurants and real-estate offices. Some Clipper passengers spent the layover shopping and eating in town; others of us walked along the dock to board the Glacier Spirit and go look for whales.

For the first hour, the Glacier Spirit wandered among the islands, past the luxurious vacation homes lining the shores, beside rocky islets inhabited only by seals and sea gulls, and then into the open waters of Haro Strait.

The boat scarcely rocked, steady and comfortable enough for even the Midwest landlubbers among us. We lined its narrow outside walkways, scanning the horizon for orcas.

"There's one," shouted an excited teen-ager, his long hair whipped in the salt-tanged wind. But it was no orca, just a drifting log.

A naturalist aboard told us of orcas and other wildlife. Those in the know, like the naturalist and whale researchers, can identify individual orcas by the shape of their dorsal fins. But there was none to be seen. We passengers began to get a bit anxious all this way and no orcas?

Then came a radio call from a spotter service — a network of small boats and land-based observers (with very powerful binoculars) who scan the water

for orcas and radio their location to commercial whale-watching outfits. The spotter had seen orcas near Saturna, one of the British Columbia Gulf Islands just north of us, across the strait.

The Glacier Spirit zipped northward. In 15 minutes we were by a rocky headland where a dozen or more orcas frolicked in the waves.

We were lucky there was no horde of boats surrounding them — only a few small private motorboats and several inflatable Zodiac rafts from a commercial whale-watching outfit in Victoria.

We abandoned our half-eaten lunches on the inside tables for this whale of a show. We watched, entranced, for an hour, rushing from one side of the boat to the other as the orcas glided around us.

The pilot cut the engine and we drifted peacefully in the warm sun and gentle sea, the sunlight flashing on the orcas' white patches as they rose to the surface then dove into the deep.

Three orcas surfaced within spitting distance of our drifting boat. The young children aboard squealed in glee.

When an orca breached the bow, flinging its black-and-white bulk vertically out of the water and landing with a tremendous splash, we all squealed.

In a quieter moment, I leaned over the railing to stare into the sea. I thought I saw an orca below the waves, a swift, dark shadow hurtling alongside the hull.

People's interest in orcas has been fueled by the "Free Willy" film about an orca yearning to be free — and the transfer earlier this year of its real-life star, the orca Keiko, from a cramped tank in a Mexican amusement park to more comfortable quarters in the Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport.

Seeing an orca in an aquarium is impressive. But seeing orcas swimming wild and free is breathtaking.

With their black-and-white coloration, orcas look like streamlined, sea-going panda bears — and people seem to find them as lovable as pandas. But they're far bigger than any bear: orcas average 23 to 27 feet in length and weigh 8,000 to 10,000 pounds. A newborn weighs a hefty 800 pounds.

Orcas stick close to each other in pods, or family groups, and surface every few minutes to breathe, to look around — and to play. They surf the waves. They "spyhop," poking their heads and upper body vertically out of the water to look around. And some lucky whale-watchers, like us, may see them breach.

Orcas have become the target of a whale-watching mini-industry: [q] around the San Juans and in the more remote Johnstone Strait, off northeastern Vancouver Island, where orcas abound.

But until about 30 years ago, orcas were a different sort of target: some fishermen and fisheries managers along the West Coast used to shoot them.

Orcas eat salmon, lots of salmon — especially chinook and coho, two of the species also prized by humans. That made orcas the enemy to some in the fisheries business (salmon-hungry sea lions seem to draw the wrath these days).

Then it all began to change, thanks to the work of some dedicated whale researchers and a growing public interest in saving the orcas. Whale-watching tours took off, riding a wave of interest in ecotourism. Nowadays the only shooting of orcas is by cameras.

Aboard the Glacier Spirit, we reluctantly put away our cameras when it came time to motor back to Friday Harbor.

We walked around the little port town for an hour, poking into shops that offered orca-decorated T-shirts, orca postcards, orca-shaped windsocks. I was glad to have been able to see the real thing. And to have my memories as souvenirs.

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RECEPTIONS

THE CARY GALLERY
Artists Michael Mahoney and Julie Seregny return to the gallery at 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester, for a showing of new oils, watercolors and pastels of figures and still lifes that will continue to Oct. 5. Reception for the artists 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7. Call (810) 651-3656.

INSTALLMENTS III
An exhibit of temporary outdoor sculptures continues to Sept. 13 in Rochester Municipal Park, off Ludlow, north of University between Livernois and Main. Opening reception 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, at the Lions Pavilion in the Park. Call (810) 651-4110.

PARK WEST GALLERY
An exhibit by Harold Altman will continue through Sept. 19 at 29469 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. Opening with the artist Friday-Saturday, Sept. 6-7. Call (810) 354-2343.

A.C.T. GALLERY
"Black and Blue," a multimedia exhibit by local artists that explores the dark side of the human psyche, will continue to Oct. 11 at 29 E. Grand River, Detroit. Opening reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Call (313) 961-4336.

GALLERY: FUNCTIONART
"Ingrained Passion: Artistry in Wood," presenting established and emerging artists who work with wood, and a display of the artist-made paper works of Mickey Allardice of Michigan, will continue through Sept. 30 at 21 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Opening reception 7-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Particularly exciting in the "Ingrained Passion" show are pieces by Bishop Kenyon Studios of Illinois, which feature photographic images transferred onto the wood grain surface. Call (810) 333-0333.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY
"Prints and Paper Weaving Images," an exhibit by Soon Jung Hwang, continues through Sept. 28 at 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Opening reception for the artist 7-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Call (810) 334-6716.

MATRIX GALLERY
"Group Conversations," an exhibit of works by five artists who have been meeting once a week for almost two years as part of the project development, will continue to Oct. 6 at 212 Miller, Ann Arbor. Reception for the artists 6-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Call (313) 663-7775.

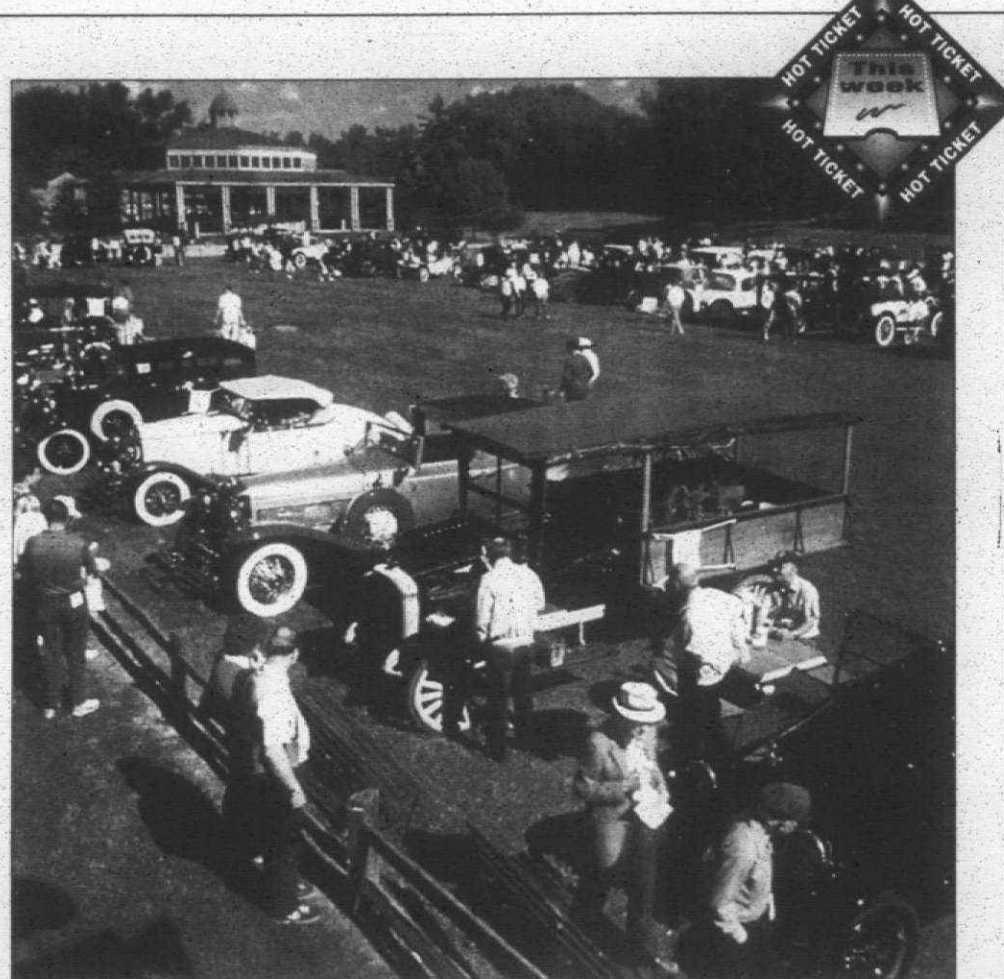
MICHIGAN GALLERY
"Out of Solitude," a multimedia exhibit, will continue to Oct. 12 at 2661 Michigan Ave., Detroit. Opening reception 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7. A portion of sales proceeds will be donated to a local shelter for abused women. Call (313) 961-7867.

SHAW GUIDO GALLERY
"Inner Core," an exhibit by clay and metal sculptor Tom Phardel, will continue through Sept. 28 at 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Opening reception 7-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Call (810) 333-1070.

SLUSSER GALLERY
Art works by Vincent Castagnacci, an instructor at the University of Michigan School of Art, will be exhibited through Sept. 29 in the gallery at the UM School of Art and Design, Art and Architecture Building, 2000 Bonisteel Blvd., Ann Arbor. Reception 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10. Call (313) 763-4417.

SWANN GALLERY
"Marty West: Two Hours Ago Tomorrow," the group exhibit "Heart and Soul of the City" and a show of works by Michele Gibbs will continue to Oct. 6 at 1250 Library, Detroit. Opening reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Call (313) 965-4826.

THE SYRISAR GALLERY
"Cup As A Metaphor II: Works in Clay," by 28 prominent ceramic artists from around the country, will continue to Oct. 12 at 202 E. Third, Royal Oak.



HENRY FORD MUSEUM & GREENFIELD VILLAGE

Old Car Festival: Horseless carriages, from 1932 and earlier that were part of the automobile's earlier years, will make a "sentimental journey" to Greenfield Village in Dearborn Sept. 7-8 to celebrate 100 years of automotive production. Over 300 vehicles are expected. Visitors can get acquainted with the cars and their owners while vehicles are on display or participate in pass-in-review judging throughout the weekend. A "Parade of Progress" each day will feature notable early autos that represent significant design and manufacturing contributions to the industry. Call (313) 271-1620 or (313) 271-1976 for details.

Also, glass and metal jewelry by Seattle artist Julie Anne Mihalasin. Opening reception 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7. Call (810) 544-3388.

EXHIBITS

ART & APPLES FESTIVAL
The 31st anniversary Art & Apples Festival, presented by the non-profit Paint Creek Center for the Arts, featuring 300 artists, entertainment, children's art activities and refreshments, will take place 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, in Rochester Municipal Park, off Ludlow, north of University between Livernois and Main. Requested \$2 donation. Call (810) 651-4110.

ART IN THE PARK
The 22nd annual Common Ground Art in the Park, featuring 156 artists from across the United States and Canada, will take place 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, in Shain Park, off Bates, south of Maple between Southfield Road and Woodward, Birmingham. Admission is free. Call (810) 456-8150.

PROGRAMS

AUTUMNFEST
The ninth annual Autumnfest of the Cultural Arts Division of the city of Southfield - featuring arts and crafts, food, entertainment and children's activities - will take place 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Mary Thompson Farm, 25630 Evergreen, Parking at the Southfield Civic Center and shuttle service to and from the farm are free, as is admission. Call (810) 424-9022.

FIRST THURSDAY
Today is the "First Thursday" of the month. The North Woodward and Townsend Street art galleries in Birmingham will have extended hours tonight. Call the individual galleries for more information.

ARTS-EN-PROVENCE
Enjoy the feel of the French countryside at "Arts-en-Provence," the fourth annual auction of Wayne State University's College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts, Friday, Sept. 6, at the Detroit Athletic Club. The evening of great buys, art

food and fun begins 6 p.m. with an architectural tour of the club, followed by wine and buffet and silent auction 6:30 p.m. and live auction 8 p.m. Among the wide variety of items up for bid are a musical surprise gift from Arnold-Williams Music and Kawai, autographed sports memorabilia, a week in a London flat, a selection of vacation packages, a Haitian wall hanging, works from local and regional artists and WSU faculty, a signed lithograph from Park West Gallery, ticket packages from various Detroit performing arts organizations and gourmet dinners. Tickets are \$40 individual and \$75 couple. Call (313) 577-5342 for tickets and more information.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET
"In Residence" continues to Sept. 20 at 300 River Place, Suite 1650, Detroit. Lecture 5:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Call (313) 393-1770.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Video, "Bauhaus in America," 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, in Lecture Hall, 5200 Woodward. Lecture by glass artists Stanislav Libensky and Jaroslava Brychtova 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, in Lecture Hall. Adult class, "Survey of World Art I," Thursdays, Sept. 5 to Nov. 19; call for fees and other information. Call (313) 833-7900.

POPULAR MUSIC

ACUMEN
With Cubanate, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT

ANN ARBOR BLUES AND JAZZ FESTIVAL
With the Taj Mahal Band and Alvin "Youngblood" Hart, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, at the Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor, \$20; Wallace Roney Quartet, 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13-Saturday, Sept. 14, The Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor, \$20; Parohad Sanders, Terrace Simien and the Mallet Playboys, Sue Foley, and a trumpet summit featuring the Marcus Belgrave Quintet, 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, Gallup Park, Ann Arbor; and Maceo Parker, Luther Allison, Corey

Harris, Dave Douglas String Group, Big Dave and the Ultrasonics, and E. LaQuint Weaver and the Hallelujah Singers, 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 15, Gallup Park, Ann Arbor. Cover charge for Gallup Park, (810) 645-6666

"BACK TO SCHOOL JAM"
With Keith Sweat, NAS, Total, S.W.V. and Bone Thugs-n-Harmony, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills, \$35 and \$27.50 reserved. (R&B/rap) (810) 377-0100.

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6-Saturday, Sept. 7, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor, \$5. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 278-5340

TRACY BONHAM
With Local H, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (810) 335-8100

BROTHER RABBIT
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 996-2748

BUTTERFLY
With Small Change, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

CHISEL BROS. WITH THORNETTA DAVIS
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5-Friday, Sept. 6, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. \$12.50 in advance. \$15 at the door. 19 and older. (blues) (313) 996-8555

KNEE DEEP SHAG
10:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (funk) (313) 485-5050

CHUBBY CARRIER
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (zydeco) (810) 543-0917

COWBOY JUNKIES
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, Meadow Brook Music Theatre, Oakland University, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. \$22.50 pavilion; \$12.50 lawn. (alternative rock) (810) 377-0100

SAL D'AGNOLLO
9 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, and Friday, Sept. 13, Fat Willy's, 19170 Farmington Road, Livonia. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (810) 615-1330

DEAR ABBY
With 20 Dead Flower Children, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (hard alternative rock) (810) 589-3344

DETROIT BLUES BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 642-9400

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Celebrates release of CD "Colorblind," 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, Mosquito Club, 28949 Joy Road, Westland. Cover charge. (rock) (313) 513-8688

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10:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 485-5050

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FRENTE
With Duncan Sheik, 9:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$7.50 in advance. 19 and older. (pop) (313) 996-8555

GLOBAL VILLAGE
With The Bomb, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (pop) (313) 996-2748

THE GODFATHER
9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 996-2748

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9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. (blues) (810) 644-4800

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9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. (blues) (810) 644-4800

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8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older. (video) (810) 589-3344

HOLY COWS
10:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. With Big Black, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (roots rock) (313) 485-5050

JETHRO TULL
With Emerson, Lake and Palmer, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, Pine Knob Music Theatre, 1-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$24.50 pavilion; \$12.50 lawn. (rock) (810) 377-0100

KEB MO
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50 in advance; \$15 at the door. 19 and older. (blues) (313) 996-8555

PIT VIPERS
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, Fall Sports Lounge, 19335 Carlyle, Dearborn. (blues) (313) 278-0305

PURE
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (pop) (313) 961-MELT

THE QUEERS
With Mr. T Experience and The Smugglers, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961-MELT

RESTROOM POETS
With Kiss Me Screaming and South Normal, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (roots rock) (313) 996-2748

SEPTUPLA
With Far, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, State Theater, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15 in

Library Pub, Novi; 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6-Saturday, Sept. 7, Detroit Yacht Club, Belle Isle, Detroit; 9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, Mr. B's, Troy; and 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, Max and Erma's, 250 Merrill, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (singer/songwriter) (810) 349-9110/(313) 824-1200/(810) 689-6070/(810) 258-1188

LAP DOGS
9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-2748

"LEGENDS OF MOTOWN"
With the Temptations, Spinners, Martha Reeves and the Vandellas, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, Pine Knob Music Theatre, 1-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. Superfan: \$22 pavilion; \$12 lawn. (Motown) (810) 377-0100

JERRY MACK AND THE TERRA PLANES
9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$2. 19 and older. (blues) (313) 996-8555

RICHARD MARX
7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 1-75 and Lapeer Road, Auburn Hills. \$20, \$10. (rock) (810) 377-0100

THE MEATMEN
6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT

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WIG
10:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (hard alternative rock) (313) 485-5050

THE MISSION
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13-Saturday, Sept. 14, New Detroit Bar, 655 Baubien, Greentown area of Detroit. (blues) (313) 963-3355

MIDPUPPY
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 543-0917

MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM MCCARTHY
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6-Saturday, Sept. 7, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 543-0917

THE NEUROTIC OUTSIDERS
Featuring members of the Sex Pistols, Duran Duran and Guns 'n' Roses, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, The Sanctum, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$12.50 in advance. All ages. (rock) (810) 333-2362

THE NIXONS
8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT

PINE CREEK BLUES FEST
With Mudpuppy, George Bedard and the Kingpins, and Johnny Bassett and The Blues Insurgents, 4-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, Pine Creek Golf Course, 50521 Huron River Dr., Belleville. \$10 in advance. Golf, \$5 with a ticket. (blues) (313) 483-5010

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SKINHORSE
With Asylum Choir, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (industrial) (810) 589-3344

JERRY SPRAGUE AND THE REMAINDERS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (variety) (313) 996-2748

311
With The Urge, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, State Theater, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15 in advance. All ages. (hip hop) (313) 961-5451

TOP KAT
9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-2748

TUESDAY NIGHT MUSIC CLUB
With John D. Lamb, 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, The Rock on 3rd, 112 E. Third, Royal Oak. \$1 and older. (810) 542-ROCK

RANDY VOLIN AND SONIC BLUES
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. (blues) (810) 644-4800

JAMES WALIN
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 581-3650

THE WHY STORE
With Eleanor McEvoy, 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, The Sanctum, Pontiac. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (810) 333-2362

CLUB NIGHTS
10:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (hard alternative rock) (313) 485-5050

CROSS STREET STATION
Ska and world beat, 9 p.m. Sundays. Cover charge. 18 and older; Retro dance party, 9 p.m. Tuesdays. \$3. 21 and older. Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. (313) 485-5050

ST. ANDREW'S HALL/THE SHELTER
10 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10, The Incinerator, alternative rock in the Shelter, \$6, 18 and older; 10 p.m. Fridays "Three Floors of Fun" with hip-hop and alternative rock, \$3 before 11 p.m., \$5 after, 18 and older; 10 p.m. Saturdays "Old School Night" in the Shelter, \$3, 18 and older. 431 E. Congress, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT

3-D
"Prophecy," techno/alternative dance night, 9 p.m. Fridays: "Liquide," funk/soul/house music dance night with DJ Mike Hucaby, 9 p.m. Wednesdays, at the club, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (810) 589-3344

"VILLISLUTION TECHNO RAVE"
Formerly known as "Alpha Soma," with DJ Thomas Barnett (a.k.a. Subterfuge) 9 p.m. Tuesdays, Magic Bag, 22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5. 18 and older. (techno/jungle) (810) 544-3030

WEST SIDE THEATRE PROJECT
"Assassins," by Stephen Sondheim, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10-Friday, Sept. 13, Dearborn High School Auditorium, 19501 W. Outer Drive 1/2 mile north of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. \$10. Benefits the Dearborn High School Theatre Program. (313) 730-0442

FAMILY EVENTS
AMERICAN POLISH CULTURAL CENTER'S INDOOR SUMMER SOCIAL
With music by Ted Koltowicz and "Sparks of Fire," and a Polish kitchen, 1-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at the center, 2975 E. Maple Road, Troy. \$3. (810) 689-3636

ART AND APPLES FESTIVAL
Featuring 300 artists, entertainment, children's art activities and refreshments, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, and

Friday, Sept. 6 and runs through Sunday, Sept. 29, 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays, 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursdays, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, and 1 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sundays, at the theater, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10-\$57.50; group discounts available. (313) 433-1515

GEN THEATRE
"The All Night Strut!" opens Wednesday, Sept. 11 and runs Wednesday through Sundays through Friday, Nov. 29, at the theater, 58 E. Columbia (across the street from the State and Fox theaters), Detroit. 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays (\$24), 7:30 p.m. Thursdays (\$24), 7:30 p.m. Fridays (\$27), 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays (\$27), and 2 p.m. Sundays (\$19). Group discounts available. (313) 963-9800

COMMUNITY THEATRE
ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE
"My Favorite Year," 8 p.m. Thursdays-Sundays through Sept. 21, Civic Playhouse, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor. (313)-971-2228

MARQUIS THEATRE
"Rapunzel," Tuesdays through Fridays and Sundays through Sept. 29, Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main St., Northville. 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, also 7:30 p.m. Fridays, Sept. 6 & 13; and 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 7, 14, 21, and 28; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 8, 15, 22, and 29, \$5.50. Show is recommended for children older than 3 1/2 years old. (810) 349-8100

RIDECADE PLAYERS
Holds an open house with workshops about makeup, lights and sound, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. (810) 398-2725

VILLAGE PLAYERS
"The Honeymooners," week-ends Friday, Sept. 6-Saturday, Sept. 21, at the theater, 752 Chester St. (at the corner of Hunter Boulevard, south of Maple Road), Birmingham. \$12 in advance; \$10 students. (810) 644-2075

STAGECRAFTERS
"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," opens Friday, Sept. 13, and runs weekends through Sunday, Oct. 6, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. (810) 541-4832

MOVIES

Real-life blackout adds drama to 'Trigger Effect'



JOHN MONAGHAN

TICKETS PLEASE

When the lights went out across nine states last month, at least one person could be found smiling in the dark. David Koepf, writer/director of the blackout-based thriller "The Trigger Effect," experienced the kind of publicity windfall that money just can't buy.

"Actually, we were out there

throwing birds at power wires for weeks and finally got hit," Koepf kidded reporters at a Los Angeles interview. He was joined by stars Elisabeth Shue, Kyle MacLachlan, and Dermot Mulroney. "We think of electric power as sort of a divine right and that it's always going to be there, but it's not," Koepf said.

"Electricity is a natural resource, but harnessed power is there because a lot of people make a concerted effort every day to supply it... when it's gone, people don't know how to function."

"The Trigger Effect" starts as a Rube Goldberg of petty annoy-

ances when soda accidentally spills on a man's expensive white suit. He brusquely pushes past someone, which almost leads to a fight. While that man stands in the popcorn line, a woman walks up to the counter in front of him.

Finally entering the movie theater, he loudly recounts his experience to a friend, forcing the couple in the next row to find other seats.

It's these people, played by Shue and MacLachlan, that the movie centers on. When the ensuing power outage immobilizes the security system in their suburban Southern California home, they ask a friend (Dermot Mulroney) to spend the night.

Sound like an extended episode of "The Twilight Zone"? It should. Koepf, who co-wrote the screenplay for "Jurassic Park" and "Mission Impossible," admits a debt to the series. "The Monsters are Due on Maple Street," a classic episode about paranoia during a power outage, starred his uncle, Claude Akins.

Following the example of the series, the first-time director doesn't always feel compelled to explain the reason for a blackout strong enough to wipe out telephones and radio signals. "I tried explaining it in an earlier draft of the script," he said. "But once they knew everything, it sort of sapped all the tension."

Koepf instead sees the blackout as a device for dealing with the characters' frustrations. "I see the blackout as an extreme event that would make an extreme feel that maybe ordinary rules don't apply in crisis times and they can release those pent-up feelings."

Shue's character, for instance, is a housewife and mother who finds the excitement gone from her marriage. "I always thought of her as somebody who was kind of a wild child when she was younger," the actress said. "She got into a lot of trouble, lived life on the edge, and used her sexu-

ality to create danger and intrigue in her life and was hurt by a lot of men because of it."

"So she chose someone who would finally protect her from all that pain and rein her in. And yet, she won't be reined. That whole side of her personality had to find a place to go."

"The Trigger Effect" is Shue's first movie since playing a prostitute in "Leaving Las Vegas," which earned her the best reviews of her career and an Oscar nomination. Shue's Annie is an exercise in pent-up sexuality, dressed in a tight white shirt and posed provocatively up against a door jam, like a heroine in a Tennessee Williams play.

MacLachlan and Mulroney, meanwhile, play friends who have known each other since high school. While one went straight to suburbia, the other works construction and remains unmarried. As the blackout continues, Annie finds herself attracted to the friend, which only worsens when the three decide to hit the road for

Colorado. "I really love the moment between Kyle and I when we get back from the theater and she's trying to arouse him and he's not interested," Shue remembered. "It's just the moment where we both look at each other and there's this sadness, knowing what's happened to our marriage."

Koepf credits Shue with fleshing out a character he only had a rough sketch of in the script. He admits that his stories, including the upcoming "Lost World," often center on men.

When asked what she thinks of the overall film, the soft-spoken Shue offers faint praise: "There are some amazing moments in the movie and I've learned that's what you have to cherish. At the end of the day, you have to be proud of the moments."

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave him a voice mail message, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866

Conflict: Annie (Elisabeth Shue, left to right), Joe (Dermot Mulroney) and Matt (Kyle MacLachlan) disagree as to what measures should be taken to adequately protect themselves in "The Trigger Effect."

Elisabeth Shue

side musicians and concentrated on the band itself. Timmins, guitarist Michael Timmins, drummer Peter Timmins and bassist Alan Anton.

By taking away our side musicians, Michael has to play lead guitar, which is something he hasn't done since "The Caution Horses" and the "Trinity Session" days. As a guitar player, he's changed a lot. He's had to find out who he was as a guitar player after so many years of playing rhythm."

Timmins said the change came about after the tour for her band's last album, "Pale Sun Crescent Moon."

"On the last tour for 'Pale Sun Crescent Moon,' there was a segment in the show where we broke it down to the four of us. We did some old songs and for a lot of the songs we played as a four piece, which we haven't really done in a long time. We decided that what we would like to do is go back to that foursome and see what happens."

"Music grows in cycles. Get into violins this year, next year you're into horns. This year we sort of wanted to figure out what

happens with a four piece."

Timmins said it was fun to "fool around" with the music.

"I like having that much space in the music. There's more room to fool around, more instruments, and you're more aware of what other people are doing... (But) you're more naked than if you covered it up with a lot of other songs."

In concert, the Toronto band breaks it down even further for a few songs.

"We break it down to a two piece - just Michael and I. That's really raw. You can't get more naked than that," she said with a laugh.

The concert will feature songs off "Lay It Down" and a variety of older songs including "I'm So Lonely I Could Cry" off the "Trinity Session."

"It (the set) is really nicely rounded. You always run the risk of disappointing somebody. It's always a guessing game. Of course, after the show you'll hear from someone who said they came out to hear a specific song that we didn't play and generally we played that the night before. But I think with this show, people are getting what they want to hear."

Cowboy Junkies perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, at Meadow Brook Music Festival. Tickets are \$22.50 pavilion and \$12.50 lawn. For more information, call (810) 377-0100.

The Illinois-based rock duo Local H has been added to the Tracy Bonham show Tuesday, Sept. 9, at the 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac.

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DINING

Pronto! emphasizes fresh, home-grown food

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

If Pronto! 608 restaurant in Royal Oak were to have a catch phrase, it would be that it's a "fresh food restaurant."

"We grow all our own tomatoes, peppers, zucchini at a little farm in West Bloomfield so we can control all those things, and our crops are starting to come in," said Bill Thomas of Birmingham, who owns the restaurant, along with Jim Domanski, also of Birmingham, and Tom Murray of Huntington Woods.

The farm has 140 tomato plants, pepper plants, spicy peppers and green peppers, zucchini, and pumpkins, and cucumbers.

Fresh and homemade foods are the secret behind the success of Pronto! — although Thomas would say luck had a lot of to do with it. The hummus used in dishes like the "Mediterranean Roll-Up" (\$6.50) is made in house. Pronto! roasts all its own turkey breasts for "Mar's Mess," which also includes coleslaw, Swiss cheese and Russian dressing on rye bread (\$6.50).

Pronto!, a few blocks west of Main and north of 10 Mile, is one of the few restaurants that offers a variety of dishes for vegetarians and meat eaters.

"Granny's Chicken Salad" is one of the many signature items of the store. The salad, which Thomas describes as "awesome," mixes chicken breast, Capri Smith apples, celery and capers in a light lemon mayonnaise on cracked whole wheat. (\$6.25)

Named after a former kitchen manager, "Chuck's Too Hot To Handle" (\$7.50) is a spicy grilled chicken breast sandwich that also includes pepper jack cheese, avocado, chipotle black bean

Pronto! 608
Location: 608 S. Washington St., Royal Oak.

Hours: 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays; 10 a.m.-midnight Fridays; 9 a.m.-midnight Saturdays; and 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Sundays. Sunday brunch is served from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays.

Credit cards: Visa, Mastercard and American Express.

Information: Catering (810) 544-7106; General, (810) 544-7900; or to fax in an order (810) 544-0123.

paste, sour cream, salsa and lettuce.

"His sandwich is infamous with Pronto!" Thomas said.

On the vegetarian side, Pronto! offers 10 vegetarian sandwiches, and a host of salads and entrees. Served with garlic bread, the vegetarian lasagna is made with fresh pasta layered with spinach, zucchini, yellow squash, green and red peppers, mushrooms, onions and three cheeses baked in a garlic-herbed marinara (\$7.95).

Vegetarian Roulade (\$4.75), made with hummus, avocado, tomato, red onion, sprouts, and sunflower seeds rolled in whole wheat lavash bread, is another popular item.

To keep up its reputation for pleasing every kind of eater, Pronto! offers daily a dairy-free soup.

"It could range from black bean to roasted garlic to Michigan white bean. We use things that are seasonal. We're a fresh foods restaurant."

The restaurant's top-selling

item is its chicken pot pie. Thomas estimates that Pronto! sells 25,000 chicken pot pies a year.

Thomas, Domanski and Murray opened the restaurant five years ago as a European-style take-away restaurant with seven employees. It now boasts a roster of 137.

"Jim and I had been to Europe a few times, and we were intrigued with the European take away where you can go in and order a nice meal and take it away. We felt that was what was missing in Royal Oak; of course that was before all the restaurants came to town."

Since its opening, Pronto! has opened a bakery called Treats Treats at 604 S. Washington, which supplies desserts to area coffeehouses and Nordstrom's in the Somerset Collection in Troy, along with the traditional bakery items. Pronto! also offers a catering service, and recently it added a video bar that shows non-stop music clips. The restaurant also offers an a la carte, made-to-order brunch menu on Saturdays and Sundays.

Just like everything else with the restaurant, Thomas explained that a lot of thought goes into the menu items.

"A lot of imagination that goes into our menu. Part of it is our staff involved. You have to get fun with it. It's kind of whimsical."

Following in the tradition of these restaurants like the Hard Rock Cafe and Planet Hollywood, some of the items are named after area businesses whose employees or owners eat frequently at Pronto!

"We have lots of things that are named by people who have eaten here and businesses in



PHOTO BY BILL HANSEN

Hip eatery: Pronto! 608 in Royal Oak was created by, from left, chef Tom Murray, Jim Domanski and Bill Thomas (shown in the restaurant's new video bar) five years ago with seven employees. Now it boasts a roster of more than 100 workers.

town. Lotus Imports and Patty Smith are all Royal Oak businesses who have contributed to our menu."

Lotus Import Deluxe (\$4.75) features chilled marinated zucchini, roasted peppers and lowfat mozzarella cheese on a baguette. Patty Smith's Paradise (\$6) sandwiches smoked turkey breast, avocado, tomato, white cheddar and dijon mustard mayonnaise between two onion rolls.

General Television Network,

the Bunting Gallery, and Made In Detroit designer Robert Stanzler have also contributed to the menu.

The staff is just as diverse as the menu, Thomas explained.

"We have a real global approach to our staff. We have a very United Nations staff. It crosses every racial barrier, every religious barrier, every sexual orientation barrier. Our philosophy is 'Let everyone be who they are.'"

"We really work hard at that, too. I'm sure there's some people that it turns off, but those aren't our customers. We get a lot of compliments from single women who come in to eat lunch or dinner. They like to come here because they don't feel embarrassed or intimidated."

"It's a dining experience. It's not an entertainment experience. It's not a pick-up experience. It's functional dining."

RESTAURANT SPECIALS

Send information for Restaurant Specials to: Keely Wygonik, Taste/Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax (313) 591-7279.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Michigan Chili Cookoff — Five Lakes Grill

This year's cookoff on Sunday, Sept. 8 has been moved to the Five Lakes Grill in Milford. Tickets are \$35 per person, includes beer, wine, pop, mineral water, coffee as well as a wide variety of vittles. Two bands will alternate on stage, Mariachi Nuevo Zapopan and the R.F.D. Boys. Tickets available at the

Lark or Five Lakes Grill, or by calling the Lark 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (810) 661-4466. Winner represents state at World Championship Cookoff, proceeds go toward scholarships for culinary arts students.

McMahon's Grand Opening

McMahon's Side Street Pub, 860 Fraick Road, Plymouth will hold a Grand Opening of its new sports pub/restaurant in downtown Plymouth, Sept. 6-8 during the Plymouth Fall Festival. The restaurant is featuring a new look, new menu and new attitude, featuring 15 televisions with satellite transmissions. The Grand Opening will feature a tent for 300 people and a barbecue. Prizes will be awarded.

Copper Mug Chili Cook-Off

Al's Copper Mug, 1704 W. Maple (corner of Maple and Decker) Walled Lake will host a chili cookoff and benefit fund-

raiser noon to 10 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8. Country music by "The Rambling Country Band," cold beer, Chicago Hot Dogs, grilled burgers, Italian sausage. For more information, call (810) 624-9659.

Jazz on Orchard Lake

Alexander Zonjic and Friends will play an open-air concert at St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake to benefit the college's academic programs and scholarship fund, 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8. Sampling of wines and hors d'oeuvres. Tickets \$35, \$100 and \$250. Call (810) 683-0521.

Excalibur

Gourmet meal with wine, Monday, Sept. 9, premium cigars supplied by Churchill's, Cost \$175 per person, call (810) 358-3355 for reservations/information. Restaurant is at 28875-Franklin Road, Southfield.

Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza, 2-5

p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22, Waterman Center on campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. Sample food from metro Detroit's finest restaurants, enjoy music by members of the Jack Brokensha Quartet, or place a bid in the silent auction, prizes include a dinner for eight prepared by Chef Jimmy Schmidt at his restaurant. Tickets \$40 per person or two for \$75. Call (313) 462-4417.

Sweet Lorraine's Cafe & Bar

Sponsoring benefit with Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, 6:30-10 p.m. Monday, Sept. 30, titled Nefertotee, at the restaurant, 303 Detroit Street, Ann Arbor. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, tickets \$30 for non-members, \$25 for Kelsey Museum members, \$15 students, call (313) 647-0441. Approximately 50 local artists have designed original tote bags, often reflecting an

ancient theme, to be offered at silent auction. All proceeds support Kelsey Museum's educational and outreach programs.

MENU SPECIALS

Relish

Lobsterfest underway, \$15.95 special price continues through Sept. 30 at Relish, 34555 W. 12 Mile Road (between Farmington Road and Drake Road) Farmington Hills. Special dinner features 1 1/4 pound Maine Lobster, sourdough bread, corn, cole slaw, baked potato. Call (810) 737-4URC for reservations.

East Side Mario's

"Dinner for Two = Movies for You," through Sept. 30 at metro Detroit's three East Side Mario's restaurants. Each party buying two or more dinner entrees Sunday through Thursday,

between 4 p.m. and closing, will be presented with a Blockbuster Video coupon. This coupon is valid Sundays through Thursdays, and expires Oct. 20. It is redeemable at any participating southeastern Michigan Blockbuster Video store location and allows the recipient to rent one movie and receive a second movie rental of equal or lesser value free.

RENOVATIONS

Country Epicure

Newly remodeled bright and beautiful decor features old country French designs. Non-smoking dining room, classic new look to lounge and bar. Lunch served Monday-Friday, dinner, Monday-Saturday, 42050 Grand River (1 Mile East of Novi Road), Novi, (810) 349-7770.

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Condo project makes fashion statement

Price brings you in, but the amenities including pool, clubhouse, landscaped grounds and proximity to Stony Creek Metro Park will entice you to buy at Aberdeen Village.

Moceri Development, based in Auburn Hills, will construct 312 condominium units off 26 Mile Road between Van Dyke and Mound in Shelby Township.

Prices start at \$81,900 for a two-bedroom, one-bathroom upper of 1,056 square feet with attached garage, air conditioning and all new appliances.

A condo with two bedrooms and two baths, garage, air, fireplace and appliances can be had at \$101,900 for a lower unit, or \$105,900 for an upper. They measure at 1,316 and 1,404 square feet, respectively.

Units will be clustered twelve to a building, four on the first level, eight on the second. The garages will be built six across on both ends.

About 70 have already sold, and first occupancy isn't expected until November.

"We're on the border of Oakland County, and I think you can get more for your money here," said Dorothy Omdahl, sales manager.

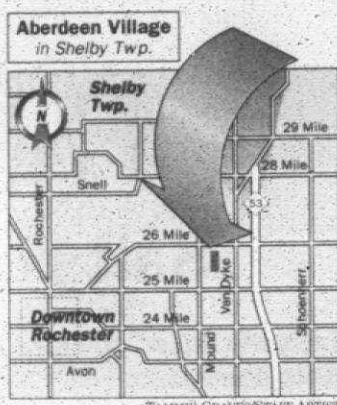
"All you have to do is bring your clothes and furniture and you're in," said Frank Moceri.

"The only thing that's extra is location (within the sub)," Omdahl said. "If they want to upgrade, that's available, also. They don't have to. There's no hidden costs."

"The main thing is community. We're virtually a village unto itself," Moceri said. "You have all the amenities of an apartment complex with the advantage of owning."

"There's no location nearby with a clubhouse, pool, exercise room, spa, tennis court," Omdahl said.

"Another key to success is our location close to the park, and M-53 is down the street," Moceri said. "You have easy access across town."



"We're only 10 minutes from downtown Rochester," Omdahl added.

All units include at base price oven, refrigerator, microwave, full-size washer and dryer, ceramic tile in the foyer and bath, carpeting, vertical blinds, garage and air conditioning. Most also include a fireplace at no extra cost.

First-floor units will have a patio, second-floor units a balcony.

Condos at Aberdeen Village are patterned after Manors at Knollwood, apartments built by Moceri in Clinton Township.

The attraction?

"The grounds, the atmosphere," Omdahl said. "Large walk-in closets - they're always impressed with that. They like the big shower. They like having a doorwall off the master bedroom. There's a lot more cupboard space than they think when they see the plan."

The master suite in two-bedroom units has a shower and walk-in closet. All upper units have a cathedral ceiling over the living room/dining area.

Exterior materials at Aberdeen Village are primarily brick and vinyl siding with wood and stone accents.

All kinds of different buyers are attracted to the condos.

"We're getting young couples, first-time buyers, retirees," Omdahl said. "We're getting a



Aberdeen Village: Three two-bedroom floor plans are available in a condominium community under construction by Moceri Development.

real mix."

Aberdeen Village, serviced by city water and sewers and sidewalks, is within the boundaries of the Utica Community Schools.

The property tax rate is about \$28.30 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation, half of market value. That means the owners of a \$102,000 condo would pay nearly \$1,450 the first year.

The monthly association fee is projected at \$110.

Barbara and Lawrence Maas

bought a two-bedroom, two-bath lower.

"We liked the location," Barbara said. "We didn't want to go out of Shelby Township. Second, we like the price."

"We like the floor plan, and we will have all the appliances we would ever want. We were thrilled to death with the clubhouse, exercise equipment, pool, too."

"We like the reputation of the builder. They have been the

nicest people to deal with," Barbara said.

Kristina Yearego also ordered a two-bath lower.

"I'm single, young and really didn't feel like buying a house to take care of maintenance," she said. "Condos in the surrounding area are really expensive. For what I was receiving, I don't think the price could be beat. It's kind of an investment for me."

"This is perfect," Yearego said. "I didn't need something real

large or a small box like an apartment."

"I don't now, but I might have future plans for a roommate. One bedroom is on one side, one is on the other side. You can have your privacy."

"I never had an attached garage," Yearego added. "I'm really excited about that."

The sales trailer at Aberdeen Village, (810) 677-0600, is open noon to 6 p.m. daily.

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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■Licensing classes

The Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors offers a series of six-hour continuing education seminars, one of which must be completed by Oct. 31, to fulfill annual state real estate licensing requirements.

Each session goes 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Upcoming seminars are slated for Wednesday, Sept. 11 and Saturday, Sept. 21 at Columbia Center, 201 W. Big Beaver, Troy, and Wednesday, Sept. 25, Standard Federal Bank, 2600 W. Big Beaver, Troy.

Cost is \$35 per session. To register, call Carole Kowalik at (810) 879-9560.

■Political update

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan hosts a general membership program "Michigan's Political Climate and Future Economic Growth" 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11 at the Northfield Hilton in Troy.

Speaker: Dick Postumus, Senate Majority Leader.

In addition, a special report will be given by BIA on the state's new Model Energy Code.

Cost, which

includes dinner, is \$25 for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$50 for non-members.

To register, call (810) 737-4477.

■Builder's exam

Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute offer a 16-hour builder's license exam class 6-10 p.m.

■Kitchen remodeling

Southfield Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute offer a nine-hour kitchen remodeling workshop 6:30-9:30

p.m. on successive Tuesdays Sept. 24-Oct. 8 at the Community Education Center, 18575 W. Nine Mile.

Cost is \$65, plus a textbook fee of \$10. Registration required by Sept. 20 at (810) 746-8700.

■Real estate investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland hosts a dinner seminar, "High Tech Col-

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MORTGAGE SHOPPING

There is an undeniable connection between home ownership and other sectors of our economy, such as employment, interest rates and the expansion and contraction of credit. When one area "moves," another must respond.

That is why many industry analysts I've talked with recently are concerned about the current high levels of consumer debt. Should our overall economy nose-dive even a small fraction, the combination may put many mortgage holders in jeopardy. Times such as this refocus attention on a valuable mortgage product, the non-conforming loan.

Conventional mortgage lenders must follow strict regulatory guidelines. Oftentimes, a person who has lost a job or is carrying too much debt must be turned down for a home loan. This can happen even when creditworthiness is affected for only a short time, perhaps due to a family illness or interruption of income. In contrast, non-conforming lenders, who aren't subject to the

same regulations, can and are willing to assume greater risk. In return, non-conforming loans usually carry higher interest rates.

"A non-conforming loan can roll all outstanding balances, including home mortgage debt, into one package with one monthly payment, at one interest rate," says Ken Towne, Executive Vice President of Birmingham-based Investaid Corporation, a local wholesale mortgage lender specializing in non-conforming loans. "For those whose financial picture is troubled, this loan may be the second chance they need to help them return to financial stability."

"Although the interest rate on a non-conforming mortgage is typically higher than that of a conventional mortgage, it is usually over the interest rate on most credit cards," reminds Towne. "In addition, because total debt service is tied to a home mortgage, the interest paid may be tax deductible."

Additionally, many non-conforming lenders are licensed to issue second mortgages on a percentage of a home's value. This lets a homeowner tap into built-up equity, while still retaining an existing, lower-rate first mortgage. The home's entire value need not be refinanced.

Towne gave me the example of a Southfield couple who had monthly mortgage payments of \$486 and \$30,000 equity in their \$90,000 home. The couple also had accumulated credit cards and other debts totaling \$30,000, on which they were making monthly payments of \$750. Using their local bank's loan-to-value (LTV) ratio, the couple qualified for a loan of just \$5,000. This was \$25,000 short of what they needed.

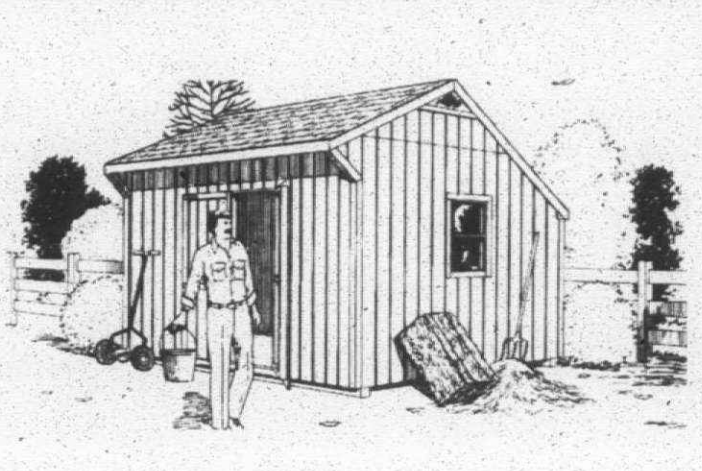
With a non-conforming second mortgage, the couple was able to access 100 percent of their home's equity. They kept their low first mortgage rate on the larger \$60,000 balance and utilized the equity loan of \$30,000 to pay off bills. The \$750 monthly obligation was reduced to \$346.

Towne also explained to me that non-conforming lenders can set their own loan standards catered to meet the needs of the consumer.

"Most banks have strict lending guidelines that must be followed. In our industry we must be able to think 'outside that box.' When a loan makes sense and it helps the consumer, we work hard to make the loan," Towne added.

Another local specialist in non-conforming lending, Southfield mortgage broker Glen Miller of

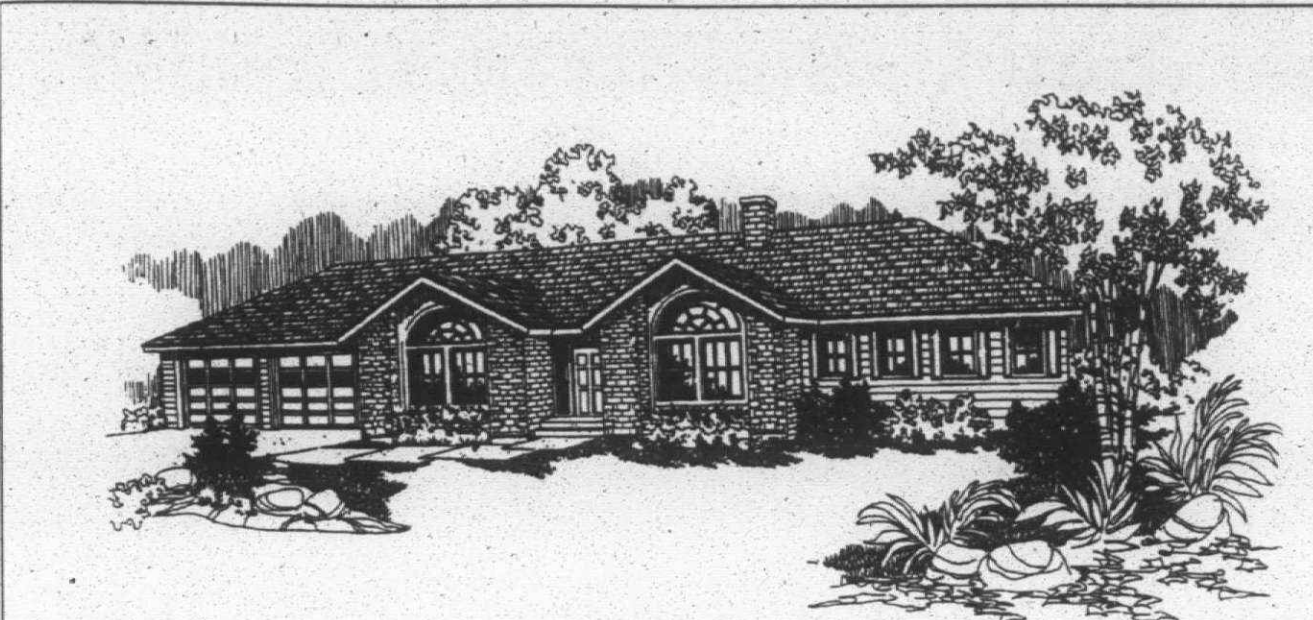
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The promise of the twin facades flanking the entryway are realized in two unique rooms as you make your way into this attractive dwelling. To the right is a large, sunken living room. A nine-foot-high ceiling enhances an already-spacious area. The gas fireplace makes this a cozy spot for conversation with friends or to read a good book on a chilly winter evening. Shelves for displaying your favorite collectibles abound. On the other side of the entry, step down into the sunken guest office. Vaulted, nine-foot-high ceiling, shelves and a private bath make this room both an attractive office or guest suite.

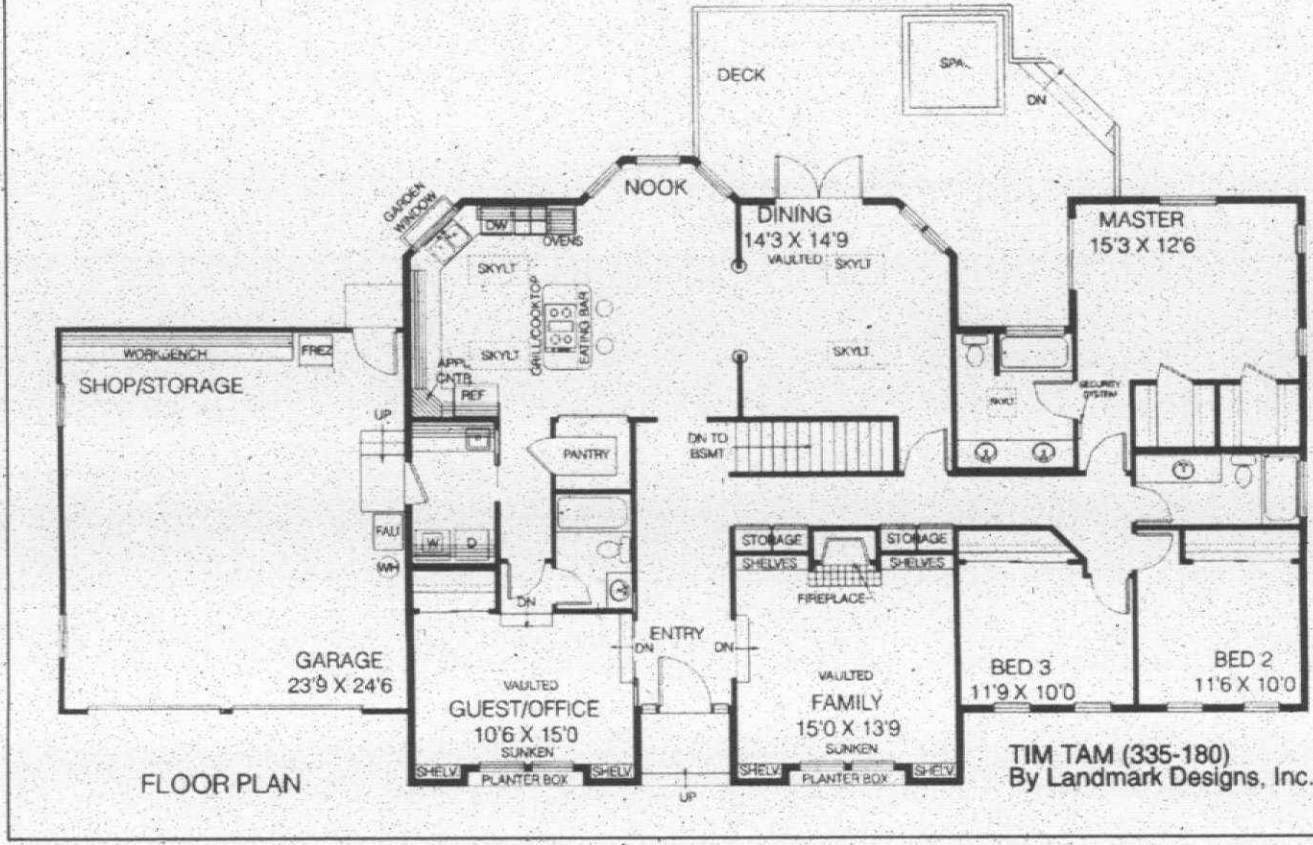
One entire side of this floor design is given over to the sleeping area. This arrangement is ideal for parents with smaller children. Privacy is maintained, while still being near enough to respond to a child's needs. The gracious master suite features large walk-in his and her closets, security system, private sky-lit bathroom with twin basins and personal access to the extensive back deck and spa. Conveniently separated from the master suite by a full bath are

two almost identical bedrooms, each with ample closet space.

The bountiful, vaulted dining room adds that touch of charm to any formal occasion. Skylights and plenty of windows afford natural illumination while dining with friends and relatives.

The sky lit kitchen, with range, built-in dishwasher and central eating bar, creates an unhurried atmosphere for the cook in the house. Meals may be served informally in the multi-windowed breakfast nook or at the eating bar. A huge walk-in pantry, with shelves for canned goods, and a full bath line one side of the hall. The other is taken up by a handy utility room. The two-car garage is equipped with shop, built-in workbench and plenty of extra storage and a central vacuum system for easy cleaning.

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Sales of existing homes drop for 2nd straight month

By JOHN D. McCLAIN
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Sales of existing homes fell in July for a second straight month, and a bank survey found less demand for residential mortgages and more consumer loan prob-

lems — new signs of a slowing economy.

Sales of previously owned single-family homes slipped 0.5 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.14 million, from a revised 4.16 million in June, the National Association of Realtors said Monday.

The Midwest reported the only sales increase.

The report also showed that demand in June was softer than originally estimated. Sales dropped 2.8 percent, rather than the 2.3 percent reported last month. They had jumped 1.9 percent in May to a record 4.28 million.

"Any time a new record is set in the

pace of sales, it's inevitable that some slowdown will follow," said John A. Tuccillo, the Realtors' chief economist. He noted that July's sales rate was higher than any month in 1995.

Both stock and bond prices fell as investors interpreted the report as evidence the economy was not slowing sufficiently to keep the Federal Reserve from raising interest rates as a hedge against inflation.

Still, overall housing activity has slackened recently together with other areas of the economy, including retail sales and production.

Analysts attribute declining sales of both new and existing homes and three straight monthly drops in housing starts to long-term mortgage rates that averaged 8.25 percent in July, compared to 7.03 percent last January.

The monthly payment on a \$100,000 mortgage with a 7 percent interest rate is \$665, while the payment on the same loan with an 8.5 percent rate is \$769 — a difference

of \$104.

Nevertheless, analysts contend that housing activity remains strong because the curbing effects of higher rates often are offset by improving job and income growth.

The Federal Reserve, meanwhile, reported Monday that a survey of 55 senior loan officers in August found demand for home mortgages generally weaker at many banks after increasing significantly three months earlier.

At the same time, the survey found many banks pulling back somewhat in their lending to consumers.

"As in May, a small net fraction of the respondents — less than 10 percent — reported a decline over the preceding three months in their willingness to make consumer installment loans," the Fed said.

"These results represent the first time since 1981 that two consecutive surveys have shown a net reduction in willingness to make consumer installment loans."

The banks also reported tighter consumer loan requirements than they did in May and said they are charging off such loans at a higher-than-expected rate because of delinquencies.

Still, the banks reported little net change in demand for installment loans despite the heavy burdens of debt that many consumers are carrying. Many analysts believe that burden will be a restraint on consumer spending, which is about two-thirds of the nation's economic activity.

But the survey found most banks have not changed lending standards for business loans, while a "significant number" reported easing of commercial and industrial loan terms.

The Realtors report said the median price of an existing home rose 4.7 percent in the year ended in July, to \$121,400 in July from \$116,000 a year earlier. The median is the midpoint, meaning half of the homes cost more and half cost less.

Regionally, sales jumped 5 percent in the Midwest to a 1.06 million annual rate. The median price was \$102,400, up from \$96,400 in July 1995.

But sales fell 2.2 percent to a 900,000 rate in the West, where the median price was \$156,200, up from \$148,400 a year earlier.

They were down 1.6 percent in the Northeast to 630,000. The median price was \$143,800, compared to \$141,300 in July 1995.

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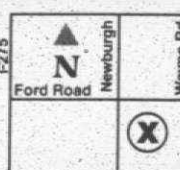
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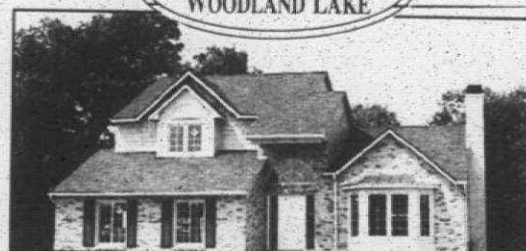
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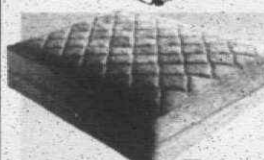
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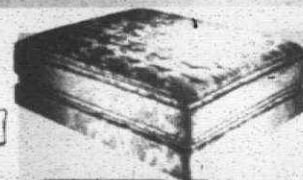


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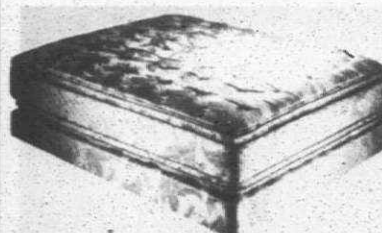
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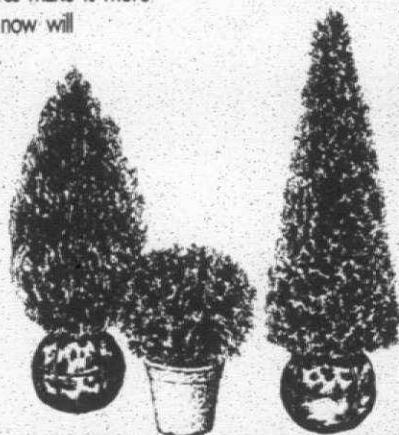
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GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

Tall order: Janice Zimmer admires her very tall tomatoes.

Either red or green, tomatoes are tasty



MARTY FIGLEY

Jack and the Beanstalk has nothing on Dr. Richard and Janice Zimmer of Bloomfield Hills. In mid-August, their tomato plants were tall, tall!

Four plants were set out in a clearing at the edge of the woods with a northern exposure in late May. They planted a Beefsteak, Better Boy, Better Girl and Bonnie Best. Bonnie Best was struck by lightning in late July; the others weren't bothered.

"We believe the fact that we use metal stakes (which are needed to hold the weight) was the reason lightning struck," Janice said.

These stakes have been extended with wooden poles to accommodate the heights.

The heights of the plants were as follows: The Beefsteak topped out at 11

feet; Better Boy, 9-1/2 feet; and Better Girl, nine feet.

Perhaps the rich soil from the woods has something to do with the growth because last year their tomato plants were also very tall. Each year they plant different varieties to see how they perform. Janice said they used grass clippings from the lawn as a mulch and she fertilized with lawn fertilizer, or what she has on hand, when the tomatoes were planted, in June and July.

"I water when I see that the soil is dry."

The heavy lush vines are tied to the poles with soft cloth strips so the stems aren't damaged.

Last year there were lots of tomatoes and they expected to harvest a large crop again.

The plants were full of green tomatoes when I visited so if that was any indication, they will again realize a

B'ham house tour will offer a variety of styles

The Community House in Birmingham presents the ninth annual Downtown Birmingham House Tour 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17.

This year the tour features nine unusual homes, all within easy walking distance of each other and The Community House, 380 S. Bates.

The tour includes a charming ivy-covered older brick residence with an eclectic mix of furniture, porcelains and antique toys; a stately Victorian with a feminine decor; a beautiful townhouse with numerous antiques; a stunning open contemporary; and a renovated farmhouse decorated by its designer owner with showstopping gardens.

"One of the most endearing qualities of downtown Birmingham is its vast array of architectural styles," said Patty Ghesquiere, chair of the House Tour. "This year's House Tour offers just that - everything from Victorian to contemporary."

The tour also features an elegant tea 2-4:30 p.m. at The Community House.

Tickets are \$20 pre-ordered, or \$22 bought the day of the event. Tickets are limited; last year's tour sold out before the day of the event. Call special events at The Community House at (810) 644-5832.

Committee members are Anne Becker, Cynthia Boreland, Teresa Byrne, Jackie Carney, Kelly Foxworth, Jan Heidel, Jenny Klein, Carol Marshall, Gigi Nichols, Nancy Spence and Lynn Staudter.

The tour is sponsored by Astreina's Creative Jewelers, Crestview Cadillac, Ethan Allen, First Federal, Hannett-Wilson & Whitehouse, Max Brook Inc., Mosher Dolan & Cataldo Inc., Oakland Printing Services Inc., Robertson Brothers Group and Rock Financial.

Proceeds from the tour benefit The Community House, a non-profit organization that offers educational, social and cultural programs, child care, employment assistance, meeting rooms, banquet and catering services and group travel activities.

Figley from page G4

bumper crop.

Peaked interest

Because this season has been behind for many growing plants, there are probably a lot of tomatoes just at their peak of ripeness about now. Pick them when they are fully colored but still firm by twisting them upward and at the same time pressing with your thumb against the joint in the stalk. Don't pull the tomato away from the green calyx, the little area on the end of the fruit.

As the weather begins to cool, and if there is still unripe fruit on the vines, you can do one of two things. Remove the ties and gently place the plants flat on the ground with straw beneath them and cover them with clothes (a light cloth raised just above them). Or, uproot the plants and hang them indoors where they will continue to ripen.

A green tomato is basically mature or immature. If it doesn't increase in size for three to five days, it is mature and will ripen after it is picked. A mature tomato that has turned pink is called a "breaker" and will ripen off the vine. An immature one is still growing and, if you pick it early, may never ripen. Place them in a cool, dark area with an apple or two and the ethylene gas generated by the apples will hasten the ripening process.

When the vines are ready to be thrown away, put them in a suitable receptacle for disposal - don't put them on the compost.

If you have stewed, sauced, pureed, sliced, mixed and frozen all your ripe tomatoes and still have green ones left, perhaps you would like to try a couple of recipes using them.

FRIED GREEN TOMATOES

(Remember the movie?)

Cut tomatoes into 1/2-inch slices. Dip them in buttermilk (optional), then

dredge tomatoes in a mixture of two parts yellow cornmeal to one part flour and some salt. Fry over medium heat in peanut/vegetable oil, butter or bacon fat (wow) until golden on each side. Drain on paper towels.

GREEN TOMATO PIE

(often a Southern treat)

4 to 5 really green tomatoes
1-1/2 cup brown sugar
3 tablespoons flour
Grated rind of 1 lemon
6 tablespoons lemon juice
1/2 cup golden raisins
1/4 teaspoon each: salt and allspice
1/4 cup minced candied ginger

Chop tomatoes (use a coarse grater or food processor's large shredder) to make 2-1/2 cups. Drain overnight, or prepare tomatoes in the morning and press out their juices several times during the day. Mix remaining ingredients with tomatoes, place in an unbaked pie shell, cover with top crust. Prick holes in crust. Bake at 450 degrees for 10 minutes; reduce heat to 350 degrees and bake 40 minutes longer.

TIMELY GARDEN TIPS

- Slug control: Bake eggshells in a 250-degree oven until they turn brown and crisp. Crush until powdery and sprinkle them around affected plants.
- It's a good time to plant perennials.
- Fall is a good time to seed lawns; you might want to add a balanced fertilizer at the same time.
- Bothered by groundhogs? Make an effort to trap them before they hibernate and breed a bunch of little babies.
- Take geranium cuttings on a Monday (an old wives' tale says they will do better).

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

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FOCUS ON PHOTOGRAPHY

Don't get stumped by forest photos



MONTE NAGLER

I have always loved photographing in the forest. No better place exists to truly get "lost" in your photography than amongst the splendor of trees and woods.

Forests have personalities of their own that can change quickly and dramatically. Fog and mist will produce a mood in your photographs quite different from that of a bright, sunny day. The same stand of trees will obviously convey different feelings whether etched by a blanket of snow or enveloped in a rainbow of fall leaves.

Trees and forests are ever changing and you and your camera have a tremendous opportunity to record these magic moments.

Here are some tips to help you make better photographs in the forest:

Compositionally, concentrate in two areas. I have found that patterns of trees work well in a picture such as an even row of aspens contrasted against the dark interior of the forest. Or I'll concentrate on a dominant point of interest such as that unusually shaped tree, a grouping of foliage on a branch, or that predominant tree trunk in the foreground framing trees behind.

Forest pictures can be effective often because of what is excluded. Notice in the photo shown here the severe cropping of the tops of the trees. More impact is obtained in this way.

As always, pay close attention to depth-of-field. Most likely, you'll want everything sharp from front to back so be sure to use a small aperture along with your depth-of-field scale on the lens barrel. And because it's darker in the woods, using a small aperture (necessitating a longer shutter speed for correct exposure) will most likely require a tripod.

Forests provide many other photo opportunities. Look closely and you'll see a pattern of moss on a fallen log, a patch of intimate wildflowers or a cluster of fallen leaves. Or how about that



Tree-rific: This group of interesting trees made a good study of tonal ranges for Monte Nagler's camera. It was taken in Kauai, Hawaii.

delicate stream winding through the forest, tumbling over rocks, making miniature waterfalls?

Try looking straight up at towering trees through a wide angle lens. The trees will appear to converge, producing

a truly striking picture.

You've heard the expression, "You can't see the forest for the trees." In your photography, you'll easily see the forest through the trees — and capture it all on film too!

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (810) 644-1314.

Classes help beautify home, garden

The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, is offering a variety of house and garden classes and events.

You may register in person or by mail, phone (call (810) 644-5832) or fax (the number is (810) 644-2476). You may use your MasterCard or Visa. All Birmingham parking structures offer two free hours of parking.

Sessions and speakers include (times are 7:30-9:30 p.m. unless otherwise indicated):

- **How to Shop for Window Treatments**, Sharon Zmick Hejka of The Rose Collection of Livonia, Tuesday, Sept. 17. Cost is \$12. Learn what kinds of window treatments are best for your particular situation and the effective way to get the job done.

• **Tips on Home Re-roofing**, Michigan Roofing Contractors Association executive director Eric Schultz, Tuesday, Sept. 17. Cost is \$14, \$8 for second member of household. Learn what you need to know to get the job done properly and what to expect from a roofing contractor.

- **Fall Cleanup and Good Night**, Jim MacKinder of Organic Garden Consultants, Wednesday, Sept. 18. Cost is \$12.
- **Brick Patio**, Roger Matson, designer and builder of many natural brick patios in the area, 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18. Cost is \$14.

- **Perennial Gardening**, Merritt Wolson of the perennial farm and landscape design company Merrittsape Inc., Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 24. Cost is \$29 for two sessions.

- **Environmentally Friendly Home**, registered dietitian and environmental consultant Lisa Katzman, 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, or Tuesday, Nov. 5. Cost is \$10.

- **Be Your Own Decorator**, Marlene Grozier of Birmingham, Tuesday, Oct. 29. Cost is \$12. Learn to scale a room to size, use color effectively, select wall coverings and discover new ways to use them.

- **How to Hang Wallpaper**, Marlene Grozier, Wednesday, Oct. 30. Cost is \$12. The session includes a demonstration of wallpaper installation.

- **Landscape Design**, Merritt Wolson, Wednesdays, beginning Oct. 30. Cost is \$52 for four sessions. Discover the principles of landscape design, draft a base map of your home, make a plan and learn how to prepare the site.

- **Ceramic Tile Installation**, Glenn Barna and Jeff Donovan of Design Kitchen and Bath, Monday, Nov. 4. Cost is \$16, \$26 per couple. Learn techniques for the "do it yourself" buff, with a step-by-step explanation and demonstration.

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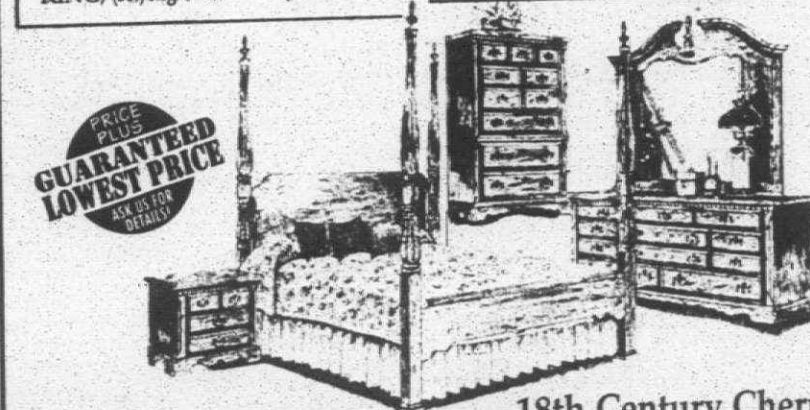
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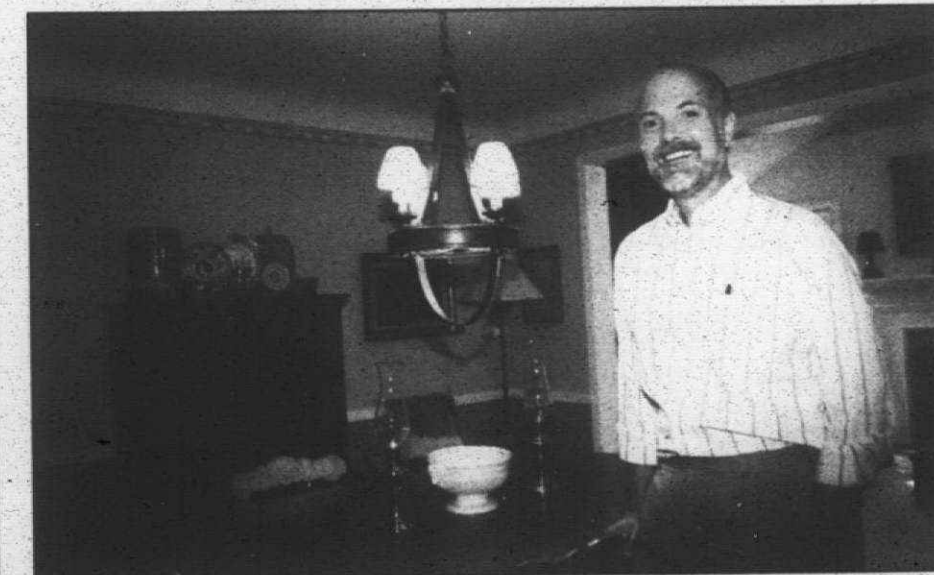
COVER STORY



Now you're cookin': Connie Lovell's kitchen is spacious and comfortable.



Stylish den: The den in Connie Lovell's house has upholstered walls and post and beam construction.



Welcome: Thom Leffler stands in his peach and terra cotta dining room, in one of the houses featured in *Designers' Homes on Tour* Sunday.

Designers' work hits home

BY MARY KLEMIC • AT HOME EDITOR

Proceeds from the tour help fund the not-for-profit IFDA's student design scholarships and maintain the Michigan chapter for the year.

Open yourself to design ideas in a special way by opening doors on *Designers' Homes on Tour*, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8. Five designers in the Birmingham/Bloomfield area show their residences on the tour, presented by the Michigan Chapter of the International Furnishings and Design Association. Tickets, \$20 each, are available the day of the tour by calling (810) 852-8555. Tickets may be bought in advance at the following locations:

Azar Oriental Rugs, (810) 644-7311, and Hagopian World of Rugs, (810) 646-7847, both in Birmingham; Ash Showroom in Bloomfield Hills, (810) 858-7010; Bellissima, (810) 650-9557, and Chapman House, (810) 651-2157, both in Rochester; The League Shop in Grosse Pointe Farms, (313) 882-6880; Mutschler Kitchens in Grosse Pointe Woods, (313) 884-3700; Structural Accents in Royal

Oak, (810) 549-6777; and Arkay Walker in St. Clair Shores, (810) 772-5295.

A visit to two of the featured houses offered a tantalizing preview of the variety in store.

In style

When Thom Leffler made stylish changes to his 1950s ranch house, he didn't want them to be obvious.

"The goal in everything we did was ... not to make it look like it was added onto," he said.

"We wanted it to feel as if (the additions) had always been here."

As a result the house has a flow to the rooms, each of which is welcoming and comfortable.

The house has an Arts and Crafts flavor, from the pastel play of stone in the walkway out front to the original paintings by Michigan artists and colorful plates that adorn the walls. Area rugs over wood floors give a warm feeling. Windows are without curtains, which adds to the openness of the place.

Leffler's favorite room is the dining room, which looks appetizing with its peach and terra cotta walls. An antique border with a drapery pattern lines the perimeter. Furnishings include a dresser, a floor lamp in one corner and a pedestal bearing a candelabra.

From this room you are invited into the living room, with its high ceiling and small skylight. A tiny nook, with its own high ceiling, is off to the side.

The kitchen is "divided" diagonally, with food preparation on one side and cleanup on the other. The room features granite counters, wallpaper with a shell pattern and a recessed window that holds a compact TV. Handles in the shape of a spoon, fork and knife identify the contents of their respective drawers, a little touch that makes it easy for a helpful visitor to pitch in. White fluted columns are near the door - these hide pipes that were put in when the pantry on the other side were converted into a wet bar.

The cheery living room includes yellow

walls, floral drapes over large white rods, "one of the few coconut palms growing in Michigan" and a fireplace framed in columns similar to those in the kitchen. A large mirror with a heavy ornate frame is in the entryway.

Stylish blend

The 1925 residence of Connie Lovell, the first built on its street, was made as a honeymoon cottage. Changes made to the house include the conversion of the attached garage to a family room and kitchen. The step window placement at the rear repeats the step windows at the front.

Among the blend of styles in the house is a series of archways, post and beam work and contemporary lines. The house seems to unfold as you move through it.

The post and beam construction is in the den, which also features upholstered walls. Such hues as gray (in the walls) and oatmeal (in the rug) give an understated but yet warm welcome.

The kitchen offers plenty of room for

work and guests. Two L-shaped counters ring the room, placed in reverse of each other. The design emphasizes the window detail, with white laminate cabinets in half walls and wing walls and a trim in cherry edging. The floor is natural oak.

In the living room, the brightly patterned area rug is in warm, jewel tones. Green slate tile is in the gallery and front corridor. The original maple floors were stripped and given a natural finish. In the family room, a trough in the ceiling houses track lights and speakers; other speakers are in the breakfast nook.

In other rooms, features include apparently built-in sconces and a swirl pattern in the walls and underside of archways. The rough plaster was restored and duplicated with new passages.

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On the cover: The living room in designer Thom Leffler's house is cheery and warm. Staff photo by Tom Hoffmeyer.

LET'S REMODEL

Porous bricks can cause water seepage

Q: When I had my chimney repaired, they were short 14 of the bricks and I had another company come out and replace the bricks with baked bricks. The face (3/4 inch) has fallen off some of the bricks. Will this allow water to seep through into the chimney?

A: Water seepage is possible if the brick is porous and the flue is porous or deteriorating. The two things that can contribute to this are 1) the brick itself being bad causing scaling or 2) a deteriorating flue which allows hot exhausting air to condense with cold air which then freezes and expands causing scaling. If the problem seems severe enough your best would be to rebuild a portion of the chimney and install an aluminum sleeve flue liner with cap.

Anthony Mastroianni, Italy American Construction Co., Detroit, 313-582-6269.
Q: Many of the seals are broken on the windows in our home. What are your suggestions in researching which windows to go with?

A: It is always wise to know the options available when considering a large remodeling project. Replacement windows are no exception. We are often asked about the quality of the windows that already exist in the home and a question that usually follows is the



ability to use the existing frame. Assuming the windows in the home are wood I usually suggest three viable options.

Sash Replacements Kits. There are manufacturers that have insulated sash replacement kits. These enable you to leave the window frame trim in tact. This is the most economical way of replacing windows. However, if your frames' woodwork is not in good shape, you will still be left with the existing wood (another consideration is air infiltration around the frame which is not addressed by the sash replacement method).

Vinyl Replacement Windows. These window packages include a frame, two

installed sashes and a screen. This unit is placed into the existing window frame in place of the old sash. The main advantage of this type of installation is that there is no need to change any of the existing window opening sizes. The disadvantage of this type of installation is that the addition of frame and sash into the existing opening reduces the height and width of glass. This allows less outside viewing and less light coming into your home.

Wood Replacement Windows. Today with the large number of wood replacement window manufacturers there are several companies that make windows in various standard sizes that are compatible with the existing windows in your home. But, if you should need a custom-sized window, the costs have been greatly reduced due to technological advances in the assembly process. Wood replacement windows also allow the opportunity to fit the existing window opening instead of the existing window frame. By removing the old frame, there is the opportunity to check for proper insulation around the windows, to check for insect infestation and checking for water damage. This also allows realignment of out-of-square openings. An added benefit is trim for the interior and exterior.

Whether it is sash replacement, vinyl inserts (with frame and sash) or a complete wood replacement window, homeowners are able to retain the same existing opening sizes with the extensive list of options available today. We advise our clients to ask as many questions as needed for them to feel comfortable. This also assists in a decision not based entirely on cost, but value, reputation and dependability.

Robert Budman, C.R., Owner, Budman's Inc., Keego Harbor, 810-738-3999.

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INTERIOR MOTIVES

Top off a fun evening with a pizza party



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from the "Bush White House." Statistics also tell us that Americans are eating 90 acres of pizza per day.

Nowhere is it written that pizza must be made with cheese and tomato sauce. You can make a "cheese-less" pizza, or a "tomato-less" pizza. Top your pizza with grilled caramelized onions and walnut pesto sauce, or pepperoni and ground beef.

Trendy pizzas are hot — and why leave it to restaurants, Chef Wolfgang Puck, or the Dueling Pizza Kings of the Detroit area? Host a Mega Pizza Party; let your guests make their own pizzas by having loads of ingredients available, or make some unique prepared pizzas to serve, even for dessert!

Cook's notes:

If you're making a yeast dough, prepare topping(s) while dough is rising. You will also have plenty of time to clean your kitchen and wash the floor!

Try phyllo dough as your base instead of a traditional yeast dough. Make sure to keep your phyllo moist. Do not let it dry out while preparing your pizza. Phyllo dough makes a great savory or dessert base for pizza.

Pre-made pizza dough — cooked and uncooked — does exist. Check out your local groceries and specialty food market. For easy preparation, just add your favorite toppings and bake until the cheese melts.

Try new and unusual toppings: fresh grilled vegetables, caramelized leeks and mushrooms, slices of turkey ham, caviar, spicy grilled shrimp, char-grilled chicken, taco-flavored bison, crispy duck, sun-dried tomatoes, or sauteed wild mushrooms. Top your pizza with an array of cheeses from chèvre to blue; make sauces pesto or tomato. Or make pizza with no sauce, just brush the crust with anchovy paste.

If you're making a dessert pizza, use apricot jam as your sauce. Spread only a thin film of jam over the crust, if the jam is too thick, add an apricot brandy

or liqueur to thin it out (for adults only!) or thin the jam with a small amount of white grape juice. Top with assorted fruits and nuts, and drizzle with hot melted rich chocolate or caramel.

The following recipe is one of my favorites for pizza dough or focaccia bread: It is light and tasty and works as a great base for all kinds of ingredients. It is best served warm. If using as focaccia, do not store leftovers in the refrigerator. It's best kept well wrapped and stored in a cool place or room temperature as long as your house is air conditioned.

PIZZA DOUGH/FOCACCIA

Yield: enough dough for one 8- by 12-inch rectangular pizza

- 1 heaping teaspoon of active dry yeast
- 1 3/4 cups warm water
- 3 cups unbleached flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 3 tablespoons olive oil (pick a fruity type), plus more for oiling the bowl and for baking
- 2-3 tablespoons chopped fresh rosemary leaves

In a small cup, sprinkle the yeast over

1/4 cup of the warm water, stir and let dissolve, approximately five minutes.

In the bowl of a food processor fitted with the steel "s" blade, put in the flour and pour in the yeast mixture. Process until the dough forms around the blade, stop the processor and turn the dough over. Reprocess until the dough appears smooth.

Pour some olive oil into a large glass bowl to grease. Add the dough ball, then turn it over so it will be greased on all sides. Cover the bowl with plastic wrap and a damp towel. Place the bowl in a warm spot free of drafts and let rise until it is doubled in size (approximately 1 1/2 hours). Punch down the dough.

On a lightly floured flat surface, press the dough out to a round disc about 1 1/4 inches thick with your finger tips. Sprinkle the dough round with the 1 1/2 teaspoons of salt, drizzle the dough with the 3 tablespoons of olive oil. Even it out across the surface and then sprinkle on the chopped rosemary.

Fold the dough round into thirds in one direction, then fold again in the other direction.

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seems to be absorbed and the dough is again to a smooth consistency. Place the dough back into the glass bowl, cover again and let rise until it doubles (1 1/2 hours - 2 hours).

Remove the dough from the bowl, punch down, and knead for a few minutes. Cover the dough, and let it rest for about 10 minutes.

Only lightly flour work surface if necessary. Roll out the dough to 1/4 - 1/2 inch thickness in whatever shape you desire. Lay your rolled-out dough on an oiled baking sheet, pizza pan, or on a sheet of parchment paper dusted with flour or corn meal. Brush the top of the dough with olive oil. Cover with a damp towel and let rise until it appears puffy and has increased in volume (approximately

another hour or so). About 30 minutes before your dough is done rising, turn your oven on to 400 degrees F°.

With your dough now on a baking surface, prick the dough with the tines of a fork about 2-3 inches apart. If using this dough for focaccia, drizzle top with additional olive oil, herbs and sprinkle lightly with coarse salt (sea or kosher). If using this dough as pizza dough, cover with toppings of your choice, bake until the bottom and edges of the pizza are brown - approximately 20-30 minutes.

Ruth Mossok Johnston is an author and food columnist who lives in Franklin. To leave a Voice Mail message for Ruth, dial (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1902.

Fall tree seedling sale set

The Wayne County Soil Conservation District announces its annual fall tree seedling sale for 1996.

Orders for planting stock will be accepted until Tuesday, Oct. 8. Seedlings are tentatively scheduled for distribution Friday, Oct. 18.

For order forms containing information on trees available, site preference, uses and prices, write the Wayne County Conservation District, 5454 Venoy Road, Wayne 48184, or call (313) 326-

7787.

Planting stock available this fall includes Austrian Pine, Red Cedar, Fraser Fir, White Pine, Norway Spruce, Misty Blue Spruce and Concolor Fir.

Also for sale are tree ID guides, "Put Some Life In Your Future" - Plant a Tree" T-shirts and "Think About Tomorrow" litter bags.

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JOE GAGNON

erman shepherd police dog.

Shawn, the oldest of the boys, does 90 percent of the service calls for our company. During the course of work he has described many incidents where consumers have been very inconsiderate toward his safety. Imagine yourself in the basement of a strange home, you've got the clothes dryer all apart, you're on your hands and knees and up to your forearms in bolts and nuts. The mental part of you is concentrating so hard on putting this thing back together that you don't hear the patter of animal steps coming down the stairs. Through your left ear comes this soft growl which sounds as if it could be coming from the outside back yard until your left eye catches a slight movement.

This column is dedicated to all the service technicians who for so many years have had to work in the conditions which I am about to describe, especially to my youngest of three sons, Andrew. At the innocent age of 5, Andrew had a chunk of his little bum removed by the neighbors' German shepherd police dog.

You slowly and carefully turn your head to notice that this hunk of a great big dog has its mouth open and is trying to do a commercial for a toothpaste company with big sharp yellow teeth. There are droplets of moisture falling from the side of the mouth as if the dog has just devoured a well done prime rib steak which is how you suddenly feel.

You want to scream but can't, and your grip tightens on the pair of channel locks in your hand. You softly instruct the dog to back off, maybe using a swear word of two hopeful that the profanity will catch the attention of some other human being in the house. Minutes have passed which seem like hours and you and the dog have not moved an inch. The sound of footsteps on the stairway give you some hope that you won't be eaten alive, and you feel so much relief as the homeowner says in a loud voice, "Now you get upstairs big fellow and let the service technician do the job."

Ladies and gentlemen, this sort of thing happens many times to the people who repair appliances in the home. It doesn't have to be a big dog, it can be a little poodle which on one occasion sunk its tiny little teeth into my ankle after the woman of the house had told

me it never has ever bitten anyone. How about the time my middle son, Mark was on hands and knees fixing the dishwasher and the little kid came in the back door followed by the Great Dane. The dog was so big he almost ate Mark and the dishwasher.

Now I understand how you can feel safe knowing the animal will not bite someone, but the technician in your home doesn't feel the same way.

It reminds me of the tourist who used to come to my hometown in northern Canada and feed the bears at the dump site. A big ball of black fur can seem so friendly until it stands up and grips your shoulders and its two hind feet dig their long, sharp claws into your lower

extremities. This is the nature of an animal and I love them just as much as the next guy, but you as a consumer requesting service in your home have to use some consideration. The service technician coming into your home can certainly do a better job of repairing an appliance if they don't have to worry about the animal in your home.

Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president of Carmack Appliances in Garden City and does a weekly radio program on WJR-AM. He is author of "First Aid from the Appliance Doctor," available at area bookstores.

Bonsai show set for weekend

The Ann Arbor Bonsai Society will have its annual show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 7-8, at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens Auditorium, 1800 N. Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor.

Admission is \$2. The public may attend.

More than 120 trees will be on display demonstrating some of the best examples of the art form. Vendors will offer plant material and supplies. Each day, lectures and demonstrations on various aspects of bonsai will take place.

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Designer On Call puts experts at hand

BY MARY KLEMIC
AT HOME EDITOR

If your residence has room — or a room or more — for improvement, who ya gonna call?

Beginning Monday, Sept. 9, the answer is Designer On Call, a new program at Michigan Design Center in Troy that finds interior design professionals to answer questions from customers.

Whether you're thinking of a project involving an entire house or just want a particular accessory, Designer On Call can help. Call toll-free 1-888-DIAL-MDC to make an appointment for a free, one-hour consultation with an interior designer. Besides receiving expert advice about your particular needs, you'll have access to MDC showrooms.

"It's a program whose time has come," said Susan Zinger, MDC general manager.

"Our whole reason for doing it is we get so many inquiries: How do you work with a designer? How do you find a designer? How do you access all the beautiful, wonderful things from the design center?"

MDC, at 1700 Stutz, off Maple and east of Coolidge, is a resource center for the design trade, featuring showrooms, designer offices and new products,

"It's providing solutions. Every project, no matter how small, (receives) very individual attention, a real relationship."

Ginger Vintzel
MDC advertising director

offering speakers and seminars on design-related topics; and presenting such special events as the Chair Affair benefit (for which designers transform chairs into imaginative creations), Design, Live! (with room vignettes by designers and seminars) and sample sales.

Designer On Call is an extension of the center's free designer referral service it replaces. It makes it easier for someone to find an interior designer, partly by removing the intimidation a would-be client may feel.

"It's providing solutions," said MDC advertising director Ginger Vintzel. "Every project, no matter how small, (receives) very individual attention, a real relationship."

"It makes it a much more personal thing."

Through Designer On Call, the professionals will be in the building 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Portfolios of designer work will be available.

The 45 designers in the program represent a wide range of styles. They come from all over the metro Detroit area including Southfield, Livonia, Troy and Birmingham.

"We have a wonderfully eclectic mix," Zinger said. "There really is something for everybody."

Some of the experts have design specialties, such as health care, single people and yachts.

"We have designers that can meet all needs."

Birmingham designer Julie Byrne, one of the participants, shares the enthusiasm about the program.

"I think it's great just because a lot of times people think they cannot afford (a designer)... Everyone should be able to receive design help," she said.

Just one aspect of a design project, such as finding wallpaper, can be time-consuming. A knowledgeable interior designer can help. A visitor to MDC might think that none of the show-

rooms fit his or her lifestyle. An interior designer can take that person directly to the showrooms that he or she would find more compatible.

"There are so many hours to pulling together a project. A designer can short-cut that a lot of times."

Two of Byrne's past projects show how a design professional can help.

One involved a woman who was moving into a new home. The Realtor, a friend of Byrne's, had ceramic tiles bearing reliefs of animal images. She matched her client up with Byrne, who had an old fireplace in the attic. The tiles were placed on the fireplace, and Byrne found matching tiles to fit between them. The result? A beautiful furnishing.

In another, someone was moving to a smaller residence and wanted to keep the furniture from the larger home. Byrne drew up a floor plan that showed how the pieces would fit. Later the client raved about the floor plan, which ended up saving time and money. Usually the movers' clients don't have floor plans and ask them to place the furniture in different ways. In this case, the movers put each furnishing down just once, following the plan.

"The movers just went bonkers over that. They said it was the easiest move they'd ever done."

Antique show set for Sept. 8 at Greenmead

If your idea of a great afternoon is browsing among memories, or if you are a collector of items from long ago, or if you're looking for a piece of history as a focal point in your latest decorating endeavors, make plans to attend the Antique Show at Greenmead Historical Village 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8.

Greenmead is on the southwest corner of Eight Mile and Newburgh in Livonia, just east of I-275. The entrance is from Newburgh. Admission is \$3 for adults; children 12 and under are admitted free when accompanied by an adult. For more information, call Chuck Petrie at (810) 476-3585 or Greenmead at (810) 477-7375.

Booths will be set up in the village and a wide range of antiques and select older collectibles will be featured. Classical and contemporary entertainment by the Rondo String Quartet will take place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Refreshments will be available.

This is the third show in a joint effort of West Side Auctions and the Livonia Historical Commission. The Greenmead site is perfect for a major antique event, said Peggy Schron of West Side Auctions and co-promoter Duane Freitag. Greenmead's development benefits from the monies collected.

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Bulb fest offers bright garden ideas

BY MARTY FIGLEY
SPECIAL WRITER

This is the time of year to begin planting bulbs for glorious spring color in our gardens. If it is done properly, the results can be fantastic and your landscape will be enhanced at a time when not much else is blooming.

With that in mind, plan to attend the Holland Bulb Festival at Brickscape Gardens, 21141 Old Novi Road, north of

Eight Mile and east of Novi Road in Novi. The event will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 28-29. Admission is free. For more information, call (810) 348-2500.

Peter Van Eeden of Hillegom, Holland, a representative of K. Van Bourgondien & Sons Inc. of Babylon, N.Y., will be on hand 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day to answer any and all questions about growing bulbs in Michigan. Van Eeden is one of the industry's foremost

bulb experts. He, along with other skilled gardeners, will demonstrate proper bulb-planting techniques.

That's not all! The Dutch Wooden Shoe Dancers of Holland, Mich., will perform in authentic costumes 1 p.m. both days. A 1920s European fairground organ will provide continuous music during this happy event, and free pony rides, cider, donuts and contests are also on the docket. This is a good time to bring the children and introduce them to the delights of bulb growing.

Nancy Szerlag, freelance garden columnist for the Detroit News and WDIV-TV, will be at the festival to meet her viewers and readers noon to 3 p.m. Sept. 28. I will be there noon to 3 p.m. Sept. 29, and would love to have you stop by and say hello. I will be happy to answer gardening questions and share gardening tips. It would be a pleasure to meet you.

Excitement is in the air for fourth graders of Northville. In honor of this festival, a contest will take place to see which student can find the most English words, three letters or longer, in the phrase "Geuring Nederland Bollen," which means "fragrant Holland bulbs" in Dutch.

The winner will be rewarded with a pizza party at US Blades in West Bloomfield, and Brickscape Gardens will install a beautiful butterfly garden

at his or her school, free of charge, next spring.

Entry forms can be obtained from Brickscape, and must be returned to them no later than Monday, Sept. 16. Winners will be announced at the festival.

The American Horticultural Society and Fauna and Floral International have just released important information regarding bulbs. They have published the first North American edition of "The Good Bulb Guide," which lists those companies that have pledged either to never sell or to clearly label any bulbs that have been collected in the wild.

From 1990 through 1995, more than 4.4 million bulbs collected in Turkey were imported into the United States. Villagers who collect these bulbs make very little money and risk their lives in this unregulated industry. In addition, wild-collected bulbs are more likely to be damaged, diseased or misidentified than propagated bulbs.

For a copy of this brochure, send your name and address, with \$1 for postage and handling, to The Good Bulb Guide, AHS, 7931 E. Boulevard Dr., Alexandria, Va. 22308.

K. Van Bourgondien & Sons Inc., along with United Bulb Co. of Mount Clemens and 18 other companies, have volunteered to be listed in the 1996 edition.

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Proper insulation makes homes more comfortable

(NAPS) — One of the easiest ways to make your house more comfortable and increase its resale value is often the one that's most overlooked.

Know what it is? Here's a hint. It's the most preferred insulation on the market today.

It's fiber glass and contractors say it offers a wealth of energy efficient benefits. Whether you're remodeling a family area or building an addition, insulation can be the most important ingredient in making that room more comfortable. There's also a payoff as it is relatively inexpensive and will improve your home's energy efficiency by lowering monthly utility bills.

Maintaining proper insulation can also make your home more attractive to potential buyers. In fact, most buyers list energy efficiency as a prime consideration. The reason? Buyers know they can buy a more expensive home if heating and cooling bills can be kept down.

When adding insulation, it's impor-

tant to look at the attic, sidewalls and the crawlspaces in your floor or garage.

Here are a few suggestions:

■ First, use a ruler in your attic to measure the amount of insulation currently installed.

■ To check sidewalls press your hand on the wall. If it feels cold in the winter and hot in the summer, it may need more insulation.

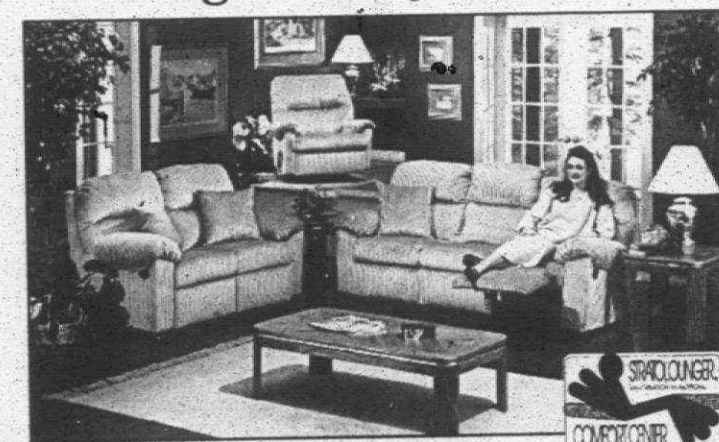
■ Check under the floors and in unheated spaces. If the floor above feels cold to bare feet in the winter, adding insulation will make the room more comfortable.

Finally, whether you are doing the work yourself or through a contractor, it pays to familiarize yourself with all the recommended R-values.

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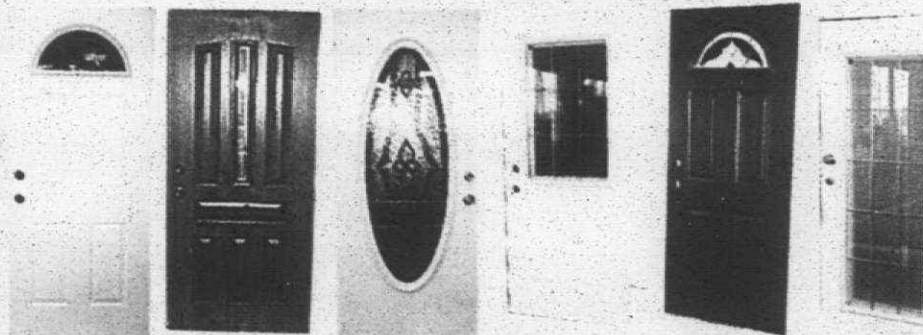
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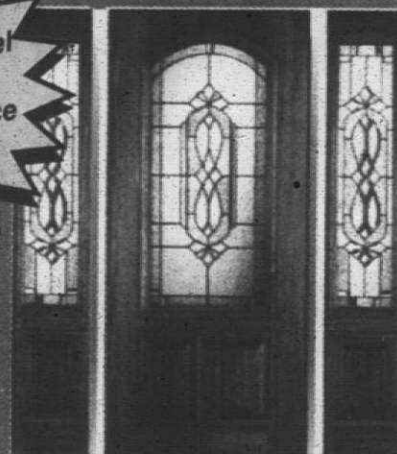
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Wayne Drake

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Epstein named asst. VP



David S. Epstein

David S. Epstein was promoted to assistant vice president at Capital Mortgage Funding in Southfield where he is in charge of the construction loan department.

Epstein, who has a B.S. in accounting from Walsh College, has been employed at Capital Mortgage for three years.

He lives in Waterford.

Doran joins RE/MAX

James Doran, a Rochester resident, joined the real estate office of RE/MAX Professional in Rochester Hills as a broker associate.

A 21-year sales veteran, Doran will continue to serve the residential real estate needs of northern Oakland and Macomb counties.

He received the Excellence in Sales Award from the Rochester Women's Council of Realtors in 1994 and 1995.

Doran is a member of the Rochester Elks Club.

Cuffe joins Remerica

Robert Cuffe joined Remerica Integrity Realtors in Livonia as broker-owner. He holds a GRI designation.

Peterson joins Investaid

Mark E. Peterson joined Birmingham-based Investaid Corp., a whole-sale mortgage lender specializing in the non-conforming credit residential market, as controller.

His responsibilities include development and streamlining of the company's accounting, financial analysis, information systems and support functions.

Peterson is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants and the Walsh College Alumni Association.

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Top notch: Judy Walker, John McArdle and Marce Cyrowski have been selected as Realtors of the Year.

Top Realtors shine like jewels

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

The three Realtors of the Year selected by professional associations serving the O&E coverage area have a lot in common.

All are broker/owners. All started out doing something else in the world of work. All are on the same wavelength about what it takes to succeed in the business.

"Every great agent I know has a high level of caring, a high level of enthusiasm before anything else," said John G. McArdle, owner of Remerica Hometown One in Plymouth.

He's Realtor of the Year for the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors.

"Information is out there," McArdle said. "Our job is to apply information in a usable form to clients. We used to just do for them. Now we empower them. We don't sell any more. We just help people make decisions."

Judy Walker, owner of Red Carpet Keim Walker & Associates in Southfield, is Realtor of the Year for the Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors.

"I think what determines a great agent is the willingness of that individual to constantly pursue education, constantly strive to keep abreast of industry changes, to provide the

best service to clients possible," Walker said.

Marce Cyrowski, owner of Century 21 Cyrowski in Lake Orion and Realtor of the Year for the North Oakland County Board of Realtors, shares similar thoughts on what makes for outstanding real estate performers.

"They have to be people-directed, have to be educated. They have to be motivated. I don't mean financially motivated, but motivated as to goals for themselves."

McArdle, 31, a Canton resident, has been in real estate for nine years.

He came here from Oscoda to pursue a medical career, started working at Papa Romano's, eventually bought three franchises and fell in love with business.

But not necessarily fast food.

"I went to the library and cross referenced everything I wanted to do and came up with real estate," McArdle said. "The first real estate office I walked into, I own now."

Walker, 46, of Detroit went to Los Angeles to become a mogul in the recording industry after graduating from Wayne State University.

"I got there and found doors to be very closed," she said. "After 500 resumes, it dawned on me that this isn't going to work."

Walker did go to work with the largest family-owned real estate com-

pany in LA after seeing an ad on TV. She liked it, continued to blossom when she returned to Michigan in the mid '80s and eventually bought a franchise.

Cyrowski, 43, a Lake Orion resident, has been in real estate for 10 years. Previously, she and husband, Carl, managed oil field camps in Central and South America.

Carl reactivated his real estate license upon their return to the States, and Marce figured she'd better go along for the ride with her partner.

"He talked it all the time, and it was just a natural," she said. "I decided if I wanted to survive and talk to him, I'd go into real estate."

All three have achieved in their own right.

Cyrowski has acquired the professional designations of Graduate Realtor's Institute and Leadership Training Graduate.

She's current president of the North Oakland County Board of Realtors and serves on the professional standards committee of the Michigan Association of Realtors.

Cyrowski also is past president of the North Oakland Chapter Women's Council of Realtors.

McArdle, a GRI and Certified Residential Specialist, serves on the public relations, technology and executive committees of the Western Wayne

Oakland County Association of Realtors.

Walker, a GRI and CRS, serves on the board of directors of the Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors and the Michigan Association of Realtors.

She's chairwoman of the fair housing committee for the state association and is a trustee on the scholarship committee of her local board.

Each gets a special charge from work.

"I like doing the deal, that's my primary turn-on," Walker said. "All transactions are totally unlike the one before. They have their own glitches and problems. For me, that's the challenge."

"For me, it's the people," Cyrowski said. "I really enjoy the interaction. I enjoy serving and the reaction of them finding what they truly love and owning it."

Cyrowski said she also enjoys picking up decorating ideas from houses she visits.

"There's something wonderful where you've created a bond with people who say, 'Here's my goal,' then you go out and spend your day helping them reach it," McArdle said. "That's a wonderful victory."

Realtors of the Year are selected on personal career achievement and service to professional associations.

Condo association may prohibit 'for sale' signs

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Q. We are often perplexed by the "for sale" sign restriction in our condominium. I am planning on selling my home and want to know whether the condominium association can enforce the "for sale" sign restriction against me. Do you have any opinion on that?

A. In a recent case decided by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, which arose when a co-owner placed two "for sale" signs in the windows of their unit, the court enforced the condominium association's declaration that required prior written permission to post the signs, which had been posted without authority.

The co-owner claimed that he had a right to post signs under the First Amendment guarantee of free speech. However, the Supreme Court ruled that the First Amendment does not apply to the enforcement of private covenants.

The court also rejected the notion that community

association rule enforcement is the same as government enforcement or "state action." Therefore, there is a good argument that the restriction can be enforced by your condominium association.

Q. I am an attorney and am curious as to whether you know if there is any case law around the country that has dealt with whether a unit owner is an invitee of an association in terms of personal liability.

A. In a recent Georgia Appellate case, the court held that when a unit owner sues a condominium association for personal injury damages, the owner is deemed to be an invitee, rather than a licensee, thus imposing a duty on the association to exercise ordinary care.

The case also involved a suit by a co-owner against the managing agent for negligence in maintaining the parking area. The court, based on Georgia law, stated that if the relationship between the parties is one of mutual interest of the parties, the injured party is deemed an invitee of the owner. The enterprise must be there is a common interest or mutual

advantage involved.

The court held that in a condominium, clear mutuality of obligations and interest exist between the unit owners and the association. This imposes a higher duty on the association than in the case of a licensee.

The association also argued that it did not have any responsibility since its managing agent was an independent contractor. The court held that even if the agent was an independent contractor, this would not relieve the association of liability in that when a wrongful act is the violation of a duty imposed upon a particular person, that person cannot evade liability by employing another to perform the duty.

Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County area attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. You are invited to submit topics that you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Bingham Farms MI 48025. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.



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Tyrannosaurus Rex invades your family room

BY DEAN JOHNSON

Arms tightly wrapped around your legs and eyes peering just above the knees, an indescribable agonizing below surrounds you — abruptly, you are in the direct path of the moving Tyrannosaurus Rex!

Or is this the genius of a home theater? Thanks to the intellect of Dolby Laboratories and the vision of George Lucas, director of "Star Wars," home theaters have blossomed into an estimated \$7.7 billion market.

Coming of age

In the 1970s, Dolby Laboratories introduced the Dolby Stereo, dramatically improving the soundtracks of 35-mm movie prints. One of the technology's first commercial success was "Star Wars" in 1977. The Dolby sound brought you into the movie, cruising side by side with Luke Skywalker on your way to combat Darth Vader.

Picking up where Dolby Stereo left off, Lucas created a new standard in theater sound called the THX Sound System, which is a combination of approved equipment and acoustics that affect the actual design and construction of the theater. THX was quickly adopted by movie theaters and studios worldwide.

In 1990, more people watched

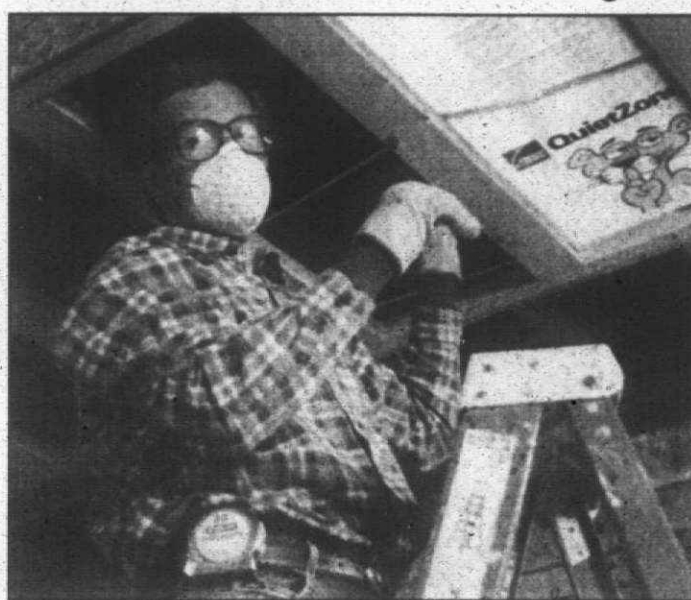
home videos than ever before — but with a theater-quality sound. In the interest of providing the best possible home theater experience, Lucas broadened THX for the home, creating the Home THX Program.

Home THX-certified equipment includes at least six speakers: left, center and right front, two surrounds and one subwoofer, as well as a controller and amplifiers. But, in addition to equipment considerations, the design of the room plays an important role in creating a "true" theater atmosphere. If you plan to build a home theater anytime soon, here is some "sound" construction advice.

Sound control

Although the Tyrannosaurus Rex is welcome in the theater room, you don't want the beast to invade the rest of the house. In order to enhance sound quality in the theater room while isolating unwanted noise from other rooms in the home, you need to construct what is called a "dead" room: nonreflective flooring and walls that are well-insulated.

Carpet, cloth drapes and acoustical panels are recommended; floor tiles, wood floors and window shutters are not.



Making it quiet: Dean Johnson, host of public television's home-improvement show, Hometime, installs Owens Corning's QuietZone Acoustic Batts in a home theater construction. Installing acoustic batts in the frame cavities of interior walls and ceiling/overhead floors is one of the easier ways to control noise in a home theater.

Acoustical panels need to be a porous material, like fiber glass board, covered in cloth. Companies that specialize in acoustical panels to quiet offices are fast becoming good sources of information for the home.

Behind the room's decor, installing acoustical batts in the frame cavities of interior walls and ceilings/overhead floors is one of the easier ways to control

noise. Building-materials manufacturer Owens Corning recently introduced a new product specifically designed for controlling household noise, called QuietZone Acoustic Batts. These batts help to absorb sound that travels between interior walls, ceilings and floors, effectively breaking the vibration pathways.

To further control noise, add resilient metal channels between drywall and studs or joists. Resilient channels break the sound-vibration path through a wall or ceiling's wood studs or joists, thereby keeping noise isolated. Nail the channel directly to the studs or joists, approximately 24 inches on center and running perpendicular to the direction of the studs or joists. Then, install the acoustical batts between the studs, followed by drywall fastened to the channel.

Eliminate flanking

In addition to having a well-insulated room, it is important to safeguard against flanking — open pathways where sound can penetrate. Three predictable trouble areas are metal ductwork, spaces under doors and cracks under baseboards. Instead of metal, which resonates, install fiber glass duct-board; doors should be close-fitting to the floor; caulk around all

baseboards in the room.

Choose the room

A home theater will perform at its best in a space specifically arranged for viewing and listening. Keep the room uncluttered; avoid excess furniture and accessories. Select lighting fixtures that do not generate high-frequency electrical noise.

For more information

If you are looking for more information on home theater construction, you can go to the Hometime home page located on the World Wide Web at <http://www.hometime.com>.

To receive a list of qualified home theater installers, contact the Custom Electronic Design and Installation Association at 1-800-669-5329. CEDIA is an international trade association of companies that specialize in planning and installing electronic systems for the home. For additional information on QuietZone Acoustic Batts or information on how to build sound control into your next project, contact Owens Corning at 1-800-GET-PINK.

Dean Johnson is host of a popular home-improvement television show, Hometime, now in its 10th season on public television.

New agitator is latest innovation in the history of laundry

As long as there have been clothes, there has been a system for doing laundry.

First there was going down to the local stream and pounding clothes against a rock. Later, we progressed to sorting clothing in copper kettles and robbing them

on a washboard. Today, we simply throw them into the washer and turn a knob. Although this may not seem relevant to someone contemplating the purchase of a new washing machine, Whirlpool home economists believe that knowing a bit of the

history of laundry can help you make a better buy in the present.

History shows that, although we've come a long way since those rocks and washboards, the basic principle behind getting clothes clean is still the same.

Simply put, it's the agitation of the clothes that removes the dirt particles. The better the laundry system agitates the clothes, the cleaner they get. Whirlpool has long been aware of the importance agitation plays in getting clothes clean. In fact, it was founded on it. The company incorporated in 1911 and "quickly became one of the first to produce electric motor-driven wringer washers. These oval-shaped wooden containers moved clothes in a tub of water and used an attached rubber wringer.

Through the years, Whirlpool has worked hard to improve this agitation process. Its latest innovation is the Xtra Roll Action agitator, which can be found on all Whirlpool super

capacity washers. This new agitator, one of the best in the industry, deals with one of the main problems in the agitation process — clothes want to float. To keep them down in the water, the Xtra Roll Action™ agitator uses a two-piece movement process: The top of the agitator has a series of small ridges that push clothes down into the water in an auger-like fashion and keep them from moving immediately back to the surface. The large fins on the bottom half of the agitator then circulate the clothes around the tub and back to the top again.

In a 13-pound wash load, this dual process improves rollover of clothes in the agitation process by 100% over 1994 models. And, as Whirlpool home economists tell us, better agitation can only equate into cleaner clothes.

Want to know more about the "how's" of laundry? Whirlpool uses a two-piece movement process: "Reasons & Remedies," a pamphlet containing helpful laundry tips, and "Laundry Tips for Beginners."

To receive a copy of either brochure, just send your request (plus name and address) to: Whirlpool Appliance Information Service, P.O. Box 405, St. Joseph, MI 49085.



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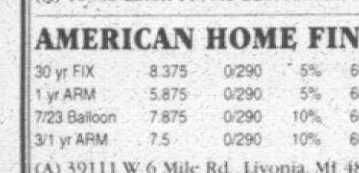
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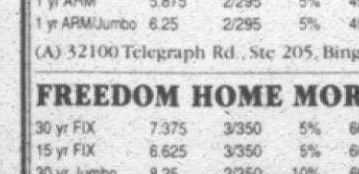
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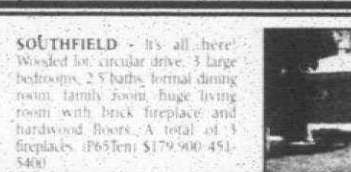
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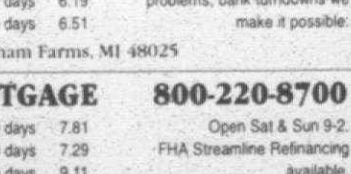
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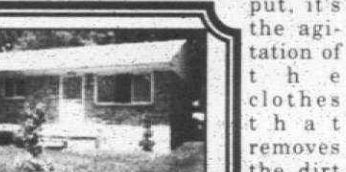
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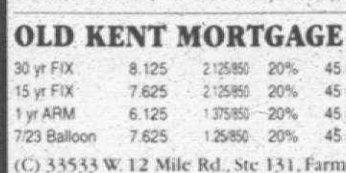
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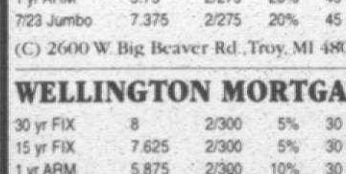
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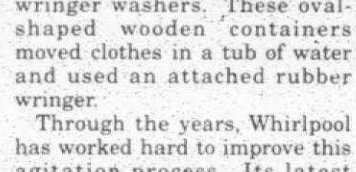
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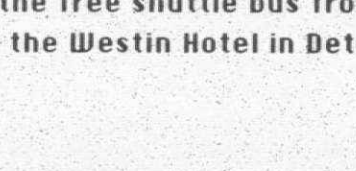
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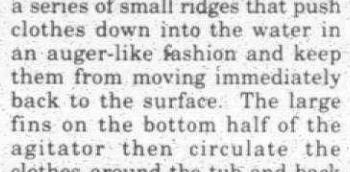
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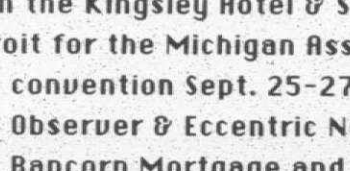
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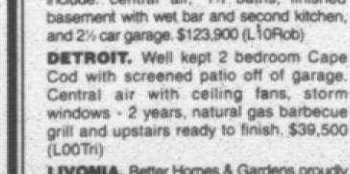
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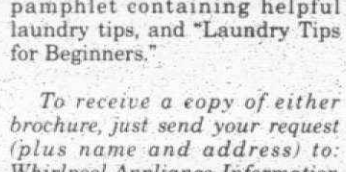
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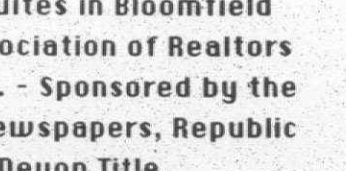
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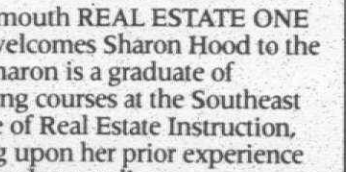
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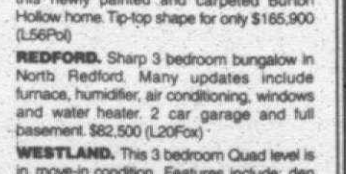
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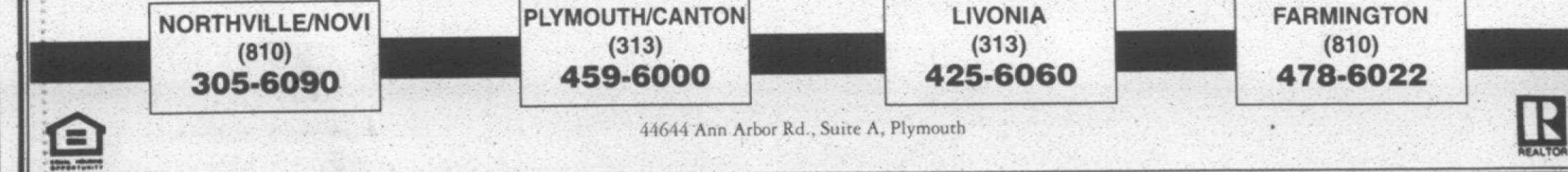
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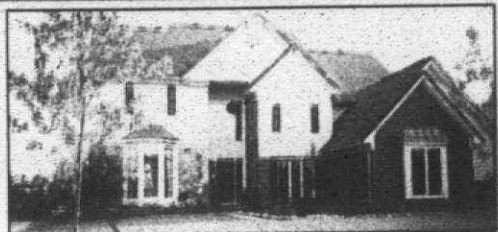
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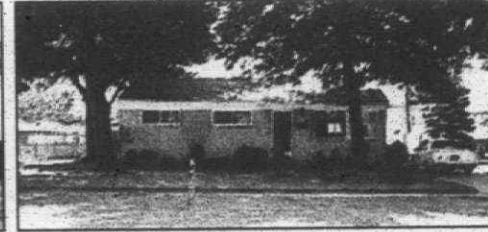
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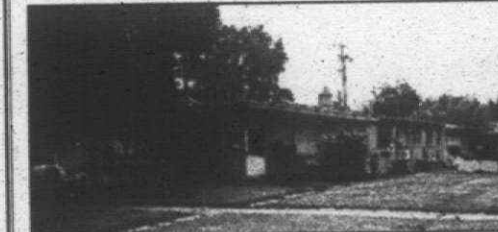
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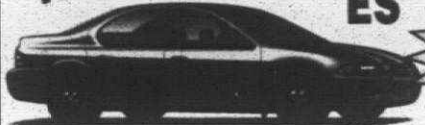
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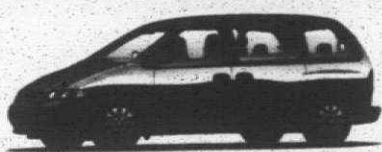
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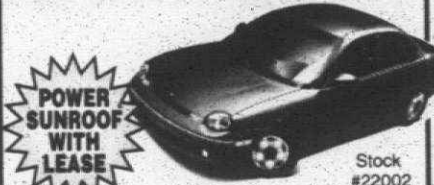
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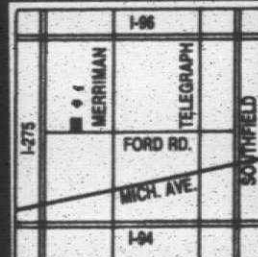


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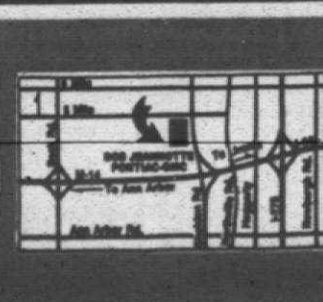
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