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Heartfelt gesture: Krystal Lynett, 16, of Canton pins a white ribbon on Jessica Young, 17. of Canton (at right) as other Plymouth Salem High School students sign a banner expressing sympathy and support for students in Littleton, Colo. PCEP Close-Up students handed out the ribbons to students, faculty and staff members Monday at both high schools during lunch.

Security tightened in wake of Colorado school shootings

BY TONY BRUSCATO

Security was a bit tighter at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Tuesday as rumors persisted among students that something like the Colorado shootings would occur.

Canton police sent two bike patrol officers to Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem high schools to help the liaison police officers and high school security team in case of

No problems occurred. However, Canton Public Safety Department Director John Santomauro said his department will continue to patrol the high schools

Santomauro met with public and private school officials Tuesday to give an overview of what his department can do in case of a critical incient at any school in Canton.

The meeting was in response to hundreds of calls to his department and to schools in light of the Columbine High School shootings in

Littleton, Colo.

"Most of us didn't anticipate the amount of reaction we're getting," Santomauro told the group, repre-senting approximately 10 schools. "All of us are surprised by the reaction we've gotten from parents."

Judging by the calls his department has received, Santomauro said, "there's almost some level of panic out there with parents. Some of the calls are real alarming. The rumors potentially have some real

Please see SECURITY, A2

Course addition a bogey for some

■ The Canton Township Board of Trustees has approved the site plan for the expansion of Pheas-ant Run Golf Club over protests from some adjacent homeowners.



BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oe.home

A \$3-million expansion of Pheasant Run Golf Club moved one step closer to reality Tuesday night

Canton's Board of Trustees unanimously approved a site plan for the nine-hole addition. While trustees

appeared enthusiastic about the expansion, not ... everyone was as happy.

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"We're disappointed in how we felt we were misled," Stonebridge Way resident Gordon Jones said. "Not just us, but eight families. We're not happy about it."

Jones lives adjacent to the expansion area. Builders assured him and his neighbors that vacant land behind their homes wouldn't be developed, he said.

"We were told it was protected wetlands," Jones said, "and that there would be no further development.

Plans for the golf holes originally called for only a 75-foot setback from the homes. Canton Administrative and Community Services Director Dan Durack said that setback was changed twice to accommodate residents' wishes.

"We went to 100 feet then 150 feet," he said.
"They wanted a 300-foot buffer but we couldn't
make that work and still get the golf holes in." Durack showed trustees a five-minute video

Please see COURSE ADDITION, A4

Interest cut on bonds Canton to sex shops: will lower court costs

BY TONY BRUSCATO

While groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Dunbar Davis Hall of Justice are being put together for next Monday, 35th District Court officials have already received a break on their mortgage pay-

The court has sold \$4.25 million in bonds to help pay for the \$8.25 million project, with interest rates coming in lower than expected.

"We received four bids, with the lowest headed by Prudential Securities with a

net interest rate of 4.85 percent," said Bob Bendzinski, a municipal finance adviser. "We were very pleased, since we had been expecting interest rates to come in at about 5.5 percent."

What it means in real money is about \$30,000 a year, Bendzinski said. The court will pay \$340,000 per year for years instead of \$370,000 per year for 20

"We're very pleased to hear that," said Court Administrator Kerry Erdman. With the project taking so long to get off the ground because we wanted to make

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BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

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Selling sex in Canton just got a lot

Township trustees tabled a sexually oriented business ordinance Tuesday after its first reading. It must now go through a second reading and is expected to go into effect by May 20.

Everything from adult bookstores and movie theaters to nude modeling facilities will have a more difficult time setting up shop in Canton when the ordinance goes into effect.

Public Safety Director John Santomauro said the township wanted to create guidelines before a business tried to open, to be proactive instead of

"We had nothing in place to license such establishments," he added. "We knew it wasn't going to be a matter of if it will happen, but when it will hap-

The ordinance was initiated by Canton Public Safety about a year ago. Since then, township police, planning.

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Organizers look to event to light the way

PRAYER BREAKFAST

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

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This year's Community Prayer Breakfast will be held Thursday, May 6, at the Sum-

According to chairwoman Phyllis Redfern, the event's purpose is to bring Canton and Plymouth closer together. It will also stress the importance of prayer in daily

We're a group of Canton and Plymouth people who are trying to bring area churches together," said Redfern. "We want to bring everyone in the communities togeth-

Reservations for the breakfast, which

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Training sessions are scheduled for 6:30 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 15, and 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday, May 19, at CompUSA in the Novi Town Center, Each session will last two and a half hours, after which, Roberto said, you will be ready to set up your site.

The \$15 fee includes training, materials

and refreshments. You can fill out the attached coupon and send a check payable to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers or register online with a credit card at this

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members or participants can access it. Or you can keep some areas public and make others private. It's all up to you.

Roberto said that while other services offer free Web sites, the mihometown comsite is able to serve community organizations and bring them all together on the main page. He compared that to the community news provided by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

"We offer community news in our newspapers and our online services. Mihometown.com completes the service by offering groups the ability to promote themselves and by serving as a community resource for these groups. The service is available for schools, PTAs,

school clubs, libraries and government

agencies as well as such diverse organizations as churches, arts and culture groups sports and recreation clubs and teams. alumni associations and so

Roberto said that groups that already have a Web site might want to set up another one through mihometown com simply because of the sense of community of having many local sites accessible through one source.

"There's strength in numbers by combining

many organizations in one place," he said. And he plans to promote the service through newspaper advertising and through the oconline com and observereccentric com Web sites

The notion of Build your own Web site and they will come is not working for many people," he said. "There are millions of sites out there and they aren't always easy to

Security from page A1

tomauro told the group his artment has a plan in place ust in case a situation like that in Colorado were to occur at the high

"We have a tactical operations plan for the high school, which has been intact for more than six years, of what we're going to do and how we're going to respond," said Santomauro. "Last year we had our special operations team meet with school personnel to make sure it's still functional, and o provide some levels of training for staff personnel."

Canton police Officer Mike Steckel said rumors are persistent

"There are a lot of rumors floating around, and every one is being ooked into," said Steckel. "So far, every one has been unfounded."

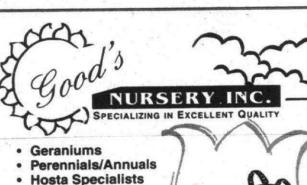
Plymouth Salem High School principal Gerald Ostoin noted "there have been a few hundred calls, and we've been running ragged checking out every single an internal plan with the teachers and an external plan with the police department if anything happens. I think parents are satisfied we are doing everything we can."

Ostoin and Canton High School principal Patricia Patton sent a six-paragraph letter to parents in an effort to ease the fears. The letter, in part, states:

"You need to know that we take our responsibility as for your children's safety as seriously as you do. It is not possible to guard against every conceivable event. However, an emergency action plan is in place."

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dent Chuck Little is satisfied everything possible is being done

to prevent a disaster at the high "We've taken every precaution we can to address the rumors, and I think we've done everything we can," said Little. "I understand people being concerned. And I'm

numbers of people in one place." While Santomauro stressed that his department will help any public or private school in Canton, it appears most of the concerns are at the high schools.

concerned anytime there are large

"Quite frankly, we haven't had any concerns expressed at our school," said Mary Rita Allen, principal at All Saints School in Canton. "I think parents feel safe since we've just completed our security system, putting in doorbells and locks and video cameras

at entrances to the school." "The kids at our school are talking about it and recognizing there are some students who need help, added Bonnie Varney from Plymouth Christian Academy "They're also recognizing that what they can do in response is just being kind, which is really

stressed at our school." The school district is holding an informational program for parents to tell them on how to spot "atrisk" behaviors, and discuss safer Internet use for children and

The meeting begins 7 p.m. tonight in the Canton High School Little Theater.

Prayer breakfast from page A1

will be held from 7:30 to 9 a.m., can be reserved by calling (734) 495-9253. Tickets are \$10 while \$80 reserves a table

The Community Prayer Breakfast, which is sponsored by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, broke away from the Canton Community Foundation several years ago.

A committee made up of both Canton and Plymouth residents has worked since then to coordinate the event. A kickoff luncheon, which was attended by 13 local church representatives, was held about a month ago at Sheldon Place in Canton. Redfern said the committee

has worked hard, but has also had a little help. "We try to listen to what God's direction is," she said, "to see what direction he wants the

prayer breakfast to take." Motivational speaker Carol Kent highlights the ninth annual event. A Port Huron resident, she regularly appears on national radio and television broad-

Kent heads up "Speak Up With Confidence" seminars, which aims to help Christians develop communication skills. She holds a master's degree in communication arts and a bachelor's in speech education.

Redfern said Kent will speak for about 30 minutes. Her talk will touch on the breakfast's "Light Your World with Prayer"



theme, she added.
The gospel band "Resurrec-

1986, the three-man group has performed at numerous events around the country.

A continental breakfast will be served. Redfern said it will consist of coffee, juices and baked

tion" will also be featured. Since

Last year, 230 people attended the prayer breakfast. Redfern is hoping for a few more this time. "We want it to continue to grow," she said

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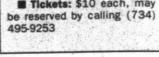
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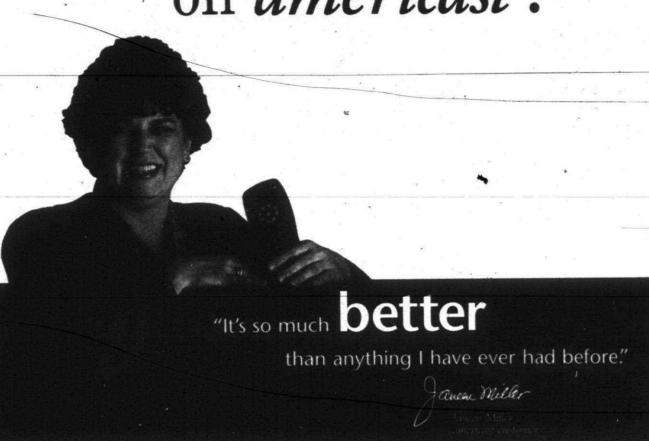
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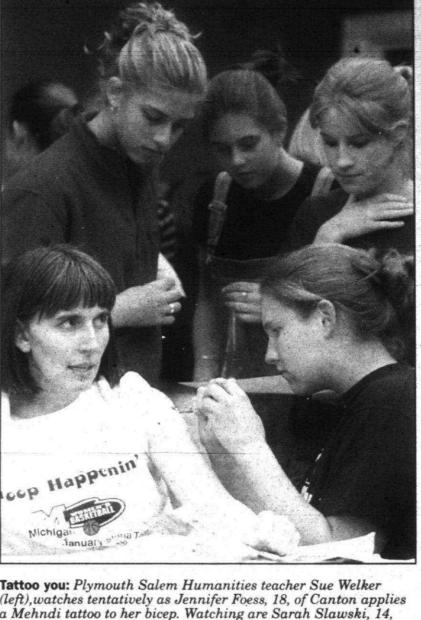
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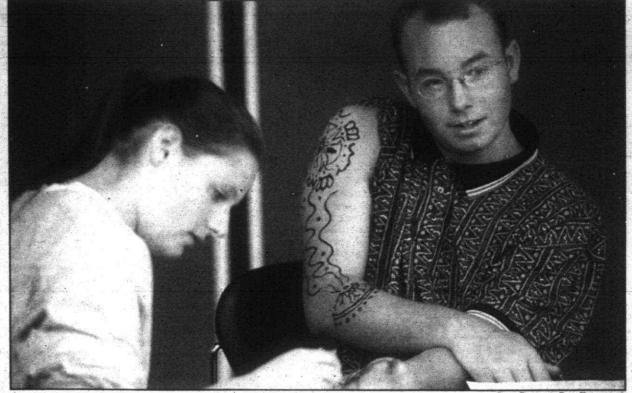




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(left), watches tentatively as Jennifer Foess, 18, of Canton applies a Mehndi tattoo to her bicep. Watching are Sarah Slawski, 14, and her sister Krista, 18, of Plymouth, and Kelly Stropes, 17, of Plymouth. In the photo above, Joe Mullally, 17, of Canton wonders what his friends will think when they see his Mehndi tattoo. being applied by Jaclyn Bernard, 18, of Canton.



Body language

Library offers lessons in temporary tattooing

he Plymouth District Library Temporary tattooing has a long Teen Advisory Board present- history based in Egypt. Teens in ed an introduction to Mehndi attendance had an opportunity to (henna tattoo) at the library last learn about the history and rituals week featuring Professional Mehn- of the art of Mehndi, and then got di artist Colleen Flannery of Mil- to experiment with the techniques



Friends: Jacquelyn Daane, 11, of Plymouth watches her friend Ariel Schepers, 10, (not shown) receive her Mehndi tattoo.

Police: Woman abducted, released by ex-boyfriend

was the victim of kidnapping

According to township police reports; the woman was taken from her home in the 40000 block of Holmes by a 20-year-old former boyfriend from Westland.

to talk, reports said. At his urg- A Michigan Avenue business ing, the 17-year-old got into his

Reports said that she kept at some point the man pulled her in, locked the door and dro off. He then drove the car to Plymouth with the Canton woman trying to escape the entire time.

Finally, after about 20 minutes, the man dropped her off at a party store at the corner of Warren and Canton Center roads. Township police later arrested the man on charges of kidnapping.

Larceny

About \$1,000 worth of wooden studs were stolen from a construction site at Palmer and Lotz roads April 21.

Reports said 400-500 studs were taken from a model home at the site. Police have no sus-

B & E

More than \$200 worth of personal items and cash were stolen from a 21-year-old Canton woman's home April 21.

According to police reports, an unknown subject used a cinder block to smash open a bedroom door wall. Once inside the home, the thief took a TV and \$60 cash. About \$300 worth of damage was done to the home, reports added.

Retail fraud

Canton police arrested a man attempting to steal a knife from Super K-mart on Ford Road Fri-

Loss prevention officers saw the man, who wasn't further identified by reports, take three items into a store bathroom including the knife, a battery and fuse plug. Reports said the man had only two of the items in hand when he exited the bathroom.

The man was then taken to the loss prevention office, where

he fought with officers. Canton Police later arrested the man for retail fraud and possession of a

dangerous weapon. The man stopped by her home Stolen vehicles

reported two of its mopeds stolen

The mopeds were parked in both legs outside of the car, but front of Snappy's Pizza, a firm that distributes pizza fliers, late Friday evening. A store owner

edge or approval. The mopeds are valued at

\$1.500. Police have no suspects. Home invasion

The home of a 41-year-old

later noticed both vehicles had

Canton woman was broken into Friday. She told police that she had placed a cell phone and her

purse on a kitchen counter. When she woke up the next morning, both items were gone. More than \$400 in cash and valuables were taken, report said.

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Sex shop law from page Al Golf course sued over name

building and clerk's offices have crafted it. Prior to the ordinance, Sanomauro said sexually oriented

usinesses only had to meet zoning requirements to begin operating.
Potential businesses will now have to meet stringent standards including licensing, special

land use and site plan approvals, among others. "Our regulations are pretty tough," Canton Clerk Terry Ben-

nett said. Santomauro agreed. He thinks the ordinance will have a chilling effect on sexually oriented

sinesses locating in Canton.

The director said such businesses are more likely to go to other communities where ordinances don't exist. According to Bennett, the ordi-

nance will limit sexually oriented business to areas with heavy commercial usage. Only a handful of areas in the township fall under "C-3" zoning, including parts of Michigan Avenue and near I-275 on Ford Road, she

"There are not a lot of locations for them to build," Bennett Additionally, the ordinance prohibits a sexually oriented

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The township will issue a oneyear license for the businesses and each employee. Canton Police Lt. Pat Nemecek said potential employees will be subject to criminal background

"It will be similar to a liquor control background check," he added. "This is sort of going along those lines. It'll let us track who is coming into these

worship, educational facilities

including day care centers - a

residential district, public recre-

ation areas, other entertainment

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Violation of the ordinance will carry a misdemeanor charge. Nemecek said it will be punishbusinesses within 1,000 feet of able by 90 days in jail and/or a

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What's in a name? Everything, apparently, when you're talking about a golf course. Owners of a suburban Chicago resort are suing Canton over its use of "Pheasant Run'

for its 18-hole course. The township, they say, violated federal copyright laws protecting that name and a similar logo used in promoting the resort. Supervisor Tom Yack thinks the lawsuit lacks merit.

"The rationale given is a stretch," he added, "that somehow we're in competition for golfers with them. I don't think anyone is going to mistake our course for a resort."

Resort officials weren't available for comment. The suit was filed by Pheasant year ago. The community sits an Andrew Pellerito owns a ninehole course in Zeeland, Mich., a

hour west of Chicago. The case is currently in disovery, or a fact-finding stage, in U.S. District Court in Detroit.

The Illinois resort is trying to force Canton into changing its course name. No monetary compensation is being sought. Canton Administrative and

Community Services Director Dan Durack is hoping a U.S. Supreme Court ruling will make the suit moot. A ruling on a similar case is expected by October. "We feel we don't in any way infringe on any of their business

operations," said Durack. At least four other courses in the U.S. and Canada carry the "Pheasant Run" name. Several received similar lawsuits from

Canton's Pheasant Run Golf PHEASANT RUN GOLF CLUB Club opened in 1995 while the resort was started exactly 30 years earlier. Resort officials learned of Canton's Pheasant Run from a national golf maga-

> he was forced to change his course's name to "The Pheasant" owners say Canton borrowed its "We're very much a low-end, beginner course," Pellerito said. 'We didn't have the financial

A Rogers, Minn., course was also recently forced to change by the resort. In operation since 1989, the facility is now known

suburb of Grand Rapids. He said

as "Pheasant Acres." Courses also exist in LaGrange, Ohio, and Sharon, Ontario, Canada. An official from the Ohio course said they had not been sued while no one was available for comment from the Canadian course.

logo design - a rising pheasant with a moon in the background. Yack denied that charge saying that no one in the township had knowledge of the resort logo during the design process. "Any similarities are coinci-

dental," he added. If court rulings go against the township, Yack said they would have to look long and hard at continuing to fight.

"It wouldn't be the end of the world if we have to change the

Course addition from page A1

and the homes. A wooded area

runs along the homes' property line near their rear yards. From the video, it appeared that the golf course wouldn't be

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floor of their homes, however.

dents have said that the course would be seen from the second The township, Durack said, would add tree screening to the

buffer area to block that view as well. He thinks the township has

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course," Durack said. The expansion, which will be paid for with bonds, encompasses 60 acres west of Beck Road in the upcoming Central Park planned development district, 14 would start by Pheasant Run's acres east of Beck with Links clubhouse. West PDD and 10 acres within the Lower River Rouge PDD. Pheasant Run opened in 1995.

"With a 150-foot buffer you

will back up to the woods and

you won't be able to see the

Original course designer Arthur Hills is handling expansion plans for the township. Durack is hoping construction of the new nine holes will begin this fall and be completed next

new links would open in July of addressed residents' desire to preserve wooded areas and sepa- 2001, he added. The course configuration will rate their homes from the change when the holes do open. Pheasant Run's existing from

> nine will stay intact. The back nine will be mixed and matched with new holes to create sepa-Durack said the configuration had to be changed so that each of the three nine-hole courses

"The flow of the course will work," he added. "We see this as an enhancement of the course." Increased demand made the expansion feasible, Durack said.

During our busy times," he said, "we're booked to capacity We felt there was a market there for additional holes.









County sues gun makers, dealers

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

Wayne County filed a lawsuit Monday seeking \$400 million in damages from 35 gun manufacturers, distributors and dealers.

Six county officials believe that gun manufacturers, distributors and dealers are liable for damages because they have acted with negligence by failing to supervise gun sales by dealers named in the complaint.

To support the county's argument, officials showed surveillance videos of investigators conducting stings on gun dealers allegedly selling to people identified to the dealers as minors or

The city of Detroit and Mayor Dennis Archer also filed a similar complaint. The county's complaint includes Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, Prosecutor John D. O'Hair, County Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon, and Commissioners Edna Bell, Robert Blackwell and Kathleen Husk. As a commissioner, Husk represents Redford and part of Livonia.

Investigation County officials decided to sue after a four-month investigation. Several months ago, gang members told Wayne County and Detroit police investigators that straw nurchases - that is a purchase of a gun by a felon or an chaser was a felon, another a underage person buying a gun juvenile.

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One dealer said: "This is highthrough a partner who is a qualified purchaser - were common illegal" - not once, but twice. throughout Wayne County. A dealer in Detroit joked about The county said a recent study how a parent may cry about guns and a murdered son, all

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Under Michigan law, rifles "I've seen it five times, and every time I see it, I can't believe and shotguns may not be sold to someone feels that way," McNapersons under 18. Selling and mara said. delivering handguns or handgun "It gives you a sense of what a ammunition to anyone under 18 oke this all is to them," said also is prohibited.

"sickening."

Mike Duggan, deputy county Between March 31 and April 9 1999 undercover teams from Duggan said the lawsuit the Wayne County Sheriff's sought damages for Wayne Office, Wayne County Prosecu-County taxpayers, who must tor's Office and Wayne County pick up the tab for crimes com-Airport police teamed in undermitted with guns, including the cover sting operations to buy jail, the criminal courts, the weapons at 10 different gun prosecutor's office and the

morgue. County officials esti-County officials said in each case the person trying to buy the mate they have spent \$440 million in the last 10 years, weapon advised the dealer early County officials believe the in the transaction he was either gun manufacturers sell thoua convicted felon or underage, sands of guns to local dealers and that his friend, the straw purchaser, would have his name allow straw purchases. "The on the legal paperwork. manufacturers of handguns are Illegal purchase 'willfully blind' to what the deal-

ers are doing," Duggan said. Of the 10 dealers, eight sold In the complaint, the county chase. The eight gun dealers are has cited a sworn statement made by Robert Hass, a former located in Inkster, Taylor and vice president of marketing and Detroit. Reporters were shown video of the sales where the sales for Smith & Wesson, who dealers were told that the pur- the complaint attributes a statement that the company and the industry "are fully aware of the

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The black market in handguns "is not simply the result of stolen guns but is due to the seepage of guns into the illicit market from multiple thousands of unsupervised federal' handgun licensees," Hass said, according to the complaint.

Duggan emphasized that the lawsuits weren't aimed at stopping the sales of guns to qualified purchasers, only to ensure that manufacturers make certain that their products were

The county believes the failure to supervise those dealers has led to criminal activity, violence and death, which makes the manufacturers liable for damages caused. From 1990-98, 5.264 children ages 16 and under were arrested and charged with carrying a concealed weapon in Wayne County. Detroit police are confiscating who they "should have known" 4,000 guns a year from the street, double of that rate just

> In 1997 and 1998, more than 100 youths 18 and under were killed by gunfire in Wayne County, an average of one a

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Lobbyist calls lawsuit 'attempt to get money'

O'Donnell calls lawsuits Robert O'Donnell, a legislaagainst gun manufacturers a tive vice president for the "pretty poorly veiled attempt Michigan Rifle and Pistol Association and a member of the board of directors for the Michigan Coalition of Responsible Gun Owners, believes the gun sales industry probably is the most regulated ndustry in the United States

and that the alleged actions of

a few dealers shouldn't ruin

reputation of the law-abiding

"Most federally licensed firearms dealers are very honest, family-oriented people," O'Donnell said. "To demonize

the industry because of the criminal use of firearms is intellectually lazy." O'Donnell cites statistics from the National Rifle Asso-

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89, of Canton were April 18 in Ver-

Riverlawn Cemetery in Marysville

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Court costs from page A1

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack
Staff Present: Durack, Ager, Martin, Weidenbach

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to add a closed session to the

agenda for the purpose of discussion of purchase of property. Motion

Supervisor Yack introduced Don Soenen, President of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, and Chair of Partnership for the Arts. Proposals are

Discussion topics included school participation/partnership, possible site

locations, theater ambience, seating capacity, compatibility of users,

Director Durack introduced Mary Jane Weidenbach, Chair of CDBG and Lonny Zimmerman from Siegal/Tuomaala. He gave a background on the

Canton Human Services Center (CHSC). In January 1999, the consultant

met with a study team consisting of staff members from Engineering

Services, Planning, Resources Development, the Building Official, and Director Durack. The study team reviewed the options of adding to the

existing facility or demolishing the existing building and building new. The consensus of the committee was that building a new facility was preferable.

Lonny Zimmerman presented drawings of the existing building and the two options proposed for the CHSC and reviewed renovation, redesign, demolition and constructions costs for both options.

Discussion and questions. Topics included site demolition and building demolition costs, disposal cost for demolition, and other possible sites for

Mike Ager, Resource Development, reviewed the budgeting for the

early as next spring and that the project could be entirely funded through

Consensus of the Board was to proceed with the demolition of the existing

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to move to a closed session at

8:23 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of property purchase. Motion carried unanimously. All Board members were present along with Director Durack. Motion by Shefferly, supported by Burdziak, to return to open session and

The above is a synopsis of discussions taken at the Regular Board meeting held on April 20, 1999. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of the

adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

building and construction of a new facility and to investigate other

Township owned property for site location

ed construction. He was optimistic that construction could begin as

ongoing funding sources, operating cost, management

being sought for a final needs assessment and detailed business plan.

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ITEM 2 EXPANSION OF HUMAN SERVICES CENTER

certain everything was done right, it worked out perfectly." The delay appears to have worked in the favor of the court, allowing the bonds to be sold in a favorable market.

"These are probably the lowest rates we've seen in nearly 30 years," added Bendzinski. "It's a good time to be in the market."

Of the total project cost, the remaining \$4 million will be paid with \$2.4 million in insurance proceeds, plus another \$1.6 million in

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

since the July 1997 fire. They include Canton Township, Plymouth Township, Northville Township, Plymouth and

Groundbreaking at 4 p.m. Monwas born Aug. 30, 1909, in day will certainly be ceremonial as Ontario, Canada, and died April contractors have been working at 16 in Livonia. the site since March 8.

Survivors include her son, The 44,000-square-foot building Richard A. (Linda) Ford of Canton will be three stories high and three grandchildren, John (Tess) house four courtrooms. Completion Ford of Texas, Robert Ford of Canexcess court revenues that have of the project is scheduled for been held back from the five local March 2000. ton and Kristine (Jason) Hunt of Canton; and four great-grandchildren, Courtney, Ashley, Andrew

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, April 20, 1999 at 1150 South Canton Center Road. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

JOSE VEGA

Services for Jose Vega, 95, of Canton were held at Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Ceme-

Born June 18, 1903, in Seroni, Spain, Mr. Vega worked as an automotive inspector. He died April 18 in Canton.

He is survived by his daughter, Marie Oltersdorff of Westland;

OBITUARIES Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westbrother, Rafael Vega of Spain; two grandchildren; one great-grand-child; niece, Karen Pelez, and land. Burial was in Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta,

nany other nieces and nephews He was preceded in death by his father, Francisco Vega, and moth-er, Marie Antoinette Vega.

Services for Flora Murphy, 84, Canton were April 19 at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Garden City with the Rev. Michael Kirila officiating. Burial was in Knollwood Memorial Park in Can-

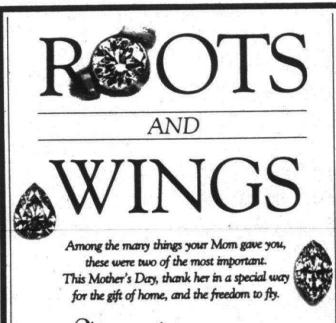
Mrs. Murphy was born Feb. 1, 1915, in Ledford, Ill., and died April 14 at home. She worked as a seamstress in

women's apparel.

Mrs. Murphy was preceded in death by her husband, William; brothers, Trefan, Theodore, Charles, George; and a sister, Nettie Ottinger. She is survived by a sister, Mary

(Thomas) Crowe of Florida; and many nieces, nephews and greatnieces and great-nephews. RAY ELWART

Services for Dr. Ray Elwart, 73, of Wayne were April 22 at St. Aloysius Catholic Church with funeral arrangements made by



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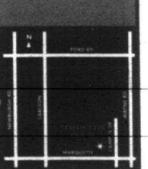
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Services for Rose D. Bagnasco 85, were Thursday, April 29, at St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth Township with the Rev. Dr. Elwart was a chiropractic doctor. He was born March 4,

William Pettit officiating. Mrs. Bagnasco was born Sept. 23, 1913, in Detroit and died April 26 in Plymouth. She was a homemaker and

He was preceded in death by his father, Anthony Elwartowski, and his mother, Mary Elwartowski. He is survived by his wife, Mary; assistant in the food division. son, Daniel (Dolly) Elwart of Dear-She moved from Florida to Plyborn Heights; daughters, Linda Atkinson of Romulus and Cynthia mouth in 1988 and also lived in Rogers City, Mich. (Michael) Shaft of Plymouth;

brother, Walter Elwartowski of Phoenix, Ariz.; sister, Geraldine Roberts of Winter Springs, Fla.; granddaughters Jackie, Joy and Sher Elwart and Alexis, Kayla and Heather Shaft; grandsons, Derek and Devin Atkinson, Jacob, Jason in Dearborn and Rogers City. She and Joshua, Scott and Shane was a hospital volunteer in Rogers Elwart, Ben, Jeremy, Jonathon and Jordan Shaft: and five greatgrandchildren, Abigail, Sabrina,

CRAIG ALLEN JANIK Services for Craig Allen Janik, 37, of Canton were April 22 at Santeiu Chapel in Garden City with the Rev. Jack Baker of St. Mary Catholic Church presiding. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemeery in Dearborn Heights.

Emily, Olivia and Zachery Elwart

1926, in Ecorse and died April 20

n Detroit. His practice was in

Romulus until 1998.

Mr. Janik was born July 5, 1961 in Garden City and died April 19 in Detroit. He was a locksmith. Survivors include seven brothers, Edwin (Linda) Janik, Robert Janik, Terry Janik, Shawn (Julie) Janik, Darryl (Nicole) Janik, Dar ren (Lorie) Janik, Michael Janik; three sisters, Candace (George)

Sharp, Kim (Matt) Redlinger and

Roxanne (Kenny) Duneske

ROSE D. BAGNASCO

worked for the Ford Motor Co. from 1957 to 1968 as an executive

She was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth Township, a member of the Women's Guild at St. Kenneth and a member of St. Mary's of Redford Mother's Club and Altar Society. She was a Red Cross volunteer

She enjoyed swimming, yoga, cooking and loved family gather

Mrs. Bagnasco was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph, in

the Schrader-Howell Funeral

Home of Plymouth

She is survived by two sons. Thomas (Gail) Bagnasco of Water ford and Joseph (Mary) Bagnasco of Plymouth; two sisters, Eleanor tice survey found that 40 percent Gaviglio of Farmington Hills and least some crimes for fear their Virginia Bagnasco of Farmington Hills; six grandchildren; and seven victims were armed and 34 pergreat-grandchildren. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre shot at by armed victims;

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High court backs Engler on state board issue

The Michigan Supreme Court has upheld Gov. John Engler's effort to strip the State Board of Education of much of its power, particularly its

regulation of so-called "charter schools." The high court's 5-2 party-line decision was a rebuff to Democratic board members who had challenged the constitutionality of Engler's two December 1996 executive orders. The board members, led by Kathleen Straus of Detroit, argued that their constitutional powers had been trod on

The five Republican justices - Elizabeth Weaver James Brickley, Clifford Taylor, Maura Corrigan and Robert Young Jr. - didn't write an opinion. Instead, they adopted the entire text of a Court of

board's ultimate authority over our educational system, we hold that the governor has made no appointed nor directly overseen by the Legislature improper transfer of its powers or responsibilities. or the judiciary, the board must be part of the We further hold that the executive orders at issue executive branch. There is no fourth branch of govare within the scope of the governor's authority ..." ernment."

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Lawsuit from page A5 Accidental firearms deaths are at their lowest rates in 74 99.8 percent of all firearms years, which O'Donnell

in the U.S. are used lawfully. attributes to the industry's On about 2.5 million occaefforts at promoting gun safety sions, handguns have been used annually to prevent a crime or The NRA said it has spent \$100 million on firearm safety and injury, according to a survey education programs over the past eight years. A U.S. Department of Jus-

WORLD

Accidental deaths of children at 138 annually are far exceeded of felons chose not to commit at by the 9,700 killed in traffic. "More children die of drowning in bathtubs, ingesting poisons, cent admitted being scared or falls and accidental injuries, said O'Donnell.

O'Donnell doesn't believe law-Americans believe people should suits and more laws are the

"They are learning to attack while 72 percent favor stiffer an industry for financial gain sentences for criminals who use and advancing a political gain," 4 gun in crime rather than more O'Donnell said.

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Appeals opin- "Given that the governor has protected the ion upholding board's ultimate authority over our educational systhmate the Depart. ment of Educaconcluded: improper transfer of its powers or responsibilities.' tion is part of the executive Michigan Supreme Court branch and

of reorganization. Engler transferred many board

Public Instruction Art Ellis.

powers to its top hired hand, Superintendent of

"Because members of the board are neither

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ernor's powers

Cavanagh and Marilyn Kelly. "Article 8, sec. 3 explicitly vests the Board of Education with (l)eadership and general supervision over public education," Cavanagh wrote. "It also subordinates the superintendent to the authority of the board, making him responsible for the execution of the

board's mandates Cavanagh called Engler's arguments "superfi cial," saying they "fail to give weight to the consti-tutional authority vested in the Board of Education. The governor cannot reorganize the Department of Education in such a way that infringes the board's constitutional role, regardless of whether the executive order purports merely to shift 'statu-



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Award-winning journalist takes over state beat

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.home

A 22-year veteran community journalist who has won numerous awards for his work will succeed Tim Richard as the news service regional editor for Home-Town Communications Network.

Mike Malott, 43, of Commerce Township served as managing editor of The Northville News and The Novi News, both part of the HomeTown Communications Network. That network also includes Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, the Mirror News-

Retiring: Tim Richard

plans to spend more time

training his dog, Sheila.

papers, HomeTown Newspapers and Lansing Community Newspapers, totaling 39 newspapers with a circulation of 420,000.

Malott will be covering state

government, ranging from the

Legislature, regional agencies and the courts. Malott said he had his eye on his new position even when he covered state government for another newspaper in the late

get back," Malott said. "I think the state is a critical part of our coverage," Malott said. "The state sets all the rules

1980s. "I've always wanted to

for school districts, cities, townships and counties. A lot of the policy begins at the state level."

For Malott, the challenge is to decipher policy decisions and craft it for readers to understand. "It's important to find out why the policy is being set, and why this is important in their daily lives," Malott said.

Malott was honored as Home-Town Newspapers Journalist of the Year in 1992. He has won numerous awards from the Michigan Press Association, the National Newspaper Association and Suburban Newspapers of

Richard praised Malott. "He has a very inquiring mind," Richard said. "He's an extremely sharp person."

Richard, who worked with Malott, remembers watching Malott plan his coverage, instructing a Novi reporter to look for certain crimes, particularly drunken driving. The police chief gave a quarterly report to the city council, in which he reported 14 drunken driving arrests, when the reporter found three, all non-residents of that community, Richard said.

"That made Mr. Malott extremely suspicious that certain kinds of important misdeeds were not being reported by the police," Richard said. "This is the kind of person who will be doing this job."

As a managing editor for The Novi News and The Northville Record, Malott was responsible for managing a staff of 11. assigning stories, editing copy, writing editorials and laying out the newspaper. In 1990, Malott served as a managing editor at

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Mike Malott

Tim Richard, veteran newsman, ends 32-year career at O&E

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.home

Anyone who files a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act probably has veteran newspaperman Tim

Richard to thank. Though Richard downplays his role in the passage of that law and the Open Meetings Act, his advocacy on that issue helped get the news service regional editor for HomeTown Communications Network elected to the Michigan Journalism

Hall of Fame last year. And this week, Richard, 63, has decided to retire and relocate from Livonia with his wife, Nancy, to Bear Lake in Manistee County, where he plans to pursue hobbies of fishing and training his Australian shep- Richard is credited for his herd, Sheila, for agility competi-

"The lake is near the shore of Lake Michigan, in a great fruit and vegetable growing area, where there are a lot of pine trees and lakes teeming with fish," Richard said.

Career history

Richard ends a 32-year career with the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, where he worked after stints at the St. Joseph Herald-Press and Kalamazoo Gazette. After graduating from Redford High School in 1953, Richard attended the University of Michigan where he received a bachelor's degree in economics in 1957 and a master's degree in

Name of the Party of the Party

Richard is credited for his work toward the eventual passage in 1976 of the Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act.

Stan Soffin, chairman of the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame Committee, said last year the committee was impressed by Richard's "courageous leadership on behalf of a free press.'

Phil Power, owner and chairman of Hometown Communications Network Inc., wrote in his nomination letter that Richard is the "single most competent" political and governmental reporter in Michigan.

Tim's journalistic output is

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Although it is helpful to be genetically programmed to age slowly, optimal aging with minimal health decline can be achieved by adhering to some healthy stragegies, intellectual stimulation, dietary modification and exercise (including resistance training) are beneficial. Old age should not prevent people from making meaningful contributions to society. Physicians can help by encouraging older adults to enjoy an active and creative life. Finally, do not let your age decide how old you are. Dwight Eisenhower once said, "I'm saving that rocker for the day I feel as old as I really am."



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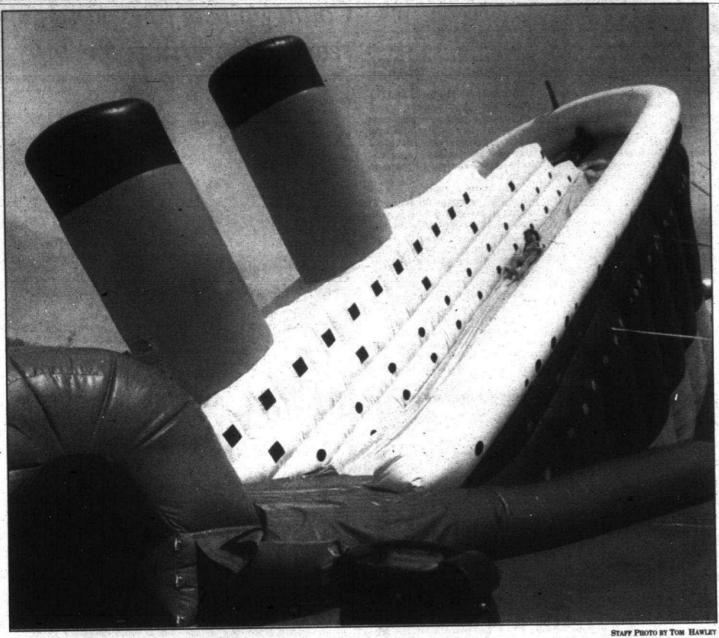
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Titanic 'floats' into Hines Park for family fun

The Titanic is coming to Hines Park, but this one isn't going to sink.

It's actually a 100-foot inflatable replica of the ship. Residents of all ages can climb on it Saturday during Wayne County's Family Fun and Fitness Day scheduled 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Nankin Mills Area in Hines Park in Westland.

Residents also can grab their blades and bikes to celebrate National Fitness Month and "Saturday in the Park." Families from across the county can participate in activities to promote physical fitness and good health.

Visitors can enjoy fitness walking, in-line skating lessons, bicycle inspections and new safety gear, disc golf, kite kits spon-sored by North Brothers Ford and golf demonstrations. Exhibits feature health, fitness and safety-related organizations, and learn more about parks and recreation departments in Wayne County. In addition, there will be free T-shirts to the first 1,000 people.

Residents also can enjoy two children's entertainers - Renee and Company, and Mary Ellen Clark, a strolling clown with balloons, the Detroit Pistons Automotion Dance Team, local saxophonist Marty Montgomery and

the Next Generation Big Band

"It's important for families to emphasize good health and physical fitness," said Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara. "May is National Fitness Month and this event was designed to offer an opportunity for our residents to learn more about the importance of how physical fitness, health and recreation can positively impact their families.

This event, sponsored by Wayne County Parks and Recreation, Detreit Inline Skate School, The Sports Authority, Westland Parks and Recreation, Get Active Detroit and Rollerblade, also highlights the return of Saturday in the Park This program closes six miles of Hines Drive 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Saturday beginning the first Saturday in May through the last Saturday in September for the public of all ages to run, walk, skate or cycle safely.

Hines Park-Nankin Mills Area is located on Hines Drive just east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. Parking is available off of Hines Drive, and can be reached even if the road is barricaded for flooding.

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cians are former Gov. William

Milliken and Lt. Gov. James

Brickley. "They were moderates.

years than they were in the 19th

ing legal ages from 21 to 18.

Richard admires

Richard from page A8

ization possibilities scattered

Richard praised

Power also cited Richard for single-handedly reporting policy issues associated with the State Board of Education and with its attempt fundamentally to change the nature of Michigan public schools.

"He is particularly the greatest example I know of a disciplined, serious and perceptive reporter relating statewide events to the needs of individual readers in their hometown com-

But today Richard downplays



It's that time. Robins return. Flowers awaker

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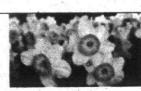


truly prodigious," Power said. his role. "I was given the lion's and activity in the Society of Share of credit, but I was part of professional Journalists and a movement for open government for open government." teach people how to use them

In 1966, Richard, who was a reporter with the Kalamazoo Gazette, was excluded from secret meetings of the board of Western Michigan University. Richard asked for minutes of past meetings and the board secretary accidentally gave him the minutes of the secret meetings, during what they had made poli-

Richard wrote the story and the editor killed it, which gave Richard "a fire in my belly about the issue of open government."
The unpublished WMU expose

in 1966 led directly to his advocacy of the Open Meetings Act,



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Richard also admired former Gov. James Blanchard's knowl-

Richard says the press and the public should continue to watch government with attorneys now chipping away at the FOI and Open Meetings acts. Richard also sees politicians "using the tools of government to promote

resulted in the state laws lower-"You have a right to know what the government wants to do to you before it does it to you. ing younger by two or three You have a right to know the century," Richard said. Richard amendments before the final product comes out, who's really reasoned that 18-year-olds were on your side or who's voting yes fighting in wars. "Let's give at the last minute." them a chance to vote," Richard

For now, though, Richard looks forward to relaxation with his wife and his dog, and casting into Bear Lake and other water

ways in northern Michigan. "I've been married to the same woman for 37 years, and she's a better fisherman than I am.'



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County parks to expand seasonal offerings for '99

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New for '99 are interactive rograms offered through the Nankin Mills Interpretive Cen- offering more than 15 concerts, ter and Holliday Nature Pre- more than 15 children's events serve. The programs are geared and seven movies at various for naturalists of all ages.

A Floral Fantasy Hike is scheduled Saturday, May 8, at the Cowan section of the Holliday Nature Preserve so people can observe various woodland wildflowers. Kids age 3-5 can explore colors in nature and create colorful crafts at the Colors of the Rainbow program at the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center on Saturday, May 15, while Watercolors in the Wild is scheduled for Saturday, May 22.

Crosswinds Marsh Wetland Interpretive Preserve in Sumpter Township also offers

Malott from page A8 The Milford Times and The

South Lyon Herald in South Malott also worked as news editor for six years at the Spinal Column Newsweekly and Oakland Business Monthly, and prior to that, as a staff writer, covering the state, county and

In 1977, Malott received a bachelor's degree in applied arts and sciences from Central Michigan University with majors in journalism, psychology and soci-

The Summer Family Enter-

tainment Series has expanded,

park locations. Movies in the

Park begins with a showing of

"A Bug's Life" Friday, June 11.

Other events include a Fish-

ing Derby Saturday, May 15, at

the Waterford Bend Area in

Northville; a Backyard Birder

program, Saturday, May 8, at

Crosswinds Marsh; and rentals

of canoes and paddleboats at

Newburgh Lake, which begin

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Tickets for the benefit performance on Wednesday, May 12 are \$10

Festival kicks off 4-day national town meeting

Wayne County, General River. Entertainment includes Motors, the city of Detroit and magicians, dancers, singers and Metropolitan Organizing Strate- performance groups. gy Enabling Strength (MOSES) Detroit Cultural Center.

Sustainable America. The festi- talk on sustainable design in val is free and open to the gener- architecture and construction. al public.

The kickoff festival will highlight local development that ership. maintains or enhances economic opportunity and community well-being while protecting and restoring the natural environment upon which people and economies depend. The planning committee includes dozens of representatives from business, community organizations and cultural institutions.

The festival begins at noon with a naturalization ceremony of 500 new citizens sworn in by U.S. District Judge Denise Page Hood on Cass Avenue behind

the Detroit Public Library. General Motors, state universities and Friends of the Detroit

Workshops and presentations have joined together to host "A will focus on sustainable initia-Festival Celebrating Sustain- tives from local groups throughability" on Saturday, May 1, on out the festival site. Workshops the campus of Wayne State Uni- will include a student-facultyversity and throughout the business roundtable discussion on international sustainability, This local festival is a pre- a "Meet your Congressman" sesevent activity for the scheduled sion, geographical information National Town Meeting for a systems demonstrations and a

> The Fannie Mae Foundation is sponsoring a fair on home own-

The National Town Meeting for a Sustainable America will take place on May 2-5 at the Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center in Detroit.

The NTM will highlight the work of communities, businesses and individuals that offer solutions to help America continue to prosper without environmental and social impacts.

The festival will be centered on Cass Avenue behind the main branch of the Detroit Public Library. Free parking is avail-Exhibits and workshops will able on Wayne State's campus in be scheduled with organizations a parking structure at the northand groups including Wildlife west corner of Palmer and Cass Habitat Council, DTE Energy, Avenue. For directions, call

Death penalty vote shut down

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER trichard@oe.home

State House lawmakers pub-licly criticized their leaders for rushing a vote on the death penalty and then cutting short an April 21 roll-call vote before the measure could be openly defeated. Rep. Mike Bishop, R-

Rochester, pushed the measure through his Constitutional Law and Ethics Committee in two meetings and three working days after it was introduced. "There was a surprise vote in

committee. There was not enough input from the public, from Corrections officials, from law enforcement, from the judiciary," said Rep. Keith Stallworth, D-Detroit. "The Senate Judiciary Com-

mittee gave several weeks notice of its public hearing, and 400 people showed up in Pontiac," said Rep. Liz Brater, D-Ann Arbor. Bishop brushed aside the

criticism. "This debate has been open hundreds of years, the freshman lawmaker said "The Senate (hearing March 23) did an educational job. It takes a two-thirds vote of

both chambers to put a proposed constitutional amendment on the ballot, but it was clear the proposal was going

down about 3-2 in a sea of red (ne) lights on the House tally board. There is no official record of the vote other than

reporters' hastily written notes. But in a procedure often used to save leaders from the embarrassment of defeat, House Majority Floor Leader Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills, shouted, "Clear the board," before the roll call could be completed. Raczkowski then won a voice vote to refer the

"Parliamentary shenanigans," Sen. David Jaye, R-Macomb County, said of Raczkowski's move. Jave supports a similar measure in the

measure back to Bishop's com-

Bishop said the maneuver means House Joint Resolution H, as it's formally known, is still alive and can be brought out of his committee any time before Dec. 31, 2000. But House Speaker Chuck Perricone. R-Kalamazoo, said there aren't enough votes to warrant another attempt.

Michigan abolished the death nanged for a murder. The ban is wrong."

was part of the Michigan Constitutions of 1908 and 1963. A majority of voters would have to approve a constitutional amendment to reinstate it for

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first-degree murder, and the Legislature would have to "Our criminal justice system write a follow-up statute implementing it. The Senate Judiciary Committee intends to study the issue through summer, said chairman William VanRegenmorter, R-Jenison. But after

Legislature. Voters could petition for a death penalty amendment. Past efforts, however, have

the House's negative vote, the

idea is effectively dead in the

Here is what area representatives said about HJR H.

Bishop: "There is substantial proof that executions deter future murders ... an undisputed fact. There have been 821 murders by persons convicted of murder. Prisoners on Death Row are 250 percent more likely to kill other prisoners and guards."

Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, penalty in the mid-19th centu- voted no because "My core ry after the wrong man was belief is that the death penalty

Laura Toy, R-Livonia: "I give the people a chance." Toy put up a green light.

Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, didn't speak but put up a green DeWeese.

Williamston, put up a red light. fails the test. Wealthy defendants can hire the F. Lee Baileys and Johnny Cochranes (top defense lawyers) of the world," but others run a greater risk of conviction and execution. Nationally, there have been 500 convictions since the death penalty was allowed by the U.S. Supreme Court in the late 1970s, but 75 convicts on Death Row have been exonerated. Illinois has executed 11

and exonerated nine, he said. Lynne Martinez, D-Lansing, voted no, arguing the death penalty "is not a deterrent" and is applied with "race bias and economic bias. A person of color is more likely to be questioned, detained, arrested, tried and sentenced to death." She, too, complained that the measure was rushed through Bishop's committee and to a floor vote less than a week after it was

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Hefty agenda

Long meetings serve no one

nyone who has attended a Board of Education meeting for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools lately knows a dose of caffeine is needed to keep up with them. It's not uncommon for the meetings to last well into the wee hours of the morning.

We've heard weary-eyed board members make statements regarding their state of mind as the hours tick away. After working at their own full-time jobs all day long, it's understandable that the board members would be fatigued.

Last week the Hockey Boosters waited until after 11 p.m. to speak as the district considered forming two pay-for-play teams. Not long ago, the district's tennis players also had to wait just as long for their item to be addressed on the agenda. No one should have to wait three hours to be heard by the school board, especially students. By 11 p.m., students should be at home and in bed.

The Board of Education reserves time at the beginning and end of each meeting for public comment. We urge board members to also ask those in attendance whether they

want an item moved up on the agenda. Other government agencies commonly do this.

The school district is the largest employer in the Plymouth-Canton area with 1,488 employees. It is also responsible for 15,000 students and a budget of \$102 million. The school board is making crucial decisions that affect our youth and our community.

In fact, the school district is larger than Canton and Plymouth township governments combined. However, both of those communities meet weekly to conduct business. In addition to their bi-monthly board meetings, the townships hold study sessions on alternating weeks. The result is shorter board meetings. We suggest the school district consider doing Too much is packed on a school agenda.

This is serious business and our board members need to be alert to grapple with issues.

Our board members should be thanked for giving up so many hours to conduct district business. It's an important job. Late night meetings are not fair to them or to the public

School calendar is local issue

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When it comes to paying bills, the state Senate is strongly for local control, home rule, grassroots government. Area schools had to sue the state for 17 years to get their special education money.

Too bad the Senate didn't apply the local control principle when it voted April 22 for a bill to restrict the school calendar by discouraging classes prior to Labor Day. Senate Bill 53 doesn't actually dictate the calendar, but it would shut down schools on the Friday prior to Labor Day and set up a commission, heavily loaded with tourism interests, to study the calendar question

State government is quite within its limits in saying there should be 182 or more days of school. It's doing the right thing when it requires certification of teachers, inspection of buildings, a list of academic outcomes.

But tinkering with the calendar? Hands off,

School boards should have maximum flexibility to set their calendars. They need flexi-

land ollywood in 1967 produced a satirical movie called "The President's Analyst,"

with James Coburn in the title role. The vil-

lain was TPC, The Phone Company, which

took control of the U.S. government. It was

In 1984, a federal court ordered the

er, and a bunch of "baby Bells," including

Unable to take "no" for an answer to

reconstruct the pre-1984 Bell system.

customers - as if Ameritech needed any

Item: AT&T is bidding for control of

and gouging on intraLATA rates.

instruction in axing thousands of employees

MediaOne, a cable company. AT&T's reported

goal is to get into local telephone, cable TV,

monopoly, the companies are busily trying to

Item: Ameritech is merging with SBC, the

Texas outfit with a bad reputation for treating

breakup of our then-giant phone company, the

Bell system, into AT&T, a long-distance carri- of Philadelphia.

supposed to be funny.

Ameritech.

bility in collective bargaining. They need flexibility to allow for snow days or fires that may force a building to be closed. A district may want to try a 12-month calendar, providing for

Teachers want the K-12 calendar to match universities' calendars. Why? So they can attend summer college and earn advanced degrees. The Legislature should be encouraging teachers to upgrade, not toying with impediments to satisfy the tourism industry.

We applaud Sens. Bill Bullard Jr., R-Milford, John Cherry, D-Clio, George Hart, D-Dearborn, and Shirley Johnson, R-Royal Oak, for opposing Senate Bill 53.

We ask Sens. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, and Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, to reconsider their positions in the future. This battle isn't over.

SB 53 is in the House. Write to your state representative, State Capitol, Lansing 48909-7514, and ask him or her to vote no.

Internet and other telecommunications enter-

Item: MediaOne was starting to offer phone

Item: MediaOne took over an earlier com-

pany called Omnicom. Lately, MediaOne has

made a merger agreement with Comcast Corp.

Item: MetroVision, a cable TV company,

several years ago was swallowed up by Time

What we may wind up with is an oligopoly

(a handful of companies) in a multiplicity of

industries. In time, will the oligopoly want to

merge into the TPC? In part it's up to Presi-

Forgive our cynicism, but as customers, we

dent Clinton's Justice Department and the

smell a telecommunications rat.

Warner, which produces movies and maga-

zines with movie reviews.

prises. It would supposedly be competitive

service in competition with Ameritech.

Praise for youth leadership

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Charter Township of Canton, Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Canton Community Foundation for sponsoring the First Youth Leadership Canton Program this year. In addition, our appreciation and heartfelt thanks go out to the 12 people who worked so hard on the steering committee to make this program the success that it was.

Twenty-eight very lucky and special eighthgraders took part in this six-month program, which included learning about their community as well as participating within it. Together they put in over 700 hours of community service and learned how, at any age, you can help others. They also learned how to work, as a team, to get things accomplished.

There was a lovely banquet held on April 14th to honor these young people with their families. In our opinion, the banquet also honored the committee that worked tirelessly to put this together. It was a very special .

Thanks again sponsors and committee.

The Kopinski Family

Driver was heroine

An open letter to the transportation department, Plymouth-Canton Community

On Friday, April 16, my daughter was involved in a bus accident. She as well as other students had received injuries. These students were removed on back boards and had cervical collars as a precaution. Luckily, they were all OK.

This is just a note to let your department know how much we appreciated Tina's concern for her students. Tina is the bus driver for my daughter's route (Bus No. 66).

After the bus accident, my daughter, Elizabeth, brought to my attention the fact that Tina made sure the students were looked after and taken to the hospital before she would allow herself to be treated. Elizabeth also said that she felt Tina was probably the one who was most hurt in the accident.

The concern Tina demonstrated for the students was above and beyond the duty of a bus

Please share this letter to the appropria people and give praise where praise is due. Pat Kunnath

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tance of organ and tissue donation. There's no greater gift than the gift of life and you can:

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Celebrate Donor Awareness Month by designating your organ donation wishes. Remember, life is great - pass it on!

Candice S. Miller secretary of state

Lessons of 1944

t now seems that NATO is about to relearn the lessons that Hitler learned in 1944. Namely, that an offensive war is different than a defensive war.

A defensive war is fought to protect home, family and nation. Just ask anyone in England, France, Poland or Russia who remembers World War II. Until recently, NATO's traditional strength has always been its defensive posture.

An offensive war, on the other hand, is fought, by necessity, for some abstract grand ideal, for example, to unite the German race. to stop communism in Vietnam, to promote equality in Kosovo.

So, here's NATO's problem: To defeat a country's army is not to defeat a country's peo-

Does NATO intend to fight a war of annihilation against the Serbian people who have vowed to fight to the last man to defend their country? Will NATO unleash total war on Serbia the way the allies did on Germany and Japan in the last days of World War II? I think not.

And, what of Russia? NATO has seriously misread Russian interests, treating the Russians as messenger boys for NATO. A danger ous hubris is in the air at NATO.

But, one has to almost pity NATO because they foolishly staked their future, and the world's future, on a war they do not have the will to win, and a war that may, in truth, be

> Walter Warren Westland

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POINTS OF VIEW

Parents to blame for Colorado murders

SCOTT DANIEL

responsible for their own actions, it

were so uninvolved with their chil-

dren's lives that they didn't know

made this tragedy possible.

what was really going on.

was the inaction of their parents that

The sad truth is that these parents

they were making pipe bombs, buying

automatic weapons and posting hate-

filled Web pages. They had no clue of

I'm not sure why this was the case.

Perhaps each parent worked 50 hours

week. Perhaps they were too

involved with their own lives to

in the minds of most Americans this morning is, how? How could such an unthinkable act of violence occur at Columbine High?

How could Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold even conceive the idea of what they eventually carried out? And, perhaps most importantly, how can we as a community avoid becoming the next Littleton? . By all accounts, Eric Harris and

Dylan Klebold were outcasts at Columbine High. They were not athletes and didn't hang with the "Jocks." Nor were they "Brains," "Goths," "Burnouts" or anything else for that matter. They were kids that didn't quite fit into any group - except the one they formed with others like themselves, the so-called "Trench Coat Mafia."

Members of the group espoused hatred against minorities and athletes. According to a former pizza shop co-worker, Harris and Klebold's rage went well beyond this, however. They hated everyone and everything. For them, she said, this was the only

So, for more than a year, the duo hatched their plan of "revenge." Colorado police believe Harris and Klebold began making pipe bombs and stockpiling weapons as far back as April of 1998. One officer said such items were in "plain view" in one of the boys' bedrooms.

In the 10 days that have passed since the shooting, many have wondered how so many people at the school, teachers, students and administrators, could have missed so many warning signs coming from Harris and Klebold.

This may be a valid question. A nore important question, I believe, is how could their parents have missed so many warning signs?

Focusing on the schools' responsi bility misses the mark. It wasn't the job of any Columbine teacher or administrator to raise Eric Harris or Dylan Klebold correctly. It was their

While these teens were old enough to know right from wrong, to be

you can the superintendent and recall

They knew that other killings took

I believe in most of the killings that the killers were known to have been outcast or picked on by some of the students. That tells me that there is no communication between the students and staff.

to the top people

Are you going to tell me that the superintendent, staff and board never they did and have done nothing to show their boys that their way of

the other students in not singling out people and picking on them. The safety and well-being of the students is the first responsibility of the board and superintendent of any district. They have failed and should be fired

came from a parent that didn't lock them up and swallow the key, then he or she should be charged for a crime. I am a gun owner and my first

thought is kids are in my home lock doing something wrong, it always gets them up and hide the key.

though, is that there are parents like these in every town. Not necessarily bad people, but people who have their priorities in the wrong order. It's often said today that two people

must work to support a family. I have no doubt that this is true for some. But, for many others, it's not a question of "must," it's a question of

paying to maintain a certain lifestyle. We have to have that 3,000-squarefoot home. We must make enough noney to pay for our new cars, our two-week vacations and weekly golf outings. We just can't eat out less

than three days a week. The truth is, we can,

Do you think it really matters to your kid if you live in a 1,500-squarefoot home? Does your 3-year-old notice if you drive to the grocery store in an Escort instead of a Jeep Grand Cherokee? What really matters to your child is

that you care about them and that you love them enough to be involved in their life. That means every day of every week of every year. Not when

Need proof? Try hanging out an elementary school for a day. It takes all of about one hour to figure out which kids come from homes where parents really care and are really

As a fourth- and fifth-grade student teacher, I saw it up close and personal. Children with these types of parents do better in school, have better social skills and are more self-confident. The difference is like night and

I think this is the best way to avoid any more Columbines.

Be active in your child's life. Spend time with them: Put your career in neutral if you have to and give up a few damn trinkets. My hunch is that you and society will be the richer for

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LETTER

Schools are responsible the board

sadly must respond to the heartwrenching tragedy that took place in Colorado last week. I am a father with a deep love for

my little girl, Tamara. When you see me walking around Plymouth, you always see my little girl with me. I don't believe that I could go on if anything happened to her. I couldn't walk the streets of Plymouth without her or pass our old spots where she and I would stop and eat ice cream.

. I can only imagine the horror of receiving the news that your child has been shot to death in school. The question is who is to blame? How do you prevent this from happening? When the ship runs aground, you blame the person steering the ship. So

place around the country and made a lousy effort to prevent it. How long were those boys crying out?

I am sure that there were signals

floating around before the shooting that the staff could have passed on to the top people. I work for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and I know that kids always travel in cliques, or groups, it is a way of life in school. Most of the time, if someone is

heard of the Trench Coat Mafia? Sure thinking was wrong. Also they should have counseled

It is my opinion that if the guns

In conclusion I would like to extend my deepest heartfelt sympathy to the families of the students that perished in Colorado and a stern warning to the staff, superintendent, board of education and parents of all districts. Do not ignore anything that you child has to say, they could be crying out and need to be heard. To ignore your child could be first like pulling the trigger yourself.

Share the road

his letter does not refer to any articles in your paper. It is just a letter to remind everyone that spring/summer is here and we are out

My husband while on Geddes Road was told by an automobile driver to "Get out of the road!" (He was to the far right!). I would just like to remind everyone who drives in Michigan, it is legal to share the road with bicycles. In the booklet issued by the Secretary of State. "What Every Driver Must Know," it states: "Bicycle and moped riders are allowed to ride in a traffic lane, but must stay as far to the right as possible, obey traffic signals, not ride more than two abreast in a single lane, and must ride in the same direction as other traffic.

Thanks! And share the road!

Theresa Ritter

Michigan's economy needs entrepreneurs and investors

ere's a capsule economic history of Michigan in just five paragraphs.

Our first industry was fur trading in the 17th and 18th centuries. Furs were so scarce in Europe and yet so plentiful in the Great Lakes that the business turned out to be very profitable, forming the fortunes of many families back East, such as the Astors in New York.

Mineral extraction was next. The great copdeposits in the Upper Peninsula were known to the Indians but not exploited commercially until the end of the 18th century. Profits from copper helped fund the iron ore mining that continues in the UP to this day.

Much of the capital from copper mining also financed the lumbering boom that clear-cut the white pine across most of the northern Lower Peninsula in the 19th century. More money came out of Michigan's white pine forests than out of the California gold fields during the famous gold rush.

Profits from lumbering formed much of the that began developing in Michigan at the start of the 20th century. After the industry consolidated in the 1920s, automobile manufacturing turned out to be an enormous worldwide industry with extraordinarily high profit margins. Since the automobile industry matured in the

last half of this century, business folks, investors and public policy-makers have been casting around some new thing that might form the basis for the next great industry to drive our state's economy - something like the computer industry in Silicon Valley or the software industry in Seattle.

That's not as easy as it looks. First, you don't just decide you're going to create some giant new industry out of whole cloth and expect that intention alone will get the job done.

Lots of governors tried, going all the way back to Bill Milliken, who in the early 1980s helped create publicly funded institutions like the Industrial Technology Institute in Ann Arbor and the Molecular Biology Institute in East Lansing. These never worked very well, nor did Jim Blanchard's attempts to use the Michigan Strategic Fund as a sort of governmental venture capital firm.

After a while, it became clear - even to governors - that new industries were not going to be created as a result of government policy. The best government could do was to level the play-



PHILIP POWER

Dominant industries - in Michigan's case, auto manufacturing - always tend to use their political muscle to set public policy in their own

The Michigan Single Business Tax is a classic example. Written in the 1970s by lobbyists from General Motors who finalized their work at 2 a.m. and rushed the complex bill through an exhausted Michigan Legislature that had lit tle idea what it was voting on, the SBT benefits nanufacturing companies with high margins

and hurts small business start-ups. Give credit to Gov. John Engler and Doug Rothwell, CEO of the Michigan Economic Development Corp., for at last recognizing this probem and leveling the playing field.

Last week, Rothwell announced a "Gold Collar Jobs Tax Package" that will give high-tech companies the same sales tax exemptions and tax breaks on buildings and equipment now given to manufacturing firms. Rothwell estimates the tax changes will save \$5-10 million per year for Michigan high-tech companies.

More and more, people are recognizing that the main barrier to finding and nourishing the next great industry in Michigan's economic history is cultural.

We can't afford to think like giant manufacturing companies; we've got to cherish entrepreneurs and risk-takers. We can't just complain about lack of venture capital; we've got to create an environment that is attractive to investors. We can't depend on state government to do much more than level the playing field.

Changing culture is a long, slow process. But there are signs that that process has started at

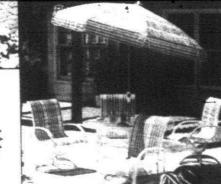
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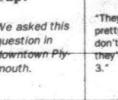
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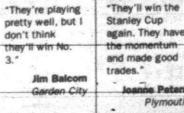
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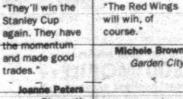
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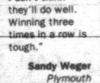


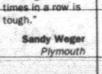
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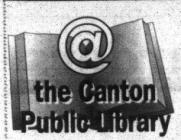












Did you know?

Friends of the Canton Public Library will hold the annual BIG used book sale May 13-22?

■ The Louisiana Purchase was made from France on April 30, 1803, doubling the size of the U.S.?

May is National Salsa Month? It recognizes salsa as America's favorite condiment and celebrating more than 50 years of picante sauce, a salsa created in 1947.

■ The "CBS Evening News" made its TV premiere on May 3,

Magazines for kids

Here are some magazines for young readers available from the Canton Public Library: ■ Humpty Dumpty - science

articles, crafts and games for ages 4-6. ■ Ladybug - for toddlers, preschoolers and beginning read-

■ Highlights – knowledge and creativity for toddlers and

preschoolers.

■ Sesame Street Magazine

for children ages 2-5 ■ Turtle - for children ages 2-

Books for gardeners Here are some seasonal selec-

tions in bloom at the library: Gardening in Small

■ "Easy Care Perennial Garden Techniques"

"Amazing Annuals"

"Michigan Gardening Guide"

Q: What is May Day?

A: The first day of May has been observed as a holiday since ancient times. Spring festivals, maypoles and maying are still common, but the political importance of May Day has grown since the 1880s, when it became a workers' day in the U.S. Now. widely observed in countries as a workers' holiday or as Labor Day. In most countries, when May Day falls on Saturday or Sunday, the Monday following is observed as a holiday, with bank and store closings, parades and other festivities. Bermuda, Canada and the U.S. are the only countries that observe Labor Day in September.

The source for this information is "Chase's 1999 Calendar of Web Watch

Check out these new Web

http://www.interest.com http://www.granthill.com

http://www.totallyfreestuff.com http://www.freeshop.com

New talking books

Here are some new books on audiotape available from the Canton Public Library: m"Mr. White's Confession" -

Clark ■ "Mutant Message from For-

ever" - Morgan

"No Night Is Too Long" -Vine

Mobody's Baby But Mine"

Phillips

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" -

Hot topic of the week

The running of the Kentucky Derby Saturday, May 1, at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky., marks the running of America's premier thoroughbred horse race, inaugurated in 1875. The first jewel in the "Triple Crown," the derby is followed by the Preakness on May 15 and the Belmont Stakes on June 5.

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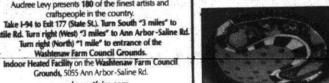
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JACK GLADDEN

Weather here, weather there, they've got it

ver been driving along the freeway, listening to the traffic and weather report on the radio, and heard something like "Well, Joe and" Roberta, we're gonna have lots of sunshine today with just a gentle breeze out of the west. Temperatures will climb into the low 70s and it's gonna be a great day just to be outside.

As you flick the wipers on to get that liquid sunshine off your windshield, you look up and around, trying to find the sun. Nothing but clouds. And light rain. The clock/thermometer at the bank you're passing flashes its message: 45 degrees. And you wonder aloud: Where is

this guy? He's not seeing what I'm seeing Well, of course he's not. He's not

even here. He's in a studio in New York or somewhere, looking at radar screens and computer images.

Maybe I'm naive - and maybe it doesn't matter, anyway - but I just figured that out the other day when I was poking around on the Internet. I got on to the Web site for my local traffic and weather station and started looking at the bios of the on-air "personalities.

So that's what Joe and Roberta look like. And there's John Bailey, the traffic reporter. And here's the weather people Joe and Bob and Heather and ... wait a minute!

These guys don't work for the radio station. They work for AccuWeather. Somewhere else. And listen to what it says about Lisa Moldovan

At a distance

"Now a Senior Forecaster, Moldovan speaks to nearly 35 stations a day, from Portland, Maine, to Albuquerque, N.M., to Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada. Moldovan does a good deal of driving, looking firsthand at the sites she forecasts for, and is a real geography buff."

Well, that's just dandy. Thirty-five stations a day. No wonder they talk about sunny days when the windshield wipers are going, or forecast gloom and drizzle when there isn't a cloud in the sky. They're not here.

Now I'm not trying to pick a fight with the radio station or with AccuWeather or with the fored They're usually pretty accurate. They're certainly as accurate as those television meteorologists, and they are here. And with all the high-tech stuff around today, I can get on the Internet from home and check out the weather in San Francisco or Orlando. So I don't suppose you have to be here in order to forecast for here.

But it's just the way it's packaged. Here's Joe and Roberta talking about the latest local news, then along comes Tracy Gary in Chopper 950 looking down on the Lodge and talk ing about a major accident on the I-94 interchange. She's there. She can see

Then along comes Heather or Lisa or Bob, saying something like: "We're gonna have a beautiful day today. A balmy breeze, just a few high clouds, temps in the 70s. A great day to get out on the links and just enjoy.

Next they throw in something like "Current temperature at Metro is 69, . 71 at City Airport and in Mount Clemens it's 72.'

Too far for personal

What's this "we" stuff? You aren't going to enjoy that balmy Detroit day, if you're in New York with thunder, lightning and major downpours. You're gonna get wet.

It's that first-person pronoun approach that makes them seem local, along with those references to "Metro," "City Airport," etc. Like they're sitting in a Southfield studio, looking out the window at the same sunny or drab skies that you're see-

But it's all being done by remote control. I guess it kind of reminds me of an old radio promotion spot produced by Stan Freberg, "The Cherry in Lake Michigan."

The point of the promo was to show

Please see GLADDEN, B2





Pokemon party: The Pokemon craze has made its way into Matt and Cindy Johnson's Canton Township home. Their son, Nick, and his friends buy anything Pokemon. Showing off their toys are Travis Pelto, 9, Dave Isakson, 12, Tyler Pelto, 11, Nathan Gardner, 11, Brad Law, 12, Paul Isakson, 12, and Nick Johnson,

Kids turn cartoon into latest fad

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO

xcitement erupts in the living room of Matt and Cindy Johnson's ■Canton Township home. The collective of eight boys, affectionately known as the Keystone Gang, freaks at

the mere mention of Pokemon. When the topic comes up, they talk over each other, try to outdo each other with trivia, and even get wacky when one of them sings the cartoon's theme

"I think the beginning theme song is pretty weird when they go, 'I wanna be the very best,' " 9-year-old Travis Pelto of Canton Township sings faux dramat-

ically Pokemon is the latest fad among children roughly age 8-14. The Pokemon phenomenon began three years ago as a Game Boy game in Japan, where Pokemon characters are known as Pocket

Monsters. It has since exploded in a myriad of collectibles. Anything Pokemon is a musthave for the Keystone

to the stuff animals. Pikachu, a cuddly little yellow guy

whose name is pronounced Peek-a-Chew, is the most popular Pokemon. according to the boys.

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Current e-mail address:

Type of computer you have:

Second choice for training session.

The "Pokemon" Kids WB television series and the related games are centered around its hero Ash Ketchum, who tries to catch as many Pokemon as possible. It's an ongoing effort because each of the Pokemon possesses special powers and abilities.

"He (Ash) goes around, and there's trainers and boss trainer people that you fight at Pokemon gyms," said Nathan Gardner, an 11-year-old student at East Middle School. "They're the leaders of it. You fight them and you get a badge when you beat them. After you get all eight badges, you get to the Pokemon league.

"If you beat them and then you beat your rival, in the show it's Gary Oak, both Gary and Ash are competing to get all eight

badges and go beat the Pokemon league and each other to become the Pokemon masters. Got all that?

Nick Johnson, a 12-year-old student at Lowell Middle School in Westland, stressed that Pokemon characters are politically

correct. "In Pokemon, Poke Gang, ranging from the Nintendo game . mon don't die, they faint. They never die." Nick said

The cartoon series "Pokemon" was originally produced by Shogakukan Productions in Japan where it is the No. 1-rated children's show, 4Kids ProPlaying for keeps

For Pokemon enthusiasts, a Pokemon CCG and a sanctioned Pokemon tournament will be held during The Motor City Comic Con Friday-Sunday, May 14-16, at the Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Drive,

Admission is \$12 per day or \$28 for a three-day pass. Parking is \$4 per car per day. For more-information, call (248) 426-8059 or visit http://www.ticketmaster.com

There are several Pokemon-related Web sites including: http://www.pokemon.com and http://www.



ductions adopted the series for the There's the Pokemon collectible card United States incorporating all new music, voices and scripting. "Pokemon" earned its best numbers in mid-March

making it the top-rated children's Nathan attributes the cartoon's pop-

ularity to its creativity. "It's (American cartoons) not as creative. In these kinds of shows, they have special powers and stuff," Nathan

"It's more real life because in American cartoons they just run around and hit each other; run around with mallets and go, 'Aaaaaah,' " added Dave Isakson, 12, who also goes to Lowell.

But if they do get sick of the television show, there are plenty of other Pokemon activities to keep them busy

games, Nintendo games, television show, stuffed animals, you name it.

Game Boy player

Brad Law, a 12-year-old student at Roosevelt Elementary School in Livonia, is already bored with the television show. So he imbibes in Pokemon Game

"The game doesn't get boring. The TV show is good, but I've seen most of them, except the new ones," Brad said.

"I think people like the game, you can actually eatch your own little animals and control them and use them in battles," Nathan added. "They have special moves that they learn as they grow and you can

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ld a Web site for vour club, organization



Trying to set up a class reunion? Want to notify members of your church group about a change in meeting times? Looking for people to exhibit work in the local art fair?

You need a site on the World Wide Web. And thanks to a new service being offered by the Observer Newspapers, you can have one with just a few clicks of a mouse. It's easy to set up and there is no charge to nonprofit groups for the service. (See related story on Page A1.)

"Mihometown com is a new community Web site service designed to serve and promote community organizations in the state of Michigan," said Brion Roberto, manager of the Observer & Eccentric Enhanced Media Department.

You don't need to write code or know HTML. All you need is a computer, a modem and an Internet connection. Connect to own.com and follow the on-se

The sites allow community groups to post their newsletters and calendars of events online, to post messages in discussion areas or to engage in live chat with other participants. You can also send email to all members of the organization with just one click of the

You can even stack pages within pages, Roberto said. "An alumni organization might have a site set up for general

members," he said, "Within that you could create another site for board members, to which only they have access. Or you might create a link to another site for the reunion committee '

Bringing many local groups' Web sites together in one location creates a sense of community. Roberto said. And it makes the sites easier to find

Training sessions are scheduled for 6.30-9.30 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 15. and 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday. May 19, at CompUSA in the Novi Town Center Each session will last two and a half hours, after which, Roberto said, you will be

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ready to set up your site.

The \$15 fee includes training, materials and refreshments. You can fill out the attached coupon and send a check payable to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers or register online with a credit card at this secure site http://oeonline.com/mihometown or call Jennifer Murray at (734) 953-2038 for more information. Space is

Sorority fashion show benefits women and children

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI SPECIAL WRITER

Livenia teachers spend their fork days devoted to the chilfren of the community. And in heir spare time, a Livonia teachers' sorority is raising money for women's and chiliren's organizations.

The Livonia branch of Alpha Delta Kappa, Tau chapter, an professional teachers' sorority, a planning its second annual shion show 6 p.m. Tuesday, Tay 4, at the Holiday Inn Livonia West at Laurel Park, according to Sandra Naasko, who is chairing the event with Holly

Fehlig and Lynne Waskin. Tickets are \$30 each. For more information and for tickets, call Charlotte Worthen at (248) 473-8129. No tickets will be sold at

Guests will dine as they watch

Day One teens honor Pokemon from page B1 Columbine students

More than 73,00 teens from all This tragedy is so 50 states and throughout the world gathered last weekend at the Silverdome to declare their faith in Christ and to proclaim their intention to lead their gen-

eration into the new millennium the Rev. Jack Hayford They also took time to specifically pray for and send a message of hope to their peers in Littleton, Colo.

"We are here to fight for the soul of a generation and for the hearts of your peers," said Ron Luce, founder and president of Teen Mania, the Texas-based ministry that organized "Acquire the Fire Day One. "These school shootings are a wake-up call for our country. When you leave, burn a path all the way home and start a revolution of righteousness, love and forgiveness.

send to students at Columbine During the opening session High School. Luce, whose wife, Katie, grew up in Littleton, was joined by fellow taken and a portion will be used Christian leaders the Rev. Jack to buy Bibles for each of the Hayford and Dr. E.V. Hill, to Columbine students as a gift lead the gathering in prayer for those affected by the tragedy at from the Day One teenagers at Columbine High School. More the Silverdome gathering. than 400 teens from Colorado stood while the other attendees prayed for them and their state.

"Our hearts are in the middle of one of the most poignant weeks in the history of our nation," said Hayford, pastor of Church of the Way in Van Nuys, Calif., and whose twin granddaughters moved to Littleton six weeks ago. "This tragedy is so frightening because of what it says about this time in the life of ur nation. Let something transforming happen in every one of us her, something neutralizing."

Cassie Bernall, a Columbine longer known by the bad statis-High School victim shot when tics, but the good they are doing she told the gunman she and the difference they are makbelieved in God, was rememing in the world."

a parade of models, mostly each of Livonia's high schools, church, as well as other church Naasko explained. teachers and students, show off fashions from Talbots and Talbots Kids of Laurel Park Place. Desmond of Laurel Park is pro-

viding the tuxedos for the fash-"What the fashion show does for the community is that it gives us the funds to help organizations and groups that need funding, particularly for First Step and Mott Children's Hospital," said Worthen, chapter president. "It's women's and children's issues that we support.

We're also involved in Race for the Cure and we are making a donation to International Methodist Children's Home

Helping students

Last year, the organization raised \$3,000 from the fashion at a church silent auction that and they donated money to help

frightening because of

what it says about this

bered as an active member of her

church youth group. She had

attended the Teen Mania

Acquire the Fire meeting in Den-

Paper lined the walls of the

Silverdome concourse and

teenagers stood in lines to write

personal messages and prayers

of encouragement that is being

assembled into a massive card to

On Saturday, a collection was

lining the teen's commitment to

redefine American culture and

lay claim to their right to chart a

new course for their generation

based on honor, respect and

truth, even when it may be

make our every action count for

God to change this word," said

Luce. "I believe there will be a

day when teenagers are no

"We need to find a way to

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-Church of the Way

time in the life of our

are chosen annually to receive a activities. \$500 scholarship from the orga-"Anyone can apply for it, but

> done service projects," Naasko This year's scholarship winners are seniors Bethany LaOnde from Churchill High School, Melissa Sobier from Stevenson High School and

Kristi Kalousek from Franklin High School. Sobier's extensive involvement included visiting Appalachia in Pennsylvania while she was a sophomore, teaching first-grade catechism at St. Colette Catholic Church in Livonia, working at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen on numerous occasions with her the Peace Corps and the village

church youth group, helping out she was in didn't have a library benefits Angela Hospice and the support their village library,"

"I'm very honored and surprised to get the scholarship," said Sobier, who is considering we look for students who have an elementary education program at Michigan State University. "It means a lot knowing the hard work I've done I have something to show for it other than something personal and that sat-

> The scholarships are an annual award presented by the 50 member retired and currently working teachers' group. They also donate to Safe House for battered women, Mott Children's Hospital, First Step and try to meet the needs of groups on an individual request basis.

video cassette recorder from Paul James of VCR Presenta-"One year, my daughter was in tions and Solutions Inc., a day at the salon from Vision 6 Salon in Novi and an evening out co-sponsored by Livonia Marriott and J.

Aiming for success

Keeping these worthy causes in mind, members of the teachers' organization is making sure that this year's event is a success. Special gratitude goes to prize committee chair Bette Grainger and Madonna Bailey who donated all the table prizes, Naasko said. Fashion show guests will have

a chance to win 50 door prizes, donated by local businesses, as well as raffles with gift and cash Some of the prizes include pair of earrings from Tapper's Jewelry in West Bloomfield, a

More than 30 other businesses

made donations for the raffle, including Fonte D'Amore Ristorante in Livonia, AMC Theater, Joe's Produce, Frames Unlimited, Holiday Inn Livonia West, Wing Yee's, Ground Round, Kurl 'n' Cut, Mountain Jack's, Kacee's Hallmark, Boston Market, Mesquite Creek Steakhouse, Outback Steakhouse, Cooker's Bar and Grille, Max & Erma's, International House of Pancakes, Pick-a-Bone Rib House, Champ's Americana, Witch Craft Gift and Craft Shop, AP Impressions, Merri-Craft Florist and Rick Dionian Photog-

"The community is behind us." Worthen said. "We're altruistic. Helping other people, that's what we're all about."

Paul Isakson, a 12-year-old Lowell student, thinks different-

"It's a good game, if you have nothing else better to do," he

The newest Pokemon game is a trading card game which sold 400,000 copies less than six weeks after its Jan. 9 release, according to its manufacturer, Wizards of the Coast in Renton,

"It's the hottest card game or trading card game going right now," said John Kirchoff, manager of Rider's Hobby in Livonia. Rider's, which also has locations locally in Canton, Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, sells the trading cards and videos.

"We haven't been able to keep inventory in stock; we've probably been fielding 50 calls a day whether or not Pokemon's in stock," he said. "What's really interesting, too, is these kids have a really fantastic underground network available. If we do get a shipment, it's incredible how word spreads in the neigh-

Electronics Boutique, located at 12 Oaks Mall in Novi, has The event culminated with the seen the same response. reading in unison and signing of the Teenage Bill of Rights, out-

"Consumers are flocking to our stores for the Pokemon trading card game," said Dena Dicandilo, buyer for Electronics Boutique "Anticipation for the trading card game had been so great

that we pre-sold 50,000 booster even shipped."

card game and toys.

whelmed with Pokemon para- thing over and over. They just phernalia, but they are savvy did it to make money," said Tyler enough to know that businesses just want to make money.

Take your pick: Among Pokemon merchandise for fans are Game Boy cartridges, a

"You can tell that some of the little keychains they make are hand. just for making money. The card put (a lot of thought to it). It's real boring, you just do the same said

Pelto, an 11-year-old Miller Elementary School student.

Nick even contends that the Pokemon craze is getting out of

game, it didn't seem like they it's like advertised all over the Internet. It's on everything," he

For more information about

the group, call the Women's

gists, who sound like they're

school of forecasting. But then

Group offers support during divorce process

The Women's Resource Center registration isn't required of Schoolcraft College is sponsoring a divorce support group that meets the second and fourth and is facilitated by Cynthia Tuesday of the month in Room 225 of the McDowell Center. Haggerty north of Six Mile, Livo-

sharing of information for those divorce process. divorce. There is no charge and with anger, grief and depression

The discussion group meets the second Tuesday of the month process of filing for a divorce and Koppin, a professional counselor.

The speaker's session takes place on the fourth Tuesday of the month. The sessions address The group provides a forum for the legal, financial and emotiondiscussion and the receiving and al concerns that arise during the

contemplating, in the process or Upcoming speakers include having difficulty adjusting to Koppin talking about dealing radio as a more powerful medi-

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cussing the strategies for coping 4443.

Smith giving an overview of the Aug. 24.

what to expect on June 22, and

um than television. Using voice- here but who really aren't. It's overs and sound effects, Freberg sort of like the Stan Freberg proceeds to "drain" Lake Michigan, then turn it into a giant hot twice a day, we do get a real live fudge sundae, complete with a and local report from Sonny cherry on top. His tag line was Eliot, who's been here forever. something like "Try that on your And with Sonny around, who television!" The reality, of needs Stan Freberg?

course, was all in the mind of the Jack Gladden is a copy editor Maybe that's why I'm both- for the Observer Newspapers. He ered by those remote meteorolo- lives in Canton Township.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Clark of Livonia announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Candace, to Steven R. Liske, the son of Kay Liske of Garden City and Gerald Liske of Leonard,

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. She is employed as the leasing acquisition representa-tive by the Detroit Medical Cen-Her fiance is a graduate of Garden City High School. He is

owner of Contrast Building in Southfield. A May wedding is planned at the Grosse pointe Academy Chapel in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Smith-Mozina

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smith of New London, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter, Traci, to Eric James Mozina, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Mozina of Port Clinton, Ohio, formerly of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Defiance College in Defiance, Ohio. She is employed as a teacher in Sidney, Ohio.

Her fiance will graduate from Defiance College in May. He is currently employed by General Motors in Defiance, Ohio, A June wedding in Sidney is

Wolfe-Skonieczny

being planned.

Frederick and Christina Wolfe of Royal Oak announce the engagement of their daughter, Sonja Maria, to Paul Anthony Skonieczny, the son of Muriel Skonieczny of Plymouth and Paul and Celine Skonieczny of Berkley.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Shrine High School. She is attending Oakland Community College where she is studying education. She is employed at Northpointe Internal Medicine in Berkley. Her fiance also is a graduate of

Shrine High School. He is attending Oakland Community College and Wayne State University. He is employed at Bayview Electric in Redford Township

A May wedding is planned at

Steinhebel-Wressell

John and Betty Steinhebel of ment of their daughter, Rebecca Vivian Wressell of Bay City.

Reed-Miller

Garden City.

Farmington Hills

John and Cathy Reed of Ypsi-

lanti announce the engagement

of their daughter, Jamie Lynn,

to Terry Michael Miller II, the

son of Terry and Elayne Miller of

The bride-to-be is a 1997 grad-

Her fiance is a 1993 graduate of Garden City High School. He

A May wedding is planned at

the Little Wedding Chapel in

is employed in the security field.

uate of Ypsilanti High School.



Flower Church in Royal Oak.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and the University of Canton announce the engage- Michigan College of Engineering. Her fiance is a 1992 graduate Ann, to Matthew Michael Wres- of John Glenn High School in sell, the son of Michael and Bay City and the University of Michigan College of Engineering.

Ferko-Sourbeck Thomas and Judith Ferko of

Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Lynn, to Wayne Fredrick Sourbeck III, the son of Wayne and Linda Sourbeck of Lincoln The bride-to-be is a graduate

employed with the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools as a Her fiance attended Liberty

of Miami University. She is

University. He is employed at Southwest Airlines.

A June wedding is planned at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Canton

Egloff-Schafer

Mel and Gerie Egloff of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Sara Ellen, to John Clayton Schafer, the son of Ryszarda (Ricky) Schafer and Earl Schafer, both of Allen Park.

The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School She is attending Wayne State University, where she is pursuing a degree in physical therapy. She is employed as a physical therapy technician at S.K.Y.L. Sports Medicine and Physical Rehabilitation in Dear-

Her fiance is a 1989 graduate of Melvindale High School and a 1994 graduate of Wayne State University with a bachelor of science degree in psychology. He also received his bachelor of science degree in allied health sciences in 1996 and a master's St. Michael's Lutheran Church degree in physical therapy in in Canton.

Wade-Bowen

Lee and Melba Wade of Canton and Marie Wade of Detroit announce the engagement of their daughter, LaKeisha, to Damon Bowen, the son of Paul and Saundra Bowen of Detroit.

The bride-to-be expects to graduate from the University of Michigan in May with a degree in industrial operations engineering. She plans to pursue a master's degree in business administration or management in the fall. Her fiance is an assets protec

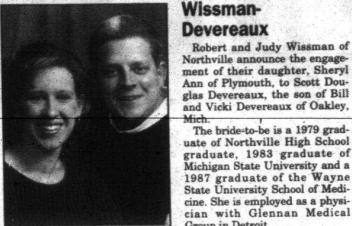
tion team leader, a part of the executive team for Mervyn's California Corp. He plans to complete work on a dual degree in architecture and criminal jus-

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cian with Glennan Medical Group in Detroit. Her fiance is a 1986 Chesaning High School graduate, and a 1991 General Motors Institute graduate. He is employed as an

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The bride-to-be is a 1979 grad-

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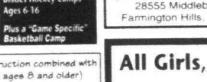


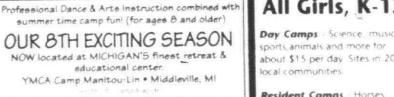


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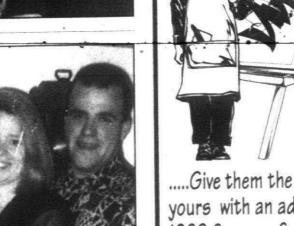
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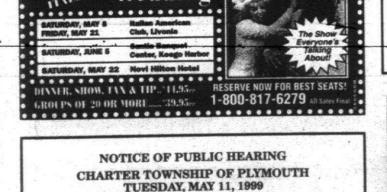


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The request of limor Engineering, Inc., is on file in the Clerk's Office where it is available for public perusal from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written 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 11, 1999, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee Meeting. Telephone number 784 453 3840 x 224... MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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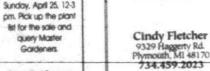
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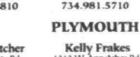
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CAR SHOW

■ The Lincoln High School Choir is holding a Hot Rod Show and Craft Show, featuring award winning classics of the past, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 1, at Lincoln Middle School lot, Willis Road, west of Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti, Car entry fee is \$10 at the gate, \$8 preregistration. Admission is \$3.

BEANIE BABY SHOW ■ The "Beanie Baby Show" returns 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 2, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Admission is \$2 for people age 4-12, \$5 for people age 13 and up. More than 50 vendors and collectors will be selling current and

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prizes given hourly. Call 734) 455-2110. FOOD DRIVE Your mail carrier will be collecting nonperishable food items on Saturday, May 8, as part of a nation wide food drive conducted cozy bungalow to a 4,000by the National Association square-foot home with a of Letter Carriers in condance floor. Tickets are \$15 unction with the U.S. in advance, \$18 at the door. Postal Service. Place your food donations at your mailbox before your letter carrier's normal arrival time. The food will be brought back to the post

office where the Salvation Army will collect it and distribute it to the needy families in the Plymouth community. Food donations can also be dropped off at either the Plymouth post office, Danny's Food or

Kmart The Salvation Army has requested no perishable/glass items. THEATRE PRESENTATION

■ The Plymouth Theatre Guild is presenting its last production, "Wait Until Dark", 8 p.m. Friday, May 7, and Saturday, May 8, 6 p.m. Sunday, May 9, and 8 p.m. Thursday, May 13, through Saturday, May 15. All performances are at The Water Tower Theatre on the campus of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile

Roads). Tickets are \$9 at the door, \$8 in advance all ages, \$6 for students 18 and younger when purchased at the door. Advance tickets may be purchased at Gardenviews,

West of I-275 between

Penniman Deli, Evola Music or by mail at PTG, P.O. Box 700451; Plymouth, 48170. Not recommended for children under

12. Call (248) 349-7110. CRAFT SHOW

"Crafts for a Cure" craft show will be held 10 a.m. to

5 p.m. Saturday, May 8, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sun day, May 9, at the Local 892 UAW Hall located at 601 Woodland Drive. Saline (corner of Woodland and Maple, one mild north of US 12). Proceeds benefit Leukemia Society of Amer-

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■ West Middle School's fifth annual auction occurs 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, May All proceeds will benefit West Middle School, Call

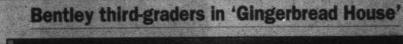
LOYALTY DAY

VFW Post 6695 is sponsor-April 29, in the post, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. The following will be presented: Community service to the public. Call Alice Fisher at (734) 728-7619.

Plymouth Volunteer Cen-Community Foundation. Century Society of Plyouth and the Tonguish lage, Plymouth. Cost is vres and entertainment will be provided.

LOGO CONTEST

is running a contest for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools students to design the logo for the annual event. The firstplace winner will receive a Liberty Fest package





students, staff and parents at the school. The play was a musical combination of the classic fairy tale "Hansel and Gretel" and the television show "This Old House." Performances were held during school hours and in the evening so parents could attend. All thin grade students had roles in the production, which was under the direction of music teacher Mohn Hiemstra, with staging and choreography by teacher Carole Brooks.

prizes. The winning logo will be displayed on Tshirts and promotional materials for this year's festival in June and the

Deadline for entries is May . Drawings may be submitted to D & M Studio. 8691 N. Lilley, Canton

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GRAND OPENING

■ The grand opening of the ter, home of the Plymouth Economic Club, will be 6-8 638 Starkweather, Old Vil \$100. Cocktails, hors d'oeu-

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p.m. Thursday, April 29, at



On stage: Third-grade students at Bentley Elementary in Canton recently presented the musical, "This Old Gingerbread House" to

shirts for the entire family, Summit passes and other winning designer will have his/her photo in the

Observer Newspapers. The contest is open to students nouth homes range from a in the third through eighth

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MEET AT CITY HALL ■ The American Family Association on National Day of Prayer will sponsor the annual "Meet at City Hall" 12:20-12:40 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at the Canton Township Adminis tration Building (around the flagpole). Call (734)

RELAY FOR LIFE

■ The 1999 Plymouth/Canton Relay for Life, a 24hour run/walkathon to raise money for the Ameri can Cancer Society, will be held May 8-9 at Heritage Park in Canton. Teams consist of 12 or more people who divide up the relay so that a member is on the track at all times. Team members are asked to raise \$100 each to participate. There will be entertainment and refreshments for

the duration of the event.

MI. 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the

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CALENDAR

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GARDEN ART SHOW

■ The Northville Rotary Club will host a spring fund-raiser Sunday, May 23. Garden Treasures, a garden art and accessories Student volunteers are also

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DANCE CAMP ■ Michigan Dance Express summer dance camp proram occurs July 25-29 at Camp Connection in Fenton. The camp is designed for dancers age 8 and up. Dance classes will be held in ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, modeling, swing and more. Campers will also participate in boating, swimming, hiking and games. Call (313) 562-1203 or (734) 397-9755.

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e served. Booths are limit-SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAM ed. The cost for a booth is ■ Village Music in Ply-\$55 for Plymouth chamber members and \$125 for

mouth, offering profession al instruction of Kindermusik, voice and piano, has started registration for the Kindermusik Summer Adventure Program for children 18 months to 7 years, and Kindermusik Village for newborns to 17 months, starting the week of June 7. For information regarding group classes or private lessons, call Norma

Registration for fall preschool is ongoing at Creative Day Nursery School spaces, both morning and afternoon classes in Canton. Creative Day is located at 44815 Cherry Hill.

ADULT DAY CARE

Adult Day Care is a 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., servneed some assistance but

the Livonia Elks Lodge. The dinner-dance was given by their daughter, Dorothy, son-inlaw Ron and son Donald. They also have three grandchildren -Dean Malkiewicz and wife Jennifer. Damon Malkiewicz and

The McLeans renewed their

wedding vows during a ceremony

Dawn Malkiewicz.

Donald and Catherine McLean of Livonia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 9. 1998, with family and friends at

McLean

conducted by the Rev. Ruth illington at Rosedale Gardens She is an avid gardener and is resbyterian Church in Livonia. The couple exchanged vows on interested in church activities

ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 9, 1948, in Fargo, Mich., while he was serving in the U.S. They have been active in the Air Force. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and retired from the Air Force in to Livonia in 1956.

Nicole and Jessica.

Kietur

Alex and Mary Jane Kietur of Garden City will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on The couple was married at St.

> den City in 1949. She is the former Mary Jane Brossoit. They have three married sons - Alex and wife Patrice, David

Raphael Catholic Church in Gar-

Rocholl Harold "Rocky" and JoAnn

Rocholl of Plymouth are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary by spending a weekend at the Valley Plaza Resort in Midland with their children. The couple exchanged vows on

the former JoAnn Cole. They have four children -Lynn Horne of Inkster, Rick of Dearborn Heights, Gordon of Jefferson City, Mo., and Mary of Grosse Ile. They also have seven

May 11, 1949, in Florida. She is

grandchildren. Retired for 12 years, the Rocholls enjoy monthlong driving trips out West, golfing, helping keep their condominium



Motors in 1993. She was a long-

time employee of Woolworth's.

in the Upper Peninsula and

spending time with their grand-

spending time at the casinos and association running smoothly.

Read Taste on Sunday

Sex's price tag

Teenagers to hear abstinence message

Pam Stenzel has a message for high school students: Sex has a

> Stenzel will take her message to teens at 10 area high schools and present to parents and teens at a youth rally and dinner benefit during a three-day visit May

*I firmly believe that young people are capable of making good, healthy decisions, if they are given the facts," said Stenzel. the founder and director of community and the Disabled Straight Talk, an organization American Veterans since moving established for the purpose of educating teens about the issues of sexuality and the importance and wife Carol and Edward and of chastity. "The problem with most 'sex education' is that teens wife Katie - and five grandchilare given half truths and are not dren - Kevin, Matthew, Lucas, made aware of all the consequences of their decisions. He retired from General

This is the fourth year that the AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center in Livonia has brought Stenzel to They enjoy gardening, camping the metropolitan area to speak to teens about abstinence.

The center tries to get Stenzel into nine-10 schools each year and broke new ground this year with five schools signing on for the first time, according to David West, the center's executive

director. "There are some schools we're still not able to get into, but most that have had her want her back," West said. "She talks about all the things that can happen with premarital sex and getting pregnant is not the worst. She encourages teens to abstain and tells them there's no such thing as safe sex. Condoms don't work 100 percent every

"She's not pushy, she gives onsequence for actions," said counselor Claudia Turnquist of Stenzel's talk at Ladywood High School. "She was very positive. Kids waited after to talk to her and parents called later to thank

"Pam is very sincere, very

She talks about all the things that can happen with premarital sex ... and getting pregnant is not the worst.'

-AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center

and harder to meet the budget

as the demand for its free ser-

vices increases. The center cur-

The center provides pregnancy

testing, counseling about abor-

tion alternatives and sexually

rently is \$10,000 under budget.

Free services

its clients.

municator, and has great rap- needs of its clients. port with the audience," said stu-The center also gets 5 percent lent activities director Ron Pode of her presentation at Livonia and Kroger gift certificate it

Franklin High School. "All eyes sells. But much of the financial were on Pam for the entire support comes from businesses, individuals, 20-30 churches that help on a regular basis and one-West admits it's getting harder

This year, Stenzel is scheduled to make one-hour presentations at Divine Child, Detroit Northwestern, Southfield Christian, Novi, Crestwood, Walled Lake Central, Western Fairlane Christian and Redford Union High schools and Henry Ford

Busy schedule

She also will conduct an area wide abstinence youth rally 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township.

Previous rallies have attracted up to 500 teens and West is hoping to do better this year. The church auditorium can seat up to 1.700 people She will close out her stay by

being the keynote speaker at the AAA Crisis' ninth annual banquet 6 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. Tickets for the banquet are \$25 each or sponsorships of tables of 10 for \$225. They can

be ordered through Monday, May 3, by calling Ginger Bloom field at (734) 425-8060. The banquet is a major fundraiser for the center which relies heavily on donations to minister to the emotional, physical and spiritual needs of women with ple afflicted by Alzheimer's dis-

walkathon in September and an ment. Volunteers donate four to 16 auction in November to meet the

ministry without money. It's the only way to keep the doors open and keep responding to the

needs of the clients." West has a plan - a \$1 million trust fund that, once fully invested, would provide proceeds for two-thirds of the money needed to keep the center open. Started a year ago, the fund has \$11,000 of every Meijer, Farmer Jack in it and it has shown a \$1,200 return since being invested in a mutual fund. West estimates the return would be \$127,000, if the trust topped \$1 million, almost three-quarters of this year's

\$160,000 budget. West is open to any and all contributions, adding the if 10,000 people want to give \$100 or 1 million people want to give \$1 to reach the goal it's OK with him. The Garden City Christian Center which supports the center year-round, contributed \$1,000 to the trust in monthly installments.

transmitted diseases, birth and "Our only recourse is the trus parenting classes and material fund; it keeps pumping out goods (infant clothing, diapers, money," West said. "We would infant care products and furnikeep the fund-raisers, but they ture and maternity clothing) to could be fun raisers, a fun time for people who support the min-"Each year, it's a struggle to istry.

make budget," West said. "Peo-"It would be nicer if we could ple like to donate for the babies, out there's the bills for the rent about the money."

Area Alzheimer's chapter seeks respite volunteers

dents of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Trained volunteers provide

crisis pregnancies. It also holds a ease or another memory impair-

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To submit your academic honor or graduation to the honor roll, a student must maintain at least cal University on May 22, with degrees in environfull-time student.

John L. Chick, Christopher R. Katke, Craig received the "Audience Choice Award" in the Win-W. Marshall and Raymond E. Norton of Ply- ter Carnival Queen Pageant at MTU. mouth were all named to the dean's list at | A graduate of Salem High School, she is a resi-Lawrence Technological University. To be named | dent assistant at the Townshed Hall dormitory, to the honor roll, a student must maintain at least | and a member of the Michigan Tech Mining Team. | AWARDS a 3.5 grade point average for the term and be a She has served in the Blue Key Honor's Associa-

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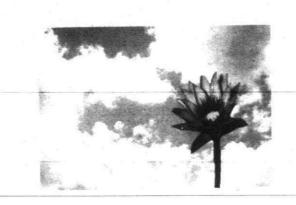
recently was selected as second runner-up and

tion and as an officer of the Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority. She has been accepted in the University of Michigan's College of Engineering, where she plans to work on her master's degree.

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Nicole Lynn Zlonkevicz of Plymouth has been named a United States National Award winner

Molly E. Strand pledged Albion College's Beta chapter of Alpha Chi Omega sorority during the 1999 spring semester. Strand is a first-year student at Albion College. She is the daughter of William R. and Virginia D. Strand of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School

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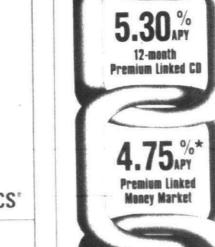


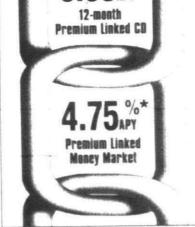


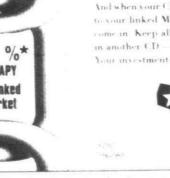






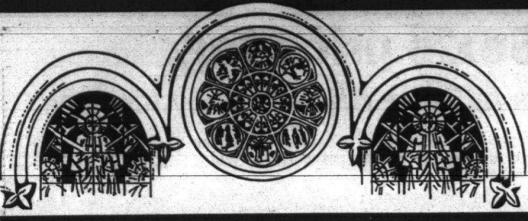








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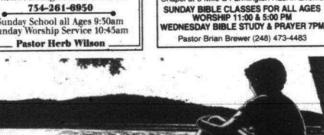
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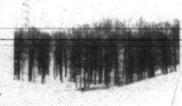
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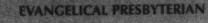
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522-0138. RUMMAGE SALES with a student rate of \$15 (at Newburg United Methodist the door, the cost is \$25, if seats Church will have a spring rumare available). Lunch is includmage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fried. The church is at 14800 Midday, April 30, and 9 a.m. to noon dlebelt. To register or for more Saturday, May 1, at the church, information, call the Rev. 6500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Michael A. Van Horn, pastor, at Clothes, housewares, toys, furni-(734) 425-2800. ture, craft items, Christmas store, jewelry and more will be gious culture, Clapp plans to

featured. ■ Unity of Livonia will have a "Previously Owned Treasure Sale 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 2, in the fellowship hall of the church, 28860 Five

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no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at

(734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

Table space is available through Thursday, April 29, for

Moms to Moms Market 10 a.m.

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'MOM'S SALE

Mile, Livonia. ■ The First United Methodist Church of Wayne will have its Spring Rummage Sale and Plus m 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 7, and 9 a.m. to noon Satur day, May 8, at the church, 3739 Newberry, across from the post office, Wayne. There will be a bake shop and refreshments and the Plus Room, featuring collectibles, antiques, designer clothes, glassware and better furniture. Saturday will be \$1.50 a bag day (excluding the Plus Room). For more information, call the church office at (734) 721-4801.

ART AUCTION St. Edith Christian Service musicians Stephen Petrunak will host an art auction by Park West Galleries 7 p.m. Friday. April 30, at the church 15089 Newburgh, Livonia, Admission will be \$5. There will be an hour-Stachowski is an accomplished long preview, featuring hors viclinist who performs with the d'oeuvres and champagne punch,

in religion. A far-too-prevalent trend in contemporary American Christianity is churches advertising themselves like products, he says.

Clapp argues that the mes-

Clapp argues that the message of the church isn't commodity and is seriously distorted when east in the consumer or market model. When the ily prevalent in the contempochurch member is reduced to the role of a "religious consumer," then taste takes priority over truth and the disciple is less inclined to actively serve and more prone to passively In the second session, "The in the church setting.

As a student of American reli- Church as First Family," Clapp will speak about the impor-

with auction starting at 8 p.m. The works of popular contempo-Concert tickets are \$8 for lithographs of more prominent artists will be auctioned off. Proceeds will benefit St. Edith Christian Service and St. Edith Youth Ministry. For more information, call (734) 464-1222.

singer David Haas will be in co cert 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April Church, 555 S. Lilley Road, Can-Haas is highly regarded as one of the preeminent liturgical composers in the English-speaking world. He has produced more than 25 collections of liturgic

spirituality. The workshop costs Haas will be joined by local **'CHANGING WORLD'** and Zack Stachowski, both of Sterling Heights. Petrunak has distinguished himself as a guitarist and composer. At age 15,

Metropolitan Youth Symphony

adults, \$4 for children and \$20 for an entire family in advance and \$10, \$5 and \$25, respectively, at the door. Haas's recordings and related materials will be for sale the evening of the concert. Call (734) 844-8404 for tickets. On Saturday, May 1, Haas will

conduct a Day of Renewal for people involved in liturgical ministry - eucharistic ministers, lectors, musicians and choir members, ministers of hospitality, liturgists and pastoral staff. Participants will gain a stronger understanding of their role in the church and come away with a renewed sense of purpose and

The deadline for registering for St. Andrew's Episcopal Church program for women "Coping in a Changing World," will be Saturday, May 1. The

program will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, May 15, at the church, 16360 Hubbard, Liyonia.

A solution is to restore the

Registration is \$30 and includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Registration fees can be sent to Char Camfeld, 17235 Cove Drive, Northville 48167. For more information, call (248) Featured will be Elise Arndt,

director of Women's Ministries at Faith Lutheran Church in Troy and host of the radio pro gram, "Common Sense Living." FRIENDS DAY

The Church of Christ-West will have Friends Day Sunday, May 2, at the church, Six Mile and Farmington roads, Livonia. Bible study will be at 10 a.m., worship at 11 a.m. and a fellowship dinner at 12:30 p.m. For

5056 or (248) 478-1499. PEACE TALK Ronald Stockton will present "Jerusalem and the Israeli-Palestinian Peace Talks" 9:45 a.m. Sunday, May 2, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church,

more information, call (734) 513-

For those who are interes the discussion will continue at 5 p.m. Sver dinner at local restaurant for an additional

On Sunday, May 9, Clapp will be the guest preacher at the 10:45 a.m. service of Trinity tian Home is a Haven," will Church. His sermon topic, based on the Scripture Ephtalized view of the nuclear famesians 2:11-22 is "No Longer Patriots or Consumers: A Call to Christian Citizenship." Churches often "idealize"

Clapp is the author of four nuclear family as the ultimate books, including "Families at the Crossroads" and "A Pecu-liar People," a 1997 "Christiani-Christian value. So much so, Clapp suggests, that singles, divorcees, widows and childless ty Today" book of the year. couples often feel marginalized

He has served as an editor of InterVarsity Press and "Christianity Today" and is a con-

Stockton is a professor of polit-

ical science at the University of

research associate at the Univer-

sity of Michigan Center for Mid-

ies. He has a special interest in

the role of religion in the politi-

cal process, a topic which he has

written several articles and co-

church at (734) 422-1470.

PARISH NURSING

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Michigan-Dearborn and a



tributing editor of "The Consuming Passion: Christianity and the Consumer Culture."

A new program of parish nursing will begin at Nativity United Church of Christ in Livonia, following the 11:45 a.m. worship service in the library of the church, 9435 Henry Ruff at West Chicago, Livonia.

The program will be directed by the Rev. Ida Reifsnyer, who has a degree from Bangor Seminary in Maine, attended Yale University as a public health nurse and completed training in certified pastoral education.

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Parish nursing assists and empowers individuals to become more active partners in the management of their personal health resources and helps transform the faith community into a greater source of health and healing.

On Wednesday, May 5, the church also will begin its Women of the Bible series. Lead by Reifsnyer, the group will meet 7-8:30 p.m. For more information, call the church at (734) 421-5406.

'WIND AND FIRE'

Life in the Holy Spirit Seminars will be presented 7 p.m. Mondays through May 17 at St. Bernadine of Sienna Church, 31463 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. For more information, call the church at (734) 522-0138.

RETIREMENT SEMINAR

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church will sponsor a "Money Matters at Retirement: What You Don't Know Could Hurt You" seminar Tuesday, May 4, at the church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. For more information and reservations, call the church, at (734) 458-7932.

The seminar is one of the requirements for the church's Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 5058 to receive a Gold Star rating by the fraternal benefit society in recognition of outstanding volunteer service to the

The branch has 540 members,

led by Charles Gray of Livonia as chairman, Kay Gray of Livonia as recorder and Mel Tornow of Garden City as treasurer.

NEW BEGINNINGS

The Rev. Kurt Stutz will speak about "Help for the Family in Grief" when New Beginnings, a grief support group, meets 7 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need. For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (248) 380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at (734) 462-3770.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

As part of the National Day of Prayer, a prayer and praise service will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church-Canton campus, 46001 Warren Road. The service, sponsored by the Board of Women's Ministry, will focus on the greatness of the Lord and petitions for the nation and its leaders, churches, community and families.

The theme for the National .. Day of Prayer is "Light the Nation ... with Prayer." The observance was established by federal law in 1952 when the U.S. Congress signed a joint resolution, signed by President Harry Truman. The law was amended in 198, designating the first Thursday in May as the official National Day of Prayer. For more information, call Suann Dibble at (734) 522-6830.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United Suburban West-Detroit will celebrate Fellowship Day, Friday, May 7, at the First United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River, Farmington. The program, "God's Sweet Surprises: Angels, Mentors and Friends," will be at 9:15 a.m. and includes a continental breakfast. The cost will be \$2. Participants should bring their Love pillows for the children's hospitals.

For reservations and baby-sitting, call Betty Haines at (313) 535-8355. The deadline for registering is May 2.

MYSTERY DINNER

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church will stage a mystery dinner, "The Mild, Mild West," at 6:30 p.m. Friday-Sat-urday, May 7-8, at the church, 30900 W. Six Mile, Livonia.

An evil villain is trying to wrest control of the Bar-B-Q dude ranch from Sweet Sue Sobright. Her only hope rests with a clumsy and not-very-bright cowboy named Tex Toogood.

Can the hero save the ranch? Come and see if you can solve the mystery. Compete with other tables to see if you can win the evening's prize.

Tickets, including dinner, are \$12 for adults and \$10 for youth 8-12 years old. The deadline for ordering tickets is Saturday, May 1. They are available from Nancy Wasson, St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 303900 Six Mile, Livonia 48152, or by calling (734) 425-2325.

'DOLLS GALORE'

"Dolls Galore" will be the theme of a mother and daughter banquet Friday, May 7, at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Isabel Stanton will talk about "The Joy of Loving and Making Dolls." Participants are invited to bring a favorite doll to share at the doll table (security will be provided).

Tickets are \$7 for mothers and daughters ages 13 and older, \$4 for daughters ages 4-12 and free for daughters age 3 and under. For tickets, call Bev Breest at (734) 459-9765.

SPRING CARD PARTY

St. Hilary Rosary Altar Society will have its annual spring card party 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 14, at the church, 23901 Elmira, Redford. There will be a dessert buffet table, table prizes, door prizes and raffle prizes. The cost will be \$6 and reservations can be made by calling Betty at (313) 533-8239 or Dorothy at (313) 533-5698

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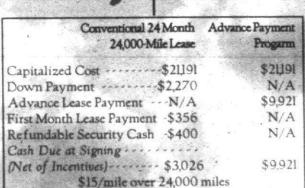
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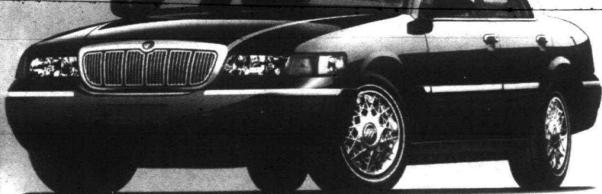
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Ambassadors win Cup

The Compuware Ambassadors completed their three-game sweep of the St. Louis Sting with a 4-0 shutout Friday at Compuware Arena, earning them the Robertson Cup as playoff champions of the North American Hockey League.

The Ambassadors, who also won the regular-season title in the NAHL, swept through the playoffs with seven wins and no losses. Both Compuware and St. Louis now advance to the USA Hockey Junior 'A' Gold Cup Championship Tournament, which starts this weekend in Lincoln, Neb.

St. Louis opens the Gold Cup tourney against Des Moines at 3 p.m. Friday. The Ambassadors play Lincoln at 7 p.m. Friday.

On Saturday, Compuware tangles with Omaha at 3 p.m. and the Sting goes against Lincoln at 7 p.m. Then on Sunday, it's the Ambassadors vs. Des Moines at 11 a.m. and St. Louis vs. Omaha at 3 p.m.

The Gold Cup semifinals are scheduled for Tuesday, with the finals 7 p.m. Wednesday.

In last Friday's win over St. Louis, Compuware got a power-play goal and two assists from both John Shouneyia and Pete Broccoli to lead the Ambassadors. Steve Jackson added a power-play goal and Josh Bowers struck for a short-handed marker. Compuware outshot the Sting 23-15 as goalie Craig Kowalski posted the shutout win.

Official honored

Brian Foust has been officiating swim meets, both high school and college, for 27 years. Earlier this month, his work was recognized.

Foust, a Plymouth resident, was named by the National Federation Interscholastic Officials Association as the 1998 Michigan Swim Official of the Year. The NFIOA cited Foust's committment to officiating, his dedication to the sport, his willingness to give back to the sport and other officials, and the professionalism he exhibits while officiating.

A special education teacher in the Plymouth-Canton school district, Foust has officiated several state high school swim championship meets and junior college swim championships.

Gymnastic 1st

Kara Ahern, a 10-year-old from Canton, finished first on the balance beam at the state gymnastics club meet held at Weştern Michigan University in Kalamazoo. Competing in 9 Ahern - a fifth-grader at Bentley Elementary School in Canton - scored 9.275 to win the beam.

She also placed third in the allaround with a score of 35.225, qualifying her for the USAG Regional Meet to be held later this month in Indi-

New name, same run

The name changes, but the event is

The National City Run, formerly known as the Dexter-Ann Arbor Run and the First of America Run, will be the same weekend - Memorial Day. May 28-29 - as its 25 predecessors, along the same basic course, appealing to both serious runners who want to compete in a half-marathon, a 10kilometer or a five-kilometer race to those who want to walk through a five-kilometer course.

A total of \$7,000 in prize money will be up for grabs in the half-marathon and 10K runs.

The Kids Run will be 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 28, along a 600-meter course in Ann Arbor's Kerrytown, for those from two to 12 years. A pasta dinner will also be available that same day at the Clarion Hotel in Ann

Registration forms for all eight races are available at any National City Bank or Ann Arbor area running and/or fitness stores, including Tortoise & Hare and Running Fit; on-line at www.doitsports.com/nationalcityrun; by phone at (734) 995-2752; by mail at National City Run, R-F00-C8 P.O. Box 8615, Ann Arbor, MI, 48107; or by FAX at (734) 995-2510.

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

Salem jolts defending state champs



What would it take? Last year, some would have insisted a miracle. But this Livonia Stevenson could be beaten; Salem coach Doug Landefeld was convinced of it. On Wednesday night, his Rocks proved him right.

BY C.J. RISAK

It wasn't a rocket, it wasn't a pretty set-up, it wasn't a singularly-determined play that provided half the answer to that end-of-the-season equation: Who will play whom for the Western Lakes Activities Association gifls soccer championship?

It was the wind, as much as anything else. And it was Plymouth Salem that rode that breeze into a berth in the

WLAA finals, getting a wind-aided goal from Jeannine Edwards with just 1:20 left in the match to edge defending state champion Livonia Stevenson 1-0 Wednesday at Stevenson.

"They knew we had to score to get into the (WLAA) finals," said Salem coach Doug Landefeld, whose team (now 4-3-1 overall) had struggled through much of the season - until Wednesday. "We've just been waiting

for something to go our way."

It did. With the clock ticking away, the tide had turned; Stevenson had owned most of the play in the first half, but the Rocks — thanks to strong goal-keeping from Jill Dombrowski — had weathered it. A strong wind had aided the Spartans in that first half; in the second, it favored Salem.

The Rocks kept the ball in Steven-son's end of the field for the majority of the second half, but could not finish. Perhaps their best opportunity came with 26 minutes left, when Suzi Towne struck a Jami Coyle pass off the football upright.

Then, with less than two minutes to play, Coyle put a restart into the box in front of Stevenson keeper Lesley Hooker. The ball bounced free and was finally volleyed out, but Edwards gained possession 30 yards away. Her hard shot was carried by the wind over

Hooker's outstretched hand and into

the goal, giving Salem the victory.
"We didn't deserve to win," said Stevenson coach Jim Kimble, his team now 6-2 overall. "We knew going in. We knew Doug would have 'em ready to play. This turns their season around."

The win ended two years of frustration for the Rocks, who were pounded twice by Stevenson last season. Those games were decided early as the Spartans put multiple goals on the board.

Which made the opening minutes of Wednesday's game extremely important. "We tried not to mention it," said Landefeld. "Last year, after the first 10 minutes we were out of the game. But Jill (Dombrowski) played great in the first half tonight. She cleaned everything up. She kept us in it."

Chiefs best Rocks



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Two teams sporting dual-meet records that couldn't be more opposite. And yet, when they collided on the Hilltop Golf Course Monday, the

results were as close as anticipated.
When Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem meet in anything, it's usually a tight struggle. When the two girls golf teams met Monday, even though Canton could boast of three wins in its previous four matches while Salem was winless in its first three, it was about as close as one could expect.

For the second-straight year, the Chiefs prevailed - 226-228. The win gave Canton a 4-1 overall record, 2-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Salem is 0-4 overall, 0-3 in the WLAA.

This is always close," insisted Canton coach Dan Riggs, "We're pretty much where I'd thought I'd be right now. I thought we'd have a

shot at our division (title).

"I'm extremely happy with the kids. When Salem and Canton play each other, in anything, it's usually the defining moment in a season."

If that proves accurate this time around, then the Chiefs could indeed make inroads after a disappointing

finish to last year. And Salem?

Well, the Rocks' slump might con-

Canton and Salem were the botom two teams at the WLAA Tourna ment last spring. Since the start of the season, Riggs has believed this could be a turnaround season for the

"The next two weeks will be interesting for all of us," the Canton coach said, noting the Chiefs' duals with Livonia Stevenson Tuesday, Livonia Churchill today at Hilltop and against Westland John Glenn, Farmington and Northville next week.

For Salem, the immediate future does not seem as bright. Was there anything the Rocks could have done differently to affect Monday's outcome against Canton?

"I wish we would have shot three strokes better," said Salem coach Rick Wilson. "I'm pleased it was close, I'm pleased it was competitive. We just needed one more (golfer to score) in the 50s.

"All of them could have shot a little

Medalist honors went to Canton's Stephanie Koppe, a senior who shot

Please see GOLF, C3



Salem edges Farmington.

They made it antagonizingly close, but in the end Plymouth Salem's softball team had enough to pull out a 6-5 win in eight innings over Farmington in a Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division game Monday at Farmington.

The Rocks, who improved to 5-3 overall with the win, carried a 5-1 lead into the seventh inning but couldn't hold it. The Falcons struck for four runs to knot it at 5-all, only to lose it in the seventh on a single by Dawn Allen followed by a run-scoring base hit by Shae Potocki that scored Allen from first.

Allen led Salem with two hits and three runs batted in in the game; she had a two-run single in the Rocks' second inning. Maureen Buchanan also had two hits and two RBI, and Heather Sonntag had an RBI single. Katie Ketly added two hits to the attack.

Jacqui Slebodnick was the winning pitcher, working seven innings and allowing five runs on five hits and one walk, with four strikeouts. Amanda Sutton got the save with one inning of perfect relief.

The extra-inning win gives Salem a 2-0 record in extra-inning games this

On Sunday, the Rocks hosted Livonia Franklin, Northville, Detroit Country Day and Farmington in the weatherdelayed Salem Invitational. Originally, scheduled for Saturday, soggy field conditions forced a delay to Sunday. Dear born, which was supposed to play in the tournament, could not reschedule, for Sunday and did not show.

That forced a change in format, with format with the team with the best record named champion. Tiebreakers included head-to-head results, followed by fewest runs allowed and then most runs scored.

The tiebreaker was needed. Salem, Franklin and Northville all finished 3-1 in the tournament, with each beating each other. Franklin was named champ on the runs allowed basis; the Patricks gave up just eight, while both Northville and Salem surrendered 19 That forced another tiebreaker to see ho finished second: the honor went Salem, which outscored Northville

The Rocks opened the tournament with a 10-2 win over Country Day. Sub-

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Now, thanks to a new service being offered by the Observer Newspapers, you can have one, free and easy. (See related story on Page A1.)

Mihometown.com makes creating a Web page as easy as clicking a mouse. And for community sports groups, such pages may offer an outlet not available anywhere else. Brion Roberto, manager of the Observer & Eccentric Enhanced

Media Department, said everyone from Little League teams to sports clubs to bowling leagues to school sports teams can have their own Web pages where they can post scores of games almost instantaneously, recruit new members, pass along team news, post calendars of events, provide links to other related Web pages, or just enter a chat room to talk with other participants.

"With this new service, not just the school, but each team for each sport could have its own Web site," he said.

Users can post comments on message boards and send e-mail

to other participants with just one

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Nearly 1,000 turned out

Wednesday to pay tribute to

Paul Scicluna, the man who

championed and nurtured the

Scicluna, the head women's

soccer coach at Eastern Michi-

gan University, was killed Sat-

urday afternoon during a one-car

rollover accident while traveling

in his 1999 Chevy Blazer head-

ing northbound on US-23 in

from a recruiting trip in Ohio.

Scicluna, 57, was returning

Mourners packed the indoor

field at Total Soccer of Wixom,

one of four metro area facilties

Scicluna co-operated with EMU

men's coach Brian Tinnion.

Monroe County.

sport of soccer in this area.

Salem pursuing a title repeat

It's always on the same day as the Kentucky Derby, traditional on the first day in May - the 29th running of the Observerland Boys Track Relays.

And it looks like it should be a two-horse race Saturday at Redford Union's Kraft Defending champion Plymouth Salem,

which ran away with the title last season with 112 points, could be pushed by upstart Livonia Churchill.

The Chargers, who scored 53.5 a year ago to edge North Farmington for second place, could be charging hard at the finish line this

Another team that could have been in the money, but will probably not contend for the title this year is Redford Catholic Central. The Shamrocks will have a split squad this

CC, boasting a strong distance crew and potent throwing contingent led by Nick Brzezinski, will send some of its varsity athletes Friday to the Jackson Invitational, while some will compete Saturday at

Observerland. Brzezinski, however, will go to both meets. The Duke-bound gridder has thrown an eye-popping 186-1 in the discus at Saturday's Monroe Invitational and 54-1 in the shot put.

Any darkhorses in the field?

; 2. Troy (4-0-0); 3. Yroy Athens (7-1-6. Portage Central; 7. Midland Dow; outh Canton (4-2-1); 9. Saginav om (2-2-1), Farmington Hills Mercy (5

DIVISION II - 1. Madison Heights hon Foley (5-1-0): 2. Bloomfield Hills abser (3-3-0); 3. Birmingham Groves (1-52); 4. Auburn Hills Avendale (6-3-0); 5.

mingham Marian (3-3-1). HONORABLE MENTION — Farmington 2-1). Grosse Pointe North, Holland nristian, East Lansing, Caledonia.

DIVISION III - 1, Birmingham-Detroit untry Day (7-1-1); 2. Kalamazoo Hack t Catholic Central: 3. Pontiac Notre me Pren: 4. St. Clair Shores South ke (7-0-0); 5. Grosse Pointe Woods U

BOYS TRACK

"We're hoping to repeat," Salem coach Geoff Baker said. "We always go into this to win. It's for bragging rights in our area. You have to perform at big meets, and this is a

What do the Rocks need to do in order to emerge victorious?

"We have to have all our people step up," Baker said. "We need to score everywhere, in every event. I think we can - that's what

Salem will certainly miss middle distance star Ian Searcy, who has graduated and gone on to Central Michigan. And the Rocks will be without top sprinter Mike Shull, who is out until next week with a pulled hamstring.

"I think we're more balanced, which makes us a little stronger," Baker said. "Our balance is really good this year, but we lack in certain events. Still, all of our distance guys are around and running better than ever. We didn't lose any hurdlers, and our sprinters are running times as good as last year.'

Salem's distance team is strong led by Nick Allen, Jon and Craig Litttle and Bobby

"They are running real well, and we have kids to fill in behind them," Baker said. "I'm hoping to see a real good mile this year." CC will ride the legs of one of the state's

There seems to be no doubt

who's No. 1 in girls soccer, at

The top teams in Observerland

ing state champs, Livonia

Stevenson, and Plymouth Can-

ton. And the team that rules

The Red Hawks made it a

clean sweep against the Observ-

er powers by edging Canton, 3-2

Saturday at Canton. Earlier this

season, Athens ended Steven-

son's unbeaten streak at 42-

On Saturday at Canton, the

Chiefs got goals from Lisa

Tomasso and Amanda Lentz.

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straight with a 2-0 victory.

would appear to be the defend-

least not for now

both of them:

Troy Athens.

Athens clips Chiefs; Rocks roll

John Glenn at Glenn, left Can-

ton with a 5-2-1 overall record.

The Chiefs' other loss came

In the win over John Glenn

Monday, Morrell did the bulk of

the damage, scoring three goals

and assisting on another. Lentz

did her share for the Chiefs, too,

accounting for two goals and two

assists. Melanie Dunn contribut-

ed a goal and an assist, with

Allison Mills and Stephanie

Johnson getting single goals and

Salem 6, W.L. Western 0:

Tomasso adding two assists.

against Stevenson.

SOCCER

top hurdlers, senior Ryan Kearney, who is headed to Western Michigan.

Kearney ran 14.4 to win the Observerland 110-meter hurdles last year and could be a threat to break the 1995 mark of 14.1 set by Wayne Memorial's Ken Riley.

Last weekend, Churchill, the Livonia City champions, finished runner-up, eight points ehind Western Lakes Activities Activities Association foe Walled Lake Central at last Saturday's Belleville Tiger Relays.

"This year I think we can get points in every event," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "But we have to score in the top four in everything. If we do that, we have a nice

"We'll try to play to our strengths. We have a nice throws team and our high jump and pole vault are more than adequate.

"Salem is still pretty strong and they've been there before. They've got bodies to cover most events and they're strong at the dis-

The meet will also feature some individual standouts including defending 1,600 champion Josh Burt (Livonia Franklin), pole vaulters Derek Laskowski (Farmington Hills Harrison) and Joe Frendo (Garden City): sprinter/long jumper Kevin Woods (Harrison); high jumper Chris Kalis (Plymouth Canton): 1.600 runner Dan Jess (CC); long jumper Devin White (Churchill); sprinters Kwame Hampton (Wayne) and Scott Genord

cored both runs with a single.

Lukasik, who gave up three and one walk with five strikeouts in 5 1/3 innings, took the loss; he's 1-2 for the season.

record at 3-3-1 by beating Western Monday (pending Wednesday's game at Livonia Steven-Christina Seniuch paced Salem with three goals against the Warriors. Jessica Bucks. Jami Covle and Kristen Shull

The cancellation came on the

neels of a 3-2 loss to Livonia

Churchill suffered last Wednes-

day, the Rocks second defeat in

Western Lakes Activities Associ-

The Churchill match was a

game Salem coach Doug Lande-

feld thought his team could

have, indeed should have, won,

The Rocks did even their overall

added single scores.

Falcons' Avery beats Salem; PCA gets win

ner, and an error to bring i

Wacker and Eicher joined

Gordon with two hits in the

relief. He gave up one run on

one hit and two walks, with

The Rocks did not give up an

PCA 4. A.P. Inter-City 3: Andy

mouth Christian Academy

City Baptist Tuesday.

The win evened the Eagles

record at 1-1 in the Michigan

ence. They are 1-3 overall.

ndent Athletic Confer

earned run in the game.

What Plymouth Salem ran runs on four hits and one walk, nto Monday was one tough with six strikeouts.

Lukasik also paced the Salem offense with three hits. Joe Rizzi added two hits and an RBI, and Nick Eicher had a

topped the Rocks on three hits and one walk, striking out 10 In the second game, six from a 4-0 deficit to tie it at 6all on a two-run home run by overall record, 2-2 in the Gordon in the fifth, only to los WLAA and 1-1 in the division. it in the seventh on a walk ground out to advance the runakes," said Salem coach Dale

Rumberger, noting a pair of errors in the sixth inning that fueled a four-run Farmington The Rocks did score four times in the fourth on a run bunts that the Rocks' pitchers, first Jason Lukasik and then Steve Gordon, failed to field RBI singles by Corey Wacker and Ryan Cook. The fourth run scored on a Pioneer error.

Although Salem managed ust three hits, at least they were bunched - all of them oming in the fourth inning, when the Rocks scored both heir runs. Chris Longpre started it with a bunt single; Mike Hoben then doubled to eft-center field, and Lukasik "Avery just shut us down," id Rumberger. "He was real-

pitcher, going 4 2/3 innings and allowing five hits and two to slam the door on a late Pioeer rally and preserve the the plate, with two hits includ-ing a triple, and one run batted

in. Dave Shumaker also had three. The victory went to

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nd three RBI to spark the offense, while Kelly had two hits (including a triple) and one RBI, and Jessica Chapman had

allowing two runs in four nnings. Sonntag had a double

gave up just two hits, a triple to Sutton and a single to Carrie Carter. Sutton allowed five

ing the loss.
Salem's bats were on in the next two games, collecting 22 hits and producing 22 runs. In an 11-3 victory over Northville, Sutton again got the win, giv-

ing up one run in four inni Maureen Buchanan had a two-run triple in the second, and Kelly had two hits (one a triple) and two RBI. Sutton added two hits and an RBI, and Julie Gowan slugged a

The Rocks struck for eight runs in the second inning to put away the Mustangs.

Against Farmington, Salem ombarded the Falcons with a 14-hit attack, led by Kelly with three hits (another triple) and one RBI. Sutton, Potocki and Carter each had two hits and an RBI, Kristen Kukhahn had a double and two RBI, and Son-

ntag had a run-scoring triple. Sutton pitched all seven couple of mistakes cost us the innings in earning this victory; she surrendered five runs on six hits and two walks, with

They played well together all weekend long," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "Everybody contributed."

mouth Canton struck for three ton Harrison lead and give the Chiefs the win in this WLAA

Soccer icon is dead Western Conference gam.

decisive rally for Canton with base hit. After a sacrifice, McK walk paved the way for Angels Neu, who singled in the go ahead run; Melissa Brown

McKernan, Kiessel, Neu and Brown each had two hits in the

The win went to Laura Stewart in relief of starter Jenny Fisher. Fisher gave up one run on two hits and two walks in four innings; Stewart allowed one unearned run on one bit, with three strikeouts, in one

Ali Ault took the loss in

"They're a very good team, said Canton coach Jim Arnold of Harrison. "They're aggressive and they don't make many

Last Saturday, Canton trav

knee. Hudson is expected back

Arnold used both Fisher and

The magic number, of course, low

and your team will be in the

Canton has flirted with that

Which may indicate that,

Livonia Stevenson remained

unbeaten in WLAA dual meets.

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while Monday's outcome was

close, the gap between the two

could widen by season's end.

Spartans stun Canton

number at times this season.

hunt for a victory.

Stewart in all four games in

this weekend at the Temper

eled to the Chelsea Tournabranched out into other areas. ment and came away with EMU assistant men's coach three wins in four games, beat Walt Barrett, who played for Sciing Okemos 5-3 in the consolacluna in the old Bonanza Express League (now Little Cae-The Chiefs won their tourna sars) as a 13-year-old, may have summed up best Scicluna's influ-

ment opener against Swartz Creek 10-2, thanks to a grandence on his beloved game. slam homer by Liz Elsner. In "He got everything going 25 their second game, however, " years ago, he's the Godfather of soccer, at least on the west side game," said Arnold, as Canton lost 5-3 to Jackson Northwest of town," said Barrett, who coached the Livonia Stevenson

High team to two state titles. A pitcher's duel emerged i "No, he's the Godfather of soccer the third game, and Canton for the entire state of Michigan." won it, beating Dexter 1-0.

The Chiefs were without pitching ace Gretchen Hudson, still sidelined with a strained Tinnion called the Farmington Hills resident "an originator, a

creator and a composer "He was like a father, big brother, business partner and cocoach - all rolled into one," said the former Detroit Express player and Detroit Rockers coach. "I've probably had more debates and discussions with him over body else voiced our opinions and he had 70 to 80

ers life lessons, and his integrity and honesty were unparalleled was over there was Paul was interested in helping never any us mature into responsible adults more than in winning. Scicluna, who came from a The things he did that drove us crazy while we were players are large family of multiple siblings, graduated from Detroit Western the same things that hundreds

percent of

the time.

but when it

business.

High School in 1958 and went on of us are doing now as coaches to play in the Detroit Soccer League from 1963-68. His first job was sweeping

floors in Detroit's Corktown. Scicluna, a native of Malta Twenty years later, Scicluna who came to the U.S. at age 14, would own a chain of flower Lisa, Amy and Kim, along with was remembered as father figure shops in the metro area, includwho put soccer on the map in the ing his anchor store, Livonia Livonia community and

Living in Livonia during the 1970s. Scicluna helped launch, along with Larry Christoff and Paul Dugan, the highly successful Livonia YMCA youth soccer partners in the venture. program.

He was also was one of the the architects of Livonia high school soccer, coaching the boys at Bentley, starting in 1978, and later on the girls team. He also served as head coach at Redford Catholic Central High.

During the mid-80s Scicluna also helped develop the Livonia Y Wolves (boys) and Hawks elite travel squads. From 1977 through 1995, Scicluna led his age-group squads to 10 state championships, two regional titles and two national runnerup finishes.

He also took CC to a Catholic League title, Bentley to two divisional crowns, and performed various duties coaching in the ney and finished the year 13-7-1

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the years Olympic Development program than any- (1980-93).

"I don't think there's many we always youth groups he hasn't been a part of," said Livonia native and Mid-Michigan Bucks co-owner Jim Duggan, a longtime friend to be right who played and coached under Scicluna. "He was in the kid "He was always teaching play-

> one that knew him." Tom Coyne, who coached with and helped turn the Livonia Y Hawks into a national club anyone can carry on Scicluna's

"I came from Pittsburgh 17 with our kids. He was the ultimate role model and family years ago and I was in awe of the new sport he introduced me to, Scicluna is survived by his did was recruit me as a coach wife Jan and four children, Eric, He helped me get in.

eight brothers and one sister. In 1989. Scicluna became majority owner of the indoor team, the Rockers, bringing pro game."

soccer back to Detroit after a seven-year absence. Gus Moffat, Tinnion and Duggan were also the whistle.

The franchise won the NPSL championship at Cobo Arena in 1992 under the coaching direction of Tinnion. Mike Ilitch of Little Caesars.

the Red Wings and Tigers, then purchased the franchise followng the 1992 season. Known as a fiery competitor

game, Scicluna became EMU's does that tell you?" first women's soccer coach in

His 1997 Eagle squad made it to the championship final of the inaugural Mid-American Conference Tournament before bowing to Northern Illinois in the finals, 3-2, in overtime. His 1998-team also qualified for the MAC tour-

Scicluna was 38-32-3 overall.

"This is a devastating loss to the Eastern Michigan University athletics program," Interim EMIJ Athletic Director Carole Huston said. "Paul was a great coach and had a tremendo of promoting soccer on all levels. He related well not only with our players, but also with the entire athletic department staff. He will be greatly missed by every-

power in girls soccer, wonders if

Coyne said. "The first thing he "But what I remember most

was his passion and his unadulterated enthusiasm for the

Although Scicluna sometimes clashed with referees, on occasion he took a turn at blowing

"I got my first red card (ejec tion) from Mr. Scicluna when I was 12 years-old," said Paul Tinnion Brian's son.

Added Brian Tinnion from Wednesday's visitation at Wood Funeral Home in Livonia: "For a guy who supposedly never got along with referees, I've never and a tireless promotor of the seen so many in one place. What

Burial was held Wednesday at Glen Eden Memorial Park in

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Paul's name to the EMU Foundation, care of Paul Scicluna, 2000 Huron River Drive, Ypsi-

Maybe the break did some good. Tomasso and Anne Morrell had Bill Kiessel relieved Power Plymouth Salem's non-league ve Gordon, who worked the and pitched the final 2 1/3 The Rocks led 3-0 at the half. match against Birmingham Sea-Jill Dombrewski was in goal for The loss, combined with Monbolm scheduled for last Friday.

ation play.

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had a 54 and Christina Slupek, a is 200. Put four players' scores sophomore, shot 55. Katie Her- together and get in that range - na Slupek led the Chiefs (4-2 beck, another sophomore, fired a or an average of 50 per golfer -

For Salem, Kristine Pollice had the low team score with a 53 Kim Tamme was next best with a 55, followed by Angie Jones with a 57 and Grace

Yelonek with a 63. What buoys Riggs' confidence is the play of his three low scorers, Koppe, Dziekan and Slupek. Those three are capable of shooting scores that will keep them with anybody," Riggs said. "Now, it's just a matter of the mental aspect of the game."

The hearing will be held:

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Kubert, fourth in the sprint med-

ley (3:20.4); and Rogerson, Jessie

Myks, Bernard and Erin Dowd,

fifth in the distance medley

Alderman tops Canton's effort | Crusaders miss a sweep

A late start couldn't keep Ply-mouth Canton's girls track team from making its mark at the Cougar Invitational in Grand Rapids Saturday.

A late bus forced the Chiefs to

arrive late and miss the first two events of the Invitational. But they recovered and eventually finished fourth out of eight teams, just 15 points out of second place.

The best performance of the meet went to Crystal Alderman in the 100-meter hurdles, which

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she won in 16.7. Alderman also anchored the 1,600 relay team of Meredith Fox, Kristen Schilk and Terra Kubert which finished

first in 4:20.1. Alderman also anchored the 800 relay, with Fox, Schilk and Tekla Bude, that placed second (1:54.2).

Other strong performances came from Jenny Sciberras, third in the shot put (31-feet)

This was a twinbill that should have belonged to Madonna Uni-Kelly Tabaka, fourth in the long ump (14-1 1/2); Fox, Bude Andrea Gauvin and Schilk, third

Janell Leschinger's strong pitching in the first game - she gave up three unearned runs on six hits and one walk, with three strikeouts - was the difference in the first game, a 5-3 Crusader win over visiting Indiana Tech Tuesday at Ladywood HS. Vicki Malkowski had two hits and two runs batted in to lead the Madonna attack; Jamie Cook added two hits and an RBI, and

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Kristy McDonald (from Redford Thurston) had a hit and two

strong innings to start the second game. Leschinger came in out was ineffective in the second But when you're trying to gain game, allowing four runs (two ground in a tough league like the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conearned) on two hits and three walks in 2/3 of an inning. She ference, splitting double-headers isn't good enough. But it's what Madonna had to settle for when it lost the nightcap, 6-3.

took the loss, making her 17-6. The Crusaders actually outhit Tech in the second game, 8-4, but three errors paved the way Madonna is 28-20 overall, 11-9 to three unearned runs. McDonald was 3-for-3 at the plate, with an RBI, and Malkowski had a

> single and an RRI Madonna 5-11, Olivet 4-3: Game No. 1 set the stage for

29 overall, 4-13 - and in last

Janelle Schmidt pitched three

place - in the WHAC.

Game No. 2. And it all turned out well for Madonna University's softball team, which rallied from a tworun deficit with two out in the seventh inning to edge visiting Olivet College in Monday's first game of their non-league double

header played at Ladywood HS. In the second game, Madonna took an early lead and never looked back in rolling to an easy victory, the Lady Crusaders' fifth in six games. Olivet is 18-18.

Madonna trailed 4-2 with two out in the seventh in the opener with Angela Litwin (from Plymouth Canton) and Jenny Kruzel on base and Vicki Malkowski (Westland) at the plate. Malkowski ruined the Comets' victory bid, however, slugging a three-run home run. Jen Walker had a single and two runs batted in for the Crusaders, and Jamie Cook had two hits.

Missy Bako (Garden City started and worked the first four innings for Madonna, allowing two earned runs. Janelle Schmidt pitched the next two innings, giving up one unearned run; she was followed by Tanya Liske, who surrendered a run on three hits in her one inning on the mound. Liske was the winning pitcher (now 4-5).

The second game wasn't nearly as dramatic. Madonna scored seven times in the first inning en route to a five-inning, eight-run mercy victory. Schmidt went the distance, scattering five hits and a walk, allowing three runs (one earned) in five innings to

improve to 6-3. Walker paced the attack with two doubles and three RBI Litwin and Kristy McDonald (Redford Thurston) added two hits and a pair of RBI apiece, and Kruzel had a double and two RBI. Malkowski also had two hits and an RBI.

Madonna 4-0, Aquinas 2-8: On Sunday, the Crusaders failed to close any ground on Aquinas College, the fourth-place team in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Madonna won the opener with a three-run seventh, highlighted by Kelly Zurawski's two-run double. Vicki Malkowski also had a double and a single, and Courtney Senger added a run-scoring single.

Janell Leschinger got the pitching win, improving to 16-5. she gave up one earned run on six hits and two walks, with three strikeouts. Crystal Lubbers was the loser for the Saints.

Aquinas improved to 23-19 overall and to 12-8 in the WHAC (Madonna fell to 10-8) with a shutout win in the nightcap, stopped after five innings by the eight-run mercy rule. Tanda Barcheski tossed a one-hitter, giving up only a double to Jenny Kruzel. She walked one in mproving to 4-2. Janelle Schmidt started and lasted just

ing two earned runs on three hits and a walk Madonna 3-5, Tri-State 1-1: Crusader pitching proved too tough for Tri-State University Saturday in a WHAC double-

one inning for Madonna, allow-

header played at Ladywood HS. Janell Leschinger was the winner in the first game, allowing one run on three hits and two walks, with four strikeouts. Raeshelle Peters took the loss for the Thundering Herd, who fell to

4-28 overall with the two losses. Jen Walker was 3-for-3 at the plate with an RBI to lead Madonna's seven-hit attack in the opener.

The second game was more dramatic, as the Crusaders entered the bottom of the seventh trailing 1-0. Kristy McDonald reached second base on two errors to open Madonna's half of the inning, she was sacrificed to third and scored the game-tying run on a fielder's choice play, with Walker safe at first. Consecutive walks loaded the bases for Jenny Kruzel, who unloaded

Kruzel had two of Madonna's five hits in the game. Leschinger was credited with the win.

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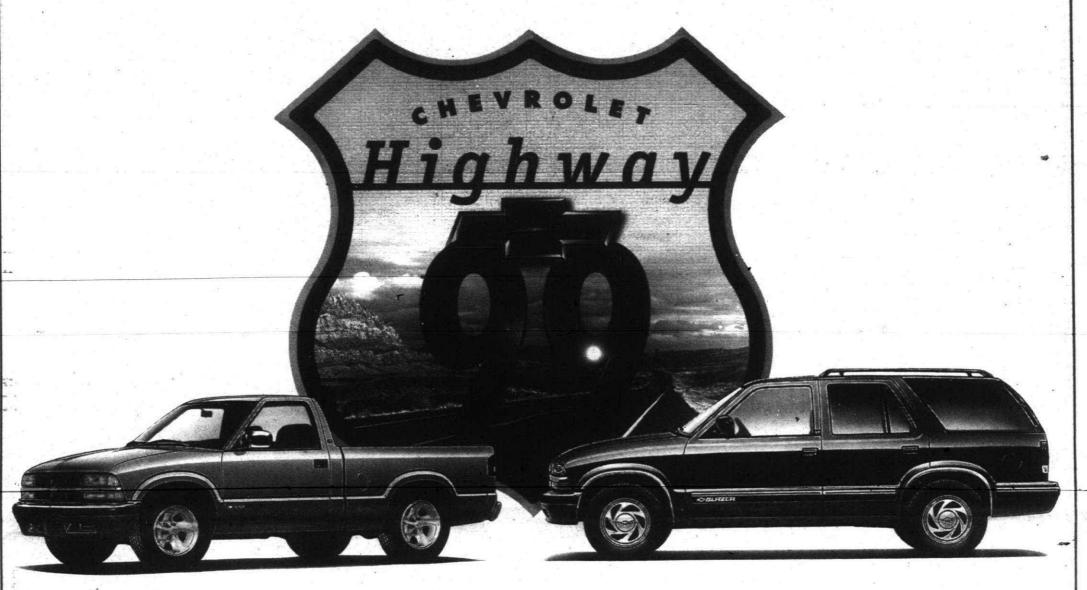
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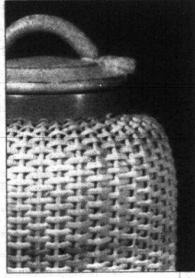
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ERIDAY



Pianist Awadagin Pratt performs Beethoven's Concerto No. 3 with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. Tickets \$13 to \$48, call (313) 576-5111.

SATURDAY



Helen Springer is one of 180 artists participating in the 21st Ann Arbor Spring Art Fair 10 m. to 6 p.m. at the Washtenau Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road. Admission is \$5, children under age 10 free. For more information, call (800) 888-9487.

SUNDAY



The Duttons bring their blend of country, folk, classical and toetapping bluegrass to the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. Admission to the 3 p.m. concert is \$10 per person. Call (248) 424-9022 for tickets and more information.



Amy Sonne, a North Farmington High School graduate, is featured in "Rugrats - A Live Adventure," Friday, April 30 through Sunday, May 9 at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. Tickets \$25, \$19.50, and \$12.50, call (313) 983-6611 for information, or (248) 433-1515 to charge tickets.



Musical: "Fame - the Musical" features an ensemble cast of 25 dynamic performers including Gavin Creel, a recent University of Michigan graduate.

'Fame' is fun, but sometimes lonely for actor

Being on the road with "Fame – The Musical" is fun, but lonely at

"It's like big highs, deep lows," said Gavin Creel who plays Nick Piazza in the production now play-ing at Music Hall in Detroit.

"Fame" is what Creel prepared for when he went to the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. After graduating from the theater program in May 1998, he moved to New York City. He auditioned for the part of Nick in "Fame" in September, got it and started rehearsals Oct. 12. He's been on the road with the show since November traveling to Ottawa. Toronto and Montreal, Canada, and across the U.S.

David De Silva who created the show and is called "Father Fame" said Creel is one of the most popugets more e-mail at the Web site www.famethemusical.com than anvone else

Creel and I talked by phone from Montreal, where the production was playing on April 22.

"It's a lot of fun," he said. "The cast is mostly around my age, 22. It's a nice, good group of people." Creel says he's lucky to be a working actor, a lot of people aren't.

"I'm learning a lot about the biz," he said. "In school you hone your craft and concentrate on scene techniques and acting. Now I'm learning about Equity rules and what my rights are, about the importance of having connections.

You have to have a business mind in addition to being a talented, good actor, it's invaluable."

"Fame" wasn't what Creel set out for when he moved to New York. In fact, he'd just signed with an agency who didn't even recom-mend him for the part of Nick. 'I read about the audition in Back Stage.' They were looking for

"It's like big highs, deep lows."

- Gavin Creel, Nick Piazza in "Fame"

good chance, so went to open auditions and stood in line with everyone else. I got called back

young, energetic, high school age

looking actors,' said Creel.

"Everyone tells me I look young.

I figured I had a

and knew I was pretty much right for the part." "Fame," set in the 1980s at New

York's High School of Performing Arts, follows a group of students over four years Nick, the role Creel plays, is a

serious actor who has done some commercials, TV and a movie. A child star, he wants to work hard and learn the classics. "It's a journey to see where he

fits in," said Creel. "He learns to loosen up. "Fame" the 1980 MGM motion

picture, inspired a TV series "Fame." The stage musical premiered 15 years after the movie

Except for the title song, all of " the music in the musical version of

"I didn't want to do a compilation of songs," said De Silva. "We

"Fame - The Musical" WHEN: Continues through Sunday,

PERFORMANCES ■ 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 29

8 p.m. Friday, April 30

■ 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, May 1 ■ 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, May 2 WHERE: Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Ave.,

TICKETS: \$27.50 to \$50, call (248) 645-6666. For more information. call (313) 983-6611.

recorded the new soundtrack in Toronto. I didn't want to just throw songs out there.

"Fame - the Musical" seems to have hit a nerve. It's popular around the world.

"People have an interest in seeing kids with a passion follow their dreams," said De Silva. "This music seems to inspire young pe ple. Many kids are not exposed to the arts in public school. They don't cut back sports programs, but they cut arts. 'Fame' draws attention to the arts in education."

Arts in education

It also draws a young audience, in addition to the usual mature theater crowd. "A lot of kids don't know what they want to do. But the arts are important no matter what they decide to do. You'll be a better lawyer if you study acting, even if you don't become a professional musician, you'll go to concerts and buy recordings if you study music. The arts feed the spirit. We're bringing up a generation of children in some school districts that are not exposed to the arts. When I was in school we had music appreciation classes, I doubt if they do anymore.

Students from Abbott Middle School in West Bloomfield and Thurston High School in Redford, are among the thousands of students in southeast Michigan who will tune in via teleconference 10-11 a.m. Thursday, April 29 to watch a live education presentation with the cast of "Fame - The Musical." The program will show students how the work they do in

Please see FAME, E2

JET premieres 'The Caregiver'

It's unusual for the Jewish Ensemble Theatre to present a play that hasn't had a full production, but they're making an exception for "The Caregiver" by Ian Strasfogel, which opened Wednesday, April 28, for previews. It will be JET's third world premiere of an original work in 10 years.

It is the story of an aging, retired world class conductor who suffers from dementia, and the relationships he has with his only son, Eric, and caregiver Laura. Eric is beginning his career as a conductor and on tour as the play pro-

"I loved it," said Evelyn Orbach, artistic director of JET Theatre.

She heard about the play from an old friend, Max Wright, an early graduate of the Hilberry Theatre program at Wayne State University.

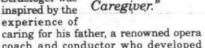
Wright and Orbach appeared on stage together at the Theatre Company __ at the University of Detroit in 1976 and kept in touch.

A successful actor, Wright did a reading of Strasfogel's play, and invited a friend, Sol Frieder, who performs often at JET Theatre, to attend.

"They talked and realized both had worked with me," said Orbach. "Sol and Max said I should do this play. The playwright set

up a reading at his apartment in New York. Sol read the part of the conductor. He was perfect for the part, and I decided to do it. This is Sol's fifth or sixth production at JET. Our audience is always pleased to see him. He's a fine actor with

Frieder and Kate strength. Partly auto-Willinger in a biographical, scene from "The Strasfogel was inspired by the experience of



Drama: Sol

coach and conductor who developed Alzheimer's when he got older. "When his father got very ill he could

still sit down at the piano and improvise," said Orbach. "He was still a very sophisticated musician.

He used other source material, which

helped inspire the story.

"The leading man falls in love, it's a very charming role for Sol," said Orbach. "It's funny and, in some places, sad and poignant.

In the play, the conductor and his caregiver, portrayed by Kate Willinger, recently seen locally in "I Love You, You're Perfect - Now Change" at the Gem Theatre in Detroit, fall in love. She sparks his creative spirit, and he

Please see CAREGIVER, E2

On Stage

WHAT: Jewish Ensemble Theatre prents "The Caregiver" by Ian Strasfogel

WHERE: Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level of the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road (corner of Maple and Drake Roads), West Bloomfield

WHEN: Previews continue through Sunlay, May 2, show opens 7:30 p.m. sund May 2. Show dates May 5-9, May 12-16, May 19-23, and May 26-30. Performance times are 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday; and 2 p.m.

TICKETS: \$15 to \$23, discounts for seriors and students. Call (248) 788-2900.

POPULAR MUSIC

Julian Lennon won't be manipulated by Yoko

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO STAFF WRITER

Surrounded by McDonald's wrappers in a Highland Park photo studio, Julian Lennon kicks back and takes a long drag off a cigarette. Funny and personable, Lennon chats up his new album "Photograph Smile," his seven-year hiatus from the music business and the days he spent relaxing in his home in northern

Upon the mention of his stepmother, Yoko Ono, Lennon's disposition changes

He leans forward, puts his hands on his knees and peppers his conversation with the word "manipulative."

Lennon explained that it's more than a mere coincidence that "Photograph Smile" was released in the United Kingdom on May 18, 1998, the same day as his brother Sean Lennon's "Into the

"She indirectly had me taken off the priority list on some of the distribution labels we were with. Many other scenarios which are not nice at all will come

Please see JULIAN, E2



tograph Smile," as well as his rocky relationship with Yoko Ono.

Visiting Detroit: Julian Lennon

stopped in Detroit briefly to

talk about

album "Pho-

his latest

STAFF PROTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

Fame from page E1

the classroom relates to musical is reality based." theater. Inspiring students is "The dancers are the stars of one of the reasons De Silva, a the show," said Creel. "It's all former history teacher, believes about dance. They keep the "Fame" is so popular.

rame' is so popular.

He said he always thought the time."

energy up. We're all on stage all the story about New York's Creel is part of an ensemble High School Performing Arts cast of 25 people. "Each of us (now called the Fiorella La Guardia High School of Music he said. "We're each equally and Art and Performing Art) important. We all have the was a good idea waiting to be

"We're not moon in June out son slacks off we all feel it."

have our own responsibilities," same responsibilities and every-

of the blue," he said. "This story For Creel the hardest part is

learning how to keep things fresh and keep his sanity off

to Kansas City. By then, Creel will have done it 200 times. "I've never done anything 200 times," he said. "I'm signed up

until Nov. 17, 1999. I'm living

On tour he's seen some beautiful cities but with the exception of Toronto, where the group stayed six weeks, he hasn't seen

When his time for "Fame" is done, he wants to get an apartment in New York City. The North American tour will

continue into 2001. De Silva said he's happy to let "Rent" be the 1990s and "Fame

think about arts education You're invited to "Opening "We've become retro," he said. the Book," - a roundtable dis-But there aren't many shows cussion about arts curriculum that young people can audition for. There are a lot of talented in our local school districts, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 18, at the Southfield Centre for the

Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. it's a show they can get into. It's

Panelists will answer questions from the audience, and address their concerns about arts education and curriculum in the school districts the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers cover. There is no charge to

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Caregiver from page E1

begins to play the piano again. Eric, portrayed by David Wolber, recently featured in JET's production of "Never the Sinner," worries about taking care of his father, finding a proper caregiver and being able to measure up to his father

New York Shakespeare Festival, the La Jolla Playhouse and the Lincoln Center Theatre, and music for the film, "My Dinner In the play the conduct improvises at the piano, and Orbach JET commissioned original

for this production. Shawn's have music appropriate to a gurgles out of him." credits include scores for the man of his talent.

"We couldn't just ask some to plunk a few keys on the piano," said Orbach. "We were very lucky to get Allen. The playwright recommended him. He's done a quality job. Sol is rary operas have been presented music by composer Allen Shawn believed the production had to 'quite music al. The music just at the San Francisco Opera, the

to introduce the second act and for scene changes. Strasfogel has directed all over the world. His productions of both classical and contempo-

New York City Opera, The Washington Opera at Kennedy Shawn also composed music Center, the Frankfurt Opera and Stuttgart Opera.

> As a librettist he created the text for "Icarus" and "Talking Heads," performed in Austria, Germany, France and Boston. Other writings include dramatic

the show, this is their first job,

spiring to so many people. It

We want to learn what you

has a romantic vision that's

Roundtable discussion

portraits of classical composers which have been performed by Tom Hulce and Roddy McDowall working with leading American symphony orchestras.

Strasfogel was in town for the opening week of rehearsals and will return for opening night on Sunday, May 2.

Julian from page E1

out in public at a later date," he

explained. One wasn't trying to pit the stepbrothers against each other, he added. She had another mis-

"It was a question of manipulation and how much Yoko was music industry after taking willing to spend as far as his promotion, as opposed to mine and how obviously she could afford that and overshadow my costs by great amounts," Lennon said.

"That's nothing against Sean. I used to baby-sit him. I think he's incredibly talented, but she's already, as far as I'm concerned, manipulated one Lennon too

The 36-year-old Lennon told of Ono's disrespect for him and how she puts Sean Lennon on a pedestal.

"She wanted Sean to be seen as the shining, genius Lennon son, and me to be the drunk, old, drugged, useless son, you know?

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I wasn't about to play that game. The work speaks for itself."

"Photograph Smile," released in the United States Feb. 23, marks Lennon's return to the seven years off to regroup after his last album, 1991's "Help Yourself," failed commercially. Lennon said he felt disenchanted with the industry after the single "Saltwater," which was in the top 10 worldwide, barely made a splash in the United States.

"In America, zilch. There's only one reason for that. The record company withdrew support. There was no play on the radio Radio tried to play it but there's only so much you can do without the support of the label," Lennon

"So I said, 'Enough.' I called it quits and it took me approximately five years to be released from the contracts, not only from

the record company but manage-

He spent the time reflecting on life and trying "to figure out who in the hell I was outside of the music industry and to figure out what I wanted in life."

Lennon rediscovered his love of painting, photography, "the written word," sailing and cooking. Soon, the songwriting nipped at him.

to write music. It's as simple as that. I was actually writing to challenge myself to see how good a songwriter I could be and toprove my own sort of self worth as a songwriter." After coming up with 20 or 30

Bob Rose who persuaded Lennon to return to the studio - no pressure, just to lay down a few

there three or four days. By the end of the first week we had 11 tracks recorded.

worked with Roy Orbison, concentrated on "Photograph Smile" for a year, producing enough material for three albums. The duo utilized vintage equipment to give the 14-track album a warm feel.

"The ideas that I took with "I just started writing again a couple years ago because I love

song ideas, he ran into producer weighed his options.

"We were only supposed to be

Lennon and Rose, who had

Bob Rose were all about doing this natural, honest, as raw an album as possible using the natural ambiance of the room. I just wanted to use great-sounding instruments that were not samples, that were not keyboards."

When they wrapped up "Photograph Smile," Lennon's next hurdle was releasing the album which he had financed himself. He was skittish about returning to the major-label fold so he

"The last decision I had to

major label and sell my soul to the devil for another five to 10

Instead, Lennon took the reins. He started his own label, Music From Another Room, distributed by Fuel 2000/Universal. Lennon is planning a world tour for this

Lennon legacy

"Photograph Smile," dedicated to his late stepfather, Roberto Bassanini, is, at times, painfully autobiographical. In the acoustic-based ballad "Good to be Lonely," Lennon sings, "And it's good to be lonely sometimes/It's better than nothing at all/It's good to be lonely sometimes/at least I'm prepared for the fall."

Manipulation is the subject of "Crucified," "I'm just one that sees the world with open eyes/the countless lies, the truth lenied/whichever way the wind blows/and we're crucified."

1984's "Valotte" which spawned the hit "Too Late for Good-byes." Lennon eschewed his father's musical influence. That has changed with the critically

acclaimed "Photograph Smile." "Day After Day," with its soar ing instrumentation, and "l Don't Wanna Know" are replete with Beatles/John Lennon influ ences. On the closing track, "Way to Your Heart" he references "Lucy in the Sky with Dia-

If there was anvone who should have those influences, he said it's him. Lennon, donning a T-shirt that read "Lennon and proud of it," made his point clearly during a Feb. 17 appearance on the "Late Show with David Letterman." "I thought that was the perfect

opportunity to wear that T-shirt. A friend made it up for me a couple of years ago and I've never

'American Enterprise' closes Hilberry season

The Hilberry, Wayne State town for the workers at his Sweet's historical drama, "American Enterprise," in rotating repertory through May 15. Performances are 8 p.m. Thurs- ers. day-Saturday, with selected Wednesday and Saturday 2 p.m. is at 4743 Cass, at Hancock, on the campus of Wayne State University in Detroit. For more by phone, call (313) 5 7-2972.

SPECIAL WRITER

brilliant picture of the challenging and complex contradictions of capitalism and philanthropy by taking a historic and colorful ride with George Pullman, the man made rich by the railway car that bears his name.

University's graduate theater Pullman car factory. In an era company, presents Jeffrey of slums and sweatshops, his ing montage of historical photos ideal town was met with suspicion by the rich and an early rush of euphoria by the work-

dictatorship of his town began slashed wages during an eco- the story. nomic depression without lowman cars at a loss. However, The Detroit premiere of after rents were deducted, "American Enterprise" paints a workers had very little left to

live on. Quoting capitalism and free enterprise the way a preacher quotes Scripture, Pullman's ego and stubbornness prevented him from agreeing to any compromise that might have eased

projected above the stage onto different screens. Sepia images of George Pullman, his town, the workers are paired with However, the paternalistic fires and starving children, matinees. The Hilberry Theatre to crumble when Pullman lending a startling realism to

ering the rent workers paid for er-than-life role of George Pullinformation or to order tickets company-owned housing. Pull- man with a strong mix of conficapitalism. Lake also captures the vulnerability of Pullman, who was emotionally unprepared for the labor violence that erupted or the government's pronouncement of the moral unsoundness of his choices.

Mike Schraeder as J. Patrick Hopkins is delightfully fresh with an equally strong ego and a myopic point of view, created a myopic point of view, created and desperation of the workers faced and boyish as Pullman's of the play and create an emoprotege. Schraeder takes Hop-tional union rallving cry. And his own version of a Utopian strike that led to the formation kins from a naive youth to a while the talented Hilberry

story is reinforced by a fascinat- rival. poignant images of Chicago poignancy of the workers' strug-

Aaron Lake endows the larg-

of the American Railway Union. shrewd politician and business-

The historical reality of the man - and Pullman's bitter Sara Wolf creates a strong vet likable persona for Jennie Curtis, one of the worker representatives, by using a seamstress simple stories to capture the

Lucas Caleb Rooney as union organizer Eugene V. Debs exhorts the workers into a united front with a passion and strength of purpose that reverman had lowered wages to dence and angry stubbornness. berates off the house. Rooney's keep the company open during He helps synthesize Pullman's strong stage presence creates nuzzling contradictions: his an image for Debs that allowed benevolent idealism and his him to believably and powerfulstaunch, unbending worship of ly confront the iron will of George Pullman.

In a break from typical Hilberry tradition, the theater company delivers much of the play's emotion with voices raised in song. While the show is not billed as a musical, the songs it presents - strong, folklike ballads - capture the mood ensemble was not chosen for their musical prowess, the actors held their own vocally and created a likable chorus.

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'Rugrats — A Live Adventure' for actress

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER kwygonik@oe

It's easy to get discouraged

when you're 24, living in New York, away from family and friends, and trying to break into show business. "Wherever you go there will be

someone better than you, but you'll be better than someone else," said Amy Sonne, a 1992 graduate of North Farmington High School who is appearing in the "Rugrats - A Live Adventure," opening April 30 at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. "As long as you love it, it will work out. You'll be happy that you did it." Sonne started taking dance

lessons when she was three

vears old. "I wanted to be 5-foot-6 and have long legs," said Sonne who is 5-foot, 3-inches tall

moved to New York City in 1997 after graduating from college. She got the part in "Rugrats" after answering a dance call for female dancers, 5-foot 3-inches and under last September. She's been touring with the show since October, and called from Knoxville, Tenn.

After graduating from Michi-

gan State University, Sonne

said Sonne who is doing something she never dreamed of, por- cially children ages four to eight traying Phil in the "Rugrats - A Live Adventure." "I wanted to go on tour," she

"It turned out pretty good.

Rugrat has been a good adven-Sonne worked in children's last May with some changes. theater for two years in college.

One of the things she likes "Rugrats" is that it's for children. "This show is often their ffrst

"Rugrats - A Live Adventure

When: 7 p.m. Friday, April 30; 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday May 1 and May 8; 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday, May 2 and May 9; and 7 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, May 4-7.

Where: Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets: \$25, \$19.50, and \$12.50, call-(313) 983-6611 for infor mation, or (248) 433-1515 to charge tickets.

exposure to live theater," she rainy day, and the babies are left said. The show draws everyone from babies to adults, but espewho regularly watch the popular Nickelodeon series show on TV.

"Rugrats - A Live Adventure" said. "Dressing up as a baby brings the show to life with music and colorful sets. It's the same show that came to Detroit

> "Some of the characters are different," said Sonne. "We have a new cast and crew."

in Grandpa's care. Chuckie's afraid of thunder. Tommy invents a "People-Ator," an invention that makes toys come alive. As long as there are people around, Chuckie isn't afraid. but the bratty Angela steals it. With help from his friends, Chuckie tries to get the "People-Ator" back. Imagination, sharing, and

essons children learn as they After the summer, Sonne plans enjoy this fun-filled production.

Sonne describes her character Her dream is to teach dance and as "crazy. His twin is Lil. They dance history at the university love to play in the dirt and eat level. In the meantime, she'd like

Because her character is so creative. "There aren't many but there aren't many opportunirestrictions for physical move-

ments." Detroit is the end of the road for Sonne who will be leaving the show to spend the summer at it's what you have to do forever, she said. Michigania, a family camp for University of Michigan alumni

in Boyne City. She won't be dancing. "I've been director of the nature center for the past three summers, they offered me the job again, said Sonne. "I love camp, it's a great way to work with children. I'm interested in environmental friendship are some of the education."

to move back to New York City.

to dance or perform in musical theater. "I'd really like to dance playful, Sonne said she can be with a modern dance company, ties," she said.

STATE MADE SE

Dancing is what's she doing now, but Sonne isn't sure if it will be her life's work. "Who says

Having the support of her family has meant a lot. They go to all of her shows, big and small. Besides "Rugrats" Sonne's theater credits include productions of "West Side Story." "Hello Dolly!" "Anything Goes," and "Company."

"My family has supported me all the way," she said. "I've met people who don't any family sup-

Immunity among top winners at Detroit Music Awards

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO

The diversity of the Detroit music scene flourished Friday night as the reggae band Immunity, the folk group The Luddites, the country act Forbes Brothers and pop singer/songwriter Stewart Francke came up the top winners at the Detroit Music Awards.

Immunity took, home Outstanding Reggae Artist/Group, Outstanding World Artist/Group and Outstanding Artist/Group Deserving Wider Recognition. while its "Live" album won Outstanding World Music Recording at the ceremony held at the State Theatre. Immunity members Jonathan Pettus and Bill Koggenhop were named Outstanding World Music Vocalist and World Music Instrumentalist, respectively.

Vocalist, Country Instrumentalist and Country Songwriter to nity and charity work. Francke

country awards adding Out-

Some of the winners Ruling the pre-show award ceremony held in the mezzanine as far as the Leukemia Foundalevel of the State Theatre, The tion goes, a lot of people worked Luddites won Outstanding very hard on it. My sister Kit is Acoustic Artist/ Group, Outstanding Folk Artist/ Group, and Outstanding Artist/ Group gave me bone marrow," he said. Deserving Wider Recognition in the folk category. Its album "100

Outstanding Acoustic/ Folk Bluegrass Recording. added Outstanding Local Rock Artist/Group, Outstanding Rock/Pop Songwriter, and Outstanding Local Rock/Pop Recording for "Sunflower Soul Sere-

Country Artist/Group, Country was given this year's Special Achievement award for commuand had a bone marrow transplant last year. "I just want to point out that Hammond and Radical for

Distinguished Achievement honors also went to Detroit radio Years of Lunacy" was named DJ the Electrifyin' Mojo, jazz rockers The Romantics. The After a four-song set, Francke ska/punk bands Telegraph and The Suicide Machines paid tribsong. Romantics singer Wally

Other multiple winners included Jill Jack, Johnny Bassett and was diagnosed with the disease the Blues Insurgents, Thornetta Davis, Jazzhead, Howling Diab-

July on Vagrant Records.

His organization, the Stewart will be included on "Before You The four-and-a-half hour cere-

Christ. In a moment of pure brilliance, novelist Elmore Leonard gave somewhere out there. She the Immortal Winos of Soul the worked very hard on it and also Outstanding Band Name prize.

Live energy

The live performances, however, injected energy into the event. trumpeter Marcus Belgrave and The Miracles, without Smokey Robinson, took the stage for four songs - "The Tears of a Clown." "I Second That Emotion," Och ute to The Romantics through Baby Baby" and "Love Machine" Recording for his "Slim Shady" - forcing the stagnant audience EP, Hip Hop Artist/Group and Palmer played harmonica during out of their seats. Punk rockers Hip Hop MC. The Suicide Machine's cover of and oldies fans alike sang and

Revue with a variety of Detroit blues performers. Rap ruled the roost at the Detroit Music Awards. Kid Rock,

"Devil Without a Cause," National Single for "I Am the Bullgod" and Hip Hop Writer/Producer. Eminem, whose major-labe debut "The Slim Shady LP" isn't eligible until next year, was honored with Outstanding Hip Hop

Jeff Haas with Marcus Belgrave,

Enemy Squad and the Rat Pack

who was playing in Grand

Rapids Friday night, took Out-

standing National Album for

Support your local artist

"We tried for so long just to get standing Country Recording, Francke Leukemia Foundation, Were Punk Vol. 2" due out in mony also featured perforto to this point. MTV showed us so mances by Esham, Derrick much love. I'm sure he'd want to Starks and Today's Generation, thank his mom, whatever, she's Demolition Dollrods, Willie Max, not here. You should start supporting your local artists. You didn't give him any love at first los, Sun Messengers, and Fred All-Star Rhythm and Blues now he's blowin' up," said a man

who accepted on Eminem's

behalf who only identified him-

self as a producer. The seven-and-a-half minute. much-touted trailer for "MC5 * A True Testimonial" lived up to its hype until director/co-producer David C. Thomas took the stage. He used the opportunity to shamelessly beg for money. "If everybody contributed the

price of a dinner we could finish our principal photography," he For a complete list of winners,

visit http://www.detroitmusi

Farmington Players shine in madcap 'Don't Dress for Dinner'

"What I Like About You," which danced in the aisles.

sent "Don't Dress for Dinner" by Marc Camoletti, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 30-May 1, 2 p.m. Sunday, May 2; and 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 7-8 and May 14-15 at the Players Born, 32332 W. 12 Mile (1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington Hills. Tickets \$12, call (248)

BY BOR WEIREL

The Farmington Players' string of excellent productions by Marc Camoletti, (adapted by into one hilarious scene after

the cast appeared in great form nately for Bernard, and happily suave and debonair and a per-

on opening night, no easy task when performing a fast-paced physical comedy before a audi-

Best of all, seldom did any of the outrageous situations appear "staged;" they flowed naturally from the well-develcast members stamp out imaginary insects to hide what's real-

deception.

ence for the first time

oped comic characters. For example, they had great fun decides to stay home for a little with a repeated gag whereby ly going on - adultery and The setting is a converted entendres. Mix the movie "Clue" continues with "Don't Dress for French farmhouse Bernard has with Abbot and Costello's my life" sums up the show itself.

planned the perfect weekend. His wife (Jacqueline) will visit Robin Hawdon), that starts her mother (otherwise known as tyslowly, then swiftly catapults the "old buzzard"). His sleek Parisian mistress (Suzanne) will stop by to keep the home fires terrific as the dueling spouses. Under director Bill Salisbury, burning, so to speak. Unfortu- Mike Megerian (Robert) is cook and practically destroys

doesn't go according to plan. The scheme quickly unravels,

when his wife learns a Cordon Bleu cook (Suzette) has been hired, and his best friend. Robert, is also coming over. It turns out that Robert and double adultery. Bernard tries to cover up his intentions, but this only leads to

> "Whose on First?" and you have Nick Szczerba (Bernard) and

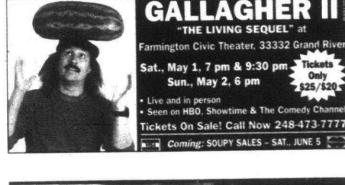
comic timing is first rate.

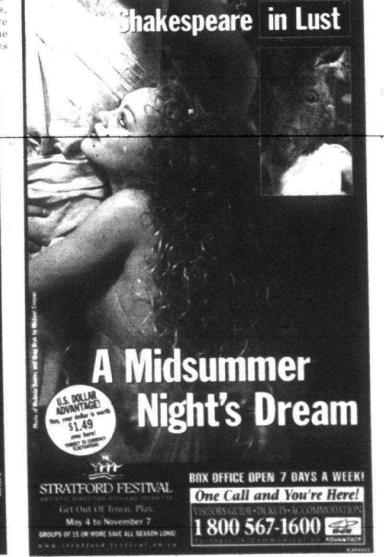
creates one of the most definitive characters seen in some time. She brings energy, comic timing and a flair for farce that is a joy to behold. She enters as his wife are also lovers. She the cook, but if these folks want to play games, she's game, for a price - as she charges 200 francs for each role she's asked to play (niece, mistress, etc). Her misunderstandings, mistaken line, "I've never been so many people or had so many affairs identities and clever doublewith so many different men in

has that certain "je ne sais quoi" one expects of a seductress Jan Salisbury (Jacqueline) are which made her all the more funny as she impersonates the the kitchen and the meal.

for the audience, the rendezvous fect foil for Bernard. His smooth Erick Carlson (George) caps very French) and confused as to







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SOCIETY "Show Boat," starring Howard Keel 7 p.m. Friday, April 30, conducted by Kathryn Grayson and Ava Gardner, 8 Park West Galleries, at St. Edith, p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 30-May 1 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. \$5, to benand 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30, organ efit St. Edith Christian Service and St overfure begins 30 minutes before per Edith Youth Ministry, (734) 464-1222 ormances with Tony O'Brien, at the EARTH ANGELS SOCK HOP Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Special performance by Earth Angels, Lahser Road at Grand River, Detroit pizza dinner with dessert, hula hoop \$2.50. (313) 531-4407 contest, prizes for best 50's contest 6-10 p.m. Saturday, May 15, at the

appreciated.

POPS/SWING

II-V-I ORCHESTRA 9-11:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Soup Kitchen, 1585 Franklin, Detroit, (313) 259-1374; 7-9:30 p.m. Sundays, at

the Heidelberg, 215 N. Main, Ann Arbor. \$5, (734) 663-7758

AUDITIONS

IRMINGHAM CONCERT BAND Looking for adult musicians (woodwind, brass, and especially percussion players) of all ages, rehearsals are 7:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, at Groves High School Birmingham (248) 474-4997

"EXTREME GONG" The Game Show Network show auditions for acts, 4-6 p.m. Thursday, May 6, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave. Ferndale. Variety acts must be three minutes or less and anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Accompaniment for any musical act must be acoustic, on cassette tape or compact disc. One act from each city will be flown to Los Angeles to appear live on "Extreme Gong" and get a chance to win a \$10,000 prize package. (312)

NOVI THEATRES Auditions for actors ages sever hrough college for "Jack & the Beanstalk" and "Beauty & the Beast 4 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, May 4 and 6, at the Novi Civic Center Stage 45175 W. 10 Mile. For performances July 9-11 and July 30-Aug. 1. All acotrs must pay a participation fee of \$125 once cast. (248) 347-0400 **OPEN AUDITIONS**

For girls ages 5-10 to sing Somewhere Over the Rainbow" from the "Wizard of Oz" for a gala to raise funds for cancer research, noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 1, at 29555 Mullane Drive, west of Orchard Lake Road off 13 Mile, Farmington Hills. For performance Saturday, May 15. (248) 349-4466 RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

Final call for experienced actors (background in dance, martial arts, swordplay or drill team/cheerleading elpful) to perform in the 20th annua Michigan Renaissance Festival, by appointment only Saturday, May 8, at Oakland University's Varner Hall Rochester. For festival to run Aug. 14 Sept. 26. (800) 601-4848 RIDGEDALE PLAYERS JUNIOR

Audtions for young people ages 12-18 for the musical "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," 1-3 p.m. Saturday, May 1, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. For performances June 25-27.

STAGECRAFTERS YOUTH THEATRE Auditions for ages 8-18 for "Bye, Bye Birdie," 10 a.m. Saturday, May 1, registration begins at 9 a.m., at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette Royal Oak, For performances July 23-25, 29-31 and Aug. 1. (248) 541-

CHORAL FORT STREET CHORALE

Performs "The Passion According to St. Matthew* by J.S. Bach with the Fort Street Chamber Orchestra with homas Sheets of the University Choral Union conducting, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 2, at Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 Fort St. Detroit, \$12, (313) 961-4533 **FULL CIRCLE DANCE COMPANY** AND SHOW CHOIR

At the Detroit Zoo, adopt a loveable t the Michigan Humane Society and dance and choral works concert. 8 30 participating humane organizations p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 7-8, in are trying to find new homes for hun-Adray Auditorium on campus, 5101 dreds of homeless animals, 10 a.m. to Evergreen, \$9, \$6 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 1-2, at students/seniors/children. Dearborn. the 200, 8450 W. 10 Mile, Royal Oak. (313) 845-6314/(313) 845-6474

Free, parking not included. (313) 872-LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS "Jump 'n Time" concert of '30s and '40s swing music 8 p.m. Friday-CLASSICAL Saturday, April 30-May 1, at Clarenceville High School, Middlebelt DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA south of Eight Mile, Livonia. \$7, \$5 With pianist Awadagin Pratt and conseniors/students. (248) 620-480 aductor En Klas. Beethoven's "Plane MADRIGAL CHORALE OF Concerto No. 3," and Gershwin, 8 p.n

SOUTHFIELD hursday-Friday, April 29-30, and 8:30 Under conductor Robert A. Martin. p.m. Saturday, May 1, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 3, Orchestra Hall, 3711 with the Livingston County Chorale sing 4 p.m. Sunday, May 2, highlights Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$13-\$48-(box include "The Gospel Mass" by Rober seats \$40-\$63). (313) 576-5111 or Ray and "Canticle of Praise" by John http://www.detroitsymphony.com Ness Reck at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, 1250 Kensington Road, CONCERT Bloomfield Hills. \$15, \$12 seniors/stu BANDS

MEASURE FOR MEASURE The men's choral society performs 4 p.m. Sunday, May 2, at Franklin Community Church, 26425 Wellington

JAZZ AH LAROCCA 9 p.m. Tuesday. May 4, as part of Mood Indigo night at Bird of Paradise 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5, 21

and older. (734) 662-8310 (avant jazz

Franklin, \$10, \$5 children ages 10

and younger. (248) 626-6606

THE BLEND 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, April 30, at Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. (248) 223-1700 GERALD BLUMER 8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, April 29 at Edison's, 220 Merrill St.

Birmingham. Free. (248) 645-2150

SANDRA BOMAR 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, May 1. Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham

Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass HEIDI HEPLER/MICHELE

RAMO/TODD CURTIS 8-11 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, at the No.VI Chophouse and Lobster Bar in the Hotel Baronette, 27790 Nov Road, Novi. (248) 305-5210; 8-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at Northern Lakes Seafood Company in the Kingsley Inn, 1475 N. Woodward loomfield Hills. (248) 646-7900: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's

Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi Free. All ages. (248) 305-7333 WOODY HERMAN TRIBUTE With the Johnny Trudell Big Band, music from all the Herds directed b Frank Tiberi, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 16 (2:45 p.m. warm-up band is the Orchard Lake Middle School Jazz Band), at Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt Road, between Seven and Eight Mile, Livonia. \$15, proceeds benefit the free Michigan Jazz Festival and the Alumni and Friends of Clarenceville oundation. (248) 474-2720/(734)

KIMMIE HORNE 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 30-May 1, D:L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills, Free, All ages. (248) 852-0550 CHARLIE HUNTER AND ADAM 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Wednesday

459-2454

Thursday, May 5-6, Bird of Paradise. 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$15 ii advance. 21 and older. (734) 662-8 p.m. Friday, April 30, Magic Bag.

22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, \$12 in advance, 18 and older, (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com (avant

LEE KONITZ TRIO With Pete Siers, drums and Jeff Halsey, bass, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. Ann Arbor, \$25, \$15, \$10, (734) 769 MATT MICHAELS TRIO With Ron Kischuk, 8-11:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 29; with Tom Saunders and Jim Wyse (cornet and sax Thursday, May 6, at the Botsford Inn Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner order. (248) 474-4800 **MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY** 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays, Due

3663 Woodward Ave., at Martin Luther King Boulevard, Detroit. Free III ages. (313) 831-3838 NORTHWOODS IMPROVISORS 8 p.m. Saturday, May 1, 1515 Broadway, 1515 Broadway, Detroit \$10. All ages. (313) 965-1515 JIM PARAVANTES With Meridian, 8:30 p.m. to midnight Fridays-Saturdays in April, Andiamo

Italia West, 6676 Telegraph Road, at

996-8555

Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) POIGNANT PLECOSTOMUS With Jazzhead, 9:30 p.m. Saturday May 1, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (734)

GARY SCHUNK TRIO 8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, May 6, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birminghan Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 PETE SIERS TRIO With Johnny O'Neal, drums and Jef

Halsey, bass, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday, April 30, at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. Ann Arbor, \$10, \$5 students, 1734 769-2999 or kch@ic.net TOOTS THIELEMANS QUARTET

With Kenny Werner, 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 7-8, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor, \$20, (734) 662-8310 HARVEY THOMPSON AND FRIEND 9:30 p.m. Friday Saturday, April 30-

May 1, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashi St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) PAUL VORNHAGEN 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, April

30, at Edison's, 220 Merrill St Birmingham, Free, (248) 645-2150 (saxophone, piano/bass/drums) DONALD WALDEN QUARTET 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, May Edison's, 220 Merrill St

Birmingham, Free, 21 and older (sax/piano/bass/drums URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON With Dan Kolton, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older

NEW AGE JAAP BLONK

The dutch voice performer and sound poet appears with Swedish multireed experimentalist Mats Gustafsson and Chicago percussionist Michael Zerang in an evening of improvisational excur sions exploring sound possibilities out past the edge, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 4. at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 (734) 769-2999 or kch@ic.net

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Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Christina Fuoco; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (734) 591-7279

Adray Auditorium on campus, 5101 Evergreen, \$9, \$6 students/seniors/children, Dearborn (313) 845-6314/(313) 845-6474 TANGO CLASSES

8 p.m. Fridays (beginning), at the Troy Dance Studio, 4963 Rochester Road, at Long Lake Road (\$5-\$10), (248) 689-3393; 8 p.m. Saturdays at Dance Avenue, 1860 N. Telegraph, southeast of Ford Road, Dearborn (\$5-\$7), (313) 565-3329; also advanced Tango

WOLVERINE SILVERSPUR DANCERS 7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, May 8, at the Italian-American Cultural Center, Warren, \$7, \$6 members. (810) 573-4993 COMEDY

GALLAGHER II: THE LIVING SEQUEL

May 1-2, Farmington Civic Theatre,

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Center Dr., Detroit. \$37.50 and

Hughley, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April

7.50. All ages. (313) 983-6611

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p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6),

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hange. (248) 542-9900 or

SECOND CITY

7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday,

33332 Grand River Ave., at JO NAB Farmington Road, Farmington, \$20 9 p.m. Thursday, April 29, Karl's and \$25. (248) 473-7777 Cabin, 9779 Old N. Territorial Road JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) Allyn Ball, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 29 455-8450 (reggae

Continued from previous page BLACK MARKET

10 p.m. Saturday, May 1, Oxford Inn

Tavern, 43317 E. Grand River Ave.,

Novi. \$5. 21 and older. (248) 305-

8 n.m. Saturday, May 1. The Ark, 316

S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15, \$10 stu-

dents with student ID at Michigan

Union Ticket Office. All ages. (734)

761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, April

Cafe, 3201 Holbrook, Hamtramck

Cover charge. 21 and older. (313)

875-1115; 7-11 p.m. Wednesday, May

5. Rio Bravo, 2065 N. Squirrel Road,

Auburn Hills. Free. All ages. (248)

371-0333; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday

older. (734) 769-2500 (reggae)

Saturday, May 7-8, Weber's Inn. 3050

Jackson Road, Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and

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GREAT BIG SEA

(\$5), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. **NATALIE MACMASTER** Friday-Saturday, April 30-May 1 (\$12); 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 5-6 Billy Ray Bauer, 8 p.m. Thursday, May The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or 6 (\$5), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 7-8 (\$12), at the http://www.a2ark.org club above Kicker's All American Grill GEAROID O'HALLMHURAIN 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Third All-Ireland champion concertina player Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 and uillean piper, 8 p.m. Sunday, May p.m. Sundays (\$5), (734) 261-0555 2 The Ark 316 S. Main St. Ann

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT Arbor, \$11, \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 PAISANO'S Diana Jordan, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, or http://www.a2ark.org April 29, (\$8, \$20.95 dinner show JIM PERKINS DUO package), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m 9 p.m. Thursday, April 29, Dick iday-Saturday, April 30-May 1 (\$12, O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road \$24.95 dinner show package), 7 p.m. Birmingham, Free, 21 and older, (248) Sunday, May 2 (\$10, \$22.95 dinner 642-1135 (Irish/folk) TOOTS AND THE MAYTALS show package), and ladies only night 8 p.m. Monday, May 3 (\$12, \$24.95 With Morgan Heritage, 9 p.m. Friday finner show package); Wendy May 7. Maiestic, 4140 Woodward iebman, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Ave., Detroit. \$17.50 in advance. 18

show package), at the club, 5070 FOLK/BLUEGRASS Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-"KINGS OF COMEDY TOUR"

PATTY LARKIN With Jennifer Kimball, 8 p.m. Thursday April 29, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$15 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-

and older. (313) 833-9700 or

http://www.99music.com (reggae)

THE DUTTONS Bring their blend of country, folk, classical and bluegrass to the Southfield Centre for the arts, 24350 Southfield Road, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 2 Admission \$10, call (248) 424-9022. **CHRIS PROCTOR** 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$12, \$11

members, students and seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org The bluegrass band performs at Folk Vespers, a professional fold music concert, 61p.m. Sunday, May 2 in the gothic sanctuary of First Baptist

7:30 p.m.) beginning May 4 (\$5); May, at the club, 2301 Woodward Church, 300 Willits at Bates, north of Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Maple, west of Old Woodward, Sundays, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Birmingham. Free will offering taken ridays Saturdays. \$10 Wednesdays for musicians. (248) 644-0550 Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays

POETRY/SPOKEN

OPEN MIC POETRY NIGHT 8 p.m. Thursdays in April, at Borders Books, Music, Video and Cafe, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. All poets must sign up in advance. 1248) 652-0558 **AUTHORS & POETS**

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musicians of all levels, 6 p.m. learn

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Phish lead guitarist/singer acoustic and electric, with Tony Markellis and Russ Lawton, 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 3, Michigan Theatre, 603 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor, Sold out All ages (734) 763 TKTS or JOHNNIE BASSETT

With the Blues Insurgents, 9 p.m. hursday, April 29, Music Menu, 511 Monroe St., Detroit's Greekfown, With Joe Weaver, 9 p.m. Friday, April 30, at Music Menu. Cover charge, 21 and older (313) 964-6368 (blues) BIG SUGAR With Keller Williams, 8 p.m. Saturday.

May 1, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave Ferndale \$8 in advance 18 and older (248) 544-3030 or tp://www.themagicbag.c BLACK BEAUTY 8 p.m. Friday Saturday, April 30 May 1

9 30 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, Blind Pig.

Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages 248) 644 4800 (blues "BLIND PIG SHOWCASE With Crazy Flying Grants, That's My 5856 (blues rock) Mama, Debaser and Michelle Peters.

AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS 206,208 S. First St. Ann Arbor Free 9 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 29-May 1. The Habitat inside Weber's 3050 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor. 21 and older. (734) 665-3636; 9 p.m. Thursday, May 6, Arbor Brewing Company, 116 E. Washington St., And

Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 213-

1393; 9 p.m. Friday, May 7, Lower

7 p.m. Saturday, May 1, Borders

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inger/comedian)

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Oxford Inn Tavern, 43317 E. Grand

River Ave., Novi. Free, 21 and olde

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248) 305-5856 (blues)

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LAGWAGON

Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and olde (734) 451-1213 (blues THE HOPE ORCHESTRA 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 30-May 8 p.m. Friday, April 30, Borders Books Nancy Whiskey's, 2644 Harrison, Detroit. Free, 21 and older, (313) 962 and Music, 43075 Crescent Blvd. Novi. Free. All ages. (248) 347-0780;

Ann Arbor, Free, All ages, (734) 67 6948 (alternative rock) HOUSE OF USHER With Bon, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 1 JD's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut . Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 1

charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 ttp://golddollar.com (punk) SCOTT CAMPBELL GROUP 3-5 p.m. Saturday, May 1, Borders Books and Music, 3527 Washtenaw

COMPANY OF STRANGERS 9 p.m. Friday, April 30, Dick O'Dow' 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham Free. 21 and older. (248) 642-1135

With Climax Devine and The Fringe. p.m. Thursday, April 29. Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$5, 18 and older THE CULT HEROES With a CD release party for "Motors

for Tricycles" by the Deterrants and special guest Colonel Sun. 9:30 p.n day, May 7, Blind Pig. 206-208 First St., Ann Arbor \$5, 19 and older 341 996 8555 trock THE DIAMOND DUKES

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below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, \$7 in advance, \$8 day of show. All ages. (313) 961 MELT http://www.961melt.com/rock/ GLEN EDDY

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t Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern Hwy. Southfield Eree 21 and older (248) 223 1700 (000) **ESHAM** With Natas, House of Crazees and

THE EX-HUSBANDS 6 30 p.m. Friday, April 30, Van Gogh Starry Night Louinge, 27909 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, Free: A ages (248) 324 0400 (rock)

With Poignant Plecostomus and Pri sumbers 9 p.m. Friday April 30. Aivin 9, 5756 Cass Ave. Detroit \$5 18 and older | 313 | 832 2355 | rock

(248) 334-9292 (rock) With Moods for Moderns, 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 3. The Shelter below S Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (rock) NOBODY'S BUSINESS

10:30 p.m. Friday, April 30, Rochester

With Joe Henry, 8 p.m. Thursday, May Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., 6, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Rochester, Free, 21 and older, (248) Detroit. \$15 in advance, \$18 day of 650-5060 (rockabilly) show. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 ROBERT NOLL BLUES MISSION or http://www.99music.com (roots 9 p.m. Saturday, May 1, Ford Road Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road. Westland, Free. 21 and older. (734 721-8609 (blues)

SUGAR RAY NORCIA 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$10 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com (blues) THE ORIGINAL BROTHERS AND

Mondays; and Club Color, featuring funk and disco, 8 p.m. Wednesdays SISTERS OF LOVE (free before 10 p.m.), at the club, With The Scavenger Quartet featuring 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$5. 18 and Frank Pahl, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, May older. (313) 832-2355 or , Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann ttp://www.alvins.xtcom.com Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (734) 996-**BLIND PIG** 8555 (rock) Swing-a-billy" night with dance essons from 8-9 p.m. Sundays with DJ

OUT IN WORSHIP With Drumhead, 9 p.m. Thursday, Apri 29, Gold Dollar, 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older (313) 833-6873 or ttp://golddollar.com (dub)

With Xibit and Defari, 8 p.m. Thursday April 29, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$15 in advance, \$18 day of show. All ages. (313) 961 MELT or http://www.961melt.com (hip-hop) 10 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Thursday

1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Free. 21 and older. (734) 459-4190 top 40 dance) GARY RASMUSSEN AND STEPHEN **GRANT WOOD** 6 p.m. Thursday, April 29, Van Gogh's Starry Night Lounge, 27909 Orchard

Saturday, April 29-May 1, Boulders,

Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. 21 and older. (248) 324-0400 (rock) MYK RISE 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, April 30-May 1, 5 Hole in The Second City, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Free before 10 p.m. 21 and older. (313) 471-3300 (rock)

ROYCE 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 6, Oxford Inn Tayern, 43317 E. Grand-River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 305-5856 (blues)

SAFFIRE: THE UPPITY BLUES WOMEN 8 p.m. Friday, April 30. The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge All ages. (734) 761-1451 or

ttp://www.a2ark.org (blues) SAGE Wth Gene Yu, 8-9:30 p.m. Friday, April 30. Angel Caravan Coffeehouse, 1420 Hill St., Ann Arbor. Suggested donation, \$7, \$5 students ages 13 and

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"Pushing Tin" stars John Cusack, Billy Bob Thornton, Cate Blanchett, and Angelina Jolie, four of the most capable young screen actors around these days. It's directed by Mike Newell, who counts "Donnie Brasco" and "Four Weddings and a Funeral" among his stellar

Also, it's a film that takes a long-neglected subject that would seem to be utterly replete with excitement and dramatic potential - the world of the air

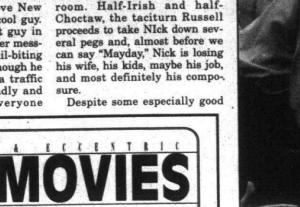
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much promise for its own good. It's not really an awful film, crashing and burning on take-off in one big, dreadful heap. Never-theless, it does have some trouble getting off the ground.

golden oldies as he works the radar scopes, "pushing tin" in the vercrowded skies above New York City Nick is one cool guy. IN fact, he's the coolest guy in the control room. He never messes up. He makes his nail-biting job look effortless. And though he knows he's one heckuva traffic controller, he's so friendly and down-to-earth that everyone

problems is that it holds too likes him anyway. He has a loving wife (played by Cate Blanchett), two cute kids, and a nice home in the suburbs. And then, something happens

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Drama: John Cusack (clockwise, left to right), Billy Bob Thornton and Jerry Grayson monitor the scopes in "Pushing Tin.

performances by Cusack and Blanchett, much of what happens in this movie about man-toman competition seems vaguely silly instead of funny or amusing, and oddly fragmented instead of cohesive or fast-paced. At the film's conclusion, you may feel as if you've taken an over long trip that's grown especially tiresome as it lumbers toward the finish line.

75¢ every Tuesday. "Pushing Tin" is also hampered often by its own split per-Then become a "FREQUENT sonality. It's one of those movies COME IN AND FIND DUT HOW that can't seem to decide quite Box Office opens at 4:00 pr what direction it wants to take. Monday - Friday only CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES Main Art Theatre III

Does it want to be Funny? Does it want to be poignant? Does it want to be a "message film"? Because of its schizoid tendencies, often what it ends up being is implausible. Some scenes seem especially nonsensical. Take, for instance,

the boys-will-be-boys fight that

breaks out in the control room

between Nick and Russell, while

all that tin is stacking up like

lethal sardines over LaGuardia, water!" and to deliver other brief Kennedy, Newark, etc. Even as sermonettes that sound as if competitive as these two characters seem, and even as much as a moviegoer may yearn to suspend disbelief, as it's presented here, such a scenario is hard to swal-A few scene feel as if they've

wandered over from some other movie or TV show (Glen Charles & Les Charles of "Cheers" fame wrote the screenplay). At one point, Nick leaves Long Island and the control room, and goes to Colorado in search of Russell and some answers to the mysteries of his life. Because this is the kind of movie that it is, he finds him right there in great outdoors, fishing in a cold, mountain stream

This gives Russell the chance to say things like "He knows I caught him, and I know I caught him," referring to a trout he's just hooked and let go. It also gives him the chance to say Island. Too bad this movie doesthings like "Jump into the n't fly nearly as effectively as

they might have been intended for a segment of SNL's "Deep thoughts." The two cohorts then conclude the day by standing in the turbulence wake of a 747 as it comes in for a landing. Maybe it's a guy thing.

Billy Bob Thorton's Russell Bell is often so wooden and remote that he's like somebody s slightly overdose on an anti-psychotic medication. The eccentric ty may lie more with the character than with the actor, but it's hard to empathize with wooden and remote, and consequently, a challenge to care about such a character, which further disables this picture. The Screen play for 'Pushing Tin" was adapted from Darcy Drey's "Something's Got to Give," an absorbing New York Times article about controllers at the New York Terminal Radar Approach Control on Long

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'Sliding Doors' has interesting plot goes blonde and gets a short

How someone's life turns out can be altered by some bits of good or bad luck - like whether you caught the subway train and got home sooner than if you had taken a taxi. That's the premise of a rather flat 1998 British film "Sliding Doors."

The plot device of the film is interesting enough - it shows parallel plot lines what happens if a woman, played Gwyneth Paltrow, arrives home early enough to find her boyfriend in bed with another woman or just after the

other woman has left. In the first instance, the woman breaks up with the boyfriend - a loser she has been supporting while he stays at home to work on his novel. Con**VIDEO**

Directed by Peter Howitt, Sliding Doors" can't decide if it's even more conveniently runs a drama or a romantic comedy. into him again while trying to Neither effort is successful due drown her sorrows about her to a weak script and equally domestic problems. The course of weak performances by most of her new relationship seems too the cast. Paltrow is very earnest good to be true and naturally in her performance. As her unfaithful boyfriend, John Lynch In the other scenario, the has too many strained scenes woman decides to take a taxi that are apparently supposed to and gets mugged which delays be funny. Even worse is the shrill her journey home. As a result, it Jeanne Tripplehorn as the other

takes her some time to figure out woman - she doesn't have a real what her boyfriend has been up moment in the whole film. to while he was supposed to be Upon further reflection, anothworking. After getting fired from er problem with "Sliding Doors" is her public relations job, the that despite the events and choic woman works two lower paying es made in the two scenarios, Paljobs to make ends meet while the trow's character basically ends up boyfriend continues his career as in the same place. Maybe the real an unfaithful layabout. Keeping message, is that like the movie track of the two versions gets itself what happened really didn't easier after Paltrow's character matter in the end.

It's the largest concentration of West Indians outside of Jamaica. That was just a natural resource that was just there waiting for me in Toronto. That

Standing on a variety to "hundreds of gigs a their wall with their name on it. stage at Joe year and different personnel." They're a little more under-

"Different people have come

through the band over the years

and they all leave their influ-

ence. They all leave their

mark," said Johnson, who has

also produced Govt. Mule and

Toronto, the city in which he

has lived for 10 years, has also

had a hand in Big Sugar's

"Since I've been living in

Toronto for 10 years, I really got

into reggae music 'cause it's a

really strong community there.

brought a lot of reggae music

into our sound, like working

Chris Duarte.

Music has been a lifelong aspiration for Johnson, 35. Growing up in Windsor, his musical preferences were Jimi Hendrix, Led Zeppelin, Black Sabbath and Deep Purple. As he got older, he indulged in with a live Internet broadcast Miles Davis. Charlie Parker, from the attic of former morn-John Lee Hooker, and acoustic ing show host Spike. The for-

"When I was 8 years old, I was telling my mom, 'Don't worry about that D on my report card. I know I'll never need mathematics cause I'm may slip in a few previously going to be a rock star.' Parents don't want to hear that when Media Group of Rochester Hills you're 8 years old," he said with is donating its services for the a smile, stray hairs hanging event. A chat room will be set over his right eye.

"Heated" boils with rock and blues influences as well as '70s "They love it now. They see classic rock, reggae and our videos on TV. They've got

Louis Arena.

Big Sugar play-

Johnson and

Kelly Hoppe are

starstruck.

Johnson and

keyboardist

Hoppe, both

natives, glance around at the

championship flags hanging

They're even thrilled when

they see part of the ice sticking

out from a makeshift wood floor.

Fashionably stylish with his

Hugo Boss red sweater, dark

pants and bright red cowboy

boots. Johnson is one band

member who feels at home in

"Some of the crew are die

hard Maple Leafs fans but

they're gonna just have to bite

the bullet today because me and

Kelly are so (in awe), walking

around the place going. 'Oh

look at the picture of Gordie

Howe,' " singer/guitarist John-

son said while picking at his

Big Sugar was in town April

17 to play during the "Made in

Hockeytown Rally" at the Joe.

The group, which also includes

bassist Garry Lowe, returns to

the area Saturday, May 1, to

celebrate the release of its lat-

est album "Heated" at the

Happiness slowly creeps

across the face of blues guitarist

George Friend. During an

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Friend began writing the title track winds its way, whom he had played in the Sun material a year ago and of the through rock, blues and soul.

made it on the CD. "I was just starting to get used to writing songs. I had never really written that much before. It was scary to say the least. I started to get the hang of it and I started writing material for Thornetta too. I started

When the crowd rises to their it," Friend explained. feet as he and Black Beauty hit At first, Friend was focusing the stage, Friend looks up on writing rockabilly and jump pleasantly surprised. When speblues songs. When he eased up cial guest Thornetta Davis conon his self-imposed limitations fidentity struts on stage, they go

That's pretty much the reaction every time Black Beauty plays. At the Lower Town Grill in Plymouth, fans hit the dance floor when Black Beauty plays songs off its debut CD "Senor

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eight songs he penned, five Holding the reins

to feel more comfortable with a funny band."

In 1988 he returned to Michithe music kept coming. "They (the songs) were all

trying to do something instead of just writing a song and leting it be what it is. That's why the CD was a little more varied. My influences definitely came through once I just let it flow."

The opening track "Beaten Down" has all the swagger of The eight minute and 11 second friend Thornetta Davis, with

Friend has "played all sorts of

1983, he moved to San Francisco for four years with his band Pedxing, a "quirky kind of pop, new wave, like the Talking Black Beauty, which also Heads and Devo. It was kind of

gan, this time settling in Detroit where he studied jazz at Wayne State University. right, they just felt like I was musical resume, Friend hooked ing R&B/Urban/Funk Instruformed the avant jazz act Blue Awards April 23, joined the Dog in 1988. Friend then spent time in Spanking Bozo and the Sun Messengers before getting

las' web. For 1-1/2 years, Friend played Keith Richards while surf owns with the Tarantulas. When he the seductive "Gonna Do It." left the band, he looked to old ing her.

Black Beauty in early 1998. singer Robert Gordon

"I formed this band to do a wider variety of music instead different kinds of music" since of just doing rockabilly or whathe was a child growing up in ever we were doing, jump blues. Marquette. Upon graduation in I really had an interest in doing more Chicago blues and funk and different things," he said.

recordings from Sarah McLach-

lan's upcoming live album "Mir-

rorball," due out on Arista/Net-

twerk June 15. Live versions of

"Building a Mystery" and "I Will

Remember You" may be down-

loaded from http://www.ama-

zon.com/sarah-exclusive. ...

Davis plays select gigs with includes bassist Jim Simonson of Detroit and drummer Todd Glass, formerly of the Twistin' Tarantulas, of Westland. In January, keyboardist Chris Codish, who won Outstanding Blues Expanding his already vast Instrumentalist and Outstandup with Alex Trajano and mentalist at the Detroit Music

thing going on between Black caught in the Twistin' Tarantu-Beauty and Davis, who is work-When she's not performing with Black Beauty, the band is back-



Christina Fuoco is the pop Amazon.com is offering free Roadrunner release "Chamber music reporter for The Observer digital downloads of two new Music" to chat with fans at 11 & Eccentric Newspapers. p.m. Thursday, April 29, via

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Coal Chamber is taking time George Friend, Black Beauty live for the blues

Davis was also on board for to a lot more blues records. I Messengers. Friend formed the Scandinavian tour Black never played it a lot. I really Beauty did with rockabilly enjoy the music. I feel like everything that I've played

http:// www. sonicnet. com/

channels or http:// chat. yahoo.

com. Coal Chamber is tenta-

tively scheduled to play

Detroit's State Theatre with

ICP and Kool Keith on Friday,

"They're just nuts about rockabilly over there. We played in Helsinki for 1,200 people, and another small town in Finland with another 1,200 kids. There were kids there just 16 years old with giant pompadours and leather jackets. Every single kid

was dressed up."

No matter what he's playing, Friend knows the blues is in his

"I had always been listening

Black Beauty performs at 7

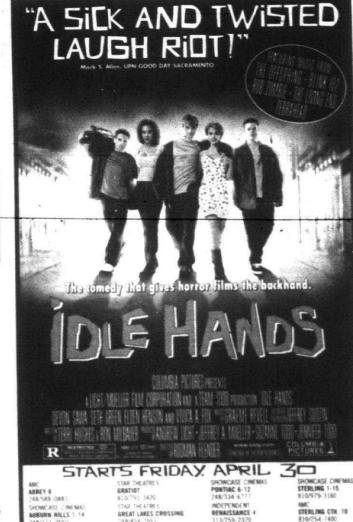
comes pretty much from there.'

p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 30-May 1, at Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Blcomfield Hills. The free show is all ages, call (248) 644-4800; 9 p.m. Friday, May 7, at Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. The 21 and older show is free, call (248) 543-4300. Black Beauty's Web site is http://www.blk

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For casual or special dinners try Bonfire Bistro & Brewery

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Bonfire Bistro & Brewery is an appropriate name for this newly opened restaurant in Northville.

The earthly smell of burning vood greets diners as they open the door to upscale, yet casual Bonfire Bistro & Brewery. It's the kind of restaurant you can go to for a quick pizza before a movie ... or anniversary dinner.

Wood fuels the ovens here, everything from the pizza oven to the rotisserie and char-grill.

"It gives the food great flavor," said manager Rob Bennett. "We have a great menu, not just beer and sandwiches. Our staff is very knowledgeable and friendly."

Three brightly colored murals decorate the restaurant, which is decidedly urban with rich wood tables and booths.

Wood is piled up along the open kitchen where you can see your meal being prepared.

Chef David Platzer studied at

Bonfire Bistro & Brewery

Where: 39550 Seven Mile (near Haggerty), Northville, (248) 735-

ours: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday.

Reservations: Lunch only, parties of five or more. Call-ahead seating for dinner.

Menu: Fresh seafood, steaks, chops, chicken, pasta, hand-tossed pizza. Some vegetarian items. Handcrafted beers and rootbeer. Children's menu for ages 12 and under.

Cost: Salads and sandwiches, \$3.95 to \$9.95; Pizza (6 pieces, served as an appetizer) \$7.95 to \$8.50; lunch entrees \$7.95 to \$12.95; dinner entrees including pasta \$12.95 to \$26.95. Children's menu items \$4.50 to \$5.95.

Carry-out: Available Credit Cards: All majors

Seats: 240 people, additional seating (6 tables) on outdoor patio.

the Culinary Institute of America. Ron Jeffries is the Brewmaster, and tours of the brewery can be arranged if you call the restaurant in advance.

For lunch or dinner, Bonfire Bistro & Brewery offers a truly memorable dining experience. The lunch menu features more sandwiches than the dinner

For starters, Bennett recommends the Gorgonzola Ale Dip or Beer-Steamed Mussels.

Pizzas are hand-tossed and cooked in a wood-burning oven. Choose from Chicken & Artichoke Pizza: Pizza Classico -Italian sausage, Roma tomatoes and wild mushrooms with woodroasted tomato sauce and mozzarella; Wild Mushroom Pizza or Roasted Vegetable and Goat Cheese Pizza.

The Onion Porter Soup - sliced Spanish onions and shallots in a hearty beef and porter broth with crispy haystack onions and Swiss cheese - is a specialty.

For dinner, Bennett points to Planked Salmon, available for dinner or lunch - a fresh Atlantic filet, wood fired on a cedar plank with honey mustard glaze - served with wild rice. pilaf and fresh vegetable.

Grilled Lamb Chops, and Herb Chicken Linguine - rotisserie chicken tossed with wild mushrooms, scallions, roasted garlic, sun-dried tomatoes and sage cream sauce over fresh linguine - are also often-requested dish-

Vegetarians will enjoy Portobella Penne - Fire-roasted portobellas, onions, peppers and roast-



Popular dish: Executive Chef David Platzer presents Mediterranean Seafood Farfalle, an often requested dish at the newly opened Bonfire Bistro & Brewery.

ed garlic with penne noodles in a tomato fennel broth, topped with grated Parmesan cheese.

From the rotisserie, choose from Herb Crusted Prime Rib, Spit Fire Duck or Chicken, all slow-cooked over a hickory fire and served with fresh vegetable.

If you're hungry for a sandwich for lunch or dinner, Bennett recommends Beef & Boursin shaved prime rib with creamy boursin cheese, red onions, lettuce and tomato on a hoagie roll with horseradish mayo.

The lunch menu features the popular Cherry Chicken Salad, Honey Mustard Chicken Wrap Sandwich, Black Forest Ham & Cheddar Sandwich and Grilled Portobella & Vegetable Wrap.

There are six items on the children's menu - Bowtie Pasta with tomato sauce and cheese, Chicken Tenderloins, Grilled Cheese with fries, Cheeseburger and fries, Fish and Chips, and Cheese Pizza.

Toast a special occasion with one of Bonfire's handcrafted beers. There's a wide variety from the Firelight Lager, to Vulcan's Ale, Burning Brand Bitter-Extra Pale Ale, Promethean Porter, and a seasonal specialty.

For something-really different, try one of Bonfire's two cask-conditioned beers - Smoldering Coals Imperial Stout or a Special Rotating Cask. These Englishstyle ales are naturally carbonated and served at room temper-

Wine by the glass, beer by the bottle, draft cider, martinis and other cocktails are available also.

Desserts are made in house. The Vanilla Malt & Porter Praline ice creams are made exclusively for Bonfire Bistro & Brewery using the sweet extract of malted barley, fresh cream and

Other delicious ways to satisfy your sweet tooth include Cappuccino Creme Brulee, S'More Cheesecake, Hot Fudge Brownie made with a white chocolate brownie, Apple Cherry Pie, Fresh Fruit Anglaise, and a Rootbeer Float.

Bennett said they plan to revise and change the menu to keep it fresh. Every attempt will be made to accommodate special-



Pizza: Michael Ollie gets ready to put a wild mushroom pizza into the wood fire pizza oven.

WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in What's Cooking to Keely Wygonik. Entertainment Editor. Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft. Livonia, MI 48150, fax (248) 591e-mail 7279. or kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

OLD MEXICO

Celebrates Cinco De Mayo, Mexico's independence from France, Wednesday, May 5 at their restaurants in Livonia, 28407 Five Mile Road (734) 421-3310 and West Bloomfield, 5566 Drake Road, (248) 661-8088. Piñata breaking 4 p.m. at the Livonia restaurant; 5:30 p.m. at the West Bloomfield Restaurant. Both locations will have menu specials. The West Bloomfield location will also have Latin music 7-11 p.m. including at Mariachi Band at 10:30 p.m.

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Tony & Maria's Wedding, Saturday, May 8, Livonia American Club, 39200 Five Mile Road. Cost \$44.95 per person, call (800) 817-6279 for information, reserva-

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

At the Italian American Club of Livonia, 39200 Five Mile Road Livonia, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Sunday, May 9. Family-style luncheon, music by the Eddie DeSantis Ensemble, adults \$25 per person, \$10 children (ages 6-12), \$3 children (ages 4-6), children age 3 and under, free. Call (734) 953-9724 for reservations/information. No tickets sold at the door. CORSUS ITALIAN RESTAURANT AND

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Mom's Day Buffet, noon, 2 p.m. or 4 p.m. Sunday, May 9, 27910 W. Seven Mile Road, Adults \$12.95, seniors \$12, children under age 10, \$6. Call (248) 777-4960 for reservations/informaFOX HILLS

Mother's Day Brunch, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Fox Hills Club House, 8768 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, \$15.95 per person, call (734) 453-7272. Fox Hills serves brunch every Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. the cost is \$14.95 adults, and \$5.50 (children ages 3 to 12).

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