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Omnicom raises rates for basic channels

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Cable television rates will increase \$1.45 to \$19.95 monthly for basic channels on Jan. 1.

And last July Omnicom started charging customers for the cable guide. However, the company offset the increase by giving away free coupons to existing customers through the end of this year. Starting Jan. 1 all customers will be charged 75 cents monthly for the guide.

The full increase is 12 percent or \$2.20

monthly for the basic channels and the guide.

The company has promised to add the American Movie Channel, which is now a premium channel, to the basic package. That means the 400 people who currently pay \$5 monthly for that channel will see a reduction in their overall rates, said Lisa Boland, Omnicom general manager.

OMNICOM INCREASED basic rates to offset programming costs, she said. "Nearly \$1 of the increase will go directly to the providers of the satellite programming," Boland said.

"The remaining 45 cents, which represents only a 1.5-percent increase in average revenue, will be used to help offset our increased cost of doing business."

During the past year the cost of programs to Omnicom increased 26 percent, Boland said. Turner Network Television increased its cost to Omnicom by 85 percent.

"We are pleased that considering our cost for satellite programming has increased more than 26 percent, that we were able to find alternative ways to offset increases to subscribers," Boland said.

THE AVERAGE subscriber in Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township currently pays \$32 monthly.

That includes basic television channels at \$18.50, Home Box Office at \$8.95, and between \$3.50 and \$6.50 for remote control depending on where the subscriber lives. The cable television guide was free.

Boland said surveys showed that most customers weren't using the Omnicom cable guide. The movie listings are provided by at least four other sources including the Observer, other publications and an electronic guide that runs on cable.

Customers who subscribe to three chan-

nels will receive the guide free. At the beginning of this year, Omnicom's cable television basic rates also rose 8 percent. At that time Omnicom's charges were the highest of cable companies serving Livonia, Garden City, Westland and Birmingham.

The rate increase comes in the midst of a cable service review by the Canton cable committee, which was formed to study Omnicom's franchise agreement that expires in February 1995.

The committee also serves as a liaison between Omnicom and subscribers complaining about services.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Wreath sale

The Plymouth branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Club will hold its annual greens mart 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Mayflower Hotel. On Fri-

day, the club will hold a bake sale. Above, Nancy Swartzwelter, left, and Vivian Bradburn, club members, hang wreaths.

Reporter rings in season by learning about giving

Imagine a Type A personality standing in one spot for two hours.

It's not a pretty sight. But that's what I did Monday ringing a bell and asking for donations to the Salvation Army in front of Kroger in Canton.

I paced at least three miles worth and when no one was around, I practiced juggling the infamous Salvation Army bell until it finally flipped twice in midair.

Between my fits of energy I saw and heard a lot.

A THIN man, who seemed disoriented and consumed by something more serious than grocery shopping, walked into the store, took a free cup of coffee and returned to the street where I was standing. He didn't buy



Diane Gale

anything. It didn't look like he could afford it.

He walked a few paces past the big red bucket, dug deep into a long side pocket on his jeans, pulled out a dime, fumbled for a minute and finally dropped it into the slot.

I noticed, too, that the women wearing polyester pants and discount shoes stopped the most often.

"I can't seem to pass even one of these," one woman said. "I got caught in Plymouth, too. But it's a pleasure to give. I'm just happy that

I have it to give."

MANY OF the better-dressed people didn't seem to hear the bell. Maybe they had already given somewhere else.

Maybe the people who have the least understand the meaning of need better than others. Maybe they have less to lose. Maybe they cared less about the fancy coats and suede high heel shoes.

Another woman seemed amazed that she wasn't able to resist giving to someone in need.

She laughed at herself when she explained her compulsion and got misty-eyed when she said her mother had died earlier this year. She looked happier, almost consoled, when she deposited the dollar.

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Counselor's death stuns high school

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

The mood at Centennial Educational Park was somber, as staff and students reacted to the stunning news that Plymouth Salem High School counselor R. Wayne Sparkman, 48, died Monday.

Sparkman, who loved to sail, ski, cycle and run, collapsed on the track at about 6 p.m. at Vic Tanny's on Ann Arbor Road.

"They gave him CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and got a

pulse, but by the time the emergency unit got there, he was dead," said Dick Egli, Plymouth-Canton community relations director who often played racquetball with Sparkman.

"He looked like he was in great physical shape. To look at him, you would never have thought this would be someone who'd have a heart attack," he said. "To top that off, his disposition was easygoing, positive and upbeat."

Egli recalled that while playing

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Wayne Sparkman

Professor challenges global warming theory

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

While some say global warming sparked by a "greenhouse effect" due to pollution will soon have a negative impact on our lives, an Eastern Michigan University professor begs to differ.

"This global warming thing is to climatology as 'cold fusion' was to nuclear energy," said Carl Ojala, professor of geography.

Ojala has statistics to back his assertion that a trend toward global warming is not certain, based on research last summer into temperatures recorded at various state weather stations since 1898.

Ojala said he gathered much of his data from National Weather Service publications "stacked way in the back room" of various libraries around the state.

"If I had only looked at 1898 to 1955, I'd say, 'Whoa, there's a greenhouse effect,'" he said. "But if I look at it since then, we're cooling off."

Ojala and Robert Ferrett, director of EMU's center of instructional computing, recently completed a study of temperatures in Michigan over a 90-year period.

Ojala obtained data from 45 National Weather Service stations around Michigan which had complete records for the period.

He found that from 1898 to 1955,

38 stations experienced an increase in the annual temperature and seven decreased. But from 1956 to 1988, only nine stations reported an increase while 33 declined and three had no temperature change.

"It seems to me that from 1930 or 1940, the temperature should be rising if we're talking about the greenhouse effect because in the last 50 or 60 years we've started burning so much more fossil fuel," he said.

"We're pumping carbon into the atmosphere just like you read about, we are absolutely polluting the atmosphere, and the bloody temperature is coming down. I don't understand it."

While Ojala said the earlier data is not as reliable as the data of the last 40 years or so, he found a similar warming then-cooling trend in nearly every region of the state.

"I would question the accuracy of the old data sometimes. But the data for the last 30 or 40 years has to be more reliable because the instruments are better."

Because much of greenhouse effect theory attributes global warming to urbanization and the presence of industry and high populations, Ojala tried to isolate urban areas in his study.

He found that while temperatures in some cities including Detroit should have steadily increased as they became major urban centers,



those temperatures did not increase. Ojala found that Detroit's average temperature from 1898 to 1988 increased 2 degrees. But it increased almost 1 degree through 1955 and has decreased 7 degrees since then. Ann Arbor weather statistics showed an average temperature increase of 2.4 degrees between 1898

and 1955. But while Ann Arbor experienced growth, the average temperature since 1955 fell 2 degrees.

Ojala said he's convinced that 90 or 100 years is just not enough time to study climatic changes. He said researchers advocating the greenhouse effect are premature.

"I'm convinced after doing this

study that you can't just come out and say we've begun the greenhouse effect."

"Right now we don't have enough data in the world, let alone Michigan, to say there's global warming occurring. I would never put my reputation on the line like (some researchers) have done and say that."

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Accident

A 19-year-old Plymouth woman was treated and released Tuesday from St. Mary Hospital in Livonia after she lost control of the car she was driving west on Ann Arbor Trail just

west of Beck at 3:10 p.m., causing the car to roll. Plymouth Township police issued no ticket in the incident.

Cops order man to break up loud party

Plymouth Township police sent about 150 partiers on their way Friday, after neighbors complained of noise.

At about 11 p.m., police said, they noticed about 60 cars parked near the residence on Meadow Court near Hillcrest. Upon approaching the house, they noticed several beer bottles in the front yard.

Police talked to a man, 18, who lived there; he told them his parents were away, the police report continued. Police told the man he had five minutes to break up the party.

After the partiers left, the man was charged with hosting a party

crime watch

where minors were drinking alcohol.

PUSHY: A man described as in his late 20s pushed a party store clerk Sunday after the clerk spotted him trying to steal some beef jerky.

According to a report the clerk filed with Plymouth Township police, the man and a woman entered the Quick Pik on Lilley Road at

about 11:30 p.m. They approached the check-out counter and the man asked for a bottle of liquor, the clerk told police.

As the clerk turned to get the liquor, he spotted the man putting something in the back of his pants. When he confronted the man about it, the man pushed him, then threw two beef jerky sticks on the counter and left. The clerk said he noticed an odor of alcohol about the man, the report continued.

CAR DAMAGED: A Taylor woman, 20, reported \$500 in damage to her car Sunday after it was parked overnight at the Plymouth Park Apartments on Plymouth Road.

The woman told Plymouth Township police that both doors, the right front fender and the rear quarter panel of the 1989 Chevy were damaged. Police said there were no suspects.

CAR RECOVERED: Hours after a 1988 Chevy Blazer was reported missing from Vic Tanny's on Ann Arbor Road, it was found damaged in Detroit.

The theft of the car was reported at 12:20 p.m. The car was found at 11:56 p.m. with two windows broken out, the dashboard damaged, radio and seats missing and damage to the steering column, police said.

Event organizers count Thanksgiving blessings

"A Plymouth Thanksgiving" was a success with viewers and the local business community, said organizers who plan to continue the festival next Thanksgiving.

There was a lady who walked up and said, "The people who donated their time, their effort and their dollars to this celebration have given this community a gift," said Fred Hill, a main organizer for the event.

Crowds on Saturday were as big or bigger than on Friday, the opening day of the event, Hill said.

Hill was also pleased that "virtually everybody" among business owners closed up shop for the 10-minute non-denominational services

to honor Thanksgiving and soldiers in Saudi Arabia, on both days of the event, he said.

Organizers raised enough to pay expenses for the event, about \$8,000, Hill said.

Fran Toney, Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce director, said business owners she has contacted "were very up and positive, shoppers were buying and people were happy. We're all hoping it brought some new shoppers into town."

Business owners said sales for the after-Thanksgiving weekend were the same "or ahead of last year," she said.

Bell ringing reporter gets lesson in sharing

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One man, who said he was 76 but who looked closer to 56, rode his bicycle to Kroger. The bags in his basket showed that he had stopped at Meijer.

He said he rides nine miles back and forth from home to the stores. Bicycling was cheaper than driving, he said. But that couldn't be true, because he gave to the little red bucket what he would have saved in gas money.

When I first arrived I was uncomfortable. I found myself cupping my hand over the bell so I wouldn't make too much noise or obligate anyone. A half-hour later I was putting a full swing into the bell.

I wondered too what I should say. "Merry Christmas," I thought, wasn't always appropriate. But no one seemed offended and everyone, I'm convinced, translated the spirit of the gratitude.

It didn't matter what religion they were, or for that matter, what religion I was. We were there for the same reason. And the sign on the stand holding the bucket said it all: Sharing is Caring. Need has no season.

That legacy of sharing will continue for years passed on by the moms and dads who gave their children

money to put in the bucket.

Thank you to all the people who smiled, had a friendly word or filled the bucket to keep the Type A personality busy and to show me the real meaning of caring.

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At the station

Tots learn about firefighting



Ryan Logsdon peers into a firefighter's boots at the fire station in Canton.

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Sean Kleinschmidt reacts to the sight of firefighter John Bartle in full regalia. Sean's mom, Nancy, assures her son there's nothing to fear.

By Julie Brown
staff writer

SOME FUTURE firefighters know a bit about what the job involves.

Not all the youngsters who visited a Canton fire station will grow up to be firefighters, but those who want to learn about the job during an outing Tuesday, Nov. 27.

"It's kind of a tradition," said Carol Isakson of Canton, a member of the Canton Newcomers Moms and Tots group, which arranged the visit to Station No. 2 on Warren in Canton.

Parents and children like spending time together.

"The kids just love it," Isakson said. "I think it's good for the moms and dads."

About 15 moms visited the fire station with their preschool- and kindergarten-age children. Isakson has four children. Her 4-year-old twins, Paul and Dave, came along.

"They're having a great time," she said. "They tooted the horn on the fire truck."

The boys were impressed with how shiny the truck was.

CANTON FIREFIGHTERS Ron Battani and John Bartle met with the group. The men, who are also emergency medical technicians, talked about fire safety and

showed the children and mothers equipment used to fight fires.

Isakson and Li Berlin of Canton were co-chairwomen for the get-together. Berlin has three children, two of whom — Doug, 4, and Jamie, 18 months — visited the fire station.

"It's wonderful," Berlin said of the time she spends with her children. "It's good for the children and the parents. It's nice that parents take the time to do things with their children."

BOTH THE Berlin and Isakson families moved to Canton about a year ago, and have found being involved in the Canton Newcomers is a good way to meet others.

"And we're learning our way around," Berlin said.

The Moms and Tots group usually meets once a month for different activities. Members are looking forward to their Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the Cherry Hill School in Canton.

DURING THEIR fire station visit, group members learned about fire safety and use of 911 to summon emergency help.

Younger children have limited attention spans, but Battani still likes to remind them not to play with matches and not to touch hot stoves. He reminds visitors of all ages about the importance of hav-

ing fire extinguishers and smoke detectors at home.

He and Bartle told the children they shouldn't be afraid of firefighters. The equipment firefighters wear can give them a Darth Vader look, but children need to understand firefighters want to help.

CHILDREN GOT to sit in the fire truck, although they weren't allowed to drive around the block. Firefighters turned on the flashing lights, but didn't use the siren because the noise often frightens younger children, Battani said.

Children saw the areas where firefighters relax and sleep. Battani told them about the loud siren used to wake them up when there's an emergency. Firefighters aren't likely to sleep through that, he said.

Isakson doesn't know just yet what career her 4-year-old boys will pursue, but was pretty sure the Moms and Tots group will produce at least one firefighter.

"Oh, all of them today," she said.

To sign up for the Tuesday, Dec. 11, Moms and Tots holiday party, call 981-3206. For general information on the Canton Newcomers, call 397-2687. The club also has play groups for children in addition to the Moms and Tots.

City attorney says training program breaks state rules

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

A job training program for former drug and alcohol abusers is violating either state licensing rules or city codes, said Plymouth's city attorney.

City Attorney Ron Lowe outlined his concerns about the Personalized Nursing Light House Inc. program in a letter sent last week to Southeast Michigan Substance Abuse Services.

"THE CITY'S CONCERN is that this may constitute a business operating within a residential area," Lowe wrote.

City officials said that if the eight apartments in a complex on Roe Street are used strictly as living quarters for program participants, then the program meets city codes but violates Light House's state license.

But if curfews and other rules are posted for program participants as specified in the state license — then the program violates the city code prohibiting operation of a business in a residential area, city officials said.

Marcia Andersen, who heads the Light House program, has said the program operates only out of the Light House office at 575 Main, and that participants are only housed at the Roe Street apartment complex.

"We believe we are in complete

compliance with SEMSAS regulations, we have concealed nothing," said Light House attorney Geoffrey Smereck earlier this month. Both Andersen and Smereck were unavailable for comment Tuesday.

Longtime residents who live in or near the apartment complex on Roe have told city officials they fear for their safety since the former drug and alcohol abusers began living in the apartments in October.

CITY OFFICIALS increased police patrols of the area, and said they would seek to determine if placement of program participants at the apartments violates city codes regulating operation of a business in a residential area.

By mandating Light House's compliance, OSAS (the state Office of Substance Abuse Services) will require Light House to make use of the 303 Roe Street location for more than living quarters," Lowe wrote, "which will ultimately result in the operation of a business in a residential area, a clear zoning violation."

Lowe maintained the license issued to Light House requires a full-time staff member to be at the apartments at all times. He wrote that such an employee's presence would be an indicator of a business operation.

FURTHER, "VISITING hours and

or hours of operation (as specified in the operating license) would also reflect greater supervision of the participants by Light House and refute that 303 Roe Street is merely used for living quarters," Lowe added.

"Light House is welcome to operate its program in the city of Plymouth," Lowe continued, "but it must comply with the laws of Plymouth."

While police stepped up patrols of the area earlier this month at the insistence of longtime residents, Police Chief Richard Myers said those patrols have now been scaled back.

Asked if there had been any incidents on Roe of cars speeding, parties or drug activity near the apartments — activities longtime residents said they feared — Myers said, "We've had no such incidents reported to us."

Patrols were scaled back, he said, because there were other sections of the city that were experiencing more problems than that particular one.

"Police have given us darn good observance," said Ernie Archer of Roe, a longtime resident. "I haven't seen anything wrong so far."

They've (program participants) been on their good behavior, they really have. To me, they're pretty nice people. But when their time is up, the next bunch we have, I don't know."

Classroom need seen by '92

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

By the 1992-93 school year, Plymouth-Canton schools will be hard pressed to accommodate new elementary students.

That was the word from Shirley Spaniel, director of elementary education, and Superintendent John Hoben at Monday night's school board meeting.

"I want to alert the board that by 1992-93, we could very well be out of space. This is about the end of room in elementary schools," said Spaniel.

Residential development in the district should result in about 1,954 new students, an increase of 13.1 percent, from now through the 1994-95 school year, according to a recent survey by administrator Carl Taylor.

TAYLOR PROJECTS that 978 elementary students, 585 middle

school students and 391 high school students will enter the system over the five-year period. Currently, there are 7,103 elementary students. That number is expected to grow to 7,387 by next year.

"There's no longer room to house kids from Sunflower Eight at Hulsing," said Hoben. "The recommendation is to move these children to Gallimore."

Sunflower Eight is a 66-acre, 136-lot development south of Warren and east of Beck.

Elementary housing "will need some action in the near future. The quicker we can handle Sunflower Eight, the better, because people are moving in on a regular basis," Hoben added.

Bird, Farrand, Fiegel, Hoben, Hulsing and Isbister elementaries all project a need for two additional classrooms to accommodate enrollment next year.

In need of one classroom are

Eriksson and Miller elementaries. It's expected that Allen, Field and Gallimore will not need more classrooms. Smith is projected to lose 24 students, freeing up a room.

Short-term solutions to overcrowding are being recommended for next year. Among them are:

- at Hoben, add two portables or add one portable and send a kindergarten class to Field. A third option would be to send a kindergarten class to Field and one or two classrooms to Eriksson, making Eriksson a satellite school.
- at Bird, move one classroom to Smith and kindergarten overflow to Smith.
- accommodate growth at Farrand possibly by moving kindergarten classes to Tanger.
- continue accommodating Fiegel kindergartners at Smith.
- Field could continue accepting kindergarten overflow from Hoben.

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'About the same.'
—Lou Alosso
Plymouth



'Probably about the same.'
—Gary Farwell
Plymouth



'Less, because my income's a bit less.'
—Bob Girdwood
Plymouth



'About the same amount.'
—Chuck Swadling
Plymouth



'I hope and plan to spend less — i shop in Plymouth.'
—Jacqueline Markovitz
Aan Arbor



'I haven't really thought about it. I hope less.'
—Paul Conrad
Brighton

Counselor's unexpected death stuns students

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enjoyed a 20-year friendship with Sparkman, who lived in Plymouth Township.

"Wayne always worked as a summer school counselor, and rode his bike to school every day. He was baseball coach, and won the state championship (at Salem) in '75. He had a picture of his kids in his office to this day.

"He was an old Plymouth High kid. His coach was Mike Hoben. Wayne was one of his boys."

Ostoin also played racquetball with Sparkman and can attest to his athletic skill. "He was the quickest

guy for 48 I ever saw.

"We're all hurt," said Ostoin. "We had a faculty meeting this morning and everyone was just stunned. The kids are all kind of somber today."

Ostoin described Sparkman as "one of the best counselors we had. He was a very sincere and hard-working person. There was a time when he had to say no, but he always had kids' best interest at heart. His heart was in his work. He always attended extracurricular events to support the kids. He was dedicated to education in the Plymouth-Canton community from the word go."

AT PLYMOUTH HIGH, Sparkman lettered all four years in baseball, basketball and football, said Win Schrader of Schrader's Funeral Home. Schrader befriended Sparkman when the two played high school football together.

"Could he hit!" recalled Schrader. "Wayne was really admired as a leader and a good, clean athlete with lots of talent."

Sparkman graduated from Plymouth in 1960 and from the University of Michigan in 1964. He earned his bachelor's degree in physical education and a master's degree in counseling.

Sparkman played football under Coach Bump Elliott at U-M, where as a fullback he lettered in 1962 and 1963. A member of the Sigma Chi fraternity, he received the Yost Honor Award for athletics and was a member of the Druids Honorary Society.

Sparkman joined Plymouth-Canton Community Schools in 1965 as a physical education teacher at East Middle School. He also worked at West Middle School and Salem as a phys ed teacher. In 1974, Sparkman became a counselor at Salem.

He worked his way up through the coaching ranks, and as Salem head baseball coach in 1975, won the Class A state championship. Sparkman, who stepped down as baseball coach after winning the state title, was assistant varsity football coach through 1977-78.

Sparkman married his high school sweetheart, Roxanne Smith, a teacher consultant at West Middle School and Smith Elementary. Their daughters, Melissa and Michelle, both attend college.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2:30 p.m. today at Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Kenneth Gruebel officiating.

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Teacher bucked stereotypes for women

If anyone told Helen H. Thams that women weren't supposed to do certain things, she never listened.

The 100-year-old Plymouth resident, who died Thanksgiving Day at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, graduated in 1910 from North Dakota State University. She taught in North Dakota before her marriage to the late Steiner Thams, a dentist.

Mrs. Thams, who was born in Lennox, S.D., was a life member of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

DURING THE Depression, she worked in food processing and home canning for Wayne County.

During World War II when there was a shortage of teachers, Thams taught general science and biology

at Plymouth High School for three years.

She then taught at the Plymouth State Home and Training School for people who were disabled for about 20 years until her retirement.

A PAST advisory board member of the Salvation Army's Plymouth Corps, Thams belonged to the First

Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

Thams is survived by sons Robert W. of Plymouth, Paul F. of Rochester, and William H. of Midland, Texas; and sister Margaret Kaufmann.

She was the grandmother of 14, and great-grandmother of eight.

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Paralyzed woman seeks to make a miracle

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

At first glance Elizabeth "Betsy" Madar and Ira Williams do not seem like people with the makings of miracles.

But the pair is intent on a miraculous quest and, based on the personal qualities of each, bets are they will ultimately achieve success.

Madar is a fighter, a tenacious survivor bravely waging a battle of overwhelming proportion. She is fighting for meaningful existence since an auto accident left her paralyzed from the neck down three years ago at the age of 25.

Williams, recreation coordinator at Hawthorn Center in Northville, is a big man endowed with an unusual capacity for caring and the rare ability to translate caring into action.

Together, they are nudging the system to create a paying job suitable to Madar's abilities at Hawthorn, a facility for emotionally impaired youth that is adjacent to Schoolcraft College in Livonia. A 1986 graduate of social work from the University of Michigan, Madar interned at Hawthorn during her master's program.

She, Williams and a second intern, Lolita Ghosh, grew close during a summer four years ago when the trio walked door to door in Detroit, searching out forgotten children and families in need.

"WE'RE LIKE MOSQUITOES. We're gonna keep biting until something happens," said Williams of the job quest, adding it is the natural extension of "involvement and commitment."

"Getting involved is an act of commitment. The first commitment is to family. Betsy's part of the family."

Madar, encumbered by medical problems and the need for 24-hour assistance, is perhaps a bit less certain. But natural confidence is returning as she prepares for a return to work.

Twice each week, she is driven to Hawthorn where she leads youngsters 6- to 8-years-old in recreational activity. An assistant acts as Madar's arms and legs, producing craft supplies and physically interacting when necessary with the children.

While "there are bad days, when I think I won't go back," she has come a long way. A year ago, she would not leave home.

Frank Pasley, clinical director of Hawthorn, is optimistic about Madar's employment opportunity. The facility has long employed handicapped personnel, including a social worker who is a paralyzed from the waist down and a director who walks with crutches as the result of polio.

"Social workers don't necessarily need mobility. They need to hear, talk and be sensitive. We are very free in providing interpreters for the deaf. I don't see any less reason to provide help for someone who needs arms and legs," Pasley said.

Williams concurs. "There's nothing wrong with Betsy's brain. We need to create a unique situation for her. Under the right circumstances, there are things she can do with kids."

THREE LITTLE BOYS and one little girl, gather about Madar's wheelchair, chattering and busy. "We want you to tell us a story and then play on the mats," one says.

The children are patients at Hawthorn. Madar and assistant Annie Page are showing them how to make turkeys from paper cutouts the shape of a small hand. Each finger represents turkey feathers, the perfect place to write descriptive words of thanks.

One child asks Madar to print the words for him.

"I can't. But I'll spell for you." The response satisfies the child, who laboriously prints each letter as Madar mouths it.

The children are oblivious to her disability. It has been explained to them but other than an occasional question, it seems insignificant.

Unfortunately, this is not always the case with adults, even with colleagues at Hawthorn who Madar thought would be more sensitive because of their professional training.

She says one incident is particularly hurtful. Madar was briefly left alone with the children while an assistant fetched nearby pumpkins for carving. In the intervening moments, a child received a minor injury.

A Hawthorn staffer complained the children had been left alone, a charge that enrages Williams.



GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Betsy Madar, left, and Hawthorn Center recreation director Ira Williams go over details of Madar's job at the Northville center.

Madar, paralyzed since a 1988 automobile accident, is seeking a paying job, with the help of Williams, her friend and booster.

"What do they think, that Betsy is a non-person? Of course the children were not left alone. Betsy was there! You can't discount a person because of a disability," Williams said, adding, "We're hoping to pioneer an attitude adjustment."

MADAR IS NOT yet convinced that working directly with children is the total answer to employment needs.

"I'm not sure how totally feasible that is because there has to be a lot of one on one and at least some mobility for interaction, like in play

therapy. And in counseling, it would be hard to have someone else (an aide) with you."

Asked for an alternative job description, Madar has a ready answer - she envisions case development with professionals, family and client, accomplished primarily by phone. She would plan action for care and coordinate services. She has experience on computers adapted for the disabled, enabling her to fully document case activity.

A Hawthorn psychologist is preparing a job description suitable to Madar's training, experience and

disability. Prior to the accident she was employed as a social worker for Judson Center and the St. Vincent/Sarah Fisher Center.

The biggest obstacle now is a hiring freeze at Hawthorn and in all other Civil Service positions.

"When they isolate (stop) hiring, good feelings and patience go out the window," Williams said. "But we'll find an avenue to open things up. We have a few favors due."

Williams' response is no surprise to Madar. "Ira doesn't spend much time on Ira. Usually it's for other people."

'Social workers don't necessarily need mobility. They need to hear, talk and be sensitive.'

— Frank Pasley

Drunk driver shattered her world

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Elizabeth "Betsy" Madar, 28, is in a wheelchair because of a drunk driver who ran a red light in Westland on Easter Sunday 1988. A bride of five months and employed then as a social worker, the accident has ravaged her body.

"I have what they call an incomplete injury. I have a lot of sensation. Some signals to the brain are getting

through, like I can move the toes on both feet. Or I can tell my butt is getting tired."

"I've been very lucky as far as that goes. I've never had a pressure sore."

"It's taken me a long time to adjust. I really liked what I was doing (before). I'm still not sure (about the future)."

"I don't like being in the chair. I don't like the weight gain (from inactivity) and the side effects of daily

medication). I used to weigh 95 pounds. Five feet tall. I was a very tiny person."

Her attendant approaches. "She's rearranging how I'm sitting so I'm not lopsided. We always use the seat-belt as a precaution. I get muscle spasms bad enough to move me around."

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community calendar

Adult

● VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

November-December — The Plymouth branch of the Salvation Army needs volunteers 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday to sort canned goods. The following services are also needed:

Monday, Dec. 3 — Senior dinner servers, dishwashers, prep and clean-up crews.

Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 17-18 — Packing food baskets, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Wednesday-Thursday, Dec. 19-20 — Basket and toy distribution, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Through Dec. 24 — Christmas kettle bell ringing, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

Anytime by arrangement — League of Mercy. Volunteers needed to wrap and place items in bags to be delivered to nursing homes and prisons.

Call 453-5464 to offer your services.

● SPORTS EQUIPMENT SALE

Saturday, Dec. 1, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. — The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its sixth annual used sports equipment sale at Canton Corners Shopping Center (Ford Road and Lilley Road, next to the Drapery Boutique). The public may sell equipment. Call Bob Dates at 397-5110 for details.

● MAGIC

Wednesday, Dec. 5 — Metro Area Gifted Information Consortium, a parent-child support group, will meet 7:30-9:30 p.m. at New Morning School, 14501 Haggerty Road in Plymouth. To register, call 451-0623.

● SENIOR TRIPS

Wednesday, Dec. 5 — 8th Annual St. Nick Frolic, at Fellowscreek Clubhouse, \$9 for residents and \$12.50 for non-residents.

Sunday, Dec. 9 — Christmas Show in Niagara Falls, featuring Tennessee Ernie Ford; two days; \$139. Register now. Call 397-5444.

Jan. 9 — Windsor Raceway, \$38.
Jan. 16 — Detroit Auto Show, including dinner and transportation, \$9.50.

Jan. 25-31 — Palm Springs, Los Angeles and Catalina Island, \$849.

Feb. 8-10 — The Snow Train at Agawa Canyon, \$245.
Call 397-5444 to register.

● HOLIDAY AEROBICS

Register now — Aerobic dance and exercise classes will be offered both mornings and evenings, with child care offered in the morning, at St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth. Call 348-1280 for class schedule and additional information.

● PLYMOUTH YMCA CLASSES

Register now — Aerobic fitness and "holiday" aerobics classes are now being offered. Call 453-2904.

Youth

● CHILDREN'S BOOK PARTY

Thursday, Nov. 29, 7-9 p.m. — About Me! Books of Plymouth will host a personalized children's book party in the Card Room at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The stories feature your child as the main character and include names of friends or relatives. There will be special prizes, refreshments and door prizes. For reservations, call 455-KIDS.

● CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, Dec. 8 — The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its annual children's Christmas party, for Canton residents only, at the Recreation Center (Michigan Avenue at Sheldon). There will be games, holiday movies, refreshments and a special visit with Santa. Ages 3-7, 9:30-10:30 a.m.; ages 12-under, 10:45-11:45 a.m. Call 397-5110 for reservations.

● CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP

Saturday, Dec. 15 — Canton Parks and Recreation Services, in cooperation with D & M Art Studio, is sponsoring two special kids only workshops for children ages 5-18 of both Plymouth and Canton. Session 1 will be 10 a.m. to noon; session 2, 1-3 p.m.; at the Canton Recreation Center (Michigan Avenue at Sheldon Road). Price is \$12 per child. Call 397-5110 to register.

● PLYMOUTH YMCA CLASSES

Register now — Classes offered

for youths are: Driver's Education, Rhythm and Games, First Aid for Little People. New Year's Overnight will be Monday, Dec. 31, to Tuesday, Jan. 1, for grades 1-5. Call 453-2904.

Et cetera

● BAKE SALE

Saturday, Dec. 1 — Fresh, homemade Finnish baked goods including pasties, tarts, rieska and cardamom bread will be on sale at Detroit Laestadian Lutheran Congregational Church, 290 Fairground, in Plymouth, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

● PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, Dec. 1, 9 a.m.-12 noon — The Gallimore PTO is sponsoring an all-you-can-eat breakfast with Santa for Gallimore children, their families and friends. Each child can visit Santa's workshop to make a beaded snowflake, and will get a chance to win cookies in Santa's kitchen. Call 451-0848 or 981-2746.

Ongoing Events

● FREE LEISURE CLASSES

Wayne County Community College sponsors these classes at the Canton Recreation Center: painting, ceramics and woodcarving, crafts, genealogy and machine quilting. For information, call 397-5446.

● FOOD DISTRIBUTION

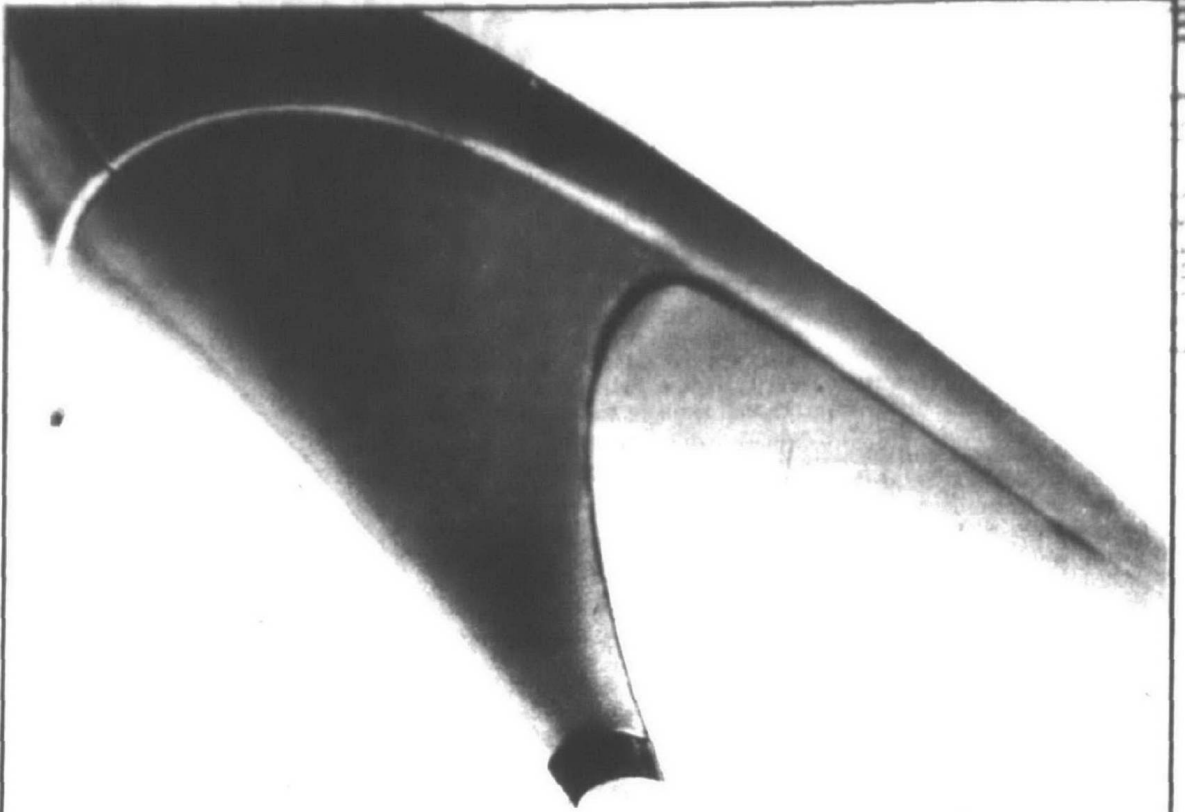
The Canton Recreation Center is an official food distribution site for Focus: HOPE, which provides monthly food to eligible Canton senior citizens. Call 397-1000, Ext. 278.

● MEAL DELIVERY

Volunteers are needed to deliver meals to homebound seniors living in the Canton community. If you can give one hour or more per day, one or more days a week, call 453-2525, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Volunteers are reimbursed for mileage.

● QUILTING

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Services for Cecil O. Butt, 69, of Dearborn Heights were Wednesday, Nov. 28, at St. Mel Catholic Church in Dearborn Heights. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights.

Mr. Butt was born March 6, 1921, in Detroit. He died Saturday, Nov. 24, in University Hospital, Ann Arbor. He was employed at Ford Motor Co. for 30 years as a design engineer. He was a member of St. Mel Catho-

lic Church and of Corporal Ian M. Gary Post 51 of D.A.V., Dearborn.

Mr. Butt is survived by his wife, Cecilia M. Butt of Dearborn Heights; one son, Donald M. Butt of South Lyon; two daughters, Cheryl C. Stevens of Okemos and Janice M. Fucile of Plymouth; four grandchildren; and one brother, James Butt of White Lake.

The Rev. William G. Petron officiated the service. Arrangements were made by Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

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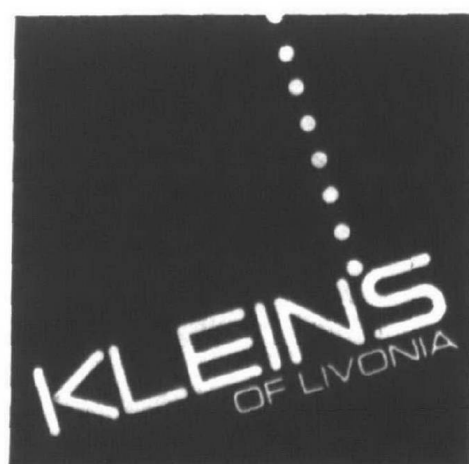
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Karen Benson, Director

Kids question Martha Griffiths

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

A hush fell over Allen Elementary School Monday as Michigan Lt. Gov. Martha Griffiths and her entourage arrived and made their way to Room 20. Children and teachers huddled in each doorway they passed, hoping to catch a glimpse of Michigan's Iron Lady.

ALLEN STUDENTS have third-grader Lara Savitskie to thank for

the lieutenant governor's visit. "Mayor" of her class, Lara wrote Gov. James Blanchard, asking him to speak to her fellow classmates a few months ago.

"I got a letter in the mail. The governor wrote back and said he couldn't come, but the lieutenant governor could visit us and talk about state government," said Lara. Lara's uncle, Thomas Watkins, director of the state Department of Mental Health, accompanied Grif-

fiths to Allen. Griffiths spoke to Lara's class before addressing a gym full of squirming but attentive third, fourth and fifth graders.

In Lenore Goshorn's classroom, Griffiths reminisced about her school days in rural Pierce City, Mo.

"I was the only child in a square mile and there wasn't any bus. I walked across a cow pasture to get to school. There were about 40 cows, and I was scared to death. My

brother would tell me, 'They're coming' and I ran."

Griffiths said she couldn't wait to learn to read. "By fourth grade, I'd read every book in school. I could read 1,200 to 1,500 words a minute before I got to college."

TEACHER LENORE GOSHORN asked Griffiths, elected as Michigan's first woman lieutenant governor after 20 years in Congress, what advice she'd give to young people, especially girls, interested in politics.

"The first thing is to read as much history and know as much geography as you can. Read the paper and know what other politicians are doing. Just before you run, help someone else who's running so you can see what they did right, and what they did wrong," she said.

Students posed questions the class had compiled in advance.

"How long have you been involved in politics?"

"Forty years," answered Griffiths. "Who do you like better, U of M or Michigan State?" asked Ryan McMann.

"U of M," answered Griffiths, who earned her law degree from U of M.

"Why are you in politics?"

"I like people, and I like to do everything I can for people. And I like to see laws that are fair for people," she said.

"How much do you make?"



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Michigan Lt. Gov. Martha Griffiths said she "couldn't believe it" when Gov. James Blanchard lost the election. "I believed he'd win by 15-20 percent," she said.

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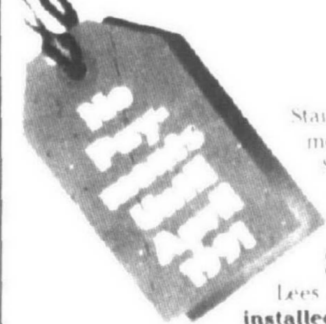
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Griffiths discusses past, present, future in visit

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"My salary is \$80,500." A collective sigh followed Griffiths' answer. "Why have all the presidents been men?" "Voters aren't too well aware of

what's happening. They should vote for women," said Griffiths.

"WHAT WERE YOU for Halloween?" Before Griffiths answered that she just rested that night, another student commented, "That's the stupidest question I ever heard."

"What are your future plans?" "My plans do not include being mayor of Detroit. I plan to write articles and a book on how the world

was when I went to Congress and how it was after I left." Griffiths said she also plans to continue sitting on the boards of corporations, and to give speeches across the country.

A chapter is sure to include Griffiths' amendment to the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Griffiths told of a "man and his wife who were going to have a baby. After the baby was born, the babysitting arrangements fell through. They couldn't find anyone to take care of the baby, so the husband said he was a teacher, he'd take a year off without pay to take care of the baby. They said you can't."

"He went to court eight years ago. He finally got the right to take a year off because of the amendment in the Civil Rights Act. There are many laws in the U.S. that don't apply fairly. They apply to one sex but not the other."

Griffiths said that when she added the amendment, "no one helped me. No one wrote about it. Now I have scholars writing me asking, 'How did that come about?'"

In response to a question about the environment, she said, "The American Indians took better care of this land than we do. There is a real danger we will spoil the Great Lakes, and they hold two-thirds of the world's fresh water. We should pass laws so that it's illegal for ships to



Martha Griffiths said going to silent movies like the "Perils of Pauline" and being unable to read when she was a child fueled her strong desire to learn to read.

how she knew me. She said, 'I know what you've done.'

ASKED ABOUT WHY Blanchard "fired her," and the effect on the election of Blanchard's decision to choose another running mate, Griffiths said voters have told her that the governor's "popularity began to plummet the day he announced he didn't want me on the ticket."

"He didn't talk to me about it. I don't know why he did it. Maybe he thought I was too old," Griffiths said she told Blanchard and the Senate she would campaign. "No one ever asked me to."

"Did you ever want to be president?" Griffiths was asked.

"I would love to have been president in place of Reagan," she answered.

Griffiths said she "loved her job," and advised students to "do work you like. If you don't like it, get another job."

"Is being lieutenant governor your life, or has it affected your life?" asked a student. "It is my life," she said. Griffiths said someone remarked once how happily married the Griffiths seemed to be. Someone else pointed out, "They're so busy they've never lived together," Griffiths said with a laugh.

Students gave Griffiths a warm good-bye. After patiently signing autographs and posing for photographs, it was off to her next stop.



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Michigan Lt. Gov. Martha Griffiths accepted an invitation from Lara Savitskie (right) to speak to her class at Allen School. Lara's classmate Mike Haddad listens as Griffiths reminisces about her days in third grade.

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Winter pet tips offered

The Michigan Humane Society advises pet owners to keep their pets safe and warm this winter by observing cold weather rules.

Pets usually kept indoors shouldn't be exposed to the cold for long periods of time. Coats and sweaters may be necessary for short-hair breeds for a walk or car trip. Towels should be kept handy to dry pets. Pets' feet should be wiped thoroughly because rock salt can cause paw irritation.

While the Humane Society generally discourages keeping pets outdoors, it offers these tips for pets that cannot be kept indoors.

- Make sure doghouses, stalls and other pet shelters are in good repair, with no leaks or gaps.
- Elevate doghouses 4-6 inches off the ground to allow flooring to dry.
- Turn doorways southeast, away from prevailing winds.
- Put a flap over doorways to block wind.
- Use clean straw as insulating material and change it frequently.

As with human beings, animals expend more calories keeping themselves warm in cold weather. Because of that, pets' food intake should be increased.

Pets should be brought indoors if the wind chill factor falls below zero degrees. Pets with heavy coats, however, should be placed in a garage or other moderately warm area. Bringing them inside the house may cause them to be uncomfortable.

Additional information is available by calling the MHS Westland Kindness Center, 721-7300.



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Colleen Mallia pushes Betsy Madar toward Madar's two-day-a-week job working with children at Hawthron Center, Northville. The job, Madar said, has helped give her strength to build a new life after a serious auto accident.

Recovery Determination guides woman

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back therapy in Florida. It measures brain activity. I have a lot of untapped signals that can be retrained.

"I have a small amount of feeling in my left arm, nothing functional. I'm hoping (with bio-feedback therapy) to eventually feed myself and brush my teeth. That's the goal right now.

"But it's expensive and insurance won't pay for it (catastrophic coverage under Michigan's No-Fault Insurance). We're battling them. They don't want to give me anything because from their point of view, it isn't

going to make me any more functional."

Five attendants provide Madar 24-hour care. "At night, I'm turned and cathed every five hours. During the day, every six hours. And we tip the chair for pressure relief.

"Initially I was told my condition, but it didn't really register. This is how it's going to be forever."

Madar's husband, Gary, received minor injuries in the accident. His mother, Doris Madar, 61, was killed. The driver who ran the light is serving 5-15 years in the Florence Crane Women's Facility for felonious driving and vehicular manslaughter.

Expert: Short sentences don't deter drunk driving

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Mandatory, short term incarceration as a mass response to drunk driving is an ineffective deterrent, according to an authority on the subject, attorney James Jacobs of the Center for Research in Crime and Justice, New York University of Law.

Mandatory short sentences of 24 to 48 hours serve to trivialize the offense and suggests drunk driving is not really a true crime and need not be treated seriously, Jacobs wrote in a paper entitled "Researching and Conceptualizing Drunk Driving: An Invitation to Criminologists and Criminal Law Scholars."

In addition, the failure of most existing law to require any proof of culpability is incompatible with routine incarceration, Jacobs added.

"Since drunk driving spans such a vast range of behavior, differentiations need to be made at the sentencing stage, and a great deal of judicial flexibility is nec-

essary." Jacobs suggests an alternative.

"THE BASIC RESPONSE to drunk driving should be probation, conditional on six months of home detention on weekend evenings. Since drunk driving is by far most frequent during weekend night hours, keeping drunk drivers at home during this period would have a strong incapacitative effect."

Home confinement is appropriate punishment because "practically everyone, especially younger bar hoppers and party goers, are substantially inconvenienced by being confined on Friday and Saturday nights for six months."

Unlike license suspension or revocation, home detention does not threaten economic and social survival.

To ensure enforcement of home confinement, Jacobs suggests the use of electronic monitors. Those who break the conditions of probation "should be punished with significant jail terms and heavy fines."

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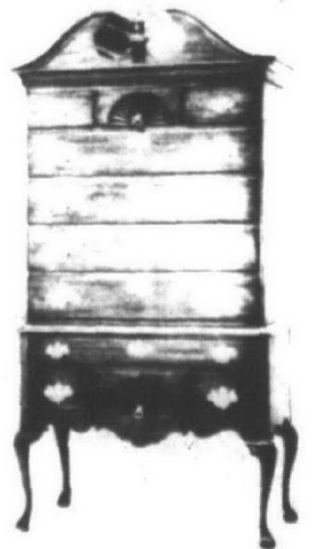
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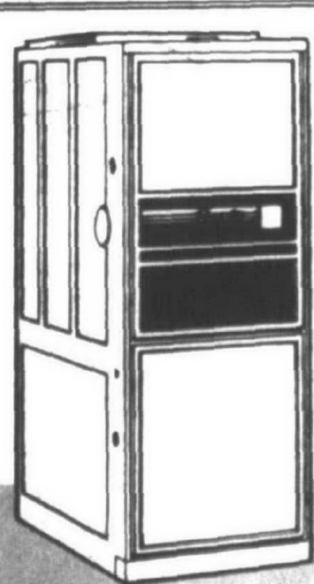
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By the book

Area author gives wings to romance

By Ralph R. Echtenaw
staff writer

Livonia native Shelly Thacker wrote the book on romance, or at least one of them.

Thacker is the proud author of "Falcon on the Wind," a thick medieval novel set in 13th century France and Scotland. It's expected to be in most book stores by Dec. 20.

She will be signing copies of her book from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 22, in the B. Dalton Bookseller in Wonderland Mall, Livonia, and from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, at Dalton's in Livonia Mall.

"Falcon" is about a tough guy who kidnaps a high-class lady on her wedding day in order to use her as a pawn to prevent the invasion of Scotland. But of course the quasi-ruffian's coldly machiavellian outlook gives way to hard-core affection for the woman as the two go nutzo for each other and ultimately live happily ever after, or at least until one of them dies.

BORN IN LIVONIA and a 1981 Northville High graduate, Thacker has always enjoyed writing.

"I didn't choose writing. Writing chose me. I really feel I have to write. I think I'm honestly one of

those people who was born to be a writer."

Perhaps she was. "Falcon on the Wind," her first book, was snapped up by Avon Books four days after submission. The book was one of six national finalists in the Romance Writers of America Golden Heart competition, and won four regional RWA awards.

Avon even gave Thacker a two-book contract, unusual for a nascent author.

Admitting to a love of history, writing and happy endings, Thacker is especially configured to write historical romance fiction, where pleasant finishes are as ubiquitous as drunks on New Year's Eve.

"Sometimes it's nice to have a little part of the world where you know everything is going to be OK," Thacker said. "In today's world, people need something that's uplifting."

ALTHOUGH MEDIEVAL fiction has traditionally been a poor sell, Thacker finds it fascinating.

"The Middle Ages has been my favorite time period since I was a little girl. A knight on a charging black warhorse makes my heart beat faster as countless cowboys never could."

But weren't the Middle Ages marked by a hopelessly poor existence for most of those involved? Weren't economic and intellectual endeavors stunted as the Catholic church and feudal lords exercised their awesome hegemony over Europe? Didn't the Black Plague wipe out half the population in two years? Well, yes, but hey, that stuff doesn't make good romantic fiction. "You just don't pay so much attention to the grime and the dirt that you know was there," Thacker said.

WHILE THACKER is a full-time author now as she works on her second book, she wrote "Falcon" on a part-time basis while free-lancing articles for various magazines.

She doesn't expect the book to make a great deal of money or even generate an income greater than what she could earn with an ordinary job.

"I write for a living but I don't make a living writing. Right now it's more for love than for money."

With so many wanna-be authors

out there, publishers can luxuriate in what's known as a buyer's market. "The average advance these days is between \$2,000 and \$5,000," Thacker said.

In fact, the author will get just 25 copies of "Falcon on the Wind" gratis. If she wants any more, she buys them just like anyone else.

Thacker is busy now with numerous book signings around metro Detroit but Avon has no plans to send her on a national tour. As she freely admits, she's no Stephen King.

While Thacker contemplates her success and wonders how many more autographs she'll be asked for, she continues to work on "Midnight Raider," her second book. Due at Avon next March, the book will probably be out sometime next year.

But for now, Thacker has "the best Christmas present I've ever given myself." She's encouraging everyone to buy a copy of "Falcon" for their favorite romance nut.

"It makes a great stocking stuffer, hey."

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William Tyndale College, an evangelical Christian college in Farmington Hills, will host an open house 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3. The school is at 35709 W. 12 Mile Road.

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Bills propose business property tax sharing

By Tim Richard
staff writer

The state Senate today will get its first look at bills to permit — but not require — schools to share their business property taxes countywide.

"It's the camel's nose in the tent," said Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, who was on the short side of a 2-1 vote Wednesday morning in the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on school aid.

"There's no way out-of-formula school districts can gain. Their only potential is to lose," he said.

But panel chair Dan DeGrow, R-Port Huron, made it clear he prefers statewide mandatory sharing of property taxes on commercial and industrial property — but not residential, farm or mining property.

"I would prefer to move farther, faster," DeGrow said. But he dropped his plan in favor of the House-passed bills sponsored by Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City. Voting for the bills were DeGrow and retiring Sen. William Sederburg, R-East Lansing.

KEITH'S HOUSE Bills 5885-6 will allow school districts within an intermediate (county) district to share the growth in business property taxes on a per-pupil basis. Every kindergarten-through-12th grade district within a county would have to agree.

Keith introduced the bills at the request of the Kent County Intermediate District and Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce.

"We need an adequate supply of

employees for businesses," chamber spokesperson William Knox told DeGrow's panel. "Each business draws employees from several school districts, not just from where it (the company) is located."

"Countywide revenue sharing assures employers they will support the local market," added Connie Giarmo, another Grand Rapids chamber spokesperson.

They asked DeGrow to "go slow" on his plan for mandatory statewide business tax sharing during a hearing in Lansing Tuesday.

By Wednesday morning, DeGrow had agreed to wait 'til next year on his plan. The Keith bills were due for

full Appropriations Committee action Wednesday afternoon.

SOUTHEASTERN Michigan city and school leaders strongly opposed the DeGrow plan, asking that the state raise aid to poor districts rather than robbing the local commercial-industrial tax base of richer districts.

Farmington Hills councilman Ben Marks said DeGrow's plan would have "a devastating impact on the Farmington School District."

Marks also accused DeGrow of hiding his plan and trying to push it through during the post-election, lame duck session of the Legislature.

"The last thing you want is people coming to you and saying 'we didn't know about it.'"

DeGrow replied he had held many meetings with school people.

But Faxon agreed with Marks, saying DeGrow "is obviously holding meetings all around and not including everyone in." Faxon had a similar, bitter fight with DeGrow in June during the school aid budget fight in which he accused DeGrow of hiding the bill from a conference committee and ramming it through in five minutes. That bill cut categorical aid to richer districts by \$72 million.

KEITH'S PERMISSIVE bills were

passed by the House in September on identical votes of 83-14.

Opposed were suburbanites from both parties: Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, John Bennett, D-Redford, Maxine Berman, D-Southfield, Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, Judy Miller, R-Birmingham, Gordon Sparks, R-Troy, and Wilfred Webb, D-Hazel Park, along with members from Macomb and southern Wayne counties.

Supporters included Justice Barns, D-Westland, Jan Dolan, R-Farmington Hills, Mat Dunaskis, R-Lake Orion, Keith, and James Koteva, D-Canton.

Not voting was David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield.

Legislature considers 2 tax sharing bills

Two property tax base sharing measures (House Bills 5885-6) are in two different forms in the Michigan Legislature.

• House — Allows growth in commercial and industrial property to be shared within an inter-

mediate (county) district if all school districts agree. It's a voluntary procedure sought by Kent County. The House approved these bills Sept. 26.

• Senate substitute — Requires half the growth in commer-

cial and industrial property to be shared statewide. This version is before the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on K-12 school aid.

Both would restore some of the categorical aid which the Legislature has "recaptured" (taken

away) from wealthier districts. "Categorical" includes special education, bilingual classes and the employers' share of Social Security taxes. The bills are tie-barred, meaning each must become law for the other to take effect.

Area school officials blast 'share the wealth' plan

By Tim Richard
staff writer

A plan to share commercial and industrial property taxes statewide would punish school districts with factories and working class residents, suburban superintendents told lawmakers Monday.

"It's very elitist," said William Bedell, superintendent of the Romulus district in southern Wayne County. "This will benefit residents of in-formula districts and punish highly industrial districts."

Bedell, a former Livonia district administrator, joined Farmington Superintendent Michael Flanagan in bashing a share the wealth plan sponsored by Sen. Dan DeGrow, R-Port Huron.

Bedell and Flanagan said their districts, though high in office and

factory tax base, are far from being as wealthy as their images because many pupils come from low-income families with problems.

DeGrow, a strong advocate of allowing poorer districts to share the growth in commercial and industrial property tax growth of prospering districts, took his subcommittee and a House subcommittee to Royal Oak Monday to listen to the objections of suburban school officials. The hearing was requested by Sen. Doug Cruce, R-Troy.

DeGROW MADE it clear he wants everyone to share in the suburbs' business tax base growth.

"The auto plant makes cars for people who live outside the school district," said DeGrow, the Senate's top school finance man. He noted

there are more poor than wealthy districts.

TO SWEETEN the loss of business tax base, DeGrow proposes restoring categorical aid of \$72 million over two years.

Suburban leaders opposed it. "Totally unfair. Blackmail," said Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills. "You're putting people between a rock and a hard place."

Mike Furlong, a Livonia administrator, said the rhetoric behind the federal tax cut of the Reagan administration was "leave the money in the school districts. The money was to be spent locally."

Furlong blamed the money problems of poor districts on the low priority which the Legislature gave to schools during the 1980s: 184 percent

more for public safety, 116 percent more for mental health, 73 percent more for conservation and recreation, but only 48 percent more for education.

ONLY THREE speakers had anything good to say about business tax base sharing.

Wayne Peters, superintendent of Holly in northern Oakland County, said "we're taxing our workers in homes to death" because the 125 square mile district has no industry.

"We've very much a General Motors community — people work in Grand Blanc, Lake Orion, Milford proving ground Flint," he said, but factory taxes stay in the factory towns.

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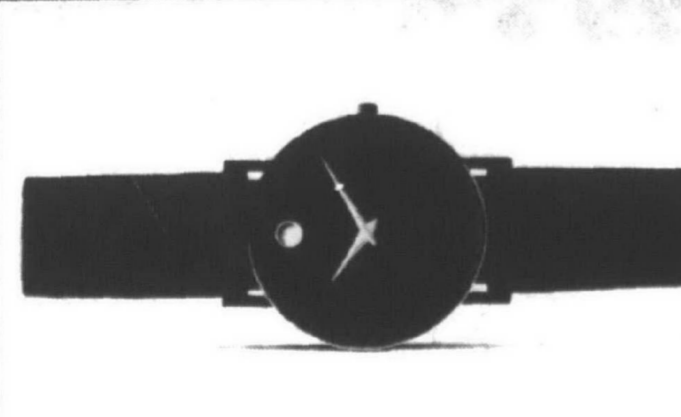
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Grant loss delays shelter opening

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Wayne County's shelter for the homeless wasn't open in time for Thanksgiving — and might not be open in time for Christmas.

The shelter, designed for western Wayne families who lose their homes, was to have opened this fall.

But loss of an expected federal grant, county officials said, has put the Westland shelter on hold.

"We're still trying to cover that hole," deputy county executive Michael Duggan said of the \$350,000 the county expected to receive from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Federal money was to have paid for roughly 40 percent of the shelter's expected \$750,000 to \$800,000 cost.

Design work is continuing on the shelter, and a program director was hired. But construction has been pushed back indefinitely.

"IT'S NOT anything that's going to be open in a matter of weeks," he said.

County officials are hopeful they will be able to receive the money through other grant programs, perhaps even using private grants.

Even though the federal grant wasn't forthcoming, the county did receive \$235,000 in federal block grant and McKinney Act money from area communities. Block grant money was pledged by Westland, Livonia, Redford, Canton, Elymouth and Plymouth Township, among other communities. Westland, Livonia and Redford



GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Landscaping work continues near the site of Wayne County's planned homeless shelter, but the shelter's opening has been put on

hold indefinitely due to the loss of an expected federal grant.

also pledged McKinney Act money — part of a federal grant program designed to specifically help the homeless.

When open, the shelter would be among the first of its kind specifically designed for use by homeless people from suburban areas.

The shelter is planned for Eloise complex, near Michigan Avenue in southeastern Westland. The com-

plex housed the former Wayne County General Hospital and a variety of other county offices, though is now mostly vacant.

When completed, the shelter would feature about 20 dormitory-style rooms, providing shelter for about 80 individuals. Space would primarily be reserved for families who lose their home through fire or foreclosure.

Suburban homelessness is considered a rising problem by many social service agencies. The shelter would have been among the first, if not the first, in the nation specifically designed for homeless suburbanites. At present, the only shelter in western Wayne County is provided through First Step, a Westland-agency that assists female victims of domestic violence.

Pursell bids for GOP House conference post

Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, is seeking to become the third highest-ranking Republican in the U.S. House.

Pursell, whose district includes northern Livonia, Plymouth and Plymouth Township, is seeking to become chairman of the House Republican Conference. The conference helps draft and implement party policy.

Republicans will meet in caucus to elect their party leadership Monday.

"We figure we need 86 votes, and we feel we're fairly close to that," Pursell said.

The seven-term incumbent said he would work to develop "unified plans" between members of Congress and the president.

Pursell said he decided to seek the chairmanship based upon his ability to commit time to the post and his

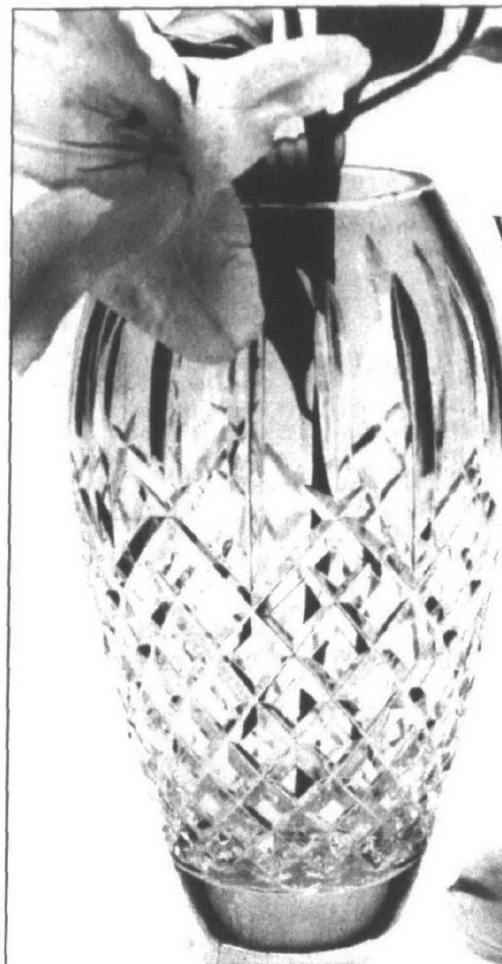
November election showing. He captured roughly two-thirds of the vote in defeating Democratic rival Elmer White of Ann Arbor in the Nov. 6 general election.

A member of the House Appropriations Committee, Pursell has also served in other party posts, including regional deputy whip.

Pursell has also served as chairman of budget and Great Lakes region Congressional groups and has served on the House Ethics Committee.

Election to the new post would make him the highest ranking GOP Congressman from Michigan since the early 1970s, when president-to-be Gerald Ford served as House minority leader. Ford served as House Republican Conference Leader in 1963-4.

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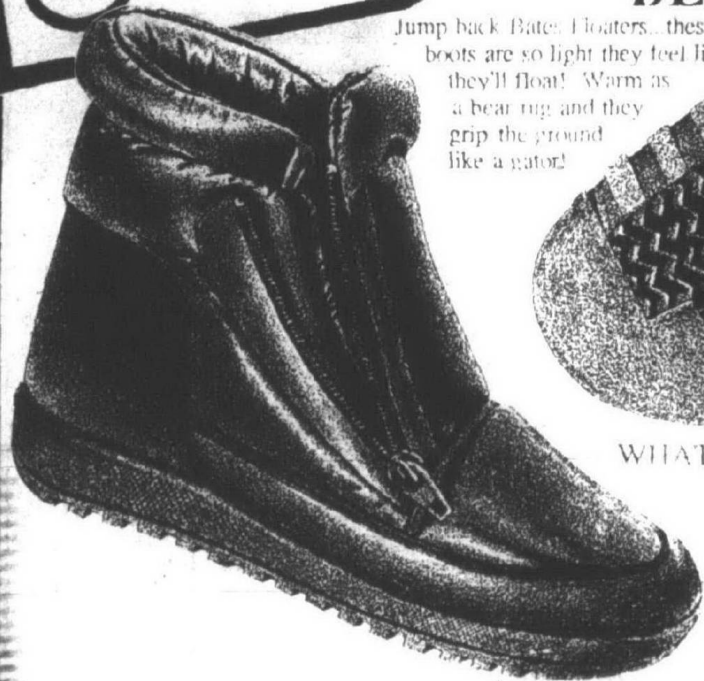
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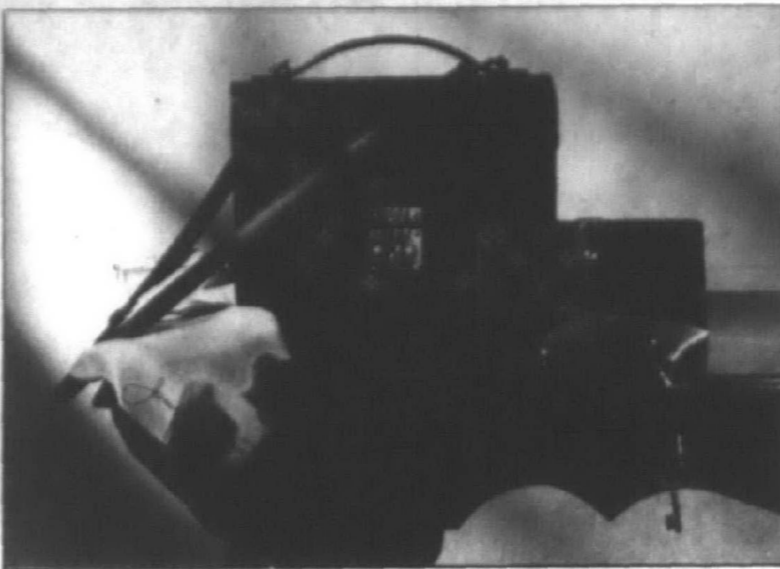
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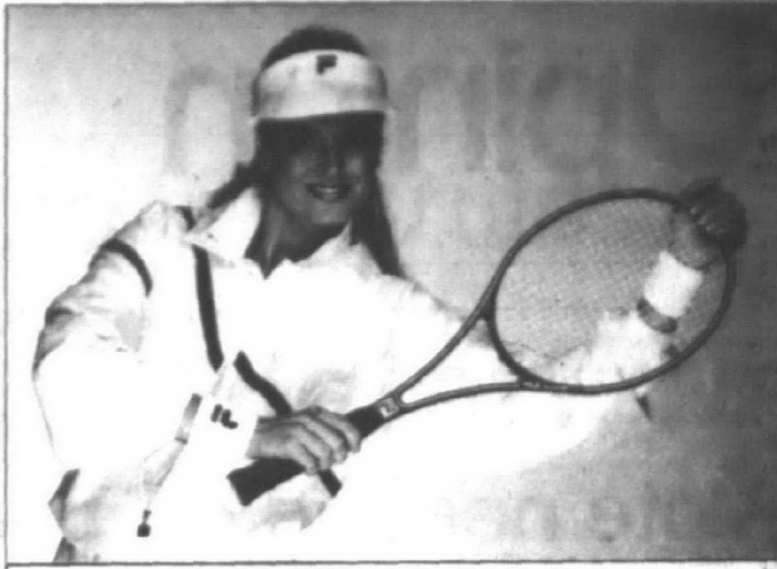
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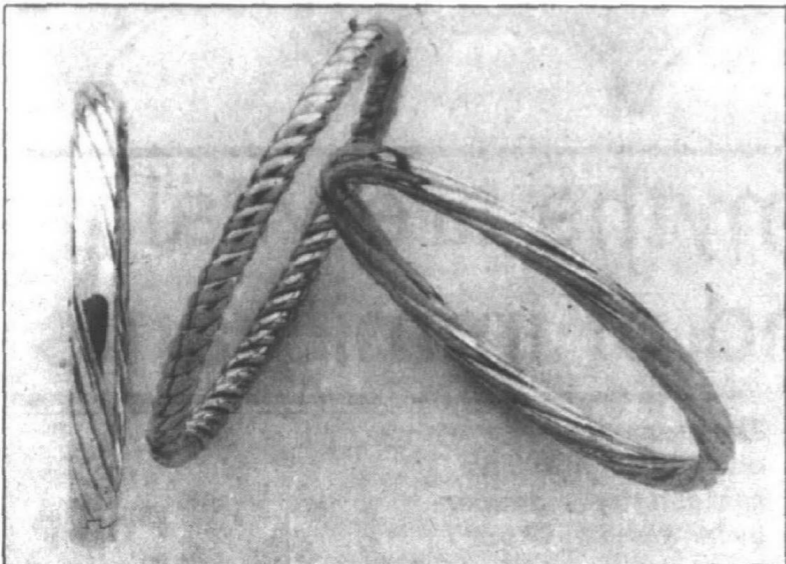
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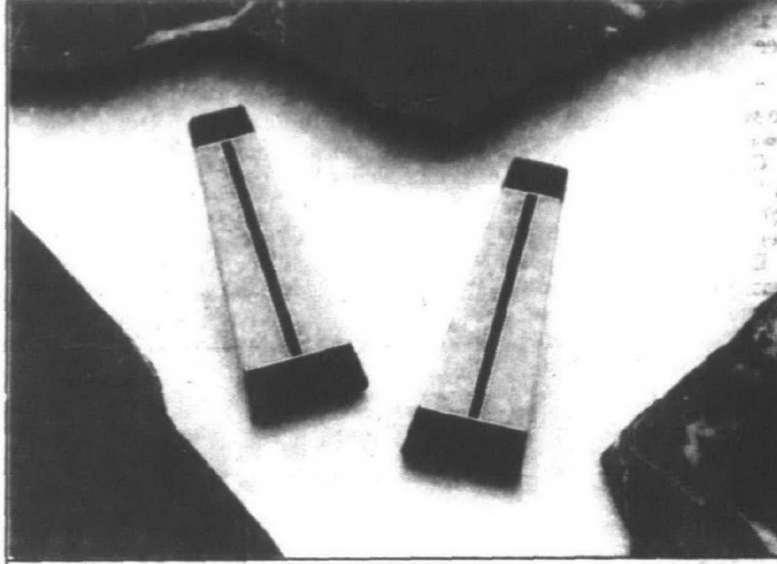
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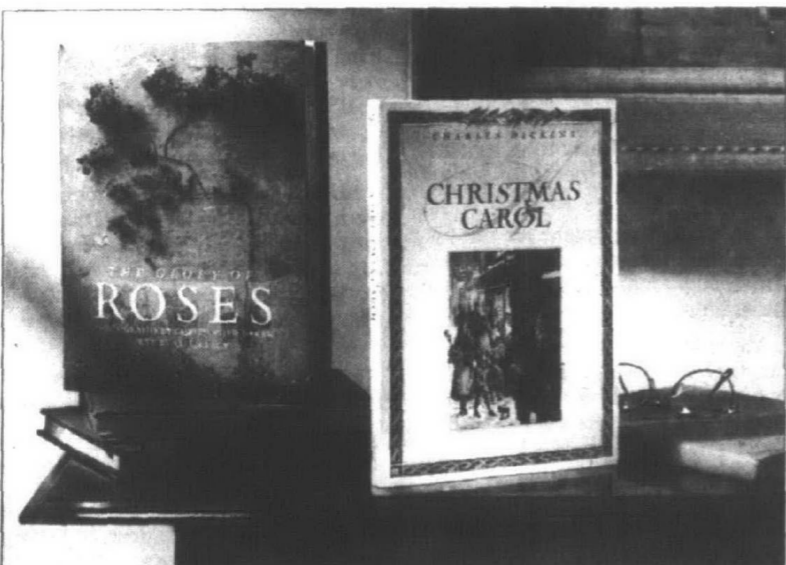
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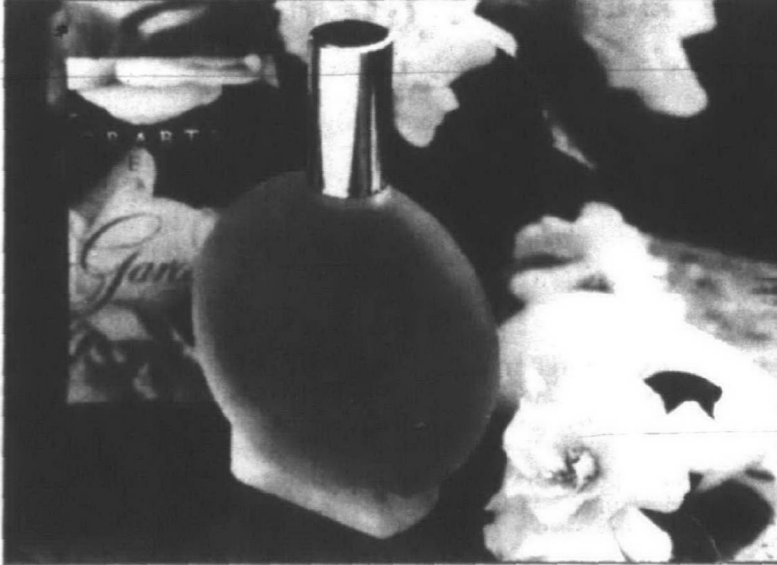
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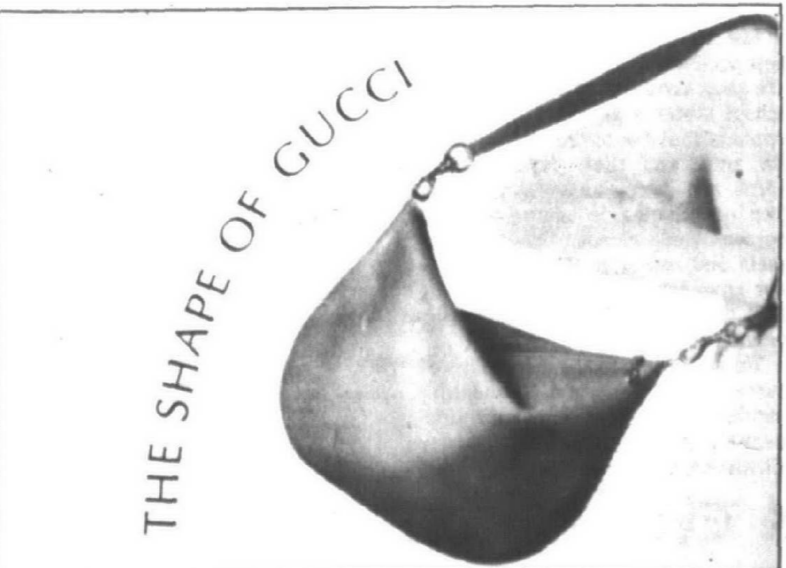
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Mettetal Vote needed on purchase

THE METTETAL AIRPORT issue is one of the most muddled we've seen for quite some time in the area.

We don't see a way out of that swamp unless an advisory vote is held in Canton, Plymouth Township and the city of Plymouth. Normally we think public officials should make such decisions, but a vote is needed because three communities are involved.

Here's how the issue became muddled. It started when Canton looked at buying the airport. The township walked away from the deal. Then, Plymouth Township made noise about buying it. Now a group of pilots wants to locate an aviation school at the airport.

The family that owns the property has it up for sale. It's zoned for light industrial use.

We haven't been convinced by either side. The evidence is too skimpy.

Purchase supporters would have us believe

there's a demand for aviation mechanics and technicians and that Plymouth and Canton could cash in by offering such training. However, that's just what one pilot says. There's no other evidence.

THE PRO-AIRPORT folks cite statistics from the state about what passengers who land at Mettetal spend on a trip. This figure is more than a \$100 a day. We just don't believe it.

Those opposed to the purchase aren't much better. They claim tax money will be used. They're wrong, but they're also right. The money would come from taxes paid on aviation fuel. Is that taxpayer money? It just depends on how you want to look at it.

That's why an advisory vote on the airport is needed. Public officials should know how the general public sees the issue before a decision is made.

Well done Student band did good job

Hours of hard work paid off for members of the Centennial Educational Park Marching Band, and congratulations are in order.

Band members took grand championship honors at the Marching Bands of America Grand National Championship competition, held recently at the Hoosierdome in Indianapolis.

The students spend hours during the season, rehearsing in preparation for competitions. They've won other honors this season, and performed Thanksgiving Day during the Detroit Lions-Denver Broncos game at the Pontiac Silverdome.

According to Glen Adsit, band director, having a first-rate band requires "a terrific attitude, a lot of belief in yourself and a great staff of people that all share common goals and philosophies. Terrific kids."

The support of parents and others means a great deal. Parents and family members traveled to Indianapolis the weekend of Nov. 17 to cheer for the CEP musicians.

Students, staff members, parents and others involved in the band deserve a round of applause for their hard work and their first place finish in the national competition.

Drug sentences Bill gives judges discretion

THE U.S. SUPREME Court will decide whether to uphold or strike down a Michigan law that imposes a mandatory life sentence with no parole for drug possession.

Keeping such a law on the books will not put a dent in the state's drug problem and will likely lead to violent criminals getting out of jail earlier.

The court will decide whether, under the present law, the penalty for possessing 1 1/2 pounds of cocaine is cruel and unusual punishment.

The only other crime with that severe of a sentence is first-degree murder. The average sentence for second-degree murder is 20 years. For first-degree criminal sexual conduct the average sentence is 13.7 years and for armed robbery it's 6.4 years. That is the average sentence, and doesn't include time off for good behavior, early release, or parole — something unavailable to those in prison on the drug charge.

State Rep. William R. Bryant Jr., R-Grosse Pointe Farms, has introduced a bill that would give judges discretion when sentencing those convicted of possessing drugs. Bryant's bill calls for a minimum five-year sentence while still retaining the maximum penalty of life.

He plans to reintroduce the bill next year if there is no action on it before the end of this legislative session.

Bryant's proposal is in line with drug laws in

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other states and gives judges the necessary discretion when handing down a sentence.

The proposed law makes sense when you consider that about half of the 125 prisoners now serving life for drugs are first-time offenders.

"These were little guys," says Detroit attorney Carla Johnson, who argued for her client Ronald Harmelin, who had been sentenced to life, and against the law before the high court. "It's the Hortonization of politics (citing the negative campaign ads that featured Massachusetts convict Willie Horton)."

The claim by some prosecutors that the stiff sentence will encourage dealers to turn in drug kingpins hasn't proven to be true, and the law's been on the books 12 years.

Then there's the state's overburdened prison system, which already has to release prisoners early to make room for new ones. All but 18 of those serving life for drug possession in Michigan were in prison before 1987. More than 100 have been sentenced since then, putting an increased burden on an already crowded prison system.

And the cost of housing these prisoners is, by a conservative estimate, about \$20,000 a year. A life sentence would be extremely costly, especially if the offender is young at the time of sentencing.

Judges now may be more reluctant to sentence some criminals to already full prisons. But they have no choice about those convicted under the present statute. That will make it more likely that someone who committed a violent crime will be back on the streets sooner.

Why then this law? Because it sounds like a "tough" solution to a crime that our political leadership has given war status. A "war on drugs" would seem to demand an extreme punishment.

But if the punishment is ineffective, adds more to a crowded prison system, takes judicial discretion out of the hands of judges and parole boards, and puts violent criminals back on the streets sooner, then it has not served the residents of Michigan well.

We can't just "get tough" with drug users and expect the problem to go away. Education and employment for those most likely to enter the drug trade are much tougher to accomplish, but more effective solutions than mandatory life in prison.

A law that takes this crime out of the political arena and puts it back into the courts will help bring the scales of justice back into balance.



Cultural myths are vital in this land of immigrants

LAST THURSDAY was Thanksgiving, the most American and most mythic of our holidays. Nowhere else in our festive calendar do we all come together to commemorate an event that certainly occurred but surely bore little resemblance to the myths now propagated around it.

But myths are vital in a heterogeneous land such as ours.

For American is white and black, yellow and red, rich and poor, north and south, east and west, urban and suburban and rural. America is a land of waves of immigrants, none bigger than the mass of hopeful poor now pouring across our borders in the South, in the West and in California.

And America is so big, so varied and so lacking a common shared racial or cultural history that it is a hard country to hold together.

That's why myths are important to America.

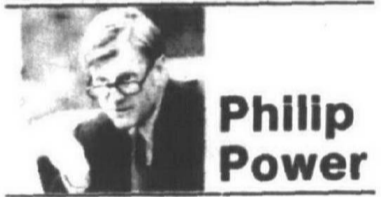
AND THAT'S WHY I was so struck at Peggy Noonan's Nov. 21 column in the Wall Street Journal.

"The children of the new immigrants," she argued, "will get most of their sense of what America is from the general culture and the public schools. It is there that we must give special attention to communicating the great unifying myths that define the dreams, characteristics and special history of America and that even to this day bind us together."

She then proceeded to set out seven great unifying myths:

The coming of the Pilgrims, who demonstrated that courage and suf-

The greatest commonality we have as a country — greater by far than any of our great myths — is our shared language. As we are learning from the experience of Canada, one country with two languages is an impossibility.



Philip Power

So let's be sure we learn the right lessons from our past about our myths.

First, the schools are at the absolute center of making the children of new American parents into comfortable young Americans. Whatever is done about school reform, and however we work to improve school quality, let us never lose sight of the necessity of teaching and re-teaching our myths to our young people.

Second, the greatest commonality we have as a country — greater by far than any of our great myths — is our shared language. As we are learning from the experience of Canada, one country with two languages is an impossibility.

American English is our common language. It is the subtle compelling tie that binds us together.

Whatever is done in our schools, let us never be seduced by the theories of the bilingualists who, for example, want black children to learn "Black English" and expect Hispanic children to be taught in Spanish.

That way lies disaster. And if it takes post-Thanksgiving reflections to realize it, let us all give thanks that is so.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His award-winning column will appear periodically.

fering could achieve great purposes.

The American Revolution, a political act driven by a moral conception of human nature.

The Civil War, fought for our nation's soul, which concluded that Americans may not own other Americans.

The winning of the West, which taught us individualism and the energy and the benefits of working together. And so, too, with the exploration of space.

The great immigrations of 1840-1920, which demonstrated you don't have to be WASP to be a good American.

The civil rights struggle, which demonstrated you could be black and also a full-fledged American.

AMERICA IS NOW experiencing the greatest flow of immigrants since the wave that ended in the 1920s. Many of these new Americans live in Michigan.

from our readers

Parents are urged to get involved

To the editor:

We would like to encourage parents with elementary age children in the Plymouth-Canton school district to closely involve themselves in the developmental curriculum.

They should ask their principals and the school board to give them written objectives and goals for each grade level. We would like to remind parents that it will be after five years of K-4 developmental schooling that our children will take the MEAP to determine the results of their learning. We do not want to wait that long to know if our children have had adequate schooling.

Remember that we taxpayers have a right to insist upon textbooks being used in the classrooms, especially since at Farrand we purchased the readers two years ago to be used as one tool in the reading program. We feel that it is morally wrong to deny children a varied experience in learning — one being a basal reader and phonics program.

We find it hard to believe that elementary teachers would use basal readers to attack the self-esteem or positive attitude of any child; yet this is what we're being told is happening.

Teachers are by and large very

nurturing and they are not in the business to set the children up for failure. Why does our board of education feel it necessary to take away teachers' tools, textbooks? We feel the board is denying our children many avenues of developing their skills by limiting the teachers' tools and methods.

On Oct. 8, we spoke to the board on these issues and we did not receive any answers. We asked for yearly, written goals; we asked for a blend of traditional and developmental approaches to be used at Farrand Elementary.

We were told by the president of the board, Dean Swartzwelder, that since his son did well 20 years ago in England with the developmental approach and went on to West Point that this confirms his belief that developmental really works.

Are all the other West Point cadets products of England's schools or are they products of our traditional school systems across America? It appears that the board has made up its mind and that parental concerns are swept under the carpet. Our questioning is answered with personal experiences, rather than facts and research. The board does not have long-term results proving that developmental is a more successful way to learn.

We would like to see a transitional curriculum at Farrand Elementary combining traditional and developmental learning methods. Isbister Elementary is doing this; why can't

our school follow their model? We would like the board to respond.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Harrington
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This court ruling has taken years

MICHIGAN'S SUPREME Court has a two-man, ultra-left wing. Justices Michael Cavanagh, re-elected Nov. 6, and Dennis Archer can be counted on to stick together on behalf of a criminal defendant. Sometimes they are joined by other justices.

The result can be strange, as in the case of People v. Lisa Ann Hall, 24, who was convicted in 1986 of conspiracy to deliver cocaine between two ounces and a half-pound.

LIVONIA POLICE conducted a drug investigation that led to Hall's Dearborn home. Dearborn and Livonia police made the bust.

First step, of course, is a district court pretrial examination to determine whether (1) a crime has been committed and, (2) there's reason to believe the accused committed it.

Dearborn District Judge Virginia Sobotka made an error. She admitted testimony by police who quoted two of Hall's co-conspirators. That's "hearsay" and shouldn't have been admitted. It was important to the case.

Sobotka bound Hall over for circuit court trial.

Later the co-conspirators pleaded guilty and testified against Hall in her Wayne Circuit Court trial. Hall was convicted after a three week, errorless trial before Judge Charles Farmer, who put her on probation for life.

Nope, said the Court of Appeals, the pretrial error compels automatic reversal of the trial conviction.

Prosecutor John O'Hair appealed to the state Supreme Court.

THE SUPREME Court in September ruled 4-3 against Hall. The majority opinion, penned by Justice Robert Griffin, pointed to state law saying a conviction shall not be reversed where error is harmless.

He cited a U.S. Supreme Court decision telling appellate judges to "consider the trial record as a whole and to ignore errors that are harmless."

To most of us, that's common sense.

THE DISSENT by Cavanagh, joined by Archer and swing vote Charles Levin, was sarcastic, even by left-wing standards.

Cavanagh accused the majority of "whimsically and waywardly" messing up a fundamental stage in the criminal process.

Next Cavanagh suggested circuit judges will ignore defense motions to quash cases on the grounds of error if the prosecutor promises to cure the error at trial. "That is the next step in the slippery slope."

He summed it up: "Where there



Tim Richard

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is no other admissible evidence sufficient to bind over the defendant, I believe that such an improper bind-over creates a travesty of justice and thwarts the purpose of the preliminary examination."

IN CAVANAGH'S thinking, the rights of the accused are of overwhelming importance. But let's flip back to Griffin's majority opinion for a different set of values.

"To require automatic reversal of an otherwise valid conviction for an error which is harmless constitutes an inexcusable waste of judicial resources and contorts the preliminary examination screening process so as to protect the guilty rather than the innocent."

Griffin quoted U.S. Chief Justice William Rehnquist: "The reversal of a conviction entails substantial social costs: it forces jurors, witnesses, courts, the prosecution and other defendants to expend further time, energy, and other resources to repeat a trial that has already once taken place; victims may be asked to relive their disturbing experiences."

Some of you may like Cavanagh's brand of justice. You're entitled to your opinion. Just know what kind of leftist politics you're getting.

Footnote: The case isn't over. The high court returned it to the Court of Appeals to determine whether the admission of hearsay evidence really was "harmless error."

Four damn years, and we still don't know if the people or Lisa Hall won.

Tim Richard writes regularly on the local implications of state and regional issues.

points of view

Will lesson be how to bend rules?

A SENIOR PARTNER in a law firm which represents school districts has manipulated the system for four years to have his child attend school in a district other than where he lives.

Daniel Clark, a senior partner in the Birmingham law firm of Clark, Hardy, Lewis, Pollard and Page, has taken the Bloomfield Hills Schools to court to allow his son to finish his senior year at Andover.

A Bloomfield Township resident who lives within the Birmingham school district, he cites three failed plans to purchase homes within the Bloomfield Hills boundaries since 1988.

The Clarks pay tuition to have their son attend Andover. Bloomfield Hills allows non-residents to pay tuition if their parent or guardians are building a home or have signed final papers to purchase a home within the district and will move in before the end of the semester.

Somehow, the Clarks have been able to pull off the "we're buying a house" scenario since their son was in eighth grade. The Bloomfield Hills Schools, who say they investigate about one residency claim per week,



Judith Doner Berne

definitely didn't stay on top of this one.

IT APPARENTLY took until the fall of 1989 for the matter to come to the attention of Bloomfield Hills Superintendent W. Robert Docking. Docking met with Daniel Clark and the two eventually signed a legal agreement allowing Clark's son to finish his junior year. It also made enrollment for his senior year contingent on he and his parents becoming permanent residents of the district.

So, his parents kept their Bloomfield Township home but rented an apartment within the Bloomfield Hills district. The school system expelled the 17-year-old high school senior when a private investigator determined that the family spent

very little time at the apartment.

Earlier this month, Oakland County Circuit Judge John O'Brien allowed him to stay on at Andover pending a Dec. 12 hearing on the case.

It's called working the system — and who is better able to work it than an attorney whose firm specializes in representing school districts, including Birmingham, where his son would have attended, and Southfield, where the school district just a year ago filed criminal charges against Annette Evans-Lee, a mother whom they claimed falsified documents to allow her daughter to attend Southfield rather than Detroit schools.

Evans-Lee, who still has not come to trial, didn't do a smart thing, a wise thing, a legal thing. But she did a very human thing; she tried to get a better, safer education for her child.

THAT ISSUE has to do with why people have to resort to lies to get a quality education for their children. It tells us and the Michigan Legislature one more time that the inequities in our schools, which foster and preserve the inequities in life, come

back to haunt us.

There's no such issue in the Clarks' case. They live within one of the best school systems in the state. At the tuition they pay to attend Bloomfield Hills schools, about \$8,300 a year, they could afford private school.

"There are a whole lot of people who would like to come (to school) here," Docking says. "You need to be consistent with the policy."

If matters of law are considered, the court must rule in favor of the school system. It is hard to believe that the Clarks' attempts to move into the district could be foiled three times or that having the financial ability to rent a second "home" to comply in name but not substance with the district's requirements should be allowed to fly.

It's unfortunate that a high school senior may not be able to graduate with his classmates. It would be even more unfortunate if he learned that rules only apply to those without the means and wiles to dodge them.

Judith Doner Berne is assistant managing editor of the Oakland County editions of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Advanced courses offer new challenge

Q: We have been very fortunate in having a son with a 4.0 average. He is especially good in math having taken high school algebra in the eighth grade. He is now a junior taking calculus which I understand is the strongest math class offered in high schools. Why don't schools have extra challenges for talented students who finished all the high level math before their senior year?

A: They do. I checked with your school system. Your son, a junior, is not taking calculus this year. He is taking trigonometry/pre-calculus. After pre-calculus he is eligible to take analytical geometry/calculus in his senior year, a real challenge.

In addition, your district offers a



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high-powered (math based) advanced placement computer class for the more talented upper class math students.

Also available is probability statistics for those really into math. And the district can make arrangements with a local university for the very talented math students to take a college math courses which grant

dual-credit.

Dual credit means a student can receive high school credit toward graduation and also university credit providing the parents pay the university tuition.

Congratulations on having a talented math student. And congratulations to your school district for offering a very rigorous math experience for its gifted math student.

Back when you were in high school calculus was probably the only senior math offering. Algebra, the freshman offering.

Today, the brighter math kids often take algebra in the eighth grade and geometry in the ninth grade. Indeed, pre-geometry experiences can

now be found at the upper elementary level in quality programs.

Your son tells you he is taking calculus. You assume, based on your past school experiences, calculus is the final math opportunity.

With a son as bright as you have, you need to investigate advanced placement tests, scholarship funds and the like in his junior year. I suggest you make an appointment with your son's high school counselor to familiarize yourself more with what's going on.

James "Doc" Doyle is a former Troy Schools administrator. His column on educational issues appears regularly.

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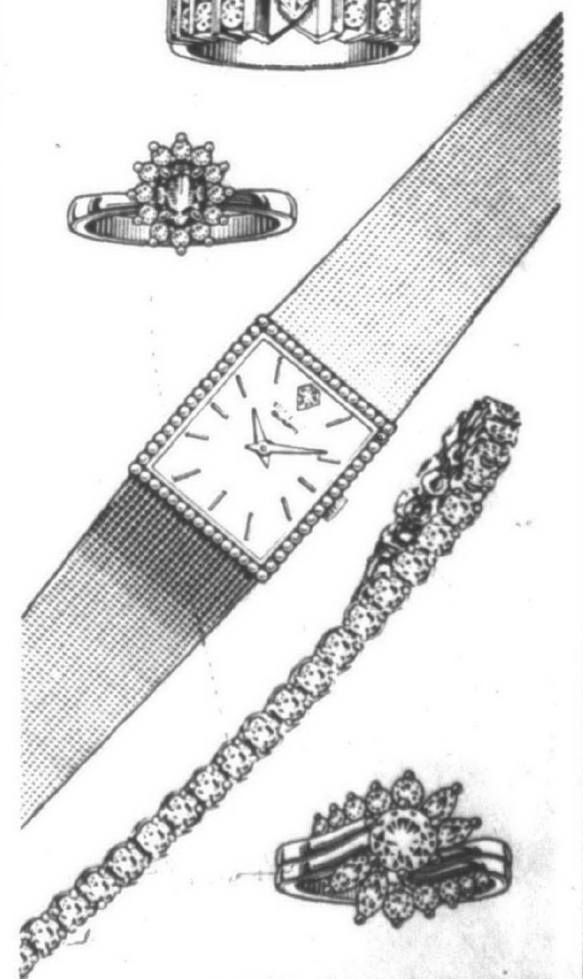
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Double the full moons marks this December

December has always brought us the start of winter and two meteor showers, but in 1990 it also brings two full moons and the end of the decade of the '90s. (Contrary to popular belief, the 1990s did not start on Jan. 1, 1990.)

The amount of sunlight we receive this month decreases by 31 minutes. On Dec. 1, sunrise is at 7:42 a.m. and sunset is at 5:01 p.m., for a possible nine hours and eight minutes of sunlight.

Mars, Jupiter and Saturn will be easily visible this month. Saturn is in the evening sky; Mars and Jupiter are visible most of the night. Mercury and Venus can be viewed, late in the month, with difficulty.

Look toward the east northeast around 6 p.m. on Dec. 1 and locate the moon. The bright "star" three degrees to the south (right) of the moon is the planet Mars. Mars was nearest the earth last month and will be fading as we orbit farther away from it. Mars will be visible in the evening sky through July, 1991.

Directly above Mars is the Pleiades (PLEE a dees) star cluster. It will be difficult to see the fainter members of this cluster with the bright moon nearby. This "tiny dipper" of stars marks the shoulder of Taurus the bull and is a delight to see through binoculars. The red star below Mars is Aldebaran (al DEB a ran) the "eye" of the bull.

THE FIRST FULL moon of the month occurs at 2:50 a.m. on Dec. 2. The moon is fully lighted by the sun. The amount of time it takes the moon to complete a full cycle, from full moon to full moon, is 29 days, 12 hours, 44 minutes and three seconds (approximately). This is called the moon's synodic (sin NOD ick) period.

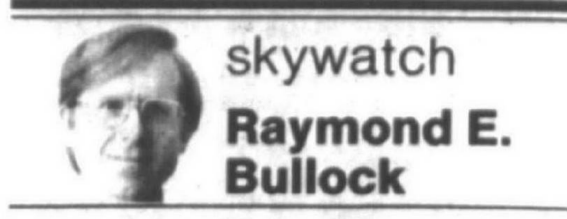
When a full moon occurs very early in the month, it is possible to complete a synodic period within that month and experience two full moons. (Logically, the same holds true for two new moons, or two first-quarter moons happening in the same month, but they don't have the same romance of Full Moon.) The second full moon of the month is called the "Blue Moon" and, as you might suspect, doesn't happen very often. The last "Blue Moon" was in May, 1988; the next occurs in September, 1993.

Notice the equilateral triangle formed by the setting moon, Mars and Aldebaran in the west northwest before sunrise on the morning of the second. This is one of the closest full moons in many years; the moon is 356,525 km (221,534 miles) away and will produce extreme tides.

The moon is in Gemini on the evening of the fourth, forming a line with the stars Pollux (above the moon) and Castor (above Pollux). These two stars each mark a "head" of the twins and will be up in the east, five hours after sunset.

The planet Mercury is at maximum elongation (greatest apparent angle) from the sun on the evening of the fifth. Mercury is 21 degrees east (left) of the sun, but only a few degrees above the southwestern horizon. Higher in the southwest, and easier to see, is Saturn, located about 18 degrees to the south (left) of Mercury.

LOOK TOWARD the east, five hours after sunset on the fifth, and you'll see the moon about six degrees above and to the right of Jupiter. Notice the bright star to the right of the moon. This is Procyon (PRO see on), a name which means "before the dog." Procyon rises in



skywatch
Raymond E. Bullock

the east shortly ahead of Sirius (SEER e ous) the "dog star." Sirius is the brightest star in the night sky and easy to spot, rising in the southeast after Procyon. Procyon is the eighth brightest star in the sky and the fifth closest, being about 11.3 light years away. (The light we see tonight left Procyon 11.3 years ago.)

Watch the moon pass through Cancer and Leo on the mornings of Dec. 6 and 8. The moon, high in the west southwest, is approaching Jupiter on the morning of the sixth. On the next morning, the moon is to the south (left) of Jupiter and below the star Regulus (REG u lus), forming a triangle. On the morning of the eighth the moon, approaching last quarter phase, has passed Regulus.

Last Quarter Moon occurs at 9:04 p.m. on Dec. 8. The moon is beginning the last quarter of its orbit around the earth.

The waning (fading) crescent moon, now in Virgo, will be six degrees to the south (right) of the bright star Spica (SPY ca) on the morning of the eleventh. On the next morning the moon has passed Spica.

One of the year's best meteor showers, the Geminids (GEM in ids), reaches its peak on the morning of Dec. 14. Meteor showers are named for the constellation from which they appear to radiate, in this case Gemini.

Meteors are more commonly known as "falling stars" because they look like little stars falling from the sky. Some American Indians thought they were stars running from danger. But they have nothing to do with stars; meteors are rocks falling out of the sky.

MANY OF these meteors are orbiting around the sun in well-defined orbits. They may be trailing along as the debris of a comet, or they may be the remains of a comet that disintegrated long ago. When the earth passes through the orbit of a meteor swarm, many more meteors than usual can be seen, and we can predict precisely when that happens.

The Geminid swarm is one of the richest. A patient observer can expect to see an average of 50 meteors every hour, which is about one every minute. The best meteor display occurs between 2 a.m. and sunrise. Although Gemini is nearly overhead, the meteors can appear in any part of the sky. Their trails can be traced back to Gemini.

Mars passes two degrees below the Pleiades on the evening of the 14th. The moon is nowhere near Taurus now, so the fainter members of the Pleiades will be much easier to see.

Raymond Bullock is the former coordinator of the planetarium and observatory at the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills. He now works for a Troy company which specializes in laser displays and effects.

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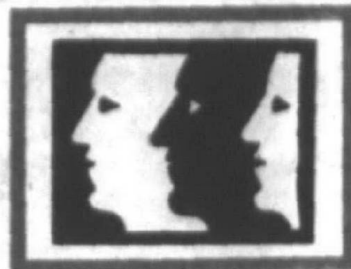
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Kids lend helping hands to needy

By Julie Brown
staff writer

THE LOCAL Salvation Army pantry is full, thanks to the efforts of students from Canton and Plymouth.

Students from Centennial Educational Park and Plymouth Christian Academy are among those who held Thanksgiving food drives for the Salvation Army.

"You need to try and do something," said Bryon Martin, 17, a senior at Plymouth Canton High

School. "It's a good way to show that you care for the people in your community."

Martin, a Plymouth resident, is mayor of the Executive Forum at Canton. He and several other students at CEP coordinated the Thanksgiving food drive.

"We've had it for several years now," Martin said. Students brought in canned goods and packaged foods, such as macaroni and peanut butter.

STUDENTS IN preschool through 12th grade at Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton also held a food drive.

"This year, we wanted to put something back right in our own community. We're encouraging all of our kids," said Tom Hovermale, secondary school principal. The private school has about 560 students and many participated in the food drive.

Plymouth Christian Academy students have a Thanksgiving project each year. Last year, they raised more than \$1,000 to buy a furnace for an American Indian mission school in Wisconsin.

Food collected at PCA was given to the Salvation Army during a recent chapel service. The project helps students "realize that Thanksgiving is a time to share," Hovermale said. "We want them to realize they need to reach out and extend themselves." Doing that is part of what it means to be a Christian, he said.

Hovermale talked to Salvation Army officials who said they could use help from his students. The local Salvation Army, based at 9451 S. Main in Plymouth, helps residents of Plymouth, Canton and Northville.



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Bryon Martin and Annette Whittaker, students at Centennial Educational Park, help load some of the food donations for the Salvation Army.

Plymouth Christian Academy students Jeff Hess and Robert Flannigan present food collected at PCA to Chris Wood of the local Salvation Army. Students and staff members

from area schools have donated food to the Salvation Army to help needy families during the holiday season.

"The Salvation Army is just a few streets over," he said. "They just reach out to all kinds of people."

Jennie Banta, an 11th grader who's student council president at PCA, was among those organizing the food drive. Social science teacher Chris Dorais, student council sponsor, was also involved, as were other faculty members.

A NUMBER of student government leaders at Centennial Educational Park got involved in this year's food drive. Canton High School students working with Martin on the project were Annette Whittaker, Johanna Anderson and Jayne Jewell. Salem High School was represented by Julie Kentala and Kim DeSempelaere.

"We have a lot more people par-

ticipating," Martin said. Donations were "really not too bad."

Contributions were a bit slow at first, but increased last week as CEP students heard about the food drive. Motivating students can be difficult, he said, but more people are inclined to participate as the holidays approach.

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GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Weldon Petz helps to set up the Santa Claus exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

The exhibit is scheduled to continue through late January at the museum, 155 S. Main.

Collection of Santas sheds light on the past

By Julie Brown
staff writer

Dr. Weldon Petz knows that Santa Claus will never go out of style.

"He is a tradition. I think we need him now more than ever," said Petz, who has a collection of more than 1,000 Santa figures. Santa's aura of trying to be good is still important.

Petz, a retired school administrator, and his wife, Shirley, live in West Bloomfield. Their collection began with family items.

"Then we became interested in collecting Santas," he said. They started serious collecting seven or eight years ago.

"Christmas always meant a great deal in our family." As a young boy, Petz was fascinated with the colors and traditions of Christmas.

THEY'VE FOUND some of the Santas in Europe during their travels, while others were bought closer to home.

"Some were made specifically for us." The collection includes the work of some Michigan artists.

The collection is featured in the current Christmas exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main. It covers Santa's history from early times, 200 B.C. or so, up to the present. The earliest items were actually made in the 1890s.

Santa has been known by different names, such as Kris Kringle, St. Nicholas and others that aren't as familiar.

"The first Santas were very thin and had black

beards," Petz said. A 19th century political cartoonist, Thomas Nast, gave Santa his red suit and helped develop his modern image.

That image was developed further in the 1930s when Santa's picture was used for Coca-Cola ads and promotional merchandise.

Mrs. Claus came along in the late 1800s, Petz said, and several figures representing Santa's wife are in the collection.

It took about 94 carefully packed cartons to hold the collection for the trip to the Plymouth Historical Museum. The exhibit also includes a number of other Christmas items.

SANTA FIGURES made of wood, papier mache, plaster and other materials are included. Petz and his wife pack away the collection for part of the year. When the Santas are out, they have to be dusted periodically.

"We have to kind of share the load," he said with a smile. Their grandchildren are careful when they're around the Santa figures, so that's not a concern. They have two grown children and four grandkids.

Petz is well-known for lectures he gives on Abraham Lincoln. He grew up in Detroit, graduating from Mackenzie High School in 1940. He earned a bachelor's degree in education from Wayne State University.

His background includes a master's degree in musicology and an education specialist in school administration, both from Wayne State. He earned a doctorate in history from Lincoln Memorial University in Tennessee.

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Easterwood-Kinnunen

Carley and Marsha Easterwood of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Paula Ann Easterwood of Novi, to Craig Allen Kinnunen of Novi, son of Jack and Terry Kinnunen of Livonia.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. She is employed at Hamilton, Miller, Hudson & Fayne Travel Corp.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. He is employed at Metro-Cell Mobile Communications.

A late January 1991 wedding is planned at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.



Ryder-Varblow

Wayne and Joan Ryder of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Carol Elizabeth, to Hans Gilbert Varblow, son of Cary Varblow of Plymouth and Katherine Scott of Bryon, Mich.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and of Eastern Michigan University. She is a graduate student in social work at Wayne State University.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and of Eastern Michigan University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business management.

A May 1991 wedding is planned at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Musical Interlude

Members of the Ann Arbor Women's Chamber Chorus perform during a recent vocal concert at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. The musicians performed during a Tuesday, Nov. 20, meeting of the Elderberries group at the church. Members of the chorus, which was founded in 1983, perform sacred songs, madrigals, modern songs and holiday music.

new voices

Gregg and Karen Thoe of Plymouth announce the birth of a daughter, Danielle Marie, Oct. 9 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Albert and Ann Roussey of Livonia and James and Sally Thoe of Alma, Mich. Great-grandparents are Herbert and Vi Soper of Holiday, Fla., and Bernadette Roussey of Southfield.

Richard and Holly Raymond of Plymouth announce the birth of a son, Michael Patrick, Oct. 30 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Richard and Mary Jo Raymond of Honor, Mich., formerly of Plymouth, and Lucille Russell of Southfield. Michael Patrick has two sisters, Lynne, 4, and Julie, 2.

David L. and Theresa Meador of Canton announce the birth of a daughter, Stacy Marie, Nov. 6 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. Grandparents are Greg and Betty Longpre of St. Joseph, Mich., and Paul and Dolores Meador of Canton. Great-grandparents are Ruby Meador of Jackson, Mich., and Gilbert and Gladys Chase of Jackson.

Students hold food drives

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"More and more people will be talking about it," said Annette Whitaker, an 18-year-old senior who lives in Canton.

The pantry shelves at the Salvation Army tend to be empty around Thanksgiving, said Lt. Jeffrey Beachum, corps commander. Schools help fill those shelves, as do some area churches and businesses.

"It makes a difference," Beachum said. "There are a lot of people that fall between the cracks. There is def-

initely a need." THE LOCAL Salvation Army puts boxes out for food contributions at various community sites. In addition to canned goods, dried foods and paper products are donated.

"We end up with a lot of corn and a lot of soup," Beachum said. "As each year passes, we get more and more help."

Food contributions help needy people in Canton, Plymouth and Northville, he said. Beachum's found some students are surprised that

needy people live in this area. "In fact, the whole community is." Some residents don't have the resources to meet household expenses and buy food for their families.

Some students lead relatively sheltered lives, he said.

"They're getting ready to go out and face the real world. They need to see what reality is all about. Reality means poor people and people who can't eat."

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Santa Claus: He's changed over time

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Petz worked as a professional musician, doing radio, theater and recording work in New York and other parts of the U.S. during the 1940s. He returned to Detroit in the late 1940s and began to teach instrumental music in the public schools.

His career includes about 40 years as a teacher and school administrator, in Detroit and later in the Farmington Public Schools. Petz retired in 1984 and now devotes his time to lecturing and writing.

He has a number of books, documents and other items related to Abraham Lincoln's life.

"You name it, I guess we've got a file on every phase of Lincoln's life, memorabilia of all kinds. From the time I was very young, I was interested."

HE BEGAN serious study of Lincoln during the 1940s

and is interested in Lincoln "more as a human being. The human element of his life fascinates me. I admire him very much."

Petz wrote his master's thesis on Lincoln and music. He has 15 different lectures he gives on various aspects of the Civil War president's life and times.

He also gives lectures during the holidays on Santa and Christmas traditions. Petz recommends that others interested in collecting Santa items do some research first.

"The advice is to buy something you enjoy." Buying something that's being issued for the first time can be a good idea, as the value of such an item may go up.

Petz and his wife don't mind having their collection exhibited at the museum in Plymouth. They're glad to share it with others, and have some other items left to use for decorating their home.

"We've got a lot of ornaments."



The Victorian rooms at the Plymouth Historical Museum are decorated for the holidays.

Halls decked at local museums

A Christmas exhibit seemed appropriate enough for the Plymouth Historical Museum during the holidays.

Decorating the museum's an annual tradition each holiday season, so staff members and volunteers decided to hang the greens again. Jeanne MacDonald, exhibits chairwoman, had heard Dr. Weldon Petz, who owns an extensive collection of Santa figures and other Christmas items, speak.

"I had seen some of his things," said MacDonald, who heard Petz speak at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. She and others hoped Petz would agree to lend some items to the museum.

"I never dreamed we'd get the whole exhibit. He left just enough, apparently, for their own Christmas tree."

The holiday exhibit will continue through Jan. 27. It's been well-received by museum visitors.

"They have really enjoyed it," said MacDonald, a Plymouth Township resident. "We've put out a lot of flippers and the word has gotten around."

VISITORS ARE interested in see-

'I never dreamed we'd get the whole exhibit. He left just enough, apparently, for their own Christmas tree.'

—Jeanne MacDonald
Plymouth Historical Museum

13, at the Canton Historical Museum, Proctor and Canton Center, south of Cherry Hill in Canton.

The party in Canton will include a special recitation of Christmas poems by Helen Garber. The public may attend.

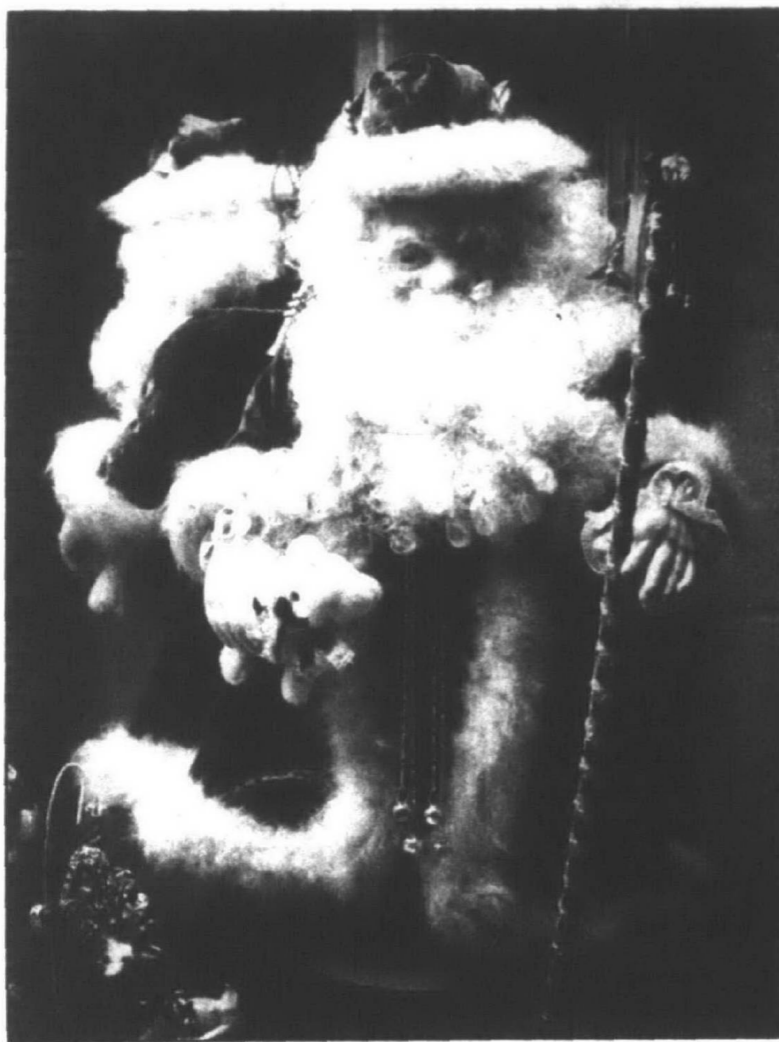
The museum in Canton will have a Christmas exhibit on display Friday,

Nov. 30, through Saturday, Dec. 8.

The Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, is open 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission price is \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for students ages 5-17, free for children under 5. Family rate is \$4. The museum operates a gift shop which carries a number of Christmas items. For more information, call 455-8940.

Regular hours at the Canton Historical Museum are 1-3 p.m. Tuesday and 1-4 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 397-0088 or 453-1921. The museum will hold its annual holiday craft sale 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, and Saturday, Dec. 1. There will be a raffle for a quilt wall-hanging.

This festive Christmas tree greets visitors at the Plymouth Historical Museum. The holiday display is found in the lobby.



This Santa Claus looks rather cheerful.

Staff photos
by Bill Bresler



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Musical ministry

Performers bring message of joy

By Julie Brown
staff writer

When Sharon and Robin perform at concerts, they have a basic goal in mind.

"I love to bless the Lord," said Robin Howard, who's been performing with Sharon Hoffman since 1978. "It's got to be done, so I will do it. The real audience is Jesus, it's God Almighty."

The women travel around the United States and Canada, performing at churches, women's retreats, conferences and other get-togethers. Howard usually plays the piano and Hoffman sings.

Howard recently came to Michigan for a performance at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton. Hoffman, who's expecting a baby, stayed home because she was ill.

HOFFMAN'S HUSBAND, Jeff, works as manager of their ministry, based in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Marlene Everson took Sharon Hoffman's place at the Canton concert. Everson teaches vocal music at Summit Christian College in Fort

Wayne. Robin Howard played the piano and sang during the Sunday, Nov. 4, concert, which drew about 75 people.

Howard began to play the piano as a young girl.

"We lived in the country in Indiana," Howard went to a Catholic boarding school as a teenager and later became a nun.

"I spent 11 years in the community and they were wonderful years in many ways. I guess you can tell from looking at me it didn't work." She quit playing the piano when she became a nun.

Howard began to do prison ministry work.

"They really didn't want me to do that." She got a dispensation from her vows, and began to look for a job in social work.

"They wanted a piece of paper that said I was good at something," Howard didn't have a degree and that made her job search difficult. She returned to college and later became a social worker.

HOWARD, WHO recalls that she "always went to sleep during medi-

tation as a nun," went through a period of blaming the Catholic church for her troubles.

"I went over and played for the Methodists for three years."

Her disillusionment didn't last. Howard realized there was a place for Jesus Christ in her life.

"I became convinced that I could really touch Jesus. That has been a thing that's driven me all my life, to touch the face of God. I really want to go to heaven when I die."

Howard joined a Catholic prayer group in Fort Wayne and met Sharon Hoffman, who's from a Lutheran background. Howard began to play the piano again, and remembers being nervous during that first performance at a Baptist church.

"I was scared to death they'd find out what I was. Since that day, I can't tell you what a joy it is to sit down at a piano."

The women write a lot of their music, and perform traditional and contemporary songs. They've recorded eight tapes and the ninth, "Simply Worship," is due out in December.

They presented the music for the

1987 National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C. Hoffman's background includes studying voice at Indiana University, and she earned a music education degree with a minor in Biblical studies from Fort Wayne Bible College. Howard studied piano at Butler University in Indiana, and earned a secondary education degree from Indiana University.

JEFF HOFFMAN graduated from Fort Wayne Bible College and Westminster Theological Seminary, and served as an associate pastor for two years at a church in Ohio. His background in theology is a tremendous help, Howard said.

"Jeff does everything except sing and play," she said. "He helps keep us on track." The Hoffmans have a son, Andrew, 2½, who frequently travels with his parents.

The women perform at churches and other settings for 11 months each year. They've been at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia and other Detroit-area churches of various denominations.

"This is what I was meant to do," Howard said. "This isn't performing, this is just worship."



Sharon Hoffman (left) and Robin Howard have performed together since 1978. Their Christian Music Ministries is based in Fort Wayne, Ind.

The performers present the gospel to those who don't know it, Jeff Hoffman said.

"The other side is to encourage those who are already believers in Christ. Everything we do, we try to keep that in mind."

"We have the body of Christ everywhere we go," he said. "The Lord has given us friendships and close relationships everywhere we go."

The St. John Neumann concert was part of the ongoing Renew mis-

sion at the church. Church member Sherry Kuhr, a Canton resident, was among concert-goers who'd heard Sharon and Robin at earlier performances.

"They've really touched my heart with their testimony and their songs," said Kuhr, who first heard the duo at a retreat in Kalamazoo. She's heard them several times since then, and enjoyed the November concert.

"I just think they're wonderful."

Diversity offers us strength

The words of a popular song a few years back went "slip slip sliding." They come to mind as I contemplate our nation's actions in the Middle East.

Unfortunately, the slow yet palpable steps toward war are beginning to divide the religious community. Is it possible to stand in any kind of middle ground? Will our nation be so quickly divided between the right and the left?

I believe that we must begin with the principle that this is a diverse nation. In religion, we are diverse. In heritage, we are diverse. We must let this diversity work for us and not against us. A diversity of opinion about a possible war in the Middle East should work for us as a nation. We must respect and listen to this diversity.

IS IT POSSIBLE in our nation to hold a strong belief and still allow others who disagree to be heard? We must respect those who differ from us. We must defend their freedom to

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moral perspectives
Rev. David Strong

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At a recent peace witness in downtown Detroit, there were speakers from every religious community. Arab, Jew, Catholic, Lutheran, Methodist — all spoke of their commitment to peace.

Various languages were used. Even I found this diversity hard to integrate. Too long have I lived in a homogeneous setting. Too long have I lived in a suburb in which everyone is expected to look and think alike. Without living in a diverse community I find it difficult to know how to integrate diverse positions and affirm diversity as good.

Everything we notice about the world and about the future demonstrates that diversity works for us. It is the way we are headed as a planet. Either we learn to live together and love it or we risk suicide. How will you and I prepare our children to accept and seek to understand diversity?

The news reports that a man from Grayling, Mich., has decided that he will not go to war and kill another human being. He is in the Army. He is also a member of my denomination.

HOW WILL I view his decision? The issue is an old one. It is an issue

of religious conscience. This man is troubled by his own moral beliefs. We must realize that war does this to people. Will we accept the many positions people have regarding a war in the Middle East? Will we promote the dialogue that not only Congress but we must have regarding this critical issue?

I am proud to live in a nation that first and foremost refused the principle of compulsory military service. One of the reasons people of conscience came to the new world was to leave this behind them in Europe. The United States is one of the few countries in the world which will allow a person to refuse military service because of conscience. It is a principle which is very dear to liberty.

I talked with a person whose family has preserved the story of a soldier in the Civil War. This member of their family entered the war and then decided that he could not kill. Of course, he had enlisted. But conscience has a way within human beings of breaking out in non-logical ways.

The story is told that he shot his gun, but off away from the Southern soldiers. His commanding officer was beginning to be suspicious. In one battle, he aimed at a squirrel in

a tree rather than at an enemy soldier. As he fired someone else shot and both the Southern soldier and the squirrel fell. His decision to not kill was not prompted by fear but upon moral principle.

WILL WE allow such positions in our time? Will we resist the slip slip, sliding to a polarity of opposites, warring among ourselves? Dr. James Bristah says "In time of war, people can only count to two." What will we do to defend the liberty of many positions, each based upon religion and moral conscience?

Diversity is only possible when we listen to others who are different from us. To truly listen, we must get under the words to deeper principles and life experiences. Too often, we judge those who are different from us by the worst fears, the most negative impressions.

Yes, there is diversity even among those who appear to us to be the same. Islamic people have a wide diversity of beliefs and positions. I have heard Moslem religious leaders who defended the practice of vengeance. I have heard other Moslem religious persons speak of love as the center of their faith. Do we not count more than two positions within our own faith community?

As we face the complex issues of the Middle East, let us commit ourselves to defend the principle of diversity. Let no one force you or me into allowing only one or two positions. This is the greatest danger that faces us today.

The Rev. David T. Strong is pastor of Central United Methodist Church in Detroit.

Tours highlight historic roles of city's churches

Some of Detroit's most beautiful historic churches will be featured by the Detroit Historical Society during upcoming church tours.

Church tours have been presented since 1972 to acquaint area residents with the contributions churches have made in the development of religious and cultural life. Tours also focus attention on the importance of maintaining and preserving church buildings.

The tours are co-sponsored by the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Michigan, the Detroit Historical Department and the Detroit Historical Society. Tours are conducted on the first Monday of each month.

The next tour is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 3. The tour bus leaves the Detroit Historical Museum parking lot, 5401 Woodward at Kirby in Detroit, at 10 a.m.

THE UPCOMING tour will include:

- Fort Street Presbyterian, a gothic revival church, second only in size to Westminster Hall in London;

- Most Holy Trinity, a restored Irish church in Corktown;

- St. Peter's Episcopal, the church where Henry Ford's parents were married;

- Ste. Anne, Detroit's first parish, established in 1701;

- Trinity Episcopal. A bake sale and boutique sale of items made by women at the church will be held during the lunch break.

Tour price is \$8.50 for Detroit Historical Society members, \$10 for non-members. Reservations can be made by sending a check to the Detroit Historical Society, 5401 Woodward, Detroit, Mich. 48202. For more information, call 833-7934.

The Jan. 7 tour will include: All Saints Russian Orthodox Cathedral; St. Augustine-St. Monica (formerly St. Catherine-St. Edward); Trinity Lutheran; St. Bonaventure; and St. Charles Borromeo.

The Feb. 4 tour will feature: Cathedral Church of St. Paul; St. Dominic; St. John's Episcopal; Central United Methodist; and St. Joseph's.

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The church bulletin is published every Thursday in *The Observer*. Information must be received in the Livonia office by noon the Monday prior to publication.

Methodist Youth Chorus, the Farmington Hills Christian Community Chorus and the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church Choir. The public may attend. For information, call 422-0149.

• FINNISH BAKERY

A homemade "Finnish Bakery" will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Detroit Laestadian Congregation, 290 Fairground, Plymouth. Pasties, tarts, bread and other baked goods will be sold at the holiday event.

• ORGAN CONCERT

Redford Presbyterian Church, 2122 W. McNichols, will host a Christmas open house and organ concert 2-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. There will be a life-sized manger scene, 30 decorated trees and a Bible tree.

• HOLIDAY MUSICAL

The Kids and Children's Choirs of Ward Presbyterian Church will present the holiday musical "Nathan and the Neon Light" 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington, near Six Mile, Livonia. Admission is free of charge. For information, call 422-1150.

• CHRISTIAN SOFTBALL

Any church representatives interested in participating in the Northwestern Christian Women's Softball League should call Pat Larson, 478-4929. Games are Tuesdays and Thursdays early May through mid-August, including regular season, tournament and an all-star game.

• HANDEL'S 'MESSIAH'

At 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, a free performance of Handel's "Messiah" will take place at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Members of four choruses will present the Christmas favorite: Newburg United Methodist Adult Chorus, Newburg United

• HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy, Westland, will have worship services 8 and 10:45 a.m. and Sunday School at 9:15 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. The bell choirs will perform at Westland Center 12:30-5 p.m. On Wednesday, Dec. 5, the church will have a spaghetti dinner in the gymnasium at 6 p.m. followed by Advent worship service at 7:30 p.m. For information, call 425-0261.

• BUDDHISM

The Detroit Area Karma Kagyu Study Group offers meditation and discussion of the Buddha's teaching. Free meditation instruction can be arranged by appointment. Weekly meditation and discussion takes place Thursdays in Redford. For information, call 538-1559.

• ADVENT MESSAGES

Dr. Bartlett Hess, senior pastor, will deliver a series of messages during Advent. At 8, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 2, the message will be "Preparing for Christmas: God's Preparation." Ward Presbyterian Church is at 17000 Farmington Road, near Six Mile, Livonia.

• HOLOCAUST CENTER

Raquel Hadassah will have a guided tour of the Holocaust Memorial Center in West Bloomfield 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4. Members will meet in the lobby of the Jewish Community Center, Maple and Drake roads. For information, call 932-0935 or 683-4099.

• CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Presbyterian Women will host a

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Hangartner-Cismoski

Christine M. Cismoski of Plymouth and Tony E. Hangartner of Livonia were married Sept. 29 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth. The Rev. Matthew Ellis performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Eugene and Mary Ann Cismoski of Plymouth, Hans Hangartner of Livonia and the late Gertrud Hangartner.

The bride is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University, where she earned a bachelor of business administration degree. She is employed as

a user systems analyst with AAA Michigan.

Her husband is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University, where he earned a bachelor of business administration degree. He is employed as a systems engineer with Electronic Data Systems.

Sister of the bride Sandra Cismoski was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Amy Angle, Sharon Smith and Vicki Maciag.

Mark Boehmer was the best man. The groomsmen were Michael Grech, Steve Florkowski and brother of the bridegroom Erik Hangartner.

Ushers were brothers of the bride David Cismoski and Harold Cismoski.



A reception was held at Bobby's Country House in Livonia.

Following a wedding trip to St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands, the newlyweds are making their home in Livonia.

Clark-Halfacre

Kelly Ann Halfacre of Plymouth and David Erik Clark of Jackson, Mich., were married Sept. 1 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The Rev. Robert Seltz performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Ken and Pat Halfacre of Plymouth and Doug and Lynn Clark of Jackson.

The bride is a senior at Central Michigan University.

Her husband is a graduate of Central Michigan University. He is employed with Consumers Power Co. in Jackson.

Amy Adams was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Debbie

Burns, Jill Bessey, Jolie Shay, Kristin Anderson and Christine Kennedy.

Brother of the bridegroom Bob Clark was the best man. The bridegroom's attendants were Trevor Chalfonte, Kelly Stone, Terry Brigham, Gordie Bollheimer and Kirk Turner.

For her wedding, the bride wore a floor-length beaded gown with a beaded and lace train. She carried an arrangement of a dozen white roses and stephanotis.

A reception was held at the Mayflower Meeting House in Plymouth.

Following a wedding trip to Maui and Kauai in Hawaii, the newlyweds are making their home in Jackson.



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Christmas salad luncheon 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, Hubbard and West Chicago roads, Livonia. Speaker Elizabeth Gribble will discuss the topic "From Saint Nicholas to Santa Claus." For information, call 422-0494.

ADVENT SERVICES

Advent services will take place Wednesdays, Dec. 5, 12 and 19, at Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia. A light dinner will be served 6 p.m. followed by 7 p.m. worship. A Sunday School program will take place 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, and the Christmas Eve service will be 7:30 and 11 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Ward Presbyterian Church Grief Support Groups are open to anyone who has had a loved one die. The Wednesday group will meet 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, Dec. 5 and 19, in the Calvin Room at the church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile in Livonia. The Thursday group will meet 7:30 p.m. in Room A-15 on Dec. 13 and 27.

New Start for the widowed will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, in the Calvin Room for the Christmas party.

ADVENT SERVICE

Immanuel Lutheran Church, 27035 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights, will offer a noon Advent service Wednesday, Dec. 5. Lunch will follow. The Rev. Elmer Beyer will deliver a brief seasonal message. Organist Selma Friedrich will present music and hymns.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

A Christian fellowship luncheon will take place 12:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at First United Methodist Church of Farmington, 33112 Grand River, two blocks east of Farmington Road. Price is \$4. Mary MacLeod will install officers. Christmas music will be performed by the Redford Union High School Choir directed by Kevin Cushman. Babysitting will be available on request. For information, call 474-5205.



Breyfogle-Massey

Mary Lynn Massey of Westland and James Russel Breyfogle of Westland were married Aug. 11 in Holland, Mich. Scott Van Arendonk performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Donald and Mary Anne Massey of Plymouth and William and Ruth Breyfogle of Kalamazoo, Mich.

The bride is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and of Hope College. She is employed as an adult education and mathematics teacher for the Plymouth-Canton schools.

Her husband is a graduate of Loy Norrix High School in Kalamazoo and of Hope College. He is a graduate student at Wayne State University.

Kim Massey was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Becca Margh, Mary Gutz and Kathy Breyfogle.

Ken Landman was the best man.

The bridegroom's attendants were Craig Price, Charlie Payson and Brian Wagner.

A reception was held at The Tara in Saugatuck, Mich.

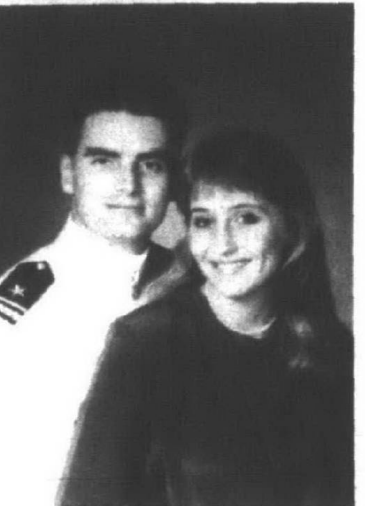
Soderholm-Siddall

Donald and Nancy Soderholm of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Sheryl Lyn, to William Lester Siddall of Kingsville, Texas, son of Gene and Mary Siddall of Toronto, Ontario.

The bride-elect is a graduate of the University of Michigan College of Engineering. She is a student at the University of Michigan Law School.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Michigan College of Engineering. He is a lieutenant junior grade in the U.S. Navy.

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and when full, usually two-thirds of the occupants are children, according to First Step executive director Judy Ellis (right), who accepted the donations from Pastor Ron Lintelman. People can make donations to First Step by calling 525-2230 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

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• LIVONIA GARDEN

Livonia Garden Club will have its eighth annual Greens Workshop 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Churchill High School in Livonia. People can enhance holiday decorations with a basket of fresh greens, plaid ribbon and fresh flowers. The cost is \$14 and includes all materials to create the festival centerpiece. Those attending need to bring either pruning shears or kitchen scissors. To reserve a place, send a check or money order to Livonia Public Schools, "Basket of Fresh Greens," Livonia Public Schools Community Education, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia 48154-5474. For information, call 523-9277.

• FIBERARTS GUILD

Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild will have its annual winter sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 1-2, at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor. For information, call 761-5372.

• ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL

St. John's Episcopal Church of Plymouth will have its annual holiday bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the church, 574 S.

Sheldon. Some 30 area craftspeople will have booths. Fresh greens and roping will be available. There will be a bake sale and a cafe. Admission is a \$1 donation or a canned good for the needy.

• SS. PETER AND PAUL ORTHODOX

Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church, 3810 Gilbert, Detroit will have a craft bazaar 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2.

• ST. THOMAS A BECKET

An arts and crafts show will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at St. Thomas A Becket Catholic Church, 555 S. Lilley, south of Cherry Hill in Canton. Some 75 artisans will participate. There will also be a bake sale. Admission price is 50 cents, free for senior citizens and children. The event is sponsored by the Women's Club at the church. Proceeds will be used to furnish the kitchen of the Family Life Center.

• COLLECTIBLE CRAFTS

Collectible Crafts will have an arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the North-

ville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main, Northville. More than 65 crafters will participate. Admission is \$1.50. For more information, call 227-4860.

• GREENWOOD VILLA

Greenwood Villa Senior Apartments, 7600 Nankin Court, west of Wayne Road, north of Warren Road, Westland will have a craft sale 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 6-8. For information, call 261-3200.

• HANDCRAFTERS UNLIMITED

Handcrafters Unlimited will have an arts and crafts show Friday-Sunday, Dec. 7-9, at Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main, two blocks west of Sheldon, Northville. Admission is \$1.50. More than 65 artists will have items on display.

• GRACE LUTHERAN

Grace Lutheran Church, 25630 Grand River, near Beech Daly, Redford will have a craft and bake sale 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8. Admission is free. The sale is sponsored by Timothy Circle.



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Health care professionals face caregiver burnout

Q. My wife is a social worker at a local hospital. In addition, she is helping to care for her aging parents living in their own home. I'm concerned about her own physical and emotional health, but she maintains she is fine. Maybe she will listen to advice from you.

A. Having almost the identical experiences I can relate to how you and your wife feel. I have found that most health care professionals are not only practicing in their field but also are responsible for the care of one or two frail parents, grandparents, a spouse, child or friend. Health care professionals have a tendency to feel that they can do it all and unfortunately other family members may assume that their professional relative can handle everything. This is not necessarily true and the stress of double duty caregiving, at the office and at home, can cause serious health and emotional problems. Caregiver burnout is often the result.

Therapist Leonard Felder, co-author of a new book, "When a Loved One is Ill: How to Take Better Care

of Your Loved One, Your Family, and Yourself," suggests that the sooner you recognize the symptoms of caregiver burnout, the sooner you can alleviate it by practicing what you preach at your job and seeking assistance using your professional contacts. Respite care, support groups, meal services, homemaker service and support groups are available.

Dr. Felder offers these specific clues that should warn you if you are getting close to burnout: Do you tell other people you are fine if it's not true, are you not getting treatment for any type of your physical discomfort or feelings of exhaustion or depression, are you losing interest in friends, hobbies or outside activities you have always enjoyed, do you feel impatient and short-tempered with people you see daily, do you take your family member's condition personally, do you get angry at family or friends who tell you to show down or that you deserve a break?

The warning signs of a stress over-load not only apply to health care professionals but to all caregivers. It is very important to re-



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Renee Mahler

member that no one can be expected to or expect themselves to do it all. There are services that can help and responsibility can and should be delegated to the agencies and organizations offering help and to other family members. You cannot take care of other people's needs without considering your own.

Q. My 79 year old father lives in his own apartment. He takes several drugs and I am concerned that he may not be taking his medications correctly. Do you have any suggestions I might pass along to him concerning drug usage?

A. The National Institute on Drug Abuse, a division of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, has published a list of Do's and

Don'ts, concerning the taking of drugs, that is useful for everyone. The Do's are: tell your doctors about all the medicines you are taking and about any allergies or sensitivity you may have to any drug, be certain you understand all instructions before starting to use a drug including when to take it, with what, how long to continue and what to do if problems occur, make certain you take your medicines when you are supposed to, call your physician if you notice any new symptoms or side effects, keep drugs in airtight containers and store them properly, and keep a record of all drugs and vaccines you are sensitive or allergic to. The don'ts are: take more, or less, than the prescribed amount of any drug, stop taking a drug without checking

with your doctor even if you feel better, take drugs prescribed for someone else or give yours to someone else, transfer a drug from its original bottle to another or keep old or expired medicines in your medicine cabinet.

Drugs can provide great benefits but with these benefits also come serious risks. Drugs are powerful substances and if they're not used carefully, the consequences can be serious. Because elderly people generally take more medicines than anyone else, they naturally run a higher risk of having problems with drugs. Many of these risks can be prevented if medications are used correctly.

Q. Last year, the Alzheimer's Association had a great fund-raising that included sampling of all kinds of chocolate. Are they planning on repeating it again this year?

A. The 5th Annual Chocolate Jubilee, presented by the Alzheimer's Association of Metropolitan Detroit, will be held this year on Dec. 2 at the Somerset Inn, Troy. This

year's event is called Chocolate and Diamonds. In addition to the chocolate displays and samples, by the area's finest chocolatiers, many local jewelers, who belong to the Diamond Information Center will be displaying \$4,000,000 of their beautiful and exciting new diamond creations.

A \$100 per person Patron Brunch will be held at noon prior to the Chocolate and Diamonds event. Patrons will get a preview of the displays prior to the actual opening of the fund-raiser. The doors will be open to the general public 2-4 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person. All proceeds go to the Alzheimer's Association.

For tickets or additional information call the Alzheimer's Association, 557-8277, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Renee Mahler is a gerontologist and the director of Communications and Admissions at a Rochester Hills nursing facility. Send your questions to her at Observer & Eccentric, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

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Scouts market nuts, calendars



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Sarah Schmid of Troop 1157 (from left), Jennifer Schmid of Troop 1126 and Rebecca Pawlik of Troop 1366 show off the calendar and gourmet fruits and nuts Girls Scouts belonging to the Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council will be selling beginning tomorrow.

Looking for some fruit and nut treats to brighten a holiday stocking or to give as a gift?
 Girls Scouts in the Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council have the answer.
 Scouts will be selling their calendars and gourmet fruit and nuts beginning Friday, Nov. 30.
 The calendars come in two sizes — wall and pocket — and sell for \$2 each. The fruit and nuts come in four varieties — Tropical Treat Mix (an assortment of tropical fruits) for \$5 each, butter toffee peanuts for \$5 each, fancy mixed nuts (a mixture of gourmet nuts — no peanuts) for \$6 each and giant roasted cashews at \$7 per package.
 Scouts will be manning a booth 1-5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, at Manufacturer's Bank, 26049 Joy Road, Westland, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Stan's Market locations on Ann Arbor Road and at Five Mile and Farmington, Livonia.
 Scouts also will be selling the calendars and foodstuff 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 1-2 and 8-9, and Saturday, Dec. 15, and 3-9

p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at Farmer Jack, Five Mile and Newburgh Road, Livonia.
 In the council's Neighborhood Service Unit 78, Brownie Troop 265 will be selling calendar and nuts between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Your Better Market, 26056 W. Six Mile, Redford. Fellow Brownie Troop 880 will man a booth there 5-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, and move to the Farmer Jack at Five Mile Road and Middlebelt, 5-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8.
 Brownie Troop 886 will be at Kroger's, Five Mile Road and Merriman, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, while Troop 1734 will be at Danny's, 25905 Five Mile Road, Redford, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9.
 Brownie Troop 1133 will be at Kroger's, 25850 Grand River, Red-

ford, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2 and 9, and at Farmer Jack, Eight Mile and Grand River, 5-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30.
 Junior Troop 624 will have a booth at Danny's Market, Eight Mile and Beech Daly, 5-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, and at Farmer Jack, Eight Mile and Grand River, 1-9 p.m. Saturday Dec. 1.
 Junior Troop 1730 will be at Standard Federal Savings Bank, Grand River and Beech Daly, Redford, 4-4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, while Junior Troop 1127 will be at Farmer Jack, Eight Mile and Grand River, 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, and Sunday, Dec. 9.
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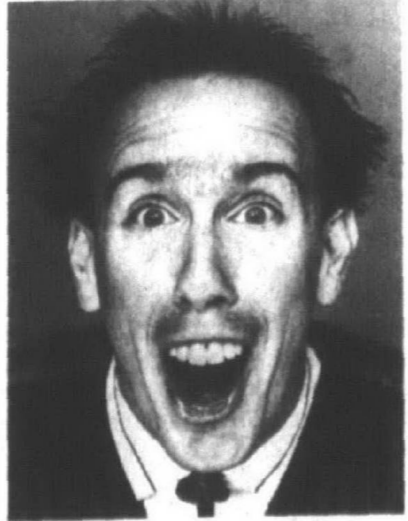
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Computers analyze management problems

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Information changes behavior. That is the guiding premise on which a new computer diagnostic tool — developed by Plymouth Township-based Human Synergistics — is based. Available in January, the computer program is designed to help managers overcome the stumbling blocks that act as impediments to productivity. "Every organization in this country is trying to change, and they're starting to recognize they're getting in their own way," said J. Clayton Lafferty, chief executive officer of Human Synergistics.

"How we manage is the single biggest block to productivity," he said. Most managers think external forces — the economy, market demand, competition — prevent greater success. "(But) most of the problems people have is the nature of the stuff in their heads," Lafferty said. The most important skill a manager or person can have is his or her behavior, and behaviors flow from thinking patterns. People may not even be aware they have a problem, Lafferty said. What is needed is a way to identify poor thinking patterns. That is what the Management Growth Report, based on the Life Styles Inventory (LSI) Stylus does. Once an individual is conscious of the problem, he can change the poor thinking behind the problem, Human

Synergistics president Bill Neale said. For example, power-seeking may be a problem for a manager. A case study of a manager with power-seeking problems showed an extremely high grievance rate among subordinates. "The company invested \$15,000 trying to get his grievance rate down," Neale said. SEMINARS, CHARM schools, discussions — nothing worked, Neale said. The number of grievances continued to climb and employees were demanding the manager be terminated. "What we found was that he (the manager) had an unhealthy notion of power," Neale said. Rather than viewing power as something that is delegated, he viewed power as something to hold over people. When the problem was explained, the manager was able to correct it himself, Neale said. "The problem was that everyone

was trying to reduce the number of grievances, but no one was getting at the root of the problem — why there were so many grievances." For example, an individual conscious of his or her own avoidance behavior can then focus on exactly when he or she is avoiding things (in stressful situations, all the time), where (at work, at home, during meetings), and what is being avoided (people, situations). Before an individual can improve his thinking and behavior, he has to accept the premise that people can change, Lafferty said. "That is the biggest myth — that people can't change."

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Human Synergistics

in taking the life styles inventory and reading the management growth report because it is about themselves, Lafferty said. And if they were honest taking the inventory, they will generally accept the results. But some will deny the report is accurate and resist the results, he said. There's very little a report can do to change this, Lafferty said, but in the report's favor is the fact that the person took the report willingly and will hopefully accept it with an open mind. Because the report is confidential and no one but the test taker sees it, Lafferty added, people may be more willing to take a close look at it and themselves. Earlier computer diagnostic tools on the market — at best — identify only four basic management styles, Lafferty said. "That's absurd."

THE MANAGEMENT Growth Report (MGR) might then suggest steps to get beyond the avoidance problem, including setting goals, trying different things, or accomplishing small tasks as a precursor to more significant steps. By forcing changes, even in small steps, people can modify their behavior, but not if they don't know behavior needs modifying, Lafferty said. The MGR measures personal beliefs, values, behavior, assumptions and consequences concerning ourselves. All that is required, he said, is that a person take about a half hour to honestly answer about 250 questions. The computer program then prints out a 50-page manual on the test taker, which gives a person insight into himself, Lafferty said. "It's literally a custom book about the person," he said. Lafferty said Human Synergistics encourages followups after six months to gauge changes in behavior and to reinforce the results of the first test. It is also a good idea, he said, to ask four or five people who you know well to fill out a form with you in mind. If they really know you, he said, the report generated by them should be similar to the one you filled out. Lafferty also said retaking the management growth report is beneficial because sometimes people will fall back into old habits — reinforcement ensures that this will not happen, he said.

Each response to a question — and combinations of questions — in the Life Styles Inventory triggers a different aspect in the report. There are 12 basic life styles, only four of which — affiliative, achievement, humanistic/encouraging, self-actualizing — are psychologically healthy. The others — approval seeking, conventional, dependent, avoidance, oppositional, power seeking, competitive and perfectionistic — are unhealthy. EACH PERSON'S thinking and behavior are made up of several of these styles to varying degrees, Lafferty said, but one or two are predominant. The problem, he said, is when destructive thinking and behavior outweigh a person's positive aspects. Human Synergistics began testing

the computer program on air traffic controllers, bank managers and school officials throughout the country in March. Deborah Mondro, director, sales and marketing for Human Synergistics, said employers frequently send employees to seminars to learn how to be better managers, but many of these seminars are too broad and don't address the specific needs of the individual. The management growth report generated by the Life Styles program is written about the individual, she said, and will be more helpful. Seminars are also far more expensive than the computer program, which will sell for roughly \$125, she said. Discounts will be available for bulk purchases. "Companies don't have the money or the time (for seminars) today," Mondro said. When companies send employees to seminars, costs — including travel, boarding and seminar costs — can run into the thousands of dollars.

MONDRO ALSO said that while companies spend a substantial amount in training dollars, those training dollars are the first to fall in budget cuts. An easy-to-use, relatively inexpensive computer program could cut training costs by two-thirds and offer the same and probably more benefit, she said. Mondro said Human Synergistics is launching its program at the Best Of American Training Conference in New York in January. Fifty percent of the problem is identifying the problem. "Sometimes it's that simple." Human Synergistics has developed the famous desert survival situation exercises, which teach group problem solving; the life styles inventory, a diagnostics tool used to assess an individual's thinking and behavioral styles; an organizational culture inventory, which does the same for an corporation; stress management diagnostics and programs; and safety and substance abuse programs — all of which are designed to strengthen organizations through individual effectiveness. "A significant change in a key individual can make an incredible difference in the organization," he said.



Some workers question commitments to quality

By David F. Stein
special writer

Wounded American industry, anxious to win back customers and confront competitors globally, has aimed at the elusive target called quality and claimed some successes in recent years. But many workers feel left out of the quest. A credibility gap exists between company talk and company action, according to a Gallup survey this year of more than 1,000 American employees, that was funded by the American Society for Quality Control (ASQC). While half of the workers surveyed said that their company proclaims quality as extremely important, only slightly more than a third believed their company followed through well. Almost as many workers are dissatisfied (25 percent) with quality improvement efforts at their companies as are satisfied (29 percent). Perhaps most telling, two out of three employees said they have been asked to be involved in decisions, but only 14 percent believe they are completely empowered to make those decisions. And ASQC president, John J. Knappenberger, with more than 20 years in the quality field, doesn't dispute the findings. "I'm not surprised the quality message hasn't reached everyone," said Knappenberger, also vice president for quality of the automotive division of TRW, Southfield. The overall survey results, Knappenberger said, reveal two key problems: the need by both manufacturing and service industries to embrace a new definition of quality and adopt management styles that don't waste human resources. "Traditionally, quality has been defined by specifications and by the manufacturer. Actually, the manufacturer doesn't define quality, the customer does," Knappenberger said. He added that "quality was traditionally seen as a product, but quality is everything we do."

don't understand the linkage to external customers." Knappenberger does claim some recent American success stories, citing companies like Xerox Milliken and Co., and the Cadillac Division of General Motors as having quality and customer satisfaction as business fundamentals. All have won the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Awards, established by Congress in 1987 and administered in part by ASQC. But only 37 percent of the workers surveyed this year think that the United States is gaining on foreign competitors. In contrast, 51 percent of executives polled in 1989 by Gallup for ASQC said the United States was gaining on foreign competition. KNAPPENBERGER believes the new concepts of quality demand new leadership styles and skills from management. "Employees want to be involved. We talk a good game but we really don't empower employees," he said. His message to managers: Give up some power. Let individuals use their creative juices. Be a coach or facilitator rather than an inspector or checker. "We need to get all people involved and empowered.

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John J. Knappenberger
new definition of quality needed

NOT ONLY DOES the customer define quality in today's world, but its definition keeps evolving: Companies must anticipate and keep ahead of customer expectations to succeed. "This concept of quality extends beyond manufacturing and has been transformed into all areas of business," Knappenberger said. "We all believe that we deal with customers well, but how many employees have actual contact with people? In manufacturing, it's a very small number. Even in service industries, it's still a small percentage of the whole." Knappenberger gave the example of trying to check in at a hotel, only to find that the computer is down. We vent our frustrations at the hotel clerk, Knappenberger said, but "the actual decision to shut down the computer was made by an employee elsewhere, distant from actual customer contact." Such employees as the computer controller must have an understanding of real customer needs, Knappenberger said. "Too many people inside organizations

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Workers question focus on quality

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We can no longer mandate people to improve quality, we have to excite them. Those in leadership roles have to be willing to give up some control and have faith in the results."

While Knappenberger said that this should lead to better quality and more fulfilled employees, he conceded that "this is a whole different flavor for management than in the past. It is like the first lieutenant asking, 'How can I take that hill?'"

Such an approach, Knappenberger said should enhance a new perception of quality as "things done right," rather than just what meets expectations or specifications.

"We all want something more. We can all get more together if we all work together, going for win-win situations rather than win-lose situations. The win-win mentality adds value to employees, companies and society," Knappenberger said.

SOMETHING ELSE that employees want more of is job skills training, mentioned by 21 percent of surveyed employees as the most important way companies can make it easier for them to do high quality work.

Knappenberger agrees but again stresses the importance of mindset, adding that training is different from education. He said that while industry can train workers in specific job skills, they must have the educational skills to learn and think for themselves.

"In the past, we had a throwaway society. The work force is getting smaller and smaller at the same time as the jobs are getting more and more demanding. The year 2000 work force is in the field; the year 2010 work force is in school."

business people

Robert J. Rich of Livonia was honored by Sunshine Biscuits Inc. as a 1990 member of the "President's Sales Excellence Circle" program. Of 400 people eligible, just 14 were selected.

Tom Takeda was named senior vice president and general manager of the newly formed seals division and an officer in Freudenberg-NOK General Partnership of Plymouth. Takeda is an eight-year U.S. resident and most recently was vice president of Freudenberg-NOK's automotive seals division. He also was formerly president of the Singapore Oil Seal Co. Prior to that, he was a man-



Kelly



Takeda



Hirschy



Rich

ager in the international division of NOK Corp.

Dale Hirschy was named senior vice president and general manager

of the new molded products division and re-elected an officer of Freudenberg-NOK of Plymouth. Formerly with International Packings Corp., a subsidiary of Freudenberg & Co.

since 1968, Hirschy has more than 30 years experience in the high-performance rubber field.

Richard L. Kelly of Livonia was admitted to the Energy Manager's Hall of Fame. Kelly has been the energy efficiency manager for General Motors since 1980. During his tenure, lasting until his retirement in 1988, GM's energy usage was reduced by 48 percent, resulting in an annual savings of \$1 billion.

James L. Rea of Dearborn joined the staff at McCabe Funeral Home Inc. as a licensed funeral director. He formerly held a similar position

at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Livonia.

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marketplace

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Rein Nomm & Associates Inc., a public relations and business communications company headquartered in Plymouth, will handle marketing and public relations for Slegler Enterprises Inc., a Plymouth-based sales agency representing manufacturers supplying the auto-

motive industry.

Freudenberg-NOK of Plymouth split its former seals and molded products group into two divisions, one for seals and the other for molded products. Freudenberg-NOK is a North American company resulting from a partnership formed in July 1989 between German-based Freudenberg & Co. and Japan-based NOK Corp.

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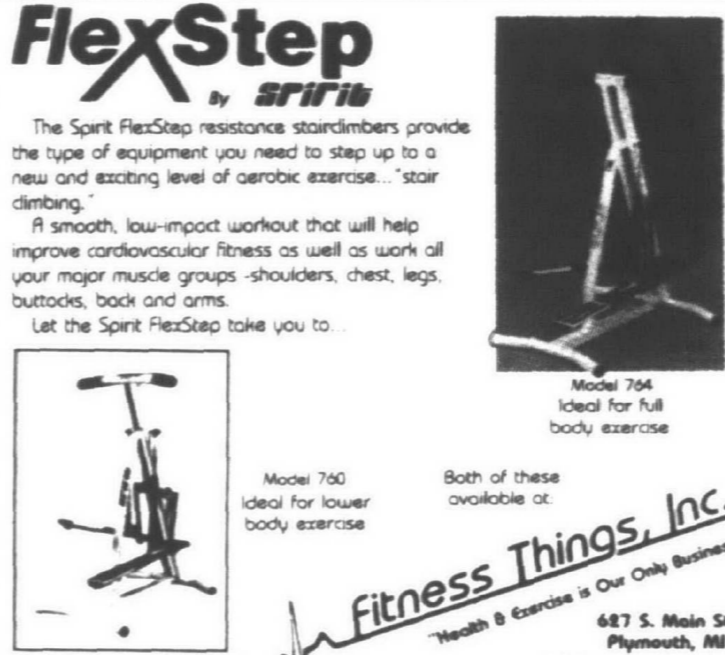
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'Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous' will be a lemon

One of Detroit's claims to fame is that pretty much nobody is famous. Rich, yeah. But not famous, a fact that sinks in when you realize that some of the best-known personalities in town are late-night TV weather announcers.

Even worse is the auto industry, which has produced a meager handful of household words, mainly Chairman Lee and the guy who fired him.

Even in his heyday, Roger Smith could ride three floors on an escalator with nary a turned head, and if you tried dropping his name, the usual response was something like "Smith? Which Smith? The Smith at General Motors?"

"LIKE I SAID, Which Smith?"

All of this somehow figures in an industry that asks its top executives out to a fancy affair about twice a year, and half of them end up asking their wives which pocket of the tux you're supposed to put the plastic penholder in.

This is about to change, however. This year's auto show is going to be the subject of a special "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous," the TV show narrated by old Robin what's-his-name, who normally does the Cannes Film Festival, or maybe a Jamaican beach or two, where when people say things like "Mick is going to marry Jerry" you don't have to explain it isn't Gerald Greenwald.



auto talk
Dan McCosh

ROBIN LEACH is planning to co-host the special, along with J.P. McCarthy and Anita Baker, along with a host of local celebrities.

These include the comedian Sinbad, supermodel Bobbie Brown, and the musical Group En Vogue. (OK, so I ended up having to ask who the heck is Sinbad, Bobbie Brown and En

Vogue — a question that got blank looks from everybody at my table. Maybe these guys are big, but they aren't weather persons).

FILLING UP four days or so of television with the rich and famous of Detroit's auto business is shaping up to be the ultimate test of Mr. Leach's seemingly inexhaustible en-

thusiasm for high living. He seemed in good spirits at a recent lunch where the upcoming special was announced, which I assume means he hasn't taken a hard look at the typical auto executive's lifestyle.

For one thing, even Chairman Lee has a tendency to put in 10-hour days, then go home and eat TV dinners, with a hand of poker now and then to spice things up. And that's one of the real swingers.

FORMER FORD Chairman Philip Caldwell collects antiques, which, dull as it seems, beats out former Ford Chairman Donald Petersen, who collects rocks.

Chrysler's Bob Lutz probably has the most active lifestyle, having re-

cently acquired a license to fly helicopters. But even Lutz once confessed he likes cars better than sex, which isn't the kind of thing that goes over at Cannes.

I seem to remember a time when auto entrepreneurs were a bit more flamboyant, and it was almost mandatory to sponsor a race car team, or an unlimited race boat as an excuse to throw big parties. But times have changed.

THE FACT is that making useful things for a living just doesn't seem to have the panache of most of Mr. Leach's subjects, which mainly are Hollywood types, or they're out East going bankrupt in 10 figures.

Maybe we ought to bring back DeLorean, just for a night.

Owners of small businesses need not give away freebies

If there's a business owner on this planet who hasn't been asked to do something for nothing by a friend or family member, I'd sure like to meet that person.

Realistically, anyone who owns a business and does a half-way decent job of it must eventually face up to the fact that business-related "freebies" will be expected from him sooner or later.

The only problem is that time is money for any business owner and, far too often, friends and relatives are the first to forget that. The good news is that anyone in business for himself can avoid unfriendly feuds by developing tactical strategies to "fend off the free-loaders."

JUST THE other night I was visiting the home of a friend whose mother recently passed away. When my friend's uncle and I were introduced, he immediately began asking me a series of questions about starting his own business.

After several minutes, I realized that our brief encounter could easily turn into a two-hour consultation if I let it.

Instead of worrying about how to extricate myself gracefully from the situation, I responded in a way I knew would leave no harsh feelings. As the following strategies have "worked" for me over the



focus: small business
Mary DiPaolo

years, so they can work for you, too.

BECAUSE THE line between professional and personal service isn't always clear at times, it remains the responsibility of the business owner to define it. And yes, even though it's difficult in certain situations both parties will be better off in the long run.

One strategy you can use to maintain that line includes asking the person involved if he is seeking your service(s) as a friend or as a professional. By doing so, you help set the proper tone for what is being requested.

As an example, a caterer who is asked "as a friend" to bring an entree to an upcoming social function will know immediately what he is in a position to offer — without blowing his personal budget (and relationship) in the process.

NEXT, WHEN giving advice, make clear your position when a

few simple questions begin to lead to several complicated ones. Here, you can say something like "Since we haven't been working together and I don't have all the facts about your situation, I can only offer you a few hypothetical answers."

Last, if the person doing the asking appears to be a good prospective customer or client, offer a business card and have him call for an appointment. This way, any questions you answer from that point on may be more appropriately focused on the specific services you provide, your fees and level of expertise in his area of interest.

In two weeks, we will conclude this series on avoiding feuds with friends and relatives.

Mary DiPaolo is the owner of *Marketrends*, a Farmington Hills based business consulting firm. She is also producer and host of the cable television series, "Chamber Perspectives."

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Sid Mittra is a professor of finance, school of business at Oakland University and owner of Coordinated Financial Planning.



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GREENS MART

Members of the Plymouth branch, Women's National Farm and Garden Association, will hold their annual greens mart 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, and Saturday, Dec. 1, in the lobby of the Mayflower Hotel, downtown Plymouth. The sale will include wreaths, bows, boxwood and holly. A bake sale will be Friday only.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Canton Historical Society's annual Christmas craft sale will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, and Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Canton Historical Museum, Proctor and Canton Center, south of Cherry Hill in Canton. A raffle for a quilt wall hanging will take place. Proceeds will support the society.

The museum will also have a special Christmas exhibit on display Friday, Nov. 30, through Saturday, Dec. 8. Museum hours are 1-3 p.m. Tuesday and 1-4 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 397-0088 or 453-1921.

WESTSIDE II

Westside Singles II will have a dance/party 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, Nov. 30, at Roma's of Livonia, on Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road. The dance/party is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a bar. For more information, call the hot line, 562-3160.

ART WORKSHOPS

Holiday gift-making workshops will be offered 10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Saturdays, Dec. 1, 8 and 15, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council office, 332 S. Main. Workshops are for students 7 and older. Participants will be able to make several gifts. Students may enroll for one or more of the "Gifts From Me" workshops. Registration may be completed in person at the arts council office in Plymouth, by mail or by phone (455-5260). Price is \$15 per session, \$13 for members.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

Plymouth Newcomers Club members will help decorate Kellogg Park, Plymouth City Hall and Pointe Park in Plymouth for the holidays. Interested families (including children) should meet 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at The Gathering in downtown Plymouth to hang garlands, wreaths and red bows made by the club.

HOLIDAY BALL

The Plymouth Symphony League will hold its "Christmas Fantasy" ball Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Mayflower Meeting House in downtown Plymouth. Cocktails will be served 6:30 p.m., with dinner 7:30 p.m. followed by dancing. Price is \$65 per couple, and single tickets are \$32.50. Proceeds from the dinner dance will support the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. Tickets are available at Evola Music Center, 215 W. Ann Ar-

bor Road, across from McDonald's in Plymouth, and at Me and Mr. Jones, 827 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth.

TRI-COUNTY SINGLES

Tri-County Singles will have a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, between Seven Mile and Eight Mile in Livonia. The dance/party is for singles over age 21. Admission price is \$2 for women. For more information, call the hot line, 842-7422.

TRAIL WALK

A monthly trail walk will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor. The walk will be conducted by docents, volunteer guides at the gardens, and will include examination of "Weeds and Wildflowers in Their Final Beauty." Participants should meet at 2 p.m. on the steps of the conservatory. They should wear appropriate clothing and warm, waterproof footwear. The walk will last about 1 1/2 hours. For more information, call 998-7061.

PLAY AUDITIONS

The Plymouth Theatre Guild has scheduled auditions for its upcoming play, "Crimes of the Heart" by Beth Henley. Auditions will begin 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 3-4, at the Water Tower Theatre, on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, between Haggerty and Northville roads in Northville Township. The theater is by the water tower on the campus.

The play has four female roles (ages 24 to 30) and two male roles (ages 26 and 30). All characters but one are required to speak with a Southern accent. Help is also needed behind the scenes, and performances are set for Friday and Saturday, Feb. 1-2, 8-9 and 15-16. For more information, call 453-8306.

50-UP CLUB

The St. John Neumann Seniors/50-Up Club's annual Christmas party will be 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4. For more information, call 495-1307 or 459-4091.

MEADOW BROOK

A visit to Meadow Brook Hall is planned for Wednesday, Dec. 5. The bus trip is sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council, in cooperation with the Livonia Community Education Services and Livonia Public Schools. Participants will visit the home of Matilda Dodge Wilson on the campus of Oakland University. The bus will leave 5:30 p.m. from the Bentley Center, Five Mile and Hubbard in Livonia, and will return 10 p.m. Price is \$11. For reservations or more information, call the PCAC office, 455-5260. Those who attend should bring a sack lunch.

CANTON NEWCOMERS

The Canton Newcomers will meet 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5, at the Sunflower Clubhouse, 45956 Gainsborough, Canton. The general meeting will include a potluck dinner and ornament exchange. For more information, call 397-2687.

OPEN HOUSE

The Plymouth Newcomers Club will hold its annual open house 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6. The event is for members and prospective members. Refreshments will be served. The club is for residents of Plymouth or Plymouth Township who have lived in the community two years or less. Those who would like to attend should call 459-8046 or 459-7943. Gifts from members will be collected at the open house to be given to the Plymouth Opportunity House.

TRAVEL CLUB

The Western Wayne County Chapter of Senior Tour Clubs of America

will meet 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, at the Canton Public Library, 1290 S. Canton Center. The club is for those age "39 and holding" who enjoy traveling. The evening will include a review of future trips. Refreshments will be served, and there will be a drawing for door prizes. A social time is planned.

Club members have planned a Friday, Dec. 14, trip to The Palace of Auburn Hills to hear contemporary Christian music performed by the Young Messiah Tour. A 200-voice choir and 40-piece orchestra will perform a modern version of Handel's Messiah. Sandy Patti, Larnell Harris, Sheila Walsh and the Imper-

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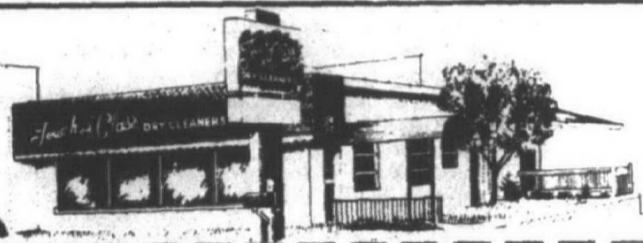


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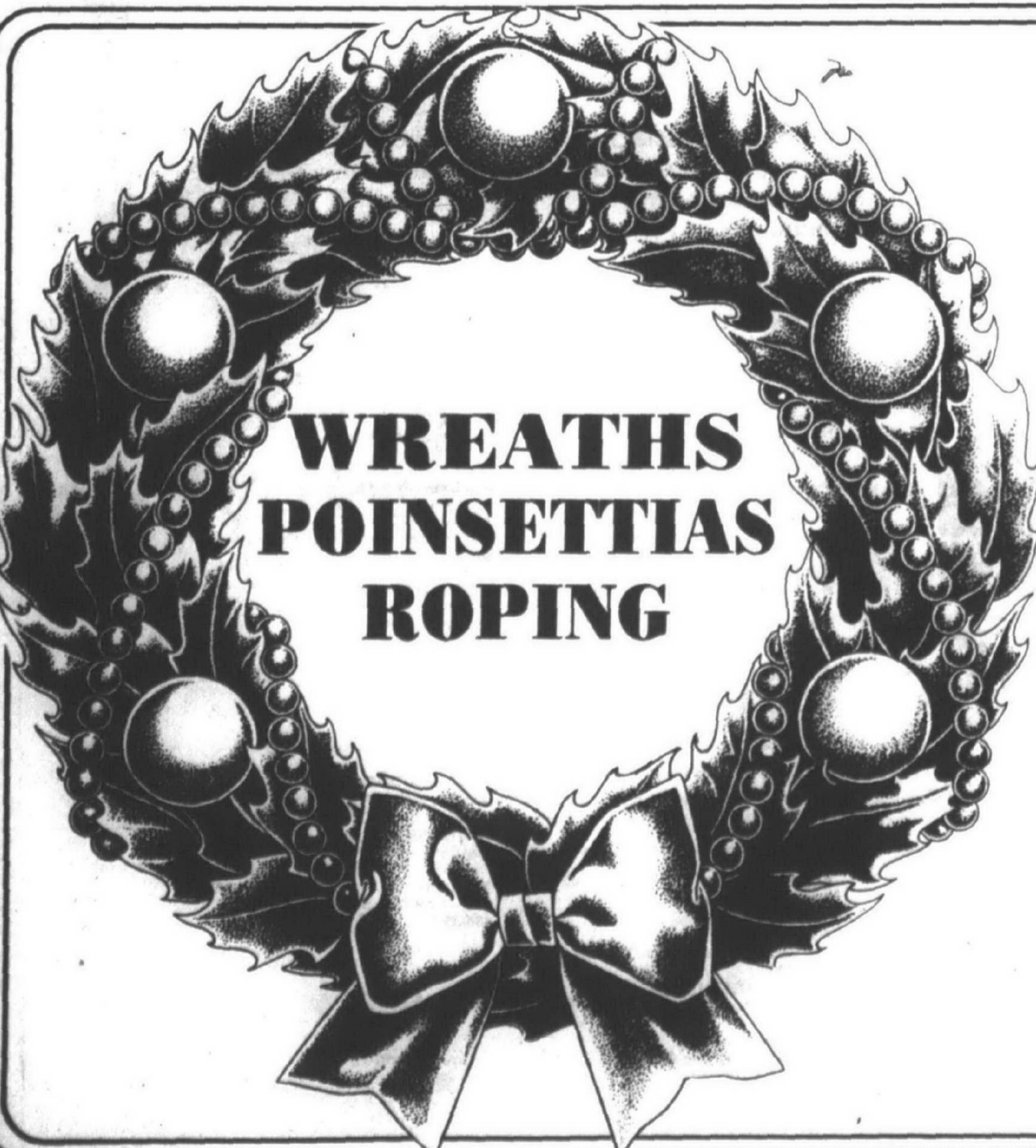
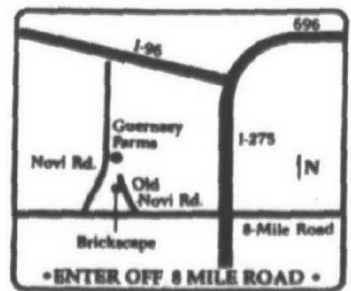
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Categories are: news, sports, features, editorials, columns and photography. First, second and third place certificates will be awarded in each category and all first place winners will be entered in the National Federation of Press Women contest.

Rules and entry blanks are being mailed to all Michigan newspapers and high schools. Michigan contest entries must include a completed entry blank and must be postmarked by Jan. 18, 1991.

Michigan Press Women will honor winners at a Youth Awards Luncheon in Kalamazoo on Feb. 23. MPW also will assist any student winning first place in the national competition to attend the national awards luncheon at DisneyWorld, Orlando, Fla. in June.

For more information, contact Naida A. Ayadi, director, MPW High School Journalism contest, 1105 Eastfield, Lansing, MI 48917. Phone: 517/323-3111.

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"Madonna Magazine," a nationally distributed talk show produced by Madonna college television classes, will welcome management motivation expert Marilyn Semonick for a show to be taped at noon Saturday, Dec. 1.

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Audience tickets are free but must be reserved in advance by calling the college at 591-5119.

Madonna is at I-96 and Levan, Livonia.



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als will perform. Price is \$39, including dinner and transportation. For more information, call Len Bloch, 459-5508.

● PLYMOUTH AAUW

The Plymouth branch, American Association of University Women, will meet 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial. Shirley Swancutt of Greenfield Village will discuss Christmas lore and legends. The public may attend the monthly meeting. For more information, call 453-8998.

● ATTENTION DEFICIT

The Attention Deficit Disorder Association will meet 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, on Five Mile just east of Farmington Road. Speaker Paul Jacobs will give an overview on the diagnosis, treatment and management of the disorder. Donation is \$5 for non-members. Registration will start 7 p.m. For more information, call 454-8233.

● WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club of Plymouth will meet 12:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 W. Church. The Christmas music program will include a performance by the Madrigal Singers and the Chamber Singers from Centennial Educational Park. Those attending should plan to bring scarves and mittens for the "Mitten Tree" project and canned goods for the club's Christmas baskets.

● HOLIDAY LUMINARIES

Holiday luminaries are being sold at Kroger's, on Ann Arbor Road at Sheldon in Plymouth. They will be sold 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, Dec. 8, 15 and 22, at the supermarket. Luminaries will also be sold 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, Dec. 8 and 15, at Me and Mr. Jones in downtown Plymouth.

Each \$2.50 kit contains 10 candles and 10 bags. They are sold as a fundraising project for the Trailwood Garden Club and the Plymouth Sym-

phony League. Displaying the glowing bags is a Christmas Eve tradition.

● CHILDBIRTH CLASSES

The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association has classes starting Saturday, Dec. 8, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia, and Wednesday, Dec. 12, at the Garden City Hospital Health Education Center, 6701 Harrison. Other classes are also available. For more information, call 459-7477.

● YOUTH PHILHARMONIC

The Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan will perform 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at the Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, Livonia. Donation is \$4 for adults, \$2 for students. Tickets will be available at the door and are available in advance from members at reduced prices. For more information, call 453-8887.

● US SINGLETONS

The US Singletons will have a Christmas dinner social 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at New Hawthorne Valley, on Merriman in Westland. The group is for singles age 45 and older. For more information, write to the group at P.O. Box 2175, Fort Dearborn Station, Dearborn 48123.

● GEER SCHOOL PARTY

A Victorian Christmas party, sponsored by the Geer School Preservation Society, will be 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main. The party will include guided tours of the museum, featuring the exhibit of Santa Claus from the collection of Weldon Petz. Proceeds will be used for restoration of Geer School. Dead-

line to make reservations is Tuesday, Dec. 4. Honorary patron ticket price (individual or couple) is \$25. Checks should be made payable to the Educational Excellence Foundation-Geer School and sent to Carol Davis, 9872 Hillcrest, Plymouth 48170.

● POINSETTIA SALE

Local nursing homes will participate in the "Poinsettias for Progress" sale, with proceeds going to the Metro Detroit Branch-Arthritis Foundation. Poinsettias will be sold Wednesday-Thursday, Dec. 12-13, at Plymouth Court, 195 Haggerty. Prices will be \$6 to \$25, and red, white and pink plants will be available. Money raised will be used for research, development and client services. For more information, call 350-3030.

● YULE PARTY

The Canton Historical Society's annual Christmas party and sing-along will be 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, at the Canton Historical Museum, Proctor and Canton Center, south of Cherry Hill in Canton. There will also be a special recitation of Christmas poems by Helen Garber. The public may attend. For more information, call 397-0088 or 453-1921. This will be the December meeting of the Canton Historical Society.

● VOYAGERS SINGLES

Voyagers Singles will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. The group is for those age 45 and older. Carolyn Arlen of Carolyn's Creations in Northville will conduct a Christmas "Candles and Cones" class. Participants should bring wire cutters and scissors. The instructor will supply ma-

terials. Price is \$15 per person, and reservations should be made by Saturday, Dec. 1. For reservations or more information, call 591-1350.

● CIVITAN CLUB

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club is a community service organization for men and women. It meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month for a business meeting at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce office. The club meets at 8:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Italian Cucina, 39500 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township, for a dinner meeting and program. For more information, call 981-2411 or 981-7259.

● MORNING PLAY GROUPS

The Canton Newcomers Club sponsors morning play groups. Groups meet 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday and Friday. For more information, call 981-9197.

● DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

A group for advanced Dungeons and Dragons players meets Friday nights in Plymouth. The group is for adult players. For more information, call 454-0134.

● JAYCEES

The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees meet 8 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. The non-profit organization is dedicated to community service and individual development. For more information, call Cam Miller, 453-1915, or Ronnita Kreiling, 455-8676.

● TOASTMASTERS

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● BOWLING LEAGUE

The Mixed Singles Bowling League is a group for singles age 30 and older. Substitutes and regulars are needed. League members bowl 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Merri-Bowl Lanes, Five Mile and Merriman, Livonia. For more information, call 591-1350.

● LAMAZE EDUCATION

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GREGORY WILLIAMS, Secretary
Planning Commission

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Different dialects Actress does a variety of them

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

IN "A SHAYNA MAIDEL" for the Olney Theatre, Kathy Danzer played Luisa, who spoke "three different ways — heavily accented Yiddish-Polish, then Yiddish and straight English.

"It was about European and family survivors," said Danzer.

In "Beau Jest," the refreshing comedy at the Birmingham Theatre, she plays a Jewish girl living in Chicago, and in one scene, at a Seder dinner in her apartment, "I speak Hebrew, for the blessings."

"I've learned dialects before," she said, "Mississippi dialects for 'Crimes of the Heart' and 'Biloxi Blues.' For this one ('Beau Jest'), we decided to go with a Chicago sound, which is 'flat' — and that's not a judgment."

The slim, attractive, dark-haired actress spoke enthusiastically about her role in the current production, which runs through Sunday, Dec. 16, at the Birmingham Theatre. The comedy by James Sherman has been optioned for another production, a New York one, early next year.

"WE'VE HAD SO much fun working on this play," Danzer said. Giving some background on the show, she mentioned, "The first production had a long run at the Victory Gardens Theatre in Chicago. I believe

this is the second production."

Sherman, who wrote "Beau Jest," is playwright-in-residence at the Victory Gardens and is on the faculty of the Second City Training Center, where he worked as a writer and performer for three years.

In "Beau Jest," the character Sarah, played by Danzer, "wants to have a boyfriend her family will approve of," she said. "She makes up a guy — David Steinberg, a doctor — and hires someone to pretend to be him. She requests someone Jewish."

As it turns out, the escort service sends Bob, who isn't Jewish but he is an actor who has appeared in "Fiddler on the Roof," which comes in handy when he participates in the Seder dinner.

Allen Fitzpatrick, who starred in New York's revival of "The Rothschilds," is Bob. The hilarious and expert cast also includes Michael Cooke as Chris, her real boyfriend; Judith Granite as Miriam, her mother; David S. Howard as Abe, her father, and Bruce Katzman as Joe, her brother.

MOST OF THE roles Danzer has performed have been contemporary ones. "People don't know if I can do the classics," she said, in her Birmingham Theatre dressing room. "I'm afraid it's too late to play Juliet, but I would like to play that lady in the play whose name I can't men-

'For this one ("Beau Jest"), we decided to go with a Chicago sound, which is "flat" — and that's not a judgment.'

— Kathy Danzer

tion (Lady Macbeth in "Macbeth" — a superstition not to mention in the theater).

Danzer has had quite a thing going with the comedy-drama "Crimes of the Heart." She took over the role of Meg in the Broadway production. The part originally was played by Mary Beth Hurt, who was followed by Holly Hunter for two months, then by Danzer for six months in 1983.

After that, she went to ACT in Seattle, where she played in a production of "Crimes of the Heart" as Babe, "the one who shoots her husband."

Danzer then went on the national tour of the Broadway show, playing Meg for a year and a half. Detroit-area audiences saw her as Meg, whom she describes as "the trashy one," at the Power Center. "It was the biggest theater I've ever been in in my life," she said.

Asked which of the two sisters she

preferred playing (she has yet to play the third), Danzer said, "I hate to say I liked Meg best because she's such cheap Christmas trash, but I'm more similar to Meg. I understand what makes her tick."

She enjoyed playing Babe, the older sister, as well. "It was very helpful to me. I knew exactly what Meg, the little sister, needed."

DANZER IS from Montana. The actress started her theatrical career as a child and did 10 years of summer stock before she left the state. She went to the University of Montana, where she received a bachelor of fine arts in acting and directing.

Studying directing was "really helpful" to her as an actress. "A director really needs to look at the whole pie, and as an actor keeps you on track to look at the whole pie." But she declares, "I'm not a director. I rely heavily on Susan (Susan Rosenstock who is director of "Beau Jest")."

Danzer said there is a theater in her home town, where she has directed "Biloxi Blues" and "Voice of the Prairie," a play about the early days of radio, in which she previously appeared.

Now living in Manhattan, Danzer finally has her own apartment after having roommates and sublets for years. Because she has been on the road all year, she hasn't spent too much time in her apartment, however.



JERRY ZOLYNSKY/staff photographer

Kathy Danzer stars in "Beau Jest" at the Birmingham Theatre.

She has been separated for the last year and a half from her husband, Greg Johnson, a director, stage manager and teacher, whom she met when he was assistant director on

the Broadway production of "Crimes of the Heart." Johnson later directed the Birmingham Theatre production of "Crimes of the Heart" with Genie Francis.

Versatile Charles Nolte returns to Meadow Brook

Performances of "A Christmas Carol" open at 8 tonight (Thursday, Nov. 29) at Meadow Brook Theatre. The production runs through Sunday, Dec. 30. For ticket information, call the box office at 377-3300.

By Mary Jane Doerr
special writer

WHAT BRINGS a stage director back to Meadow Brook Theatre year after year for eight years to direct "A Christmas Carol"?

Charles Nolte does have other things going. Dominick Argento's opera "The Voyage of Edgar Allan Poe," for which Nolte wrote the highly acclaimed libretto, premiered a month ago at the Chicago Lyric Opera. His 10 plays have appeared on Broadway, in London and in many of the theaters in Minneapolis where he is a professor in the Department of Theatre Arts at the University of Minnesota and artistic director of the university's five theaters.

At Meadow Brook on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills, he has directed some 40 productions since his first one "The Andersonville Trial," in 1971. In the cast of that production was Booth Colman, who stars as Scrooge in Meadow Brook's "Christmas Carol."

Nolte's play "A Summer Remembered" had its premiere at Meadow Brook. Later this year, Nolte will direct "Inherit the Wind."



Charles Nolte directs 'A Christmas Carol'

"THIS PLAY IS a bloody good Christmas story. Besides, it is my Christmas and I love it," Nolte said between rehearsals with the cast's 30 young and old performers. It only takes 2½ weeks to mount "A Christmas Carol" since so many of the actors and actresses return each year.

"Mostly what the stage direction involves now is bringing the new ones up to the standard of the oth-

ers," he said. "It is a brilliant theatrical piece, nothing high tech like 'Phantom.'"

There are a number of versions of "A Christmas Carol" but Nolte prefers the traditional, straightforward one that is true to the original. It is his innovation to have a chorus of eight sing Christmas carols in the lobby before the show and then as part of the show.

"Some directors try to inflict their own egos onto their productions. They feel they are modernizing it and making it relevant to today's audiences. What is the point in taking the story from, say, Marley's point of view or making Scrooge into a cartoon character?" Nolte queried.

This show is Meadow Brook's biggest success, with its 5½ week run 95 percent sold out. The set built nine years ago even had to be replaced with a new one last year. Strangely, the theatrical tradition of mounting "A Christmas Carol" is American and is not done in England.

"THE SHOW IS saturated with the Christmas spirit," Nolte said.

'This play is a bloody good Christmas story. Besides, it is my Christmas and I love it.'

— Charles Nolte

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"The Voyage of Edgar Allan Poe" is quite a different story, centering on Poe's memories and delusions.

Fourteen years ago, the University of Minnesota asked Nolte's colleague, Pulitzer-Prize-winning Argento to compose an opera for the 1976 celebration. Argento saw similarities between Nolte's play "A Night at the Black Pig" and what he wanted in the "Poe."

"Of everything I do — teach, di-

rect, act — writing is my favorite," said the 64-year-old Nolte, who is working on a new opera libretto with a New York composer, Benjamin Lees, about Mexican leader Maximilian.

Born in Duluth, Nolte is a graduate of Yale. He met Terence Kilburn in the 1950s when he was starring in "The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial" on Broadway and Kilburn was in "Teahouse of the August Moon." His enormous list of credits makes his accomplishments as a writer, actor, director look as if success has come easily.

"Everything is hard in the theater. Nothing comes easily," Nolte said.

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● CASTING CALL

Plymouth Theatre Guild will hold

auditions for the comedy-drama "Crimes of the Heart" by Beth Henley at 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 3-4, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital. Cast consists of four females and two males, ages 24-30. Anyone interested in auditioning or helping out behind the scenes should call 453-8306 for more information.

● IN PLAY

Michelle Lytle, a junior at Madonna College in Livonia, who is from Columbus, Ohio, stars as Sarah, a student at a school for the deaf, in "Children of a Lesser God," at 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 5-8, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Adray Auditorium of the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center in Dearborn. The production is presented by the Performing Arts Department of Henry Ford Community College. George Popovich, the

director, worked with Plymouth resident Kim Willett, a sign language instructor who holds a bachelor's degree in sign language from Madonna College. Tickets are \$6 general admission, \$5 for HFCC staff and students and \$4 for senior adults. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

● OPEN AUDITIONS

Pontiac Theatre IV announces open auditions for the musical "Anne of Green Gables" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, for juveniles only (ages 8-20); 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, for adults only (ages 21-plus), and 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, for all age groups, adults and juveniles. Auditions will be held in the Lower Level of the Pontiac Public Library. For more information call 338-2903 or leave a message at the Pontiac Theatre IV office at 335-4277.

● MATINEE ADDED

Nearly all tickets are sold for every Detroit Repertory Theatre performance through Monday, Dec. 31.

for "Cotton Patch Gospel," musical play by Harry Chapin, which tells the story of Jesus in a contemporary setting. A matinee has been added at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8. The show runs Thursday-Sunday until New Year's Eve. Tickets at \$10 are available at the box office or all Ticketmaster outlets. For reservations for the added date or for the New Year's Eve performance call 868-1347. Tickets for New Year's Eve are \$35 and include champagne, hors d'oeuvres, performance cabaret style, buffet supper and celebration.

● JAZZ SOUNDS

Earth Network has announced the complete lineup for the third annual Jazz for Greenpeace Benefit beginning at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, and continuing till 4 a.m. at Alvin's in Detroit. The 10-hour benefit features nearly 40 of Michigan's top jazz musicians. Headliners include pianist Kenn Cox's Guerilla Jam Band; the Joe LoDuca Group; All Star Congregations from Flint and Detroit; Ann Arbor's Bird of Paradise Orchestra; Hot Club; a specially assembled group featuring some of the city's youngest new players; and, serving as house band and anchor for the concluding jam session, the Darryl Duncan Quartet. Admission is \$10; children 12 and under are admitted free.

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Kurt Fretwell appears in "The Prince, the Wolf and the Firebird."

● FILM, TALK

The Association for the Advancement of Psychoanalysis presents "My Life As a Dog," a film by Lasse Hallstrom, followed by paper presentation and discussion with Dr. Howard Lerner of Ann Arbor, at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Beaumont Hospital Auditorium in Royal Oak. Admission is \$5 at the door or in advance at the Michigan Psychoanalytic Society (557-8633). An afterglow of coffee and pastry will follow the viewing and discussion.

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Feast at the annual Christmas Madrigal Dinners on Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 6-8, at the college in Livonia. Tickets at \$25 per person may be ordered by sending a check or money order and self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Madrigal Dinner, Schoolcraft College, 19600 Haggerty Road, Livonia 48152-2696. Orders should specify first and second choice of night you wish to attend. Tables seat eight persons. For more information call the Office of Special Events at 462-4452.

Feast, song

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra presents a holiday evening of feasting and song in the manner of "Merrie Olde England" at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, in the Residence Dining Hall at Madonna College in Livonia. Revelers may dress in costume if they wish, for this eighth annual Wassail dinner. Tickets at \$30 per person, with tables of six or 10 at a discount. For more information call 591-5044.

DIA Wassail

Another evening, Thursday, Dec. 13, has been added to the week-long schedule of the Detroit Institute of Arts Wassail Feast. The black-tie benefit evening recreates the hospitality of the Renaissance winter court of Elizabeth I of England.

Tasting event

"The Taste of Royal Oak" will be held from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, in the atrium of Oakland Community College on the Royal Oak Campus. Twenty-four Royal Oak chefs are serving specialties from their restaurants. Tickets at \$10 for adults and \$4 for children may be ordered from the Oxford Inn, 543-57619; Les Auteurs, 544-2887; Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce, 547-4000, or OCC, 544-4903. Tickets at the door are \$12 for adults and \$5 for children.

Madrigal dinner

The Schoolcraft College Music Department and Gourmet Club will recreate a 16th century English

Cockroach, cat are charming

Performances of "Archy and Mehitabel" continue through Saturday, Dec. 8, at the Theatre Guild in Redford. For ticket information call 538-5678.

Billed as a back-alley opera but in fact a jazzy musical, the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford's "Archy and Mehitabel" is delightfully different and charming from beginning to end.

This offbeat little musical recounts about the most fanciful love story imaginable — the whimsical tale of a cockroach (Archy) and his unrequited passion for a sexy alley cat (Mehitabel) on the steamy side of the big city in Shinbone Alley.

There is the barest of plots. And it requires a few moments to get into the spirit of things and accept humans cavorting about as insects and cats.

Once the show is underway, Michael J. Phillips (Archy) and Sandy

Martin (Mehitabel) create two fascinating characters. Neither is blessed with rich, full voices. It matters little, however.

Phillips as a post-philosopher soars to dreamy heights writing free verse and sinks to a forlorn little cockroach when his attempts to change the ways of the amoral alley cat fail.

MARTIN'S MEHITABEL is the epitome of a feline who can't say no. She purrs. She sneaks about. She falls for every line. And in the big city that means trouble.

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Tyrone T. Tattersall, acting coach and seducer of stray cats, tells her to hit the street after she fails to understand the "inner rhythm" of Shake-



Bob Weibel

peare. Don Piper is a howl and in fine voice as the frustrated maestro. John Sartor gives a nice reading as the Newspaperman/Narrator. Perhaps a more Runyonesque quality, however, would give the role an added dimension.

Debi Brown dances beguilingly as the Lightning Bug. And Susan Gorski, Patricia Jones, Maxine Parshall and Dennis Remer brighten the stage as Mehitabel's cohorts. Music is first-rate, with conductor

Lee George at the keyboards and synthesizer, together with percussionist Dave Powers.

Kudos to Charles VanHoose, making his directional debut, for making this little musical a grand evening of theater.

Bob Weibel of Westland is a freelance writer who has spent more than 25 years in community theater as a director, designer and performer.

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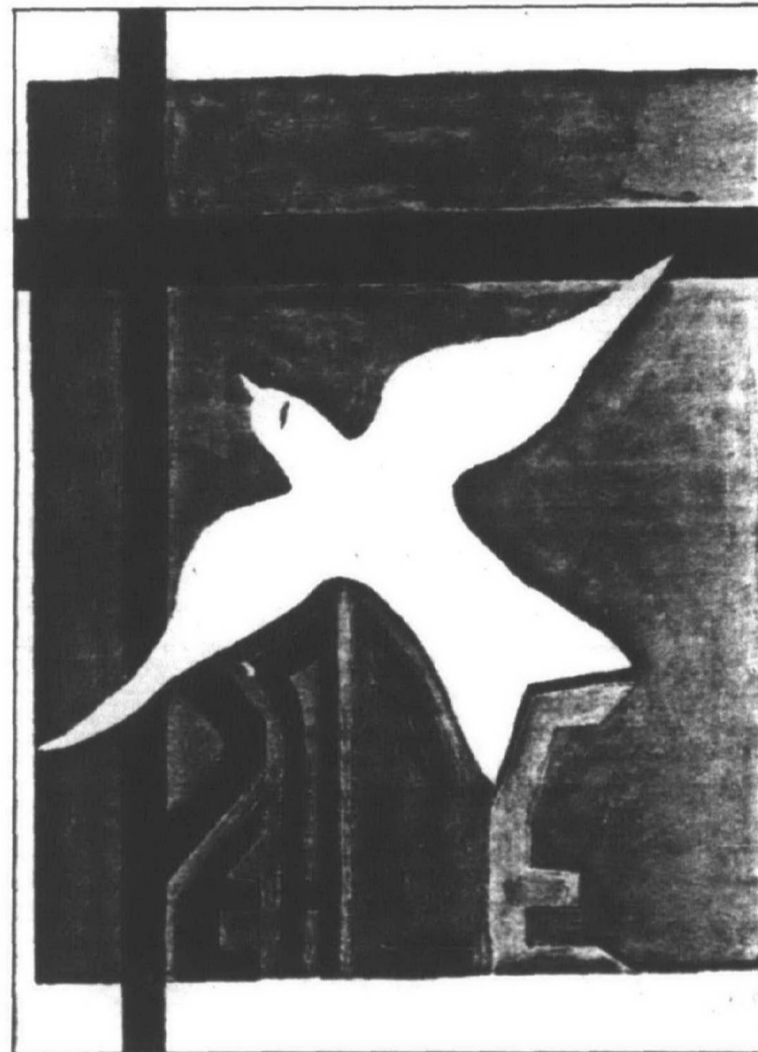
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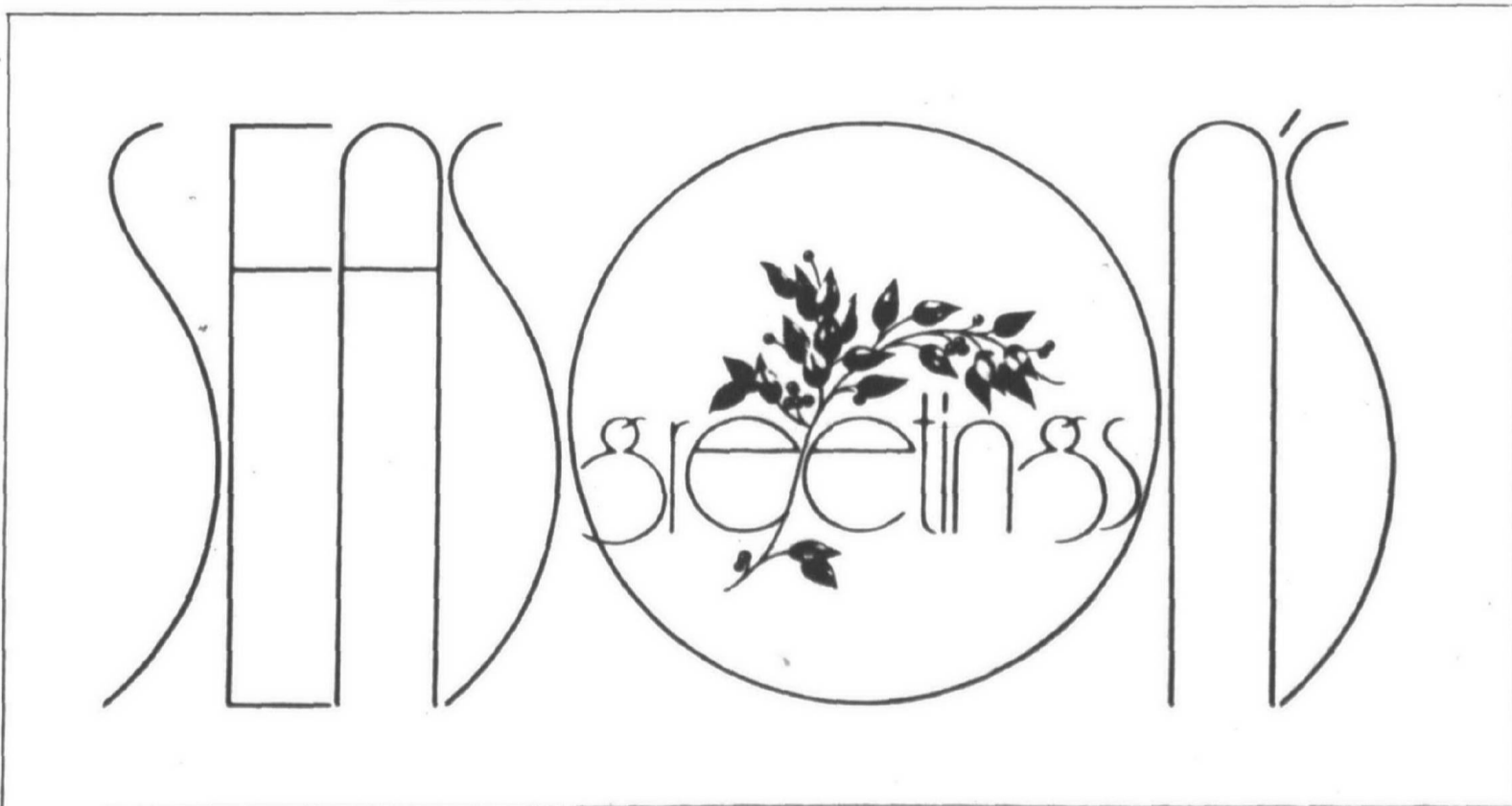
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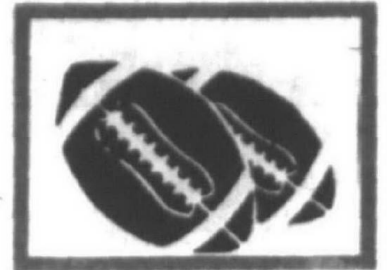
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"I was able to watch, but I sat on the bench," she said. "I'm playing in this one and it means a lot to me."

Ruete, now a senior co-captain, and the Rocks are among the Final Four again after trouncing previously undefeated Niles 51-38 in a quarterfinal game Wednesday at Jackson Lumen Christi High School.

It marks the first time since 1987 and third time in five years that Salem (22-3) has advanced to the semifinals. The Rocks are still looking for their first state title, however.

"As a senior, it's fantastic," said Ruete, who was a postseason addition to the varsity three years ago.

"As a freshman, I sort of achieved (the goal of being in the semis), but I wasn't with them through it all to help get them there. I've been a part of all the action this year, and I'll be ready to play my heart out."

THE ROCKS, who lost to Detroit Cass Tech in 1987, will play another Public School League team. This time it will be powerful Detroit Martin Luther King, led by Markita Aldridge, who was named Miss Basketball this week.

The semifinal game will be at 8 p.m. Friday in the Battle Creek Central High School gym, the winner going to the final at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Kellogg Center in Battle Creek.

"King is a great team, Markita Aldridge is a great player and we'll have to play a great game to be in the hunt for that victory," Salem coach Fred Thomann said. "We're going to suit it up and give it a go as best we can."

"We're really going to have to play as a team," Salem senior Betsy McAllister said. "We're just going to have to play incredible team defense."

The Rocks did both of those again

Wednesday and looked quite impressive themselves in disposing of Niles (25-1).

The Vikings were totally frustrated by Salem's zone defense, which was largely responsible for forcing Niles into 22 turnovers.

"The key to the game is that we forced them a little farther away than they wanted to shoot, and we didn't give them many second shots," Thomann said.

THAT'S FOR SURE. The Rocks seemed to get all of those as they dominated the boards and got the majority of the rebounds.

That is reflected in the number of shots attempted by each team. Salem took 76 shots and gave up just 40 to the Vikings.

"Every offensive rebound was theirs," Niles coach Jim Arnold said. "We weren't strong enough to block out and rebound with them."

"(Forty shots is) a tribute to their zone. We tried to overload and get the shot from the off wing, but we were very reluctant to shoot the ball. We just couldn't get an offensive rhythm we were comfortable with."

The score might have been more one-sided and the Rocks have taken command of the game sooner if they had shot better in the first half.

The Rocks were 10 of 39 in the first half and shot only 27 percent (21 of 76) for the game. Many of the misses occurred on the same possession as putbacks refused to go down.

"I was more disappointed than nervous," Thomann said. "We did a great job executing and worked so hard to get those shots."

SALEM ALSO was going toward the basket at the open end of the cavernous gym in the first half.

"Sometimes you don't finish as well without that depth perception," Thomann said. "We got great shots and put a lot of pressure on them, knowing we could get those shots. And we knew if we kept getting those shots, we were going to make some."

The Rocks did, too. Junior center Darice Miller and sophomore forward Yolanda Jackson scored 13 points apiece as Salem's inside players dominated. McAllister added nine points and Ruete eight.

"We kept shooting the ball and making great passes into the post," McAllister said. "If the shots had fallen in the first half, I don't think it would have been as close."

Allison Arnold, a 5-foot-2 guard, had 13 points (including three second-half triples) to lead Niles. But the Rocks held leading scorer Timothea Clemmer to one field goal and six points before she left the game with a twisted ankle in last quarter.

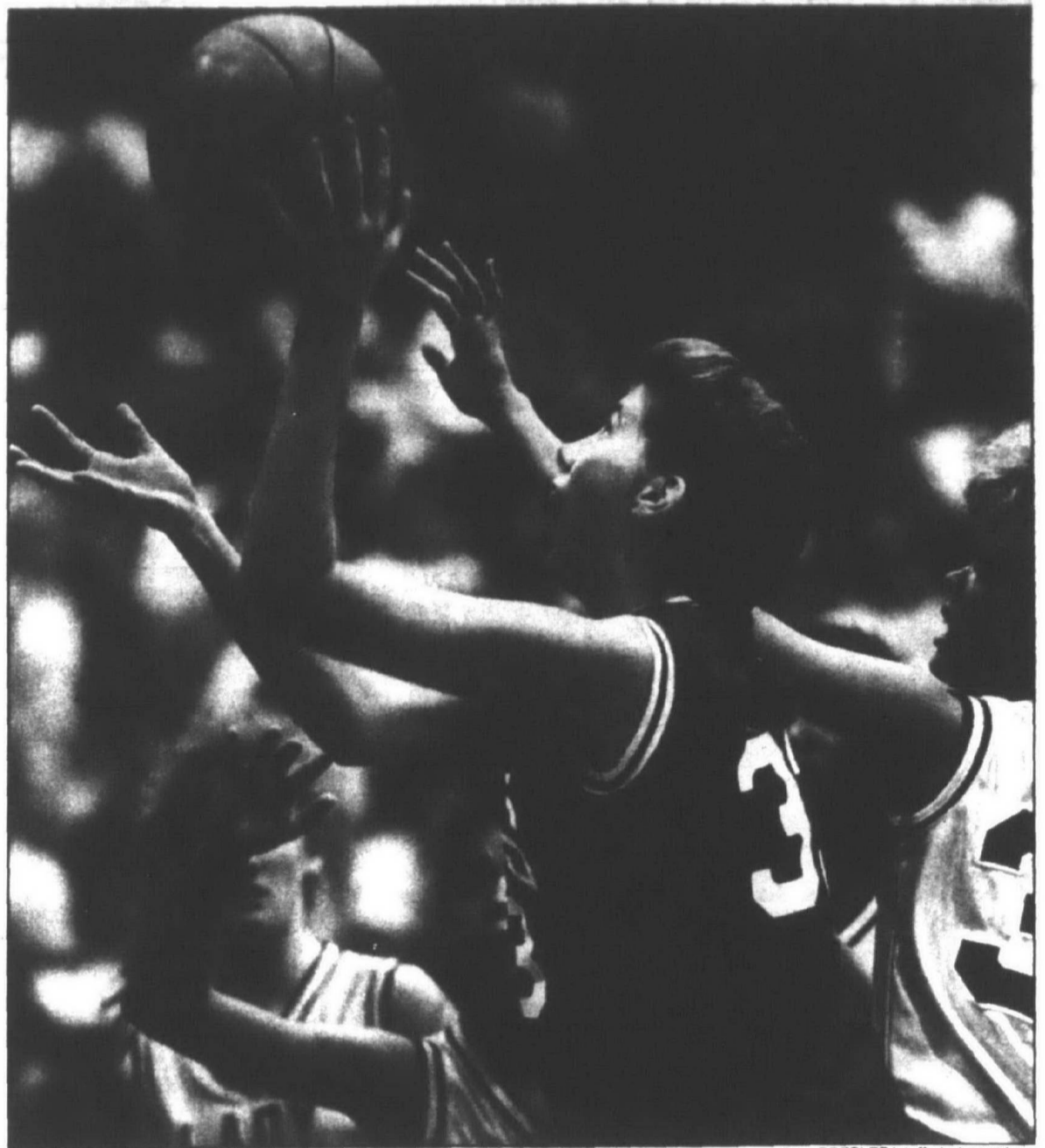
Emily Giuliani broke a 15-15 tie in the second period, and the Rocks were in front to stay. Salem extended a 22-17 halftime lead to 28-19 on three straight baskets by Miller.

After the Vikings got within 28-24, Salem, taking advantage of eight Niles turnovers in the third quarter, created a 37-24 gap on consecutive points by McAllister, Jackson (3), Giuliani and Miller. Niles had only seven shots in that quarter, due in part to its turnovers.

THE ROCKS got their lead to 43-29 early in the fourth quarter, and it was downhill from there. Salem made five turnovers in the first period but only four more until the game was decided. Niles shot 30 percent (12-40) overall.

"We're a good basketball team and, I'm not surprised at the final score," Thomann said. "I thought, if we played our game, we could win the game."

"We played a heckuva game," Ruete said. "The stands were rocking and rolling, and that pumped us up that much more."



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Darice Miller goes to the basket for two of her 13 points Wednesday in Salem's quarterfinal victory over Niles, 51-38. The Rocks gave Niles its first loss and will play Detroit Martin Luther King in the semifinals Friday.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Sarah Ruete tries to protect the basketball despite a reaching attempt by Allison Arnold of Niles. Ruete will be in the semifinals with a Salem team for the second time in her career Friday.

CC did what it does best

IT WAS MIGUEL DE CERVANTES who said, "Can we ever have too much of a good thing?"

Redford Catholic Central High football coach Tom Mach may have repeatedly asked himself that question while waiting outside the bus after his team suffered their second loss in five games, an 8-0 defeat at the hands of Detroit DePorres.

It was pretty dark that night (Sept. 29) at Livonia Clarenceville High (CC's home field) as Mach stood outside the bus, trying to figure out what had gone wrong.

The team that was ranked No. 1 in the state by the Detroit News and No. 2 by the Detroit Free Press was suddenly out of the state playoff picture.

Despite a 15-year career record of 115-31-1 and five playoff appearances (including four state title games), Mach has annually been accused by some CC fans of being too stuffy offensively and too predictable with his play-calling.

WITH A SLEW of talented skill players returning for the 1990 sea-



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son, Mach tinkered with an offense foreign to even himself. He was fighting the demons within him.

In that loss to DePorres, quarterback Jason Carr threw the ball 27 times, but completed only nine for 68 yards. Faced with several third-and-long type situations, Carr found himself in "A Peck of Troubles," besieged by a swarm of blitzing DePorres tacklers.

"The loss to DePorres turned our season around, it made us re-evaluate things," said the CC coach. "We went back to basic football, less wide-open. It was time to get back to smash-mouth football, the physical brand we like to play."

The rest is history, Mach found his comfort zone and so did his players.

CC went on the next week to smash rival Birmingham Brother

Rice in the Boys Bowl, 32-0, followed by three more regular season wins, including 31-0 demolishing of DePorres in the Catholic League finals at the Silverdome.

(Ironically, Rice won the Class A title on Friday and DePorres the state Class CC title on Saturday.)

After sneaking into the playoffs, CC man-handled three more foes — Ypsilanti (17-6), Plymouth Canton (35-22) and Saginaw (21-0).

And on Saturday, back in the Silverdome for the AA championship, the Shamrocks put it all together, winning their rematch with Detroit King, the only other team to defeat them this season, 21-0.

"**WE KNEW VERY** little about both teams (King and DePorres) when we played them the first time," Mach said. "This time we were controlling the ball instead of throwing it."

The Shamrocks, despite the two regular season losses, erased any doubts about them belonging in the playoffs. And if you check back on

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Area players win tennis titles

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer



Franklin Fitness and Racquet Club tennis pro Armand Molino is flanked by two of his proteges, Seth Hoffman and Kori Davidson, both of whom won national titles.

Southern Oakland County is the amateur tennis capital of the country this week.

Kori Davidson of Farmington Hills and Seth Hoffman of West Bloomfield, both of whom are coached by Armand Molino, won their first national titles in under-16 tournaments just a day apart.

Hoffman defeated Jim Thomas (6-2, 6-7, 6-2) to win the boys final Sunday afternoon in Boston, and Davidson whipped Anne Miller (6-3, 6-1) Monday morning in the girls final at Franklin Fitness and Racquet Club in Southfield.

"I got in on the plane at 10:15 and raced over to Franklin," said Hoffman, a sophomore at North Farmington High School. "She smiled when she saw me, because it's the first time we've won singles titles."

"I wasn't surprised (that Kori won) but happy. I think it's great both of us won at the same time."

Davidson, a senior at Harrison High School, had been a runner-up in three previous national tournaments, was third once and fifth twice.

"IF I WAS going to win it anywhere, I wanted to win it here," Davidson said. "My coach when I was little (Bob DeSpiri) and my current coach (Molino) were there, and all my friends and family came to watch. It was awesome to win."

"I've been talking on the phone to all my friends. They wonder 'Why aren't you jumping up and down.' I don't think it's really hit me yet."

Actually, this is Davidson's third title in less than two months. In October, she repeated as Western Lakes Activities Association and Class B state champion.

"No offense to high school tennis, but this is much bigger," she said. "It's national; it's everyone from the U.S."

Davidson, who turned 17 this month, was able to compete in the under-16 tournament because her birthday came after the deadline.

"The only chance I had left to do it was this time," she said. "This summer I won't be playing in any amateur tournaments. I'll be going to college, and I want to spend time with my family and friends. And I might try a couple pro tournaments."

BEFORE DISPOSING of Midland's Miller in the final, Davidson met Tiffany Gates of Grandville, the two-time Class A champion in high

school tennis, in the semifinals. Davidson coasted 6-0, 6-2 to settle the issue of who is best in that regard.

"I was playing 18s in one tournament, and her mother said she was mad because I wasn't playing 16s and (Tiffany) wanted a shot at me," Davidson said. "I guess she got her shot."

"That kinda made me mad, because I thought she was rude to say that. I was playing 18s all year because I was going to college, and that was the only way I could meet and get to know coaches."

Davidson had probably her toughest match in the quarterfinals, defeating Jane Chi of Idaho 6-4, 6-2.

"All the games went to deuce, and it was really nerve-wracking," she said. "And last year I lost in the quarters and just wanted to get past that round."

Nonetheless, Davidson dominated the opposition just as she did her high school opponents. She didn't lose a set in two years playing for

and losing (4-6, 7-5, 5-7) in March at the Western Indoor Championships in Monroe.

Sunday's final was another hard-fought contest.

"I was up 5-2 (in the second set) and doped off for a couple games," Hoffman said. "He came back and started serving well. That's a big part of his game, because he's pretty big. He's about 6-5."

"I stood back more on his first serve, and I pressured him more on his second. I tried to make him not hit the first serve so hard, so he'd have to try and get the first one in."

"If he got his confidence going, he could be tough. That's what happened in the second set. I think one was a hundred miles per hour."

HOFFMAN WAS playing in his second national final, having taken runner-up honors last year in the under-14 indoor tournament in Chicago.

"Before I set my sights on getting only so far in a tournament, not winning. I focused on doing well and making the quarters. My goal this time was to take it match by match, and things started to fall into place."

Hoffman thought his third-round match with unseeded Scott Moore of Canada was a key match. Hoffman won 6-1, 6-4, but Moore's game was similar to that of Thomas.

"He was like a no-name who became a force to be reckoned with after he beat the No. 4 seed," Hoffman said. "I expected a super hard match. He warmed me up for Thomas, because he had a strong serve and forehand. I used the same strategy I did against Thomas."

Hoffman then defeated Mashika Washington of Swartz Creek, 6-3, 6-4; Jason Appel of Florida in the quarterfinals, 2-6, 6-0, 6-3; and Jean Paul Vissepo of Puerto Rico in the semifinals, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Hoffman's resolve was tested in the quarters and semis when he had to come back from opening-set defeats.

"I don't think (Appel) missed a shot in the first set," he said. "I realized there was nothing I could do about that and just had to calm down. I think I stunned him by winning the second set 6-0."

Harrison, and that was the case last weekend, too.

"I DON'T WANT to sound immodest, but I played awesome in this tournament," she said. "I'm still in shock. My forehand: I finally could hit 10 straight. Usually, I hit two in a row and the next one will fly."

"I've been training so hard, and I was so confident. Nothing was bothering my game at all."

Hoffman, a Class A semifinalist last month, played Thomas of Canton, Ohio, twice previously, winning (6-2, 6-2) in January at the Franklin Junior Championships in Southfield

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LIGHTNING STRIKES

The Plymouth Lightning under-19 girls soccer team won the Jerry Reed Invitational in Franklin, Tenn., last weekend.

In the finals the Lightning defeated a team from Carmel, Ind., in a shootout.

Contributing to a fine defensive effort were Danielle Meyka, Gwen Gibbish, Kathy Bahr and Lisa Ferguson. Mackenzie Emmett was the winning goaltender.

Other members of the Lightning team include Shelby Carey, Mandy Drummond, Jenny Emmett, Kris Goff, Leah Hutko, Julie Thomas, Amy Tortora and Amy Werthman.

COLLEGE HOCKEY

Sophomore J.P. LaRoche of Canton, a member of the Western Michigan University hockey team, scored his second goal of the season in a sweep of Ohio State last weekend.

The Broncos beat OSU 4-2 and 3-1 to climb into fourth place in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association with a 4-4-2 league mark. They are 5-5-3 overall.

LaRoche scored 1:03 into the series on Friday to put WMU ahead 1-0. He has four points this season with two goals and two assists.

Sophomore center Joe Bonnett, also from Canton, saw action last weekend, but has yet to earn his first point of the season.

UMPIRES MEETING

The Canton Softball Center Umpires Association will meet at 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at CSC. Managers, new umpires and experienced umpires are welcome. For information call Bob at 483-5600, EXT. 104.

USED EQUIPMENT SALE

The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is having its Sixth Annual Used Sports Equipment Sale from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Canton Corners Shopping Center (Ford and Lilly roads).

Sellers should bring their equipment to the site on Thursday, Nov. 29, from 6-9 p.m. to be priced and tagged for sale. The seller sets the price and gets the money, with the exception of 15 percent that goes to Canton Parks and Recreation Services.

Volunteers will be on hand to do

the selling, so the owner doesn't have to be present on Dec. 1. Sellers can pick up their money or unsold items between 1 and 2 p.m. the day of the sale. For information call Bob Dates at 397-5110.

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A reunion of some of the 1968 World Series Champion Detroit Tigers baseball team will occur from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 1-2 at the Madonna College baseball card show.

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Making appearances Sunday, Dec. 2: Willie Horton (noon to 2 p.m.) and Mickey Lolich (2-4 p.m.).

For more information, call 591-5029.

INDOOR SOCCER

The Canton Soccerdome is accepting registrations for its second season, which begins Thursday, Jan. 3, for PeeWee (under-5, 6 and 7) and adult teams. The eight-game season costs \$625 per team for adults, \$400 for PeeWee. There will be a Christmas tournament Thursday, Dec. 27, and Friday, Dec. 28. For information call 483-5624, extension 102.

SOCCER TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Michigan Wolves, a Livonia Y Premier Soccer Club under-19 boys team (Little Caesars Blitz Division) will be at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at the Beechwood Recreation Center.

For more information, call Mark Mason at 474-5763.

EMU BASEBALL CAMP

The Eastern Michigan University Winter Baseball Camp (ages 8-16), featuring catcher Chris Holles of the Baltimore Orioles, will be Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 8-9 at Bowen Field House.

The cost for commuters is \$60 (includes lunch both days and T-shirt). For an overnight stay, the cost is \$95 (includes lunch and dinner on Friday, a room at Howard Johnson Lodge, breakfast and lunch on Saturday, along with a T-shirt).

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Prep basketball teams ready for tipoff

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

The boys basketball season begins Tuesday. Here's a look at each league in Observerland:

WESTERN LAKES

Plymouth Salem advanced to the Class A quarterfinal a year ago before losing, and returns Central Michigan University signee Jake Baker for his senior year.

Baker, a 6-5 swingman, will get help from 6-3 forward K.C. Kirkpatrick and a strong bench. So guess who's favored to win the Lakes Division, the WLAA title and... well, a lot of games?

The future also looks bright for Salem coach Bob Brodie, who likely will give 6-5, 195-pound freshman James Head a look on the varsity. Head is the brother of former Observerland girls basketball star and Miss Basketball player Dena Head, now playing at the University of Tennessee.

Salem should take the Lakes Division regular-season title with ease, but first-year Westland John Glenn

coach Pat Bennett says the Rockets can contend. Bennett, also Glenn's girls coach, will miss leadership and a whole lot of talent without graduated guard Bobby Lawrence. Glenn returns promising forwards Gamal Ahmed and Jackie Howard.

Defending WLAA tournament champ Livonia Stevenson will be young, having to replace 6-9 center Glenn Szeman and guards Ron Baran and Rick Laven. Stevenson's best player is junior guard Matt Grodzicki and he'll get help on the perimeter from returnee Phil Woods.

Farmington will be small compared to other league teams, while North coach Tom Negoshian worries about replacing guard Matt Hoffman.

Negoshian might be better off tossing out a football for his rugged group, which includes Todd Pawlowski and Chris White, a pair of standouts on the gridiron. Jayson Childress is Farmington's top front-court player, and coach Bob Kaump hopes CC transfer Steve Gallagher will help when he becomes eligible next semester.

The WLAA's most talent appears to be in the Western Division, where Farmington Hills Harrison is favored to defend its title.

The Hawks, who return All-Observer forward Andy Smith for his senior year, will get challenged by Plymouth Canton and Livonia Franklin, as well as Northville. Canton has the area's tallest frontline in 6-8, 250-pound junior Tony Coshatt, 6-7 senior Rob Wilson and 6-4 senior Kevin Holmes.

Franklin's hopes revolve around holdover senior forward Steve McCool and junior point guard Keith Roberts, who impressed coach Rod Hanna after being brought up to the varsity the second half of the season.

Livonia Churchill will upset some teams and has a strong frontline with 6-7 center Randy Calcaterra and 6-4 swingman Mike Thomas returning for their senior years. Thomas averaged 13 points per game, but Calcaterra could be the big gun, after scoring nine points and grabbing nine rebounds a game and coming on strong at season's end.

Walled Lake Western will be weak, but at least the Warriors have strong leadership as Chuck Henry takes over after coaching Wayne Memorial to several successful seasons.

Winning either division would be a big accomplishment, just ask Hanna. "The league is the strongest I've seen in my four years," he said. "There's a lot of potential college talent out there."

CATHOLIC LEAGUE

The Central Division will be stronger, with the addition of the University of Detroit Jesuit and improvement expected out of Warren De La Salle and Redford Catholic Central.

Defending champion Redford Bishop Borgess, which has won three

of the last four regular-season titles, won't be as talented but should again contend.

Three starters graduated, so Borgess coach Mike Fusco is counting on better numbers from ReShawn Sumler, the Spartans 6-foot-6 1/2 senior forward. Foremost of the losses was guard Shawn Respert, an all-stater being red-shirted as a freshman at Michigan State University because of knee surgery.

Senior guard Kevin Riser is improved and the Spartans also will get a boost from 6-3 freshman Perry Robinson.

The 1989-90 season wasn't a memorable one for Catholic Central coach Bernie Holowicki. Consider: CC suffered through a 5-17 season; Holowicki was sidelined part of the year with pneumonia; and his best player, Bob Kummer, missed a month with mononucleosis.

Holowicki has a better outlook, as he welcomes back a healthy Kummer for his junior year. Kummer, a 6-5 swingman who made second-team All-Observer, will be joined by senior guard Steve Whitlow and 6-3 junior Chad Varga, a transfer who will be eligible in January.

Varga's an impressive offensive player, but has to learn to guard more than his shadow. The Shamrocks figure to have no trouble scoring, but Holowicki would rather go with someone other than Whitlow at point guard.

A natural second guard, Whitlow is forced to play the point until someone comes to the front.

The team to watch could be Birmingham Brother Rice. The Warriors lost all five starters, but 6-9 junior Paul Grant returns — and is vastly improved, according to coach Frank Carrico. A pair of intriguing transfers, LeJon Thomas and Lance Arnold, become eligible in January. They are intriguing because both are

nephews of Detroit Pistons guard Isiah Thomas.

In the C-D Division, Redford St. Agatha struggled to a 6-15 finish a year ago and things don't look much more promising in '90-91. Senior Jeremy MacNicol, a 6-4 center, returns after averaging 15 points a game, but missing is swingman Brian Kutch, a senior who left school this semester.

Detroit St. Hedwig, which won last year's C-D crown, closed its doors, but Murphy expects Hamtramck St. Florian, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes and Immaculate Conception to battle for the title.

NORTHWEST SUBURBAN

Redford Union has one of the league's finest scorers in 6-1 junior guard Bill Malecki, and his return is important with the graduation of Steve Nowak and Dan Lezotte. The pair combined to score 33 points a game for the Panthers in '89-90.

A fine talent, Malecki still must distribute the ball better and play better defense if the Panthers hope to contend in a league dominated in recent years by Woodhaven. Inside strength will come from returnee Jason Gagnon, a 6-4 junior center.

The league title could be in question, with Woodhaven having to find a replacement for 6-7 Vernon Crump, now playing at Miami (Ohio) University.

Over at Garden City, first-year coach Mark Cramton inherits a team that went 8-13 overall in Bob Dropp's last year at the helm. The Cougars will be battling for respectability.

WOLVERINE A

Dan Henry, taking over for his brother Chuck as coach of Wayne

Memorial, has a rebuilding job on his hands. The Zebras will rely on youth after losing all five starters, including All-Observer player Kevin Hankerson, from a team that was 21-2 a year ago.

Belleville, with 6-4 Ron Hunter and 6-5 Derrick Boles, is favored to take the throne away from Wayne. Wyandotte and Trenton are improved.

METRO CONFERENCE

Look for Auburn Hills Avondale, Hamtramck and Detroit Lutheran West to battle for supremacy here. Local entree Livonia Clarenceville will rely on senior guard Kendrick Harrington and a possible Detroit Public School League transfer come January.

MICHIGAN INDEPENDENT

Warren Bethesda is the strongest team, but Plymouth Christian will get help from transfers and Lutheran Westland's 6-5 center Chris Habitz returns for his senior year. Habitz averaged 15 points per game a year ago.

TRI-RIVER LEAGUE

Redford Thurston coach Mike Schuette took his girls team to the Class B regional, and he has similar goals with the boys. The Eagles have something good to build on, having taken third last year in the Tri-River behind co-champions Taylor Truman and Taylor Kennedy.

Thurston, 15-7 overall, return 5-10 senior point guard Danny Pertulla, whom Schuette calls one of his best point guards ever. Also back are forwards Justin McEwen and Jeremy Courval.

Salem's Baker top area player

BRAD EMONS RATES
TOP OBSERVERLAND PLAYERS

1. Jake Baker, Plymouth Salem: The 6-foot-5 senior has already signed a national letter-of-intent with Central Michigan University. A rugged inside player, the left-hander has extended his shooting range and improved his ball-handling skills. Can run the floor, but often gets winded because he plays so hard. Led Salem to the state Class A quarterfinals last year.

2. Bobby Kummer, Redford CC: The 6-5 junior was a shining light in Catholic Central's otherwise dismal 5-17 season of a year ago. A good leaper who plays with intensity. Is he a forward, guard or center? Has improved his range shooting-wise, but needs to play more under control.

3. ReShawn Sumler, Redford Bishop Borgess: Still growing at 6-6 1/2. His long arms give him shot-blocking ability. He's already a Division II player who could become a Division I recruit. Has shown improvement over the summer and needs to get tougher and work on his post moves. He is the key to Borgess's season.

4. Andy Smith, Farm. Harrison: You won't get anything flashy from this 6-3 senior, who made first-team All-Observer a year ago. Smith is Harrison's top scoring threat and a solid all-around forward in the high school game. You can't leave him alone on the baseline or he'll kill you, but a good defender with long arms could give him trouble.

5. Paul Gilyvds, Farm. Harrison: The junior could become a force in the Western Lakes Activities Association before it's all over. He's up to 6-8 and has an excellent touch around the hoop. Will be a blue collar player for a good Harrison team that could challenge Salem for the WLAA crown. Gilyvds needs more strength and quickness to go to the next level.

6. Steve Whitlow, Redford CC: An experienced player who is starting his third year on the varsity. The 6-3 senior can post people up inside and is a decent

ballhandler for his size. Sometimes an erratic shooter and decision maker. If he plays within himself, CC will move up the ladder in the Catholic League.

7. K.C. Kirkpatrick, Ply. Salem: Those who try to key on Baker will pay dearly if they leave this 6-5 senior open. Scores quietly along the baseline and is very effective inside. Like Baker, never gets ruffled, just goes out and does his job. Many would like to see him become more aggressive and be more of a take-charge player.

8. Randy Calcaterra, Liv. Churchill: This 6-7 senior is a sleeping giant. Came on strong the latter half of the '89-'90 season and is only going to improve each time out. Decent jumping ability makes him a terror on the boards. Not afraid to go at people. Up 190 pounds and if he gets the ball inside, Churchill will give teams in the WLAA fits.

9. Bill Malecki, Redford Union: Averaged 16 points per game as a sophomore. The 6-2 junior guard has good leaping ability and a deadly jumper. Needs to become more aggressive at both ends. Should think in terms of getting the triple-double (scoring, rebounds and assists) and making his teammates around him play better.

10. Tony Coshatt, Ply. Canton: The 6-8, 250-pound junior turned a few heads last summer with his improved play. Like Calcaterra, could become a force to be reckoned with in the WLAA. Coach Dave Van Wagoner can't hide his excitement over the prospects of this potential irremovable object.

OTHERS TO WATCH

Livonia Churchill: Mike Thomas, Plymouth Salem; Cliff Lee, Mike Mulder, Lutheran Westland; Chris Habitz, Redford Bishop Borgess; Kevin Riser, Wayne Memorial; Rick Barnes, Greg Hartman, Dorez Prewitt, Redford Thurston; Danny Pertulla, Justin McEwen, Livonia Franklin; Keith Roberts, Steve McCool, Livonia Stevenson; Matt Grodzicki, Plymouth Canton; Mike Stafford, Brett Howell, Westland John Glenn; Gamal Ahmed, North Farmington; Chris White, Bill Chwalik, Walled Lake Central; Jason Olson, Walled Lake Western; Jeff Kubik, Redford St. Agatha; Jeremy MacNichol, Livonia Clarenceville; Kendrick Harrington.

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WLAA meeting for good sports

The 13-school Western Lakes Activities Association will conduct its first-ever Sportsmanship Jamboree, beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday at Northville High.

The event is the kickoff for the new sportsmanship program, which will commence with the WLAA's winter sports seasons.

The WLAA's sportsmanship program is a continuation of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's "Good Sports are Winners" campaign, which was initiated by MHSAA executive director Jack Roberts.

"What is being attempted by the athletic directors and principals in the WLAA is to place an emphasis on those positive values that are so beneficial to our student-athletes, student bodies and our communities," said Bob Atkins, director of athletics and physical education for the Walled Lake Schools.

The Sportsmanship Jamboree is expected to attract between 400 and 500 athletes, coaches, athletic directors and principals.

LLOYD CARR, former head football coach at Westland John Glenn High and currently defensive coordinator for the Gator Bowl-bound University of Michigan football squad, will be the featured speaker. His topic will be, "Sportsmanship does count, even at the major college level."

Other speakers include Northville principal Dave Bolitho ("Welcome to Northville"), Walled Lake Western principal Dennis Champnella ("Why Sportsmanship?"), MHSAA associate director Jerry Cvengros ("Good Sports are Winners"), official and Redford Union Schools administrator Milo Karhu ("The Game Official and the Athlete") and Livonia Stevenson athletic director Roger Frayer ("The WLAA Approach").

Following the jamboree, T-shirts and booklets will be distributed.

REDFORD UNION

- Head coach: Tip Smathers, sixth season.
- Last year's overall record: 7-12.
- League affiliation: Northwest Suburban (3-5, tied for third place).
- Notable losses to graduation: Forward Steve Novak (15.9 points per game, 7.7 rebounds per game); guard Dan Lascio (17.3 ppg, third-team All-Observer).
- Leading returnees: Bill Malecki, 6-1 junior guard (15.7 ppg, 4.2 rpg, second-team All-NBL); Jason Gagnon, 6-4 junior center (4 rpg); Chris Muka, 6-3 senior forward; Reeve McMill, 5-1 senior forward; Steve Zimbatist, 5-9 senior guard; Greg Munde, 6-1 senior guard; Mark Ulmer, 5-11 senior guard.
- Promising newcomers: Chris Locke, 6-5 senior center (returns after knee surgery); Paul Nowak, 6-2 junior forward (leading junior varsity scorer); Randy Moore, 5-10 junior guard; Brian Locke, 6-4 junior.
- Smithers' '90-91 outlook: "I think we've got a chance. Definitely, it's a matter of if we bring it all together and play some defense. I expect Dearborn to be up there — they have a real outstanding player back — and a 7-1 JV team. Woodhaven won the league, but lost a lot of people. But they always seem to fall in."
- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Walled Lake Central.

REDFORD ST. AGATHA

- Head coach: Jim Murphy, fourth season.
- Last year's overall record: 6-15.
- League affiliation: Catholic League (C-D Division).
- Notable losses: Brian Kutch, (no longer attending school after averaging 13 ppg a year ago); Pat Wagner and Ken Kroll.
- Leading returnees: Jeremy MacNicol, 6-4 senior center (15 ppg, all-C-D Division); Jerod Krosnak, 6-1 senior forward (10 ppg); Derwin Henderson, 6-1 senior guard/forward (12 ppg); Todd Reamer, 5-9 senior guard; David Kocenda, 6-5 senior forward/center.
- Promising newcomers: David Buyak, sophomore guard (transfer from Redford Catholic Central, eligible in January); Shelton Plicks, 6-1 sophomore forward; Joe Boards, 6-1 senior forward.
- Murphy's '90-91 outlook: "MacNicol's a good shooter and hard-working kid who's got to learn to stay around the glass more than he does. When he plays the way I want him to, he does well."
- Season opener: Friday, Dec. 7, at Detroit Holy Redeemer.

REDFORD THURSTON

- Head coach: Mike Schuette, seventh season.
- Last year's overall record: 15-7.
- League affiliation: Tri-River (10-4, third place, behind co-leaders Taylor Truman and Kennedy).
- Notable losses to graduation: D.J. Kellogg, center (12 ppg, 12 rpg, second-team All-Observer); Jason Muller, guard.
- Leading returnees: Danny Pertulla, 5-10 senior guard (averaged 12 ppg last half of '89-90); Justin McEwen, 6-1 senior forward/guard; Jeremy Courval, 6-1 junior forward; Jamsal Merida, 5-11 junior guard (rough up from JV midway through '89-90); Bob Delyon, 6-1 senior forward.
- Promising newcomers: Ray Curtis, 6-2 junior; Paul Parsells, 5-9 sophomore guard.
- Schuette's '90-91 outlook: "Kennedy and Truman always has a surplus of talent and it's up for grabs after that. I think other coaches will look at us as a team to beat. Pertulla can shoot inside, outside and there's no reason he can't have an outstanding season. He's one of the best point guards I've ever had."

REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL

- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Mt. St. Joseph.
- Head coach: Bernie Holowicki, 19th season.
- Last year's overall record: 5-17.
- League affiliation: Catholic League Central Division (3-7).
- Notable losses to graduation: Matt Patti, Jeff Brown and Mark Clay.
- Leading returnees: Bob Kummer, 6-5 junior swingman (10 ppg, 5 rpg, second team All-Observer); Steve Whitlow, 6-3 senior guard (12 ppg); Jon Barbara, 6-foot senior guard; Billy Hermann, 6-5 senior.
- Promising newcomers: Chad Varga, 6-3 junior forward (transfer from Dearborn Heights Fairview Christian becomes eligible Jan. 7); Tom Laco, 6-3 junior; Bobby Schneider, 5-11 sophomore guard; Marc Gondak, 6-0 sophomore guard.
- Holowicki's '90-91 outlook: "Bobby can play. Steve can play. The loss of (Steve) Gallagher (transferred to Farmington) hurts us. Jon will take awhile to get his basketball legs, but he's a great leader. If Kummer and Whitlow raise their games to another level we could be really competitive."
- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Wayne Memorial.

REDFORD BISHOP BORGESS

- Head coach: Mike Fusco, ninth year.
- Last year's overall record: 21-4.
- League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division).
- Titles won: Catholic League (Central Division) and Class B district champs.
- Notable losses to graduation: Shawn Respert, guard (first-team All-Observer, playing for Michigan State University); Randy White, forward (first-team All-Observer); Arlie Brown, guard.
- Leading returnees: Reshawn Sumler, 6-6 senior forward (started every game but one a year ago); Kevin Riser, 5-11 senior guard; Lamar Westbrook, 6-1 junior guard (part-time starter); Jermaine Parker, 5-10 junior guard; Darwin Cagers, 6-2 junior forward.
- Promising newcomers: Mike Respert, 5-9 junior guard; Perry Robinson, 6-3 freshman forward.
- Fusco's '90-91 outlook: "Generally speaking, I know what five or six kids can do. This year, I know two or three kids. I'd rather have the role of underdog. I'm Mr. Pessimistic. I've been pleased from Nov. 12 until last (Monday) night. But still have a long way to go. These guys aren't basketball players, but as a team, we haven't developed yet."
- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 11, at Dearborn Divine Child.

GARDEN CITY

- Head coach: Mark Cramton, first year.
- Last year's overall record: 8-13.
- League affiliation: Northwest Suburban League.
- Notable losses to graduation: Dan Emerson, guard; Rick Morton, forward (third team All-Observer); Bud Barnett, center.
- Leading returnees: Scott Marthugh, senior guard; Matt Johnson, senior guard; Nick Mutalis, senior forward; Adam Marano, senior forward; Jim Brown, senior center.
- Promising newcomers: Jeff Williams, junior guard.
- Cramton's '90-91 outlook: "Hopefully we can play .500 ball. We are inexperienced even though we have five seniors. They didn't see a lot of playing time last season. We trap and anticipate the ball well on defense."
- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Dearborn.

basketball

Coming next in the Monday issue of The Observer will be full length basketball previews on the Plymouth Salem, Plymouth Christian Academy and Plymouth Canton boys teams.

The 1990-91 season begins Tuesday with Salem traveling to Trenton and Canton playing at Monroe in non-league games. Christian Academy starts a week from Friday with a home game against Taylor Light and Life.

home vs. Livonia Stevenson.

WAYNE MEMORIAL

- Head coach: Dan Henry, first year.
- Last year's overall record: 21-2.
- League affiliation: Wolverine A League and Class A district champs.
- Notable losses to graduation: Kevin Hankerson (first team All-Observer); Larry Johnson (second team All-Area); Pierre Hixon, Reggie Brandon and Terry Hall.
- Leading returnees: Rick Barnes, 6-1 junior forward; Greg Hartman, 6-1 junior forward; James Grady, 6-2 senior forward.
- Promising newcomers: Romarco Fletcher, 6-5 junior center; DeMarco Robinson, 6-2 junior forward; Lee Williams, 5-10 junior point guard; Dontez Prewitt, 5-7 sophomore forward/guard; Antonio Dodd, 5-7 sophomore point guard; Bruce Calhoun, 6-1 sophomore forward.
- Henry's '90-91 outlook: "They all can jump, and they're quick, but we have no experience coming back. It's a little difficult with pay-to-play. We're coming for all different directions. We're a long ways from being a good team. Our schedule is hard, everybody is better in our league."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN

- Head coach: Pat Benihett, first year.
- Last year's overall record: 11-11.
- League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Lakes Division).
- Notable losses to graduation: Bobby Lawrence (second team All-Observer); Eric Spencer, Tony Dobbins and Mike Trussler.
- Leading returnees: Gamal Ahmed, 6-2 senior forward; Jackie Howard, 6-0 senior guard.
- Promising newcomers: Mark Baker, 5-10 senior guard; Kevin Tomascowski, 6-5 junior center; Jerry Jordan, 5-11 junior guard; Kevin Champion, 6-3 junior forward; Ken Taylor, 6-4 sophomore center.
- Bennett's '90-91 outlook: "I expect, with the way the attitudes and practice is going, that John Glenn has the ability to contend for the title."
- We're quick with a little bit of size. They have been pretty disciplined on offense and defense. We're going to be pressing and running a lot."
- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at South Lyon.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

- Head coach: Fred Price, third year.
- Last year's overall record: 11-10.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

- Head coach: Rod Hanna, fourth year.
- Last year's overall record: 10-11.
- League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Western Division).
- Notable losses to graduation: Craig Overalls (third team All-Observer); John Sant and Dave Barina.
- Leading returnees: Steve McCool, 6-4 senior center (14 ppg, 7 rebounds); Steve Staevich, 6-4 senior forward; Keith Roberts, 5-8 junior point guard; Dave Roman, 5-10 senior guard; John Payvel, 6-6 senior center.
- Promising newcomers: Russ Kieberly, 6-0 junior forward; Jason Falcone, 6-2 sophomore forward; Jeff Hunt, 5-9 junior guard; Joe Jarvis, 6-1 junior forward.
- Hanna's '90-91 outlook: "I'm positive about the season. I think we'll be a better shooting team and we're quicker. I'm really concerned about rebounding. We lack size. We'll play tough pressure defense. Offensively, we'll read and take advantage of whatever the defense gives us. We have to make good decisions with the ball."
- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at home vs. Novi.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

- Head coach: Jim McIntyre, sixth year.
- Last year's overall record: 15-7.
- League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Lakes Division).
- Titles won last year: WLAA playoff champs.
- Notable losses to graduation: Ron Baran (first team All-Area); Glenn Szeman (third team All-Area); Steve Leonard and Rick Laven.
- Leading returnees: Phil Woods, 5-11 senior guard; Matt Grodzicki, 5-11 junior guard; Dan Gibbons, 6-2 senior forward; Dave Arney, 6-2 senior forward.
- Promising newcomers: Tony Stojov, 6-4 junior center; Ryan Furkas, 5-10 junior guard; Paul Rockwood, 6-1 senior forward; Scott Wiggins, 5-11 junior guard/forward; Mike Joseph, 6-1 junior forward; Gary Wares, 6-2 senior center; Adam Roy, 6-1 sophomore forward.
- McIntyre's '90-91 outlook: "We're going to haul it from 94 feet. We used a lot of half-court traps last year, but this is more of a full-court team."
- The kids are playing loose right now. They believe they can compete. Rebounding is going to be the big thing. That's why we're going after people the full 94 feet (court length). It's going to be different because we have some three-point threats. We're going to be as gritty as we've ever been."

LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE

- Head coach: Rob White, second year.
- Last year's overall record: 7-14.
- League affiliation: Metro Conference.
- Notable losses to graduation: Derrick Herr, Gary Lay, Jay Larson and Chris Foss.
- Leading returnees: Kendrick Harrington, 5-9 senior guard (15 ppg, 5 rebounds, 5 steals, 5 assists); Frank Junca, 6-0 senior guard; Ryan Hindmarsh, 6-1 senior forward; Dan Hurney, 5-9 senior forward; Gary Ciguen, 6-0 senior forward (out with hand injury until January).
- Promising newcomers: Robert Reddic, 6-0 junior guard; John Kalos, 5-9 freshman guard; Emmanuel Robinson, 6-3 senior center (transfer from Detroit Mackenzie eligible in January).
- White's '90-91 outlook: "If we can hang on first semester, we'll do all right. We'll be a perimeter team to start. But I don't like to rely on outside shooting. We'll shoot a lot of 'threes' to stay in game."
- "If defense and endurance holds up we'll beat some teams."
- "I think we can finish in top four in our conference."
- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at home vs. Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

- Head coach: Scott Wiener, fourth year.
- Last year's overall record: 9-12.
- League affiliation: Michigan Independent Athletic Conference (National Division).
- Notable losses to graduation: Mike Hardies, Doug Nelson (all-MIAC) and Steve Aumann.
- Leading returnees: All-MIAC Chris Habitz, 6-5 senior guard/forward (15.4 ppg, 8.3 rebounds per game); Dave Gielow, 6-0 senior forward (5.5 ppg); Danny Hoelt, 6-0 senior forward; Bill Wargo, 5-11 senior forward; Jason Zielinski, 5-11 junior guard.
- Promising newcomers: Matt Korsek, 6-3 senior forward; Pat Olinger, 5-10 senior guard; Kevin Nelson, 6-4 sophomore center.
- Wiener's '90-91 outlook: "Our team strengths: Individual and team defense, execution, rebounding and strong work ethic."
- Team weaknesses: Inconsistent team scoring and too many turnovers."
- Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at home vs. Detroit Trinity Christian.

LUTHERAN WESTLAND

- Head coach: Dave Kolander, fifth season.
- League affiliation: Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.
- Notable losses to graduation: Matt Henzi (league scorer and all-MIAC); Bill Kowtke (second team All-MIAC); and Paul Krickelbein.
- Leading returnees: Bill Ohlsson, 6-1 senior guard (7 ppg); Melton Stoumire, 6-0 sophomore guard (13 ppg); Aaron Thompson, 6-5 junior center.
- Promising newcomers: Greg Hannewald, 5-9 junior guard; Doug Hartley, 5-8 sophomore guard.
- Kolander's '90-91 outlook: "We lack depth because of the six people we lost. We'll take the 'break' when we can, but we won't force it. We'll start out zone (defense) and hopefully switch to man-to-man."
- "We'll be a quick team. We hope to use it in our defense. With only one senior, we hope to finish in the top three. We hope to play our best basketball at the end. Warren Bethesda is the team to beat in our league."
- Season opener: Tuesday at Westland's Marshall Junior High vs. Ypsilanti Calvary.

HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN

- Head coach: Jim McIntyre, sixth year.
- Last year's overall record: 15-7.
- League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Lakes Division).
- Titles won last year: WLAA playoff champs.
- Notable losses to graduation: Ron Baran (first team All-Area); Glenn Szeman (third team All-Area); Steve Leonard and Rick Laven.
- Leading returnees: Phil Woods, 5-11 senior guard; Matt Grodzicki, 5-11 junior guard; Dan Gibbons, 6-2 senior forward; Dave Arney, 6-2 senior forward.
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exercising options

Myrna Partrich

Obsession with fitness may deteriorate health

Dear Myrna: I have an exercise-obsessed friend that I don't know what to do with. We started taking classes together nearly five years ago. She was the weakling and I the stronger of the two. I'm not jealous because she is now a macho woman. I am upset that exercise occupies her mind excessively. She goes to two or three classes a day and only takes one day off to rest. Tell me more about this problem so maybe I can guide her as a friend.

I could almost joke with you and say she is an exercise studio owner's dream, but in reality, not so. Truly, it is possible to get too much of a good thing. Yes, exercise is a good addiction, but it can be overdosed. I am surprised she doesn't get tired. I certainly would.

One thing you should note before you get too panicky is does your friend work to the utmost when she takes a class? Sometimes students, when taking a class, do not work to their potential and like taking a few classes a day.

In our studio many people will take an aerobics class followed up by a muscle toning class. It is perfectly acceptable, two hours of exercise daily, three to four times per week. You say your friend does this almost daily — check it out first. However, when a daily fitness program starts to become an obsession, her overall health can begin to suffer.

Generally, the first step in curing exercise addiction, as with other compulsive cycles, is to recognize that you have a problem. Some signs to look for include: extreme feelings of guilt if you miss an exercise session — little to medium guilt is OK; constant preoccupation with your workout; and compromise of your family life, job or friends for the sake of exercise.

Those who over-exercise often suffer bouts of anxiety and depression. In addition, exercise addicts may suffer from chronic fatigue, irritability, sleep disturbances, overuse injuries, menstrual cycle disturbances and loss of interest in other activities.

Also, worried friend, be alert for complaints from family and other friends about the amount of time she spends exercising. If your friend is spending two to three hours daily exercising, remember there is a good chance she is not exercising hard.

Maybe you could talk to an exercise expert about rest times, alternating hard days and easy days. How about taking a class together — something she can excel at and something that will make her feel good about herself.

I understand the exercise high she feels, especially in a class situation. It is fun and exhilarating. A well-rounded life, naturally is preferred.

(Myrna Partrich, co-owner of The Workout Company, Inc. of Bloomfield Township and a member of the President's Council of Physical Fitness, is happy to answer any questions readers may have regarding exercise. Please send your letters to: Sports Department, Myrna Partrich, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, Mi. 48093.)

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Hunting family finds success

THE SCHROT FAMILY, which has its roots in Bloomfield Hills, had an outstanding opening weekend of the firearms deer season.

Hunting in Stephenson, in Menominee County near the Wisconsin border in the Upper Peninsula, brothers Tom, Steve, John and Mark tagged five deer between Nov. 13 and Nov. 17.

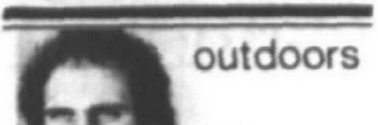
Tom, 39, who resides in Stevenson and works as a forester with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, bagged two bucks. On Nov. 13 he took a 140-pound four-point with his bow and on opening morning of the firearms season he took a 155-pound four-point. Steve, 38, a Bloomfield Hills resident, dropped a 180-pound typical eight-point at 4 p.m. Nov. 17 from his blind in the middle of a stand of hardwoods. Mark, 33, of Bloomfield Hills, grunted in a doe on opening morning from his blind in a swamp while John, 40, of Birmingham, took a doe on Nov. 16 while still hunting on the edge of a field.

Troy residents Mike Willis and Jim Ferrett each hung up a buck on opening day.

Hunting near Escanaba, Willis shot a 130-pound five-point buck while Ferrett dropped a 120-pound spike horn. Both hunters were hunting in a hardwood forest.

The firearms deer season ends tomorrow for some 750,000 hunters. Certainly, more than the above mentioned area hunters were successful in their quest to tag a buck.

I'd like to hear from other successful hunters. I'll be taking phone calls from other successful hunters Monday evening, 6-10 p.m. Call me at our Birmingham office at 644-1101 if you, a friend or family member bagged a buck this year. I'll report all the success here in a future column.



outdoors

Bill Parker

Elk hunters who participated in the fall hunt should also give me a call.

IF YOU'RE NOT waiting for the second archery season or the muzzleloading season but still have the desire to explore the great outdoors you may want to head to one of the state's rivers and test your angling ability against a feisty steelhead.

Reports from across the state reveal that steelhead success has been fair to good over the last couple weeks.

In the southwest corner of the state, anglers report good success with steelhead and walleye at St. Joe. Steelhead action is good on the Kalamazoo River and off the piers at Saginaw. Boat anglers have also had success near shore at Holland in the top 20 feet in 70 to 80 feet of water.

Plugs and spoons have been productive for anglers on the Big Manistee while anglers using spoons and spawn have enjoyed some success on the Betsey and the Platte rivers.

Anglers report good to very good

steelhead action around Thunder Bay and a fresh run of steelies recently moved into the AuSable River at Oscoda.

Further south, perch action is picking up around the thumb with fair to good reports coming in from Saginaw Bay, Quincassee and Sebawaing.

A JUDGE IN Charlevoix County has sent a loud message to individuals who violate the Wetlands Protection Act — Don't do it!

Judge Harvey Varnum ruled that Charlevoix County resident Albert Shindorf violated the Wetlands Protection Act when he filled in a wetland on Harwood Lake and without a permit and constructed a home in the wetland. The judge ordered Shindorf to remove the house and fill, restore the wetland and pay a \$1,500 fine.

(Bill Parker is happy to answer questions readers have about the outdoors. Send questions or comments to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.)

CC returned to basics for title drive

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the records, CC played five opponents on its schedule who qualified for post-season play.

So it was no shock to me on Saturday that they dominated the Public School League champs in every phase of the game.

"We started believing when we beat DePorres soundly in the Catholic League championships," said full-back Jon Barbara. "We said to ourselves, 'This is our year,' and then we made it happen."

"We just started peaking at the end of the season and we carried that momentum all the way through."

Injuries to two starters midway through the season — tailback Mike Thomas and flanker Jack Davidson — may have also proved to be a blessing in disguise.

Thomas is probably CC's most talented all-around player, but his absence forced Mach to incorporate a more balanced backfield, utilizing the thundering Barbara as the power-back and the slippery Arshon Stewart as the lightning tailback. The mix was perfect.

WHEN THOMAS and Davidson returned for the playoffs, it made CC a deeper and stronger team all the way around.

As Cervantes would say, "Thou

has seen nothing yet."

Thomas was used strictly for defense. Meanwhile, Davidson shuttled in-and-out at the flanker spot with junior Frank Yoakam, who was probably Mach's find of the season.

Yoakam enjoyed a great four-game playoff run, capped by returning a punt 58 yards on Saturday for a touchdown.

All the pieces were in place and the result Saturday was overwhelming. CC whipped a team with loads of talent.

"We've been doing it all year," Barbara said. "Nothing fancy, just power football."

The casual fan at the Silverdome

had witnessed a machine-like CC performance. There were no mistakes. They played fundamentally strong football.

"They're an intelligent team as far as football sense goes," said Mach, who now has two state crowns in his hip pocket.

Following the loss to DePorres, the CC coach made things simple

and he went back to playing his style of football, ignoring the whispers heard round Breakfast Drive.

Facing adversity often does wonders for a coach and a team.

Cervantes, the great 16th century Spanish author, can attest to that.

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C.J. Risak

Lousy planning doomed Ocelots at the NJCAA

THE SEASON'S over, sure. But the doubt remains, and likely will linger for some time.

After all, it had been 10 years since Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team had reached the National Junior College Athletic Association Tournament. If it takes another decade to again travel that distance, the memory of this trip will continue to eat away at those associated with it.

Ending the season with a pair of 3-0 losses in a national eight-team tournament could certainly be tolerated if the Ocelots had been defeated by superior forces. The question is — Were they?

It's a question without an answer.

Coach Van Dimitriou admitted after SC's loss to Lees McRae, which doomed his team to a last-place finish in the tournament, that his players could have been better prepared. Indeed, said Dimitriou, not much went right.

The blame for the problems — and he must be held accountable — is Dimitriou's.

HIS TEAM had the raw talent to make a run at the national title. The team that beat SC in its opener — Passaic County CC — made it to the NJCAA title game before losing.

Still, Passaic was beatable. This squad of mostly foreign players had more speed and an abundance of talent, to be sure. But a disciplined, low-pressure style could have been effective, even successful.

SC matched up well with Lees McRae, too. It's true the officiating cost the Ocelots in this match; they had to play with 10 men after losing Jerry Staszal to a red card in the first half.

Afterwards, Dimitriou recounted all the errors. The bus ride took too long, which resulted in no practices the two previous days before the Passaic match; the officiating was too lenient; the opposition had far more players with foreign experience than he anticipated.

Maybe so. But what it comes down to is a lack of preparation. Dimitriou got no scouting report on the teams he would face. He said he thought he could make adjustments during the first few minutes of play.

NONSENSE. If he had taken the trouble to get some information on Passaic, he might have discovered its sweeper, Keith Thomlinson, played for the Jamaican national team. Thomlinson scored Passaic's

first goal; two others were in SC's net before the match was 30 minutes old. So much for on-the-field adjustments.

If properly prepared, SC would have expected any kind of officiating and adjusted to it. The Ocelots came in as the eighth seed in the tournament, so anticipating favorable breaks from the officials is ludicrous.

And there's no excuse for taking a full day to reach Trenton, N.J. SC left Tuesday afternoon and arrived at dusk on Wednesday; its first match was at 11 a.m. the following day. In the week prior to the tournament, the Ocelots scrimmaged Eastern Michigan Friday, took Saturday and Sunday off, and had a light practice Monday.

That's it. Any momentum they gained in their win over Lewis and Clark in the Inter-regional was lost.

By the end of the Lees McRae match, tempers were hot on the SC sideline, and much of the anger was directed at Dimitriou. Sweeper Dave Dingle, a talented player but a constant source of trouble, got a yellow card and was pulled out of the game.

COACH AND player argued, and when Dingle — whose temper earned him so many yellow cards during the season he shouldn't have been playing in the tournament at all — made a disparaging remark about Dimitriou's coaching, Dimitriou told him to find his own way home.

Dimitriou repeated the same threat to another player late in the match when his orders were disobeyed — play or find your own way home. Such tactics won't breed harmony on any team. Emotions were certainly running high during the season's final moments; so was disappointment. But a coach shouldn't threaten players with abandonment 600 miles from home, whatever the problem.

(Dimitriou did reverse his position and offered to take Dingle home, but Dingle opted to ride back with another player's family.)

I'm certain some feel such actions needn't be reported. After all, most competitors are not going to take losing well. Arguments are commonplace under such frustrating circumstances. And Dimitriou also has been known to have a short fuse.

Still, his players' disgruntlement was well-founded. All athletes experience losing. They don't like it, but it happens. It's easier to handle when the athlete knows an all-out effort to win has been given.

Winning combination Catholic League vets spur Holy Cross

By C.J. Risak
staff writer

It's really not that hard to build a championship football program. Just ask Mark Duffner, the coach at Holy Cross College in Worcester, Mass., who took a team that was 4-6-1 in 1985 and — in the next five seasons combined — posted a 49-5-1 mark.

Pretty impressive. And again, it wasn't all that difficult. Duffner was HC's defensive coach for five seasons before taking over the head post, following the death of coach Rick Carter. So his first step in transforming the Crusaders into a top-level squad was to make certain the defense was championship-caliber.

The step proved to be a short one. Duffner merely called Bob English, a solid recruiter in the Detroit area. And English went no further than Detroit's Catholic League to find the type of defensive stalwarts Duffner wanted.

Stefan Stration, from Orchard Lake St. Mary's, together with Matt Fras (from West Bloomfield), Chris Kovath and Pete Dankert (Plymouth), all Redford Catholic Central graduates, were starters on a Holy Cross defense that yielded just 9.6 points per game this season, second in the NCAA Division IAA.

OUTSTANDING, EH? This group might not agree, exactly. They aren't accustomed to finishing second in anything. Example: The Crusaders' record since Stration and Fras, both seniors, have been at HC is 39-4-1. For juniors Kovath and Dankert, the team's record is 28-4-1 in their tenure.

Example No. 2, supplied courtesy of Dankert: HC is clobbering Brown 55-0 in the waning seconds. The Bears throw a desperation pass in the waning seconds and complete it to HC's 1-yard line. Trying to avoid the shutout, Brown attempts another pass, but it's deflected and Dankert — a middle guard — intercepts.

"We pride ourselves in our defense," said Fras. "It's the same as it was in high school, at CC."

Need more proof? Consider Stration. Two

college sports

weeks into the season, he's sidelined with mononucleosis. An ailment of this sort usually requires a couple of months to overcome. It also leaves one very weak.

STRATION, A SMALL defensive end to start with (6-foot, 220 pounds), missed only two games. And he didn't just return and go through the motions; he came back with a fury. He finished the season with 62 tackles, including a team-high 10 quarterback sacks.

"I was surprised I was able to come back so quickly," said Stration, who was an All-Patriot League first-team selection. "Luckily, I was able to get over it fast. I wanted to get back as quick as I could. I didn't want to miss (my senior season)."

Quick — that's the best word to use in describing HC's defense. Size certainly is secondary. Dankert anchors the defensive line, but is just 6-1, 225. Fras, another defensive end, is only 6-1, 215.

"They run very well," said Duffner. "Speed has always been a factor for us (in recruiting). We're looking for people who can run."

Which is what Kovath does exceptionally well. An all-state running back at CC, Kovath (6-0, 180), a cornerback, was everywhere for HC this season.

"HE FLIES," said Duffner. "He's a physical, physical player. We just can't keep him away from the ball."

"He plays hard on every play. And he's a great practice player. He plays every play like it's his last."

Kovath's statistics provide all the proof needed. Cornerbacks are usually low on the defensive charts in tackles because they're so far outside they can't get in on many plays. Not Kovath; he was second on the team in tackles with 113. He also led the Crusaders with five interceptions and

seven pass breakups, all reasons why he was an all-Patriot second-team pick.

Then again, Kovath's sideline-to-sideline, kamikaze style is common among HC defenders. As Duffner said about his Catholic League stars, "All four have been just super. (Stration) runs like crazy and is physical as heck."

"Dankert is very, very quick. He's hard to block, he stays on his feet well. Matt Fras, too. I'm sorry to see our seniors, Stration and Fras, go. We're going to miss them."

"But I'm sure happy we'll have Kovath and Dankert back."

BOTH FRAS and Stration are sorry to go, too. Both were recruited heavily by Mid-American Conference teams but ended up at HC for the same reasons: academics, the coaches and ties with other HC players from Detroit.

Stration was friends with Andy Martin, another OLSM grad who was a Crusader team captain; Fras knew Chris Sullivan, a former Birmingham Brother Rice quarterback.

Neither had any regrets regarding their choice of college — well, almost no regrets. The Patriot League does not allow conference members to participate in the NCAA IAA football playoffs because it would interfere with semester finals.

"It did at first (bother me)," admitted Fras, a second-team choice in both the Patriot League and the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (a group of 31 schools). Fras was second among the Crusaders in sacks (nine) and tackles for loss (six); he had 104 tackles and caused two fumbles.

"Knowing we were better than a lot of teams in the playoffs... yeah, it bothered me at first. I would like to have proved ourselves against some of the better teams."

Stration agreed. "You do regret it," he said. "You think about it, but overall coming here has worked out well."

"I've had some great success. It's been great." Fras described his four years as a Crusader simply: "I enjoy the success. It's fun to win."

And that's a lesson all four players have learned well.

Poor-shooting Ocelots prevail anyway

Well, at least Schoolcraft College men's basketball coach Dave Bogataj can admire his team's perseverance, if not their accuracy.

The Ocelots did a lot of things right Tuesday against Spring Arbor's junior varsity, which made up for a second-straight poor shooting performance as SC prevailed 85-80 in Spring Arbor.

"We had a Thanksgiving lull," said Bogataj, whose team a night earlier lost for the first time this season, 85-73 to Albion's JV. "As a team, we're not playing well right now. The ball's just not going in for us."

In the win over Spring Arbor's JV, SC hit just 30-of-90 from the floor (33 percent). The Ocelots won with rebounding (49-46), balance (four players in double-figures in scoring) and determination.

"**WE KEPT** answering all the calls," said Bogataj. Indeed, Spring Arbor — which was tied with SC 43-43 at the half — could never establish much of a lead in the second half. The game was tied for the final time at 72-all; after that, the Ocelots pulled away.

Lynell Collins ignited the win with an exceptional all-around performance. Collins had 22 points, 11 re-

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bounds and seven assists. Kwesi McGill and Randy Watters — Watters, still hampered by a hyperextended knee, played just 20 minutes — got 16 points apiece and Barry Quayle had 12 points and 10 boards.

Spring Arbor's JV was paced by Bob Kelly's 17 points.

The win improved SC's mark to 4-1, which made Bogataj's dissatisfaction with his team's play more tolerable. "We have eight freshmen playing, so their going to have their ups and downs," he said. "And the kids keep playing so hard."

Not at first, however. SC led by five after five minutes, but some defensive adjustments by Albion turned the tide quickly. By halftime, the Ocelots trailed 41-34. Twenty-six turnovers and just 10-of-15 free throw shooting (66.7 percent) did not aid SC's cause.

IN THE LOSS at Albion Monday, the Ocelots went up against a defense that challenged their shooting ability — and lost. SC connected on just 29-of-76 floor shots (38.2 percent) against the Britons' zone; Albion hit 60 percent from the field.

The shooting discrepancy nullified the Ocelots' work on the boards; they outrebounded the Brits 46-39.

"(Albion) did what they had to do," said Bogataj. "They dictated the pace."

Mitch Fyke paced the Ocelot scorers with 19 points. Watters was the only other player for SC to reach double-figures: He had 16. Dave Hamilton finished with five points and a team-high eight boards. Gary Parker's 19 points was best for Albion's JV.

SC is idle until Monday, when it hosts Adrian's JV.

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What's what in skiing

When it comes to skiing, I've flopped on every bunny slope I've ever climbed.

So when I get a letter asking for ski advice, I run for the experts. Sandy Jones of Howell wants to know about cross country skiing: What's the status, Where should we go? Wendy Schwartz of Birmingham wrote for information on local ski clubs, which Ingrid Tomey has covered on this page. She also wants to know about resorts that cater to families, allow kids free in the room or have special rates.

I asked Dick Held, vice president of Bavarian Village ski shops, whether our recent lack of Detroit-area snow adversely affects cross country skiing. "It has to have some effect, because the snow isn't sitting there in your back yard, but people are willing to travel for the pleasure of the trails.

"There are 15 resorts in the Northern Michigan Nordic Ski Council and that they all offer groomed trails, trail maps and other amenities. It's an inexpensive sport. We can put you on skis with bindings and poles for \$99."

Josh Lohmann, Metropolitan Detroit Ski Club president, did Nordic (another name for cross country), downhill and ski jumping when he lived Germany. Nordic was strong here in the mid-1970s, then it flattened out. Last year it picked up again because of a few good racers in the Olympics.

The Boynes saw an increase last year. American Youth Hostel (AYH) does a lot of cross country for people of all ages. They stay in hostels or small hotels. Some upscale resorts are really into it as well.

Families? Josh Lohmann: "Families with young children often go to the mountains around Detroit. Experienced skiers may go there during the week and often go north on weekends. Families like Boyne Highlands and Nubbs Knob. Boyne Mountain is mostly a younger crowd, including singles and racers. A lot of groups go to Schuss/Shanty Creek.

Call the MDSC Hotline at (313) 593-1188 for a guide.

Lou Oles, who is the editor of the Metropolitan Detroit Ski Clubs guide, and their magazine, Mountain Crier, tells me that rising ski prices have stopped some skiers from skiing in Michigan.

"It's almost as (expensive) to ski in Michigan as it is to go west. Lift ticket prices are the same. Not many people go to the UP from here because by the time you drive so far you can drive a good part of the distance to the west."

Lou says that western resorts have been wooing kids for a long time, and many Michigan resorts now do the same with family programs.

Young and old ski. Bob Hengel, a General Motors retiree, skis Alpine Valley every single weekday morning in season. "They're all suicide hills on weekends so I stay home. I let those who pay my retirement pension ski Saturday and Sunday."

Hengel is a member of the Seventy Plus Ski Club, an international ski organization out of New York. Anybody over aged 70 can join and once you're in you're a member for life!

Here is what some of your other neighbors say about skiing:

Bill Heinz, Milford: "The best thing about skiing? Nobody keeps score." Heinz is a "paramedic of the slopes," a member of the National Ski Patrol.

Mark Bill, Northville: "The only reason I really have a job is so that I can afford to ski." Bill likes heli-skiing, because "you ski untouched snow." And he likes racing because "it's the single fastest way to improve your skiing."

Bill says, "We actually have people that belong to the clubs that go on trips but don't ski. It's still a bargain."

Ginnie Uhley, Orchard Lake: "My son skied for the first time last year. He really liked the chairlift because it's so high. He's 2 years old."



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High flying

Skis? Well, they might not be for wimps, but for *real* excitement Pat Schutte prefers to tackle the slopes on a snowboard. These winter contraptions offer the thrills of surf-

ing and skateboarding, as Schutte experiences here doing a halfpipe at Mt. Brighton. For more on Schutte and the not-so-gentle art of snowboarding, see story on Page 9D.

It's time to wax up the skis, scan the sky for snow, maybe join a ski club and get ready to

Hit the slopes

By Ingrid Tomey, West Bloomfield

So you're tired of roasting chestnuts on an open fire, bored with sitting around watching the white stuff through plate glass? You're ready for something more bracing? Strap on the old K 2's, pull on your bibbs and let's go ski!

But what if you don't know a K 2 from a 2 by 4? What if you think a bibb is something to catch strained applesauce on? What if you've never skied before? What if you don't even want to ski? The answer, according to seasoned skiers Josh Lohmann, Rick Adomitis and thousands of other metro Detroiters is to join a ski club.

Lohmann and Adomitis are president and vice-president of Metropolitan Detroit Ski Council (MDSC), an organization of 38 local ski clubs with a combined membership of 10,000. Lohmann says that members use the slopes at nearby mountains, in northern Michigan and sometimes out west and in Europe.

"Ski clubs offer something for everyone from the never-skied-before to the advanced racer," says Adomitis. "You get a bunch of people together with a common interest and you go on a ski weekend. You ski with people of your same ability, you save money and you know it will be a good time. Even if you don't ski at all you can have a good time."

Adomitis should know about ski clubs. Besides his affiliation with MDSC, he belongs to local clubs — Livonia Ski Club, and Detroit Edison (where his wife is president), as well

as the Toledo Ski Club. His 13-year-old son also belongs to the Hurricane Race Team at Alpine Valley. Adomitis is about to join a fourth club — G.M., one of the larger clubs with a membership of 800. "I want to be able to choose from all the activities, from everything they have to offer."

One of the things ski clubs have to offer is lessons. According to Adomitis, almost every one of the metro ski clubs offers weekend clinics which include lessons for every level of skier. "My son Noel races in the central division of USSA but he started skiing at age 4 and learned to ski with the Livonia Ski Skule at Mt. Brighton. The Ski Skule offers lessons on everything from using the lift for the first time to downhill racing."

One of the largest ski clubs is the Ford Thunderbirds, based in Westland with a membership of 1,700. The T'Birds, as they are known, not only offer a number of ski clinics, they also have their own ski school with 96 instructors teaching every Monday night at Mt. Brighton.

Mark Bill of Northville is a member of the Thunderbirds and a certified PSIA (Professional Ski Instructor of America) instructor.

"It makes a big difference how you learn the information," Bill emphasizes. "The equipment has changed a lot over the years and so has the approach to teaching. You want to start with where they're at, advance their skill at the rate they want to learn."

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'Rusty' ski patroller shines in races

By Ingrid Tomey

Ginnie Uhley is not what you'd call a fun skier. She's too busy patrolling the hills at Alpine Valley looking for injured skiers. And when she's not doing that, she is pursuing her real passion — racing.

Uhley, of Orchard Lake, is not only a member of the National Ski Patrol, the lifeguards of the slopes, but she is also a member of the only strictly racing club in local Detroit — a squad with the unlikely name of Team Rust.

"Team Rust was started some years ago by Ski Patrol members who wanted to race. It

was named after their rust-colored parkas," Uhley explains.

Like many of the 40 members of Team Rust, Uhley serves in Ski Patrol as well, which leaves her little time for recreational skiing. And there are no hot tub parties in Team Rust, no apres-ski carousing. But that's OK with Uhley. "I like racing because it fine-tunes your skiing ability. I think a lot of people who have skied for awhile turn to racing."

Apparently, according to Uhley, who is also membership director for the Alpine Competition Committee (the racing arm of Metro De-

troit Ski Council), 450 people turn out for the series of four race weekends held every year at Boyne Mountain. They come from some of the bigger clubs like the Ford Thunderbirds whose serious contingent of racers took national honors in 1988 and 1989 at the United States Ski Association ski week in Vail.

GM, while a smaller club has a larger racing team which took top honors in the 1990 Miller Lite NASTAR Club Grand Prix competition in Aspen. At least a dozen of the smaller clubs have race teams as well.

While the national competitions are generally held out west, most of the racing, accord-

ing to Uhley, is done right in Michigan and by all levels of skiers.

"At the Boyne Mountain weekends, the racing is geared for all abilities. There are elites, who are at the top in ability. These are usually people who skied in high school and college. Then there are other categories all the way down to D Level, which is for beginning skiers. The level D course is set up to be challenging but so that the skier can just possibly make it through."

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Ski Patrol: helping hands in the snow

By Ingrid Tomey

Back in 1936, when U.S. skiing consisted of an hour or two of huffing and puffing up a big hill for a few minutes of downhill thrills, a skier by the name of Minnie Dole was on his way down when he fell and snapped his ankle bone. A friend stayed with him on the cold, Vermont slope while their wives skied for help.

The first person they encountered was a local farmer who said that anyone stupid enough to ski deserved Minnie's fate. The women finally located two people who helped haul Minnie off the mountain on a piece of corrugated tin roofing.

This small, inauspicious rescue led Minnie Dole into the business of organizing the National Ski Patrol System, now, 52 years later, the largest winter rescue organization in the world. With 25,000 ski patrollers in the United States and Europe, their traditional rusty parkas have become a common sight at even the smallest ski areas. But unless you've had the misfortune to have fractured an ankle or

skied into a tree, you may just take these lifesavers of the slopes for granted.

"Most people don't realize what an intensive training program we go through to qualify," says Bill Heinz of Milford, who joined Ski Patrol in 1969. "Back then I couldn't afford to ski and have my family ski so I looked at Ski Patrol as a way to pay my way and also do a service. It turned out it would have been much easier to buy season passes for all of us."

According to Heinz, the patroller's main responsibility is to care for injured skiers. "We administer first aid, take the wounded to the Ski Patrol room (all ski areas have a designated Ski Patrol shelter), and if necessary send them on to the hospital."

Thus, a critical portion of NSPS training is a 60-hour Winter Emergency Care program which covers anatomy, bandaging, shock treatment, splinting, frostbite and even bee

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Micky Jones

Kid stuff

Skiing can be a perfect family affair. While the adults make tracks down the slopes, many ski resorts offer races and courses just for the kids. And some offer lessons, such as this group of youngsters are receiving, at Nub's Knob Ski Resort.

Ski patroller has a passion for competing

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What the skiers are "making it through" are slalom courses with gates (poles) set up in a zigzag course down the hill which skiers have to make turns around. Of the regular slalom, which has many more gates, Uhley says, "you want to go as fast as possible but you're constantly putting the brakes on to turn."

The other course is the giant slalom with fewer gates set wider apart on the hill. "In the GS the skier builds up more speed because there aren't so many gates but he cuts a wider zigzag."

Uhley not only participates in the Boyne Mountain race weekends, but she also practices during the week at Pine Knob. Pine Knob and Mt. Holly

ski areas are owned by another Team Rust member, Joe Kosik, Jr.

And over Christmas she participates in two three-day racing camps at Alpine Valley, which are run by Bobbie Vial, who runs ski camps all over the country. Describing the camp, Uhley says, "You run gates, they make videos of you and you get a lot of coaching. It really helps me for the season, gives me things to work on."

When she's not racing or training or ski patrolling, Uhley keeps in shape by running and aerobics. If all this sounds like a lot of work, consider that Uhley also teaches nutrition at Wayne State and has a 2-year-old son. But regardless of her busy schedule she's not about to give up racing. "It's great," she says. "It makes skiing more challenging."



Other forms of fun

Not everyone likes to ski, and most resorts are accommodating, offering snowboarding courses and snowmobile trails. It's

good to check out your route before setting out, as this family does at Caberfae Ski Resort.

Ski clubs add to the fun when you hit the slopes

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"You make games up, get students having fun. We have a lot of engineers in this club (originally started by Ford employees, membership in the Thunderbirds and in all the clubs is now open to everyone) and you try to teach them to ski, they want to analyze it."

"So we have them do something absurd, like make the steepest turn they can. They fall — literally — out of their engineering mode and begin to have a good time."

Besides the ski school, the Thunderbirds offer a Beginner's Weekend every January up at the Schuss/Shanty Creek resort in Bellaire, with more than 600 members participating. The three-day package includes lodging, lift tickets, dinner, two breakfasts and several parties as well as lessons for between \$185 and \$215 (depending on accommodations).

According to Bill, this is the ideal initiation. "We get a bunch of people started on the slopes early in the season up north and if they like what they learn, they can join our weekly lessons at Mt. Brighton."

Other weekend offerings include trips to Boyne Mountain, including an end-of-the-season St. Patty's Day Carnival, which includes condo lodg-

ing, lift tickets, dinner, breakfasts and "parties, parties, parties!" for between \$160 and \$180.

With well-priced ski weekends, ski weeks, and ski nights offered by one club or another almost every day of the winter season there is the opportunity to try slopes in every area of the state, as well as out west, out east and as far away as New Zealand. For the Thunderbirds, this was the destination of their most memorable trip of the year, which they made in August.

"New Zealand has a very rugged terrain," recalls Bill. "There were no gondolas to take you up the mountain, just a little bus creeping up these winding switchback roads with no guard rails. You ski at the very top — about 300 feet of vertical footage. But it's not crowded. They might have 600 to 1,000 skiers in a day. Compare that to Vail with 40,000 in one day."

"Besides the lack of crowds, the cost of the trip was another enticement. Our \$1,800 included round-trip air fare, several days in Honolulu, hotels, plus two weeks of touring in New Zealand and extras like white water rafting and bungy jumping off a 143-foot high bridge in Action, New Zealand. "It was absolutely the most incredible experience ever," says Bill.

In addition to skiing around the globe, the Thunderbirds offer a smorgasbord of non-skiing activities throughout the year — golf outings, ball games, canoe trips, racquetball and parties every month. It is enough to attract a number of non-skiers who just want to get in on the fun.

"I really hate winter sports," says Ann Winslow, a divorced woman in her 50s. "I tried the Beginners Weekend and fell all over the place. But I like the people in Thunderbirds so much. They have picnics in the summer and boating trips. And in the fall there's a square dance and hayride. There's just so much to do."

Smaller than the Thunderbirds, but no less enthusiastic, is the G.M. Club with about 800 members, mostly in Oakland County. Marilyn Green, a retired schoolteacher from Bloomfield Hills stresses that "we're open to anyone who shares our interests. You don't have to be a skier to enjoy the benefits." G.M. has a higher percentage of singles than some of the other clubs, which has earned it a reputation for having a good time.

"We throw the best parties of anyone," says Green, "and they're open to any club in MDSC. So are all of our trips." Like the Thunderbirds, G.M. has a very full calendar with

subsidized lessons at Pine Knob in January and February and three weekend clinics at Schuss/Shanty Creek.

The clinics include lodging, breakfasts, lift tickets, cross country skiing, eight hours of instruction and a Saturday night banquet and Warren Miller (the crazy guy who skis off cliffs) party, a live band, free beer and wine, door prizes, pool and hot tub.

"Those hot tubs turn into great parties," says Green. All this for a mere \$160, double occupancy and even less, \$130, for foursomes. Green stresses that children are welcome to join the weekend clinics at a reduced price.

G.M. also offer plenty of far-flung skiing opportunities — Blue Mountain in Ontario; Jackson Hole, Wyo.; Keystone, Colo.; Sun Valley, Idaho and Courmayeur, Italy. Green, an avid skier, plans her winter schedule around the ski trips.

"I'm not going to Keystone this year. My first trip will be to Shanty Creek, then Jackson Hole. I may go to Shanty in February and then, of course, to Italy. And then, Sun Valley in April. Well, I might take a FAM trip too." (That's a freebie offered by different ski resorts to ski club members to familiarize them with the facilities.) Green adds wistfully,

"This will be the first time I've missed Aspen in years."

Such passion for skiing is typical of ski club members and often infects entire families. Like Livonia's Mario and Joyce Galindo and their Children, Brian, 13 and Andrea, 10. They are four of the 150 members of the Livonia Ski Club and, in spite of the expense, they ski as much as they can.

"The club does a family ski trip every year. This year it's at The Homestead. It's so special because they have special races just for the kids — one race just for fun and then a wide, slalom course. We time the kids and make videos to show them later. There's an awards night and every kid that participates gets a trophy."

The Galindos joined the Livonia Ski Club seven years ago and Brian and Andrea Galindo have been skiing since they were 6 and 3. "My husband grew up skiing in Bolivia," says Joyce, "and he said if we were going to ski we should join a club. We wouldn't ski at all as a family if it weren't for the ski club."

Though all of the larger clubs welcome children and offer special discounts for families, some of the smaller clubs are more specific about their membership. Somerset Singles, for example is open to single

skiers over the age of 21.

Up until recently, any skier that married had to leave the club, but because of so many weddings within the club membership they decided to change the by-laws. A younger club with a reputation for apres-ski parties is the Skiwis with an age range of 25-35. There are also the Ski Prix, Skiniks, Ski Jets, Ski Dinks and a couple dozen others in metro Detroit.

With so many clubs offering so much skiing, not to mention tobogganing, partying, traveling, dancing and hot tubbing, what's your excuse for sitting in front of the TV, sipping hot chocolate all winter?

For more information about the Metropolitan Detroit Ski Council, and their member clubs, call the MDSC Hotline (313) 593-1188 and ask for their 1990-1991 Ski Club Guide, how to find the club nearest you, etc. The Guide lists the MDSC Social Calendar, businesses that are registered with the Council, and club trips.

Sample MDSC trips open to all club members include a Dec. 7-9 instructional weekend and a Jan. 12-13 Race Weekend and a March 15-17 Spring Carnival, all at Boyne Mountain; a Mid Winter Frolic Jan. 25-27 at Schuss Mountain/Shanty Creek and other events.

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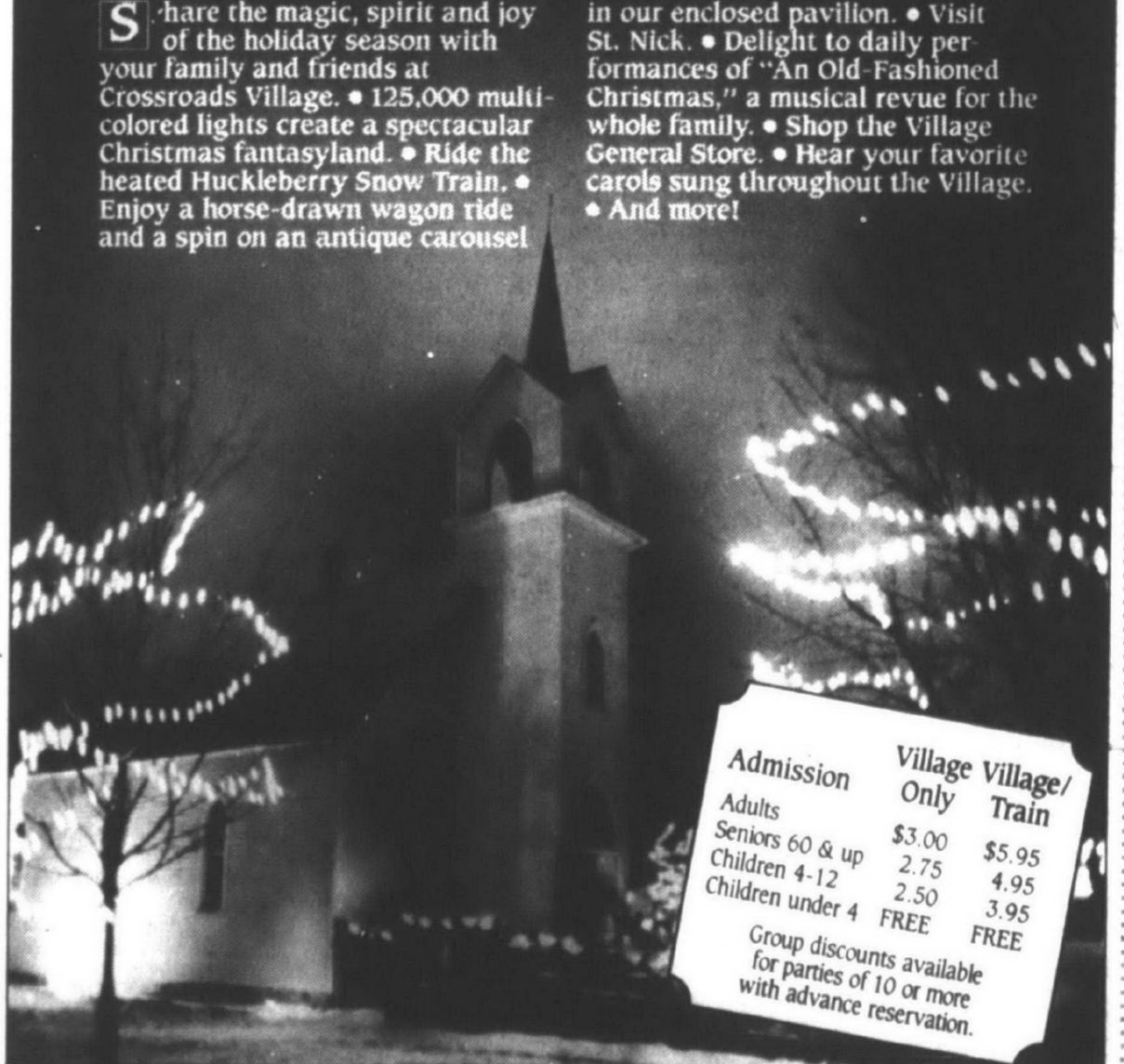
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Snowboarders surf the slopes

By Pat Schutte
staff writer

Pat Schutte, who coordinates the snowboard school at Mt. Brighton Ski Area, grew up as one of those street wizards who could take a small board with rollers on the bottom and skateboard like a champion. He moved naturally to snowboarding, so his life on the slopes parallels the history of this growing winter sport.

It all started out as a picture in a magazine. There was this shot of a guy carving a turn through some deep snow on a surfboard-like plaything. It was just one picture, but it was to foreshadow something that has taken Michigan winters by storm.

The picture, published in the winter of 1978 in the now defunct Skateboarder magazine, inspired alternative-thrill enthusiasts from Detroit to the U.P.

It was one of those enthusiasts. Snowboarding in the 1990s is an accepted mega-million dollar sport. Virtually all of the ski areas now accommodate snowboarders by building special ditch-like runs called "halfpipes" and allowing snowboarders to ride the chairlifts with the skiers. Technology, adapted from the ski industry, permits snowboarders to travel as fast as skiers, and with proper instruction, with just as much control.

In Michigan, skateboarders have only six to seven months of good skateboarding weather, so they have taken to snowboarding with enthusiasm.

David Seelbinder, 27 of Ortonville, has skateboarded since the late

1970s and is now a snowboarding instructor at Alpine Valley in Milford. Also a skier, Seelbinder compares the two sports.

"With snowboarding you're always hitting lumps, bumps, and jumps, flying around and having a blast. It's like surfing in the snow," he said. "Skiing is up and down and old."

Ben Knaak, 18, of Brighton is also a skier-turned-snowboarder with a skateboard background. He finds the sport of snowboarding to be much more wide open than skiing.

"I found that with skiing I couldn't go the distance that I wanted to, probably because I wasn't that good," said Knaak, a top area snowboard competitor. "I tried snowboarding and found that it was the sport for me. Skiing was limiting... you had to go out West to get the full affect. With snowboarding you can have a blast in your own backyard."

Twelve years ago we didn't have the luxuries that riders have today. Wherever you wanted to ride, you had to hike to get there. Ski areas would have nothing to do with snowboards back then. And the boards we rode would crack up a Third World boarder today.

My first board was a Snurfer (a wooden, water-ski-like contraption that in its very rudimentary form was the grandfather of the snowboard) with a skateboard deck, minus the wheels, mounted on top. The bindings consisted of rubber garbage can straps or bent metal hooks with athletic tape for padding.

If we were dropping down a steep, gravel-faced gorge in a sand pit during the summer, we wore tennis

shoes. If we climbed through deep snow to "catch a ride," we wore two pairs of socks with our tennis shoes.

The first board you could actually purchase back then was a snappy, pressed yellow plastic version of the skateboard we had so cheaply, and crudely modified. We had to dish out a whole 60 bucks at Don Thomas Sporthaus in Birmingham for this board. But once you had one, you could hang out with the area's top riders.

In Michigan, snowboarding took a dive when skateboarding suffered its first death in the early 1980s. Many of the original riders had gone off to college, left the state to find work, or headed to Colorado to ski. It was as if someone had pushed the cruise button on Michigan snowboarding. And though it laid dormant for a couple of years, everyone who knew the thrill first hand also knew that snowboarding would become the popular sport that it is today.

Snowboarding has given the ski industry a shot of adrenaline. For the first time in the history of skiing in North America, ski areas allow a new recreational tool on their runs. Sleds, toboggans, inner tubes, rolled up sheets of plastic. You can name a bunch of snow gadgets, but none of them have been allowed at ski areas other than in special events.

"Snowboarding has created more excitement and enthusiasm due to the difference of the sport," said Joe Bruhn, general manager of Mt. Brighton ski area in Brighton. "We promote snowboarding as if it were just another aspect of skiing. We rent boards, provide instruction, and appreciate the people who come to Mt. Brighton to snowboard."



Lee Oles

Party time

After a morning of risking their necks on the slopes, many skiers like to take a break. In fact, ski parties are so popular that many people who don't even ski love the lodges. And whatever you prefer, fancy dress or puffy parkas, there is something for all tastes. This group of happy downhillers found their thrills at the Winter Carnival at Boyne Mountain.

Ski Patrol offers helping hands in time of trouble

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stings. As well as first aid and CPR, the ski patroller must pass courses in skiing proficiency, toboggan handling (for transporting injured skiers down hill) and aerial lift evacuation (mostly due to failures to get on and off chair lifts properly).

The injuries Heinz sees today are different from those he saw 21 years ago. "Back then it was leg and ankle injuries, but now, with improved boots and bindings, we don't have lower leg injuries as much as knee injuries — 90 percent of injuries today are knees."

If all this talk of injuries makes you squeamish, Heinz stresses that there are safety precautions you can take to reduce your risk:

- Take lessons. "Lessons get you started right, teach you how to turn, how to stop and how to control your speed. With improved equipment and grooming of the slopes, it's easy to ski fast and ski out of control. Reckless skiing causes accidents."
- Check equipment. "Make sure all your equipment is properly fitted and that your bindings release properly."
- Dress properly. "Layer clothing for the most warmth and the

least bulk." Heinz still likes wool best for keeping moisture from the body while providing warmth. "But Thinsulate, Gore-tex, all those newer fabrics are OK too."

• Be courteous. "Don't stop in the middle of the hill. When you enter from the side, check up the hill for other skiers. And if there's an accident, stay with the injured skier until help arrives."

If you follow this advice, you can be sure that Minnie Dole, wherever he is, will approve of your skiing. And if you still have an accident, do not despair. Your rust-colored rescuer will soon arrive.

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Shopping for gifts at the post office can save and time and gasoline. "Convenience shopping at the post office can help you get an early start on your gift mailing," says John M. Horne, field division, general manager/postmaster, Detroit Division.

Most of the following items are on sale in many post offices and Detroit Division's Philatelic Boutiques (Ann Arbor, Dearborn, Detroit, Wayne/Westland, Pontiac, Royal Oak and Port Huron).

Creation of the Sea, a 24 by 36-inch poster, depicts the killer whale and dolphin, \$4.95.

Tree ornaments, crafted in bass, silver plated in a snowflake shape and crowned with one of the 1990 Christmas stamps, are priced at \$14.95 each. Ornaments are sold over the counter or by mail. Mail order forms are available in the post office lobby.

Stampin, a board game, costs \$13.95 by mail order and over the counter. The game is for those ages 8 to adult. Each game includes the pamphlet, "Introduction to Stamp Collecting."

The "Best of the Decade Mint Set, is \$18.95 and contains 51

stamps from the most popular issues of the 1980s. The set includes protective mounts and a 94-page book of illustrations and narrative.

The Postal Service Guide to U.S. Stamps contains a list of stamp values for new and used stamps, full-color illustration facts about all U.S. stamps printed since 1847. It also contains a list of valuable stamp errors. The 336-page booklet costs \$5.95.

The 1990 Commemorative Mint Set, features the entire collection of 37 commemorative stamps (valued at \$9.45) presented in a colorfully illustrated album. Look for coupons in post office lobbies offering \$2 off the regular price of \$16.50.

For \$7.95, the 12-page Creations of the Sea Album, printed in English and Russian bears both nations' first-day of issue cancellation.

The Indian Headdresses Folder sells for \$4.95. It features Indian-related scenes and a booklet pane of 10 Indian Headdress stamps.

Nature recycles waste material

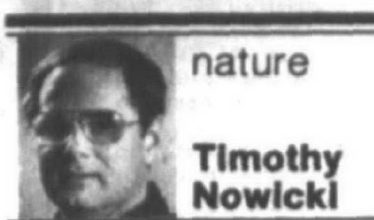
A student recently asked me the life span of some species of birds. She was surprised, as most people are, that small birds like chickadees average only one to two years. Banded birds have been recorded as old as 10 years, but that is not the norm. Slightly larger birds like robins live a couple of years longer.

The next question was, if wild animals have such a short life span, why don't we find more dead animals around? This is a very good question and allows us to think about the small, forgotten animals that answer this question.

If the natural world did not have the decomposers, as they are called, we would be up to our armpits in waste and dead bodies. Several different kinds of animals help to prevent this.

First, most wild animals are eaten by other animals as food. The atoms and elements from one body are recycled into the predator. What little may be left of the prey animal will be decomposed by bacteria or insects.

Waste material from the multitude of animals is either a source of nutrients for fungus and bacteria, or



nature

Timothy Nowicki

it is buried by dung beetles. Dung beetles use it as a place in which to lay their eggs. Larva feed on the remaining foodstuffs while protected underground from many predators.

Bodies of animals that may die of old age may be buried by carrion beetles. They undermine the carcass and bury the body so it is protected from other scavengers. I happened to see a common carrion beetle on the trail just the other day.

Ants, beetles, flies, bacteria, fungi and scavengers such as shrews, crows, skunk, opossum and raccoon are all part of nature's clean-up crew. If they were not around, I suspect that there would be many more diseases. Their impact can be seen in



TIM NOWICKI/illustration

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winter when an animal killed by a vehicle on the road is observed over time. When insects and bacteria are not around, a carcass may persist until warm weather returns.

A corollary of this subject is why are deer antlers rarely found? Deer shed their antlers in mid-winter, but small rodents active all year eat the antlers for their minerals and calcium.

Because they are small, though actually quite numerous, decomposers go unnoticed, except for their noticeable effects.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks County Park. He lives in Livonia.

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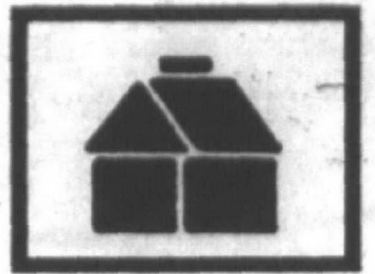
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Engineer-artist enjoys graphite portraits

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

THOMAS DYER uses graphite pencils to portray people who are lost in thought, inquisitive or just plain delighted with the wonders of nature.

His lively depictions capture the subject's emotion, and touch the viewer with their sensitivity.

Dyer's one-man exhibition of the graphite portraits opened Nov. 16 at Nelson's Gallery in Livonia. The heart-touching show continues through Dec. 31.

Dyer began drawing the portraits 3½ years ago in Florida, after working full days as a design engineer for Martin Marietta at Orlando Aerospace.

"They're drawn mostly from photographs," Dyer said. "I take three or four photographs then combine a conglomeration of ideas."

Dyer estimates that he spends 20 to 30 hours on a drawing. Because he can only work at night, he said, "it takes a week or two to finish a drawing."

Dyer, who "never had a drawing class," said with the completion of every drawing, he becomes "more confident."

HIS WORK is free of commercialism. He believes "by not worrying about (selling) them, the more people enjoy them."

"'Playground' is originally from an article on child abuse," he said.

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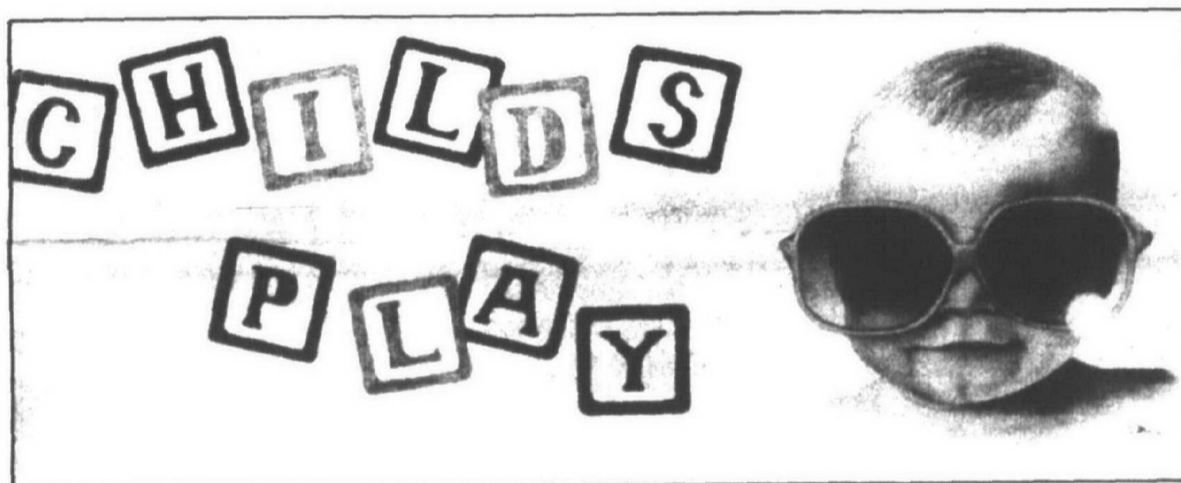
"Butterflies" is the title of this portrait by Thomas Dyer. The butterfly sitting on the little girl's nose is free of all detail. The artist said the reason he created the surreal butterfly was "to try to keep the emphasis on the person." "Butterflies" is priced at \$1,200.



photos by JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

This portrait of an inner-city girl is titled "Playground." Thomas Dyer placed wire fencing behind the glass to give the viewer the impression of looking through an urban playground

fence. He got the idea for "Playground" from an article he read on child abuse. The pensive piece is priced at \$525.



"Child's Play" is the title of the Thomas Dyer graphite portrait exhibition at Nelson's Gallery in Livonia. The exhibition runs through Dec. 31. This piece of art is priced at \$425.

Competitive edge inspires pianist

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

Fired by a competitive spirit, Tomoko Mack-Brzozowski practices a Chopin piano concerto in preparation for a young artists competition sponsored by the Federation of Musicians.

The competition will be in November 1991.

"My goal is competition," Mack-Brzozowski said during an interview from her West Bloomfield home. "I spend four to five hours a day practicing."

Since 1980, she has won a dozen competitions for pianists. In the background, her husband, Kazimierz, who has a doctorate in music from the University of Michigan, practices on a Baldwin grand piano.

Tomoko won the piano in the 1989 Galdwin National Fellowship competition in Ohio.

She was the 1987 first place winner in the Livonia Symphony Concerto competition. The Livonia Symphony was then known as the Oakway Symphony.

In January, Tomoko will judge the Livonia Symphony Orchestra Young Artist Competition, which offers \$3,000 in prizes along with the opportunity to appear with the orchestra.

Mack-Brzozowski stressed her training as the reason for her competitive edge. Born in Tokyo, she said her "serious training began" when she was 7.

"After my family moved to New Jersey," she said, "I studied with Madame Yamaguchi of Juillard."

In 1983, Mack-Brzozowski won a scholarship to Oakland University, where she earned a bachelor of music degree. While at the university, she studied with Flavio Varani.

"I owe a lot of my musical training to Flavio Varani," she said.

Varani was her instructor in piano performance. "Flavio was not just my mentor, but my guiding light."

"Flavio taught me about listening to yourself," she said. "He reinforced, over and over, you must listen to yourself as you play."

In 1989, Tomoko completed her graduate studies at the University of Michigan. During her studies, she met Kazimierz.

The piano duo married three years ago. "In the next two or three years," she said, "we plan on organizing an international music camp in Poland."

Teaching piano is yet another of her priorities. Over the last two years, she has attracted 35 private students ranging in age from 4 to 55. One of her piano students travels from Indiana once a week for a one-hour lesson.

ALONG WITH the private studies

in her West Bloomfield home, Mack-Brzozowski gives private instruction part-time at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

In 1990, Tomoko and Kazimierz spent the summer in Warsaw, Poland. They performed solo recitals at the Mozart Festival there. "I want to be seen as a mature artist," Tomoko said.

In 1991, Tomoko plans to perform a series of solo concerto recitals.

In judging the Livonia Symphony competition, Tomoko said, "I'm definitely looking for artistic ability, but with the pressure of 15 minutes, I'll have to look at other concerns, such as show stage manner."

She believes "music is definitely analytical."

"In their general studies, students achieve so much more when they study music," Tomoko said. "If they are absorbed in the music, they are playing. For me that's a winner."



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Says accomplished pianist Tomoko Mack-Brzozowski (left), who teaches piano at Schoolcraft College in Livonia: "My goal is competition. I spend four to five hours a day practicing." Since 1980, she has won more than a dozen piano competitions.

Nankin Mills holds storied past; help out Greenmead

PEERING INTO the creative periscope:

• "The small plant in a village or in the country makes for better working conditions because it permits a more natural life," said Henry Ford I about his village mill industries in western Wayne County in the '20s and '30s.

One such mill complex was Nankin Mills, on Ann Arbor Trail in then Nankin Township, now Westland.

In 1918, Ford, ever the innovator, bought the 19th-century grist mills as part of a grand plan to build village mill industries along the Rouge and other small rivers.

Equipped with a turbine generator, Nankin Mills produced engravings, carburetor parts, rivets and bearings.

Ford believed farmers working in an atmosphere of cleanliness and tranquility would restore a proper balance between the industrialized city and rural communities.

During the slack season, the Plymouth Historical Museum quotes Ford as saying, the farmer "could work in the small plants in the farming communities, thus resulting in year-round work, providing the security of farm life with the increased income afforded by industry."

Ford's experiment intrigued American and European planners. But it proved unprofitable.

After World War II, Nankin Mills closed, a Michigan historic marker on the site tells us.

Nankin Mills gained a new lease on life in 1956, when the site became a Wayne County parks nature center.



Bob Sklar

• It's a chance to tour seven charming homes in a variety of architectural styles cheerfully decorated for the holidays — and benefit Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village.

All proceeds from the Friends for Development of Greenmead's annual Christmas walk Saturday, Dec. 8, will go toward restoring the 19th-century Alexander Blue House at Greenmead. Plans call for the 13-room house to be used as a confer-

ence center and as a reception hall for Greenmead's chapel.

The walk will start at Greenmead. The Livonia Historical Society will decorate the Hill House, the 149-year-old, Greek Revival-style farmhouse of Greenmead founder Joshua Simmons, in a patriotic theme. The house will be open for tours.

The private homes range from a new, 6,700-square-foot home with an indoor swimming pool and whirlpool, to a 4-year-old English Tudor with a sunken great room and circular staircase, to a five-bedroom, three-story house with nine-foot ceilings built in 1917.

The homeowner will decorate the English Tudor. Livonia florists will donate their time to decorate the rest.

Walk tickets are \$5 in advance at

the Greenmead office, Livonia City Hall and all Livonia libraries, or \$6 the day of the walk at the Hill House.

• Perched on a rise at 14 Mile and Farmington Road, it tells the story of a once bustling village in then Farmington Township.

The Farmington Hills historic marker explains that in 1850, the village boasted a post office, a blacksmith shop, general stores, 10 homes and a cheese factory. It was a collecting point for milk from nearby farms.

A 153-year-old cemetery a half mile south of the intersection is still owned and controlled by a private association. It's still an active burial ground.

It's the only cemetery in the city in which a veteran from each U.S. war is buried. Revolutionary War

soldier Levi Green plus soldiers from the War of 1812, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

The village didn't fare as well as the cemetery. Rural free delivery doomed the post office. Better transportation killed local commerce. And by 1930, the marker tells us, "North Farmington was a ghost town."

But like the Phoenix, the mythical bird that miraculously rose from its own ashes, that "ghost town" became rejuvenated. The crossroads now lies amid one of western Oakland County's prime residential areas.

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Barbara Framke of Livonia sits amid some of her most prized collectibles made of ceramic and porcelain. The horse (center) dates back 30 years.

Antique fair Saturday at Livonia Elks Lodge

By Noreen Flack
staff writer

Bob and Jan Lomas of Wyandotte will host their first antique and collectibles show in Livonia Saturday, Dec. 1.

The Lomas' have hosted shows in Southgate for four years, with shows every month from October to April.

Bob & Jan's Antique & Collectible Show & Sale will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1 at the Livonia Elks Lodge, 31117 Plymouth Road, one block east of Merriman Road, a half mile west of Wonderland Mall.

After four seasons of successful winter-running Southgate shows, Bob and Jan decided to add a show in Livonia.

"We're expecting an exceptional turn out for the Livonia show," Bob said. "We have been booked with collectors for a couple of months now."

AFTER THE Dec. 1 show, Livonia shows will continue to run once a month at the Elks lodge on Saturdays: Jan. 19, Feb. 16 and March 16.

There will be 43 dealers at the

show, many of them local, others are from Traverse City, Toledo, and Bowling Green, Ohio.

The show has a range of antiques and collectibles from china, glass, porcelain, pottery, jewelry, silverware. "The whole gamut," Bob said, "but no new stuff."

"No arts and crafts," Jan said. "We're really strict on that. Just antiques."

Admission to the show is \$1.50. There is a snack bar and free parking.

Bob has been buying and selling for more than 20 years. But Jan admitted, "I'm not even a collector. I like promoting, I enjoy the people. We have a group of collector friends. You see the same dealers and collectors so much during the shows, you get to know each other very well. That's the part I like."

Shows running in Southgate are held at the Southgate Civic Center, 14400 Dix-Toledo Road, one block north of Eureka Road. Upcoming shows are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sundays: Jan. 13, Feb. 10 and March 10. Admission is \$1. Free parking and a snack bar.

For more information, call Bob or Jan Lomas, 281-2541.

Gardener's work not over; pomanders fun to make

The Thanksgiving turkey is now but a memory, but there is still work to be done in the garden before the north winds blow and cold weather really set in.

Cold, dry winds can quickly exhaust the supply of moisture in the leaf surface of many small trees and shrubs, causing the leaf cells to dry out and possibly kill the plant.

A spray with an anti-transpirant at about this time of year and again about mid-January or February (when we have the so-called winter thaw) can do so much to help alleviate this problem. The spray will help hold in moisture and prevent windburn. When applying, be sure the temperature is above 40 degrees F.

Another good use for these sprays is to apply a fine mist to fresh green wreaths to prolong their freshness.

Winter mulch is best applied after the soil freezes, so watch the temperatures and be ready to protect those precious plants, when the time is right.

If an organic mulch is used, the nitrogen in the soil may be depleted; as a precaution, apply a 10-6-4 ferti-

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lizer prior to mulching. Some organic mulches are shredded bark, newspaper, grass clippings, compost, pine needles, and other natural materials that break down into the soil. If pine needles are used, they lower the pH balance in the soil so must be used with this in mind.

The very substantial rain that we had early this month certainly gave our trees and shrubs a good long drink of water before early winter weather actually arrives. Although the day was gloomy, let's give a big thank you to Mother Nature for this welcome and necessary rainfall.

I recently attended a program at



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Goldner Walsh Nursery, Pontiac, and heard Tim Treadway of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs explain the role of wetlands in our environment.

WETLANDS, THOSE areas which are either swamps, a wooded area that looks like a flooded forest, or marsh, open lands covered by standing or slow-moving water with reeds and cattails, support the most diverse number of wildlife animals. These areas also filter out impurities in water that eventually reach our lakes and rivers.

The animals and plants have their special place in the scheme of things.

Treadway brought several wild animals so that we could see their beauty and uniqueness close-up, and explained their role in the environ-

ment. A wood duck, mink, snapping turtle and an Eastern Fox snake were shown.

Wood ducks nest in trees, especially inside dead ones, and prefer to be in those that are 60-70 feet tall. They eat acorns, hickory nuts, berries and fruits and some aquatic plants. Ducks need these special areas on their migrations.

Muskrats play an important part in that they eat and make their homes with cattails, thereby keeping this plant under control helping to keep the marshes, channels and pools clear, providing more open water for migrating ducks.

THEN, IN turn, minks eat muskrats, turtles, ducks, squirrels, groundhogs and other small animals to help control their populations.

The top predator is the snapping turtle, which also eats dead animals that sink to the bottom, and that keeps the water from being fouled. Snakes eat mice, frogs and other small rodents and snakes are food for other animals. These reptiles like the rich bottom mud of the wetlands, which supports vegetation.

There used to be 11 million acres

of wetlands in Michigan. Now, as the result of agriculture, developments, pollution and golf courses, we have only three million.

Treadway reminded us that an injured or sick wild animal should be left alone . . . nature takes care of the situation. It is also illegal to handle them. If you have a pet and see a wild animal in trouble, keep your pet indoors.

This program is excellent and would be a fine presentation for any school or group interested in ecology.

ALSO THIS time of year, pomanders are fun to make. They will scent the room while they are curing and drying. And the scent lasts for many years. I have made them from apples, oranges, kumquats, limes, crabapples and even pears and kept them in a pretty basket.

Select firm apples and pears, and citrus fruit with a thick skin. If the stems are attached, consider it a bonus. Insert cloves into the skin, placing them very close together.

Don't circle the fruit with cloves before you have filled up other por-

tions, because it may split. Citrus may need to be punctured with a darning needle or ice pick so that the cloves can be inserted easily.

IF YOU wish, carefully apply narrow tape to the fruit to section it into quarters before sticking in the cloves, then after the curing process is over, the tape can be removed and ribbon tied in the grooves, with enough left to make a hanger.

Ribbon can also be tied around the fruit completely studded or run through the center with a long needle. Completed pomanders can also be wrapped in nylon net and secured at the top with a ribbon.

Make a mixture of ground cloves, cinnamon, nutmeg and orris root or a combination of them and roll the studded fruit into this mixture.

Place them on a paper towel in a basket and rearrange them every three or four days, so that they are evenly coated. In several weeks, they will shrink and dry; ready to be wrapped in tissue and given as gifts; hung in a closet or placed in a basket or bowl.

All-Russian concert: It's a treat

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under conductor Francesco DiBlasi, opened the second concert of the 1990-91 season with a lively rendition of the "Overture to Russian and Ludmilla" by Mikhail Glinka on Nov. 17 in the James P. Carli Auditorium at Churchill High School, Livonia.

Guest artists for the all-Russian program were the 78 members of the Wayne State University Choruses, under the direction of Dennis J. Tini.

For the second selection of the evening, the orchestra performed romantic excerpts from "Scheherazade" by Nicholas Rimsky-Korsakoff. The first excerpt was filled with the beauty of strings as they tugged at the emotions.

The second excerpt was, at times, dramatic, at times, sad, especially during the echoing solos between concertmaster James Kujowski and pianist Dianne Lord.

For the third selection of the evening, Igor Stravinsky's "Symphony of Psalms," Tini conducted the Wayne State University Choruses. The remaining Livonia Symphony Orchestra members, after the violins, violas and clarinets, left the stage.

Tini asserted near-perfect control over the orchestra and choruses for this piece, considered by many to be the major work of Stravinsky's maturity.

AFTER INTERMISSION, the full orchestra returned to the

review

stage for a dramatic performance of the ballet "Romeo and Juliet" by Serge Prokofiev.

The orchestra's heart-rending strings were followed by melodrama as Romeo dies at the grave of Juliet. The crescendos of death were strong as Romeo's last, low, dying breaths prevail, until all life was gone.

The hit of the evening were the Polovetzian Dances from the opera "Prince Igor" by Alexander Borodin.

For this last selection, the Wayne State University Choruses joined the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of DiBlasi. The orchestra and choruses were at their best for this stirring composition, a moving piece of music that the ensemble displayed in all its glory.

After an ovation, DiBlasi returned to the podium to say: "We were all saddened by the death of Leonard Bernstein. In his honor, we chose to give an encore, which was one of Lenny's most favorite, a march, the third movement from Tchaikovsky's Sixth Symphony, Pathétique."

DiBlasi said he made two tours with Bernstein. "We're gonna play it for Lenny," DiBlasi said. And play it in tribute they did.

Register now for winter art classes

Registration for the winter term at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association starts Monday, Dec. 3, for members and Monday, Dec. 10, for the general public.

The term will run Jan. 14 to March 23. Ninety-five classes for youths and adults will be offered in a variety of media, including jewelry, drawing, pastel, art history, painting and pottery.

Japonism, the influence of Japanese culture on Western art during the 19th and 20th centuries, will be explored by Hope Palmer in the art history class.

During March a seminar, "Experiencing Architecture," with local architects Michael Kirk, Rainy Hamilton, Daniel Redstone and Jerry Van Dine, will take place. Each session will include a slide lecture and an on-site visit with the architect to a current project. Joyce LeBan is the seminar coordinator.

The Art Association is at 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday. For information, call 644-0866.

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Kentucky vacation turns into career as a novelist

This is a success story. Years ago, in Farmington Hills, there lived an aspiring writer. Her name was Norma Cole, and she was a long-time, dedicated teacher in Livonia Public Schools. She was also the mother of three children.

One fine spring morning about 15 years ago, she loaded her kids into the family car and set off for an Easter vacation in Kentucky. Though Norma and none of her children knew it at the time, it was a trip that would change her life.

The adventurous group didn't head for any particular spot in Kentucky. They just headed for Kentucky, more or less following their noses, you might say. They ended up near a small town called Monticello (pop. 5,000).

"We drove all around the country roads out there," Cole said. "It was spring, and I remember thinking that everything looked just like a park."

"Finally we stopped the car, and began walking through the woods and down a mountain road, admiring all the wild violets and the spring flowers and the new leaves on the trees. Eventually, we came upon a meadow, and there in the meadow was a log cabin. It all looked like something out of the last century."

Somehow, Norma Cole felt she belonged in that place. By week's end, she had bought 16 acres of land along that mountain road (for the grand sum of \$1,400).

TODAY, SHE lives there (yes, in a log cabin) and pursues her lifelong dream of writing. This month, her first novel, "The Final Tide," a set-in-Kentucky story for young adults, was brought out by McElderry Books.

It wasn't all that easy, of course. "For a number of years, we'd just go down there and camp out. Then, as the kids got older, I'd go by myself."

"I was divorced by that time. Then, in the summer of '78, I realized I wanted to take an early retirement from teaching and write."

"One week, I went down, and just sort of sat out there in the woods for three days, deciding what I was going to do."

It would be another five years before she "got that last kid to college," retired from teaching and settled down in her own log cabin on Molehill Mountain.

"I had been writing for years," said Cole, who's never seen the inside of a formal writing class. "And I had collected a mass of rejections during those years. What I had to learn was how to publish — to write the story good enough to publish."

"Anybody can write, of course. You just let it pour out. It's learning to rewrite that's the basic secret to all good writing."

She's learned, she said, most of the essentials of revision and good writing through a small Monticello writers' group to which she belongs.

"WE MEET twice a month, and

"government men" say she must. The book is based on a true story.

COLE WROTE something like a half-dozen novels before putting together "The Final Tide" and finally meeting with the success she'd been pursuing all those years.

"All along, I'd been receiving pretty good comments from editors I'd submit my books to. And even though the books were rejected, I understood that, when you receive such comments, you're on the right track."

"Finally, I sent a book to Margaret McElderry. From my years of reading to children, I knew the kinds of things she liked, and as far as I'm concerned, she's the creme de la creme (of children's publishing).

"Like all the rest, I got the manuscript back, but there was a difference this time: There was a note enclosed, asking me to send her something else I was working on. So I packed up 'The Final Tide' and mailed it off."

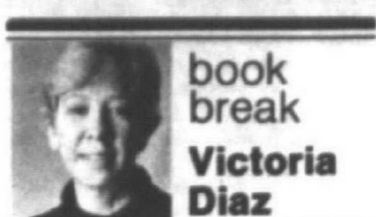
"In a few months, I got it back with another note: 'We like this. If, without any promises from us, you'll work on it further, here's what's wrong.' So I either did what she suggested or justified why I didn't want to."

"She mailed it back to me again, with still another note: 'We do like this, but this and this and this are still wrong.'"

"I worked on it some more and mailed the manuscript back to her the first part of November last year. The day before Christmas, I received an acceptance letter."

"All the rest is history." Cole recently returned to Michigan where she autographed copies of "The Final Tide" at Borders Book Shop in Novi.

Surrounded by old friends, colleagues, former students and new fans, she appeared to enjoy the literary limelight on her old stomping grounds. Still, though, she looked forward to getting back to her writing desk and a new novel in that cozy log cabin on the side of Molehill Mountain.



book break
Victoria Diaz

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— Norma Cole, author

work with pencil and paper. Actually, I seldom share my own writing with the group. I work more as a facilitator.

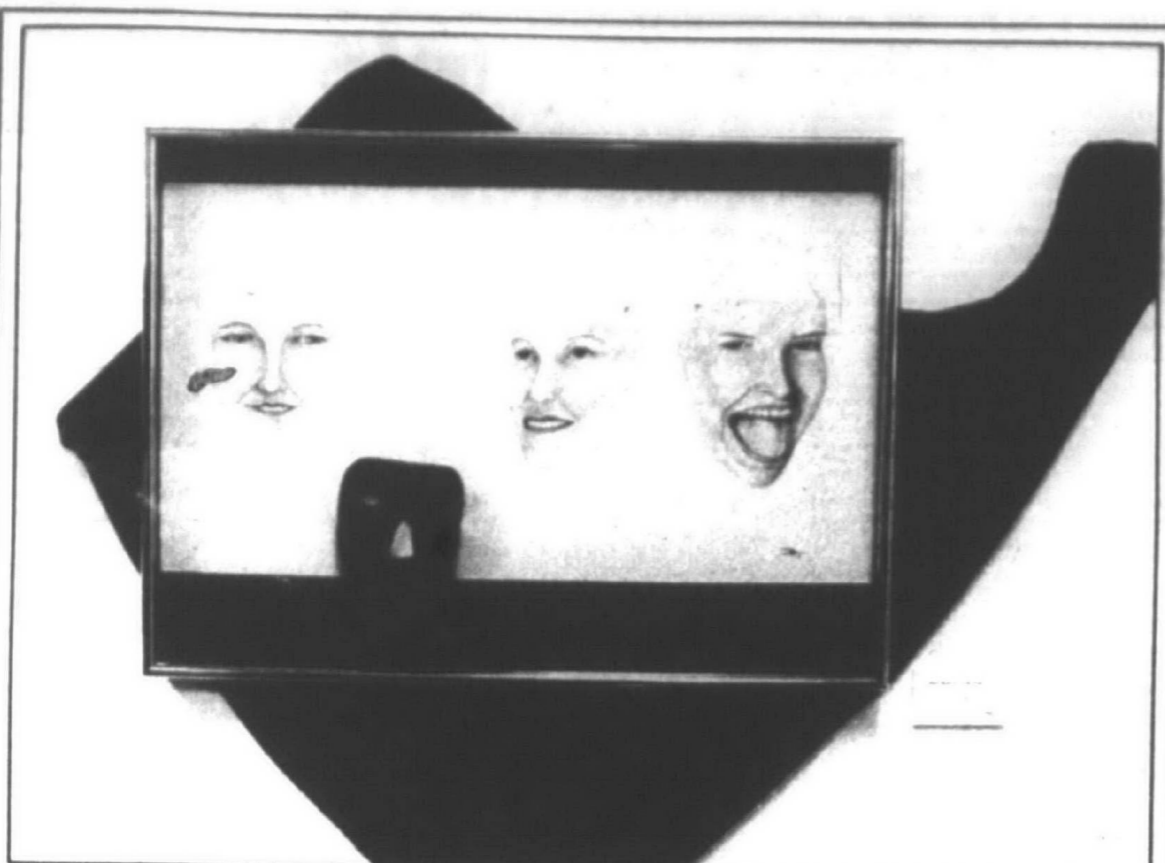
"But it's through working with their (manuscripts) that I've learned to clarify my own writing."

"When I quit teaching, I thought I was going to concentrate on writing children's picture books. But I've since learned that young adult novels are my real interest."

"With children's picture books, you must be very specific, and almost every single word has to further the story. I like more the content of a young adult novel. I like to examine the characters, their motivations, their growth. You simply can't do that very much in a picture book."

"The Final Tide" is a crisply paced, coming-of-age story about 14-year-old Geneva Haw. The book is set in 1948 in rural Kentucky when the government-built Wolf Creek Dam, nearing completion, will bring electricity to the area, at the same time that its waters will destroy homes and a way of life forever.

At the heart of the conflict is Geneva's loving relationship with her high-spirited, shotgun-toting grandmother, who refuses to leave her family home, no matter how many



Thomas Dyer created this piece, "Face Mask Fitting Room," before a one-man exhibition of his graphite portraits opened at Nelson's Gallery Nov. 16. The piece retails for \$925.



This lighthearted portrait is entitled "Just Like Dad." The artist captures the light and shadows at play in the folds of the oversized shirt. The piece isn't for sale.

Portraits exhibited

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The portrait is of a little inner-city girl, lost in thought with a basketball under her arm. The pensive portrayal, like all of Dyer's work, is uniquely framed by the artist.

Behind the glass, Dyer placed wire mesh fencing with a hole raggedly cut out of the middle to give the impression that the viewer is looking through an urban playground fence. The "Playground" is priced at \$525.

"Butterflies" is a depiction of a little girl with a butterfly lighting on her nose. Dyer's butterfly is free of detail. It is basically a blank form of a butterfly, superimposed on the little girl's face, which is awestruck by this miracle of Mother Nature.

The artist said the reason behind the surreal butterfly was "to try to keep the emphasis on the person."

"Butterflies" retails for \$1,200.

ON SEPIA-TONED paper, Dyer created the sensual piece entitled "Backdrop." This portrait is the back view of a very, seductive lady.

"Backdrop," one of his recent works, is priced at \$850. Dyer, who for the last 18 months has been employed as a suspension development engineer at the Ford Motor Co. test track facility in Dearborn, said, "there are definitely two sides to me: the mechanical engineer, and the artist."

The Thomas Dyer exhibition continues through Dec. 31 at Nelson's Gallery, 16376 Middlebelt, Livonia. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays.

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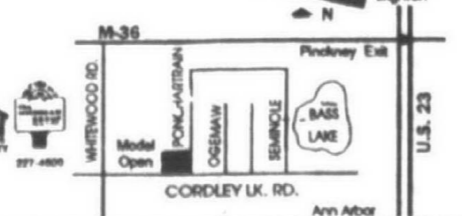
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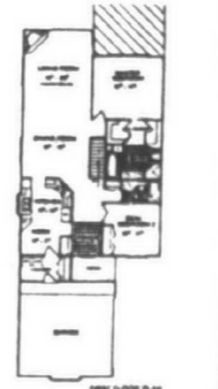


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YULE PARTY

"Christmas Fantasy," a Christmas ball to celebrate the season while supporting the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Plymouth Symphony League, will be Saturday, Dec. 1, in the Mayflower Meeting House, Plymouth.

Cocktails, with a cash bar, are at 8:30 p.m. Dinner is at 7:30 p.m. Dancing will follow.

Cost is \$65 per couple (single tickets are \$32.50). Tickets are available at Evola Music Center, 215 W. Ann Arbor Road, and Me and Mr. Jones, 327 W. Ann Arbor Trail. Or call Pat Conrad at 459-0978.

GARDEN WALK

The monthly Sunday trail walk at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens will be 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. Meet the docents at the garden steps. Dress for the weather and wear warm, waterproof shoes.

The walk is 90 minutes. The gardens are at 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor, a half mile south of Plymouth Road.

DSO CONCERTS

Conductor Raymond Leppard leads the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in four performances of Holst's Ballet Music from The Perfect Fool

and Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 1 in C minor.

DSO concertmaster Emmanuelle Boisvert is the featured soloist for these concerts. She'll perform Stravinsky's Violin Concerto in D major.

Performances are 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, 10:45 a.m. Friday, Nov. 30, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at Orchestra Hall.

Overtures, a group of metro Detroit professionals organized to support development of younger audiences for DSO concerts, will have its second event of the 1990-91 season in conjunction with the Dec. 2 concert at Orchestra Hall. At 1 p.m. at the University Club, the Wild Game Room provides the setting for a brunch. The concert follows.

THE 1990 DSO Christmas Festival opens with performances of Handel's "Messiah" at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6; 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8; and 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9.

Conductor Nicholas McGegan leads the DSO with soloists Julianne Baird, soprano; Patricia Spence, mezzo-soprano; Jeffrey Thomas, tenor; and William Parker, baritone.

The DSO Choral, directed by Eric Freudigman, joins McGegan for these performances, sponsored by the Detroit Edison Foundation. On Dec. 8, audience members are urged to bring their scores and sing the choral portions.

SINGER, PIANIST and composer Marvin Hamlisch comes to Orchestra Hall for the third program in the DSO's Weekender Pops series at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8; and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. DSO associate conductor Leslie Dunner will wave the wand.

STEFAN KOZINSKI, conductor and creator of the SymFunnies Concerts for Kids, joins the DSO for a special young people's holiday program, "Santa Koz's Young People's Music Fest," part of the Detroit News Young People's concert series and the DSO's 1990 Christmas Festival.

Performances are 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8.

The program includes fresh renditions of holiday favorites and will end with a holiday sing-along. An audience play-along will involve audience members bringing toy instruments from home and joining the orchestra in performing excerpts from Mozart's Toy Symphony.

WINNERS OF the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall's new fellowship program have been announced: clarinetist Stephen Miller of Detroit and violist John A. Madison of Ann Arbor. Both have performed with the DSO as substitute musicians.

The fellowship program was developed as part of the DSO's long-term commitment to providing significant opportunities for the career

development of African-American classical musicians.

Both winners will play alternating weeks with the DSO, receive private coaching from a DSO member and participate in the civic orchestra.

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THE NUTCRACKER

The music, color, and excitement of the holiday favorite, "The Nutcracker," will be presented by the Michigan Classic Ballet Company.

The production features Mary Celeste Geiger, former principal dancer from the Royal Ballet of Flanders; Jadyr Picanso, principal dancer with the Eglevsky Ballet, New York; and James Hohmeyer conducting the full Michigan Classic Symphony Orchestra.

Two performances will take place at Novi's Feurst Auditorium, 24062 Taft: 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2.

Prices for reserved seating are \$14 for adults and \$11 for seniors and children younger than 14. For ticket information, call 661-2430 between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. daily.

MUSIC GUILD

The Fair Lane Music Guild will present the Asbury Brass Quintet in concert in The Pool at the Henry Ford Estate on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4.

The concert follows the guild's annual wine reception and holiday dinner beginning at 5:30 p.m. Area florists will decorate the dinner and concert setting.

The Asbury Brass Quintet produces sounds ranging from smooth and rich to brilliant and sassy. Members are Neal Bernsten and Kevin Hartman, trumpets; Gregory Flint, horn; Mark Fisher, trombone; and Charles Schuchat, tuba.

Tickets for the dinner, priced at \$25, must be ordered in advance. Concert tickets are available at the door or in advance at \$10 regular, \$9 seniors and \$6 students. Call Carol Ann Ligienza, 593-5097.

ARTS FORUM

Michigan Council for the Arts will sponsor a free information forum Thursday, Dec. 6, in the Parks and Recreation Building, Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. The first session, an overview of council programs, runs 9:30-10:30 a.m. Workshops on individual grant programs will be repeated twice during the day.

Individual workshops on the council's Creative Artist Program, Arts Projects Support, mini-grants, Artist

in Schools/Arts in Education and Arts Organization Support Program will run 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and again 2:30-5:30 p.m.

For reservations, call the Southfield Cultural Arts Division, 554-4717.

YULE PLAY

The Theatre Street Players of the Performing Arts Academy of Novi will present "Our Christmas Care Benefit" at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at Mercy Center's Dublin Hall, 11 Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills.

The benefit includes a Christmas play entitled "Requiem for the Innkeeper" by Betty Andrews and "Toy Soldier" performed by the Theatre Street Dance Company.

Tickets are \$5 per person or \$25 per family and include refreshments and a visit with Santa. Tickets are on sale at the Performing Arts Academy, 41668 W. 10 Mile in Novi. Advanced orders are suggested.

For more information, call 349-2728.

GREAT BOOKS

The Great Books Foundation, a Chicago-based nonprofit educational organization, will have a two-day basic leader training course 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Dec. 6-7, in Troy.

The course is open to all teachers and volunteers committed to starting a Great Books reading and discussion group for students in K-12. It's also recommended for people who'll be leading adult Great Books groups.

The course teaches a method of discussion that actively involves both young people and adults in reading, understanding and enjoying literature.

To register, call Corrine Alonso: 680-8855. To call the foundation, call toll-free, 1-800-222-5870.

POTTERY SALE

Oakland Community College Orchard Ridge Campus' student pottery sale will be Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 6-8, at Orchard Mall, 15 Mile and Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 6-7 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 8.

ANTIQUÉ SHOW

Depression glassware, jewelry, toys, "Star Wars" memorabilia and Barbie dolls will be among the fare at an antiques and collectibles show Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Livonia Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Drive at I-275 and Six Mile, near Newburgh.

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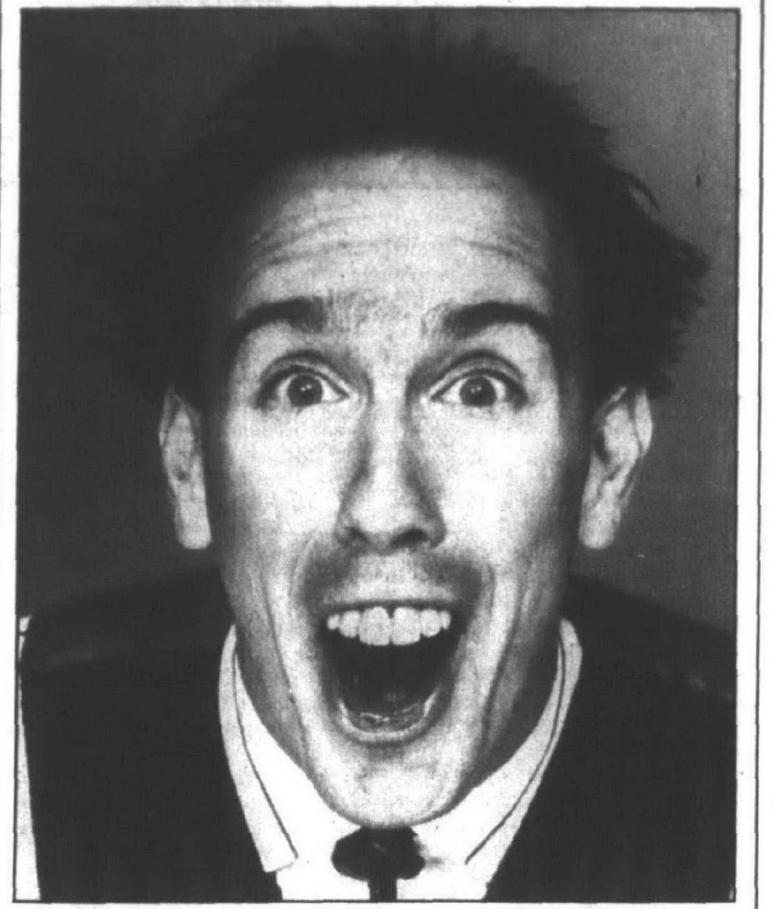
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Happy holidays

The Livonia Arts Commission presents "Happy Holidays with O.J. Anderson," a program celebrating the December holidays, at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile. Admission is \$1. Tickets are available at the library. O.J. Anderson, a mime and performance artist, transforms the ordinary aspects of life into a holiday show for parents and school-age kids. The program is a showcase presentation of Crossroads Productions Ltd., in its 12th season as a professional, non-profit touring theater company.

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THE GATE TO GREAT LIVING!

Golden Gate

APARTMENTS

From \$380

- Conveniently located only minutes from expressways and Twelve Oaks Mall.
- Spacious Apartments in an Ideal Location.

On Pontiac Trail just West of Beck Road
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34750 W. 8 Mile, 1/2 Mile W. of Farmington Rd.

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\$300 SECURITY DEPOSIT

FREE Carport

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Newburgh between Joy & Warren

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FREE HEAT
FREE COOKING GAS
VERTICAL BLINDS

1 & 2 Bedroom • 1 1/2 Baths • Central Air
 • Pool • Laundry & Storage
 • Tennis • Carport • Clubhouse • Cable Ready

Model Open 9-5 Daily
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455-4300

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HEAT INCLUDED • CARPET FROM \$465
 SECURITY DEPOSIT \$150

Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom apts with plush carpet, vertical blinds, self cleaning oven, frostfree refrigerator, dishwasher, ample storage, heated carport, club house, sauna, exercise room, tennis courts, intercom.

459-6600
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LIVONIA/WESTLAND AREA
 1 bedroom. Residential area. Free washer & dryer. \$400 mo. includes heat & security. Small pets considered.
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CONCORD TOWERS
 1 & 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS INCLUDES

- Stove & refrigerator
- Dishwasher
- Intercom
- Newly decorated
- Smoke detectors
- Sprinkler system
- FROM \$405

1-75 and 14 Mile
 Next to Abbey Theater
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A BEAUTIFUL PLACE...TO LIVE

CENTRALLY LOCATED IN WESTLAND

- 1 & 2 Bedroom • Fireplaces Available
- Pool • Tennis Court • Clubhouse
- Central Air • Dishwasher • Disposal
- Laundry Facilities
- Beautifully Landscaped
- Within minutes of all major highways

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 FREE RENT 'til Jan. 15, 1991

VENOY PINES APARTMENTS

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Enjoy the picturesque community of Plymouth with its Colonial charm, unique shops and fine restaurants. Hillcrest Club is close to everything yet secluded in its own park-like setting.

1 BEDROOM SPECIAL
 *200 Security Deposit plus Blinds & Microwave
 from \$465

- \$200 Security Deposit
- Air Conditioning
- Dishwasher

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Best Apartment Value in Farmington Hills

Charming 1 & 2 Bedroom Apartments from \$475

Featuring:

- 6 mo. & 1 yr. leases available
- Convenient to freeways, shopping and business districts
- Central Air Conditioning
- Private Balcony/Patio
- Swimming Pool
- Carpets Available
- Beautiful Landscaping

Located on 12 Mile Road between Middlebelt & Orchard Lake Roads.
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Special Holiday Extravaganza On The Water

Starting at \$770

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LAVISH 1 and 2 BEDROOM APARTMENT HOMES

- 16 Contemporary floor plans
- Euro-style cabinetry
- Ceramic tile bath and tub enclosures
- Cathedral ceilings
- Individual washer and dryers
- Microwave ovens
- In unit storage
- Private covered parking
- Fully equipped clubhouse work-out room
- Aerobic classes
- Walking/jogging trail
- Sauna & jacuzzi
- Pool with lap markers
- Tennis courts
- Volleyball pit

Directly accessible to I-275, I-96, M-14

EXPERIENCE THE ELEGANCE OF...
 An exquisitely panoramic 105 acre community perfected on the shores of Lake Success, nestled into scenic timbered views. Park Place of Northville establishes a tradition of unsurpassed excellence in apartment home living.

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 Saturday 9-5
 Sunday 12-5

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1 Bedroom "Ranch House" \$440

2 Bedroom "Townhouse" \$520

3 Bedroom "Townhouse" \$605

Pool • Spacious Rooms • Clubhouse
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 ADJACENT TO ALBURN HILLS

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NOVI LAKES AREA

*** Waterview Farms ***

- Minutes from I-96/12 Oaks • Free Storage
- All Electric Kitchen • Dishwashers

From \$430

Pontiac Trail between West & Beck Roads

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*** Westgate VI ***

- Minutes from I-696, I-275 • Spacious Suites
- Carpets • Walk-in Closets • Patios & Balconies

From \$475

Off Pontiac Trail between Beck and West Rds.

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ONLY ON 1 BEDROOM \$465

Security Deposit Only \$250

YOUR 90's LIFESTYLE

Glens of Cedarbrooke

BE A PART OF IT!
 6 mo. Leases Available

- Vertical Blinds
- Central Air
- Walk-in Closets
- Patio or Balcony
- Pool/Picnic Area
- Lighted Carpets
- Easy access to x-ways & shopping

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 Farmington Hills on Middlebelt at 10 Mile

Farmington/Novi

CHATHAM HILLS

VALUE VALUE VALUE

Compare this

- Attached Garages
- Solid Masonry Construction
- Soundproofing
- Large, Large, Large Apartments
- Heated Indoor Pool & Saunas
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On Old Grand River between Drake & Halsted
 Daily 9 a.m.-7 p.m. - Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
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LIVONIA'S FINEST LOCATION
 Merriman corner 7 Mile
 Limited time offer: 1 month
 free rent with 1 year lease,
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Deluxe
 2 bedroom, 2 bath
\$620

All appliances
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 Nearby shopping

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DON'T WAIT!
 They're going fast. Spacious
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 Call now to find more
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- Our spacious living.
- Carpet included.
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- On-site picnic area with barbecue.
- Great location near Livonia Mall.
- Ask about our move-in special.

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400 Apts. For Rent
Northville Forest Apartments
 1 & 2 Bedrooms
 Our 200 sq. ft. of comfortable
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from \$497
AVAILABLE NOW!
 Includes hot water, walk-in closet,
 porch or balcony, swimming pool,
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 OPEN MON-FRI 9am-5pm
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 by appointment.
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Northville/Novi
TREE TOP APARTMENTS
 10 Mile & Meadowbrook
 Affordable luxury is available to
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 oversized apartments. Walking dis-
 tance to shopping & restaurants,
 covered parking, St. Joseph's,
 easy access to 3 expressways. EHO
 by appointment.

One Bedroom - \$555
 Two Bedroom - \$595
 (Ask about our specials)

Open Mon.-Wed.-Fri. 9-5, Sat. 10-5
 Nov Rd., N. of 8 Mile
 Northville best value is avail-
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 the rent. Freshly painted, clean as a
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 Call.

One Bedroom - \$485
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REDUCED SECURITY
1ST MONTH RENT FREE
 1 & 2 bedroom apts. from \$500/mo.
 Vertical blinds & heat included

Franklin Sq.
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 108 E. of Middlebelt
 On 5 Mile - Livonia

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NOVI
\$300 MOVES YOU IN
 Spacious 1 and 2 bedroom
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 bedroom townhouse.

- Great locations - near 96, 96S, 275
- Minutes from 12 Oaks Mall
- Full basements in the townhouses with washer/dryer hook-ups
- Vertical blinds included

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 On 10 mile between Novi Rd. &
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HAGGERTY & JOY
PHASE II NOW LEASING
LUXURY
2 BEDROOM UNITS

- Individual laundry room
- Appliances
- Vertical blinds

Model open daily 2-6
 Sat. Sun. 12-6
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PLYMOUTH
Plymouth Hills Apartments
 746 S. Mill St.
 Modern 1 and 2 Bedroom

- WASHER-DRYER IN EACH APT.
- ACCESS TO I-275
- AIR CONDITIONED
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- DISHWASHER
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 1 & 2 BEDROOM APTS AVAILABLE

PLYMOUTH HERITAGE is pleased to
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 signing of a 1 year lease if rent is
 paid on the 1st. NEW TENANTS
 ONLY. Please call 455-2142 or
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AT 2025 JOY RD.
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 able. No pets. 657-8200

REDFORD AREA
HOLIDAY SPECIAL
NO SECURITY DEPOSIT
FROM \$395

- FREE HEAT
- Large 1 & 2 Bedrooms
- Cable Ready
- Walk-in Closet
- Lighted Parking
- 1 or 2 Year Lease
- Intrusion Alarm System

GLEN COVE
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Call for details.
652-3920

416 Timberlea
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LIVONIA - 7 MILE RD.
GRAND OPENING
 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath
\$635
 Includes washer & dryer in
 each apartment. Carpeting,
 vertical blinds, deluxe ap-
 pliances, balcony, patio,
 swimming pool, tennis
 courts, community room,
 near shopping.

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 7 Mile Rd. corner Mayfield between
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 Model open daily 10-6
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- Save Money!
- Save Time
- Open 7 Days

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OLD REDFORD AREA, Lahar Rd.
 2 bedroom apartment, no pets, heat
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 security deposit.
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OLD REDFORD on Lahar, modern
 1-2 bedrooms, fenced parking lot
 with gate opener. Carpeting, heat
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PLYMOUTH
CALL NOW!
 All our 2 bedrooms are
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 spacious 1 bedroom apart-
 ments. They won't last
 long.

- Spacious 1 bedrooms
- 800 sq. ft.
- Nestled in residential area
- Convenient to 275, 96 &
 14
- Ample storage/blinds
 included
- Heat included
- Private balcony

Ask about our move-in
 special
 Rent with a 1 or 2 yr. lease

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 Ann Arbor Trail
 just east of Haggerty
 Call Mary
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 Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom
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 Walk to shopping. Central air,
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 pool. Available to qualified applic-
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PLYMOUTH - Spacious 1 & 2 bed-
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 \$485 - \$515 per month.
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PLYMOUTH - 1 bedroom, Plymouth
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 town. Available immediately. Dis-
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PLYMOUTH
 1 & 2 bedroom apts available. Also
 furnished 1 bedroom. Featuring
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 • Private entrance
 • Private patio
 • Utility room w/laundry hook-up
 • Storage in attic
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ORCHARD LAKE ROAD
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FROM \$375

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SPECIAL \$50 SECURITY
GREAT LOCATION
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HEAT & WATER INCLUDED
 Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom & studios
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- You'll love our new health club facility
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HEAT AND VERTICAL BLINDS INCLUDED
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 Pool & Tennis Spacious Rooms
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Walton Corner at Perry
 Adjacent to Auburn Hills
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The Village APARTMENTS

LIVING YOU CAN AFFORD TO ENJOY!

1 & 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS FROM **\$360 HEAT INCLUDED**

Beautiful Setting in a Great Location!

AT PONTIAC TRAIL & BECK ROAD IN WIXOM
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- sporting events
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Scott Jacobson: Builder of Year

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Scott Jacobson really loves to build.

That much is apparent to anyone sitting down with him for more than a minute. Ask him about himself and he will hem and haw, stammer, balk, look away, change the subject, cough, fidget, and look at the ceiling. Ask him about building and his face relaxes, his eyes brighten, and it's off to the races.

Scott Jacobson, 36, of Birmingham was chosen by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (BASM) as Builder of the Year. He will be honored for his commitment to the organization and for his contributions to the single-family housing market at BASM's annual awards banquet tonight. (For a complete list of honorees, see Page 4.)

Jacobson, president of S.R. Jacobson Development Corp. in Birmingham, said being a builder is a demanding career. He works six or seven days a week, deals with a myriad of people from tradesmen to customers, and combats invariables like weather, local regulations and public opinion.

"Building in Northville and West Bloomfield is like building in two different states," Jacobson said. "You have to pretty much eat, drink and sleep building."

"(But) I enjoy what I'm doing and wouldn't ever consider anything else," Jacobson said.

AND FORTUNATELY, he happens to be good at his chosen profession.

"I think we do some things pretty well," Jacobson said, stressing his successes have come from being aggressive, innovative and industrious when it comes to finding good building sites.

But his firm's success comes from Jacobson's studied approach to building, he said. "I don't want to sit still and build the same house I built 10 years ago."

A studied approach to building includes — but isn't limited to — extensive traveling to other parts of the state and country to see what other builders are doing, re-evaluating past products to see where improvements can be made, and building a team around him that he can rely on.

Different elevations inside and

out, different room orientations, more variety in home styles, two-story rooms — builders have to provide unique homes because buyers, especially in move-up homes, are discriminating.

"There is a thrill to seeing a piece of raw property, building on it, and then seeing people live there," Jacobson continued. "I really enjoy driving through a subdivision. I worked in and seeing people living there."

Trying to put into words the feelings a builder gets after seeing a thriving community he helped start and had an impact on is something few outside the trade could understand.

For Jacobson there is a sense of accomplishment ("I did that"), a sense of pride ("It still looks great") and perhaps even a sense of purpose ("Where would these people live if I hadn't built that house?").

JACOBSON WAS first exposed to building as a youngster when he accompanied his father to work sites, and later as a teen when he worked summers for his father's company, Mark Jacobson and Associates, Birmingham.

Like many other builder's sons and daughters, Jacobson remembers his first job on a building site — sweeping floors. But even though he worked for his father while still in high school, Jacobson wasn't planning on building as a career until he was already in college.

"At 18 or 19, I was like a lot of kids — I didn't know what I wanted to do. But when I was around 20 years old, I decided to give it a try," he said, and he began enrolling in business and building management classes at Michigan State University.

But not all the education in the world could have prepared him for the real world. Jacobson returned to work for his father's company after leaving college, but after several years decided to venture out on his own.

"I started in 1979 during the recession," he said. "I built a home in Rochester Hills and sat in a model for two years and lost money."

But finally he did sell the home, and using the knowledge he gained from the first sale, he built another . . . and another . . . and another. Even he didn't foresee he would some day build between 75 and 100

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Scott Jacobson stands in front of the Berkshire model in Mission Springs in West Bloomfield.

Hall of famer: builder's role model

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Donald Van Every has been in the building business a long time, but it isn't only time served that warrants his being selected to the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan Hall of Fame.

Van Every, 68, a resident of Bloomfield Hills, has been a member of BASM since World War II, a past president of the association, and a vice president of the state home builders association. He is president of the Streamwood Development Co.

He's built affordable and luxury homes from Detroit to Oakland County, has developed tracts of vacant land for other builders, and has seen the farms and swamp land of Oakland County and western Wayne change into a thriving metropolitan center.

Builders themselves have changed, he said. From novices with more chutzpah than business acumen to highly educated, sophisticat-

ed entrepreneurs, the builders of today are providing better housing in a tougher environment.

"People always say, 'They don't build them like they used to,'" Van Every said. "Well, I'm old enough to remember the 'used to,' and I can tell you they're building them a lot better than they used to."

From the materials to the plans to the code inspections to the people doing the building — everything about today's homes is better than its counterpart of 40 years ago, Van Every said.

"The whole package is better. The younger guys are all better educated and know more than I did when I started," he said.

VAN EVERY began building in a simpler time. It was after World War II. A war veteran himself, Van Every recalls the time.

"We were all sitting around and all the guys were saying, 'The first things I'm going to do when I get home is get married and buy a



Don Van Every

house," he said. "I knew there would be opportunities."

"When I got home, I started immediately because I knew everyone was going to be looking," he said.

Van Every began as a real estate agent selling new homes for other builders, but quickly moved into the building end.

"It was one of those situations where the grass is always greener," he said of his move from real estate agent to builder. "It was the same thing with developing."

Van Every does very little building these days, he said, and instead focuses on developing vacant land and then selling lots to individual builders here and in Florida.

Like other builders, Van Every laments the demise of less restrictive days. "The labyrinth of regulations and controls you have today has made building more difficult and more expensive."

"I used to apply for a building permit in the morning, go get a cup of coffee, come back and pay for it, and start work the next day," he said. "Now it takes two months just to get a building permit."

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Lawyer returns to building roots

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

This year's Young Builder of the Year, Terry Nosan of Nosan/Cohen Associates Inc. in West Bloomfield, never saw himself as a builder while he was growing up.

Although Nosan comes from a long line of builders and building tradesmen, Nosan thought he would pursue a career in law.

Nosan, 36, of West Bloomfield, was chosen by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan as Young Builder of the Year. He will be honored for his commitment to the organization and for his contributions to the single-family housing market at BASM's annual awards banquet tonight.

Nosan's great-grandfather was a carpenter, his grandfather was a carpenter/builder, and his father Harold "Manny" Nosan, president of the Nosan Building Corp. in West Bloomfield, has been active in residential construction since World War II.

"I was practically born into it," Nosan said.

But Nosan became a lawyer instead and for two years worked as an assistant attorney general for the state of Michigan. And he hated it.

"A time comes when you see you realize you're either going to be an assistant attorney general for the rest of your life or you have to try something else," Nosan said.

So he tried something else — building, a career that he wasn't totally unfamiliar with since he had worked for his father since he was a young man.

NOSAN HAD been exposed to building since he was young boy from the days of picking up wood scraps on work sites, to riding the bulldozers with an operator, to doing rough carpentry and framing in a home.

It wasn't surprising then, that he returned to work for his father as a construction supervisor in 1978. And although he was happy there, Nosan decided to set out on his own and formed

Nosan/Cohen Associates with Lawrence Cohen — a friend from his high school days — in 1983.

Nosan/Cohen has concentrated its building in Oakland County on projects like Stone Ridge and Sable Point in West Bloomfield, and the Woods of Novi. Prices range from \$159,000.

Nosan said he is also looking at projects in Canton Township in western Wayne County.

"We've had a lot of good years," Nosan said, referring to the construction boom of the 1980s. "But now we're getting a little cautious."

But even with all the uncertainties of the economy and dealing with local restrictions, Nosan said he is happy with his chosen career.

"There are a lot of days when you ask yourself is it really worthwhile," Nosan said, but then he'll think about it and answer, "yes."

"We're really the quarterbacks that guide all that's happening," Nosan said. Orchestrating a construction site requires timing, planning and organization, Nosan said, and when it all comes together it's really an accomplishment.

"IT'S A VERY exciting process —



Terry Nosan

much more fulfilling than other jobs," he said. "Legal work, that was all pushing papers (and) spending more time tearing things down than building them up."

"But building, (with) building you drive up in the morning and there's a pile of wood and iron, and when you leave at night there's (part of) a building there," he said.

"It's almost a monument," he said. "Anyone involved in it — from the rough carpenter to roofing guy, can point to it and say, 'I had a part in that.'"

Of course not every building deserves to be a monument, he said, but they are always something substantial that represents something accomplished.

"Some (buildings) are sins and some are wonderful, (and) hopefully there are more wonderful ones," Nosan said.

Nosan said being awarded Young Builder of the Year is gratifying because it's a reflection of his peers' esteem. That esteem from other members of BASM is important, not only because it shows others have noticed his efforts, but because the association is important.

"The building industry, unlike the auto industry or manufacturing, is made up mainly of small businesses," Nosan said. Large corporations or manufacturing interests generally have influence they can use when outside agencies seek to impose restrictions on them; small business does not.

"We need a voice," he said. At the local level, builders fight their own battles with planning commissions and community officials, but as development has grown as an issue, state and federal legislation is having a larger impact.

"We need an organization that's active and brings issues to light, that lets us know when we have to rally (for builder interests)," he said.

The builders association, he said, also provides a forum for builders to work out ideas amongst themselves, he said.

Nosan said being selected as the Young Builder of the Year shouldn't change his position in BASM much. Granted, new members and young

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Jacobson: satisfaction in building homes

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homes a year in the \$150,000 to \$375,000 range.

Unlike some builders, Jacobson remains optimistic the boom times of the past decade will return. "There are certainly some nice growth areas (remaining)."

JACOBSON SAID while new home sales are down, there has been less than a 5 percent decrease from last year — hardly, he says, a reason to panic.

"We're sitting back a bit," he acknowledged, pointing to uncertain-

ties in the economy and in the Middle East, but closing up shop would be a mistake.

Interest rates are expected to drop, he said, and just because housing values have dropped in the East and West, doesn't mean the Midwest will suffer as well.

There is not one housing market in the country, but many, Jacobson said. What is happening in the East and West, where property values have been overvalued, does not have to spell doom for other areas of the country.

Jacobson said building has

changed since he chose it as a career more than 15 years ago.

From the deep recession in the early part of the decade to the boom time as the decade ended, from a time when communities welcomed growth with open arms because of the tax revenues, prestige and jobs to a time when the slow-growth/no-growth communities shut the doors, builders have been on a roller coaster of a ride.

Such a tumultuous decade would have been impossible to predict, Jacobson said.

Builders are no longer the rulers

of their own destinies, he said. Instead their projects are subject to the sometimes capricious whims of public opinion.

AND HE BELIEVES that most of these changes are unnecessary.

People fail to realize builders are much better at what they do than they were a decade ago, Jacobson said. Wetlands restrictions, woodland protection, low density — most of the rules communities develop are unnecessary.

Ten years ago, it wouldn't be unusual for a builder to strip a lot of its

trees and squeeze every square foot of home possible on it, Jacobson said. "Today you'd be foolish to do that."

"Builders are more sensitive than they were in the past," he said. People want natural settings, they want wetlands and woodlands — the less a site is disturbed, the more the home can be sold for, Jacobson said.

When it comes down to what's good for an area, builders are a pretty savvy group of people and they know how to do their job, Jacobson said. Certainly some builders are careless, perhaps even reckless, but

all builders should not be judged — and restricted — because of a few bad apples.

The pendulum has swung from "come here and build" to "go away," he said, and that doesn't benefit anyone. Jacobson predicted the slow-growth/no-growth movement itself will yield to a more accepting time once people realize that no growth means no jobs, no tax base, and most importantly, the end of aspirations of owning a home.

"Without builders, you're cutting out the American dream," Jacobson said.

Van Every defends today's 'better' builders

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A FULL-SCALE subdivision development, he added, will take up to two years after planning begins until the final home is built.

Van Every said nothing good has come from the regulations and controls. "It's all bad — it loads front end costs."

Minimum lot sizes increases the value of land, building regulations inflate the cost of building and the permit process magnifies the time spent per project, he said.

"What we've done is created a sit-

uation where affordable housing can't be built," Van Every said. People have to ask whether the tradeoff is worth it, he said.

True, housing is better today, but when all is said and done, the build-ings of yesterday are still providing excellent homes.

"All the subdivisions of 45 years ago are still good, they're still functional."

Beyond their impact on new develop-ment, the increased regulations also impact existing housing. The high-cost new housing increases the value of property in a community,

which then increases the assess-ments on all homes.

"It looks nice on a personal bal-ance sheet to say I bought my house for \$125,000 and now it's worth \$250,000, but wait until the tax bill comes."

BUILDERS ARE combating an unjustified image problem, Van Every said. They're considered the bad guys in the development process. "(No-growth proponents) have the

feeling we're dragging people out to the developments."

"But we don't create the people or the market — we satisfy the need that's there," he said. "If we build a subdivision and no one moved there, all we could do is sit there and look at it."

Van Every said his induction into the hall of fame is an honor — because it shows his colleagues think highly of him — and a responsibility

— because it casts him as a role model for younger builders.

Although not something he has sought over the years, Van Every said he has accepted the mantle of role model. Even before he won the award, he said he has always been approachable to the younger mem-

bers of the organization.

But being a reputable builder means more than being a role model for young builders — it also means talking to community groups about building interests and young people about building and business in gener-al.

From lawyer to builder

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builders may seek him out more, but then Nosan said he hopes he has always been approachable.

"If people want to talk about something, I've always been an open book," he said. "I would hope they would come to me regardless."

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Cohen answers development's critics

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Developers are often wrongly saddled with a reputation for being land grabbers with little or no interest in maintaining a community's aesthetic values.

They would like nothing better, their critics argue, than to ignore community regulations requiring the preservation of wetlands and woodlands, minimum lot sizes and setbacks, and zoning laws.

But few people realize that developers — especially the better ones — are placing greater restrictions on themselves than municipalities require, and are taking a bigger hand in what builders can do on the property they develop.

Norman Cohen, president of Biltmore Properties in Troy, and a resident of Bloomfield Township, was chosen as the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan Developer of the Year because of his service and achievements to land development.

Cohen has been in the business for more than 30 years. He has seen development evolve from the early grid-patterns of the post-war period to the extravagant, rolling subdivisions of today.

As a developer, Biltmore Properties acquires and assembles land, subdivides it and plans communities, excavates and improves the lots with water, sewer or septic and infrastructure, and then sells the individual lots to builders.

"What I do," Cohen said, "is create real estate opportunities for com-

mercial industrial and office development."

BILTMORE PROPERTIES has developed an extensive list of success stories, including new developments like Somerset Apartments and Wattles Point subdivision in Troy, Copperwood Creek in Farmington Hills and Royal Point in West Bloomfield.

An attorney by trade, Cohen was the in-house counsel for Biltmore Properties until 1980, when he and his partners bought the company. While at Biltmore, Cohen has developed extensively in southeastern Michigan and Florida.

But doing his job is a lot more complicated today than it was when he began in the trade. "Years ago, it took six to nine months to subdivide and improve property — now it will take two to three years."

"(But) what I'm concerned with is the escalation in government regulations and no-growth sentiment," he said. There are a lot of difficult problems that need to be addressed between development and government interests, he said, but a blanket no-growth policy is not the answer.

Communities argue the heavy-handed restrictions are necessary because when left to their own devices, developers and builders will over-develop areas — and this communities argue will de-value the area.

"There are always isolated cases of abuse, but I can think of thousands of cases (in subdivisions built before the no-growth movement took hold)

where people are with their homes and where they live," Cohen said.



Norman Cohen

LONG BEFORE communities began enacting restrictive ordinances designed to force developers and builders to make better subdivisions, the builders and developers had already moved on their own, he said.

Curved streets, different elevations, different lot sizes, shapes and setbacks — "in many instances, it's the land developers who are making these improvements.

"Developers feel they can have a strong impact on developments," he said.

In recent years, land developers have taken additional steps, including developer-builder covenants. These covenants, Cohen explained, include various stipulations builders must follow if they buy a lot in a development.

Tree preservation requirements

above and beyond community requirements, builder approval of home sites within a lot, architectural plan approval, side-entry garage requirements and amenity approval ("you can't put a pool on this lot — it's too small, if you want to build a pool buy a different lot") are just some of the developer-builder covenants found today.

"The developer feels it's his job to create and protect value," he said. "But the reasons we do it is because we care about what we do — it's as simple as that."

True, these extra steps and requirements enhance the property's value so the developer makes more when he sells the land, but there is also the satisfaction of seeing a first-

rate development that people can be proud to call home for years to come, he said.

THE BUILDING industry has an education problem, Cohen said. "We have to make people aware they are shooting themselves in the foot."

The slow-growth/no-growth pressures may have desirable short-term effects, but in the end, they are counterproductive, he said.

People already in the high-growth areas pressure their local governments to slow or stop development, he said. But the outcome of this policy pushes up housing prices, effectively blocking out those without the income to buy in the area, including those same residents' own children.

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Brighton, Michigan

Builders to honor their own

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

As November comes to a close and summer building season begins to ebb, builders take time out from their planning, bustling and scurrying from site to site to honor their own.

The Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, one of the nation's largest building organizations, will recognize many of its members tonight at a gala event at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn.

The builder of the year award will be presented to Scott Jacobson, president of S.R. Jacobson Development Corp. in Birmingham for his service to BASM and contributions to the single-family home building market.

A BASM board member and vice president on the association's executive committee, Jacobson also serves as chairman of the Rochester Hills builder community forum.

BASM will also honor Norman Cohen, president of Biltmore Properties in Troy, as the Developer of the Year.

The young builder of the year award goes to Terry Nosan, vice president of Nosan/Cohen Associates Inc. in West Bloomfield. Nosan is active in the builder community task forces and other BASM functions.

Receiving the highest honor bestowed upon a member, Donald Van Every will be inducted into the BASM Hall of Fame. A BASM board member, he is president of Streamwood Development Company Inc. in Rochester.

BASM will also grant a special award this year to builder association president James Bonadeo, president of Bonadeo Builders, who served an unprecedented two years in that capacity.

Other honorees include:

Associate Members of the Year to Jack Rogers, who is retired from Pete Pullum Company in Detroit, and Fred Restum, sales manager for Automatic Apartment Laundries, Inc. in Livonia;

Associate Member of the Decade to Roy Maly, retired from the Detroit Edison;

Remodeler of the Year to Anthony Bellomo, president of Black Forest Building Co. in Roseville;

Spike of the Year (which is awarded to the most successful builder association recruiter) to Paul Hoenke with Sears Contract Sales;

Women's Forum Leadership Award to Earlene Bonadeo;

Sales Manager of the Year award to Dennis Dickstein, president of Ralph Manuel Associates Inc. in Birmingham and chairman of the 1990 Homearama in Brighton;

Salesperson of the Year and New Salesperson of

the Year to Gail Sandweiss and Wendy Bratt, respectively, of the Selective Group in Farmington Hills.

The association will also grant distinguished service awards this year to many people who have contributed to the building industry, including:

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, who will receive the award for service in government;

Bruce and Douglas Etkin, chairman and president, respectively, of Etkin Equities Inc. in Southfield, for service to the Building Owners and Managers Association;

Joseph Slavik, president of The Slavik Co. in Farmington Hills and a BASM board member, for service to the building industry;

Craig Smith, executive vice president of Lewiston-Smith Realty Corp. in Oak Park and a vice president of the Apartment Association of Michigan, for service in political action; and

Esther Winer, administrative assistant to the president of the Mike Building Co. in Farmington Hills, for service to the professional Women in Construction Council.

Customer service topic of seminar

Jane Handy, a Dallas business consultant, will discuss customer service at a Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan seminar 8-11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Kingsley Inn, 1475 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

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