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## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Road closing:** Geddes Road remains closed to through traffic from Sheldon to Canton Center for the Canton Center realignment project. Drivers should detour to Michigan Avenue. Local traffic may still use Geddes.

### WEDNESDAY

**Newcomers raffle:** The Canton Newcomers will hold their annual raffle as part of their monthly meeting 7 p.m. at the Hanford Road Clubhouse. The raffle benefits Community Hospice Services of Plymouth. For information, call 451-5426.

### THURSDAY

**Crosstown matchups:** Livonia Franklin High School comes to Plymouth Canton for a boys' baseball game at 4 p.m. Meanwhile, Canton's girls' softball team buses to Franklin for its 4 p.m. game.

### FRIDAY

**Art exhibition:** The Plymouth Community Arts Council spring exhibition opens with "Hanging By A Thread," works three acclaimed fiber artists. An opening reception is planned for 7 p.m. Call 416-4278 for information.

**Dino display:** A lecture, slide presentation, and fossil display entitled: "Jurassic Park: Genesis and the Dinosaur" is set for 6 p.m. at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill. Lecturing is Erich A. von Fange, professor emeritus at Concordia College. There is a charge. R.S.V.P. by Tuesday at 981-0286.

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## Students fail in bid to keep subs



**An emotional plea by Plymouth-Canton students was rejected by school board members, who say they are bound by state law to end current assignments for popular substitute teachers at Allen School and Salem High.**

Despite the rationale, questions and pleas of students, parents and teachers, the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education stuck to principles in deciding not to keep two substitutes until the end of the school year.

When it was said and done, nearly a dozen fourth-graders from Allen Elementary walked away in tears when the board said it would not break from procedure and hire substitute teacher

Julie Jones full time.

A short time later, a group of Plymouth Salem High School students walked away in disgust when told their yearlong substitute would also have to leave, meaning their semester-long psychology project grade will be in the hands of a history teacher.

Jones has been a substitute for the Allen students since early in the school year. However, state law dictates that

subs can only work 150 days before they either have to be hired full time, or released. In this case, beginning Monday the fourth-grade class will have its third substitute this year.

While all school board members noted how emotionally tough the decision was, they felt compelled to follow hiring procedures rather than just offer a substitute a contract.

"This is as difficult a decision as I've ever had to make as a member of the board," said trustee Mike Maloney. "However, the importance of the hiring process is important."

"There are cost implications we have to consider," said board member

Roland Thomas. "The hiring practice may need to be adjusted, but it works well and is in the best interest in the integrity of the school district."

"We in no way would say this isn't painful ... for the kids and parents," trustee Elizabeth Givens told the group. "However we need to think of the whole district and the implications to our teachers and staff. I know life isn't fair, but we need to teach our children coping skills."

As each board member gave reasons for the decision, the kids could see the handwriting on the wall and began to

Please see **SUBSTITUTES, A4**

### Practice makes perfect



**Key exchange:** Michael Tallon hands off the baton to Holly Ranta during relay practice last week at the Plymouth Canton High School track. Volunteer coach Jeff Kovach cheers them on. All three Canton residents were preparing for Friday's Wayne County Special Olympics Area Games in Livonia. For a story on area Special Olympians, please turn to Page A4 in today's Observer.

## Project financing questions linger

### FORD/I-275

The \$150 million value of a proposed mega-project on Ford Road would generate more than enough revenue to cover municipal bond sales by Canton Township, according to its developers.

That key question was answered last week for members of the Downtown Development Authority as they continued to wrestle with Burton Katzman Development Co.'s request for \$3.2 million in township funds for the project.

Burton Katzman is seeking that amount, which would be raised by bond sales, for both a roadway and a waterway management system through the 124-acre site on the southeast corner of Ford and I-275.

The developer plans offices, a multiplex cinema, hotels, restaurants, a retail center and possibly an apartment complex on the site.

"This could be the park" that "will put Canton on the map," Peter Burton told the DDA at an earlier meeting.

"There would be more than adequate tax revenue" generated by the completed project to cover the principal and

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## Condominium buyers can't see the forest - at all

Residents of at least one Canton housing development may be learning an old Latin phrase these days.

The phrase, "Caveat emptor" - "Let the buyer beware" in English - seems at the root of a dispute between those residents and the homebuilder over alleged promises made regarding trees and berms but, according to the residents, not completely fulfilled.

The builder, Cook Development Corp., denies making the promises, although it has since, at the behest of township officials, put in some spruce trees on some of the properties in its Fox Meadows South subdivision.

At least two families in the site condominium development, located off Canton Center Road near Ford, said they were told by a sales representative from Canton-based Cook that the properties would be "surrounded with berms and trees."

"I spoke to several neighbors and all

agree they were told the same things," said resident Mindy Lehr. They were even told by the rep, who is no longer with the developer, to see the landscaping on other nearby Cook projects, she said.

Instead, the heavily wooded property she and husband Larry purchased was cleared of all but one tree, to which another was added during construction by the builder, she said.

"We were promised a berm which would keep the beauty up," Lehr said, adding it and the trees would shield them from the adjoining Super Bowl bowling alley parking lot. "And Canton's symbol is a tree."

It became more of a concern when she later learned two businesses that do driver training and testing use the lot, because she feared for the safety of their children, ages 6 and 4.

Please see **HOMEOWNERS, A4**



**Concerned:** Judy Bartush (left), Gary Lehr and Monika George stand on Gary's deck, overlooking the parking lot at Canton Super Bowl.

## Prayer breakfast will hear from Grammy nominee

Nationally acclaimed pastor, gospel singer and musical performer Wintley Augustus Phipps, a West Indies native with Michigan ties, will inaugurate a revamped Canton-Plymouth Prayer Breakfast.

### Marking National Day of Prayer, A2

The eighth annual spiritual gathering, newly separated from the Canton Community Foundation, will be 7:30-9 a.m. Wednesday, May 13, at Summit on the Park in Canton.

The event is sponsored by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home of Canton under direction of the Canton-Plymouth Prayer Breakfast Committee.

The group chose Phipps because members wanted someone "who would

really ignite a spiritual fire, really create an atmosphere and environment where people would be blown away," said Bryan Amann, committee chairman.

They wanted somebody "spiritually based," he said, not a sports or television celebrity, because "it's critical for the community to focus on the need for prayer."

"It's the fabric of the community's spiritual activity," said Amann.

And in Phipps, whose public appearances range from the Vatican to national prayer breakfasts to the wedding of former Motown diva Diana Ross, they feel they have their speaker.

Born in Trinidad and reared in Montreal, Phipps earned his higher education - and refined his spiritual calling

- in the U.S.

During college in Huntsville, Ala., he first learned of African-American gospel music and began developing his gift for writing it.

While earning his master's in divinity at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich., he decided to devote himself to enriching the spiritual lives of everyone, regardless of race, creed or color, with his compositions and performances of gospel music.

Since then, he has become world renowned as a lecturer and performer.

A gospel music lecturer in London, England; Sydney, Australia; Zimbabwe, Africa and the U.S., he has performed widely, from Bombay, India, to the national prayer breakfasts of

Please see **PRAYER BREAKFAST, A2**

### Canton-Plymouth Prayer Breakfast

- **What:** Eighth annual Canton-Plymouth Prayer Breakfast
- **When:** 7:30 a.m.-9 a.m. Wednesday, May 13
- **Where:** Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton
- **Guest speaker:** Wintley A. Phipps, pastor, gospel singer and music performer
- **Tickets:** \$10 per person; tables of eight available
- **RSVP:** By May 11 to Sandra Bergeson, 734-495-3548

# Community celebrations mark May 7 Day of Prayer

People of all walks of life and all denominations will gather on Thursday, May 7, to ask God's blessing on their respective communities as part of the 47th consecutive National Day of Prayer: "America - Return to God."

National days of prayer have been a part of the American landscape since the first one in 1775, when the Continental Congress asked people to pray for God's guidance in forming a new nation.

It was established by federal law in 1952 by joint Congressional resolution, signed by then-President Harry S. Truman and amended in 1988, specifically designating the first Thursday in May as the official National Day of Prayer.

People will gather for the annual "Meet at City Hall" observance will be 12:20-12:40 p.m. Thursday at the Canton Township Hall, 1150 S. Canton Center.

Garden City residents will gather at the same time for a non-denominational service at the flagpole in front of the Garden City City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt.

In Westland, the observance will be noon-1 p.m. at the flagpole in front of the Westland City Hall, 36601 Ford. In case of inclement weather, it will be moved to Room A-B of the William P. Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway.

In Redford, a non-denominational ceremony, provided by Covenant Community Church, will begin at 12:20 p.m. in Civic Center Park or Veteran's Memorial Park next to the township hall, 15145 Beech Daly, south of Five Mile.

Participants should meet at the flag pole at township hall. Activities include songs and prayer in small groups. Prayers will be said for Federal, state and local government officials. A

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Presidents Ronald Reagan and Bill Clinton.

He has also appeared in the Philadelphia and Moscow rallies of the Billy Graham Crusade and on many television shows, including Oprah Winfrey and on Dr. Robert Schuler's "Hour of Power," among others.

Additionally, Phipps worked with Saginaw native Stevie Wonder in the "Soul Train" tribute to pop singer Minnie Riperton and he performed in the Washington birthday celebration for Detroit's Rosa Parks.

A 1988 and '89 Grammy Award nominee, he is the founder and president of the U.S. Dream Academy and the International Institute for Religious Freedom, as well as his own publishing and recording companies and is the author of the 1996 book, "Power of a Dream."

Married and the father of three sons, Phipps is fulfilling a dream by providing an on-line, Bible- and faith-based Christian academic resource dedicated to educating America's school-children, particularly those needing tutorial and remedial support.

Phipps is "a wonderful performer and a great speaker," said Joan Noricks, Canton Foundation executive director who first saw him at a Kalamazoo prayer breakfast.

Noricks said the new Canton-Plymouth Prayer Breakfast Committee, which she is advising, hopes to draw 400 people this year, compared to last year's 225.

The Canton Foundation, she said, serves as an incubator for unique new programs which



**Speaker:** Wintley Phipps was chosen to headline the Canton-Plymouth Prayer Breakfast because organizers wanted someone "who would really ignite a spiritual fire."

bridge "what government and individuals cannot do." And the Canton-Plymouth Prayer Breakfast, she said, "is ready to fly."

Amann, a Canton attorney in private practice, said the foundation divested itself of the breakfast program "to make sure it was complying with... the spirit and intent of charitable organizations as defined by federal law."

His committee wants to weave the prayer breakfast "into the fabric of community prayer activity and this program and Phipps will spark some of that."

While organizers are trying to make the program grow, with bigger-name speakers, they also want to make the program "a

# Board OKs police contract

Canton's police patrol officers will get the same longevity pay and retirement health insurance as their command officers and township firefighters under a three-year contract approved Tuesday by the board of trustees.

For its part, the township won a savings by freezing starting pay for any officer hired after March 1, 1998 at \$29,423 for the three years. The figure is from the previous contract.

There is no starting-pay freeze, however, for township public safety service officers - the radio dispatchers.

The new pact is retroactive to July 1, 1997, when the previous pact expired, and runs through June 30, 2000. It covers 65 patrol officers and dispatchers.

The agreement will raise the township's total cost to \$502,683, an annual average cost per employee of \$2,578, or \$7,734 total for three years.

All items in the contract are within budget amounts for 1997 and 1998, according to township officials.

"This is a contract we can feel good about," Supervisor Tom

**'Anytime you can come to an agreement without arbitration, it's a plus. It's taken us some time, but both sides worked hard on this and we reached an agreement.'**

**Dan Durack**  
-municipal services director

Yack told trustees before they voted.

Dan Durack, the township's administrative and municipal services director, said Wednesday the contract keeps the township competitive with similar metro-Detroit suburbs.

Besides, "Anytime you can come to an agreement without arbitration, it's a plus. It's taken us some time, but both sides worked hard on this and we reached an agreement."

Among other things, the contract calls for a three-tiered wage system for police officers and a two-tiered system for radio dispatchers, giving both groups 3-percent annual pay increases. The maximum salary for a patrol officer in the top tier will reach \$48,767 after four years on the job.

The wage tiers are based on

hiring date, with officers hired before Nov. 22, 1994 in the top bracket. Pay rates climb more slowly for officers in the second and third tier.

Dispatchers can progress to a maximum of \$33,997, but those hired prior to Nov. 22, 1994 can reach it in three years, while those hired after that date need four.

The two-tiered longevity pay system provides increases at five, 10, 15 and 20 years of service for those hired before the contract's Tuesday ratification.

For example, after five years of service, the employee will receive longevity pay equal to 2 percent of salary. Longevity pay moves to 4 percent at 10 years; 6 percent at 15; and 8 percent at 20 years.

Eligible new hires, however, will receive straight bonuses of

\$300 after five years and an additional \$100 per year for each additional year of service to a maximum of \$1,500.

Durack said the longevity program will be an increased cost for the township until the veteran part of the force has been replaced.

Future retirees, their spouse and dependent children will receive medical insurance coverage, with the township paying the full cost for those retiring with 25 or more years of service. Those retiring at age 55 with more than 10 years of service will pay 50 percent of the cost until age 65, when the township will pay it all.

"Three-fourths of the metro-area police and fire departments have this," Durack said.

The contract also provides a boost in dental insurance from a 60/40 employer-employee pay plan to an 80/20 plan after July 1, 1999 while the optical reimbursement program will see an immediate doubling to a maximum of \$80 per examination and up to \$120 for corrective lenses or up to \$200 for an exam and lenses.

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Sunday, May 10th

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# Homeowners from page A1

Judy Bartush, a neighbor and friend of Lehr's, said teenagers and others walk through her yard "all the time" because it's open. And twice she's seen police chase people through it - once with shots being fired.

However, John Mazzei, president of operations for Cook, said berms were not required by the township.

"Nobody here said anything to them (homebuyers) about a berm. Why would we say 'berms would be installed' if they were not required?"

Trees were taken out to get proper drainage, he said.

Furthermore, he said, he was asked by the township to install 12 Norway spruce trees behind three units and "we've installed more than requested."

Mazzei said his firm has "abided by all regulations and rules" set by the township, a position supported by Angela Wolosiewicz of the township's planning services department.

"The developer got a permit to do the roads and utilities and he did what he was supposed to do."

As for cutting down trees, she explained that residential-zoned lots of less than two acres are not governed by the township's forest preservation ordinance, which requires replacement of certain-sized trees.

The exemption also eliminates the need, for example, for a homeowner to obtain a permit to cut down a tree that has grown into his basement, she added.

In addition, she said, the township's ordinances do not require a residential developer to buffer against an already existing com-

mercial development, such as the bowling alley.

Aaron Machnik, township director of municipal services, said he has "worked on a number of things with Cook - he has a lot of projects."

At Fox Meadows South, he said, the township requested Cook plant some trees - "not a formal requirement" but something that would benefit the neighborhood.

John Weyer of the township's building and inspection department said Friday his office is looking into zoning regulations to see if driver training and testing is a permissible use of the bowling alley parking lot. "It appears on the surface" not to be, he said.

As for verbal promises about berms and trees, another resident, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said she too heard from the sales rep.

But the resident, who knows commercial real estate, reviewed the site plan and so "I knew there wasn't going to be a berm. If it's not in the site plan, it's not going to get done."

However, she said, she failed to check with the Canton planning commission about adjacent site plans and was surprised to see an office building going up behind her house.

Lehr is learning from the experience.

"We were naive first-time builders, we didn't check with the city to see" what was actually in the plans.

"Barring anything unforeseen, like a downturn in the economy, I think the development would be very beneficial to those who live and work in Canton Township."

Shufeldt emphasized the DDA is merely an advisory board to the planning commission and township board of trustees and does not make final decisions.

"This is a tough one," said Canton Supervisor Tom Yack. "That's why it's taken as much time as it has."

"I'm sure" the developer "is going absolutely crazy because it's taking so long."

"I have no idea which way it will go," he said, noting some DDA members who previously favored the bond sale changed their minds Wednesday.

The funding request is the major stumbling block, he said. "If someone had wanted to come in and do it themselves" without DDA help, "we wouldn't have spent two minutes on it."

He said the area on the east side of I-275 is going to be developed commercially.

"The question is, how?" Yack said development by individual property owners could result in a less desirable commercial strip, rather than a coordinated project.

"Burton Katzman is very well-known," attorney Joe Piell told the DDA. But their business is "by nature, speculative," which means plans for the site can change frequently, depending on economic, environmental and other factors, until final papers are signed.

"When you consider all the hurdles ... you, my friends, are helpful, not critical" to the project's success from the developer's standpoint, Piell told DDA members.

"The project needs site approval by the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) before it can move forward."

"You are helping the viability of the project. If the developer can finance a \$145 million project, they can go 3 percent more," he said, referring to the amount requested from the DDA.

And considering the money Burton Katzman has already spent on the project for environmental studies, it can only be concluded the firm "is very serious about the project," Piell said.

Without knowing the students and how hard each has worked.

While the district sent out a note that a psychology major will be taking over, students told board members they met the sub, who says he's a history major.

District records show the new teacher is certified to teach both psychology and history, Little said Friday.

Students also mourned the fact they "will be losing a good friend and a loving, caring person."

"If you're going to continue to do business like this, I feel sorry for future students," Aroti Achari, 16, of Canton sternly told the board.

For her part, Haas criticized the board for not starting the hiring process earlier so she could stay.

Haas told board members she was shown "a lack of respect that substitutes are treated negatively ... and will work hard to make sure no one on the board is re-elected."

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# Special athletes at county games

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI STAFF WRITER

They practiced for months. On Friday they got a chance to show their skills at the annual Wayne County Special Olympics Area Games.

Twenty-nine athletes from Plymouth and Canton attended the games at Franklin and Bentley high schools in Livonia and walked away with medals.

"They really look forward to this," said Jackie Foust, coordinator for the Plymouth-Canton Special Olympics. "We always have a lot of gold medal winners."

The Plymouth-Canton group, which ranges in ages 8 - the youngest you can be to participate in Special Olympics - to adults in their 30s, have practiced their particular events since February.

Friday's Special Olympics include field and track games, as well as swimming. "It's everything you would see at a regular field and track competition," Foust said.

The majority of the Plymouth-Canton Special Olympians competed at the Stars Track Team in the track and field events Friday. But three swimmers also competed in 50 meter and 25 meter events. "They do the breaststroke, the freestyle ... the same as other swimmers," Foust said.

Unfortunately, this year Foust could not find a coach to help the Special Olympics swimmers. But she didn't give up. "We made due. We've been to the open

swims and they practiced," she said.

More than 40 athletes also will compete in a county game at 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 12 at the Cloverlanes in Livonia.

Meanwhile, the Plymouth-Canton Special Olympics softball team will begin practice May 19 in Canton to prepare for the State Softball Tournament in Canton in late July.

Special Olympics is open to anyone who is mentally impaired or has physical limitations. One of Plymouth's team members participates in field and track events using a walker.

A number of athletes also are in wheelchairs. "We have a great core of athletes as well as volunteers," Foust said. "Many of our volunteers are parents of athletes, and some volunteers just have that winning spirit and are willing to give of themselves."

Plymouth-Canton Special Olympians who competed on the track team at the county games included: David Adams, Billy Ardt, Jonathan Byrns, Natasha DeGruff, Edna Drexler, Matt Dupuis, Derek Ellis, Tina Falcon, Andrea Flynn, Michael

Green, Kristin Hayden, Tracy Jenkins, Brittany Jerden, Nathan LeFever, Cristian Lawless, Randy Leslie, Steven Mog, Christopher Nicholson, Jayne Ostrander, Michael Pilotto, Holly Ranta, Kyle Siarto, Scott Stoner, Michael Talon, Julie

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Attabo! Special Olympics track coach Gail Bowers greets Mike Green as he practices the 50 meter event.

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# Substitutes from page A1

Without knowing the students and how hard each has worked.

While the district sent out a note that a psychology major will be taking over, students told board members they met the sub, who says he's a history major.

District records show the new teacher is certified to teach both psychology and history, Little said Friday.

Students also mourned the fact they "will be losing a good friend and a loving, caring person."

"If you're going to continue to do business like this, I feel sorry for future students," Aroti Achari, 16, of Canton sternly told the board.

For her part, Haas criticized the board for not starting the hiring process earlier so she could stay.

Haas told board members she was shown "a lack of respect that substitutes are treated negatively ... and will work hard to make sure no one on the board is re-elected."

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# Everyone is taking credit for tax cuts

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

Mirror, mirror on the wall, Who's the biggest tax cutter of all?

"Me," said the Democrat. "Me," said the Republican. "Me," said the representative.

"Without question, me," said the governor. That's what the press releases look like as the Michigan Legislature winds down for the summer primary election break.

Budget bills are making their way through both chambers, but the public posturing has to do with who can claim credit for the most generous tax cuts.

Gov. John Engler started in 1990 with his "taxpayer's agenda," and in this year's state of the state message, he proposed scaling down personal income tax rates to 3.9 percent.

He claims credit for two dozen different tax base and tax rate cuts, though neither party mentions the sales tax increase that was part of Proposal A of 1994 or the 1997 fuel tax increase for roads.

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# House careers wind down

## Lawmakers reminisce, set sights on new jobs

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

For 65 state representatives, it's the end of the road. Term limits approved by voters in 1992, prohibit them from running again this year.

What did six or more years in Lansing mean to them? What advice would they give their replacements? What would they tell 21-year-olds considering a career in politics?

LYN BANKES, 56, R-Livonia and Redford, has served seven two-year terms in the House and is running this year for the Wayne County Commission.

"I'm going to work on making another of my dreams come true. In 1980 I was elected to the Wayne County Charter Commission and served as an aide to the commissioner. Now I want to go back and work under the charter I wrote," she said.

"I want to serve on the roads committee because that's extremely important for folks in

long days in Lansing. "My husband says he'd like to go out to dinner once in a while. The commute (

OBITUARIES

WILLIAM CLAIR CARR

Services for William Clair Carr, 83, of Plymouth were April 24 at the Vermoulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township, with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Burial was in Detroit Memorial Park West, Redford Township.

He was born July 13, 1914, in Turtle Creek, Pa. He died April 21 in Livonia. He worked as a truck driver and served with the Navy. Survivors include: his wife, Eileen Mae Carr of Plymouth; daughters, Nancy R. Patterson of Houston, Texas, and Susan J. Larkine of Plymouth; son, Donald A. Hohmann of Leadville, Colo.; and brother, Wilbert C. Carr.

Memorials may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, 27694 Franklin Road, Southfield 48034.

PAULINE ARETHEA HELLER

Services for Pauline Arethea Heller, 86, of Plymouth were April 25 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Edward C. Foley officiating.

She was born Sept. 12, 1911, in Detroit. She died April 23 in Livonia. She came to Plymouth in 1992 from Dearborn. She worked as a secretary for the National Association of Credit Management in Detroit for almost 20 years. She was a member of the Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia, and of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Dearborn, the Plymouth Eastern Star No. 115

and the Sunshine Senior Group.

Survivors are: a daughter, Joanne Wilson of Flushing, Mich.; three sons, David of Miami, Fla., Paul of Romeo and William of Plymouth; eight grandchildren; a sister, Mary Lou Horen of Plymouth; and many nieces and nephews.

THEODORE VLAD

Services for Theodore Vlad, 78, of Detroit, were April 28 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Ralph Unger of Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

He was born Dec. 3, 1919, in Southfield. He was a quality controller for General Motors for 30 years. He was a member of the Detroit Federation of Musicians union for 61 years and was known as "The Voice" at Club Joal with Eddie Alexander, playing the saxophone, clarinet and vocals. He served in World War II with the Army for four years. Music was his passion.

Survivors are: his wife of 48 years, Marion M.; four sons, Robert of Detroit, Douglas of Warren, Alan of Farmington and Neil of Farmington; two sisters, Flora Murphy of Canton and Mary Crow of Plymouth; and one granddaughter, Michael.

Memorials may be made to a charity of choice.

PATRICIA M. BECK

Services for Patricia M. Beck, 80, of Plymouth were April 28 at

St. John's Episcopal Church, Plymouth Township, with Rev. William B. Loufer officiating. Burial was in Oakgrove Cemetery, Hillsdale. Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

She was born Dec. 7, 1917, in Hillsdale. She died April 24 in Pitsfield Township, Mich. She came to the Plymouth community in 1957 from Hillsdale. She was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth Township and there she served as secretary to St. John's Episcopal League. She was also an office assistant to the church. She was a member of the D.A.R. and the Plymouth Women's Club.

Survivors include: a daughter, Elizabeth H. Bender of Plymouth; a son, Robert H. Beck of Redford; grandchildren, Eugene Pensari of Garden City, Robert Pensari of Canton, Anthony Pensari of Wixom, and Aaron and Marisa Beck of Brooklyn, Mich.; and four great grandchildren, Anthony, Zachary, and Kaitlyn Pensari and Jordan LaRocco.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth, Mich. 48170, Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia, Mich. 48154, or American Lung Association of Michigan, 18860 W. 10 Mile, Southfield, Mich. 48075.

HARLAND E. THRONE

Services for Harland E. Throne, 83, of Harrison, Mich., formerly of Plymouth, will be today at 11 a.m. at the Schrader-

Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Thomas Schroeder officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

He was born July 12, 1914, in West Unity, Ohio. He died April 27 in Saline. He served in World War II with the U.S. Army for four years and earned many military decorations and citations, such as: Bronze Battle Stars, seven Overseas Stars, the Good Conduct Medal, and a Philippine Liberation Ribbon. He lived in Plymouth for eight years. He worked as a carpenter.

Survivors include: brothers: Orval of Frostproof, Fla., Rex of West Branch, Mich., Leo of Ypsilanti, and George of Ypsilanti; sisters, Bernice Anderson of Venice, Fla., and Geneva Thomas of Vancouver, Wash.; and many nieces and nephews.

KATHERINE 'KITTY' BURGESS STOCKWELL

A memorial service will be held for Katherine 'Kitty' Burgess Stockwell, 93, of Keene, N.H., in Grosse Pointe Farms, at a later date. Arrangements are being made by the Foley Funeral Home, Keene, N.H.

She was born Feb. 25, 1905, in Detroit. She died April 23 in Keene. She graduated from the Liggett School in Detroit and Briarcliff College. She was a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms most of her life.

Survivors include: a son, Robert G. of Stuart, Fla.; a daughter, Gail S. Talbot of West Swazey, N.H.; seven grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and a niece, Katherine Penniman Allen of Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the local Goodwill Chapter or the local hospice.

ROGER GUY SPRINGSTEEN

Services for Roger Guy Springsteen, 56, of Plymouth will be at noon Monday, May 4, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Thomas Belczak officiating.

He was born on Aug. 2, 1941, in Dowagiac, Mich. He died on April 30 in Ann Arbor. He was a teacher in Livonia at Bryant Junior High School and Churchill High School for 30 years. He coached boys' and girls' basketball at Churchill and baseball at Bryant Junior High. He was a member of the Michigan Education Association, the Livonia Education Association, and the National Education Association. He graduated from Central Michigan

University with a bachelor of science degree in health, education, and recreation. He received his master's degree from Eastern Michigan University.

Golf was his passion. He was an avid, outstanding golfer. He played golf year-round throughout Michigan, participating in numerous leagues and tournaments. He enjoyed fishing and was an all-around sportsman.

Survivors include wife Julane E. of Plymouth; two daughters, Julie of Plymouth, Karen of Plymouth; his mother, Clara Springsteen of Dowagiac; and one sister, Carolyn (Leonard) Pozanski of Niles, Mich.

Memorials may be made to Arbor Hospice.

CATHERINE M. CLYDE

Private services for Catherine M. Clyde, 85, of Plymouth were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery.

She was born April 6, 1913, in Flint. She died April 30 in Plymouth. She was a homemaker. She was formerly active in the Bird School PTA. She loved to read, travel and camped all over the U.S. She loved animals. Her life centered around her children. She was a nurse during World War II. She graduated from St. Mary's Nursing School in Detroit where she worked as head nurse in the OB-GYN Department until her children were born. She was an avid reader. She was a member of the Plymouth Nurses Association.

Survivors include her husband, Dr. Ensign Clyde of Plymouth; four daughters, Kathie (Jery) Lee of Canton, Karen (Frank) Jonas of Charlotte, N.C., Peggy (Richard) Kaplan of Tenally, N.J., Pat (Chuck) Halsey of New York; one son, William of Nederland, Colo.; and 11 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Angela Hospice or the charity of your choice.

HUGO FELIX CRONWALL

Services for Hugo Felix Cronwall, 86, of Westland were May 1 at the Vermoulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township, with the Rev. Leonard Partensky officiating.

He was born Nov. 16, 1911, in Ishpeming, Mich. He died April 28 in Livonia. He retired from Ex-Cello Corp. in Highland Park in 1970.

He was preceded in death by

his parents, Frank O. and Mary Cronwall. Survivors include his daughter, Joann (Andy) Hill of Canton; and one granddaughter, Michelle (John) Hayden of Northville.

Memorials may be made to Senior Alliance, 3850 Second, Suite No. 201, Wayne, Mich. 48141.

MARY T. GASCIEL

Services for Mary T. Gasciel, 77, of Canton will be Monday, May 4 at St. Thomas a Becket Church. Local arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton.

She was born March 2, 1921, in Coatsbridge, Scotland. She died April 29 at Oakwood Hospital. She was a nurse.

Survivors include her daughter, Patricia A. (Wayne) Johnson, two sons, Michael D. Edward J. (Teresa), and three grandchildren, Katherine, Zachary and Chloe.

MELVIN W. GRISWOLD

Services for Melvin W. Griswold, 60, of Hillsdale, Mich., were May 1 at the VanHorn-Eagle Funeral Home, Hillsdale, with the Rev. Matt Skiles officiating. Burial was at Lakeview Cemetery, Hillsdale.

He was born Dec. 15, 1937. He died April 27. He had worked for 14 years at the Daisy Plant of Hillsdale Tool. He attended the Plymouth schools and was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam era. He was a former member of the American Legion and the Moose Lodge. He was a member of Pheasants and Forever and Ducks Unlimited.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Deanna; three children, one brother, Ward; one sister, Gertrude; and one grandson, Michael Armstrong. Survivors include his wife, Jeanette Starr; one son, Melvin Jr. of Ohio, a very precious "bud"; Michael Loren Griswold, at home; three daughters, Vickie (Rearick) Titus of Hillsdale, Sherrie (Rearick) Taylor of Hillsdale, Lesa (Foreman) Jones of Hillsdale; six sisters, Lucy (Harvey) Shaw of Plymouth, Bertha (Richard) Houck of Plymouth; Dorothy (Walter) Schwein of Plymouth; Shirley Glass of Hillsdale; Nancy (Bill) Carwin of Coldwater; Ruby Bond of Northville; 20 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Education Fund for Michael Griswold through Hillsdale County National Bank.

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you a written estimate, and if they change the estimate, they have to let you know; if they replace a part, they have to give you the part so you can see that it was damaged."

Advice to her successor: "Laura and I have already had long talks about that," she said, revealing her endorsement of Livonia city treasurer Laura Toy, once a Democrat, now a Republican. "She's going to be hiring Sandy in my office. I'll leave her detailed reports on all the legislation I didn't get passed."

"But I won't come back and haunt her."

As a freshman in 1985, Bankes had to "sit back and learn the process." Her successor "won't have time for that. These (new) people have six years. They hit the ground running."

A reading list? "There's no particular how-to book on serving in the Michigan Legislature... unless Maxine Berman writes one in the meantime."

How to get started: "Volunteer and see what part you like. My husband (John) has chosen to be a precinct delegate."

DEBORAH WHYMAN, 39, R-Canton, is completing three terms and has announced for the state Senate seat being vacated by Bob Geake. Before her election in 1992, she was in data processing - eight years for General Motors, 14 months in long-distance telephones, then as a contractor.

"I've had some wonderful opportunities in the House. In the Senate, I'll have a larger district but work in a smaller body - 38 members versus 110. I'd like to serve on tax policy as well as public utilities," she said. Her proudest achievement: "My successful effort to abolish (Detroit) Recorder's Court and

restoring the voting rights of my constituents." Whyman took a lot of racial heat for objecting to Detroit judges' being handed all the criminal cases, even suburban ones, in Wayne County.

"I was quite pleased to have such strong support for banning recognition of same-sex marriages. It was a bill in response to the Hawaii case where same-sex marriages could have been inflicted on Michigan."

Biggest disappointment: "Seeing adults act like kindergartners. We work on bills and all get very tired, and (some) return to the behavior they had when they were five years old - petty bickering; just generally childish."

Advice to her successor: "Pay attention to your district, be visible in your district, do your homework when you're here."

A reading list for her successor: "The Federalist Papers (the same work topped Speaker Newt Gingrich's reading list for new congressmen in 1995) and 'The Fountainhead' (novel by Ayn Rand) so you understand the proper role of government." She believes government's role should be very limited.

Advice to a 21-year-old considering service in government: "I didn't follow the role of local government. I got involved as a grass-roots activist. When an opportunity came to run, I took it. I don't think party politics is necessarily the best way to go."

"The advice I would give a young adult is to read history, understand where we came from, follow a consistent philosophy based on what has happened historically, don't drink and drive, don't smoke marijuana even if you don't inhale because every bad thing you do, all your friends are going to learn about it in a campaign."

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can be "scrambling to come up with a tax cut to sell voters this election year." But his House Democrats already have passed three bills that are "stalled in the Republican-controlled Senate."

Hertel says Engler's tax cut proposals are "aimed at the wealthy" while Democrats are aimed at "working families and senior citizens." His party's proposals:

■ An income tax credit for dependent care - equal to 50 percent of the expenses for support of a dependent. The credits would amount to \$1,200 for one elderly dependent and \$2,400 for two.

■ Earned income tax credit - equal to 10 percent of the federal EITC for "working families"

earning up to \$28,000 a year.

■ Senior citizen property tax deferral - would allow seniors to defer property tax payments when local government threatens legal action that would result in the loss of a home. The complex package is sponsored by House Tax Policy Chair Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti.

Profit issued his own release, saying 28 fellow House Democrats support certain principles for income tax relief.

Among the principles: Prohibit "raids on statutorily earmarked income tax revenues for local government revenue sharing and the school aid fund by proposing constitutional amendments for the 1998 ballot that would constitutionally guarantee

the state's essential operations and the more recent promise of Proposal A that funding for K-12 operations would be assured."

Profit's group would cut the income tax rate to 3.9 percent by 2000.

Republicans said five senators and five representatives have introduced Engler's proposal tax cuts. Among the sponsors are Sens. Bill Bullard Jr. of Milford and Loren Bennett of Canton and Rep. Nancy Cassis of Novi.

They would reduce the personal income tax from the current 4.4 percent by paring it beginning in the year 2000 to 3.9 percent over five years. "This is broad-based tax relief for Michigan's hard-working men and women," said Rep. Chuck Perricone, R-Kalamazoo, a second-

term lawmaker aiming for a leadership role next year.

The House bills would go to Profit's committee, where their chances of being reported out are nil or less.

Sen. Bennett said his bill not only would cut tax rates but protect school aid funding, too. "The school aid fund will be supported at the same funding level, even as the tax rate is lowered," said Bennett.

Sen. Joanne Emmons, R-Big Rapids, who heads the Senate Finance Committee, gave no indication she's interested in working on the Democrats' bills.

Bennett said the tax cut bills are expected to be taken up by the full Senate the week of May 4.

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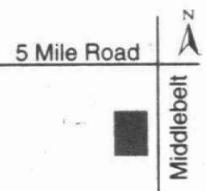
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FOCUS ON WINE



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## Bonterra makes tasty organic wines

Organic produce has become more available in modern grocery stores. Thanks to environmentally and socially conscious Fetzer Vineyards, so is organically grown wine under the brand name Bonterra, which translates "good earth."

Farming 700 acres of certified organic grapes, Fetzer is the nation's leader in organic grape growing, and the five-year-old Bonterra brand is one of the most successful using organically grown grapes. Made entirely from grapes certified by the California Certified Organic Farmers are chardonnay, cabernet sauvignon, viognier, sangiovese and syrah under the Bonterra label. Plans to add merlot, petite sirah and zinfandel are on the drawing board.

Even the distinctive Bonterra packaging is environmentally friendly. The label is made from kenaf (treeless paper).

Modern organic farming pioneered a little over 30 years ago at the University of California-Santa Cruz. Just over a decade ago, Fetzer Vineyards, Mendocino County's largest winery, embarked on a mission toward organic farming with a five-acre garden created by Master Gardener Michael Maltas. In the Bonterra Garden in Hopland, Calif., it was discovered that natural flavor qualities are affected by chemicals. This was sufficient reason to continue growing produce organically. Today, hundreds of varieties of fruits, ornamental flowers and vegetables are part of the embrace of organic farming.

### Leap of faith

"We took a leap of faith," said 41-year-old Bonterra winemaker Bob Blue. "We had the advantage of beginning with organic gardening at our winery in Hopland, Calif. What we learned there, began to be translated into our vineyards in 1987. Actually, all Fetzer did with Bonterra is relearn a craft we forgot after World War II and victory gardens."

Under the Bonterra label, Fetzer made wine from organically grown grapes for five years before releasing any wine. Because there's really no solid research or methodology for organic farming, Fetzer had to figure out how the organic garden research it did would translate to grape growing.

"Only one-tenth of one percent of the U.S. Department of Agriculture budget is spent on organic farming research," Blue said. "Organic products are two percent of the food business, but it is growing by 20 percent annually. Fetzer is challenging other

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SELECT

■ **Pick of the pack:** 1994 Clos du Bois Bracrest, Alexander Valley, \$23 is 100 percent cabernet sauvignon at its best from a fabulous vintage.

■ **1996 Chateau St. Jean La Petite Etolle Puno Blanc** \$13 is great with light seafood dishes.

■ **Full-bodied chardonnays:** 1996 Shafer Red Shoulder Ranch Chardonnay \$34 (in limited quantity at fine wine shops); 1995 Franciscan Cuvee Sauvage Chardonnay \$30 is special occasion, but for half the price, the 1996 Franciscan Chardonnay is pretty darn good! Other great values are 1996 Estancia Pinnacles Chardonnay \$12 and 1996 Jekel Gravelstone Chardonnay \$12.

■ **Superior Italian wines:** 1995 San Leone Chianti Classico \$14; and 1995 Antinori Peppoli Chianti Classico \$19.

■ **Best buys at \$10 and under:** 1997 Tarapaca Reserve Chardonnay (Chile) \$10; 1996 Tessera Chardonnay \$10; 1997 Fetzer Sautelle Chardonnay \$8; 1997 CK Mondavi Sauvignon Blanc \$6; 1995 Lorane Pinot Noir (Oregon) \$10; and 1997 Rosemount Grenache Shiraz \$8.50.

### LOOKING AHEAD

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# Duchess of York loses weight 123



Royal congratulations: Sarah, Duchess of York (right) congratulates Joan Rao of Farmington Hills for losing more than 100 pounds.

Sarah, the Duchess of York, gained a few too many pounds, and before long, people were calling her - "The Duchess of Pork."

With help from Weight Watchers, which she joined last June, the duchess began losing weight with the 1\*2\*3 Success Plan.

"She was so grateful, for the first time in her life she was able to control her weight. She's happy people aren't calling her 'Duchess of Pork' anymore," said Florine Mark of Farmington Hills, president and CEO of the WW Group Inc. who welcomed her into her Farmington Hills home for dinner Thursday evening, and to Michigan at the International Women's Show at the Novi Center.

Women relate to the duchess because even with her royal connections, she seems so down to earth and fun. Sarah may be a duchess, but when it comes to losing and keeping off weight, she struggles just like the rest of us.

"Everyone looks very serious, what would you like to talk about," she said chuckling as she began a press conference Friday morning at the Weight Watchers Michigan Headquarters in Farmington Hills. "Oh, you're so serious. I'm only human. The only difference between you and

me is that I married a prince. I'm a 38, single, working mother."

When the duchess smiles she warms a room like a ray of sunshine on a cold winter day. Her warmth is genuine, and there's no doubt about her sincerity. She loves children, and is a champion of causes to help them. She founded Chances for Children, to help children in the United States, which she founded in 1994.

In a room full of cameras and reporters from Michigan, Toledo and Windsor, 6-year-old Kaelynn Lohmeyer of Toledo caught her eye shortly after she walked in the room.

"Hello, what's your name," she asked. "I miss my girls very much." Later she asked Kaelynn to stand with her at the podium as Kaelynn's mom, Lee Anne, was being honored for losing 124 pounds on the Weight Watchers plan. Kaelynn was a little scared, and stayed close to mom, but afterward, she was all smiles and anxious to show her book, "Budgie Goes to Sea," which The Duchess autographed.

Like Joan Rao of Farmington Hills, the duchess lost weight, but she gained it back.

"My problem started when I was

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### Dinner with the Duchess

April 30, 1998



MENU

**Appetizer**  
Assorted Crostini

**Salad**  
Spring Mix with  
Shallot Dijon Vinaigrette

**Entree**  
Vegetable Bundles  
Duchess Sweet Potatoes  
Poached Salmon and  
Mango Salsa

**Dessert**  
Fresh Berries and  
Vanilla Yogurt in a  
White Chocolate Tulip

## Mother know's best - nourish your family

### LIVING BETTER SENSIBLY



BEVERLY PRICE

When Elana Sarah Price came into the world on Oct. 5, 1994, a month ahead of schedule, my husband, David, and I were overjoyed and proud to be the parents of this beautiful little girl. Since Elana was a little early, she had not yet developed her "sucking muscles" and had to stay in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at the hospital for 10 days in order to receive proper nutrition. Most importantly, everything else was in check, especially her powerful lungs, which are still her trademark to this very day.

Conceiving Elana wasn't easy either. With a history of endometriosis, it took me over a year to become pregnant. How does this compare with the rest of society? Since the 1940s, fertility rates have decreased by 40 percent, and unfortunately, are expected to continue to decrease. This decrease in fertility has been attributed to chemicals in the air, pesticides and additives in our food supply, and the lack of nutritious whole foods in our diet.

You may ask, as a dietitian, didn't I have a healthy diet from the get go? The answer, of course, is "yes" and "no." My diet in the last 10-15 years is not what I

was raised on. I, as others in my age group, were raised on veal chops, meat loaf, bologna sandwiches on white bread, frozen dinners, "Twinkies" and "Ding Dongs," to name a few items. Who knew better?

Only my friend Dawn Singer's parents, Jerry and Barbara Singer of Farmington Hills who were vegetarian and eating whole wheat and long, way ahead of their time. It took my family a long time to figure out why Dawn would come to my birthday parties and refuse to eat the hot dogs that were being served. I found out 25 years later what the story was.

I became a vegetarian in the late 1980s and early 90s. It was a gradual process. During my pregnancy I ate lots of tofu and used flax seed oil religiously. These foods are high in "Omega 3-fatty acids," which has shown to enhance fetal brain development. I also consumed lots of whole grains such as udon noodles and brown rice, leafy vegetables, soy milk, beans and lentils. These foods are high in calcium, and the calcium is more efficiently absorbed from these plant sources than from dairy products. I also ate fruit for snacks, which contain folacin necessary for prevention of spina bifida in the fetus.

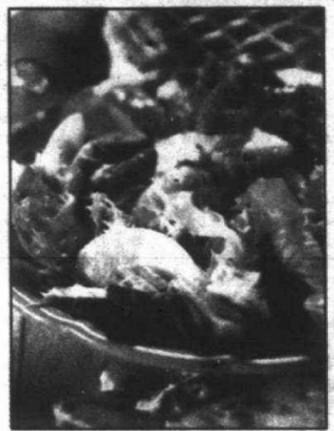
Since my husband is a vegetarian too, we decided to raise Elana vegetarian. She has always been a great eater who is not afraid to try new foods. She likes soy milk, soy cheese, tofu, whole grain pasta,

fruits and vegetables, as well as, flax seed meal on her cereal every morning. The juice that she drinks is organic. Yes, she does eat junk food, but knows there's a time and place for it. Elana does not succumb to peer pressure and makes sure she tells her friends and teachers at nursery school about her eating habits.

"If people would eat healthy, they would have more energy," my three-and-a-half-year-old Elana says. So, on this Mother's Day, think about what you are eating, as well as, what you are feeding your child. If you are pregnant, or thinking about becoming pregnant, you can affect the health of your baby by good nutritional planning. If am glad I am Elana's mommy, and that I have given her the gift of health, and that my mom, Marilyn Peiss is around to enjoy both of us.

Beverly Price is a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist. She operates Living Better Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. She is the co-author of "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health." Tall Tree Publishing Company. Visit her website at [www.nutritionsecrets.com](http://www.nutritionsecrets.com). Look for her column on the first Sunday of each month in Taste.

See recipes inside.



Seasonal delight: Pear & Pecan salad features Packham's Triumph pears.

## Ugly pears from Africa sweet to eat

They're not pretty to look at, but Packham's Triumph from South Africa are a fragrant, sweet, juicy pear. You'll find them at your local Meijer store and Vic's World Class Markets in Novi and Beverly Hills. Look for the yellow and blue CAPE Packham's label.

"They're an extremely ugly pear," said Barbara Burman, spokeswoman for Cape Fruit in North America, which distributes the fruit. "They're kind of a bumpy pear. They're green and get pale green as they ripen, but these are one of the nicest pears I've ever tasted."

It's harvest time on the Cape of Good Hope in South Africa where these pears are grown. Packham's Triumph originated in Australia in the 1890s and is a cross between two other Southern Hemisphere varieties - the Bon Chretien and the St. Germain. It was introduced to South Africa in 1922.

Burman described the fragrance as "a hint of orange blossom." When you cut these pears open you'll notice how white and creamy they are. They aren't mushy.

"People don't realize you don't eat pears like you do apples," said Burman. "They're not supposed to be crunchy. They will be hard when you buy them, because they're not ripe. Keep the pears you want to eat in a few days at room temperature. If you want to ripen pears quickly, put them in a brown paper bag with a banana. The pears will be ripe in two to three days."

Pears will feel soft to the touch when they're ready to eat. Packham pears in stores today were picked about three weeks ago. It takes 17 days for the pears to get from the orchards in South Africa to Philadelphia. The season only lasts about two months, May-June.

Besides tasting good, Burman said Packham's hold up very well. Because they're only available for a short time, she recommends storing them in the refrigerator. They'll keep three to four weeks.

"When you're ready to eat them, take a few out and give them a few days to soften," she said.

Burman said Packham's are very popular in South Africa, but haven't

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12," she said. "My mom was in Argentina, and my dad worked seven days a week. I was raised by the housekeeper. I ate to fill the void."

She weighed 210 pounds on her 28th birthday just after Beatrice was born. She joined Weight Watchers when she was 19, but didn't stick with it. Last June she joined again and found something that worked - 1\*2\*3 Success Plan. "I believe I will always do it," she said. "I can do it with my busy schedule."

Keeping weight off is a continuing battle. "I really have to watch it," she said. "I want the croissant, sometimes I really need it. I learned you don't have to beat yourself up over it, which I used to. Weight Watchers is about common sense."

There are times when even the duchess loses control. During the press conference she said she told her driver "I really need to

stop at a greasy spoon. That's like a sandwich shop. I wanted a fat roll with salted butter, and cheese, and a can of Coca Cola. Not diet."

After she ate it, she asked herself, "what's going on here?" It rang Sarah from Weight Watchers and realized it was because I was leaving my children for 10 days to work. It was sadness."

In January, 1997, the duchess was named U.S. spokesperson for Weight Watchers International, but in May 1996 she zero in on your good points. Get out there and do a little exercise everyday."

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women from Michigan, Ohio and Canada honored for losing 100 pounds in 1997.

As she walked to the podium, the duchess reached out her hand to Joan to congratulate her and said, "that's incredible, 101 pounds."

Florine Mark has lost 50 pounds and kept it off for 25 years. "The most important thing is to keep trying. Don't quit. Learn to like yourself no matter what weight you are. Zero in on your good points. Get out there and do a little exercise everyday."

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kept me from doing things. I came to realize that I had trouble walking. You don't feel comfortable in movie seats, or airplane seats, you don't fit anywhere."

At Weight Watchers Rao said she received the support, inspiration, motivation and guidance she needed to successfully lose excess pounds forever.

"My goal was to not do this again," she said. "I don't want to be a yo-yo. The 1\*2\*3 plan is so wonderful. I can eat anything as long as I plan my meals. I learned what a serving size is. You can't just fill up a bowl with cereal. You need to know how much is in there."

Chips are a red light food for her, and Rao knows if she eats them, she'll want more. "I enjoy popcorn more than I used to," she said. Fitting exercise into her schedule also made a big difference.

"I never in my life exercised, except to chase my three kids," she said. "I have three grown sons. Exercise is time for me, I make time for it, because it's important to me. I bought a treadmill and walk on it 40 minutes, I also walk my puppy 40-45 minutes twice a day. The dog is a great motivator. He loves to be outside, and won't take no for an answer."

Besides exercise, Rao said the biggest change is she enjoys a lot more vegetarian meals. "My husband, Nippani, has high blood pressure so it's good for him too," she said. "Nothing is fried anymore, and I'm using different spices. We don't keep junk food in the house anymore. I used to have Twinkies for the kids, but I'd eat more than them."

The challenge is to not fall into old habits - not exercising, not writing down what you eat. The

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been available in large quantities for distribution to North America until now.

She understands why people might be a little cautious about trying this new ugly pear.

"They felt the same way about Granny Smith Apples," she said. Nobody heard about Granny Smith Apples when they were first introduced to the U.S. by Cape Fruit.

CAPE, the premier brand name of the deciduous fruit growers of South Africa, has been exporting fruit to North

America for nearly 40 years. It began with shipments of Barinka grapes in the early 1960s, but CAPE is best known for introducing North Americans to Granny Smith Apples.

"Thirty years ago nobody would eat them because they were green. It's a great apple, but we had to tell people about them."

Burman's on the road visiting 22 cities to tell people about Packman's. Lansing, was her first stop, metro Detroit her second. She stayed at the Townsend

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Hotel in Birmingham. "It's like being in Europe," said Burman who left Wednesday for Cleveland.

**Market note**

The Red Garter Band led by Doug Jacobs, will celebrate the grand opening of Western Fruit and Flower Market's new Livonia store, 14925 Middlebelt (at Five Mile Road), Tuesday-Sunday, May 5-10. For more information, call (734) 524-1000. Doug and the band will perform 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. during the grand opening celebration, and every Saturday.

See recipes inside.

farmers to take a look at organic grape farming.

The relatively quiet trend toward organic farming has witnessed steady growth. Small and large premium and budget-priced wineries have traded pesticides for predatory wasps and have abandoned chemical fertilizers and herbicides in favor of composted grape seeds and cover crops.

Brown-Forman Corp., based in Louisville, Ky., purchased Fetzer from family members in 1992. But the Fetzers (11 brothers and sisters) continue to grow California Certified Organic Farmers-approved grapes for Fetzer under an exclusive contract.

only get better with a few years of aging. The layered richness of the 1995 Bonterra Syrah \$28 with dominant blueberry flavors, balanced by a toasty vanilla finish, creates a very stylish wine. It is excellent with grilled lamb well-seasoned with rosemary and garlic.

Since Bonterra wines fit into the philosophy of products now sold at Merchant of Vino/Whole Food stores, you will most-likely find them there at the quoted price.

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.



## Check out What's Cooking at Vic's For May

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# Salad and pork with pears perfect for spring

See story on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Cape Fruit.

- PEAR AND PECAN SALAD**
- 2 ounces blue cheese, such as Roquefort or Gorgonzola, or herb goat cheese
  - 1/3 cup buttermilk or light cream
  - 2 tablespoons olive oil
  - 1 tablespoon red wine vinegar
  - 1/4 teaspoon salt and freshly ground black pepper
  - 8 cups mesclun or mixed salad greens
  - 4 medium Cape Packham pears
  - 2/3 cup pecans, lightly toasted, coarsely chopped
- In bowl, using a fork, mash cheese and buttermilk to make a smooth paste. Whisk in oil, vine-

- PORK WITH PEARS, THYME AND HONEY**
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
  - 1 pound thin boneless pork loin chops (about 8)
  - 2 large Cape Packham pears, peeled, cored and thinly sliced
  - 3 green onions, chopped
  - 1 tablespoon honey
- gar, salt and pepper until creamy.
- To serve, divide salad greens among individual salad plates. Peel pears, if desired, cut into quarters and remove cores. Cut into thin lengthwise slices. Arrange over salad greens. Drizzle with dressing and sprinkle with pears. Serve immediately. Makes 6 servings.

- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
  - 1/2 cup chicken stock
  - 1 table-pon cider vinegar
  - 1 teaspoon cornstarch
  - 1/4 teaspoon each salt and pepper
- In large nonstick skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat; cook pork 2 minutes per side or until browned. Remove to a plate; keep warm.
- Add pears, green onions, honey and thyme to skillet; cook, stirring for 3 minutes or until pears are softened.
- In bowl, combine stock, vinegar, cornstarch, salt and pepper until smooth. Add to skillet; cook, stirring for 1 minute or until slightly thickened. Return pork to skillet; cook 1 minute or until heated through. Makes 4 servings.

# Weight Watchers breakfast dishes fit for royalty

See related story on Taste front.

Treat your mom royally on Mother's Day, surprise her with one of these delicious breakfast treats from Weight Watchers Magazine "1\*2\*3 Success Recipe Collection," copyright 1997.

- TORTILLA EGG ROLL-UPS**
- Makes 4 servings
- 1/2 green pepper, seeded and diced
  - 3 scallions, thinly sliced
  - 1 plum tomato, diced
  - 4 eggs
  - 4 egg whites
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
  - 1/2 teaspoon hot red pepper sauce
  - Four 6-inch fat-free flour tortillas
  - 1/2 cup shredded reduced-fat sharp cheddar cheese
  - 1 tablespoon chopped cilantro
- Spray a large nonstick skillet with nonstick cooking spray; heat. Sauté the bell pepper until tender-crisp, about 3 minutes. Add the scallions and tomato; sauté until softened, about 1 minute. Transfer

to a plate.

In a medium bowl, beat the eggs, egg whites, salt and pepper sauce with a fork. Spray the skillet with more nonstick cooking spray; add the egg mixture. Cook, stirring as needed, until the eggs are scrambled, but not dry. Remove from heat and stir in sautéed vegetables.

Heat the tortillas according to package directions. Place the tortillas on a flat surface. Spoon the eggs along the bottom edge of each; sprinkle with cheese and cilantro. Roll up tightly, then cut in half.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 3 points; 201 Calories, 8g Total Fat, 7g Dietary Fiber.

This spicy concoction perks up just about any food! Besides using it as the ubiquitous dip for crudités or tortilla chips, spoon it over a baked potato, top grilled chicken breasts with it or serve it as a zesty salad dressing.

- HOT STUFF SALSA**
- Makes 4 servings
- 1 red bell pepper, seeded and coarsely chopped
  - 1 onion, coarsely chopped
  - 1-2 jalapeno peppers, seeded.
- Prepare these healthy tasty recipes for mom on Mother's Day.
- APPLESAUCE/YOGURT DELIGHT**
- 3 cups uncooked quick rolled oats
  - 2 tablespoons brown sugar
  - 1/2 cups nuts, chopped or ground
  - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
  - 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- Appleauce - use as much as you like
- Heat skillet over medium heat. Add rolled oats. Toast quickly. Stir constantly until golden brown. Stir in brown sugar. Add nuts. Serve by placing 2 heaping tablespoons of the oat mixture in each owl. Add the applesauce on top and finish with another layer of oat mixture. Also tastes great with vanilla or fruit flavored yogurt in place of applesauce.
- FRUIT TOAST**
- 1 quart fresh fruit - strawberries, blueberries, peaches, cherries
  - 2 tablespoons cornstarch
  - 1/4 cup water
  - Almond or vanilla extract (optional)
- Wash and trim fruit. Heat fruit to boiling in a small saucepan. Mix cornstarch in water. Add to hot fruit mixture. Add extract. Stir until thickened and clear. Serve on whole wheat toast.
- Recipes adapted from "Natural Lifestyle Cooking."
- APPLESAUCE TOAST**
- Whole wheat bread
  - Peanut butter
  - Appleauce
- Toast bread. Combine applesauce and peanut butter to the consistency you like - thick or thin and warm briefly in microwave. Spread over the toast. May also top with sliced bananas.
- Recipe taken from "Natural Lifestyle Cooking."

- devised and minced (wear gloves to prevent irritation)
  - 2 garlic cloves
  - 8 plum tomatoes, diced
  - 2 tablespoons chopped cilantro
  - 2 tablespoons fresh lime or lemon juice
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
  - 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
- In a food processor, pulse the bell pepper, onion, jalapenos and garlic until fairly smooth. Transfer to a nonreactive serving bowl; stir in the tomatoes, cilantro, lime juice, salt and pepper. Refrigerate, covered until chilled, at least 1 hour.
- Nutrition information per serving:** 0 Points; 67 Calories, 0g Fat, 4g Dietary Fiber

- LEMON-BLUEBERRY SPICED MUFFIN TOPS**
- Makes 12 servings
- 1/3 plus 1 tablespoon sugar
  - 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
  - 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice
  - 2 1/2 cups all purpose flour
  - 1 teaspoon baking powder

- 1 teaspoon baking soda
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
  - 1 cup low-fat (1 percent) milk
  - 2 egg whites
  - 2 tablespoons butter, melted
  - 2 teaspoons grated lemon zest
  - 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
  - 1 1/2 cups fresh or thawed frozen blueberries, thoroughly drained
- Preheat the oven to 400°F.

Spray two 6-cup muffin-top pans with nonstick cooking spray. To prepare the spice topping, in a small bowl, combine 1 tablespoon of the sugar, the cinnamon and allspice.

In a medium bowl, combine the flour, the remaining 1/3 cup of the sugar, the baking soda and salt. In a large bowl, with an electric mixer at medium speed, beat the milk, egg whites, butter, lemon zest and lemon juice. Add the dry ingredients and the blueberries to

the milk mixture, stirring until just combined; do not overmix.

Spoon into the muffin cups; sprinkle with spice topping. Bake until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 18-20 minutes. Cool in the pan on a rack 5 minutes. Remove the muffins from the pan; serve warm or at room temperature.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 3 Points; 153 Calories, 3g Total Fat, 1g Dietary Fiber.

# Surprise mom a bunch with brunch

See related Eating Better Sensibly column on Taste front.

Join Sharon Meyer and Beverly Price, registered dietitians, for their "Natural Alternatives to Standard Hormonal Replacement Therapies" workshop. Lecture, cooking demonstration and taste testing 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 5 and May 19 at Living Better Sensibly in Farmington Hills. Cost \$50, space limited. Call (248) 539-9424 to register, or find out about the "Vegetarian Extravaganza," 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, May 10 at Orchard Lake Middle School. The cost is \$35.

These recipes by Diane Baldwin are power packed with fruits, whole grains, and non-meat protein sources such as peanut butter, beans and nuts. Soy milk and soy cheese can be substituted for regular milk, and cheese. Banana may be substituted for the egg in the pancakes.

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  - 2 tablespoons brown sugar
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# Skinny carrots make a sweet dessert

Some people are sweeter than others. Carrots follow the same rule. The difference is that, unlike people, appearance alone can offer a clue to a carrot's sweetness. Although not proven scientifically, slim-shouldered carrots seem to taste sweeter than those with broad tops and a large circumference. When you slice a carrot, the exposed surface has a deep orange outer ring and a paler, more fibrous core. Most of the natural sugars in a carrot lie in the finer-textured darker part. Carrots with a fat core tend to have a thinner band of this sweeter, outer ring.

Carrots that are wider at the top indicate a bigger core and less of the sugar-rich outer layer. Therefore, the more rod-shaped a carrot is, the more likely it is to taste sweeter than those that taper from a broad top down to a point.

Age also factors into a carrot's sweetness. More mature carrots usually have more flavor and taste sweeter than younger ones. One exception is the two- to three-inch baby carrots often labeled as Belgian or French carrots. They tend to be even sweeter than any regular carrots.

How you store carrots often affects their sweetness. Sub-



**Sweet dessert:** Serve Indian-Style Carrot Pudding warm, topped with yogurt and a sprinkling of chopped, pale green pistachios.

stances called terpenoids are what makes carrots bitter. Ethylene gas, which is released by apples, pears and some fruits, encourages the formation of terpenoids. Storing your fruits and vegetables in different sections of the refrigerator will keep your carrots sweet.

Avoid storing carrots that have been cut or peeled, since exposure to air can destroy nutrients and upset the interaction between the vitamins, minerals, and phytochemicals that health experts, such as the American Institute for Cancer Research, believe may play a vital role in preventing cancer.

In India and Pakistan, cooks take advantage of carrots' natural sweetness by using them in desserts. Gajar Halwa is made by simmering carrots with raisins and milk until their sugars become very concentrated. Cookbook author Dana Jacoby's version of this pudding-like treat, Indian-Style Carrot Pudding, features the golden color and rich flavor of carrots perfumed with cardamom.

**INDIAN-STYLE CARROT PUDDING WITH YOGURT**

1 tablespoon unsalted butter  
3 cups grated carrots  
1/2 cup nonfat condensed milk  
1 cup water  
1/2 cup raisins  
1 teaspoon ground cardamom  
2 cups low-fat, plain yogurt

Chopped green pistachios (optional)

In a medium skillet, melt the butter. Sauté the carrots until they are limp, about 5 minutes. Stir in the milk and the water. Mix in the raisins and cardamom. Simmer until the carrots are soft and nearly all the liquid has evaporated, about 20 minutes.

Divide the carrot mixture among 8 ramekins or small custard cups, letting it cool to lukewarm.

Spoon 2 tablespoons of the yogurt over each portion of pudding. Sprinkle with chopped pistachios if desired, and serve. Alternatively, cool, cover and refrigerate the pudding. When ready to serve, re-heat slightly in the microwave.

Each of the eight servings contains 162 calories and 4 grams of fat.

Information and recipe by Dana Jacoby, author of "The Best Claypot Cooking," and "The Natural Kitchen: SOY!" for the American Institute for Cancer Research.

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**Rich Russian strudel low-fat, easy to make**

AP - Russian cuisine includes national versions of strudel, both sweet and savory. This Ricotta-Cranberry Strudel tastes rich but only 30 percent of the calories are from fat.

Preparing strudel used to be a lengthy process, but with modern food processors and the availability of ready-made phyllo dough a dessert like this is easy to make.

**RICOTTA-CRANBERRY STRUDEL**

1 cup ricotta cheese  
1/4 cup sugar  
1 large egg yolk  
1/4 cup dried cranberries, cherries or golden raisins  
2 teaspoons finely grated orange zest  
7 sheets phyllo dough, thawed and handled according to package directions  
5 tablespoons butter, melted

1/3 cup ground almonds  
Powdered sugar  
Cranberry syrup, recipe below  
Heat oven to 375° F. In a medium bowl, with a wooden spoon blend ricotta cheese, sugar, egg yolk, cranberries and orange zest. Butter a large baking sheet.

On a work surface, stack the phyllo sheets on top of one another, brushing each sheet first with melted butter, then sprinkling with ground almonds.

Spoon the filling in a narrow band lengthwise down the phyllo, leaving 2 inches along the bottom and side edges. Roll up like a jelly roll and tuck ends under.

Place the strudel seam side down on a baking sheet, brush with remaining butter. Bake 30 to 35 minutes until golden brown.

Let cool about 20 minutes, then slice on the diagonal. Dust tops with powdered sugar.

Serve strudel on dessert plates surrounded by cranberry syrup.

**CRANBERRY SYRUP**

12-ounce can cranberry juice concentrate, thawed  
1/2 cup sugar  
Combine juice and sugar in medium saucepan over medium heat.

Heat, stirring occasionally, until sugar dissolves. Serve warm or at room temperature.  
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Kim Morrison, 734-953-2111 on the web: <http://observer-eccentric.com> Page 5, Section B Sunday, May 3, 1998

## MEDICAL BRIEFS

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**Better hearing**

ElderMed (adults 50 and over) at Botsford will host Botsford ear, nose and throat specialist Warren Brades, D.O., Friday, May 8, who will discuss the diagnosis of hearing loss and available treatment options. Lunch is included (Vladimir's Banquet Hall) and begins at 12:30 p.m. \$8/ElderMed; \$9 non-members. Call (248) 471-8020 to register/pre-payment required.

**Pituitary support**

The Pituitary Tumor Network Association, Michigan Chapter will hold a pituitary tumor/disorders educational meeting in West Bloomfield at the Henry Ford Medical Center. Guest Speakers are Dr. Mark Lovell, Ph.D. neuropsychologist, Dr. Jack Rock, M.D. neurosurgeon and Cathy Campbell, R.N. The event will take place Saturday, May 2nd from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The PTNA is a nonprofit organization for pituitary patients. The PTNA has published a 300 page patient guide and video and distributes newsletters to members throughout the year. The PTNA Web site is [www.pituitary.com](http://www.pituitary.com). The meetings are open to anyone who would like information and an opportunity to meet other patients. For more information contact Teresa Sullivan, Michigan Chapter Director at (810) 227-5615 or e-mail [sullyt@aim.net](mailto:sullyt@aim.net)

**Health fair**

Camelot Hall Convalescent Centre in Livonia is hosting a free health fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 12 to celebrate Nursing Home Week. Complimentary blood pressure and cholesterol screening is available. Representatives from the Alzheimer's Association, Arbor Hospice, Specialized Pharmacy and other health care providers will be on site to provide information and answer questions. Camelot Hall is located at 35100 Ann Arbor Trail west of Wayne Road. For information, call Joyce at 522-1444.

**Car seat safety check**

Oakwood Healthcare System's "Keep Kids Safe," team, in partnership with the Metro Detroit Safe Kids Coalition and General Motors' "Safe Kids Buckle Up" campaign wants to make sure your children are safe, by offering a free car seat safety check on Thursday, May 7, from 3-6 p.m. at Gordon Chevrolet in Garden City (31850 Ford Road near Merriman). For more information, call Anne Paton-Jerzewski, (313) 791-1488.

**Making connections**

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sun's section provides numerous avenues for you to offer noteworthy information including Medical Databook (upcoming calendar events); Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies).

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## Awareness programs target hearing and speech

There are approximately 42 million Americans who currently suffer from some type of hearing or speech disorder. Hearing, speech and language problems are not age-specific. From infants to senior citizens, individuals can experience some degree of problem from mild to profound loss whether it's a birth defect, the result of an injury or illness, or a moderate decline with age.

May is **Better Hearing and Speech Month**, designated to increase public awareness regarding communication disorders and the numerous treatments and options available.

According to Westland Certified Audiologist Barbara Douglas, a \$12,000 grant from the state of Michigan Disability Rights Coalition Tech 2000 Project, is being utilized state-wide to "increase access to assistive hearing technology in public places in Michigan communities."

Tech 2000 is a 10-year project (concluding the second phase in 2002) established to improve the availability, affordability, and usefulness of assistive technology for all Michigan citizens with disabilities who might use assistive technology to improve community inclusion and self-determination.

Douglas, who maintains the Personalized Hearing Care Center on Warren Road in Westland, said on a local level, the project unites assistive technology users their families, friends and local support agencies by training them on assistive devices in hopes they'll carry the educational message to their own households, community service groups and organizations for the long-term.

"The real purpose of the five years of support is to create local capacity for improved access to, and information about assistive technology well beyond the end of the decade of funding," according to the Tech 2000 mission statement ([www.discoalition.org](http://www.discoalition.org)).

"The hope is that by training persons to share their knowledge about the wealth of assistive devices out there, people will be able to empower themselves to care for their hearing loss and not assume or accept that it's a sign of old age," said Douglas.

Douglas said an alarming rate of young people developing hearing loss is evidence of a lack of public awareness regarding acceptable levels of noise and noise exposure (one cause of hearing loss). "Some 15-year-olds have the hearing of their grandparents," said Douglas.

Lawn mowers, loud music, machinery, airplanes, a hair dryer and

the dishwasher can all result in some form of hearing deficiency. An important sign resulting from hearing loss is ringing in the ear. If you attend a concert or spend two hours mowing your lawn the ringing in your ears you are experiencing is a sign of temporary hearing loss. Prolonged exposure can lead to mild or profound loss.

Proper precautions such as using ear plugs (foam, wax, rubber, silicone) are just one step in reducing the potential for temporary or permanent hearing loss. They can be purchased for a minimal price from a number of outlets including drug and grocery stores, audiologists and hearing aid retail stores.

Self Help for Hard of Hearing People, Inc. (SHHH), founded in 1979, is a consumer, educational organization devoted to the welfare and interests of those who cannot hear well, their relatives and friends. SHHH has 12,000 National members and 9,000 chapter members in 48 states including Michigan. A Westland chapter was founded several months ago in hopes of improving "the quality of hard of hearing people's lives through education, advocacy, and self help."

Douglas said Westland SHHH founding chapter member, Robin Leitner, has applied to be trained on assistive devices through the Tech 2000 grant to share the ongoing success she's had with assistive listening devices.

Leitner, a Westland resident, has had lifelong mild hearing loss that became profound at age 30. The EKG hospital technician uses several assistive technologies in her professional and personal life including a programmable hearing aid, portable amplifier, and Silent Call System with doorbell transmitter for her home.

"These products make my life much easier. They give me confidence and security," stated Leitner (*Sound Advice Newsletter*, F-1997).

Douglas said many people who accept diminished hearing as a sign of old age are traditionally not aware of the scope of technologies available to improve their quality of life. Some of the products the Westland audiologist makes accessible to her patients and the public include:

Strobe door bells and telephones: a built-in, powerful flashing light that alerts you to a visitor or incoming call.

Mobilesnap-on amplifier: secures to phone receiver to amplify volume.

Beep cracker: remote receiver flashes a light or activates a bed vibrator to alert you to a baby crying.

Sonic alert alarm clock: flashes a lamp or activates a bed shaker to alert you to the pre-set time.

Smoke detectors: strobe flashes at the first sign of smoke or heat. Also sends a signal to a remote bed shaker to jar you awake.

Speech amplified handsets: Amplifies weak or soft voices over the telephone with adjustable volume.

In conjunction with Douglas and SHHH, MedMax of Westland will host the second annual Better Hearing and Speech Day on May 16. Several events will take place throughout the day including hearing screenings, entertainment, guest speakers and access to assistive technology devices.

For more information about Better Hearing and Speech Day, call Personalized Hearing Care at (734) 467-5100 or MedMax (located behind Westland Shopping Center), (734) 458-7100.

Details about Tech 2000 can be obtained by writing: Michigan's Assistive Technology Project c/o MDRC 241 East Saginaw Highway Suite 450, East Lansing, MI 48823 or call (517) 333-2477 (Voice); 1-800-760-4600 (Voice/TDD); (517) 333-2677 (fax).



**Annual event: MedMax in Westland will be the site of the 2nd Annual Better Hearing and Speech Day, May 16. Two local participants visit Clarkston-based Silent Call's demonstration table. (Third from left) Audiologist Barbara Douglas and Silent Call representative Barbara St. Pierre talk about various hearing assistive devices.**

## Hospital, business schedule hearing, speech events

There are several area hospital and businesses sponsoring events during Better Hearing and Speech Month in May.

Personalized Hearing Care of Westland, presenting the 2nd Annual Better Hearing and Speech Day, on Saturday, May 16 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at MedMax in Westland.

Attendees can meet with hearing and speech professionals and people who are successfully coping with hearing and speech problems.

Practical and informative presentations will include:

- ◆ 10 a.m., *Encouraging Speech and Language in Everyday Life*. Cheryl Martin, speech-language pathologist at St. Mary Hospital, shows parents how to facilitate speech and language development while interacting with their children in normal, everyday activities, such as bathing, eating dinner and grocery shopping.
- ◆ 1 p.m., *Lipreading*. Marilyn Lewis of the Deaf, Hearing and Speech Center demonstrates basic lipreading techniques to help hearing-impaired people improve their communication skills.
- ◆ 3 p.m., *Meniere's Disease and Dizziness*. Marie Keys, Meniere's

expert and head of the Meniere's support group at Beaumont Hospital, explains Meniere's disease and how to control and cope with its symptoms.

Other attractions for participants will be free hearing screenings. Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (members of the Western Wayne County group of SHHH) will discuss "Self-Empowerment for Hearing-Impaired People." Hands-on assistive device display (attendees can try out products that make everyday activities easier for people with hearing problems).

According to founder, Robin Leitner of Westland, the May meeting will focus on vacation tips for hard-of-hearing people who do not hear well. Learn about the ways hotels and airlines are able to accommodate hard-of-hearing travelers and acquire tips on traveling in the car and how to care for hearing aids on vacation.

The public is invited to attend. For more information, visit Leitner's Web site at <http://online.com/leitner>. shhh.htm or e-mail her at [MichRobin@aol.com](mailto:MichRobin@aol.com).

MedMax is located at 35600 Central City Parkway, just north of Westland Mall.

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will have displays in the main lobby or Pavilion lobby during the first week of May, about speech and language services at the hospital to increase the public's awareness of speech and hearing problems.

The Speech-Language Pathologists in St. Mary Hospital's Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Department provide evaluation, inpatient and outpatient treatment for adults for speech, language and swallowing problems. Children are evaluated and treated on an outpatient basis. The therapists work as a team and maintain interdisciplinary communication with Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Nursing, Dietary, Radiology, Respiratory and the medical staff.

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## Free skin cancer screenings offered at many sites

People wishing information about Skin Cancer Detection Day screening locations and times should call the American Cancer Society's toll free information line at 800-ACS-2345, or their local American Cancer Society office as listed in the white pages.

The American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division and the Michigan Dermatological Society will sponsor Skin Cancer Detection Day, a program providing free skin cancer screenings throughout Michigan, on Wednesday, May 6, 1998.

This year's Chairperson of the event, Dr. Helen Dombrowski of Dearborn, expects several thousand people to participate in the screenings taking place at more than 30 sites in 21 counties around the state. Last year's effort screened nearly 3,800 people. "Skin Cancer is highly preventable, yet it is the nation's most common cancer," says Dr. Dombrowski. "For this reason we need to reach out to people with information and regular screenings if we are to successfully reduce the prevalence and mortality of this disease."

This will be the thirteenth year that the two organizations have teamed up to offer the skin cancer screenings in Michigan. "Our long collaboration has been so successful," says Dombrowski, "that our counterparts in other states are now developing similar programs based on our model. We are proud that our efforts here in Michigan are now benefiting people in other states."

According to Dombrowski, the skin cancer screening sites usually fill to capacity very quickly. Some screenings are by appointment only, while others are on a first-come first-served basis.

The public is encouraged to schedule appointments now or arrive early to the dermatologists will cover several communities, certain screenings will be held on days other than May 6. "Most will be held May 6 but we want people to know that there is some flexibility in scheduling an appointment," says Dombrowski. "And we encourage people to plan now."

The screenings will consist of a painless visual exam by a licensed dermatologist. "We will refer anyone who is found to have a suspicious skin area to a local dermatologist for follow-up care," says Dombrowski.

According to the American Cancer Society and the Michigan Dermatological Society, protecting the skin from the sun's rays is the best way to guard against developing skin cancer.

Avoiding the sun between the hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. when the sun's rays are the strongest, and use of sunscreen with an SPF of at least 15 is a person's best protection. The early warning signs of skin cancer are best described by the "ABCDs" of a wart, mole or patch of skin: A - asymmetrical in shape; B - border irregularity; C - color of the growth is not uniform; and D - diameter is greater than 6 millimeters.

In 1998, roughly 41,600 Americans will develop melanoma, the most serious form of skin cancer, and 7,300 deaths will occur. In Michigan, there will be 1,200 new cases and roughly 200 deaths. For all skin cancers, the number of new diagnoses in the U.S. will be over 1 million in 1998 according to the American Cancer Society publication Cancer Facts and Figures.

**NOW HEAR THIS**

There is a wealth of resources relating to hearing on the internet. Several national organizations maintain informative and interesting Web sites including:

**Tinnitus**

- ◆ The Oregon Tinnitus Data Registry [www.ohsu.edu/~ohsu/otdb.html](http://www.ohsu.edu/~ohsu/otdb.html)
- ◆ Tinnitus Support Message Board - bulletin board exclusively for people suffering from and are interested in tinnitus. [www.vsl.com/~webbmg/tinnitus/tinnitus.html](http://www.vsl.com/~webbmg/tinnitus/tinnitus.html)
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- ◆ Take a virtual tour of the ear's anatomy and physiology. <http://csl.usg.edu/Perry/ear/ear.htm>
- ◆ Ear, Nose and Throat Information Center [www.entdoctor.com/entinfo/](http://www.entdoctor.com/entinfo/)
- ◆ Hearing resources [www.nsls.com/~agibson/hearing](http://www.nsls.com/~agibson/hearing)

**Video otoscopy**

- ◆ a gallery of images in a variety of color ear photos/movies — [www.3.net/~sullivan/ears.htm](http://www.3.net/~sullivan/ears.htm)

**Organizations**

- ◆ Hearing Education for Rocks (HEAR) [www.hear.net](http://www.hear.net)
- ◆ Hearing conservation [www.saw.edu/commdis/ehc/home.html](http://www.saw.edu/commdis/ehc/home.html)
- ◆ Self Help for Hard of Hearing People [www.shhh.org](http://www.shhh.org)
- ◆ League for the Hard of Hearing [www.lhh.org/](http://www.lhh.org/)
- ◆ American Speech-Language Hearing Association [www.asha.org/](http://www.asha.org/)

**Publications**

- ◆ Hearing Health magazine [www.hearinghealthmag.com](http://www.hearinghealthmag.com)
- ◆ HEP Mag Online - a Web site for deaf and hard-of-hearing kids and their parents. [www.jhsping.org](http://www.jhsping.org)
- ◆ Where do we go from here? - a Web site <http://www.gelba.com/projects/where/where.html> designed with a learning loss and the professionals who work with these individuals.
- ◆ The Deaf Resource Library - an online collection of reference material and links intended to educate people about deaf culture in Japan and the U.S. as well as deaf and hard of hearing related topics. [www.deaflibrary.org](http://www.deaflibrary.org)

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# Events

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patients with a complete evaluation upon referral from a physician. Goals are established based on areas where the patient shows decreased ability. The therapist assesses the patient and family in re-training unused areas of the brain to take over for areas damaged by stroke or head injury.

Children work on improving their skills through a combination of play therapy and structured activities. The Speech-Language Pathology Department holds an annual Summer Speech Program for children in public schools, providing ongoing treatment to each child.

The Foreign Accent Improvement Program is a new service for those who speak English but not as their primary language. The program offers evaluation with 18 weeks of individual or group sessions. Participants improve their English pronunciation skills by 40 to 60 percent. Secondary benefits include improvements in grammar and social skills.

If you or a family member could benefit from a physician referral for the evaluation and treatment of a speech or language problem, please call (734) 655-8940.

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■ **Cancer Survivor Day**  
St. Mary Hospital is planning numerous activities for area cancer survivors on National Cancer Survivor Day from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, June 7, in the Pavilion near the South Entrance.

Other activities scheduled for the day are a prize drawing for all cancer survivors attending the event, refreshments, and musical entertainment. Preregistration is requested by May 29, call 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

■ **Learning to Sail**  
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■ **The Majesty of Spring in the Tulip Display**  
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■ **Diabetes**  
Diabetes, held at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, the series of eight classes provides information on self care and the successful management of diabetes from 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 5 through May 28, in Pavilion Conference Room A. The \$75 fee includes all materials and allows the participant to bring a support person at no extra charge. CareLink members receive a 10 percent discount. Call to register, (734) 655-8940 800-494-1650.

■ **Diabetes Education**  
"Taking Charge of Living With

# Keeping men healthy

"Keeping Men Healthy" is the theme for Men's Health Day to be held from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 13, at the Dickinson Center, 18000 Newburgh Rd., in Livonia. Co-sponsored by St. Mary Hospital in Livonia and the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute, the event is scheduled during National Men's Health Week, June 9-15.

The workshop, designed for men only, is about achieving and maintaining balance between work, family and leisure time featuring local speakers and special guest Mort Crim, vice president, Community Affairs, and former senior editor and anchor, WDIV-Channel 4, and chairman, president and CEO, Mort Crim Communications, Inc.

Registration and a continental breakfast begins at 8 a.m. with the program starting at 8:30 a.m. Opening remarks will be presented by Mitchell Salhaney, M.D., executive vice president for medical affairs, St. Mary Hospital.

Keynote speakers include Sanjeev Vaishampayan, M.D., cardiologist, St. Mary Hospital, who will discuss "The State of Men's Health: What Are the Issues?" and Chris Klebba, owner of the Water Wheel Health Club in Northville, who will talk about "Exercise: Good Intentions Aren't Enough."

Participants can select two lectures to attend.

Cost, \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door.

For more information or to register, call St. Mary Hospital Community Outreach Department, (734) 655-8943.

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St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a course on Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers from 6 to 10 p.m. in the Pavilion Conference Room A. This refresher course includes one and two-person rescue of the adult victim, one-person rescue of the child and infant during a cardiac emergency. \$25 per person. To register call (734) 655-8940.

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Livonia Mall will host a free skin cancer screening clinic sponsored by the American Academy of Dermatology on Wednesday, May 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Four dermatologists will be in the Livonia Mall Community Room. Livonia Mall is located at Seven Mile and Middlebelt Roads. Call (248) 477-7022.

■ **TUE, MAY 5**  
**LAMAZE CLASSES**  
The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia offers a Childbirth Preparation Class based on the Lamaze method. From 7 to 9 p.m. every Tuesday from May 5 through June 9, in West Addition Conference Room A. Cost, \$55. Pre-registration is required. Call (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615.

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**WORKOUT FOR HOPE**  
A fitness fund-raiser to benefit HIV/AIDS and related cancer research at City of Hope National Medical Center and Beckman Research Institute will take place at Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus; registration begins at 8 a.m. and the workout runs from 9-11 a.m. To participate or sponsor call (800) 732-7170.

■ **TUE, MAY 12**  
**HEALTH FAIR**  
Camelot Hall Convalescent Center in Livonia is hosting a free health fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 12 to celebrate Nursing Home Week. Complimentary blood pressure and cholesterol screening is available. Representatives from the Alzheimer's Association, Arbor Hospice, Specialized Pharmacy and other health care providers will be on site to provide information and answer questions. Camelot Hall is located at 35100 Ann Arbor Trail west of Wayne Road. For information call Joyce at 522-1444.

# Medical Datebook

■ **MON, MAY 11**  
**CELIAC SPRUE SUPPORT**  
Tri-County Celiac Sprue Support Group (TCCSSG) is a support group for persons who have been diagnosed with Celiac Sprue and Dermatitis Herpetiformis. Monthly meetings include information on gluten-free foods, label reading, recipe sharing, etc. Group will meet at 7 p.m. at Southfield Presbyterian Church, 21575 West 10 Mile Road, Call M. Campbell (248) 477-5953, or E. Lohbestad, (313) 522-8522, for information.

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# Business Marketplace

■ **Marketplace features a glimpse of suburban business news and notes, including corporate name changes, new products, office openings, new affiliations, new positions, mergers, acquisitions and new ways of doing business. Items for Marketplace should be submitted to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. The fax number is (734) 591-7279.**

■ **New clinic**  
Physician's Physical Therapy Services announces the opening of their newest clinic at 31151 Plymouth Road, Livonia. PPTS continues to strive towards growth and success with an expansion of quality services to the Western section of the Detroit Metro area. Offers physical, occupational, and speech therapy. Accepting all major insurances, including Workers Compensation and Medicare.

■ **25 year milestone**  
The Manno family of Manno Clothing & Tailoring Inc. celebrated 25 year of service to Dearborn and surrounding communities during a week-long silver celebration last week. Manno Clothing & Tailoring pledged a portion of sales for the week to Oakwood Healthcare

■ **Contractor awarded**  
Advanced Commercial Corp. of Westland has been named a recipient of the 1998 Firestone Master Contractor Award. 1998 marks the fifth year Advanced Commercial Corp. has earned Master Contractor status. The honor is presented to the company's top licensed commercial roofing contractors in its five U.S. sales regions.

■ **Foundation for use in Neonatal Research and Pediatric Care.**  
Owners Leonard and Lilla Manno were honored at April 27 by State Senator George Hart, State Rep. Agnes Dobronski and city officials.

■ **Plymouth-based Quantum Controls (QC) will unveil Signature VIEW 2.1 - cost cutting, quality-monitoring software for manufacturing equipment, at the International Automotive Manufacturing (IAM) trade show in Detroit. Signature VIEW 2.1 meets a new standard for monitoring manufacturing processes by checking individual repeatable cycles against a previously recorded set of limits and by monitoring the process capability.**

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■ **Dentistry in the 90s**  
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# Business Professionals

■ **This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings and other personnel moves within the Observer business community. Send a brief biographical summary, including the towns of residence and employment Business Professionals, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Fax number is (734) 591-7279. E-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net**

■ **Nowels appointed VP**  
Mark V. Nowels has been promoted to vice president/creative services at Hermanoff & Associates Inc., a full-service public relations agency of Farmington Hills. He oversees the agency's creative division as well as developing new business initiatives. He joined Hermanoff & Associates in November 1995 as a graphic designer.

■ **AAL associate honored**  
Jeffrey Long of Westland will be honored at a national sales and education conference sponsored by Aid Association for Lutherans. Long joined AAL's field staff in 1993 and is an associate of the Park Jarrett III Agency of AAL in Livonia.

■ **New ticket rep**  
John Kendall of Redford is Olympia Entertainment's newest season ticket representative for Joe Louis Arena. Kendall's duties include selling and servicing Detroit Red Wings and College Hockey season ticket packages. He also assists the department in selling, fulfilling and renewing subscriptions to Inside Hockeytown, the Detroit Red Wings official publication.

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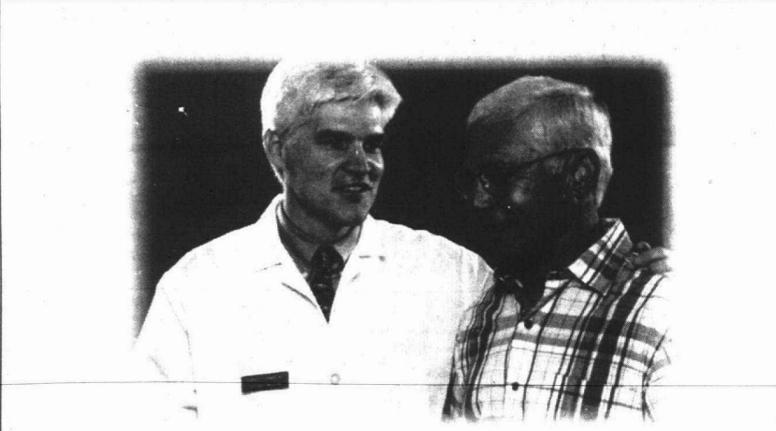
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# Windows 98

## Columnist keeps a software secret ... sort of



MIKE WENDLAND

I promised I wouldn't tell.

I want to, mind you, but I promised. That's the requirement of all beta testers. I had to sign a non-disclosure agreement, meaning that I had to keep quiet about the details of the software.

But it's hard. I really want to tell you what I think about Windows 98, the much-anticipated update to the now three-year-old upgrade of Microsoft's original Windows operating system. I've been using the new version since last fall.

I've gone through several builds and improvements and now the final pre-release "candidate," as it's called.

I did the same thing with Windows 95 three years ago and, without being specific, I can tell you that Windows 98 ... ain't no Windows 95.

When Windows 95 came out, there were people standing in line at computer stores at midnight on release day. The release made all the network TV news shows, page one of most newspapers and truly was a huge evolutionary improvement of the old Windows 3.1 system.

But, from my experience, this new upgrade ... Windows 98 ... is more snooze than news.

I'm not giving away any huge secrets here. I promised Microsoft that I wouldn't. I won't talk about the numerous changes and adjustments and tweaks to the Windows 95 system you're used to. I won't reveal the exact desktop changes and the degree to which Microsoft has integrated its Internet Explorer web browser into the Win98 system.

But I will say ... it's no big deal.

Yeah, it does seem to load some things faster, manage files easier and seamlessly connect to the Internet.

But nice as those improvements may be, I can't imagine anyone standing in line at midnight to get this upgrade. It's just not that revolutionary.

In fact, many of the features being bundled with Win98 are already being offered up free, in bits and pieces and software "patches" from the Microsoft Web site ([www.microsoft.com](http://www.microsoft.com)).

Microsoft's upgrade to its popular Outlook personal information manager is available for free downloading right now, for example, and its e-mail, calendar and scheduling elements are all aspects that Win98 will prominently feature. Same with the latest version of Internet Explorer

4.1. Get it and you've got a lot of Win98.

The computer press has already hinted at Win98's other big changes. You can run multiple monitors, for example, from the same computer. And its improved "plug 'n play" ability to recognize and configure peripheral devices like scanners and digital cameras and DVD-drives through a device called a Universal Serial Bus (USB) is convenient.

But unlike I did three years ago with Win95, I don't recommend that you rush to the store and upgrade to Win98 this time.

If you're happy with Win95 and have no immediate need to run multiple monitors, save the \$80 or so that Microsoft is going to ask for the upgrade. Right now, it's just not that big of a deal.

Besides, though I must say the beta versions I've been testing on a laptop and desktop have performed flawlessly with no crashes or glitches, it's not the same for Microsoft CEO Bill Gates.

Two weeks ago, Gates took the stage at the big spring Comdex computer show in Chicago to demonstrate Win98 to the media. After telling how great the upgrade was, Gates went to hook up a scanner to the USB connection.

Windows 98 crashed. "I guess we still have a couple of bugs to work out," said a chastened Gates.

Original release date of June 25 is now not so firm. Now Microsoft will only say look for Win 98 sometime in "mid summer."

Now, while I can't tell you the details of my beta testing experiments, there is a lot of material out there about Windows 98. Here are some Web sites you may want to check out.

■ The official Microsoft Windows 98 Site (<http://www.microsoft.com/windows/windows98/default.asp>) - Here's the official word on the product from Gates and Company.

■ The Windows Spy (<http://www.microsoft.com/magazine/m>

ar1998/spy98/spy98.htm) - Don't expect anything other than glowing reviews here. It's another Microsoft site that tries to build the "buzz" about Win98. But it's a fun scroll down the page.

■ Windows Magazine (<http://www.winmag.com/win98/>) - These guys squealed. Not only do they walk you through all the features as they review the whole system but they also give you screen shots as well.

■ Windows 98 Now! (<http://www.linkline.com/personal/faqflyer/win98.html>) - Remember how I told you how you can get most of the newest Win98 features already, by downloading the individual patches and upgrades? Well, this guy has put them all together in a collection of links. Go get 'em.

■ ZD Net (<http://www8.zdnet.com/products/windows98/index.html>) - The people at Ziff Davis always do a good job of previewing the latest. This site counts down the features and the release date.

■ Lockergnome

(<http://www.lockergnome.com/>) - This site links you to a twice-monthly newsletter devoted to Windows. Though you'll find a lot of Win95 stuff, too, it is a great source for unbiased Win98 assessments and info about the latest offerings from Microsoft.

■ Win98 Fact and Fiction (<http://members.aol.com/gurucps/windows98/win98.html>) - Make sure you check this site out. It is a good quick resource to consult when you need to shoot down or verify all the cyberspace street talk you'll be hearing about this soon-to-be-hyped new operating system.

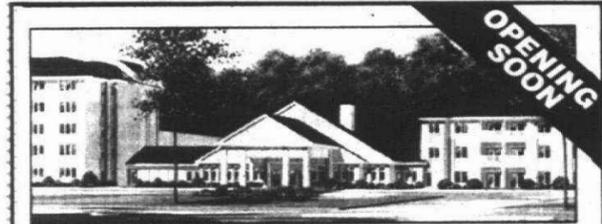
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### SPECIAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital is sponsoring an ecumenical service for parents, families and friends who have experienced a pregnancy loss. The service, led by Rabbi Robert Levy of Temple Beth Emeth, will be held 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 4, in the hospital chapel.

"Sometimes a pregnancy does not go as expected and joy and anticipation turn into sorrow," said Karen Londo, R.N., CNS, Pregnancy Loss program coordinator. "It helps to meet others who have experienced a similar loss, and gather with friends and family to remember your baby."

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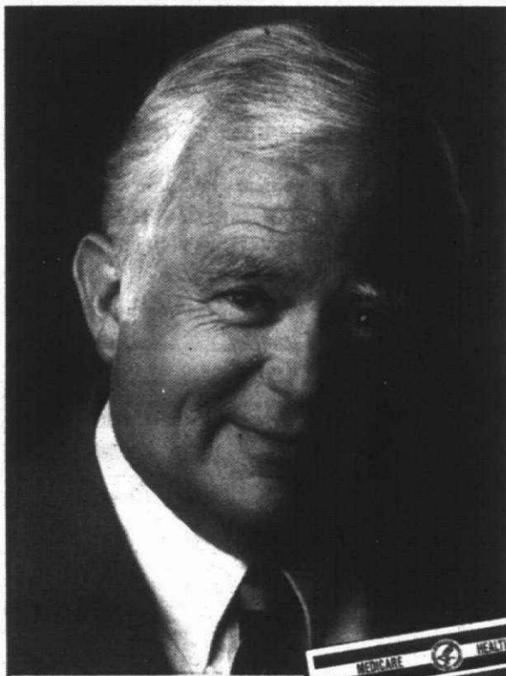
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## World music plays to local audience

Thumb through the American Recording Productions catalog and you'll find Armenian, Greek, Middle Eastern, jazz, new age and world music. A few years ago, these culturally inspired recordings weren't readily available in the Detroit area. Music lovers had to plod through bins of recordings to find traditional folk songs or original music by ethnic artists that 90 percent of the time weren't stocked.

Ara Topouzian, founder of the Farmington Hills productions company, took note.

"World music has come to be very popular," said Ara Topouzian. "I was content there was a market for it. World music is becoming popular in the non-ethnic market who want to hear something different and the yuppie market which believes they need to be culturally enriched."

Topouzian defines world music as a combination of diverse cultures coming together and performing a unified sound. It can represent a particular culture or all cultures combined.

Topouzian grew up in an Armenian home and was exposed early to the culture. He plays the kanun, an ancient instrument similar to a harp. The kanun, with between 75 and 120 strings, rests on the player's lap and is plucked with picks.

"I feel in my small way I'm enriching people to Armenian culture," said Topouzian, a Bloomfield Hills resident.

"There's only one style that can compare to it is klezmer music. It's very wild. There's a connection between Armenian, Jewish, Persian, Greek and Arab music which keeps the music alive, but there needs to be more. The more, the better."

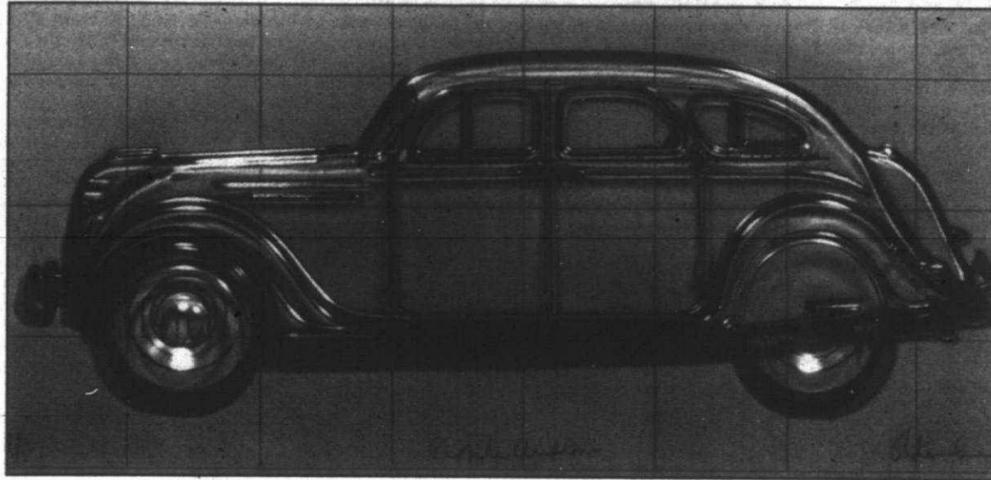
**In concert**  
On Saturday, May 9 Topouzian's company will present a concert featuring him and oudists Dick Barsamian of Boston and Joe Zeytoonian, Florida.

Barsamian, an oudist for more than 30 years and Zeytoonian, who can be heard on Gloria Estafan's "Destiny" recording, are in town for the week to record. Topouzian hopes the community will support his effort to bring traditional Armenian music as well as original compositions fusing a mixture of styles to the area.

"I started the concerts last fall at a Southfield hotel for the Armenian community which has been culturally deprived and also for the non-Armenian," said Topouzian, a graduate of Birmingham Groves High School and Wayne State University. "New York, Chicago and Detroit were hotspots with Middle Eastern night clubs in the '50s, '60s and early '70s but they died out. Now, no concerts are presented in an open atmosphere where everyone is welcome to come."

Topouzian first became interested in Armenian music in college while

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DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

**Streamlined art:** Claes Oldenburg created "Profile Airflow," a cast polyurethane relief over a lithograph in two colors in 1969 because of his fascination with Chrysler's first aerodynamic car.

## Pop artist provokes thought about everyday objects

The 1935 Chrysler Airflow fascinated Claes Oldenburg since childhood when he played with a wind-up model of the first aerodynamic car. After visiting Airflow's designer Carl Breer in Grosse Pointe in the 1960s, Oldenburg headed back to New York with a batch of sketches under his arm with the intent of creating a black vinyl soft sculpture but never did. In 1969, he created "Profile Airflow," a cast polyurethane relief over a lithograph in two colors. The work is one of more than 130 on exhibition in "Claes Oldenburg: Printed Stuff" at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

"I wanted to make an L.A. Airflow," said Oldenburg during an interview before an opening reception on Saturday, April 18, at the museum.

Oldenburg intended for the see-through green vinyl to give the appearance of peering into a swimming pool. At the time, Oldenburg was in Los Angeles, noted for its proliferation of swimming pools.

As a Pop artist, objects such as cars, hamburgers, baseball bats, and even toilets were subjects for Oldenburg who frequently began works as sketches in a small notebook he carries with him everywhere. Thumbing the black spiral binder, custom-made with archival paper, the 69-year-old artist talked about his early years and the influences of those times.

Born in Stockholm, Sweden, Oldenburg moved to Chicago in 1936. After graduating with a bachelor's of art and English degree from Yale University in 1950, he studied at the Art Institute of Chicago and worked as a reporter before moving to New York in 1956. His first solo exhibit was in 1959 at Judson Gallery in New York.

"By the end of the fifties, art was changing rapidly," said Oldenburg. "Abstract Expressionism was played out. In the early '60s style changed, and I became more interested in objects and three dimensional sculpture."

Oldenburg believes every object design made by man relates to the body.

**Claes Oldenburg: Printed Stuff**  
**What:** An exhibition of more than 130 works, including prints, posters, drawings, and sculpture, from 1958 to 1996.  
**When:** Through Sunday, June 14. Exhibit hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, and until 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.  
**Where:** Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Avenue. For more information, call (313) 833-7900.  
**Cost:** Exhibition free with recommended museum admission \$4 adults, \$1 children, Founders Society members free.  
**Related activities:** Gallery tours with Dennis Nawrocki, Center for Creative Studies art history professor, 2 p.m. Sunday, May 10 and Sunday, May 30.  
■ Animation class for ages 11-14, 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays, May 9, 16, 23. Fee \$30, \$24 Founders Society members. Call (313) 833-4249.  
■ Video: Claes Oldenburg Anthology runs continuously during museum hours in Prentiss Court Screening Room.



**Printed stuff:** "Soft Saxophone (Blue, Yellow, Red)" is a lithograph Oldenburg produced in 1992.

"Man always makes things in the human form," said Oldenburg. "The Three-Way Plug has two eyes and legs."

Suspended from the ceiling in one room of the museum is the "Giant Three-Way Plug," created in 1970 by Oldenburg and owned by the Detroit Institute of Arts. Initially a painter, Oldenburg turned to sculpture in the late 1950s, examining and instilling an appreciation for objects found in every day life. He stressed that he never used found objects. He reduced objects to their basic geometric form.

"I became more interested in objects and three dimensional," said Oldenburg. "It was a way of relating to society. The three-dimensionality of objects was very inspiring."

**Drawing first**  
A man of multiple dimensions, Oldenburg has used his talents as a printmaker and draftsman to develop ideas for sculpture and many of these are included in "Printed Stuff." Organized by the Madison Art Center in Wisconsin, the exhibit includes prints, drawings, sculptures, and three-dimensional multiples with print elements. Spanning the years 1958 to 1996, the exhibit documents Oldenburg's career from his involvement with theatrical "Happenings" to proposals for a large-scale pocket knife for Venice. Mary Ann Wilkinson, DIA curator of 20th century art and Ellen Sharp, DIA graphic arts curator, installed the show of artworks by the man best known for his soft sculpture and public art.

"It's the first museum show of his printed work, drawings, and three-dimensional multiples with print elements," said Wilkinson. "Most people are only familiar with his large scale outdoor sculptures. This exhibit helps people understand how his mind works."

The lithographs "Typewriter Eraser" (1970), "Soft Saxophone" (1992), and "Flying Pizza" (1964) sense Oldenburg's amusement with the consumer goods, entertainment and food symbolizing popular American culture.

"He's a very witty man and he wants to deliver a serious message in the guise of whimsy," said Wilkinson. "Oldenburg helps us look at life around us and helps us look at it in a different light. We tend to take the objects we use every day for granted. We don't look at the design or the implication of the objects. He's taken these objects and turned them into art and said look at these things."

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## DSO diary: Weary travelers arrive in Europe

(This is the first in a series of reports from Ervin Monroe, principal flutist of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, on their European tour.)

BY ERVIN MONROE  
PRINCIPAL FLUTIST, DSO

**Day One, April 27** Departure to England. This is the day we've all been waiting for. The excitement and the anticipation of the tour has been building for the past month. Following our Saturday night concert at Orchestra Hall, we had Sunday to pack and make our final arrangements for the trip. Counting the orchestral personnel, stage crew and staff members, our travel group numbers well over 100, so the orchestra will be traveling in two units. The first group had a check-in time of 5:30 p.m. and flew directly to London with a connecting flight to the final destination of Manchester. My wife, Susan, a school psychologist with the West Bloomfield district, will be flying with that group, and I am scheduled to leave with Group Two, which has a check-in time of 9 p.m.



Ervin Monroe

My group is flying to Amsterdam and then back-tracking from there to Manchester.

By the time our flight departed, it was already early Tuesday morning in our destination city. I was sitting next to Haden McKay, a cellist from Birmingham, and he had invested in an inflatable travel pillow such as the one I brought along. When we hooked these gadgets around our necks, the two of us looked like a pair of oxen ready to haul a heavy load across the Atlantic.

I could hear Bob Murphy, violinist from Bloomfield Hills, directly behind me talking about returning to the "old country" to play a round of golf. He leaned forward and asked, "Scotland's not too far from Manchester, is it?" (It's about 200 miles.)

**Day Two, April 28** When we changed planes in Amsterdam, we were quite a sight to behold. Detroit's Ambassadors for the Arts resembled a Scout troop returning from a bad camping trip.

Genevieve Code, symphony operations manager from Grosse Pointe, was our fearless pack leader. Only after arriving at our new departure gate did Yours Truly realize that he no longer had a ticket! A most embarrassing moment. Just the previous evening, I had been chiding some of the new members of the orchestra about their inexperience in traveling with the Big Time ensemble.

I quietly sneaked over to the airline desk and explained that I had left my ticket on the other flight. The Dutch speak excellent English and humored me considerably, but explained that there was nothing they could do. I even offered to buy a ticket on the flight, if necessary, but they told me that the entire flight was booked. I guaranteed them there would be one no-show by the name of Monroe, but this was to no avail.

Finally, in desperation, I went over and confessed my predicament to Genevieve. She took over at the desk and moments later I had a new boarding pass. I returned to my spot in the waiting area, where Vicki King, bas-

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## FIBER ART

# Fiber weaves way to Plymouth

Cynthia Wayne Gaffield hopes the Plymouth Community Arts Council's idea to show fiber art will encourage appreciation for the medium. The Livonia artist began creating wearable art in the early 1980s. She rarely shows locally, but designs from her Farmington Hills studio can be found in nearly 40 galleries and boutiques across the country. Her work is also currently on exhibit in the American Craft Museum in New York.

Wayne Gaffield will join Chris Roberts-Antieu and Kathy Zasuwa to show contemporary collectible clothing, wall pieces and geometric-looking art dolls in "Hanging by a Thread" at the Joanne Winkelman Center for the Arts May 8-29.

"Wearables really don't get shown

that often," said Wayne Gaffield. "I think, it's important to promote fiber. It's something we touch everyday. It adds texture and warmth to our life."

Wayne Gaffield paints dyes on silk then make coats, jackets and scarves. Her "Out of Africa" series boasts rust,

### Hanging by a Thread

**What:** The Plymouth Community Arts Council spotlights fiber art by Cynthia Wayne Gaffield, Chris Roberts-Antieu and Kathy Zasuwa.  
**When:** Friday, May 8 to Friday, May 29. Opening reception for the artists 7-9 p.m. Friday, May 8. Viewing hours are 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, until 9 p.m. Wednesday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday.  
**Where:** Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 North Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth. For information, call (734) 416-4ART.

purple and curry colors in three different coat lengths. For her newest design, the Livonia artist made stamps from automotive gaskets to create a pattern on the material before turning it into clothing.

"They're very industrial," said Wayne Gaffield. "They're car coats."

When the exhibit committee originally approached her about showing work at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, Wayne Gaffield knew she wanted to include examples of other styles and forms of fiber art. She'd attended classes with Zasuwa and thought her weavings would add another dimension to the show.

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**One of a kind designs:** Cynthia Wayne Gaffield created this hand-dyed shawl jacket made of textured tussah silk fabric.

**Cultural experience:** Kanun player Ara Topouzian will join oudists Dick Barsamian and Joe Zeytoonian in concert May 9.

# Travelers from page C2

sonist of Franklin, and Kim Kaloyanides, violinist from Ann Arbor and a new member in the Orchestra, were watching my flute bag during my absence. They knew of my ticket loss, so I tried to buy their silence by offering them two granola bars from my bag. But Vicki was quick to inform me that her silence could not be bought so cheaply and would take at least a good box of chocolates from the next duty-free store or she would tell all.

The excitement of our stay at the Amsterdam airport continued after we boarded the plane for England. We sat in the plane for quite a while, and the pilot finally announced to us that there seemed to be a little trouble with the left engine. He promised to share more information later. When that information came, he simply reported, "bird damage." One musician

commented that we had been there so long, the birds had probably built a nest.

When Group Two landed in Manchester, we were happy to get on solid ground. Our comfort zone quickly vanished, though, when our bus hit the first roundabout and we realized we were on the wrong side of the road.

Our hotel in Manchester is a historic structure, built around 1910. From across the square, it looks somewhat like a parliamentary building, an elegant stone structure with towers and turrets. We've been told that Mr. Rolls and Mr. Royce met here to form their famous partnership and that one of the suites is named after Mr. Royce.

After unpacking, many orchestra members decided to stroll around the surrounding area to look for restaurants and enjoy the local architecture which is quite striking. There are many

beautiful buildings of stone and brick, in various shades of rose pink, soft orange, as well as the traditional gray. A stroll at this time was also helpful in keeping us awake until evening, so we could adjust to the new time zone.

When Susan and I returned from our walk, there were many orchestra members mulling around the hotel lobby. We had a chance to speak to Dr. Max Wisgerhof and his wife, Mary, from Grosse Pointe. "Dr. Max," as he is affectionately called by the musicians, accompanied us on our 1989 European tour and is an active symphony enthusiast and supporter. Serving as an accompanying physician on these tours is a full-time job, as there's a new bug in every city. John Thurman, cellist from Troy, was also in the lobby, sporting a distinctive straw hat which made him look even taller

than his normal towering physique. Members of Group One applauded his distinctive hat, saying that they were able to use it as a beacon and follow him through the maze of hallways and large crowds at Heathrow airport.

Randy Hawes, trombonist from Bloomfield Hills, stopped by to tell me that he had discovered a quaint pub next to the Piccadilly Train Station called "Monroe's." I vowed to find it the next day and take photos.

Day Three, April 29 The orchestra is well rested and anxious to get to work. Bridgewater Hall is only two blocks from our hotel, but we are not allowed into the facility until 4 p.m. We have a warm-up rehearsal 5:30-7 p.m. and only a half hour break before the actual concert, which begins at 7:30. The management has arranged for box lunches to

be brought in so the musicians can get something to eat before the concert. There's barely time to devour the cheese and tomato sandwich before it's time to go back on stage.

Bridgewater Hall is a new, modern building with three tiers of balconies on each side and two large sloping balconies at the front of the hall opposite the stage. The hall's acoustics do not compare with Orchestra Hall in Detroit, but this is no surprise, as few halls do. The crowd was very receptive and we played two encores. Maestro Jarvi, dedicated the second encore to Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer who (to our delight) was in the audience.

Day Four, April 30 We were awakened at 6:30 a.m. by the loud grating noises of a stone-crushing machine across the street. At first I thought it was a dream, but the noise continued

# Artist from page C1

Although he primarily concentrates on large scale outdoor sculptures presently, Oldenburg still creates soft sculpture such as "Sneaker Lace," a 1991 cast stainless steel work painted with latex resin.

"My original idea was whoever owned it (soft sculpture) could change it everyday," said Oldenburg.

But owners began to rearrange the elements into strange configurations and Oldenburg went on to creating larger works.

In 1969, he created his first monumental public sculpture, "Lipstick (Ascending) on Caterpillar Track" at Yale University, his alma mater. The missile-shaped work, created during the Vietnam War era, was a sarcastic statement about war machines and traditional monuments. By 1976, he had begun to collaborate with Coosje van Bruggen on the large-scale outdoor projects. He currently is working on large-scale public art for Jerusalem, Stockholm, Cologne, and Denver with van Bruggen, whom he married in 1977.

# Fiber from page C1

Zasuwa, who grew up in Redford, began weaving about 20 years ago. She keeps sketchbooks and notebooks to record her ideas which are frequently triggered by words, phrases or "something she reads."

"I look at warps as canvas that I paint on top of," said Zasuwa. "There's always a background and a foreground."

Three floor looms in her Milford studio produce what she refers to as a woven inlay technique. Many times Zasuwa incorporates patinaed copper foil

along with layers of other materials, images, structure and color to "create an energized surface."

According to Zasuwa, each piece represents a concise account of a personal experience, feeling or idea. "Somedays... It's a Cat's Game" refers to her life as a mother of a six- and 10-year old. In the game, Tic Tac Toe when no player wins, it's called a cat's game. Zasuwa keeps her children occupied playing Tic Tac Toe at various times such as waiting for a meal in a restaurant to be served.

"It also has a second meaning that some days you just can't win," Zasuwa said. "No matter what you do everything is going wrong."

In "Cracks of Time," Zasuwa takes a look at challenges women have faced through the ages.

"A woman's life is a balancing act and you take advantage of cracks in time," said Zasuwa. "The copper patina has references to cave paintings and shows women's lives haven't changed since the beginning of time."

Roberts-Antieu will exhibit two-dimensional fabric wall pieces and drawings. Her work resembles surrealist folk art designs rich in symbols and animal images. The Manchester artist has exhibited in more than 50 galleries in the country. She recently signed with Midwest Corp. to design a line of home accessories.

"Hanging by a Thread" has been generously underwritten by Maggie LaForrest, owner of Maggie & Me in Plymouth.

# 'Speak No Evil' looks at alcoholism

"Speak No Evil," a gripping drama written by former Redford resident Mary Koerchner will open 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 8 at the Redford Community Center, 1212 Hemingway, next to Capital Park. Doors pen 6:30 p.m. Tickets \$5, students \$3. Additional performances 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16, May 23, and May 30. For more information, call (313) 387-2775.

"Speak No Evil" exposes the devastating effects of alcoholism on the family. In her play, Koerchner reveals the dynamics of a family suffering from the illness of alcoholism; their destructive relationships, lack of communication, and the tug and pull of each family member struggling to find their footing in the inconsistency of their homelife.

Laura Gumina of Livonia, and

Trinity House Theatre, directs "Speak No Evil," which is performed by students from Redford High Schools. R.A.L.Y. - Redford Assisting Local Youth - has made this play available for performance at schools and treatment centers. Call number listed for more information.

Also of note: Plymouth Theatre Guild presents "Arsenic and Old Lace," 8

p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, May 8-9, 15-16, and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 10, at the Water Tower Theatre, 41001 W. Seven Mile, Northville. Tickets, \$8 advance, \$9 at door, call (248) 349-7110.

Trinity House Theatre presents "Love All," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, through May 16, 4 p.m. Sundays, at the playhouse, 38840 W. Six Mile road, Livonia. Tickets, \$8, call (734) 464-6302.

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**HOUSE & GARDEN SHOW**  
Pewabic Pottery presents "For the House and Garden Show and Sale," May 15-17 at the Community House in Birmingham, 380 S. Bates. (810) 775-8793.

**AUDITIONS, COMPETITIONS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

**BBAC**  
Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center Calligraphy Study Grant for students. Teacher or practitioners of calligraphy. Deadline: June 1. Submit proposals to Janet Torio, executive director, BBAC, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham, 48009; (248) 644-0866.

**BIRMINGHAM MUSICALS**  
Audition for the Charles E. Shontz Strings Scholarship, 10 a.m. Saturday, May 16 at First Baptist Church, Willis Street at Bates, Birmingham. Award: \$600. Deadline: May 9. For application, call (248) 3765-9534.

**KAREN HALPERN'S SPRING CLASSES**  
Workshops with Bloomfield Hills artist in a variety of media and subjects. Locations include Petoskey, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, West Bloomfield and Ferndale; (248) 851-8215.

**LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE**  
Summer Music Camp Auditions for musicians age 9-17 years old on May 13-16 at four locations. Positions open for strings, brass, winds, percussion and piano. A \$10 nonrefundable audition fee required. All students should be prepared to play one solo work (min. 2-3 minutes), plus one major and one minor two-octave scale. Faculty members include members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. For list of dates, location and tuition, call (248) 357-1111.

**MICHIGAN THEATRE & DANCE TROUPE**  
Open auditions through August. Dancers 16 years old and older. Auditions by appointment on Saturdays beginning at 2 p.m.; (248) 552-5001.

**TROY COMMUNITY CHORUS**  
Seeks a chorus director for its new season beginning in September. Candidates must be available for Tuesday evening rehearsals from 7:30-9:30 p.m., two formal concerts in May and December, and various other local community engagements. Candidates should send their resume and salary requirements to the chorus, P.O. Box 165, Troy, MI 48099. (248) 879-0138.

**WORKSHOP ON SHAKESPEARE**  
7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 5-28. Preselected plays in production at Canada's 1998 Stratford Festival. Leading the workshop will be Neils Herold and Bruce Mann of Oakland University. Fee: \$250.

**BLUES**

**SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**  
Blues-influenced music of Mojo Hand, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 3. Tickets: \$8. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9041.

**MSU MUSIC SCHOOL FOR YOUNG**  
"First Music" classes for children birth to age 5. Children and parents move to music, learn songs and chants, play percussion instruments. Classes meet Friday mornings through May 22. Cost: \$100. Antioch Lutheran Church, Farmington Hills, (800) 548-6157. (517) 355-7661

**PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
Spring classes for adults and children. Adult courses include basketry, ceramic dead-making, clay collage, drawing, matting, painting, photography, sculpture, tapestry and watercolor. 407 Pine Street downtown Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL**  
Registration for spring classes, painting, creative writing, drawing, sketching. Also summer classes for children. "Natural Dyes Workshop," in

Shilohville, west of Orchard Lake Road; (248) 788-5322.

**CLASSES & WORKSHOPS**

**ANN ARBOR ART CENTER**  
Spring classes, including watercolor, collage, weaving, bead stringing, photography and stained glass. Summer classes begin June 15. 117 W. Liberty, downtown Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004, ext. 113.

**THE ART STUDIO**  
Adult art classes in oils, pastels and drawing. Children's after-school classes in drawing, painting and crafts. 4417 S. Commerce Road, Commerce Township; (248) 360-5772.

**BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER**  
Spring classes include non-objective painting, floral still life, Art Deco Painting; 1920s-1930s. For children: drawing for teens, stone sculpture, bookbinding. Formerly known as the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

**CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF PONTIAC**  
Spring classes begin mid April, including drawing, sculpture and painting. Children's classes included drawing and cartooning, painting, mask-making, arts and crafts and printmaking. Teen and adult classes include beaded jewelry, ceramics, photography, Chinese brush painting and blues guitar. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

**DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE**  
Saturdays through May 2 for 5 to 7 year olds, and 8 to 12 year olds. Fee: \$40. Classes at Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery, 33 E. Adams Avenue, Detroit; (313) 965-3544.

**JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**  
Registration for Spring Session, including creative dance, theatrical play, wood carving, wood burning, mahjongg training, six steps to basic Judaism, and basic Hebrew reading. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-1000.

**LONGCARE HOUSE - ART CLASSES**  
Range of art classes, including watercolor, drawing and collecting pottery. The Longcare House of Farmington Hills, 24705 Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. To register, (248) 477-8404.

**MARYGROVE COLLEGE**  
"Kindermusik Beginnings," a program for children ages 18 months-3 years. Spring term runs through June 27. 8425 W. McNichols Road, Detroit; (313) 927-1230.

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**CONJUNCTION WITH THE FESTIVAL OF INDIA**, May 3, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth; (734) 416-4487.

**SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**  
Registration for Summer Day Camp, non-residents can register beginning May 8. Also available specialty day camps in art, theatre, soccer and dance. 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield; (248) 354-9603.

**CLASSICAL**

**BIRMINGHAM MUSICALS**  
2 p.m. Sunday, May 3, recital featuring violinist Lean Gooor accompanied by Rebecca Hoppel-Maxcott. Bloomfield Township Public Library; (248) 443-1494.

**FAR CONSERVATORY**  
2 p.m. Sunday, May 3, a benefit performance by pianist/composer Kurt Kuratz, presented by FAR Conservatory of Therapeutic and Performing Arts. The Community House of Birmingham, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham; (248) 646-3347.

Association of Calligrapher's is sponsoring an exhibit "Calligraphic Continuum" from May 11-June 29. Exhibit includes juried exhibit of work by instructors from around the country. Opening reception 6 p.m. Thursday, May 14. The Galleria, Oakland County Executive Offices, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac.

**MEETING**

**FARMINGTON ARTISTS CLUB**  
7 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, featuring guest speaker Mary Stephenson, teacher and watercolorist. Admission free. Farmington Community Library on 12 Mile Road, Farmington; (248) 478-9243.

**MUSEUMS (ON-GOING)**

**CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE**  
Through May 3 - "Hunters of the Sky," an exhibit on the falcon through an array of mounted specimens and video footage. Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, noon-5 p.m. Sunday. (248) 645-3200.

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**  
Through June 21 - "Affirmations," the sculpture of Richard Hunt, through June 30 - "The Life & Times of Paul Robeson," Coleman A. Young Exhibitions Room, 315 E. Warren, Detroit; (313) 259-4109.

**KELSEY MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY**  
Through June 30 - "A Victorian's Passion for Egypt: David Roberts, 1796-1864." Roberts' drawings and paintings during his travels through the middle-eastern country. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; (313) 763-3559.

**DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM**  
Through Sept. 30 - "A Community Between Two Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit," produced by the Michigan State University Museum and the Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services, 5401 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7934.

**VERDI OPERA THEATRE**  
Finalist of the fourth annual "Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition for Michigan High School Students," 4 p.m. Sunday, May 3, Italian American Cultural Community Center, Warren; (248) 455-8895.

**DANCE**

**DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE**  
Detroit Dance Collective with Swords into Plowshares Center presents "Gallery Dance," new works by the collective and a photo exhibit by Bill Ledger and Skip Schiel. "Auszwich to Hiroshima," 8 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Central United Methodist Church, 23 E. Adams, Detroit. Ticket: \$35. (313) 965-3544.

**FUND-RAISERS**

**NORTH HILLS CHURCH IN TROY**  
9 a.m. 4 p.m. Saturday, May 9, 7th Annual Spring Show, featuring jewelry, hand-painted home and garden items, decorative fabric flags. North Hills Church, 3150 N. Adams Road, north of Big Beaver, Troy.

**PIANO FESTIVAL**  
Gimare International Keyboard Festival, May 3, including piano, music in a variety of styles. The multi-program festival is held in Battle Creek, Kalamazoo, Benton Harbor. For details, (616) 342-1166.

**READING**

**AUTHOR RETURNS TO CRANBROOK**  
7 p.m. Thursday, May 7, Ward Just. Class of '53 returns to his alma mater to read from his recent works. Just, a former Washington Post correspondent, will also share his experiences from covering the Vietnam War. His most recent novel, "Echo House," was a finalist for the 1997 National Book Award. Admission free. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3492.

**TOURS**

**CRANBROOK HOUSE & GARDEN**  
1:30 & 3 p.m. every Sunday through summer. A self-guided tour through the gardens at the historic Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3147.

**GALLERY WALK**  
The Royal Oak Gallery Association biannual gallery walk 5-9 p.m. Wednesday, May 6. Admission: \$3. For information, (248) 546-8810.

**FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S AFFLECT HOUSE**  
Metropolitan Detroit Preservation League sponsors a lecture and tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's Afflect House in Bloomfield Hills 10 a.m. Saturday, May 9. Gordon Bugbee will give the lecture and tour. Registration: \$12; (810) 988-1017.

**MUSEUM DOCUMENTS**  
Volunteers to conduct school tours for grades 2-1, special pre-school tours and tours to the general public and adult groups. Volunteers receive extensive training, including one-and-a-half days of class per week from September-June. For information, (313) 833-9178.

**WRITING**

**CRANBROOK RETREAT FOR WRITERS**  
Register for retreat with more than two dozen renowned authors in various length workshops, from 3-7 days. Areas include poetry, fiction, memoir, nonfiction, screenplay and children's book writing. Cost: \$630, 7-day workshop: \$450, 5-day workshop: \$280, 3-day workshop. On campus housing available. For information, (248) 645-3492, Cranbrook Educational Community, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

**GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)**

**SOUTH OAKLAND ART ASSOCIATION**  
May 3 - "Visual Images," through May 15, American Center Building, 27777 Franklin Road, Southfield; (248) 855-5177.

**THE WETSMAN COLLECTION**  
May 5 - "Repetitions Revisited," jewelry from the Netherlands, Germany, Denmark, England, Italy, Slovakia and Norway. Opening reception 4 p.m. May 9. Through May 15, 132 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 645-6212.

**ARIANA GALLERY**  
May 6 - "12th Annual Teapot Show," featuring a silent auction of a Warren Mackenzie teapot. Features over 60 artists. 119 S. Main, Royal Oak; (248) 546-8810.

**ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY**  
May 7 - 6 p.m. "No Rhyne or Reason: Whimsical Nursery Rhymes, Fables and Tales," the art of Joel E. Tanis. 536 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-7040.

**SHAWGUDO GALLERY**  
May 8 - 7 p.m. "One of the Ways," works by Lee Stolar. Opening reception 7 p.m. Friday, May 15, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-1070.

**THE ANDERSON GALLERY**  
May 9 - "New Sculpture," by Susan Aaron Taylor. Opening reception 7 p.m. Friday, May 15, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 335-4611.

**GALERIE BLUE**  
May 16 - 2 p.m. The sculptures of Bruce Garner. 568 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 594-0472.

**GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)**

**CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART**  
Through May 8 - "The 1998 Graduate Degree Show," featuring over 70 artists. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3314.

**GALLERY BLU**  
Through May 15 - "Works by Lenore Gimbert," 568 N. Old Woodward, Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 594-0472.

**POSNER GALLERY**  
Through May 15 - New paintings by Nathaniel Mather and Barbara Coburn. Wood sculptures by Leslie Scraggs. 521 N. Old Woodward, Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 647-2552.

**ARTSPACE II**  
Through May 16 - "New Master Prints by Claes Oldenburg," published by Gemini G.E.I. of Los Angeles in 1997. 301 E. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 258-1540.

**CARY GALLERY**  
Through May 16 - "Julie Serengy Mahoney, New Paintings," 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-3656.

**ELAINE L. JACOB GALLERY**  
Through May 16 - "Flux," an exhibition of ceramics by recent faculty, including Sandra Belcher, Caroline Court, John A. Murphy, Rick Pruckler, Annette Sifton, Joe Zagar, 480 W. Hancock, Detroit; (313) 993-7813.

**CUNIFF STUDIO GALLERY**  
Through May 17 - "Sculpture of Dick Halligan," 1 S. Broadway, Lake Orion; (248) 693-3632.

**BBAA**  
Through May 22 - "Born in the BBAA," artists nurtured by the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association who have achieved successful careers in the world of art. Featuring works by Barbara Dorchen, Todd Erickson, Thomas Humes, Carol Luc, Stephen Magag, Gail Mally Mack, Claudia Shepard, Mary Brecht Stephenson, Christine Welsh. 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-7904.

**CREATIVE RECOVERY**  
Through May 23 - "River of Light: An Exhibit of Contemporary Impressionism," oils and pastels by Anatoly Dvornin, N. Old Woodward at Maple, downtown Birmingham; (248) 647-3688.

**ROBERT KIDD GALLERY**  
Through May 23 - "Bob Nugent, New Paintings," and "Christina Bothwell, New Sculpture," 107 Townsend Street, Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

**SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY**  
Through May 23 - "New Works by John Rowland," 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

**OBJECTS OF ART**  
Students from Orchard Lake Middle School in West Bloomfield display and sell artwork, including jewelry, clay, paintings, sculptures, drawings. 6243 Orchard Lake Road, East Bloomfield; (248) 539-3332.

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL**  
Through May 29 - "Festival of India," featuring works of Toofan Fadia. May 8 - 7-9 p.m., "Hanging by a Thread," fiber works by Cynthia Wayne Gifford, Chris Roberts Anteau and Kathy Zasuwa. 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth; (734) 416-4278.

**A.C.T. GALLERY**  
Through May 29 - "The New Member Show," 35 E. Grand River, Detroit; (313) 961-4336.

**LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY**  
Through May 30 - "Exposures: Photography '98," 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

**9TH ANNUAL BASKETRY INVITATIONAL**  
Through May 30 - Internationally recognized basketball exhibit features work of 30 artists from the U.S. and Japan. The Sybrian Gallery, 202 E. Third Street, Royal Oak; (248) 544-3388.

**REVOLUTION**  
Through May 30 - "Cultural Containment: Works by Stephen Tourtelous," and the conceptual art of Jim Melcher. 23257 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale; (248) 541-3444.

**BOOK BEAT**  
Through May 31 - "The Garden: Recent photographs, collages and paintings by Jeffrey Silverthorne," 26010 Greenfield Road, Oak Park; (248) 968-1190.

**DECORATIVE ADDITIONS**  
Through May 31 - "Photography of Maureen Electa Monte," Adams Square Building, 725 S. Adams Road, Birmingham; (248) 594-0826.

**DIA**  
Through May 31 - "Detroit Public Schools Student Exhibit," featuring works of 500 students. 5200 Woodward, Detroit; (313) 833-7919.

**TROY LIBRARY**  
Through May 31 - Artwork of artist Azelis Lamb. 510 Big Beaver, Troy; (248) 524-3538.

**HILL GALLERY**  
Through June 6 - "Wes Mills, Drawings," Ken Price Sculpture, 407 W. Brown Street, Birmingham; (248) 540-9288.

**MOORE'S GALLERY**  
Through June 6 - "Images of Africa: paintings by Erick Ilunga, Bill Murcko, Shirley Howells and Peter Sebeko," 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 647-4662.

**PEWABIC POTTERY**  
Through June 6 - Works of Sally B. Brogden, Joyce Roberts, Alec Karros, 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

**ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY**  
Through June 30 - "Heavens," featuring Michigan artists Sargent Eck



# Malls & Mainstreets

## Some tips on gifts for mom

BY DONNA MULCAHY  
SPECIAL WRITER

A flat full of dandelions, a big hug and a kiss. That's what I'd like for Mother's Day from my 2-year-old. But if she were older and had the money to spend, I might ask for a new shirt or even a lawn swing. After all, I carried her for nine months, changed all those messy diapers, watched "Barney and Friends"...

Anyway, that's what I'd like for Mother's Day. If you're wondering what to get your mom (or the mother of your child), ask her. And if she won't tell you, then here are some ideas. If she enjoys wearing perfume, how about a bottle of her favorite fragrance or one you think she might like?

Nordstrom, at the Somerset Collection in Troy, is offering four fragrances that were inspired by mothers: Laila, Jacqueline, White Camellia and Zaharoff. The price for a 1.7-ounce bottle ranges from \$48 to \$65.

Laila, created by Geir Ness for his mother, has the fresh clean scent of Norwegian mountain flowers. Jacqueline, a warm and inviting fragrance featuring White Lily, Chinese Orchid and Indian Waterlily, was created by Jean-Jacques Diener, in honor of his wife and daughter.

White Camellia, inspired by the founder of the House of St. John and her daughter, includes notes of natural jasmine, Bulgarian Rose, peony and amber. Zaharoff, featuring jasmine, other floral and Oriental notes, was developed by George Zaharoff as a tribute to the undying love his great-grandfather had for a beautiful woman.

This time of year, you can find some great cosmetic gift packages. They usually start over \$20. If you don't know who carries your mom's favorite make-up, this may help. Hudson's carries Borghese, Cardeaux, Clinique, Elizabeth Arden, Estee Lauder and Lancome. Jacobson's carries Clinique, Estee Lauder, Chanel, Lancome, Guerlain, Triah McEvoy, Erno Lazlo, Clarins and YSO.

Why not pamper your mom with scented soaps, moisturizing lotions and other such things from The Body Shop, which has locations in Birmingham, the Somerset Collection and Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi. Custom made gift baskets start at about \$25. You also can get stylish chrome caddies, filled with an assortment of shower gels or soaps, for \$12 to \$15.

If the mom-to-be, you could get bust-firming gel, stretch-mark tonic oil or aromatherapy products from \$12 to \$69.50 at A Pea in the Pod in Birmingham, or a gift certificate that's good there and at Mimi Maternity/Maternite locations at Laurel Park Place in Livonia, Twelve Oaks and the Somerset Collection.

Jewelry is always nice, especially when it comes from, say, Bailey Banks & Biddle in Birmingham or Tiffany & Co. at the Somerset Collection. At Bailey Banks & Biddle, you can get a birthstone ring from \$150 up and collectible such as Lladro figurines and Waterford crystal, which are popular Mother's Day gifts, said sales consultants Timothy G. Hanks and Lisa Marie Van Hoesen.

At Blossoms in Birmingham, you can get beautiful silk floral arrangements, indoor table-top water fountains, topiaries, fresh cut bouquets featuring exotic flowers and more.

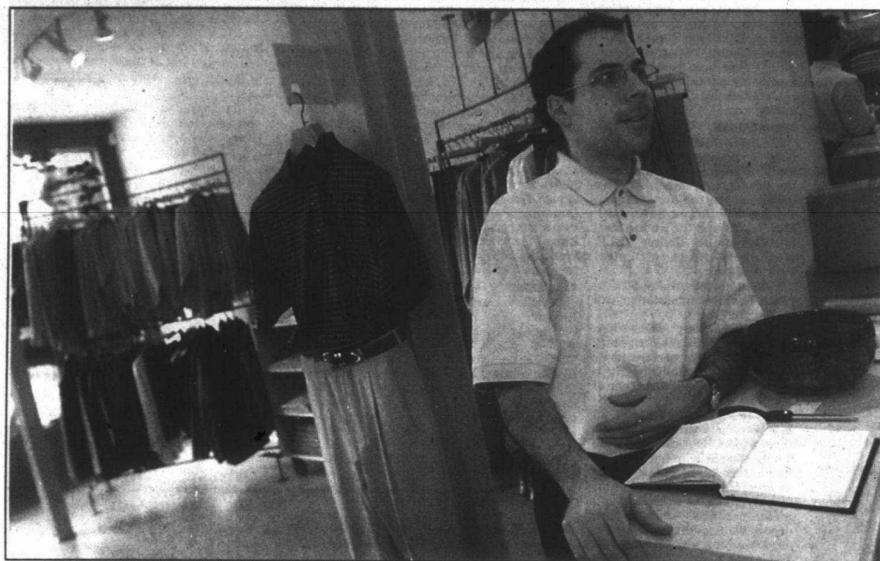
Mother's Day is one of the busiest days of the year at Clyde Smith & Sons Greenhouses and Garden Center in Westland, said Barbara (Smith) Strong, one of the managers of the six-acre farm, which has been in her family since 1834.

"People make a day of it. They take their mothers shopping here and then foot the bill for the plants that their mothers pick out," she said. Some of the more popular gift items there include colorful hanging baskets of geraniums and other flowers, regularly priced \$12.99 to \$15.99, and potted Jackson & Perkins rose bushes, regularly priced from \$12.99 to \$16.99.

Watch for discount coupons in the Observer & Eccentric!

You also could make a date to take your mom shopping in downtown Birmingham, Rochester, Plymouth or at the Somerset Collection.

Whatever you give your mom, present it with a big hug and kiss — and maybe some dandelions, for old time's sake.



Edge of a trend: David Wetsman of Birmingham's ARTICLE II, stocks all of the levels of "casual" attire for the 20-to-30-somethings crowd.

## Relaxed fashions

### Casual Fridays spill over to 'just about any day'

Dressing for success isn't such a formal process anymore. Yes, the dark suits and power ties are still visible, but more and more workplaces are finding happier employees and increased productivity with a simple, relaxed casual dress code — it's all part of what the 20- or 30-somethings are demanding in today's workplace as they impose their own standards of "dressing for success."

"Casual Fridays, have spilled over to just about any day in the workplace," says David Wetsman, owner of ARTICLE II in Birmingham.

Wetsman is capitalizing on what he sees as more than a fashion trend. He believes sales of the casual styles of men's sportswear is in the beginning stages of a huge upward spiral, with a trend away from the strictly formal in workday settings as well as in relaxed after-hours dining and entertainment activities.

His store, ARTICLE II, offers only the coolest casual styles of men's shirts, pants, sweaters, jackets, shoes and belts by American and European designers in a hassle-free buying environment.

Wetsman, 32, is in the forefront, according to Valerie Steele, editor of *Fashion Theory: The Journal of Dress, Body and Culture*, who sees men and women happiest when dressing in their own kind of look. The trend to casual has seen menswear sales go up 21%

across the country over the last 7 years. More than just a proponent of the casual look, Wetsman gave up his law practice to practice what he preached when he opened his own Birmingham store six months ago.

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## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

dermatologists available in the mall's Community Room for consultations, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Livonia Mall, Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (248) 476-1160.

### THURSDAY, MAY 7

**Wardrobe seminar**  
Liz Claiborne Seminars feature dresses and sportswear, commented by Liz Claiborne specialist, Heather Guild. Liz Claiborne Dress Dept. 12:30 p.m.  
Hudson's, Oakland Mall, 14 Mile/John R. Troy. (248) 597-2200.

**Kids arts and crafts**  
A demonstration of the latest arts and craft kits available at Neiman Marcus is part of an arts and crafts day for children, ages 5-10. Children's Level 2. From 1 to 3 p.m.  
Somerset Collection South, Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 643-3300.

**Health-O-Rama Bonus**  
Project Health-O-Rama Bonus Days, for those age 18 or over, provides free, confidential testing and services, including height-weight, blood pressure, hearing, vision, glaucoma, nutrition counseling, pulmonary function, medication counseling, podiatry, and Health Education literature and displays. Optional tests are also available for nominal fees. Co-sponsored with Botsford General Hospital. Wednesday and Thursday, May 13-14, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.  
Livonia Mall, Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (248) 476-1160.

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## Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement) please call Where Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message, and you should see your input in next Sunday's column. Thank You!

- What we found:**
- **Sealing wax** for correspondence can be found at Gail's Office Supply 1020 S. Old Woodward Birmingham (248) 642-6330 or 6012 Telegraph Bloomfield Twp. (248) 626-4700.
  - **Season Ticket** clothes can be found at all Mervyn stores.
  - **The fogless shower mirror** can be found at Bed Bath & Beyond and Sharper Image at Somerset Collection or Twelve Oaks, for a catalog 800-344-4444.
  - **Target**, and Meijer in Westland, Canton and Chadwick's of Boston 800-525-6650 carry Zena jeans.
  - **Found** Mary Kay shadow and a Teddy Ruxpin teddy bear and the game Park & Shop.
  - **For Edith the girdles** can be found in the J.C. Penny spring and summer catalog.
  - **Old Maine Shoes** can be found through Massey's catalog 800-462-7739 or the Tog Shop 800-342-6789.
  - **A dress mannequin** can be found through Celebration Fantastic catalog 800-235-3272.
  - **Size 12 shoes** at Magnifete at Fairlane Mall and Tretton shoes at Kohl's, Summit Place Mall.

- We're still looking for:**
- **Becky** from Livonia wants **Almay** Moisture balance eye cream.
  - **A twin comforter** for a child **Power Ranger** theme for Mary.
  - **Jane** and **Eleanore** are looking for a little girl's wooden ironing board.
  - **For Melanie** a Presto brand continuous Corn Popper "Popcorn Now" #0481001.
  - **Sally** of Livonia is looking for a child's book **King and I** it is about a King who has 3 sons it is from the late 50's.
  - **Someone** who sharpens knives in the Livonia, Plymouth, Westland area for Fran.
  - **Rubi Glo** for Teresa.
  - **And Foster** Beans.
  - **A Fuller Brush** distributor for Kathy.
  - **Mens' socks** Duro Fresh and old Avon bottles for Marilyn of Livonia.
  - **Kimberly** is looking for the album or 45 record of a Canadian band **CHILLOWAC**.
  - **Kay** is looking for **Flush** Cups.
  - **Oscar Meyer** little plain (baby) hot dogs for Gail.
  - **For Ginny**, Leonard Mattingley Weber **Beanie Malone** books **Kathie Rose** Balford series.

- **Maxine** wants an enamel **roasting pan** 9x12" and 7 3/4" high.
- **Gertrude** is looking for a child's book called **My Big Red Ball** and machine washable **Haggar 42 Long** suits or separates.
- **Patricia** is looking for a 1989 color photos of the **Northern Lights**.
- **Lee Ann** wants a toy **Terrifying Hydra** (from the Hercules line of Disney toys).
- **Marian** wants the recipe for **Chicken Chop Suey** like in Chinese restaurants (does not have soy sauce).
- **Don** wants long ornamental **glass string beads** (to hang in an archway).
- **John** wants the lining to a **Dazey** Ceramic Cook pot 6 qt.
- **My Sin** perfume for Lisa.
- **Beth** would like replacement handles for **stainless steel pans**.
- **Yvette** wants **Mackie Shaving Balm** made in Canada.
- **Jane** wants headbands used during exercise by **DASHA**.
- **Ann** is looking for gold or silver **chains/pendants** inexpensive for kids.
- **Nars** cosmetics for Devorra.
- **Sharon** of Southfield is looking for a 1992 Hallmark porcelain **Carousell horse**.
- **For Sheldon**, **Red Foot Powder**; used to be able to buy it at Circle Drugs in Mason Hgts.

- **Estee Lauder** Moisture Balances Translucent face powder in Champagne Beige #4.
- **Anne Marie** is looking for **plastic mesh bags** with metal handles 14x14 inches in different colors for preschoolers.
- **Douglas** is looking for soft swirl frozen yogurt by **Colombo**.
- **Margaret** is looking for a **Maple Frozen High (Dearborn)** year-book from 1943.
- **Jodie** wants **Black Diamond** Old Fort cheese in 3- or 5-lb rounds.

Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

## Stay tuned to mall happenings in your Sunday Observer

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## RETAIL DETAILS

### Sew Elegant luncheon

Spring fashions sewn by members of The American Sewing Guild are part of a combined noon luncheon and 1 p.m. fashion show at Olde World Canterbury Village, on Joslyn Road in Orion Township, Saturday, May 9. Tickets are \$30 call the ASG at (248) 288-3173, or Sherree McKee (248) 391-3703 for details.

### Patio furniture bonanza

Consignment Interiors of Northville has purchased a huge inventory of patio furniture from a well-known pool and patio retailer in time for a special Mother's Day offering. A selection of chairs, tables, cushions and lounges are featured at substantial discounts in an outside parking lot display, at their store in the Highland Lakes Shopping Center, on W. 7 Mile Rd. in Northville.

### Complete coverage

Tamara Spa of Farmington Hills offers a "Mother of the Year" certificate to buyers of any of its gift certificates (available in any denomination), and promises to make it an "unforgettable" gift. They remind you the gift is not just for "mom" but also for "mother-to-be, wife, aunt, stepmother, godmother, great grandmother or anyone who has been like a mother to you." For information, call (248) 855-0474.

### Mail walkers meet

Westland Walkers Club holds its month-

## Hannah Rose closing, but...

Boutique shoppers worried about where to go when Hannah Rose closes at the end of this month don't need to worry. They can head a few stores down in the Bloomfield Plaza.

Hannah Rose, an upscale contemporary women's clothing store in Bloomfield Township, is going out of business. But its style of clothes will now be carried at neighboring Roz & Sherm. For the last 20 years, Roz & Sherm has catered to a mature clientele of women, carrying unique clothing, evening gowns, shoes and accessories. Its sister store, Hannah Rose, opened six years ago, to meet the needs of a younger, more contemporary crowd. Both stores were opened by Sherman and Rosalind Becker. Rosalind Becker died Oct. 1 from Parkinson's Disease.

Annie Frank, longtime buyer for both stores, said it makes sense to consolidate Hannah Rose merchandise at Roz &

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## Brenda the Babe pick is Fashion Crime winner

It took a sharp eye and a neat fashion sense, but Pauline Curtis of Troy picked *Brenda the Babe* and came up a winner in the Observer & Eccentric's "Crime of Fashion" contest featured in April's *Eccentric* fashion tab.

Pauline, an Art Education graduate of Wayne State University and a retired Detroit Public School teacher, is the mother of five and a Troy resident for nearly 20 years.

"And she's really anxious to head to Somerset for that shopping spree," said husband Michael.

As for the "Crime of Fashion?" Well, it couldn't have been *Debbie the Doll*, because, as Detective *Beau Chic* discovered, all the clues in her room at the Townsend were from The Shops in Downtown Birmingham. Nobody who shops there could do such a thing.

*Shady Slick* was sprung on a technicality, but would remain one of Chic's "usual suspects" on any fashion crime occurring in the O&E jurisdiction, despite the fact that he could not possibly have driven from Somerset to 15 Mile and Maple in only two minutes during the Woodward Dream Cruise, even in a Ferrari.

As for *Sassy the Smooth*, *Vicky the Vamp* and *Portia the Provocative*, all neat dressers, but only your usual high-minded career gals who didn't have any choice but to keep up with fashion by shopping at the fashion center of Michigan. They were just in the right place, at the wrong time.

As for Brenda, Pauline says the tip-off was: "that one just looks like somebody who would commit a fashion crime."

And for a discriminating gal like Pauline, that's good enough — and legal enough — for us! Book her, Dan-O. Case closed!



Pauline Curtis

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TRAVEL

# Exchange student discovers spirit of Finland

(Caitlin Kilkka is the daughter of Kenneth and Barbara Kilkka of West Bloomfield and a junior at Bloomfield Hills Lahser High School.)

BY CAITLIN KILKKA  
SPECIAL WRITER

As the icebreaker ship Sampo cut through the 12-foot ice off the coast of Finland, I stood in the bow and turned my face toward the wind and the sun, reflecting on the path that had brought me here as an exchange student on an academic year in this arctic atmosphere.

Nothing I had experienced as a 16-year-old student at Bloomfield Hills Lahser High School had prepared me directly for the plunge I was about to take - first into this new culture and within moments now, into the waters of the Gulf of Bothnia clad only in an insulated, orange wet-suit. Surrounded by tourists from many countries and my Finnish host father, I held my breath and jumped off the ice covered of the ice into the buoyant sea.

Perhaps there is no better way to experience a country and a culture than in this method open exclusively to teenagers - diving right in as an exchange student living in a family. After a wonderful summer in Germany as a Youth for Understanding (YFU) exchange student, I committed myself to spending my junior year of high school in Finland, the land of my great-grandparents.

In August of last year, I arrived in Finland with 32 other students from various countries who would also spend the year here with YFU. After a week of orientation, language learning and some fun together, out families arrived to take us to our new homes.

My new parents, Kari and Maija Liisa Korhonen, quickly made me feel at ease as we headed toward the northern city of Oulu, a modern city of 100,000 on the edge of Lapland and the Arctic Circle. Together with their children, my new sisters Laura (14) and Terhi (3) and brother Kari (12), we live in a charming older home located in a pleasant area near my school. Through my siblings, I learn the most Finnish because they are so patient and willing to teach. My youngest sister teaches me Finnish words while I teach her the colors and animals in English.

Daily life with a new family has brought me many familiar routines: school, homework, daily chores and good times with friends. But there have been many adjustments, too. The language was challenging at first, but since so many people spoke English, it was never a major problem.

Classes at my high school, Kastellin Lukio, are taken in a six-week cycle followed by exams then a new schedule in the next cycle. In the beginning, I was able to select classes where language skills were not so important, such as computers, art,



**Icebreaker:** Caitlin Kilkka and Finnish host father Kari Korhonen prepare to embark on the icebreaker Sampo cruising the Arctic Circle.

music, gym, English, German, Swedish. Now, as I have become more proficient, I have been able to take physics, math, geography, Finnish and other more challenging courses.

The relationship with teachers here is much more casual than at home. Teachers wear jeans and sweatshirts as the students do and are addressed by their first names or simply as "Teacher."

The most exciting school tradition I have participated in was the "Vanhojen Tanssit," the Old Dance, held in February. Planning for this prom-like event began in September when students began inviting their partners and planning their attire.

In February, the senior class completes classes and begins months of individualized study for their final exams before graduation. At that time, the junior class becomes the "Olds," the oldest class at the school.

To celebrate, the juniors have a dance where they dress in clothes from earlier centuries and dance the dances of bygone eras: waltzes, polonaises and so on. My date and I spent many mornings at the special dance classes preparing for the event, often laughing at our awkwardness while a vociferous old woman taught us the precise steps.

My host mother worked many hours, making me a stunning



**Reindeer:** A Lapland reindeer farmer shows Caitlin around.

purple and silver Renaissance-style gown that I hope to wear again next year at one of Lahser's dances.

The night of the dance was magical, seeing all my friends transformed into ladies and gentlemen from another era. We danced the whole evening in the ballroom and then went to a teen club to eat and dance to music of our own generation.

I feel fortunate to be able to experience Finnish traditions like this that tourists never see, but I have also enjoyed many of the more typical tourist activities.

On two ski trips to Lapland, one with my family and one with the YFU students, I enjoyed the pristine beauty mountains, forests, lakes and rivers. My family stayed in a lovely cabin at the ski resort Yllas. Downhill or cross-country skiing filled our days. Sometimes, we faced brutal early morning temperatures of 25 below zero, but the afternoon sun and evening sauna gave welcome warmth. After sitting in the sauna at 170m degrees, it truly feels good to step into subzero temperatures outside on the deck of even bathe in the snowbank as my host

father did. After the sauna and then a few sausages cooked over the open fire, one feels at peace with the world.

In the nearby town of Kemi, I embarked on my icebreaker in the world.

Also there, we visited the Lumi Linna, or Snow Castle, a huge edifice of snow housing an art gallery, chapel, restaurant and children's play area. Out on the ice nearby, one could see dog teams mushing to a nearby island and also parasailers being pulled by snowmobiles. The Snow Castle, an annual event in Kemi, is different each year. With more than 1,300 feet of walls rising up to 30 feet high, the 1998 castle was designed by architecture students at the University of Oulu. The pews in the peaceful chapel pews were made blocks of ice covered with reindeer skins.

While I have enjoyed experiencing Finnish traditions, I know that it is equally important to share our American culture with my Finnish family and friends.

On Halloween, my English teacher asked me to show the class how to carve a pumpkin and said she would bring the supplies. As far as I knew there were no pumpkins in Finland, but she proudly brought in some old newspapers, a knife and vegetable resembling an overgrown cucumber which she smugly

pumpkin. It was a "summer pumpkin." I dutifully carved the strange vegetable, lit a candle and watched it catch on fire during my little speech about Halloween traditions.

As the year goes by, I treasure the many experiences I have had and look forward to more to come: a boat trip to Sweden with the other YFU students, the Midsummer Night holiday in June, vacation my family here and friends. When I return home in July, I know that my ties will continue with the warm and friendly people here who have come to mean so much to me.



**That's cold:** Caitlin Kilkka floats in her insulated suit in the Arctic waters off the coast of Finland.

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Golfers win

Canton High took a narrow 213-224 victory over Farmington Thursday. Playing at Hilltop in Plymouth, Cassie Jemison led the Chiefs with a round of 49.

Laura Cunniffe shot 52 for Canton, Katie Perry had a 53 and Stephanie Unger a 59.

### Whalers

Plymouth Whalers' rookie David Legwand was named the Ontario Hockey League's Player of the Year Thursday.

Legwand, a Grosse Pointe native, had already been named the league's Rookie of the Year as well as a first-team OHL All-Star. He led all rookies in scoring this season with 54 goals and 51 assists for 105 points.

Legwand is expected to be among the National Hockey League's top picks in its amateur draft this June.

### Award winner

Canton High School graduate Stephanie Edgerton recently earned the "Coaches Award" from Northern Michigan University. Edgerton was a member of the Wildcats' basketball team last winter. She earned the award for her "contributions on and off the court," according to the university.

### Soccer

Canton Chaos under 16 boys soccer team won the Johnson City Invitational Soccer Tournament in Johnson City, Tennessee on April 26. The Chaos went undefeated, scoring 13 goals and allowing just three. Team players include: Dan Amos, Justin Ballard, Joshua Brooks, Jeff Chrzanoski, Scott Duhl, Pat Griffin, Jon Johnson, Kirt McKee, Jean Peltier, Chris Podolak, Chris Price, Andrew Rea, Jeff Shelby, John Smith, Brett Stinar, Matt Russler and Jon Wurts. The team was coached by Danny Rea.

### Cushman Liston honoree

Madonna University junior guard Katie Cushman (Flint Powers) has been named the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference's Emil S. Liston Award recipient for 1998.

Cushman, Madonna's all-time leading scorer, is one of 12 players from across the country honored for athletic and academic achievement. She carries a 3.74 grade-point average.

Liston was the founder of the NAIB and first executive secretary of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

### Good Counsel golf

The Our Lady of Good Counsel Golf Outing, sponsored by the Booster Club, is set for two starts: 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, May 30 at St. John's Golf Course, located at 14830 Sheldon in Plymouth.

Cost is \$90 for golf and dinner (\$40 for dinner only), with your choice of a.m. or p.m. starts in the shotgun format. The price includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch and dinner. There will also be a silent auction during dinner.

Proceeds will benefit the Our Lady of Good Counsel athletic programs.

Checks should be made payable to OLCG Booster Club and mailed to Rick Huetter, 10110 Creekwood, Plymouth, MI, 48170 (phone 416-9177); or Steve Rapson, 93697 Oak Brook, Canton, MI, 48187 (phone 455-6634); or Dave Hall, 11204 Bellwood, Plymouth, MI, 48170 (phone 455-8257).

### Indian tryouts

The Michigan Indians travel baseball team, for 11-and-under players, are conducting tryouts for its team. Although based in Plymouth, there are no residency requirements.

The team will play 45-to-50 games, with various weekend tournaments and an opportunity to advance in the Little League World Series. Players must have a birthdate between Aug. 1, 1986 and July 31, 1987.

For further information, call Bruce Price at (734) 453-9180 (home) or (734) 459-2960 (work).

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to the sports editor, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (313) 591-7279.

## Saying goodbye Grid coach retires

After more than a decade at the helm of Canton High's football team, Bob Khoenle is hanging up his whistle.

The winningest coach in Chiefs' history made the decision in mid-April. A replacement is expected to be named early next month.

"I've been doing this for 33 years," Khoenle said of coaching. "There comes a time when you have to step down. I felt this was the time."

He took the job in 1987 after serving as an assistant coach for eight seasons. Under Khoenle, the Chiefs posted a 51-59 record and made the state playoffs in 1990.

"He took a program that wasn't very strong," Canton High Athletic Director Sue Heinzman said, "and turned it around. He did a very good job."

"He was our most successful coach and did a nice job with the kids."

Khoenle is proud of his legacy at Canton.

"In 25 years," he said, "we've only had four winning seasons. All of those were in (my) era. We set new heights for the program."

The district is currently accepting applications for the position and will do so until May 22. Heinzman said a replacement should be named by early June.

A dozen assistants worked under

Khoenle last season. Thus far, Heinzman said, none have applied for the job.

"But that could change," she added.

An Ohio native, Khoenle has spent his entire life in athletics.

He was an all-state performer in football, basketball and baseball in Massillon, Ohio as a high schooler. Khoenle went on to play football at Purdue University for four seasons.

His coaching career began shortly after his playing days were over.

Khoenle made stops in several Ohio suburbs before moving to Michigan in the mid 1970s. He interviewed to be Canton's head coach shortly after the move, but wound up as an assistant.

The Chiefs had very little success on the gridiron prior to Khoenle. Indeed, the school was better known for its prowess on the baseball diamond and in other sports.

But that slowly changed under Khoenle.

In his third season, Canton posted a winning record and just missed the state playoffs. The following year, 1990, the Chiefs did make it.

"We beat John Glenn in the first round then lost to Catholic Central," said Khoenle, "which won the state title."

The former mentor recalls with fond-



Bob Khoenle posted a 51-59 record in 12 seasons as head coach.

ness many of the players from that squad such as Carl Wookie, Brett Howe and Jason Lee.

"That was a good group," said Khoenle, "overachievers."

The Chiefs never won a conference or Western Division title under Khoenle. But he reveled in beating cross-campus arch rival Salem four times.

After working with so many fine young men and enjoying success with the Chiefs, Khoenle said stepping down wasn't an easy decision.

"I'll miss the kids," he said. "We had a lot of fun."

Still, having nearly reached retirement age, Khoenle said he knew it was

time for someone with a little more energy to take over.

"It's a hard decision," he explained, "but you know the end will come. You can't coach all of your life."

The Chiefs posted a 1-8 mark in his final campaign. Despite the record, he said wasn't disappointed because he felt his players gave him all they had.

"I was proud of our kids even though there were a couple of games we could've won," said Khoenle.

The coach says he plans on spending more time with his family, including his grandchildren.

"We're expecting a fourth grandchild in June," Khoenle said.

## Canton bats quiet in loss to Wildcats

When your starting pitcher holds the other team to two runs, it usually means a win.

Unfortunately for Mike Rourk, Wednesday's home game with Novi didn't work out that way. The Chiefs simply couldn't support his fine performance and managed just two hits in a 2-0 loss.

"He pitched a great ball game," Canton coach Scott Dickey said. "We're playing pretty good defense and we're getting great pitching. We're just not hitting the ball right now."

Rourk went the distance allowing only four Wildcat hits, a walk and he struck out seven.

**•CHURCHILL 5, FRANKLIN 2:** Livonia Churchill is hitting its baseball stride at just the right time.

Nick Lamb gave up six of Franklin's seven hits in 4 2/3 innings Friday and Corey Cook finished up the final 2 1/3 to gain Churchill a 5-2 victory over Livonia Franklin.

Both pitchers walked just one batter to help Churchill square its record at 7-7, including a 4-6 Western Lakes Activities Association mark.

Joe Ruggiero worked all seven innings for Franklin, giving up eight hits, striking out three and walking one.

Tim Greenleaf went 2-for-3 for Churchill and scored three runs. Ryan Vickers went 2-for-4 and drove in a run.

Mike Franklin included a double in his 2-for-3 game for the Patriots.

On Wednesday, Churchill pounded visiting Farmington, 14-6, with Justin Draught and John Ross combining on a seven-hitter.

Draught worked six innings, giving



Salem's Jamie LaGrow slides back safely to first base in Friday's game with Walled Lake Central.

up six hits and all six runs, striking out three and walking two. Ross pitched the seventh.

Brennen Conley took the loss for Farmington but also accounted for two of the Falcons' runs with a two-run home run.

Cook went 2-for-4 and drove in two runs for the Chargers, Greenleaf had an RBI in a 2-for-3 game, Brett Wells hit a three-run home run in a two-hit game and Dave Wasil drove in two

runs while going 2-for-4.

**•DETROIT CC 3-5, NOTRE DAME 1-6:** If only it had gotten darker earlier Wednesday, Detroit Catholic Central might have swept a double-header from host Harper Woods Notre Dame.

The Shamrocks won the first game 3-1 in nine innings and were leading in the second game before Notre Dame rallied for a 6-5 win.

The nightcap was declared a full game despite the seventh inning not being played due to darkness. CC led 4-0 through 2 1/2 innings and 5-4 through four innings, which is consid-

ered a full game.

ND rallied in the bottom of the fifth, however, for two runs to go ahead to stay 6-5.

Dan Duffy, the first of three CC pitchers, lasted 2 1/3 innings. Anthony Tomey pitched 2/3 of an inning and Bob Malek was given the loss in two innings of relief.

Two walks, a sacrifice bunt, and a single generated the winning runs off Malek.

Malek continued his torrid pace at the plate, going 2-3 with three runs scored. Dave Lusky

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## Rolling Along

### Canton, Salem track squads keep winning

Like the tide, Canton High's boys' track squad just keeps rolling along.

The Chiefs edged a tough Livonia Franklin squad Thursday on the road, 72-65. Kevin Kyle broke his own school record in the shot put and Eric Larsen won three events to highlight the meet.

"We had a bunch of personal records," Canton coach Bob Richardson said. "We're hoping the kids won't plateau until the season's over. We want them to continue to improve."

After a slow start, that's exactly what the Chiefs have done lately. Richardson was hoping for a good showing at yesterday's Observerland Relays.

"We expect to see some good times," he added.

Canton, which improved to 3-1 overall and 3-0 in

the Western Division, dominated the field events.

In the shot put, Kyle bested his own school record with a toss of 52 feet, 6 1/2 inches. Mark Popjoi was second in the event at 46-11.

Kyle also took first in the discus. He had an excellent throw of 155-9 while Popjoi was third at 135-5. In the high jump, Larsen was second as he cleared 5-8. Jerry Gaines placed third on a tie breaker, also at 5-6.

Larsen came right back to win the long jump. He leapt 19-4 1/4 while Jordan Chapman finished third at 18-1.

In the pole vault, Chapman was Canton's lone placer. He captured third by clearing 9 feet.

The team of Marty Kane, Steve Blossom, Dave

Hylko and Shaun Moore won the 3,200-meter relay with a time of 8:35.10. Larsen got his second victory in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.5 seconds.

Moore and Jason Rutter were second and third, respectively, in the 1,600-meter. The duo posted times of 4:49 and 4:55.6.

In the 400-meter relay, Gary Lee, Jason Faladeau, Chris Kalis and Nate Howe placed first with a time of 46.8. Canton's Larry Anderson won the open 400-meter in 53.3.

The Chiefs fared well in the 300-meter hurdles. Kalis was second at 43.9 and Wally Strong had a personal best of 44.3.

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# Central overpowers Rocks 9-1

Overmatched. In a word that's what Plymouth Salem was in Friday's 9-1 road loss to Walled Lake Central. The Vikings, which improved to 10-0 in the WLA, scored four runs in the fifth and sixth innings to blow the game open.

In all fairness, the Rocks were facing one of the league's better pitchers in Kami Scott. She limited the Blue and White to just five hits.

"We're just not hitting the ball," Salem coach Bonnie Sutherland said.

The Rocks dropped to 6-1 overall and 2-4 in the Lakes Division of the WLA. Friday's game marked the midpoint of the season.

"I think the second half of the season will be much better than the first," Sutherland said. "Our pitching is coming around. We just have to start hitting."

Salem's lone run came in the first inning. Stefanie Volpe knocked in the run with a single. Katie Kelly, Karen Prosyk, Heather Sonnag and Katie Gagerlad had the other Salem hits.

Shannon Coultas started and took the loss for the Rocks.

On Wednesday, Salem played,

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perhaps, its best game of the year but lost to cross campus rival Canton 2-0.

The game went nine innings as the Chiefs scored a pair of runs in the top of the frame to grab the victory. Melissa Brown lofted a ball just out of the reach of Salem's second baseman to score Paula McKernan. She later scored to make it 2-0.

The Rocks had just four hits in the game. Sutherland said it was a very difficult defeat to take.

"To go nine innings and lose it on a couple of errors," she added, "was a real heartbreaker."

Canton coach Jim Arnold said Wednesday game was a classic.

"We had about 300 or 400 people in the stands (at Massey Field)," he added. "It was a good game to watch both offensively and defensively."

Both Elsnar led the winners with three hits.

**Canton 18, Northville 7:** The Chiefs pounded out 14 hits in Friday's crushing Northville Friday on the road.

McKernan and Becky Mize paced the attack with three hits each. Mize knocked in five runs while McKernan had two.

Canton scored five runs in the first inning then exploded for nine in the fourth to take command. Northville countered with four runs in the bottom of the inning, but it was too little, too late.

The Chiefs improved to 5-1 in the Western Division and moved into a first place tie with Farmington Hills Harrison. The two clubs will square off tomorrow at Canton for the division lead.

"They beat us 3-1 earlier this year," said Arnold.

As for Friday's game, Elsnar had two hits, including a triple, and five runs batted in. Marie Pochron had two hits and an RBI.

**STEVENSON 3, FARMINGTON 0:** In a WLA-Lakes Division pitchers duel Friday, Livonia Stevenson's LeAnne Schraufnagle outdueled the Falcons' Melissa Mytty.

Schraufnagle tossed a four-hit complete game, fanning four and not walking a single Farmington batter.

Losing pitcher Melissa Mytty struck out 13 and walked just two.

Kristi Copi scored the game-winning run in the second when she walked, stole second and third and crossed home on a passed ball.

## FOOTBALL

**PREP BASEBALL**  
Monday, May 4  
W.L. Western at Churchill 4 p.m.  
Northville at Franklin, 4 p.m.  
Stevenson at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.  
John Glenn vs. W.L. Central at Walled Lake Western, 4 p.m.  
Wayne at Redford Union, 4 p.m.  
Redford CC at Country Day, 4 p.m.  
Luth. Westland at Livonia, 4:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, May 5**  
Fordson at Churchill, 4 p.m.  
Franklin at Pinckney, 4 p.m.  
Huron Valley at Franklin Rd., 4:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 6**  
Churchill at Stevenson, 4 p.m.  
Franklin at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.  
Harrison at John Glenn, 4 p.m.  
Ypsilanti at Wayne, 4 p.m.

**Thursday, May 7**  
Brother Rice at Redford CC (2), 4 p.m.  
Harper Woods at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.  
Lutheran Westland vs. Luth. North at Wayne-Ford Civic, 4:30 p.m.

**Friday, May 8**  
Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m.  
Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.  
Greenhills at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

**Saturday, May 9**  
Harrison at Churchill, 4 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Stevenson, 4 p.m.  
Wayne at Allen Park, 4 p.m.  
Westland at Livonia, 4 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Luth. East, 4:30 p.m.

**GIRLS TRACK**  
Tuesday, May 5  
Lutheran Westland, 4:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 7**  
Franklin at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.  
John Glenn at W.L. Central, 3:30 p.m.

**Saturday, May 9**  
River Raisin, 9:30 a.m.  
Annapolis Invitational, 10 a.m.  
Clarkston Invitational, 10 a.m.  
Jackson Northwest, TBA

**GIRLS SOCCER**  
Monday, May 4  
Country Day at Ledywood, 4 p.m.  
Wayne at Southgate, 4 p.m.  
Luth. Westland at Kingswood, 4:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, May 5**  
Ledywood at Regina, 2, 3:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley at PCA, 4:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 6**  
Stevenson at Churchill, 4 p.m.  
N. Farmington at Franklin, 4 p.m.  
John Glenn at Harrison, 4 p.m.  
Stevenson at W.L. Central at Walled Lake Western, 4 p.m.  
Wayne at Ypsilanti, 4 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Harper Woods, 4:30 p.m.  
Luth. Westland at Luth. North, 4:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 7**  
Canton at Franklin, 4 p.m.  
John Glenn at Salem, 4 p.m.  
Ledywood at Marian, 4 p.m.  
Greenhills at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

**Friday, May 8**  
Churchill at Harrison, 4 p.m.  
Allen Park at Wayne, 4 p.m.

**LIANA VENDRAMINI** had an RBI single in the fourth and Katie King added an RBI single in the fifth.

**MERCY 8-1-9, LADYWOOD 1-13-0:** Farmington Hills Mercy brought its brooms to Livonia — so it could complete its sweep.

Mercy completed a game it was leading, 6-1, in the third inning April 3 and went on to record an 8-1 triumph before going on to take both ends of a regularly scheduled doubleheader from the Blazers.

The Marlins outgassed the Blazers in the first game of the regularly scheduled doubleheader and got a one-hitter from Terri Schroeder to take the second.

Rebecca Pawlik was the losing pitcher in the completion of the suspended game. Ann Paddock, Windy Boise and Annie Bolognino each singled for the Marlins.

Mercy jumped on Pawlik for seven runs in the first inning and was aided by four errors. The Marlins had just three hits in the big inning.

Kristen Barnes had four singles, Marge Day had three doubles, Sara Thiesmeyer had a double plus two singles while Becky Mitchell, Annie Bolognino and Jen Dudas each had two singles.

Thiesmeyer got the Blazers' lone hit off Schroeder in the final game of the day.

Erin Pickens was the losing pitcher in the second game, going two innings. Pickens walked five hit batters and gave up four hits.

**CHURCHILL 6, REDFORD THURSTON 4:** The Chargers got five of their seven hits in the third inning Thursday to score five runs and take a commanding lead against Thurston.

Sophomore pitcher Tara Muchow made the lead stand up and recorded her first victory, Livonia improved to 7-5 overall.

Christine Fones got the rally started in the third with a single, Sarah Stiles, Ann Setne and Jenny Stalko followed with consecutive hits. Stalko's single knocked in two.

Churchill added a run in the sixth. Redford scored three runs in the third inning and one more in the fourth.

**FRANKLIN 10, STEVENSON 5:** Andrea Kmet went 4-for-5 with a pair of RBIs Wednesday as Livonia Franklin (7-8) overall won a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover at Livonia Stevenson (3-7 overall).

Franklin out-hit the Spartans, 14-6. Other hitting stars for the Patriots included Kelly Young, 3-for-5 with two RBIs; Tara Morrill, 2-for-4 with two RBIs; Jackie Ziem and winning pitcher Lori Jendruski, 2-for-4 with one RBI apiece.

# Sarkesian leads Salem past Hawks

## SOCCER

Playing at home Wednesday, the Rocks got three goals from Mia Sarkesian and easily defeated Farmington Hills 6-0.

Kristina Senich scored a pair of goals and Missy Simmons tallied as well. The Rocks were 10-1 heading into Friday's road game with Utica Eisenhower.

**CANTON 8, FRANKLIN 1:** Anne Morrell and Lisa Tomasso each scored twice Wednesday, leading Plymouth Canton (9-1-1, 4-0) to the WLA-Western Division victory at Livonia Franklin (2-8-1, 1-3-1).

It was 4-0 at intermission for the Chiefs, ranked No. 4 in Division I.

**STEVENSON 5, NORTHVILLE 0:** Livonia Stevenson, defending state girls soccer champion and top-ranked team in Division I, recorded its eighth shutout in 10 games Wednesday with a convincing 5-0 victory at Northville.

Freshman Lindsay Gussick pumped in three goals for the Spartans, who improved to 10-0 on the season and are 31-0-2 during the past two.

Allison Campbell added two goals and two assists.

Cheryl Fox, Lanette Moss and Sarah Witrock also drew assists.

Goalkeeper Jenny Barker had to make just five saves the Stevenson defense put the clamps on Northville's scoring threat Bridg Bowell.

"Our defense played really well," Stevenson coach Jim Kimble said. "Everybody is playing well. We're starting to get ready for the playoffs and hopefully we'll peak at the right time."

**CHURCHILL 2, A.A. PIONEER 1:** The Chargers might be one of the best-kept soccer secrets in the state.

Playing in the shadow of undefeated state champion Livonia Stevenson, Livonia Churchill ran its record to

Rockets to 6-5 overall.

On Wednesday, Westland John Glenn drilled Walled Lake Western 9-3.

Noelle Swartz had two goals and two assists to lead host Westland John Glenn to the WLA crossover win over Walled Lake Western.

Sarah Pak added two goals for the victorious Rockets, while Lucy Gatarino, Katie Krause and Val Kurczynski added one goal and one assist apiece.

Fullback Jessica Blanchard and Julie Turner had the other Glenn goals, while senior captain Katrina Zecharczyk and goalkeeper Kristen Krohn (first half) had assists.

Jade Fukuda, back from an anterior cruciate ligament injury, played the second half in goal for Glenn.

Christy Rozmus, Angel Bushor and Chrissy Hoover scored for Western.

**YPSILANTI 3, WAYNE 0:** In a Mega-Bow encounter Friday, the host Braves dominated Wayne Memorial (2-7-1, 2-3-1) as the Zebras were blanked for the fifth straight game.

"We haven't had any offense lately and right now because of injuries we're thin defensively," Wayne coach Larry Brenner said.

**BELLEVEUE 3, WAYNE 0:** On Wednesday, the host Tigers remained undefeated in Mega Conference-Bow Division play at the expense of Zebras.

Belleveue led 1-0 at intermission and added two more in the second half to put it away.

Wayne senior goalkeeper Natalie Garrison kept it from being a rout.

**MERCY 1, LADYWOOD 0:** Christy Argeny's goal at the 18-minute mark of the first half earned Farmington Hills Mercy (7-2, 6-2) to the Catholic League Central Division win over Livonia Ladywood (3-7-1, 2-6).

The loss halted Ladywood's modest winning streak at two.

**LUTHERAN NORTHWEST 3, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 2:** Kristy Rose and freshman Mary Ebendick scored goals Wednesday, but it wasn't enough as Lutheran Hill Westland (13-7-1, 1-5) fell to host Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest in a Metro Conference matchup.

Northwest led 2-1 at intermission.

**EDSEL FORD 5, JOHN GLENN 0:** The non-league loss Friday to Dearborn Edsel Ford dropped the visiting

## TENNIS

**PLYMOUTH CANTON 7 FARMINGTON HILLS HARRISON 1**  
Friday at Harrison  
No. 1 singles: Ryan Shade (FH) def. Shab Singh 6-0, 6-0.  
No. 2: Vinnie Ikeh (PC) def. Tim Kugler 6-3, 6-3.  
No. 3: Matt Nagy (PC) def. Rob Platt 6-0, 6-0.  
No. 4: Richie Ikeh (PC) def. Dan Price 6-0, 6-0.  
No. 1 doubles: Gary Levenbach-Jason Darrow (PC) def. Justin Barrigo-Rob Gorzynski 6-3, 6-0.  
No. 2: Scott Mincher-Chris Houdek (PC) def. Pat Sotnik-James Johnson 6-1, 6-7, 7-6.  
No. 3: Luke Montgomery-Andy Oleszkowicz (PC) def. Rahul Bonpalay Jeff Braun 6-4, 6-7, 7-6.  
No. 4: Chris Foff-Nate Moothart (PC) def. Dave Marshall-Joel Watts 6-2, 6-1.  
Canton's record: 5-2-1.

**PLYMOUTH CANTON 8 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 0**  
Wednesday at Westland  
No. 1 singles: Shab Singh (PC) def. Dan Kovacs 6-1, 6-2.  
No. 2: Vinnie Ikeh (PC) def. Dave Kovacs 6-0, 6-4.  
No. 3: Matt Nagy (PC) def. Matt Vall 6-2, 6-1.  
No. 4: Richie Ikeh (PC) def. Rajiv Dashiary 6-3, 6-2.  
No. 1 doubles: Gary Levenbach-Jason Darrow (PC) def. Darrin Turner-Dave Stephens 6-1, 6-0.  
No. 2: Scott Mincher-Chris Houdek (PC) def. Pat Sotnik-James Johnson 6-0, 6-0.  
No. 3: Luke Montgomery-Andy Oleszkowicz (PC) def. Rob Wilson-Charley Farley 6-2, 6-0.  
No. 4: Pat O'Flaherty-Phill Cameron (PC) def. Tony Lambert-Evan Waddell 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

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went 3-4, including a double, with two RBIs. Casey Rogowski was 2-3 with a walk and RBI.

Maiek, batting above 7:00 to start the day, went 4-7 in the two games, which remarkably drops his average.

"We're thinking of benching him," joked CC coach John Salter.

The first game was scoreless through six innings. With one out in the seventh, Maiek singled, Matt Frikk singled to send him third and Maiek came home on Lusky's sacrifice fly for a 1-0 lead.

Maiek and Frikk singled in the ninth. On Frikk's hit, Maiek chose to head for third base. A wild throw ended up out of play, sending Maiek home while the go-ahead run.

Frikk, who had moved to third on the throw, came home on Lusky's single for a 2-1 CC lead. Frikk and Lusky each went 5-7 on the day.

Tony Nozowski earned the pitching victory, tossing a complete-game five hitter.

The Shamrocks are 11-4 overall, 8-4 and tied for first place in the Catholic League Central Division with Notre Dame.

**FARMINGTON 6, STEVENSON 5:** The host Falcons earned their first WLAA win on a two-run single by Mark Prudhomme in the seventh and then choking off a Spartan rally in the seventh.

Junior Charlie Avery worked the first six innings for Farmington, walking five and striking out six, and Derek Fox got the final three outs while limiting Stevenson's last-inning rally to one run.

Dave Viane led off the game with a solo home run to trigger a three-run first for the Falcons, 3-14 overall, 1-5 in the Lakes Division.

The Spartans (5-9 overall, 3-3 in the WLA) had scored twice in the top of the inning. Stevenson took a 4-3 in the second inning on a two-run double by Steve Anderson.

The score was tied, 4-4, after two innings. Prudhomme went 2-for-2 including his game-deciding single.

Anderson pitched the first six innings for Stevenson and took the loss. Chris Gons drove 2-for-4 and doubled.

Avery added a sacrifice fly for Farmington.

On Wednesday, Stevenson pounded Franklin, 14-4, banging out 13 hits while Jon Ritzer was striking out eight. Ritzer walked only one and allowed seven hits.

Joe Ruggiero had two hits for host Farmington, while Brian Waldo pitched the first four innings and was touched for eight runs.

Stevenson's Joe Suchara went 3-for-5. Anderson went 2-for-4 with two RBIs and Roy Babe went 2-for-4 with a pair of RBIs. Bert Wotyniak hit a three-run home run in the Spartans' six-run second.

Tuesday, host Stevenson was upended by Walled Lake Western, 11-0. The Spartans had 16 hits but made four errors. Gons drove in two runs and went 3-for-5. Anderson went 2-for-4 and Suchara had two RBIs in a 2-for-3 game.

**NORTHVILLE 11, GLENN 5:** Northville scored eight runs in the bottom of the first inning Wednesday to best visiting Westland John Glenn.

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# Northwood sweeps Madonna in twinbill

## COLLEGE BASEBALL

Madonna University found itself limping into the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference baseball playoffs with three consecutive losses.

In a non-conference twinbill Wednesday, the Crusaders fell to host Northwood University in Midland, 12-5 and 5-0.

On Tuesday, Madonna lost a single game to host Wayne State in Detroit, 17-3.

The three straight defeats left the Crusaders with a 25-24-1

overall.

Northwood's Tim Roberts tossed a four-hit shutout in the nightcap, facing just 24 batters. He struck out four and walked one.

Second baseman Jeff Warholik had two of the hits for Madonna.

Brad Mauer, the designated hitter, went 3-for-3 for Northwood.

Jeff Gutt (3-2) took the loss, giving up five runs on eight hits.

Northwood out-hit Madonna in the first game, 11-7, as catcher Scott Bunting went 3-for-3 with two RBIs. Kevin Ventimiglia clubbed a 3-run homer off losing pitcher E.J. Roman (4-1).

Right fielder Bob Hamp hit his

first homer of the year for the Crusaders. Catcher Delano Voletti clubbed his third.

Left field Pete Quinn and first baseman J.R. Taylor each had two hits in the loss to Wayne State.

Bob Mason, who gave up six runs on six hits in six innings, fell to 3-7. Reliever Nick Newman gave up nine runs on four hits in two innings.

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# Area's Best

## Observer team includes Canton trio

In the sport of girls gymnastics, the Western Lakes Activities Association was undoubtedly the best league in the state this year in terms of competitive teams and individual talent.

In the face of such formidable opposition, Observerland schools tended to be overshadowed by eight powerhouse teams as state champion Northville-Novis, Brighton and Hartland.

But area teams were still better than most and produced their share of standouts such as the eight girls on the 1998 All-Observer first team.

Farmington's Brook Rubin and Plymouth Canton teammates Marcie Emerick and Liz Fitzgerald are repeat selections on the all-area team.

Westland John Glenn's Stephanie Thompson, Farmington's Marie Law and Kelly Barenie and Plymouth Salem's Allison Bracht have moved up from the second team to the first. Completing this year's honor squad is Amy Driscoll of Canton.

### ALL AREA GYMNASTICS

#### 1998 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS GYMNASTICS

**FIRST TEAM**  
Marcie Emerick, junior, Plymouth Canton  
Liz Fitzgerald, sophomore, Plym. Canton  
Amy Driscoll, freshman, Plymouth Canton  
Brook Rubin, junior, Farmington  
Kelly Barenie, senior, Farmington  
Marie Law, senior, Farmington  
Stephanie Thompson, senior, Wals. Glenn  
Allison Bracht, sophomore, Plym. Salem

**SECOND TEAM**  
Anna Clark, junior, Farmington  
Liz Stoler, junior, Farmington  
Jamie Millietto, sophomore, Farmington  
Nicole Vaagens, senior, Plym. Canton  
Holly Graham, senior, Plymouth Canton  
Jessica Beach, junior, Westland Glenn  
Nicole Simonian, freshman, Wals. Glenn

#### HONORABLE MENTION

Farmington: Lauren Ouellette, Glenn; Kristen Costantino; Canton: Michelle Farnsworth, Kristen Schick, Natalie Wood; Salem: Beth Stenhepler, Kate DeRoche, Janine Schmedding, Emily Gaubetz; Clarencville: Gabbie Bennett.

#### ALL-AREA FIRST TEAM

**Marcie Emerick, junior, Canton:** Emerick was All-American in every event plus the all-around, according to Canton coach John Cunningham. She also made the all-region team and qualified for the all-around in the state meet.

After finishing fifth in the all-around at the regional, Emerick was injured in the state-meet team championships on Friday and was unable to compete Saturday in the individual events.

She was the Western Division vault champion in the Western Lakes Activities Association and was voted Can-

ton, she was third on bars, fifth on beam and sixth overall (34.90).  
Rubin's average scores were 8.32 on vault, 8.49 on bars, 8.48 on beam, 8.80 on floor and 34.09 all-around. She had high scores of 8.8 on vault, 9.15 on bars, 9.2 on beam and 9.2 on floor. Her best all-around was 35.90.

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and be a very good all-arounder at the state meet next year. She'll be a captain and a great asset as a leader and role model for the other gymnasts."

**Kelly Barenie, senior, Farmington:** Barenie earned a medal at the state meet, placing fifth in the vault competition. She was fourth in that event at a difficult regional. In the WLAAC competition, she tied for fifth place on vault.

Barenie's average scores were 8.45 on vault, 8.2 on bars, 8.04 on beam, 8.61 on floor and 33.31 all-around. Her best scores were 9.1, vault (state meet); 8.95, bars; 8.8, beam; 9.05, floor; and 34.05, all-around.

"I've seen Kelly mature over the last three years as a gymnast and a young lady," Herpich said. "It was very rewarding to see her do so well as a senior, because she always gave us 100 percent."

"Of all the events, the highest number of gymnasts qualify on vault. There might be 100 at the regional, but they still take only 10. To finish fifth in the state is a great achievement."

"Because it takes a team of four to get our scores, she was very consistent. We could count on her to put in a strong performance."

**Marie Law, senior, Farmington:** Law qualified for the state meet in floor exercise, finishing in a tie for sixth place at the regional with a season-best score of 9.1. At the WLAAC meet, she was ninth on floor and ninth overall with a 34.70 all-around total.

Law averaged 8.55 on vault, 8.51 on bars, 8.32 on beam, 8.76 on floor and 34.08 all-around. Her other high scores were 8.75 on vault and 9.05 on bars and beam. Law's best all-around was 35.35.

"Of all the gymnasts I've coached, which includes club girls, I think I've

seen the most improvement from Marie," Herpich said.

"She worked the hardest at perfecting each trick and event. As a coach, I think she probably accomplished more over four years than anyone I've coached in nine years now."

**Stephanie Thompson, senior, Glenn:** Rock solid. That's probably the best way to describe Thompson's final season with the Rockets. She made her third straight trip to the state finals and improved in every event.

"It was her best season score-wise," Glenn coach Debbie Hosen said. "Stephanie worked hard and had a lot of fun with it. Her bars improved tremendously this season."

Thompson averaged 8.1 for the vault and balance beam. She also averaged 8.5 in floor exercise and 8.7 on the uneven bars. She had an all-around average of 33.3. It was on the bars that Thompson qualified for the Division II state meet.

Thompson will attend the University of Michigan and participate on the cheerleading squad.

**Allison Bracht, sophomore, Salem:** Bracht was the only performer on Salem's team to make the state meet, where she recorded an 8.55 score on the vault and 8.45 on floor exercise.

"She's a very talented girl," Salem coach Melissa Hopson said, adding Bracht had her best meet against Canton. "She has a lot of potential to increase that talent and be among the best in the state."

"Her floor routine is very good, and she also has good vault form. She has a graceful quality that her that you don't often see in gymnasts. And it shows in how she performs."

"She progressed from the beginning of the season. Her scores got better and she got more confident."



Marcie Emerick, Amy Driscoll, Liz Fitzgerald



Allison Bracht, Kelly Barenie



Marie Law, Brook Rubin, Stephanie Thompson

## All-Area first team 1998

# Salem golfers compete at Pinckney Invitational

There's a time for intensity on the golf course and there's a time to relax.

For Salem High, Friday's Pinckney Invitational was a time for fun. Coach Rick Wilson did not have one objective for the Rocks, however.

"Our goal was to get some experience," he commented.

The invitational was set up as a best-ball tournament. Each school had three teams of two with the top two scores counting toward the overall team score.

Okemos won the tournament with a total of 161 while host Pinckney was second at 170. Salem placed 15th with a score of 203.

Jessica Hedges and Kim Tamme were the Rocks' top squad. They had a best-ball score of 93.

Grace Yelonek and Bridget Palumbo comprised Salem's second best score with a 110. Freshman Elise Stabnick and Taylor Robinson finished with a total of 117.

On Wednesday, the Rocks picked up their first dual meet victory of the season by stopping Northville 213-220 at Tanglewood Golf Club in South Lyon.

Hedges shot a 48 to lead the way. Angie Jones shot a 54, Tamme a 55 and Michelle Anger a 56.

"It was nice to have four scores in the 50s and to get that first win," Wilson said.

The coach said his team is on the upswing. "We're improving," he commented. "That's our goal."

LIVONIA STEVENSON 187 FARMINGTON HIGH 201 April 29 at Glen Oaks Stevenson scorers: Mara Maz-

soni, 44 (medalist); Carri Jarvis, 45; Jessica Makowski and Carli Heppner, 49 each. Farmington scorers: Cassie Jamison, 46; Katie Perry, 49; Carrie May and Laura Cunniff, 53 each. Dual meet scorers: Stevenson, 5-1 overall and 5-1 Western Lakes; Farmington, 2-2 overall.

### GIRLS TRACK

#### PLYMOUTH SALEM 106 FARMINGTON 30 April 30 at Farmington

Shot put: Tiffany Grubough (S), 33.0; discus: Grubough (S), 110.8; High Jump: Tiffany Reber (S), 4.8; Long Jump: Karine Chatman (F), pole vault: Kelly Van Putten (S), 6.6 (a school record); 100-meter hurdles: Reber (S), 17.1; 300 hurdles: Asha Chappell (S), 50.1; 100 dash: Rachel Jones (S), 12.8; 200: Kelly Barenie (F), 28.3; 400: Adam Hicks (S), 1:49.92; 800: Ann Marie Vercautere (S), 2:28.9; 1,600: Ellen Stemler (S), 5:37.20; 3,200: Dawons (F), 12:24.7; 400 relay: Salem (Jones, Wendy Leanhart, Jenni Frederick, Michelle Bonior), 52.4; 800 relay: Salem (Hicks, Leanhart, Bryne DeNeen, Jones), 1:49.9; 1,600 relay: Farmington (J), 4:36.5; 3,200 relay: Salem (Rachael Morantz, Lisa Johnson, Danielle Guerin, Shannon Witt), 11:15.5.

#### LIVONIA STEVENSON 98 1/3 WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 38 2/3 April 30 at Central

Shot put: Harden (WLC), 34.5; discus: Angela Alfonsi (LS), 131.3; high jump: Angelia Harden (WLC), 4.6; long jump: Nicole Dettloff (LS), 14.8; pole vault: Lin Dettloff and Katie Mitchell, 7.0 each; 100-meter hurdles: Mal onis (WLC), 17.1; 300 hurdles: Merritt (WLC), 49.6; 100 dash: Theresa Chenekoff (LS), 13.7; 200: Kristin Kulczicki (LS), 29.1; 400: Kelly McNeelance (LS), 1:03.1; 800:

Westland John Glenn 44 North Farmington 44 April 30 at Westland John Glenn Shot put: Melissa Gratz (NF), 36.9; discus: Gratz (NF), 131.10; High Jump: LaToya Chandler (JG), 5.7 (school record); old record was 5.6 by Chandler; long jump: Nicole Jarrett (JG), 15.2; pole vault: Lauren Turner (NF), 6.0; 100-meter hurdles: Nicole Herring (JG), 18.2; 300 hurdles: Herring (JG), 50.6; 100 dash: Kania Adams (JG), 12.9; 200: Felicia Barnett (JG), 27.9; 400: Jarrett (JG), 1:04.2; 800: Holly Stockton (NF), 2:45.2; 1,600: Sharon Ryan (JG), 6:08.3; 3,200: Ryan (JG), 13:32.4; 400 relay: John Glenn (Adams, Herring, LaToya Chandler, LaToya Chandler), 52.9; 800 relay: John Glenn (Herring, Adams, LaToya Chandler, Jarrett), 1:52.6; 1,600 relay: John Glenn (DeAnna McCargo, Adams, LaToya Lum, Kristen Frasier), 4:31.2; 3,200 relay: North Farmington, 11:07.2.

Dual-meet records: John Glenn, 3.3 overall; 2.1 WLAAC Lakes Division, North, 1.3 overall and 0.3 WLAAC Lakes Division.

# Crusaders' season ends at WHAC tournament

Madonna University's softball season came to a close Friday as the Crusaders fell 2-1 to Spring Arbor College in the Wolverine Hogsier Athletic Conference tournament.

With the game tied at one in the bottom of the third, Spring Arbor scored the game-winning run. The win sends the college into the NALA Regional Tournament next week.

Madonna closes the season with a record of 30-22-1. The Crusaders opened the scoring in Friday's game. Courtney Senger knocked in Shawna Green with a single.

Spring Arbor got the run back in the bottom of the frame. Angie VanDoorn went the distance for Madonna, allowing eight hits and walking one.

Madonna opened the WHAC tournament Thursday by taking two of three games. The Crusaders opened with a 3-1 loss to Aquinas College. Summer Brady pitched 5 2/3 innings of shutout relief to lead the Saints past Madonna.

The Crusaders led 1-0 going into the bottom of the third. Aquinas scored twice in that inning and never looked back. First baseman Courtney Senger had two of Madonna's five hits in the game.

Facing elimination, the Crusaders downed Siena Heights

College 8-1. Vicki Malkowski and Kristy McDonald provided much of the offensive firepower by knocking in five between them.

The Crusaders scored twice in both the first and second innings then added a single run in third to take a commanding 5-0 lead. Madonna pounded out 10 hits in all.

McDonald hit her first home run of the season in the victory. Madonna gained a measure of revenge in Thursday's finale by beating Aquinas 3-1.

Angie VanDoorn tossed a gem from the mound. She allowed just five Sanits' hits, no walks and struck two.

Still, the game remained tied at one until the fourth inning.

# P-C track squads shine

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Canton swept the 800-meter with Kane (2:06.5), Moore (2:06.6) and Blossom (2:09.4). Larsen won yet another event by running a 23.7 in the 200-meter. Howe was third at 25.0.

In the 3,200, Bryan Boyd finished second in 10:46.40 and Jerry Reynolds was third at 10:55.30.

**Salem 99, Farmington 38:** Competing at home Thursday, the Rocks simply overpowered Farmington in a Lakes Division showdown. Salem won nearly every event in improving its record to 5-0 overall and 3-0 in the division.

"We're running very well right now," coach Geoff Baker said. "The Rocks have big goals in mind this season. Baker said his team is shooting for division, league and regional titles. If that sounds like too much for one team to accomplish, it's not."

"We're a pretty balanced and deep team," he commented. The Rocks showed that depth through out Thursday's meet.

The team of Jon Little, Matt Anderson, Bobby Cushman and Andy Briggs won the 3,200-meter relay in 8:41.80. Dave Clemens posted a time of 15.6 to win the high hurdles.

In the 100-meter dash, Salem's Scott Kingslien took the victory in 11.4 seconds. The 800-meter relay team of Mike Shull, Chris Mason, Mark Sheehan and Kingslien won with a time of 1:35.5. That same squad captured first in the 400 relay (45.2).

Clemens took first in the intermediate hurdles with a time of 45.2. Ian Seary broke a 26-year-old school record to win the 800-meter.

He ran a 1:53.6, which bested the 1972 mark of Scott Dunston. "He has been flirting with 1:54 for awhile," Baker said. Shull placed first in the 200-meter dash in 23.3 seconds. Nick Allen garnered first in the 3,200-meter in 9:44.

The team of Briggs, Gabe Coble, Kingslien and Seary won the 1,600-meter relay (3:26.20). Coble placed first in the long jump (18-7 1/2).

Dave Hester won both throwing events. He was first in the shot put with a 48-2 and tops in the discus at 135-11.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTE: That a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 1998 during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider a request for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate on new machinery and equipment for Moeller Manufacturing Company, Inc., located at 43938 Plymouth Oaks Blvd., Plymouth Township, County of Wayne, Michigan.

The request of Moeller Manufacturing Company, Inc. is on file in the Clerk's Office where it is available for public perusal from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. When comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may consider the request.

The public hearing, commencing at 7:30 p.m., will be held in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, on Tuesday, May 12, 1998, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee meeting. Telephone number 453-3840 X 224.

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# Warner tries to keep dream alive in WNBA

The dream never dies. Just ask the 360 candidates who tried out Friday and Saturday for the Detroit Shock, the newest franchise in the Women's National Basketball Association.

The Highlands Lakes gym on the campus of Oakland Community College was a zoo to say the least, three courts going continuously from morning through afternoon and on until the evening.

These are the longshots, players not drafted or acquired from other WNBA teams who are vying for six spots when training camp begins May 12.

The Shock already has 10 of its 11-women roster filled, more or less. If you're lucky, one out of 360 may get a serious look. So what brings them out in force?

For former Livonia Franklin High All-State guard Dawn Warner, who had a distinguished collegiate career for Western Kentucky University, the dream continues.

At 23, Warner is two years removed as a Lady Hilltopper, an All-Sun Belt Conference player who played in both the NCAA and

NIT tournaments. "If I didn't try out, I'd regret it," said Warner, Michigan's 1991 Miss Basketball runner-up, who as a senior scored 47 points in a regional loss to Detroit Murray-Wright. "I hope they take some of the locals, but nobody really knows anyone's fate."

Former Iowa star Frantha Price, who led River Rouge to the state title as a junior, is now 31. And like Warner, it's obvious she can't divorce herself from the game.

"It's my life," Warner said. "If I could marry a basketball I would because I've carried it around since I've been in the second grade."

"I also miss competing. I hate to lose. And when you have something like that in your life you don't take it for granted."

At 5 feet-7 inches and 125 pounds, Warner might be classified as undersized for the women's professional league.

She survived several cuts during a tryout session last year in Atlanta, Ga. in the rival American Basketball League before being let go.

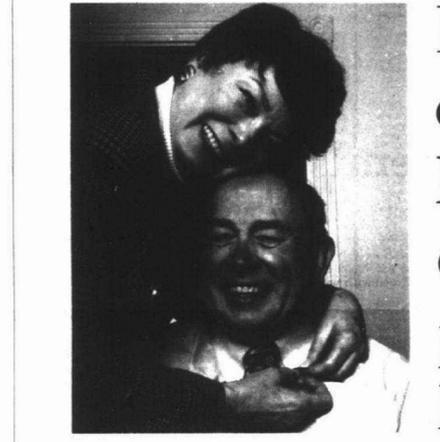
"It was a great learning experience, but they said with my body and size I was just too scrawny and wouldn't last during a 52-game season," Warner said. "I'd love to go ahead here and it would be a dream for anybody to make a team like this."

What are scouts and coaches from the Shock exactly looking for in a gong-show format?

"We've attracted some good talent and I'd say at least 50 percent played college basketball, many in Division I," said Shock assistant coach Chris Collins, the former Duke player and son of ex-Piston coach Doug Collins. "Obviously in this setting it's hard to evaluate."

"But what you're basically looking for is skill level, athleticism and versatility. You look and see how a player competes, their attitude and their rapport with the other players and coaches. It's a combination of all those things."

"We just have to narrow the best six down because we have holes at all positions." Long shots have made it.



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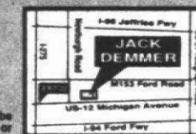
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