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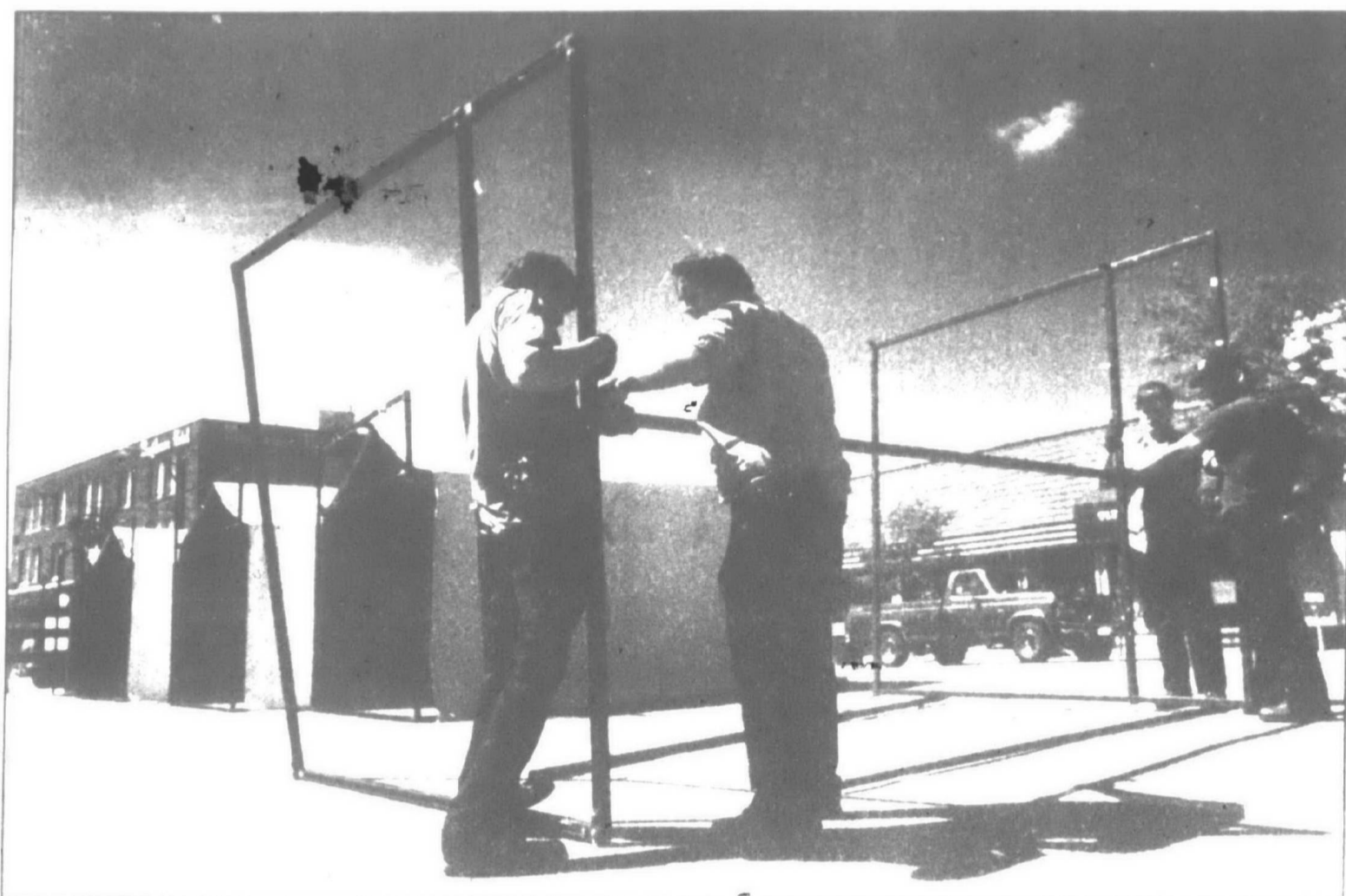
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City workers prepare the Fall Festival site. From left to right, they are: Steve Faiman, Jim Mathias, Tom Varner and Steve Lakin.

Sunny skies

Mother Nature has good news for festival crowds

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

They call it the Fall Festival, but it's going to feel like summer.

Plymouth's big festival of the year gets under way today with the National Weather Service predicting high temperatures will reach 80 under partly cloudy skies.

The pleasant conditions are expected to continue through Saturday — good news for the thousands of folks who make it to the festival, centered in Kellogg Park.

A main feature of the festival is the traditional food events scheduled for various festival days.

NEW TO the festival this year is a bigger variety of entertainment. Scheduled to perform at 5:30 p.m. today in Kellogg Park is the dilemmer group Felicity Strings, followed by the Canton Seniors Kitchen Band at 6:30, the opening ceremony at 7:30, and the Plymouth Community Band at 8.

Folksinger Matt Watroba opens Friday entertainment at 5:30 p.m., followed by Innovation at 6:30.

On Saturday, the Optimists Club Pet Show is scheduled at 9 a.m., followed by Scheer Magic at noon, Maureen Schiffman's children's show at 1 p.m., the Polish Centennial Dancers of Plymouth at 2, Just Me and The Boys at 3, the Tim O'Hare Irish Step Dancers at 4, Dwight Carroll at 5, The Step-Brothers at 6:30 and The Bop Durant Big Band at 7:30.

Also performing at various times and areas from 2-4 p.m. Saturday are The Robert Collingwood Dixieland Band, Clowns Around Redford, All Around Gymnastics, YMCA Karate and the Polish Centennial Dancers.

A church service is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Sunday followed by beautification awards at 11 and the Plymouth Salem High School Rockettes at 11:45.

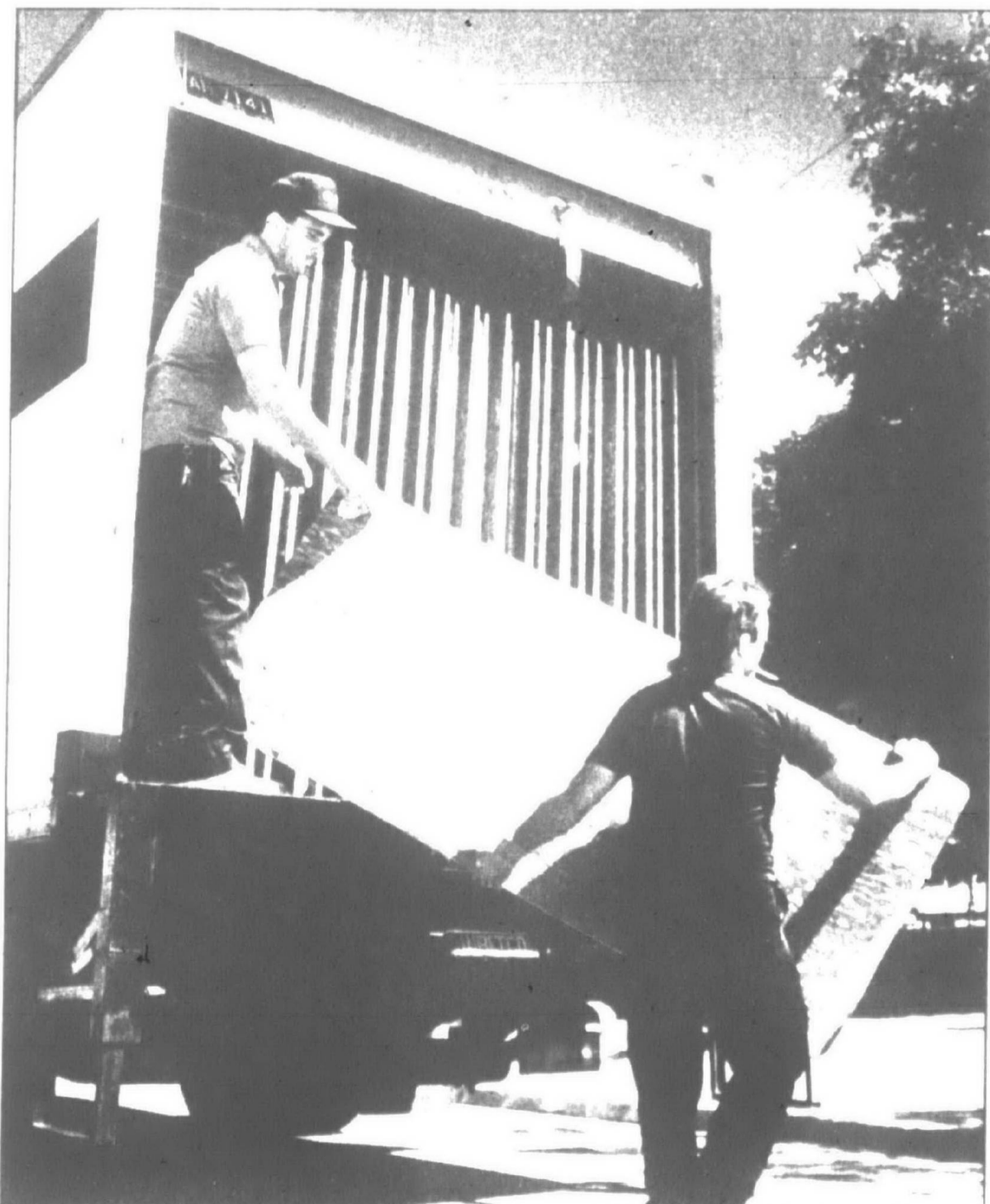
THE PLYMOUTH Canton Chieftess follow at 12:10 p.m., followed by the Centennial Educational Park Band at 12:30, Plymouth Symphony presentations at 1, the Fred Hill Haberdashers Briefcase Drill Team at 1:30, Plymouth Community Chorus at 2, gospel singers The Chapels and The Reason at 3, Jule Austin with children's music at 4, and the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps at 5.

Other traditional festival events include the dunk tank Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Sponsored by the

Plymouth Salem High School Rockettes, it offers folks a chance to dunk local celebrities, and Plymouth Observer editor Jeff Counts at 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

Other events are the hockey shoot, antique show, produce tent, art in Kellogg Park and bingo.

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BILL BRESLER staff photographer

Brian Kaminski hands a table to Ed Glasscock from Able Party Rental as they unload 575 tables and 2,500 chairs for the Fall Festival.

Local police take aim at carjackings

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Canton and Plymouth townships police on Tuesday met with Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano to determine what can be done to fight the rash of carjackings that is plaguing metro Detroit.

"There's a cooperative effort countywide and multi-countywide to share specific information and a tactical plan to use certain investigatory techniques," said Canton Police Capt. Alex Wilson.

"Hopefully by sharing all this information, if a profile can be disseminated we can tell our public this is the profile of the victim," he said.

ONCE THOSE people are identified, he added, they can be notified to take extra precautions.

Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry said Wayne County sheriffs, local police departments and other county departments are trying to look ahead to "identify potential victims, as well as apprehend the criminals. First of all we have to notify people on how they can protect themselves."

Police from Plymouth and Canton townships were among officers from 37 suburban police agencies who listened to Ficano's plan to curb carjacking. Almost 300 cases have been reported since mid-July.

In the Canton and Plymouth areas "there's really not a problem yet to have a response to, and hopefully we never will have one," said Lt. Sandy Miller, who directs the Western Wayne County auto theft team.

The team represents some Wayne County communities, including Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

Surveillance efforts against the armed car thieves would be difficult, because you have to know where they will strike, Miller said.

"It's like finding a needle in a haystack."

Miller said she believed a lot of the car thefts by gunpoint are drug related.

"They are either taking them for a

Here are steps you can take

The following are tips to follow to steer clear of becoming the next carjacking victim.

- When you make a fast food order, close your windows between time you make the order and get the food.

- "People will get in that way," said Lt. Sandy Miller, director of the Western Wayne County auto theft team.

- "People should be aware that there very possibly is more than one subject involved," she said. "In most cases there is."

- Most important, she said, is "give it up. It's just a piece of metal."

- Drivers also should be more aware of locking their cars.

- "In many of the cases the doors are unlocked and they get in through the passenger doors," Miller said. "If people see someone hurriedly approaching the car they should drive away. They shouldn't sit there and wait for the person to approach."

- Don't drive in the right lane when you have to stop for traffic signals. It's easier and quicker for thieves to break in.

- Don't leave your keys unattended in your vehicle.

- "If people stop at an ATM (Automatic Teller Machine) or any other place they shouldn't leave the keys in the car," she said.

quick ride, or taking them for things that are easily disposed of, like tires and radios," Miller said.

Chop shops, professional thieves who steal to sell specific car parts, look for larger car items, like doors, she added.

Double-decker bus is all stressed-out

It's a bloody shame.

The city's authentic English double-decker bus won't be running during this year's Fall Festival — and may never run again.

"The gear conversion box broke," said assistant city manager Paul Sincok, adding the break was due to stress.

Saying that the red bus is more than 30 years old and would require several thousand dollars to fix, Sincok added, "At this time we're not completing repairs."

"We're coming into the winter

season," he said, adding the city-owned bus is not heated.

Sincok said that over the winter the city administration would review costs to fix and maintain the bus, and present the information to the city commission.

But it's possible that the commission, which has been trying to wrestle with budget woes in recent years, could decide the bus is a luxury that taxpayers can't afford to maintain.

Ten years ago, the Plymouth Re-

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Man sentenced in counterfeiting

A Plymouth man was sentenced Thursday to 5 1/2 years in jail after being found guilty of conspiring with others to deal in counterfeit U.S. currency.

Arthur Acosta, 43, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Lawrence Zatkoff in federal court in Detroit.

The evidence presented at trial established that co-conspirators manufactured \$400,000 of a specific type of counterfeit currency in Boston, Mass., said Patrick Corbett, the assistant U.S. attorney who prosecuted the case.

The prosecution alleged the conspirators shipped \$50,000 to \$60,000 of the currency in two stag-

es to Acosta in Michigan in exchange for a 1968 Mercedes Benz.

After the counterfeit money arrived, the defendant on two occasions exchanged counterfeit money for stolen clothes," Corbett said.

The counterfeit money subsequently surfaced, after being passed as genuine at locations in Detroit, Saginaw, Flint and Lansing, as well as locations in the Boston area and San Antonio, Texas.

After the prison sentence, Acosta must face three years of supervised release, by Judge Zatkoff's sentence.

The U.S. Secret Service investigated the case.

No holiday

Long weekend keeps Canton police laboring

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Canton police were inundated with calls during the holiday weekend, including a report of a dead baby, a high speed chase and an ex-boyfriend who allegedly attacked his ex-girlfriend's lover with two knives.

Other incidents included an Ann Arbor man who was arrested for possession of a dangerous weapon after being involved in an argument and a man who reported he was at the I-275 rest stop when he was held up by knife point and forced to withdraw money from a 24-hour automatic teller machine.

These were only some of the many police runs. On Friday alone, police responded to 70 calls, said Pat Nemecek, Canton police information officer.

The suspect was described as 5-foot-10-inches tall, 165 pounds, a tattoo on his left forearm, a thin mustache and shoulder length brown hair. Police are investigating, Nemecek said.

IN ANOTHER reported incident this weekend, a 20-year-old Canton man was arrested after an incident at his ex-girlfriend's residence at Stone Brook Apartments.

When he reportedly knocked on her door at 3 a.m., she answered and told him to leave.

He asked her if someone was with her, pushed open the door, ran to the bedroom and found a man lying in bed. He reportedly began striking his ex-girlfriend's companion with his fists and then went to the kitchen where he found two knives.

He reportedly told the other man that he was going to kill him and lunged at him a couple of times with the knives.

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in the same apartment complex, police reported.

The man called police, who reportedly found the suspect in his ex-girlfriend's apartment. No one was reported hurt and the ex-boyfriend was arrested.

ANOTHER MAN was arrested this weekend for possession of a dangerous weapon and assault of a police officer after police were called out on a report of a fight between a man and woman.

The caller said the man had a gun.

The suspect was outside the residence when police arrived, Nemecek said. They told him to hold his hands over his head, however, he refused and tried to re-enter the house. Police apprehended him, searched him and discovered a revolver.

While being restrained the man allegedly kicked the officer in the groin.

The 32-year-old Ann Arbor suspect was arrested on two charges: possession of a dangerous weapon and assault of a police officer.

Construction truck and tools are taken

A construction truck and tools valued by their owner at \$4,000 were reported missing Sunday from a Plymouth Township construction site.

The red 1977 Ford truck, which had been locked, was found missing at about 2:30 a.m. when a worker returned to the construction site west of the Plymouth Hills Trailer Park near Ridge Road to check water pumps, a report filed with township police said.

A construction trailer was also broken into at the site, but no items were found missing, the report said.

SPRAYER GONE: A paint sprayer and 100 feet of hose were

crime watch

reported stolen from a Plymouth Township warehouse Friday.

The items, valued at \$3,000, were found missing at 7:30 a.m. from a construction site on Plymouth Oaks Boulevard, the report filed with police said. Police saw pry marks on a steel door to the warehouse and a footprint.

The case was closed for lack of leads.

IN ONE, case, a 5-month-old baby was pronounced dead on arrival Saturday at Oakwood Canton Center Medical Center.

The infant's father told police that the baby had been crying non-stop for weeks and his brother had come to live with the family to help out. The boy's father told police that the crying got so bad that he could hear the wailing in his sleep and while he was at work.

The day before the baby died he received two shots administered by the baby's pediatrician.

When emergency rescue units arrived, they found the boy's father administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

IN ANOTHER CASE, at 2:10 a.m. Monday police began a high speed chase starting at Palmer and Lilley roads when the driver of a 1988 Chrysler New Yorker ran a stop sign.

The chase continued to Canton Center and Cherry Hill roads where the driver ran a red light. By this time the driver was speeding in excess of 90 mph.

The driver's speeds lowered slightly to 85 mph after the driver turned west on Ford Road.

A police car that had been traveling on Ford got in front of the car and the other officer got behind him, boxing the car in.

The 30-year-old Westland driver told police he sped away because he drank a pint of Jim Beam. He told police he was afraid of being arrested for drunk driving and that he had been arrested once before for the of-

Bus won't serve festival this year

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tary Foundation spent \$25,000 to buy the bus built in 1956, which operated in London, England.

The bus, which has its steering wheel on the right side and loads from the left, has been used mainly by the city's parks and recreation department.

"There's been a few upgrades — a new engine and new transmission," Sincok said.

The bus has taken city residents to Tiger games, Greektown and other places around metro Detroit.

Sincok said that while leaving Greenfield Village with a group one day — he was driving — he came upon an overpass where the clearance was not enough to let the bus pass under.

"I had to back down Oakwood Avenue," he recalled.



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Barber Jim Powers says clients are like bananas — "they come in bunches."



BILL BRESLER, staff photographer

Barber Phil Fitzgerald, better known as "Fitz," also is a professional photographer.

Cutting edge

Barbers have seen many changes

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

FROM THE huge front window of his Plymouth barber shop, Jim Powers has watched bulldozers plow through the center of homes that 30 years ago lined Main Street. He's seen banks and businesses crop up in their places, and on the outskirts of town, subdivisions replace farms like the one he grew up on in Canton.

"I BOUGHT THIS place when I was in my 20s in 1962. Now I'm the same age as the old man who sold it to me," said Powers. "I can't believe where the years have gone."

For some of the 700 folks who regularly frequent Jim's Barber Shop at 550 Main St., the idea is simply to get a haircut. But for many, a trip to the barber means a cut and maybe a shave, a visit with old friends, and an update on the latest.

Like a tonic soothing the hard reality of time's passage, old friendships are renewed and nurtured over Powers' turn-of-the-century porce-

lain and leather barber chairs.

Eight-thirty a.m. Tuesday found Powers, along with barbers Phil Fitzgerald and Bob Dupuis, at work after the long Labor Day weekend.

One of the day's first clients was Carvel Bentley, a retired teacher and principal who taught Powers as well as Don Thompson, the man in Powers' chair Tuesday morning.

"I come here because it's convenient, and I've known these fellows for years," said Bentley, who moved to Plymouth in 1929 from Ypsilanti.

"I taught Jim way back, and I taught the fellow in his chair," he added, making his way with a cane down the uneven wooden steps.

"Carvel Bentley has a lot of tales to tell," Powers said after he left. "He helped shape up a lot of kids."

"I HAD A LOT of good teachers who didn't deserve a guy like me," said Thompson with a laugh. "I'm almost embarrassed to see them."

The conversation turned to an upcoming school reunion and the healthy herd of deer up north.

"It looks like it's going to be a

good deer season this year," said Thompson, who lives near Traverse City and was in Plymouth visiting his 87-year-old dad.

"The other day I must have seen 20 deer out in my alfalfa fields. Now I understand why I haven't had any blossoms in the whole 12 acres."

Thompson said it was the Powers who first took him up north when the two were kids.

"Jim and I used to run around together. The first time I went up north, his mom and dad took me. I love to hunt and fish, and I remember saying, 'Some day I'm going to live up here,'" said Thompson, who teaches vocational education at Northwestern Michigan College.

"I enjoy walking around Plymouth. But the fields where I hunted pheasants have all turned to subdivisions and homes. Time marches on, things change. There's a little bit of the old Plymouth still around. When I come here, I get to set and visit for awhile, and I get to catch up on information about everyone."

Thompson's hunting and fishing tales aren't lost on Powers. Next to his mirror hangs a photo with the caption, "Fish and Feel Fit at Reel-foot Lake."

POWERS, FITZGERALD and Dupuis agree a barber needs to be a people person.

"First you greet people, then you find out what their problem is," said Dupuis.

"I had a guy once tell me, 'I save souls,'" said Powers. "I thought, 'Oh my gosh, I'm going to get a sermon.'"

"I asked him what church he was with, and he said, 'I'm a cobbler. I save soles.'"

Powers recalled a day in 1968 when a new customer walked in. "He came in from Wayne for a haircut and told me he'd grown up in this house," said Powers, whose frame building is a converted residence. Powers still rents out the shop's second-story apartment.

"He told me his dad built this place in the fall of 1899, and that his family moved in here Thanksgiving Day, 1900."

"He said this used to be a fancy place, with a three-holer out back."

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BILL BRESLER, staff photographer

Jim Powers says there's only one name in barbers' chairs — Koken. He's had his hydraulic chairs since the 1960s and hasn't had to oil them once.

Carvel Bentley gets his hair cut by a "kid" he once taught in school. Bentley, who came to Plymouth in 1929, retired from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools as a principal in 1969.



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Barber Jim Powers and Don Thompson have been pals since they were kids.

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Community Corner

This week's question: Do you plan to go to Plymouth's Fall Festival?

We asked this question at the Plymouth Post Office



"I'm just visiting my son here. I live in Pittsburgh. I know my son will enjoy it. One of the reasons he moved here is because of the festivals."
— Andrea Andrews
Pittsburgh



"For sure Saturday, a friend of mine will be taking his daughter to all the kids' stuff. She'll get a bang out of it."
— Bert Gavin
Plymouth



"Yes, because I like the excitement, the sidewalk sales and the food."
— Iva Sanders
Plymouth Township



"I definitely am. I just enjoy it. It's very nice."
— Isabelle Grieves
Plymouth



"I probably will go. It's something different."
— Bill Easterwood
Northville



"I've never been to it, but I might come up here and bring my girlfriend."
— Charles Newman
Canton

lunch menu for seniors

Wayne County Office of Nutrition Services offers the following hot meals for seniors 60 years or older the week of Sept. 9:

Monday — Knockwurst, bun, mustard, sauerkraut, redskin potato salad, mixed fruit and milk.

Tuesday — Barbecued chicken breast, pasta with peas, Italian green beans, honeydew, chocolate chip cookie and milk.

Wednesday — Cube steak with mushroom gravy, stewed tomatoes, tossed salad with dressing, pineapple tidbits, pumpkin bread with margarine and milk.

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Thursday — Chicken apple jack, garden greens, jello vegetable salad, peaches, wheat bread with margarine and milk.

Friday — Minestrone, sliced turkey on pumpkin bread with mayonnaise, orange and milk.

Meals will be served at noon at Tonquish Creek Manor, 1160 Sheridan, in Plymouth (453-9703) and at 11:30 a.m. at Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan Avenue (397-5444). Call 24 hours in advance for reservations. Suggested donation is \$1.50.

Help for diabetics

Help for diabetics can be obtained by calling the American Diabetes Association-Michigan Affiliate, 552-0480.

The association is a voluntary health agency, concerned with the detection, care and education of the 250,000 diabetics in Michigan.

On the road

Community schedules paving projects in area

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Canton is on the road to paving more thoroughfares.

Burgeoning development on Canton's western frontier sparked the need for more roads to be paved, according to Canton Engineer Tom Casari. The logic is that motorists will gravitate toward the newly paved roads and relieve traffic from the over congested ones, like Ford Road.

ROADS THAT that will be paved include the following:

- Beck Road, from Warren to Ford roads. Two developers, the county and Canton are contributing one-quarter of the cost each. The goal is to funnel traffic to Ford and M-14.

- Beck/Joy paving. One hundred percent of the cost will be covered by the county. Again the idea is to help motorists going to M-14 get there more easily.

- Denton Road overlay to fix the deteriorated roadway. This should be completed by mid-September 1991.

- Align Haggerty north to Plymouth and pave the last most southern stretch of Haggerty.

- Koppernick Road east of I-275. This will be the second paved access into and out of Holiday Park subdivision.

- Lilley from Michigan to Palmer. Pave the north and south stretch. It will funnel traffic to Michigan and relieve traffic from Ford.

- Michigan reconstruction. Widened and reconstruct the entire stretch

Canton Engineer Tom Casari said his staff is working on identifying areas in the township where the road jogs and improvements need to be made.

of the state highway from I-275 to the Ypsilanti limits.

- Palmer paving. Property owners are paying for the road construction in order to develop the area between Lotz and Hannon roads.

- Warren Road paving east of I-275. This will complete the last

stretch of Warren. This should relieve traffic from the east/west roads, especially Ford Road.

- Warren from Beck to Ridge. Property owners are paying for road construction in order order to develop the land.

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Other future projects that will be considered, Casari said, are Beck Road, from Michigan to Cherry Hill, Hanford Road, Canton Center, both east and west to the existing pavement; Lilley Road, north of Ford; the Sheldon/Joy intersection; Morton Taylor, north of Ford and Napier between Warren and Ann Arbor.

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Recall supporters count signatures

By Pat Murphy
staff writer

Mary DesHarnais and her husband of Birmingham say they collected more than 500 signatures on petitions to recall Gov. John Engler over the weekend at the Michigan State Fair.

Dorothy Habicht of the city of Wayne says she collected about 300, mostly from people enjoying the Labor Day weekend at Belle Isle. "We're going to make it," asserted Habicht, a single parent who said she previously collected 2,000 signatures.

These are two examples of why area residents working on the petition drive to oust Engler are confident the "big push" for signatures

over the last two weeks has been successful and they have more than the 641,141 needed to put a recall on the ballot.

But they won't know for sure until organizers in Lansing finish counting and announce the results, possibly sometime this week.

Robert Alexander, state coordinator of the recall, was unavailable Tuesday and Wednesday and did not return phone calls.

A recorded message, however, said: "We're counting signatures. If we have 800,000, we'll file. If not, we'll extend one week."

The original deadline was Aug. 20, when organizers claimed to have almost enough signatures for the recall. But they extended the deadline

to Sept. 3 and called for one "big push" to guarantee 800,000 signatures.

That 800,000 — more than 150,000 more than the minimum number needed — is a goal Alexander and others active in the recall imposed on themselves. The extras are needed, they say, to make up for any signatures that may be invalidated when the petitions are certified by the state board of canvassers.

The recall effort started in May as a reaction to across-the-board budget cuts that cut basic state services and trimmed welfare benefits.

People like Mary M. Johnston of Farmington Hills and Vic Taylor of Livonia say they are active in the recall because the budget cuts reduce

important state functions — like protecting the environment — in addition to taking much-needed assistance from the disadvantaged, like the disabled and families with children.

State Republicans on Wednesday, however, again declared the recall a failure and insisted most residents approve of Engler's budget-cutting policies.

"This recall thing was never the mass movement the organizers made it out to be," said Bryan Flood, press secretary for the Michigan GOP. "The majority of residents voted Gov. Engler into office because he said he'd cut needless spending. They like the fact that he's living up to his campaign promises."

SC offers classes on how to read music

The Schoolcraft College Department of Music is offering two courses that focus on the basic techniques of reading and understanding music.

"Let's Read Music," begins Tuesday, Sept. 17, and will teach basic musical notation, note and rhythm

recognition, keyboard association, pitch matching and basic musical terminology. No previous musical experience is required.

An intermediate course uses the keyboard as a tool to extend the student's basic music reading skills.

Participants will learn about the use of triads, major and minor scale structure, rhythm patterns and the basics of melodic and rhythmic notation. The class starts Wednesday, Sept. 18.

Both course fees are \$39. The

classes run eight weeks and meet 6-8 p.m.

To register or to receive more information, contact the continuing education services division at 462-4448. Schoolcraft is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads.

S'craft student restaurant, pantry open

Schoolcraft College's American Harvest Restaurant and Professors' Pantry have reopened for fall semester.

American Harvest is staffed and operated by students in the college's award-winning culinary arts pro-

gram. Gourmet lunches are served Tuesday through Thursday, noon to 1:30 p.m. A gourmet buffet is served Friday. Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling 462-4423.

Professors' Pantry offers fresh

bread, pastries and salads to go. Hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

The restaurant and pantry are at Waterman Campus Center, on the main Schoolcraft campus, 18600

Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

Student watercolor paintings will be on display throughout the fall semester. Artists are students of Susan Rosati of the Schoolcraft continuing education services art program.

Local care program is designed for elderly

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

For a local church, it was a longtime dream, for families of home bound seniors, it could be a godsend.

The Redford Baptist Church adult day care program has been operating since late July at the Redford YWCA.

"This was something we've wanted to do for a long, long time," said the Rev. Bill Nelson.

The program is designed for frail elderly people. It is non-denominational and open to Wayne and Oakland county residents. The program offers from one to 10 hours of respite care per weekday for seniors and their relatives.

"IT ALLOWS family members a few hours to do what they want, go shopping, get their hair done, whatever," Nelson said.

But the program also allows seniors the chance to socialize with others the same age.

"The socialization aspect is very important," said Lori Pitzen, recreation director and assistant site manager. "There are a lot of activities, but we make sure they're adult activities. We don't want to insult their intelligence."

The program is just that. "It's not a drop-in center," Nelson said. "But a program designed to meet seniors' needs."

Five seniors are currently enrolled, though the program has space for 17.

The program is designed for

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— Lori Pitzen,
assistant manager

seniors 60 and older who require daily care, whether due to Alzheimer's Disease, physical disabilities or speech and hearing impairments.

The \$25 a day fee is modified by a sliding scale based on ability to pay.

Programs are offered 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., though additional donations are sought after 3 p.m.

"We make the point that it's by donation," site director Cindy Lockman said. "Our first goal is to provide service."

In addition to support from the church, the program is also financed by The Senior Alliance, a western Wayne service agency.

Additional churches in the Livonia/Redford area are considering joining the program, Nelson said.

Lockman and Pitzen are employees of Child and Family Service, an Ypsilanti-based agency that operated two similar programs in the Wayne County area.

Additional information on the center is available by calling Redford Baptist Church, 533-2300.

Franchise seminar at SC

Franchise Business Opportunities — Shortcut to Success, a three-week course describing franchise business opportunities will be offered 8-10 p.m. Mondays at Schoolcraft College beginning Sept. 16.

Topics include assessing and evaluating franchise offers, franchise agreements, franchise goods and services and franchisor-supplied financing. Fee is \$36.

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LORAIN S. BARBOUR

Services for Loraine S. Barbour, 71, of Sun City, Ariz., formerly of Plymouth, will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth.

Mrs. Barbour was born Dec. 24, 1919, in Massena, N.Y., and died Friday, Aug. 30, in Sun City. She was active in the Plymouth community before moving to Arizona after her husband retired from NBD.

Mrs. Barbour is survived by her husband, Robert of Sun City; daughter, Pam Peat of Plymouth, Minn.; two grandchildren; brother, Gabriel Sullivan of New York; and sister, Arlene MacDonald of New York.

Memorial contributions may be given to Alzheimer's Disease Research, 15825 Shady Grove Road, Rockville, Md. 20850.

WALTER R. CHOLEWA SR.

Services for Walter R. Cholewa Sr., 67, of Livonia were Tuesday, Sept. 3, at the Harry J. Will Trust 100 Funeral Home in Livonia. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mr. Cholewa was born Feb. 24, 1924, in Chicago, Ill. He died Thursday, Aug. 29, in Escanaba. He moved to Escanaba at an early age from Chicago. He lived in Farmington Hills and Livonia since 1950.

He worked in the shipping and receiving department of A.T. & G. Mfg. Co. of Farmington Hills for 41 years. He was a member of St. Colette Catholic Church and the Loy-ol Order of Moose, Foresters.

Mr. Cholewa is survived by his wife, Sonja M. Ingham of Livonia; sons, Allen of Livonia, Walter R. Jr. of Canton, Frank of Livonia and Nathaniel of Livonia; sister, Bernice Jones of Holland; and three grandchildren.

IRENE MARINOVICH

Services for Irene Marinovich, 85, of Westland, previously of Plymouth, will be 6-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20, at the Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth.

You may ask for agendas

Under provisions of Michigan's Open Meetings Act, you're entitled to receive notices of government meetings. A public body must mail notices to people who, on an annual basis, request such notification. Under the act, payment of a reasonable fee may be required before notices are mailed. This provision applies to all local, county and state governments. At the local level this includes city councils, school boards and various boards and commissions. Locally, requests may be submitted to the city or township clerk, or to the school superintendent.

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Mrs. Marinovich was born Oct. 10, 1905, in Marion, Ill. She died Tuesday, Aug. 27, in Westland.

She was one of a handful of women who organized auto plants in the early years of the UAW. She worked with the UAW organizers in the 1930s and 1940s and was the first recording secretary of Local 174 when Walter Reuther was its president.

She was a longtime advocate of equal rights for women in the 1940s and helped organize the General Motors Terstedt Plant. She served on several other locals, including the General Council of Local 600, while working at the Ford Rouge plant. She was married to Tony Marinovich, another UAW organizer.

Mrs. Marinovich is survived by her son, William; daughter, June Endicott; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be given to the United Ostomy Association or Citizens for Better Care.

KEITH W. BERRY

Services for Keith W. Berry, 33, of Plymouth Township were Wednesday, Aug. 28, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. Burial was in Sacred Heart of Mary Cemetery.

Mr. Berry was born July 19, 1958, in Detroit. He died Sunday, Aug. 25, in Plymouth Township. He was employed as a computer operator and

was in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Berry is survived by his parents, Lloyd and Barbara Graham of Plymouth; three sisters, Karen Schultz of Plymouth, Kathy Schiffer of Canton and Kristy Banko of Detroit; and several nieces and nephews.

The Rev. Joseph Plawewski officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the Keith W. Berry Memorial Fund.

Arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home.

EUNICE M. GRIMES

Services for Eunice M. Grimes, 81, of Plymouth Township were Wednesday, Aug. 28, at the Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Lapham Cemetery in Salem Township.

Mrs. Grimes was born May 31, 1910, in Troy, Tenn. She died Saturday, Aug. 24, in Livonia. She came to the Plymouth/Livonia community in the early 1950s from Tennessee.

She owned and operated the John Grimes Markets and worked for the Daisy Air Rifle Company. She and her late husband won numerous awards for their produce at Plymouth fall festivals.

Mrs. Grimes is survived by one daughter, Adele Gray of Plymouth; three granddaughters; five great-grandchildren; one brother, Mack Long of Tennessee; and several

nieces and nephews.

The Rev. William P. Myers officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

JOSEPH SZALAY

Services for Joseph Szalay, 63, of Salem Township, previously of Plymouth, were Wednesday, Aug. 28, at the Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Washtenong Cemetery in Ann Arbor.

Mr. Szalay was born Nov. 2, 1927, in Bellevue. He died Monday, Aug. 26, in Salem Township. He came to the Plymouth community in 1957 from Dearborn.

He owned and operated the Dial Trucking Company in Plymouth for many years. He was a member of the VFW No. 6695 in Plymouth and the Plymouth Elks Club. He served in Germany in World War II as an M.P.

Mr. Szalay is survived by his wife, Almeda of Northville; one son, Don of Northville; one daughter, Linda Chase of Livonia; two grandchildren; brothers, Gabriel of Dearborn and Fritz of Colorado; one sister, Helen Krugh of Dearborn; and mother, Mary.

The Rev. Leonard Partensky officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of choice.

Area barbers help clients keep trim

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The gentleman explained to a youngster in the next chair that no, the yard didn't accommodate golfers; just folks in need of a bathroom, he added.

It's easy to tell that while the barber shop is painted and well-maintained, it's a structure pushing 100. The building sits on a thick stone foundation. Inside is a five-foot pine door on a track that once closed off the parlor from the rest of the house. It now separates Jim's from Gi Gi's Nails, which shares quarters at 550 S. Main. Powers said he recently was offered \$1,500 for the door by a builder. No dice, said Powers. "It's worth more every day it's there."

POWERS SAID barbering wasn't his idea; it was his father-in-law's.

"I was repairing distributors at Ford's in Ypsilanti. My wife has six brothers, and her dad had me come out to their farm in South Lyon one day and said, 'I need help cutting these kids' hair.'"

"I told him I didn't know anything about it. He told me he didn't either, but that I could do a better job than he could."

That apparently was the truth.

"He told me, from now on, it's all yours. Here's all the tools. I think he was really looking for a fall guy to

cut hair," said Powers, who married the former Gladys Robertson.

Powers found the trade to his liking and decided to go to barber school. He was licensed out of a college in Tampa, Fla.

POWERS, FITZGERALD and Dupuis blame the Beatles for some lean years in the '60s.

"Everything was going great until the Beatles came out," recalled Powers, who has six children and 13 grandchildren. "I had eight guys cutting hair in two shops. Within a year, I was down to two barbers in one shop. For a year, I cut hair by myself."

By necessity, a barber needs to be a people person, agree Dupuis, Fitzgerald and Powers. After a while, it's second nature to talk and cut hair at the same time, they add.

"But you have to make sure you finish your story and the haircut at the same time," said Dupuis. "Otherwise, your customer has to stand around to hear the end of your story."

Powers figures that even after he retires and moves to Florida, he'll fill in for barbers occasionally.

"You can't golf and fish every day," he said. "In barber shops, a lot of people want days off. I talk to people who are retired, and they say they miss people. In our business, you talk to people every day."

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Downtowns seen as plus, but not by all

Survey examines key attitudes

Good downtowns may not raise residential property values. But shoddy downtowns can have a blighting effect on a community.

Some cities nourish their downtowns. Others consider downtown vaguely important but see no need to pamper them.

Those pictures emerge from a survey of editors, city managers and planners in two dozen communities.

DOWNTOWN'S IMPORTANCE

Local governments appear to have four different attitudes toward downtown business districts:

1. Downtowns need city help and promotion.
2. Downtowns are important focal points for image, cultural activity and attractiveness to residents.
3. Downtowns aren't very important.
4. Downtown is a drag on community resources.

HELP, PROMOTION

Ideally, Birmingham (population 19,997) would like city promotion of its central business district, which

provides 30 percent of the property tax base. But City Manager Thomas Markus said it can't be done with current tight budgets.

State Sen. Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham, is pushing a package of bills to allow local units to make levies on business for promotion.

In Plymouth (9,560), City Manager Steve Walters said downtown is (1) a source of commerce, (2) an entertainment and cultural center and (3) a source of taxes. "Business sends your kids to school," he said.

Walters' record in Northville (6,226) and St. Ignace shows he believes in making downtown physically attractive with waterfront promenades, benches, flowers and trees.

Southfield (75,728) has no downtown, but its tax base is 66.7 percent commercial and office, and city hall lets people know who's paying the bills. Nimrod Rosenthal, director of community relations, said the city:

- Produces a videotape which it plays on cable Ch. 8 7-8 p.m. at budget time and is available to any group.
- Puts 50 pages of exhibits in its budget book.
- Mails a newsletter to residents

that includes news of business as well as municipal activity.

Northville has constant events downtown or near it. Some have a commercial side: the May flower show, "Summer Song" with musicians strolling closed streets, the weekly Farmers' Market in the race track parking lot, the Tivoli Fair aiding the historical society. Some are just civic events that generate visitors: the Victorian Festival walking tours, parades on both Memorial Day and the Fourth, live theater, the annual Bluegrass Festival, the Santa parade.

Northville's new city manager, Gary Word, said a healthy tax base is 50-50 or 60-40 residential to non-residential. He said industrial development generally has a more positive impact on the local economy than commercial.

Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall would calculate the importance of downtown (or a mall) by taking the property tax revenue and subtracting the revenue it would produce if developed for residential. Twelve Oaks alone increased city revenue by 15-20 percent.

FOCAL POINT

In smaller towns and incorporated townships, downtown is important more culturally and esthetically, and there's little talk of municipal promotion.

Northville manager Word said his downtown is more than a commercial or civic center. Its "quaintness" makes it almost a tourist attraction, "and the people spend money in Northville."

South Lyon (5,857) City Manager Rodney Cook: "If you don't have a viable downtown, people don't take pride in (the city)."

Brighton (4,300) City Manager Dana Foster, who started last month: "Survey residents who just moved to town or located here for business. I'm sure they'd tell you that the fact that Brighton has a lively and attractive downtown helped convince them to move here. It attracted me."

Sources in this category were fond of sneering, sometimes directly, at Novi with its Twelve Oaks Mall. Their tones of voice equate Novi (32,998) socially with Ecorse or Zug Island.

But some shopping centers — such as Twelve Oaks and Somerset — generate more cultural activities, entertainment and exhibits than do downtowns.

Rochester (7,130) City Manager Ken Johnson: The economic impact of the CBD is just not an issue. This older city's breakdown: 50 percent residential, 40 percent commercial, 10 percent industrial — indicating things are going well without official attention.

Rochester has used a downtown development authority since the early 1980s, capturing a portion of downtown taxes for business development and downtown beautification.

Farmington DDA director Wendy Strip-Sittsamer said downtowns provide "a central meeting place."

"Downtowns are not just collections of old buildings. They're gathering places for people."

Farmington's downtown, she said, has seen a near-doubling of standard assessed valuation since the DDA began in 1986.

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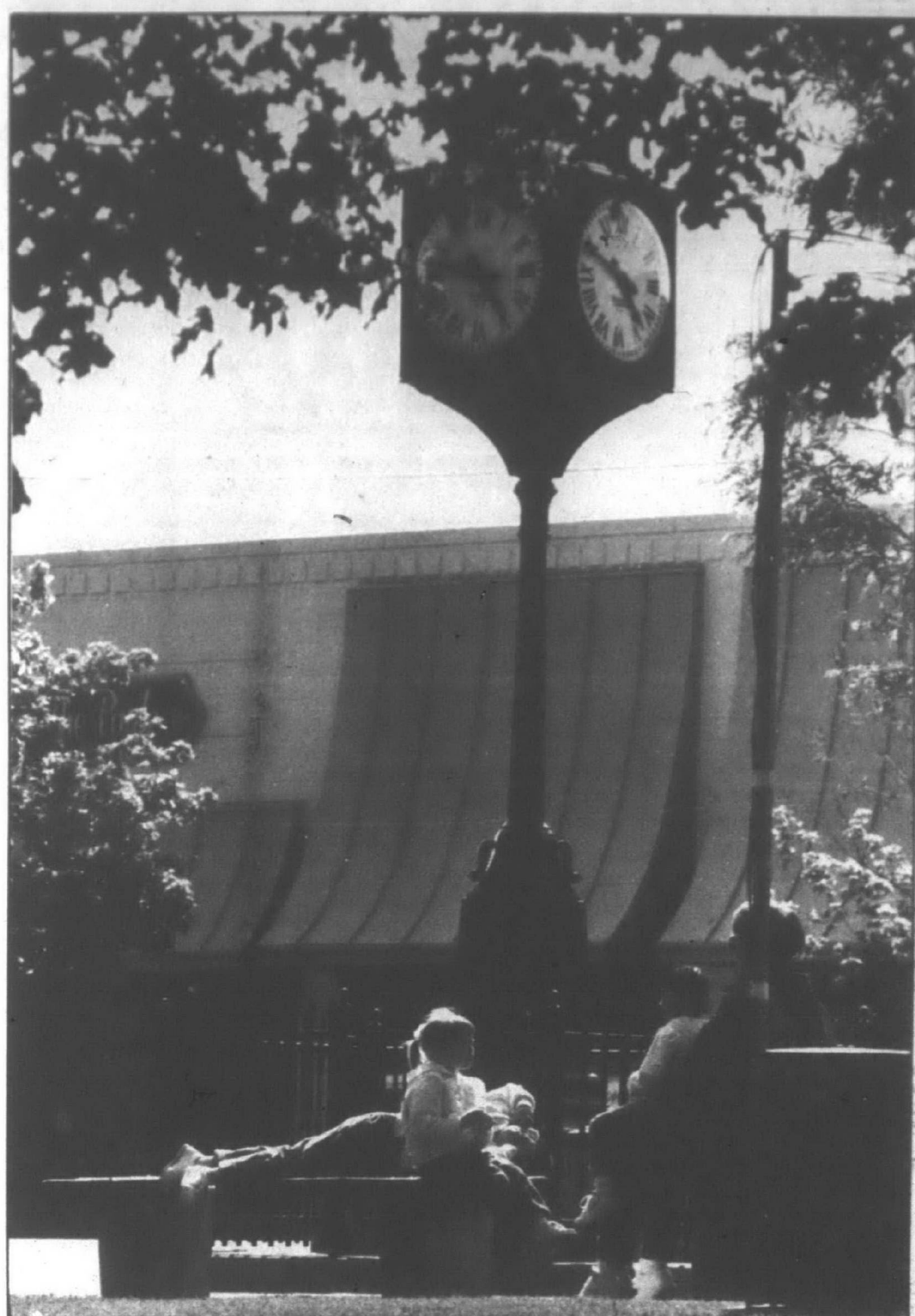
The metropolitan view: Westland (84,724) was incorporated from the remains of Nankin Township after two other cities had taken chunks of it and Livonia threatened to gobble the best of the rest.

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Birmingham would like city promotion of its central business district, which provides 30 percent of the property tax base. This aerial view looks north into downtown Birmingham. Woodward is to the left, Hunter to the right. The 555 building is bottom center.



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In Plymouth, City Manager Steve Walters said downtown is a source of commerce, a source of taxes and an entertainment and cultural center as evidenced by these youngsters and their nanny who were taking a break in Kellogg park.

Hudson's) and the area surrounding it. Despite the lack of a Main Street, city economic development director Scott Veldhuis said, "A strong CBD is generally an indicator of a strong community."

Troy — like Livonia (100,850), Southfield and Novi — has no downtown but lots of businesses. Troy (72,884) realizes their importance as tax generators, particularly for schools. City Manager Frank Gerstenecker: "If values of a CBD remain constant or decline, the cost of operating schools would also have to decline, or property taxes would go up."

Rochester Hills (61,766) was incorporated from Avon Township, surrounding the old city of Rochester. Since its 1984 incorporation, it has seen growth not only in industry, but also in strip malls and mom and pop variety stores. Hills Mayor Billie Ireland sees no direct relationship between the business district and residential district. The farther away the home is from a business, the less the home is affected by business.

Canton Township (57,040), south of Plymouth, has lots of chain firms on Ford Road. Supervisor Tom Yack talks about a "commercial section" rather than downtown. A thriving business section contributes to the image of community and its residential resale values, he said.

Beverly Hills (10,610) Village Manager George Majoros said local businesses are few and need little help from local government. Most residents shop on the Southfield Road strip. In 1987 the village orchestrated an improvement project on Southfield Road — storm sewers (closing open ditches) and paving the shoulders; a women's club donated \$17,000 for plantings; a special assessment district charges businesses for maintenance.

Bloomfield Township (42,473) is 95 percent residential. Supervisor Fred Korzon sees the national and state economic climates as more important than local businesses. The township surrounds the cities of Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills.

- Local governments appear to have four different attitudes toward downtown business districts:**
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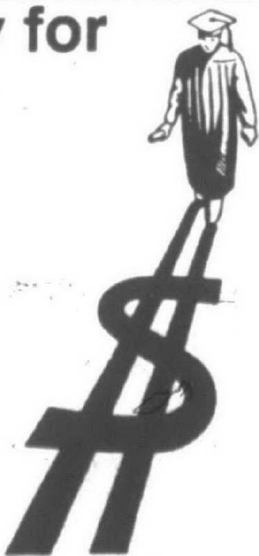
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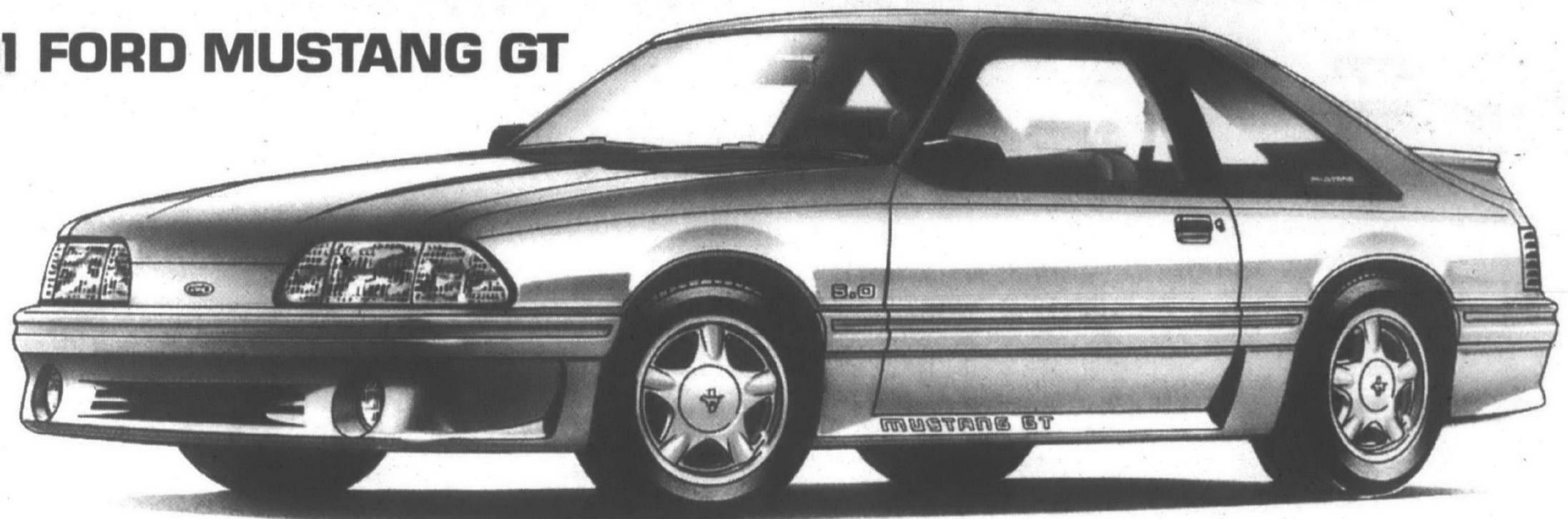
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Isle Royale workshop

Plymouth Canton elementary teacher Marjane Baker participated this summer in the first Great Lakes Environmental Education Institute, a workshop to help educators understand the importance of creating environmental literacy in students and promoting education about the Great Lakes in classroom subject areas. "We hope each workshop participant will bring their ideas and new knowledge about our valuable Great Lakes resource into their classroom this fall," said Beverly Croft, of the International Joint Commission which coordinated the six-day workshop.

Art classes

Art classes sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council will start the week of Sept. 9. The classes are taught by art instructors and cover such subjects as pottery, sculpture, painting, cartooning and photography.

Interested people can register at the council offices, 332 S. Main, Plymouth, from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Friday. Telephone registration is available by calling 455-5260.

Museum event

There's more than chicken cooking when Plymouth's Fall Festival gets going this weekend. At the Plymouth Historical Museum, the festival will be celebrated with special activities.

Craftsmen will have wares on display that range from lace to violins.

The museum will also open a special exhibit titled "The American Country School," which features Plymouth's educational history from 19th century to the present.

Also on display are antique and vintage cars and fire engines.

Special Fall Festival hours for the museum are noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday and from noon until 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and 50 cents for students. For more information, call the library at 455-8940.

Kids have roomfuls of safety tips

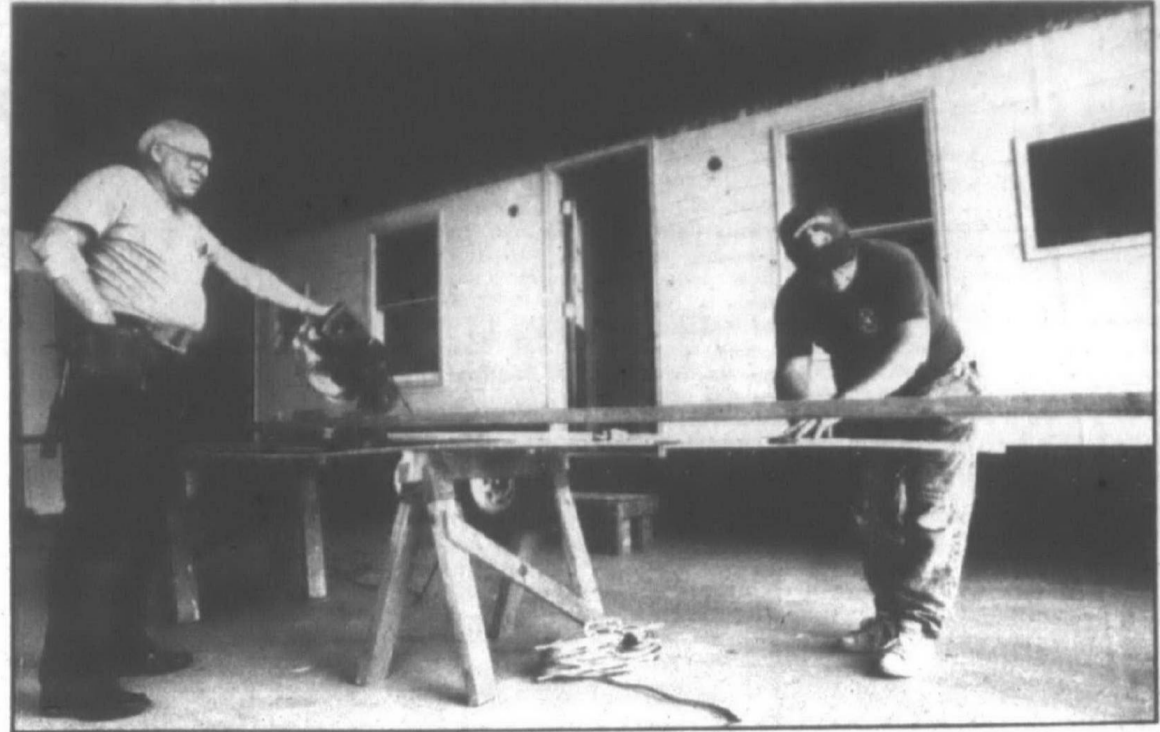
Local kids attending the Fall Festival can get a lesson in fire safety at the new Children's Fire Safety House.

While local fire officials have used a city of Southfield kids fire safety house at earlier festivals, this year's festival marks the debut of the house paid for from donations collected in Plymouth and Northville.

"We're passing the word of fire safety," said Plymouth Fire Chief Al Matthews. The house is at Main at Penniman. Hours for the safety demonstrations are 4-10 p.m. Friday, noon-10 p.m. Saturday, and noon-6 p.m. Sunday.

While local governments contributed \$500 each to the cost of building the fire safety house, most of the \$17,000 raised to build it came from businesses, civic organizations and service clubs, Matthews said.

The house is a small replica of a one-story house equipped with two bedrooms and a hallway. Mounted on wheels, the house can be transported to area elementary schools.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Dick Hill and Don McDurmon put finishing touches on the kids fire safety house, to get it ready for today's start of the Fall Festival.

Fund-raisers at fest to help art, music

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

Two major fund-raisers benefitting art and music occur this weekend during Plymouth's Fall Festival: Plymouth Community Arts Council's Artists and Craftsmen Show and Plymouth Symphony League's Antique Show and Preview Reception.

The 29th annual Antique Show and Preview Reception hosted by the Plymouth Symphony League will be Sept. 5-7 in the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

American and European antiques, prints, folk art, estate jewelry, silver, English brass and copper, linens, quilts and primitives, along with classic, victori-

Two major fund-raisers that benefit art and music occur this weekend during Plymouth's Fall Festival.

an, Early American and English country, will be exhibited by 25 antique dealers.

By attending the reception 7:30-10 p.m. Thursday, Plymouth Symphony supporters will have the first opportunity to buy antiques before the show opens to the general public Friday morning.

Hours d'oeuvres, desserts and wine will be served. Tickets for the preview reception are \$15 and include admission to the

show on Friday and Saturday. Antique show hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

Tickets for the antique show Friday-Saturday, Sept. 6-7, will be available at the door for \$3. All proceeds benefit the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra.

An antique quilt valued at \$350 will be given away in a drawing also for the benefit of the symphony. Tickets are \$1 apiece or six tickets for \$5.

On Friday and Saturday, there will be a mini-deli available serving sandwiches, salads and desserts from the Penniman Deli. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

A MAJOR fund-raiser to support community arts programs, Plymouth Commu-

nity Arts Council's 20th annual Artists and Craftsmen Show will be Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 7-8, at Central Middle School, Church and Main, Plymouth.

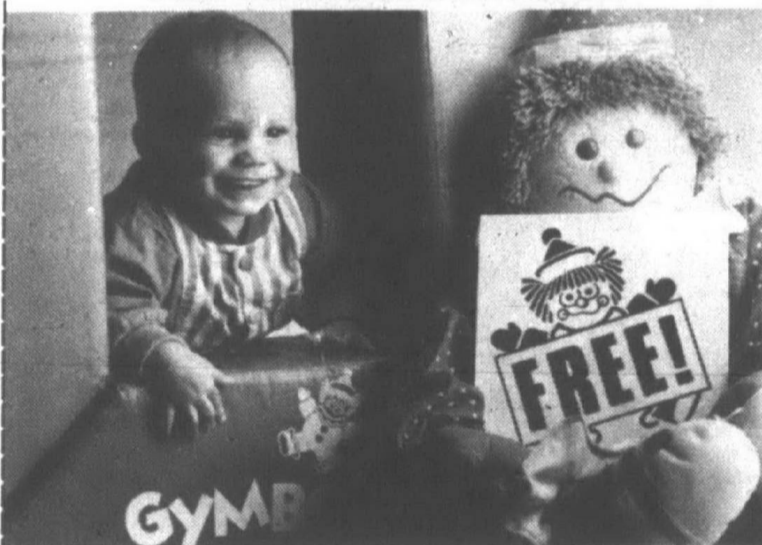
The juried show features 102 artists and craftsmen from Michigan and Ohio. They will exhibit a wide range of media including watercolors, oil and acrylic paintings, pottery, jewelry, wood, toys and country items.

Admission to the show is \$2, seniors and students \$1, children younger than 12 free when accompanied by an adult. Proceeds will fund general operating costs and student art scholarships.

Hours for the Artists and Craftsmen show are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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Dems pledge cooperation on redistricting

By Tim Richard
staff writer

State Rep. Maxine Berman has offered Republicans the olive branch of cooperation on legislative redistricting.

"We'll end up with more compact districts. I really would like to put together a bipartisan plan," said Berman, the Southfield Democrat who chairs the 18-member House committee that will draw new legislative districts.

She and House Speaker Lew Dodak, D-Birch Run, called a news conference last month to ally GOP fears that majority Democrats would disregard the so-called "Apol guidelines" that call for compact districts breaking as few city, township and county lines as possible, with a population variance of no more than 16.4 percent between the largest and the smallest.

Berman denied Democrats had "flipped" on the issue of compactness. Dodak added, "I never said we wouldn't accept Apol."

"THAT'S SOMETHING new."

countered Rep. Willis Bullard, R-Highland, the GOP's point man on redistricting, in an interview.

"They wouldn't agree to it (Apol guidelines) before. They avoided it. This is a step forward," Bullard said.

The two Democratic leaders added they also would use federal Voters Rights Act guidelines that prohibit "packing" of minority populations in a district to dilute their strength.

"The rather sizeable Hispanic community in southwest Detroit was split in two by Apol," Berman said of the 1982 reapportionment. "I don't think it was deliberate. But I'm telling you right now they won't stand for it again."

Said the GOP's Bullard: "There's no dispute about that legally. We have to do it."

BERMAN SAID a bill would be ready in "about a month."

Reapportionment already has been held up over big-city complaints that the 1990 census missed many minorities — charges rejected by the U.S. Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher.

A former teacher serving her fifth House term, Berman gave up the chair of the House Elections Committee this year to chair the 18-member legislative redistricting panel. Congressional reapportionment is chaired by Rep. Michael Griffin, D-Jackson, a pro-life leader who tangles bitterly with Berman over the abortion issue.

In the state Senate, both congressional and legislative reapportionment will be done in a single committee headed by majority leader Dick Posthumus, R-Alto.

FROM 1964 to 1982 legislative districts were drawn up by a state Apportionment Commission of four Democrats and four Republicans. It always deadlocked, leaving the state Supreme Court to choose between plans.

The high court looked only for numerical equality between districts, leading Republicans to charge "gerrymandering."

But in 1982 the court threw out the Apportionment Commission and appointed retired state elections director Bernard Apol to draw up dis-

tricts. Apol's plan pleased the GOP by allowing fewer boundary divisions and wider population variances.

To this Democrats have added the racial guidelines of the federal law.

BERMAN'S PROPOSED outline of guidelines provides for a solution if there's a legislative deadlock:

"If both houses of the Legislature and the governor cannot agree to a complete legislative redistricting plan before Jan. 1, 1992, the Supreme Court shall ultimately select, from any plan approved by either legislative body, the plan that most closely complies with these guidelines."

Added Dodak: "We prefer that it not go to the courts. We want to work in a bipartisan way."

"The message we get," said Republican Bullard, "is they believe congressional districting should go to the courts, but they want bipartisan districting of the Legislature."

Reapportionment is generally expected to cost Detroit one of its five state Senate seats, which will probably go to Oakland and Macomb counties. In addition, western Oakland County is expected to gain a House seat.

The census will cost Michigan two of its 18 U.S. representatives. Republicans say both losses should be Democratic seats. Democrats say one from each side of the aisle should go.

Arts advocates vow to monitor new council

Outgoing members of the Michigan Council for the Arts vowed to act as a "shadow cabinet" to watch the new council appointed by Gov. John Engler.

Leon S. Cohan, chairing the final meeting Wednesday of the MCA, said the old group's final action was to issue a "Michigan Manifesto for the Arts."

By executive order, Engler last month abolished MCA and will replace it with a council on arts and cultural affairs. Engler also declared he wants to phase out all operating grants in three years. The new group will administer capital grants and help arts groups obtain private funding.

THE MCA'S "manifesto" applauded the new agency but added: "We declare our intention to act in the tradition of a 'shadow cabinet,' or in this case a 'shadow council,' to monitor the actions of the new council, the administration, and the Legislature, with regard to public policy concerning the arts and arts education."

A "shadow cabinet" is a device used in the British Parliament by the party out of power to critique the government.

"We hope and expect to support

these policies," the manifesto said. But where members fail to "serve the public interest," former members will, as citizens, "propose constructive alternatives."

COHAN'S GROUP said it will be guided by these "general principles":

- "While we will work for greater private contributions, we will strongly encourage continued public support for the arts and arts education . . ."

- Any attempt to interfere with the peer review system for issuing grants "for political or public relations purposes, or for reasons of favoritism, would be strenuously opposed."

- Censorship "is condemned and will be strenuously opposed."

- "Cultural diversity" will be supported, including "significant grants to minority institutions and artists."

- "We will support grants for individual artists as well as art institutions, and small organizations as well as large ones."

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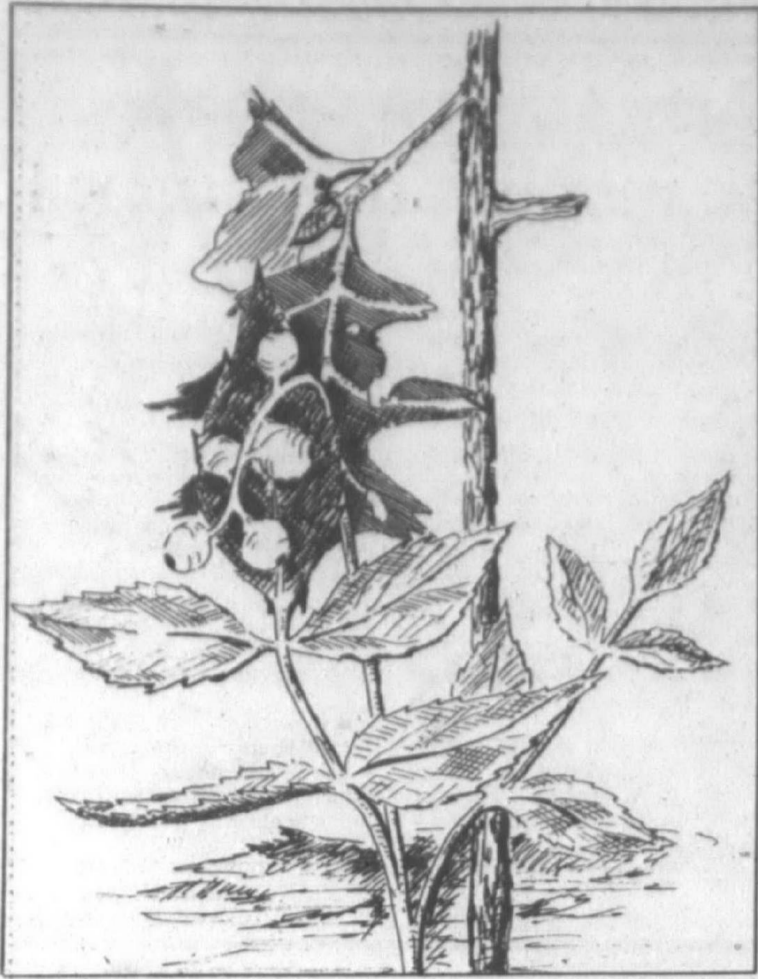
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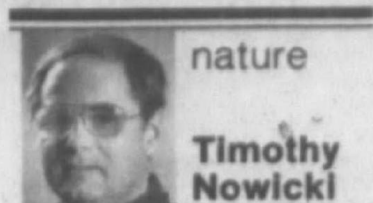
By walking the trails at different times of the year, one can see plants at different stages of their life cycles. In spring, white baneberry flowers are evident on the forest floor because of their white, foamy looking flowers with long stamens. During the summer, however, the flashy flowers have fallen and the lush green of trees, bushes and other plants all blend together.

We are indeed fortunate to live in a state that has seasons. Our four seasons are caused by a slight tilt in the earth's axis, but it results in some amazing phenomena. Extreme temperatures ranging from 100 degrees to 20 below zero are a result of that tilt of the earth's axis.

Animals and plants must cope with climatic extremes such as temperature and rainfall. They must reproduce within the short time in which growing is possible. Those that extended that time into the colder season never reproduced.

So by walking the trails at different seasons of the year, we get a chance to see the same plants or animals at different stages of their life cycles. In spring, the showy flowers draw our attention, as well as the attention of pollinators.

Jack-in-the-pulpit flowers are evi-



nature

Timothy Nowicki

dent in the spring because of their interesting vase shape with "Jack" in the middle. White baneberry flowers are evident on the forest floor too because of their white, foamy looking flowers with long stamens.

During the summer, however, the flashy flowers have fallen and the lush green of trees, bushes and other plants all blend together. Though this may seem dull to some, careful examination of the green leaves reveals that they are not all the same color green. Noting the various

shades from yellow-green, to blue-green, to purple-green, alerts one to the variety of the natural world in something as simple as the color green.

Woodlands do not provide the color or that the meadows do during summer, but while we spend out time gazing at butterflies and wildflowers in the meadows, something is happening in the woodlands.

Hiking forest trails traversed earlier in the summer when all was green, reveals some striking color contrasts. Fungi or mushrooms suddenly appear in white and rainbow colors of yellow, red and orange.

Berries also begin to mature from those colorful spring flowers. Their

colors rival those of the flowers. In the case of jack-in-the-pulpit, the red cluster of berries is more striking than the flower. Those white flowers of the baneberry are echoed in the shiny white berries with a black dot at the end. These berries give this plant its frequently used common name, doll's eyes.

Though a trail may have been hiked before, it can always reveal more to those with watchful eyes during each season.

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Dave and Tom Workman remove chicken from the grill during the festival. FILE PHOTO

Fall Festival A good lineup of events

THE ANNUAL Fall Festival in Plymouth is just one of those events we don't like to miss.

The event starts Thursday and runs through Sunday, with most activities slated to take place in Kellogg Park at Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail.

HERE ARE some of our favorite events:

- The antique show at the Plymouth Cultural Center. There's a preview reception from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. on Thursday. It's a chance to check out the wares of 25 antique dealers. The show benefits the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra.

- An arts and crafts show. More than 80 artists and craftsmen will have their works on display from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday at Central Middle School. The proceeds from the event will go to the Plym-

outh Community Arts Council.

- The pet show. It's one of those not-so-serious events that attracts the wags, so to speak. Awards go to the largest cat and dog and smallest cat and dog. There's also the best-dressed cat and dog contest. The event takes place at 9 a.m. Saturday in Kellogg Park. It's sponsored by the Optimist Club.

- The music. There's an eclectic mix on tap. The Canton Seniors' Kitchen Band will perform at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday and at 5:30 p.m. on Friday. Matt Watroba, a Plymouth-Canton teacher and radio show host, will perform folk music.

- Food. Although the Plymouth Rotary Club gets the credit for cooking up some mean tasting chicken, the Knights of Columbus sure do know how to do up the ribs. They'll be serving them from noon until 6 p.m. on Friday at The Gathering.

See you at the festival.



Both parties to pander to public with tax cuts

LAST WEEK brought Gov. John Engler's plan to cut property taxes for school operations by 30 percent over five years and to limit annual increases in assessments to 3 percent or less.

It's unclear how his plan (which will cost more than \$6 billion in state revenue over five years) would be funded. What would replace the schools' lost property taxes?

This followed by some weeks the Democratic plan to cut homeowners' property taxes and pay for it by repealing the capital acquisition deduction of the single business tax and a whole raft of industrial tax abatements.

It's unclear in this proposal what would be used to stimulate private business investment or contribute to job growth in Michigan.

Both political parties are in a pandering rush to cut taxes. Both proposals are to be on the November 1992 ballot, suggesting both parties are more interested in campaign rhetoric than in genuine tax relief. It sounds like *deja vu* all over again.

REMEMBER 1981, the early days of the Reagan Administration in Washington? The cry was that income taxes were too high. And they were.

Led by budget director Dave Stockman, former Michigan congressman, the administration proposed the largest single tax rate cut in American history. Democrats

rushed to submit their own cuts.

Stockman himself later admitted the new tax law guaranteed the largest growth in national deficits in American history.

Two consequences:

First, the federal government systematically sloughed off responsibility for all kinds of programs, from education to housing, onto the states and local governments. Today's result: Chronic, severe financial crisis in states like Michigan and even a city bankruptcy in Bridgeport, Conn.

SECOND, EQUALLY important, was the budgetary straitjacket into which virtually all government programs were jammed.

Want to build bridges? Educate poor kids? Provide another 13 weeks of unemployment to workers laid off during the recession? No money. Sorry.

Later it became clear that some canny folk on the political right had this outcome in mind all along. They reasoned, correctly, that if the country could be thrown into a large and persistent deficit through excessive tax cuts, there would be no money left for activities of government, both useful and not so useful.

Last year the price to achieve a (read my lips) modest tax increase and a balanced budget was an agreement between Congress and the White House that new spending would have to be accompanied by specific increased revenues.

Could some clever people around



Philip Power

Gov. Engler have devised the same strategy for Michigan? Rush to compete with Democrats in pandering to middle-income taxpayers, they reason, because at day's end no money will be left to drive state government.

NO DOUBT Michigan's tax structure relies too heavily on the property tax. No doubt a lot of state spending is either wasted or yields dubious outcomes.

But does it follow that nothing done by government is useful? Are good schools a waste? Is job training for our workers useless? Should state colleges be ignored? Is it pointless to clean our lakes and preserve our woods?

Not at all. To ask these questions is to answer them.

People ought to ask the governor and those around him what they have in mind when they want to cut state revenue by more than \$1 billion a year for the next five years.

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

Child abuse Cases require training, funds

Recent child abuse cases still plague us. But the recognition that these cases require special training for the judges involved is needed, along with ways to further protect the victims of child abuse.

Michigan law now provides clear guidelines on what constitutes physical and sexual abuse of children. Many county prosecuting attorneys will have one or several staff members who specialize in child abuse cases. That has helped prosecutors more effectively pursue such cases and allowed them to work with the victim on a one-to-one basis, rather than shuffle a child who is already a victim from one official to another.

The state's child abuse statute also provides penalties that reflect a crime whose victims are sometimes too young even to speak, much less know how to seek protection.

ALTHOUGH MANY judges have become familiar with child abuse cases, they often lack the training needed to properly try such cases. Although testifying in court is often the best therapy for young abuse victims, judges need to understand that questions must be phrased in a way the child can understand.

Judges must also understand that the courtroom is an intimidating place for a child facing his alleged abuser, including the imposing figure of a judge, sitting on high, dressed in black robes. Some judges actually step down from the bench to question the child in a less formal way, setting the child at ease.

There are also some changes needed to current laws to help prevent the crime and determine if abuse has taken place.

State Sen. Michael Bouchard has introduced a bill that requires a criminal history check for anyone employed in the child care field, from

day care centers to schools. The check would turn up any felony convictions or misdemeanor convictions that involve a sexual offense or child abuse.

ANOTHER NEEDED change to the child protection law would require that police be contacted if there is an injury to a child that could be a result of abuse. Police see many cases where children's injuries are not recognized as abuse.

But not all legislative remedies are good ones. Bills that would require prosecutors to represent the Department of Social Services will not make trying abuse cases easier or serve the victim. They will only encumber the proceedings and give DSS bureaucrats more sway in the courts.

And the one aspect of child abuse that gets short shrift is prevention. The state should continue to put money into the child protection fund. Taxpayers should support the fund by donating when they turn in their Michigan tax return. That money goes to teaching kids and parents about preventing child abuse before the legal system becomes involved.

The Legislature also should do its part in funding child abuse prevention.

RECENT CHANGES in the law that address child abuse have gone a long way toward bringing understanding of an ugly crime into the courtroom and giving abused children real protection.

But judges must be trained in the fine distinctions of a body of crime that can repeat itself if the victims grow up to be the criminals.

For in the words of Elizabeth Barrett Browning, "The child's sob in the silence curses deeper than the strong man in his wrath."

from our readers

Bike thefts problem for Canton family

To the editor:
Dear Canton residents:

Thanks for the welcome to our conscience-minded community. Last year while my son was ill on the couch, a teenage boy took two expensive bicycles from the front of our apartment. This past July while my husband was on the couch with a broken back, a young man in a blue Ford pickup truck brazenly walked up the driveway of our new home and took my younger son's new bicycle. Now my older son's bike was found missing from the Sunflower's pool bike rack.

If a new or different bike showed up at my home, I know I would certainly question the circumstances.

Lynn Valade
Canton

Airport agreement 'cowardly'

To the editor:
As a longtime supporter of Mette-

tal Airport, my issue is no longer with the "opposition" nor is it in raising questions that have been asked a dozen times before. Rather, my issue is with the elected officials, the trustees of Canton and Plymouth Township.

The federal funds for the purchase of Mettetal were available only through the end of August. Anything other than a direct yes-vote to accept these funds, by the Plymouth Township Trustees on Aug. 28, would spell the end of the airport.

Rather than proceed with a vote to accept or reject the funds, the motion was tabled and a memorandum of understanding was introduced, voted on and accepted.

This memorandum of understanding, agreed to at the "11th hour" between Canton and Plymouth townships, is a solution to the deteriorating relationship between the two townships, but not a solution to the airport issue.

The agreement, in summary, states that the townships now form an alliance to jointly pursue the purchase, ownership and operation of Mettetal Airport.

This is the same airport that Canton trustees have on numerous occasions indicated that they wanted nothing to do with.

This agreement comes, by the way, two days after Canton filed suit in federal court to stop the purchase of the airport by Plymouth Township. The Plymouth Township trustees' vote to accept this "partnership" with Canton will close the airport as surely as a no vote on the

federal funds issue would have closed the airport.

Trustees from both townships look like heroes to their constituents because they have settled their differences. If you are familiar with the issue, and study the memorandum of understanding, it becomes obvious that the move by the township trustees was not heroic, but cowardly. Avoiding the issue does not resolve the issue.

I will miss the airport and all that goes with it, and I certainly consider this a loss to the community at large. An even more important loss is our loss of faith and trust in our elected officials who, we find, make decisions using "smoke and mirrors" without addressing the issue itself.

Douglas Shumard
Plymouth

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Urge for freedom topples repressive governments

THE CELEBRATION of our Constitution's bicentennial occurs in momentous times. With the human urge for freedom breaking out all over the world, repressive governments are toppling as people reach for those basic rights we, in this county, have enjoyed for more than 200 years.

The Bill of Rights and subsequent amendments have made our constitutional system of government a beacon to the rest of the world — especially evidenced at this time in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union — by providing a model for

a political system that effectively guarantees the rights of the individual.

Vaclav Havel, president of Czechoslovakia, in his address to Congress on Feb. 21, 1990, said: "Wasn't it the best minds of your country . . . who wrote your famous Declaration of Independence, your bill of human rights and your Constitution? . . . Those great documents . . . inspire us all; they inspire us despite the fact that they are over 200 years old. They inspire us to be citizens."



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Her worries go to top of heap

By Sarah Weiner Keidan
guest columnist

YOU ALL KNOW what a bride does on the day after her wedding. She goes on her honeymoon. But did you ever consider what the mother of the bride does?

This one spent her day in the pouring rain, walking up mounds of garbage in the local landfill, looking for the special large envelope which contained the marriage license, the ornate religious wedding contract and all the envelopes with the wedding gift money!

The Sunday evening wedding was a triumph. It was the celebration of a very happy event in our family.

Because the groom was particularly concerned about the safe keeping of any gifts that might be tendered at the party I arranged for a trusted person to be at the synagogue to collect and take them back to the house. This she did.

The following morning I consolidated all the envelopes including the marriage license, the wedding contract and some other incidentals such as the front page of the New York Times which would be a great memento of the great day, into the large one. While doing so, I decided to clean out my "wedding briefcase" and threw all no-longer-needed lists

and papers in the trash.

Monday is trash day in my neighborhood.

THE TRASH COLLECTORS arrived before 8 a.m. and took everything I had left at the curb. I then went to exercise class, back to the synagogue and kept some other appointments. I got home about 1 p.m. in a heavy downpour and decided to make some lunch before I went to other appointments in the afternoon.

The kitchen looked messy, though, with wedding gifts on the counter, floral arrangements on the floor, etc. I decided to consolidate the gifts into a large bag so that when the bride and groom stopped by for cocktails before leaving for the airport — they spent their wedding night in a local hotel — they would find everything in one place. All the gift boxes were in carrybags when I reached for the large envelope.

It wasn't there!

It wasn't anywhere! I searched the house. My heart was racing, I was hyperventilating.

But I knew: I had tossed the envelope into the trash. I called the township to get the name of the garbage collection company. I called the company to get my route number and the name of the landfill. I called the landfill (about 20 miles away it

turned out). Their computerized system indicated that my truck had dumped at about 11 a.m., and the man on the phone informed me that although he could tell me within 200 feet where my neighborhood load was, it was already buried under about four feet of additional garbage.

Could I come out and look, I asked. Sure he said, but it would be like a million to one shot that I'd find anything.

I THREW ON a black slicker raincoat over my designer outfit, got a big flowered Sou'Easter rainhat from the closet, put on a pair of tennis shoes and grabbed a shovel.

I got into my car and drove like a maniac, in the rain, out the freeway to the dump. It was a harrowing ride, but I got to the exit and promptly found the landfill.

A young man in a pickup truck drove me to the site. The mud was ankle-deep. He advised me not to bother getting out of the truck because it was dangerous and hopeless. But I was compelled. After all, what would I tell the newlyweds?

And so I trudged to the top of the garbage heap. I looked carefully and hopefully and found... NOTHING!

Reluctantly I left the spot, returned to my car and drove toward

home. On the way I used the car-phone to call the rabbi and the county clerk's office to begin the task of replacing the documents. I composed the letter to the guests.

By the time I got home it was nearly 5 p.m. I sat in the kitchen bereft, cold, exhausted. At least the travelers' checks hadn't been placed in the envelope, I thought.

Then I decided to call the bride and groom to break the bad news because I didn't want them hearing this in my house at 6 p.m.

THE GROOM ANSWERED. He sounded happy. I asked him to sit down because I had some bad news.

"I don't think we had a break-in this morning, but we did have a small disaster," I began. "The envelope is missing. Today is trash day in the neighborhood..."

"Say no more," said the groom. "We stopped by at noon and took it." They hadn't thought to leave me a note.

I have decided that the newlyweds owe me a weekend at the King Ranch Spa in Toronto for my troubles.

Sarah Weiner Keidan is a West Bloomfield resident and professor of political science at Oakland Community College.

A win doesn't bring relief

HERE'S A dandy category for the game show "Jeopardy." Abbreviations.

NIMBY. That's easy — "not in my back yard." Holler "NIMBY" when you don't want a group home or incinerator in the neighborhood.

ASAP. "As soon as possible." Everyone in an office knows that one.

RHIP. "Rank has its privileges." Military veterans got that ASAP.

WYSI WYG, pronounced "wissy wig." Your computer-wise kids will tell you it means "what you see is what you get."

SLAPP. Wow, that's a new and nasty one. But folks in growing communities had better learn it because it's going around the country.

SLAPP means "strategic lawsuit against public participation." It's what developers do when homeowners, environmentalists and preservationists fight too hard against tearing up God's ecosystem.

I stumbled across SLAPP in the June issue of Planning, a magazine you won't find on the supermarket shelves or chain bookstores. Readers are public officials who deal in land use. The writer is Gary Enos, a New York-based magazine reporter.

SLAPPs are designed to have a chilling effect on folks who speak out against developers' plans or petition government for the redress of grievances. Some authorities say SLAPPs are a threat to freedom of speech. Remember the Bill of Rights? We're celebrating its 200th anniversary.

University of Denver researchers have identified 400 SLAPP lawsuits around the country. New York, California and Colorado have seen most of these lawsuits, but they are spreading.

OUR COMMUNITIES in Michigan could see strategic lawsuits against public participation in the next few years.

As I write, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments is circulating its draft plan to curb "urban sprawl" — the eating up of cornfields and lakeshores by developers with no population growth to justify it, and the abandonment of older cities. There is strong, but not unanimous, sentiment for containing urban sprawl.

SLAPP. Wow, that's a new and nasty one. But folks in growing communities had better learn it because it's going around the country.

Michigan is ripe for SLAPP suits because we have thousands of teeny tiny cities, villages and townships, each thinking of itself. The neighboring community, one block away, wants to rezone for a billion-dollar megamall. You scream. You organize protests. You hold meetings. You circulate pamphlets.

And you could get SLAPPED. It happened, Enos said, in Rye, N.Y., to folks who wanted to protect the 18th century home of John Jay, the diplomat and chief justice. The developer who wanted to build luxury homes asked \$30 million damages.

NOW, FILING a lawsuit and winning it are two different things.

Developers are losing most SLAPPs, Enos reports. Their lawyers have found it difficult to pierce the people's freedom of speech defense.

But we in the news business know about these suits. They cost you money to defend. They cost you enormous amounts of time to prepare a defense. You can't do your regular work while you're defending a lawsuit designed to quiet you.

Ultimately, you win, but the suit takes so much starch out of you that you're never the same emotionally. You seek a new line of work. You move. I've seen it happen.

Vice President Dan Quayle, himself an ordained lawyer despite his C average, made a speech to the American Bar Association in which he said the U.S. has too many lawyers — 70 percent of the world's supply — and too many lawsuits.

The ABA members didn't like that. Many of them like to SLAPP people around.

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

Let teachers make education work

Q. Much has been written lately about empowering teachers. Don't teachers have enough power with their unions and contracts? Do you think this new empowerment idea makes sense, or is it just another fad?

A. Teacher empowerment articles are in every major newspaper and in every educational journal on the market today. Empowerment is the latest educational buzz word.

Yet teacher empowerment is not a new concept. Wendell Hough of Wayne State University has been infusing this concept in numerous school districts in Michigan since 1979.

And it is effective.

Basically it is a collaborative effort that involves both teachers and administrators in the planning and implementation of a building improvement program.

It is far removed from the top-down model. The top-down model is where "central office" goes to a conference, becomes mesmerized by a charismatic speaker, returns all excited, shoves a supposedly new educational model down the throats of

teachers and reports to the board how much teachers like it.

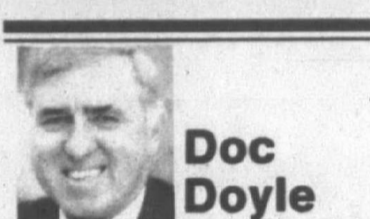
TEACHERS WILL implement such a top-down model but really have nothing personally at stake to see the new educational concept or program is successful.

If it is a good concept, fine. If not, they will say: "It wasn't my idea; just another responsibility laid on me by those 'funny people' in the central office."

Conversely, the whole concept of teacher empowerment or collaboration between administration and teachers hinges on certain basic beliefs, beliefs I held throughout my tenure as an instructional leader in central offices for 17 years. Those beliefs have been articulated by Hough and paraphrased by this writer. They included:

- The more people are involved in program planning, the more they have at stake to see the program is successful. The less they are involved, the less they have at stake to see a program is successful.

- An effective school district or school building educational program will result only when the potential of



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all parties is released and put into action.

- Positive educational changes occur when administration recognizes that teachers behave the way they do because it makes sense to them.

- Top administrators alone cannot create effective change. However, they can and must be an integral part as a facilitator of change.

- Leadership skills cannot be presumed; teacher empowerment programs must provide for leadership development.

SOME OF MY personal observations as one who believed in involving and sharing decisions with teachers are:

- The weaker the principal the more frightened he is of a teacher empowerment model.
- Many principals and central

office staff don't recognize that real power comes from the teachers. Teachers talk to neighbors who are in the Rotary, who talk to board members, who find out which leaders are respected and which are not.

You imply in your question that teachers have enough power in their contracts. Frankly, as a former president of a teachers' organization who was part of the group that started negotiations in 1965, I consider the contract a separate issue. Reality says it exists and isn't going away. To use that as an excuse to stymie the creativity of staff is a cop-out.

What is most interesting in all this is that the Michigan Education Association and now local school districts are considering this new "teacher empowerment" concept. Yet Hough has been doing it for more than 10 years. Maybe more educators should start paying more attention to the good professor. I did. He was my doctoral degree adviser.

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One scheduled session will cover hazardous materials first responder awareness level, designed to help students recognize the limitations and necessity for interagency responses when discovering/witnessing a hazardous materials incident. The class takes place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 6. Fee is \$40 and includes lunch.

Other sessions include basic emergency medical technician, firefighter I, basic fire academy, handling elevator emergencies and fire officer I program.

Basic emergency medical technician is a course designed for those interested in the public safety field including fire, police and ambulance operations. Completion of the course enables the student to take the Michigan Department of Public Health exam. Class starts from 6-10 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9. Fee is \$430.

Firefighter I discusses fire suppression skills. The class begins Tuesday, Sept. 10 from 6-10 p.m. Fee is \$350.

Basic fire academy is an eight-week course that teaches fire suppression skills and tasks. The class meets in the Livonia Fire Station No. 6, 37876 Plymouth, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fee is \$825.

Handling elevator emergencies provides fire department personnel with information on elevators and emergency procedures for successful fire and rescue operations. The course will discuss terms and definitions, pre-planning of elevator emergencies, elevator operations during a fire, basic elevator operations and rescue and firefighters trapped prevention. Class is from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 2. Cost is \$50 and includes lunch.

Fire officer I program is a seven-part program consisting of firefighter safety and survival, preparing for incident command, tactical operations for company officers, commanding for initial response, records and reports, instructional techniques for company officers and building construction. The first course in the series is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 14. The seven-course-fee of \$390 includes lunch and refreshments.

Courses are held at different locations. To register or obtain more information, contact the Schoolcraft College Continuing Education Services at 462-4448.

Two holiday concerts are planned. To schedule an audition, or for additional information, call choir president Shari Clason, 349-8175, or the college continuing education services office, 462-4448. Schoolcraft is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

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Salem suffers defeat

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

All that was missing was the awards ceremony.

Here it was the season opener for the Livonia Stevenson boys soccer team, and already some were conceding the Lakes Division championship to the Spartans after they beat Plymouth Salem, 2-1, at Centennial Educational Park.

Salem coach Ken Johnson gave Stevenson coach Wally Barrett a congratulatory hand shake after the game, and he might as well have given him the trophy to boot.

Stevenson still has to play Walled Lake Central, North Farmington and Farmington in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association. But for all intents and purposes the championship game was played Wednesday between the division's two heavyweights.

"It's the division championship, more or less," said Johnson, whose team is 3-1 overall. "Miracles happen, the season is not over, but whoever won tonight has the advantage."

BARRETT, THE second-year coach, was more diplomatic about the outcome.

"High school games get emotional," he said. "All can be tough

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JOHN STORMZAND/staff photographer

Salem's John Truskowski (left) and Bill Lanspeary race to the ball.

Rocks 3-peat as champs of soccer invite

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

A new soccer season is barely a week old, and the Plymouth Salem boys team has already resurrected a former nickname: The Comeback Kids.

The Rocks rallied Saturday — the second time in three games — to defeat Portage Central 4-2 in overtime and repeat as champion of the Plymouth Invitational.

Salem has won the tournament five times since it was started in 1984, but none of the titles have ever come easy, coach Ken Johnson said.

The Rocks led 1-0 at halftime; however, Central took a 2-1 lead in the second half. The first of two goals by Joe Perron sent the game into overtime, which a rejuvenated Salem team dominated.

"We seemed to get a second wind," Johnson said. "We were neck and neck and suddenly we got open shots. I think our stamina made the difference. In preseason conditioning, John (Truskowski) and Matt (Lee) pushed them a lot. They're good captains."

PORTAGE'S DAVE Tanis chipped a rebound over Salem goalkeeper Nick Dazer early in the second half to tie, and Josh Sheldon's line drive from 30 yards eluded a diving Dazer in the 59th minute.

soccer

The Rocks nearly overwhelmed Central early in the game, keeping the ball in the Portage end and taking a 1-0 lead on Rich Andrusiak's goal before the game was 2½ minutes old.

"In the first 10 minutes, I thought we'd have a comfortable win," Johnson said, "but then it turned around. They defended well, and we didn't get open shots although we pressed well."

"We didn't capitalize on a couple of good chances, and it was a tough game after that. In the middle of the game, the physical side came in to play with their team."

Truskowski thought the Rocks, who defeated Grand Blanc 5-0 in the first round, were lackadaisical in their play, until they had to bear down. Central was a 2-1 winner over Plymouth Canton in the other bracket.

"Once we get scored on or realize we're playing horribly, we turn it up," Truskowski said. "It seems we don't score until we absolutely have to."

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Rocks nip Kettering; Canton routs Trojans

Senior Kelly Austin's free throw with one second remaining Tuesday helped give Plymouth Salem a 56-55 win over host Waterford Kettering in girls basketball.

With the game tied at 55 and :07 on the clock, Austin stole the ball, drove for a shot and drew a foul instead. She missed the first free throw but tossed in the second.

The Rocks held a 16-point lead with six minutes remaining, but Kettering scored 18 of the last 21 points.

"We turned over the ball quite a bit in the last six minutes," Salem coach Fred Thomann said. "I expected a tough game. They were 19-4 last year."

Salem (1-1) led 28-25 at halftime and 42-36 after three quarters.

Senior Darcie Miller poured in a game-high 19 points for the winners. Emily Giuliani and Austin scored 10 and seven, respectively.

Kettering (1-1) was paced by Laura Wilson's 17 points. Kristin Becks chipped in 12.

girls basketball

CANTON 67, TRENTON 13: The Chiefs made their season debut Tuesday with an incredibly easy victory over a usually competitive Trenton team at Canton.

Canton was in command of a 25-0 lead at the end of one quarter, led 33-11 at halftime and outscored the Trojans 23-0 in the third period.

"Our defense was real solid, and they had trouble getting into their offense," Canton coach Bob Blohm said. "It kinda snowballed from there."

"We got into the passing lanes, and our movement was real good defensively. We rebounded well and that was a key to us getting off to a good start."

The Chiefs scored a lot of their points in transition, taking advan-

tage of Trenton's approximately 30 turnovers.

Senior forward Julie Nicastrì led Canton with 20 points, and junior center Stephanie Gray chipped in 10. Kelly Holmes, Christie Saffron and Britta Anderson added eight, seven and six points, respectively. Tera McQuiston scored seven for the Trojans (0-1).

Nicastrì, Holmes, Gray and Jori Welchans dominated the glass at both ends of the court, according to Blohm, who said he would reserve judgment on just how good his team is until the Chiefs play a few more games.

Canton visits Birmingham Marian today, participates in the Mercy Hoops tournament next week and plays highly-ranked Flint Powers after that.

"I think our best tests are ahead of us," he said. "We need to see what we can do on the road against a real good and well-coached team like Marian — and then we'll see where we stand."

Chiefs plan to challenge for division, league titles

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Plymouth Canton has become a perennial contender in Western Lakes Activities Association girls cross country and expects to continue that tradition in 1991.

The Chiefs have won the Western Division title for five consecutive years, captured the WLAA championship in 1987-88 and finished as league runner-up the last two years.

"We've got a lot of experience, and I think we're going to be a good team because of it," Canton coach George Przygodski said.

"We might have to do more building than in the past, but we have a lot of kids working hard, tradition is on our side and we're going to be successful."

The Chiefs have a nucleus of six returning runners, but senior Amy Smith is not among them, deciding not to compete this year.

CANTON WILL be led by sophomore Lana Boroditsch, who was ninth in the WLAA and qualified for the Class A meet. The Chiefs also will count heavily on senior Kim Gudeth, junior Lara Antczak and senior Anne Dibble.

"I think Lana Boroditsch is on the verge of becoming one of the premier runners in the area," Przygodski said. "I think Anne, Lara and Kim are very solid runners. They give us good runners up front, and they provide good leadership."

"Lana was at the top of the pack in all the big meets, and the others are the kind of kids who are in the top 20 if not higher."

The returnees also include juniors Jessica Frank and SueAnn Farris, both of whom were JV runners last

girls cross country

year. Przygodski has high expectations for freshman Laura McWilliams, and a pair of seniors who ran on Canton's WLAA championship girls track team, Alicia King and Michelle Dean, are expected to contribute.

The team includes juniors Michelle Mager and Erika Swegles and freshmen Debbie Marulis, Valerie Hedrick and Michelle Mizzi.

"IT'S A MATTER of filling in the other three spots, and we've got some others who are running real well," Przygodski said.

"I think Laura McWilliams is a legitimate cross country runner. Obviously, she needs racing experience, but I think she's going to be an outstanding runner."

The Chiefs, who begin the season today in the Early-Bird Invitational at Ypsilanti and compete in the West Bloomfield Invitational on Saturday, will focus first on winning the division again.

"That's our No. 1 goal," Przygodski said, "and there's no reason, given hard work and keeping in tradition with our program, why we shouldn't be able to accomplish that."

As it tries to reclaim the WLAA title, Canton faces competition from defending champ Livonia Stevenson, Plymouth Salem and the Walled Lake schools.

"As it stands now, we have a ways to go to be up at the top," Przygodski said. "It's a matter of staying healthy, being lucky and having talent. We'll see what happens when we get into the season."

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Matt Lee of Salem tries to maneuver around Adam Pichler.

Spartans topple Rocks

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 games. There are good players out there." This one was emotional, and tough.
 Stevenson, which lost the last two meetings to Salem, enjoyed a 2-0 halftime lead and held off a second-half Salem rally. Tom Baker's goal, assisted by Rich Andrusiak, with 36:50 remaining in the game closed the deficit to 2-1 for Salem, but Stevenson's backline defense and goalkeeper Matt Stable kept the Rocks off the board the rest of the way.
 Seniors Scott Wiggins and Travis Roy keyed the defensive effort, with help from teammates Bill Lanspeary and Jeff Thomas.

Lampi was forced to leave the game with a chipped tooth after a second-half collision with Salem goalkeeper Nick Dazer.
 "It was a war zone out there," Barrett said. "There's no question Plymouth Salem played a hell of a game, but Travis Roy, Wiggins, the whole defensive line put on a hell of a show. We lost the last two times to Salem so we had a chip on our shoulder when we walked out here."
 "Stevenson got a great second effort all night long, which provided the difference in a gut-wrenching, hard-hitting type of game that wouldn't be shown on television for a ball-control clinic."

before halftime on a goal by Dave Matovski off a corner kick.
 Carriere got the assist on the goal, sending the corner kick in front of the net where Matovski got control and kicked it into the Salem net.
 Salem had a chance late in the half to score but a shot deflected off Stable's face and over the crossbar.

SALEM'S CENTER-STRIKER
 John Truskowski missed the game because of a pulled chest muscle and Johnson said his absence hurt the Rocks' midfield play.

Truskowski suffered the injury in the Plymouth Invitational last weekend won by the Rocks and will miss another week, according to Johnson.

"John is very mature and experienced and controls the front-middle for us," Johnson said. "Without him is like a ship without a rudder. I was surprised with Livonia Stevenson. They were aggressive and quick to the ball. They kicked the long ball good, like a typical Stevenson team. They're a good, solid team."

ROY PLAYED forward much of last season but his tough style suits the Stevenson defense just as well.
 "It looks like he's found a home there," Barrett said.
 The game was rugged in Salem's end as well, as Stevenson's Tim

Salem retains title

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 WITH 12 MINUTES left in the game, Perron scored the tying goal, redirecting a shot by Brian Spuck after a corner kick by Truskowski. Salem had several other solid shot attempts before time expired.

straight line, placing it just under the crossbar and too high for the Central goalie to reach.

"I KNEW I struck it well once I hit it," Truskowski said. "At that time, we already were up a goal, so I just wanted to put it on net and see if the goalie could hang on to it."

Central coach Pat Norman agreed control of the game shifted from the Mustangs, who were 15-5-1 last year and lost to Livonia Churchill in the Class A semifinals, to Salem late in regulation time.

"We might have run out of gas," he said. "Salem obviously is one of the best teams in the state."

"I was looking to get to overtime, and the boys did everything I expected. When you travel 150 miles and play them on their field, I think you're giving away a little advantage."

In the game with Grand Blanc, Truskowski had one goal and three assists, Baker two goals and one assist.

Andrusiak and Ryan Kramer accounted for the other Salem goals. Perron assisted on Andrusiak's goal that began the scoring and did the same at the start of the championship game.

The shift of momentum carried over to the overtime, but the Rocks achieved their victory without Andrusiak, who missed the overtime after suffering a possible concussion, and Matt Cook, who sat out the remainder of the game after receiving a yellow card. Johnson didn't want to risk losing him for the Livonia Stevenson game on Wednesday.
 Salem had three good shots before Perron scored at 9:40 in the second 10-minute overtime. Tom Baker carried the ball into the attacking zone, and Perron pushed it through a maze of defenders to fire the shot.

"I was just looking for an open space to get a good shot," Perron said. "You've just got to move out there, think quickly and go for it."

"Whenever Baker brings up the ball, you know something is going to make of it. I just thought I'd try and assist him, and it looks like it worked out for the good."

Truskowski scored the clinching goal at 4:43, lifting a high shot on a

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Cinnacraz wins national crown

Cinnacraz of Plymouth achieved a milestone in its storied history of men's modified fast-pitch softball competition last weekend.

Cinnacraz, which has played under two other names in the past, claimed its first national championship in its first season of Cinnacraz sponsorship.

Cinnacraz — playing seven games in two days at the 10-man national tournament in Stevens Point, Wis. — overcame an earlier loss to win two straight from unbeaten Elm Street-Bud Light of Norwood, Minn., in the finals.

Cinnacraz's Dave Brubaker, the girls softball coach at North Farmington High School, was named the most valuable player of the tournament and the All-American catcher for the second time in his career.

The 36-year-old Brubaker, who played high school baseball for Roger Frayer at Livonia Churchill in the early 1970s, collected 14 hits and batted .643, scored 13 runs and drove in 16 runs.

"I HAD TWO bigger thrills playing ball," he said. "One was playing on the same team with my dad in 1973, and the other was in 1983 when I was the first-team All-American catcher. This has to be the biggest one yet, walking off with the national title."

"I've been doing this for 18 years, and (the national tournament) has been a Labor Day ritual for the last 12. I still have some good years left in me."

Other Cinnacraz players on the All-American team were pitcher Jerry Staszal, first baseman Shawn Maloney, second baseman John Longridge, shortstop Doug Kirkpatrick and center fielder Jim Dillon.

Staszal was 7-1 in the tournament, and his teammates supported his pitching with 135 hits and 105 runs.

Cinnacraz, which competed with just the minimum 10 players, had a .554 team batting average. Maloney hit .684, Kirkpatrick .680, Longridge .643, Mike Greener .587, Dan Pierce .560, Dillon .481, Bill Rowley .455, Pat Greener .435 and Staszal .364.

The team has competed in the nationals since 1983, first as FGS Radiator (1983-88) and then Boyle Chevrolet (1989-90). The team competed in the nine-man major tournament 1983-89, finishing third and seventh in '83 and '89, respectively, and the 10-man major last year.

AFTER BLOWING a 9-3 lead and losing 10-9 earlier to Elm Street-Bud Light, Cinnacraz rebounded with 15-8 and 25-11 victories in the final series.

In the first game, Brubaker was 3-for-3 with four RBI. Longridge also had three hits, and Dillon, Pierce and Pat Greener had three RBI apiece. Elm Street took a 3-0 lead, but Cinnacraz scored four in the bottom of the first inning and never trailed after that.

In the last game, Cinnacraz jumped in front 11-0 in the first inning, sending 15 men to the plate and getting nine consecutive hits.

The team had 33 hits overall with Mike Greener and Maloney going 5-for-5. Kirkpatrick and Brubaker had four hits and three RBI each, and Pat Greener, Rowley, Dillon, Pierce and Longridge chipped in three hits apiece. Rowley and Dillon also drove in four runs each.

Cinnacraz was a forfeit winner Friday over Bob's Mobil of Montrose, Minn., and defeated Spectra Print of Stevens Point 20-5 Saturday. Brubaker had two hits and five RBI, Kirkpatrick and Longridge three hits each and Dillon three RBI.

The Michigananders advanced with a 12-2 win over SLI Triangle of Delano, Minn., in which Pat Greener hit a three-run homer and Mike Greener and Longridge had three hits apiece.

CINNACRAZ EDGED Voortman Cookies of Oil City, Pa., 9-8 when Longridge hit a two-out double in the seventh inning and scored on Mike Greener's single. Pierce had a solo homer, Kirkpatrick and Mike Greener three hits and two RBI apiece.

The loss to Elm Street-Bud Light followed, despite a three-hit, two-RBI game by Dillon.

Cinnacraz got to the final with an 8-7 win over Monticello Sports of Iowa, which made two flyouts after putting runners at the corners in the seventh inning.

A balanced offense had Rowley, Dillon, Maloney, Longridge and Pat Greener with two hits each. Rowley had three RBI, Pierce and Dillon two apiece.

Prep seers pick winners

By Brad Emons and Dan O'Meara staff writers

YOUR ADEPT AND knowledgeable prep prognosticators each went 2-for-2 last weekend as Plymouth Salem and Westland John Glenn came through in the clutch as the 1991 season opened a week early.

Piece of cake, eh?

Well it could be 'Let'em eat cake' this week as the season really gets into high gear.

This could be the toughest week of all. No scouting reports to lean on, not to mention the unknown factor of non-league matchups.

But our readers should not fret. Going on last year's percentages and the experience factor, don't be surprised if someone hits the jackpot and takes control of the race early on.

So sit back and check your percentages each week against ours.

Let's see who comes out ahead?

FRIDAY'S GAMES

(all 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

Red. Thurston at Dearborn Hts. Robichaud (4 p.m.): Thurston will have its hands full even without Robichaud's Tyrone Wheatley. Robichaud bombed the Eagles last year and went all the way to the state Class B championship. Ten letter winners return for the Bulldogs, including two linemen with a combined weight of 585 pounds. Thurston, meanwhile, lists only eight linemen on its roster. **PICKS:** Go with Robichaud again, both agree.

N. Farmington at Pontiac Northern (7 p.m.): The Huskies, 6-3 a year ago, are picked to win the Greater Oakland League and gain a state playoff berth. Fifteen starters return including tailback Charles Talley, who rushed for over 1,000 yards. North Farmington, a disappointing 5-4 in 1990, returns 16 starters including quarterback Mark Temple, an underrated passer. **PICKS:** Emons has a hunch and goes with North, but O'Meara likes the Huskies.

Dearborn at Liv. Churchill: It's not Sterling Heights in the opener this time for Churchill, but it doesn't get any easier with the Pioneers (9-2 a year ago and state Class A qualifier). Dearborn has a strong field goal kicker in Rich Tusty. Churchill, 0-9 last year, will be unveiling its one-back attack. **PICKS:** The Chargers won't catch Dearborn napping. Ride with the Pioneers, both agree.

Redford Union at Liv. Stevenson: This was supposed to be a big night at RU's Kraft Field, but the stadium and field renovations are not quite ready, so Stevenson (5-4 in 1990) gets the homefield advantage for the second straight year and should be able to take advantage of it against the Panthers (2-7). This matchup pits RU passer Brian This against Spartan running back Chris Lehti. **PICKS:** Stevenson struggles to victory, both agree.

grid predictions

Dearborn Heights Crestwood at Garden City: Who do you like in this one? Crestwood (4-5) is picked to finish in the middle of the pack in the Tri-River League, while GC (4-5) is rebuilding. The untested Cougars may lack depth, but Crestwood is not deep either. **PICKS:** Emons likes Garden City's chances, but O'Meara differs and goes with the visiting Chargers.

Wayne Memorial at Adrian: Could be the best matchup of the night. Wayne (6-3 last year) won a thriller in the final minute to turn the Maples (5-4) into syrup. Can lightning strike twice for Jason Wetmore, Greg Carrico, Jermaine Ellis, Rick Barnes and Co.? **PICKS:** O'Meara likes the revenge factor for Adrian, but Emons earns his stripes by picking the Zebras.

Farmington at W. Bloomfield: West Bloomfield (3-6) will rely on defense as eight starters return. Meanwhile, Farmington (2-7) is working on a two-game winning streak under second-year coach Bernie Call. Chris, Marting, who scored 12 touchdowns last year for the Falcons, is one of 10 returning starters. **PICKS:** Marting will have the Lakers smarting. Emons predicts, while O'Meara sticks with the home team.

Ply. Canton at Monroe: Canton (9-2) is coming off its best season ever in the school's history, but lost a ton of talent including quarterback Karl Wukie, wide receiver Brett Howell and running back/defensive back Jason Riggs. Watch for tailback Steve Kohl and fullback Mark Meszaros to pick up the slack. Sophomore Kevin Shankie may get the start at QB. Monroe (4-5) is keyed by tailback Weyman Jones (870 yards). **PICKS:** The well is far from dry for Canton, go with the Chiefs, as both agree.

Center Line St. Clement at Clarenceville: The Crusaders have seven starters returning from last year's 3-6 squad. Clarenceville (6-3) lost all-purpose back Kendrick Harrington, but could have a better overall team behind the running of Carl Holston. **PICKS:** The coin please — O'Meara takes St. Clement, but Emons sticks with the host Trojans.

Bishop Borgess at Bridgeport: The Spartans (6-3) were hard hit by graduation and may be hard-pressed to win for the second straight year against Bearcats, who return a huge line. That should make things easier for 5-foot-10, 175-pound tailback Jim Carne, who rushed for 924 yards last year. Bridgeport's JV squad finished 6-3 a year ago. **PICKS:** The speed factor is not a factor this year, as Bridgeport prevails, according to Emons. Borgess, however, has a friend in O'Meara.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

(all 1 p.m. unless noted)

Lake Orion at Liv. Franklin: The Patri-

ots (3-6) never seem to have an easy opener whether it's a Midland Dow, a Dearborn Fordson, a Lansing Sexton and now a Lake Orion (7-2). The defending Greater Oakland champs lost 19 starters, including All-State back Jim Vaccaro. But even though the Dragons lost their final two games of 1990, they're still a team to be reckoned with. The Patriots have the skill people this season, led by fullback Aaron Shakarian, but can the line match Orion's? **PICKS:** Another dismal opener for Franklin, both agree.

Cardinal Mooney at Lutheran Westland: Marine City Cardinal Mooney (1-8) hopes to surprise in the D-Section of the Catholic League with 29 players returning off the varsity. Lutheran Westland (5-4) is trying to improve on last year's record behind the efforts of returning quarterback Jason Zielinski and tackle Jamie Hardy. **PICKS:** The only people that will be surprised are yours truly and his sidekick if Mooney wins. Both like the host Warriors.

St. Agatha vs. Del. Redford St. Mary (7:30 p.m. at Clarenceville): The Aggies expect to be much improved over last year's 2-7 club. The Rustics (4-5) feature a speedy backfield, led by freshman James Fleming. Agatha, however, should have the better running game with the return of fullback Pete Mulka and tailback Cardell Davis. **PICKS:** You've got to like the Aggies in this one, as both concur.

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Redford CC vs. Temperance-Bedford (4 p.m.): The defending Class AA champs, if you recall, had a tough time with the Kicking Mules in last year's opener, winning by a mere count of 10-8. Bedford, which beat mighty Dearborn Fordson 50-0 in last year's season finale before losing in the first round of the state playoffs, will miss quarterback Brett Parache (now at Eastern Michigan). CC (11-2) has a new, but talented cast. **PICKS:** Shamrocks won't need any luck this time, both agree.

Farm. Harrison vs. Birm. Brother Rice (7 p.m.): Two giants in Michigan high school football collide for the first time. Rice (11-2), the defending Class A champs, features a dangerous backfield in sophomore Marcus Harvey and senior Sean Johnson. Harrison (10-2), which some rate as one of the top five teams in the state, has a slew of returnees led by tight end Greg Piscopink and tailback Roy Granger, who moves in from flanker to replace the graduated Gary Devine. What a matchup! **PICKS:** Got to fly with the Hawks as Rice gets boiled. **Note:** Tickets for the double-header are \$5 (available at the door). Gates open at 3 p.m.

the week ahead

● LIVONIA SKATER 2ND

Stevenson High student Eric Quinn, representing Edgar Arena in Livonia, finished second in both Freestyle 6 and Spotlight 6 at the 11th annual Ice Skating Institute of America Recreation Team Championships, Aug. 12-17 at Buffalo Grove, Ill.

Quinn also took fifth in Footwork 6 in the championships, which attracted 6,400 entries from 128 ice facilities in 29 states and five countries, with skaters ranging from 2 to 79 years.

● BEACH VOLLEYBALL

Racquettime Health Club, 36600 Plymouth Road, Livonia, will hold a doubles beach volleyball finale, beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The format is round robin with prizes for the first- and second-place teams in the A and B divisions.

The cost is \$10 per player. The registration deadline is noon Friday (forms available at Racquettime).

For more information, call 591-1212.

● CARDS AN ACE

Lisa Anderson of Garden City recently scored a hole in one on the 135-yard No. 4 hole at Country Club Village in Northville.

The ace enables her to be entered in the 31st annual Drumbie Rusty Nail Hole-in-One Sweepstakes.

● DUFFERS TOURNEY

The American Cancer Society, in cooperation with the American Golf Corp. will host the Last Day of Golf, a hackers and duffers tourney, beginning at 9 a.m. Monday, Sept. 23, at Rouge Park Golf Course in Detroit.

The cost is \$60 per golf (includes greens fees, cart, food and beverages).

Prizes will be awarded. For more information, call 961-5500.

Freshman strengthens Salem lineup

By Ray Setlock staff writer

As an eighth grader last year, Jennifer Clack used to hit balls with the Plymouth Salem girls tennis team.

A year later, the 5-foot-2 brunette will be the No. 1 singles player for the Rocks.

Not since Anita Toth played in the early 1980s has a freshman started at the top position for Salem.

"Jennifer knocks the cover off the ball," Salem coach Judy Braun said. "She has been a surprise to me."

"Last year when she was practicing with the team, I knew she was good, but it's really tough to tell how good a player is when they are just hitting around. It's safe to say that she's been a pleasant surprise."

Clack's presence will move former No. 1 singles player Kathy Marchak to No. 2 singles and last year's

No. 2 singles player, Susie Bozell, to No. 3 singles.

"IN THAT regard, I think we'll be a lot stronger," Braun said. "Kathy and Susie are excellent players."

Salem also returns its No. 1 doubles unit, consisting of juniors Kelly Kirkpatrick and Leah Szafraan.

"Having our top doubles team back this year is definitely going to help us," Braun said. "They will provide plenty of experience."

Braun, who begins her 12th season as coach, believes her team can do better than its 6-4 mark last year.

The Rocks lost No. 3 singles player Carolyn Munzenberger and No. 4

tennis

singles player Molly Pastori to graduation.

"I'm optimistic," Braun said. "I think we have plenty of experienced players returning and should improve over last year."

Braun said sophomore Deepa Sreenivasan will be the No. 4 singles player.

Other Salem players expected to contribute include junior Jessica Holtz, junior Anne Bartalucci, junior Natalie Graves and sophomore Melissa Kowalis.

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JUNIOR BASKETBALL

The Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association will register players (boys and girls in grades 3-8) on Saturdays, Sept. 7 and 14, from 9 a.m. to noon at Canton High School Phase III.

Boys and girls who live in the Plymouth-Canton School District or Canton Township are eligible. Registration dates for students in grades 9-12 will be announced later.

Third and fourth graders compete in C League, fifth and sixth in B League, seventh and eighth in A League.

All players who register are placed on a team. Tryouts will take place before teams are organized for the purpose of equality among the teams. All players must play 40 percent of each game and not more than 60 percent. Players in the instructional C League must play 50 percent of each game.

Adults interested in serving as coaches or board members should inquire at the time of registration.

CRUISERS START

The Plymouth-Canton Cruisers Swim Club is starting its fall session at 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, in the Salem High School pool. Swimmers age 5 to 14 who can swim at least one length of the pool are welcome to participate. The club also needs qualified coaches. For information, call 459-6074.

3-ON-3 BASKETBALL

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will offer a 3-on-3 men's basketball league this fall.

The entry fee is \$45 per team. Each non-resident must pay an additional \$5 fee. Games will be played Monday and Thursday nights at Central Middle School. League play begins Monday, Sept. 16, and each team plays a 10-game schedule. The league has a 10-team limit. For information, call Tom Willette at 455-6620.

TOUCH FOOTBALL

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is registering teams for its men's touch football league, which starts play Tuesday, Sept. 10. The entry fee is \$300 per team, with each non-resident paying an additional \$5 fee.

Each team plays a seven-game schedule. The league limit is eight teams. Games will be played Tuesday and Thursday nights at Central Middle School. For information, call Tom Willette at the recreation department (455-6620).

FALL SOFTBALL

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is registering teams for its fall softball leagues. The season begins Monday, Sept. 9.

The entry fee is \$250 per team, \$40 of which is a forfeit fee. Each team will play \$13 per game to the umpires. Games will be played at Massey Field. Each team plays a 14-game schedule. The league has a 12-team limit. For information, call Tom Willette at 455-6620.

Men's soccer team unified in '91

By C.J. Rieak
staff writer

Schoolcraft sports

It will be a different kind of team that takes the field for Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team this season.

Which is to be expected; all junior college coaches must rebuild their teams annually. Get half the team back, and the groundwork is there for a great season.

The Ocelots return three full-time starters from their 1990 squad and three others who saw plenty of action. Plus, Rick Menary — an all-region selection in '89 (he sat out last year) — is back on the team.

So SC has a foundation to build on. And just as important, some of the divisive, off-the-field elements from last year's team — the first in more than a decade to reach the National Junior College Athletic Association Tournament — are gone.

"I think there's more team unity this year," said Jeff VanDemergle, SC's leading scorer last season. "If we go (to the NJCAA Tournament) this year, it'll be a whole different thing. We have a whole different attitude this year."

LAST SEASON, the Ocelots charged to their first-ever NJCAA Inter-region championship in Van Dimitriou's tenure as coach. But their trip to Trenton, N.J., for the NJCAA tourney bordered on embarrassing — SC lost its first two matches by 3-0 scores.

There was some finger-pointing afterwards, but now, the finger-pointers are gone and Dimitriou is back.

The strengths of the 1991 team should be at forward and in the midfield. On the front line,

VanDemergle will be joined by freshmen Brian Hauman and Jim Meldrum.

Also, a couple of players who saw action at both midfield and forward return — Chris Crawford and Shane Millner. They will play both positions again this season; indeed, Crawford will be a starter somewhere.

The SC midfield is particularly impressive. Joining Menary, Crawford and Millner will be returnee Bob Hayes and another pair of impressive freshmen: Nate Stovall and Dave Hebestreit.

"The midfielders and forwards are our strengths," said Dimitriou, "but they have to start working together."

MENARY, THE SC coach said, should regain his all-region honors from two years ago. "The guys around him have to get used to playing with him, he's so smooth."

Even better, Dimitriou figures Stovall to be on the same level. "He's outstanding. He plays a lot like Menary. He makes some slick passes out there."

The third full-time starter returning — joining VanDemergle and Crawford — is keeper Scott Hauman. Hauman was steady enough in goal last season, but this year he'll be facing a more difficult task.

That's because the defense in front of Hauman must be rebuilt. Dimitriou feels the tools are

there, but there's been no test of fire yet. Dimitriou had hoped two promising freshmen, Chad Cain and Andy Gutowski, would be joining the team. But Gutowski isn't eligible, and Cain's eligibility is questionable.

That could hurt, particularly with several other players moving to fill positions. Jack Abate is slated to be at stopper, with Mike Presley at sweeper. Both are freshmen.

"I'D LOVE to have Mike at forward or midfield, but he's the toughest kid we've got," said Dimitriou.

Wayne Worosz, another freshman, will see action on defense, together with sophomore Shaun Mack. Two other freshmen defenders, Brian Pagett and George Murphy, have also been impressive in preseason drills.

For SC to make a return trip to the Inter-regional tournament, and perhaps beyond, "two things have to happen," said Dimitriou, who will be assisted this year by former SC standout Chris Speen. "We definitely have to improve defensively, and our forwards and midfielders have to improve their coordination."

"If we can improve in those two areas, we'll be good again."

Of course, SC will be battling Macomb CC for Region 12 supremacy — not an easy task. The season-opening tournament at Triton College this weekend features Lewis and Clark CC from Chicago, the team SC beat for the Inter-regional title last November.

It should provide a good test for the still-blending Ocelots.

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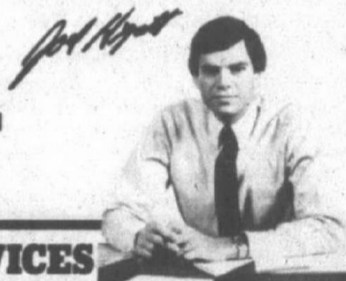
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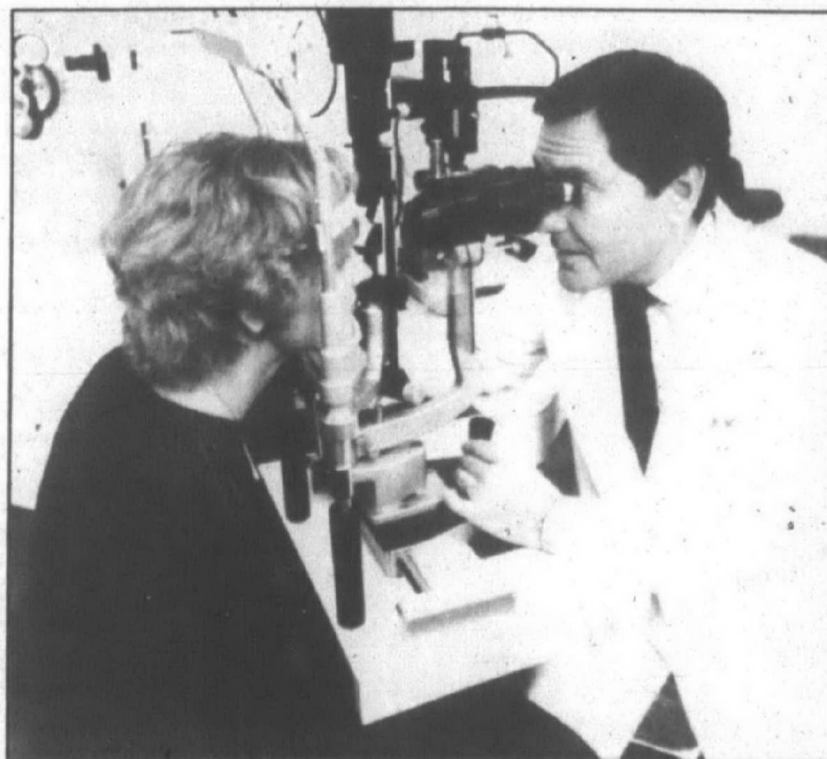


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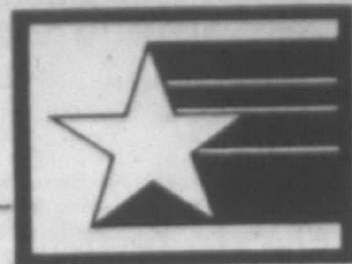
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Anniversary celebration Ridgedale Players stage revue

By Keely Wygonik
staff writer

THE RIDGEDALE Players are celebrating their 60th anniversary with a sampling of songs, dance, comedy and fashion from the 1930s through the 1980s in a dinner theater setting.

Produced and directed by long-time Ridgedalers Helen Stout, Genie Garner and Dawn Hooper, "The Music Goes 'Round" is being presented 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, Saturday, Sept. 7, Friday, Sept. 13, and Saturday, Sept. 14.

"We're doing a medley of songs from television shows and commercials," said Garner. "We'll do the Texaco song, 'When the Moon Comes Over the Mountain,' the Howdy Doo song and Mickey Mouse Club. Some of them are funny."

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. with an 8 p.m. curtain. Tickets for the show and dinner are \$20. Seating for the dinner theater is limited. Call 644-8328 for tickets.

"We've opened our season for about the past three years with a musical revue," said Ridgedaler Mark Carley. "It's become a tradition."

CONTINUING IN this spirit of nostalgia, Ridgedale will open its regular season Nov. 1 with the comedy "Arsenic and Old Lace." The sto-

ry features Abby and Martha Brewster, two very sweet maiden aunts who can't understand what's wrong with sending lonely old men to their eternal resting place with a nice glass of poisoned elderberry wine.

Social Security, a modern comedy by Andrew Bergman about Sophie Greengrass, a senior citizen who shows her thirtysomething daughter and son-in-law that she's capable of taking care of herself, opens Jan. 10.

The musical comedy "Working" by Stephen Schwartz and Studs Terkel featuring memorable songs from Schwartz, James Taylor and many others, opens March 13.

"The Uninvited," a classic ghost story by Tim Kelly, based on the classic Ray Milland film by the same name, opens May 1.

Founded in 1931, Ridgedale's first home was built as a WPA project under President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal. The old playhouse on 10 Mile Road in Oak Park served the group for 52 years.

Originally organized as a private group, Ridgedale staged productions only for its members until 1936, when they "went public" with their first production, "Remote Control."

"WE'VE COME a long way since then," said Carley. "In the beginning we did one show a year. Now we do five, including a musical revue and a full scale musical."

In 1983 Ridgedale faced its biggest challenge. They were evicted

from their longtime home by the I-696 freeway expansion. The group found a new theater at 205 W. Long Lake Road in Troy, west of Livonia, in a one-story cinder block building that had been a church.

"The move was quite difficult for us at first," said Carley. "Every year we have had to make some sort of improvement to our property in order to create a better theater and to make the theater experience more comfortable and enjoyable for our patrons."

Among the improvements are widening the auditorium, raising the stage and roof, redecorating the lobby and lounge area, paving the parking lot and installing air conditioning.

"We were very fortunate that when we moved out here, much of our south Oakland audience came with us," said Carley. "But ticket sales fell off as we tried to establish ourselves in our new community."

That's changed. Troy area residents now make up a majority of the audience, and ticket sales are picking up every year, said Carley.

"After every production we have an afterglow and serve sandwiches and coffee to the audience," said Susan Masters, a Ridgedaler for over 39 years. "It's one thing we do that no other theater group in the area does. The people just love it. It's a nice way to spend the evening."

The theater seats about 100 for



Patrick Barnard of Ferndale and Renee Sanger Players' 60th anniversary revue, "The Music of Troy dance up a storm in the Ridgedale Goes 'Round.'"

dinner theater, 180 for dramas and 165-170 for musicals. Tickets, with the exception of the dinner theater, are \$8.

THE GROUP hopes to attract more members, especially from the Troy area. They are holding an open house 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Ridgedale Playhouse.

"You don't have to have acting experience," said Masters. "For every person on stage there's eight or nine

back stage. There's a lot of camaraderie in the group. We draw members from all over the metropolitan Detroit area. You make friendships that last a lifetime."

For membership information, call Kent Martini, 398-2725.

Ridgedale also has a youth theater group made up of the children of the adult Ridgedale members. Members learn how to act and sing and pro-

duce a play from top to bottom. For information, call Ruth Van Sullchem at 641-0086.

This year's productions include Christmas with Santa, Dec. 7 and 8; The Easter Show, April 4 and 5; and Summer Play, June 19, 20, and 21. 30

Area resident has leading role in EMU musical

Held over by popular demand, Pamela Cardell of Westland, takes the stage and boards the Ark at the Eastern Michigan University Sponberg Theatre September 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 in "Two by Two," a light-hearted Richard Rodgers musical about Noah and the flood.

Cardell portrays Noah's wife, Esther. A senior, Cardell is majoring

in theater, and has performed in several musicals at EMU.

"Two by Two," opened on Broadway in 1970 starring Danny Kaye as the 600-year-old Noah. After successful collaborations with Oscar Hammerstein and Lorenz Hart, Rodgers began looking to grand subjects, and famous stars for his plays.

That proved to be a winning combination for "Two by Two," a musi-

cal version of Clifford Odet's "The Flowering Peach," a story that deals with Noah and the flood, and covers such contemporary themes as the generation gap, ecology, the bomb, family, faith and the future.

Tickets are \$4 for the Thursday, Sept. 12 performance, \$8 for Friday, Sept. 6, and Sept. 13; and Saturday, Sept. 7 and Sept. 14. Tickets for EMU students are \$6.

For reservations, and information, call 487-1221.

Other EMU students featured in the play include, Michael McCafferty as Noah, Ryan Drummond, Duncan Williams and Daniel Hickey as Noah's sons, Japheth, Shem and Ham; and Stacy Waitkus, Lori Vladu, and Holly Pitrago as Noah's daughters-in-law Leah, Rachel and Goldie.

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upcoming things to do

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PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD

Plymouth Theatre Guild will be holding auditions for the play "Steel Magnolias" 7 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 11-12, at the Water Tower Theater on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road, west of I-275 between Haggerty and Northville Roads. Play opens Oct. 25. Help is also needed behind the scenes. Call 349-7110 for information.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER

The Livonia Historical Society is hosting their 6th progressive dinner, 6-11 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 14. Various florists in Livonia are donating floral arrangements to be auctioned as part of the event. The charge for the dinner and auction is \$35 per person, those wanting to attend the dessert and auction only may do so for \$10 each. Gourmet coffee furnished by The Java Coffee House in Royal Oak will be served with dessert to be served in the American House. RSVP by Sept. 6. All proceeds to benefit the Alexander Blue House Restoration at Greenmead. For information and reservations, call Livonia City Hall Community Resources, 421-2000 ext. 221 or Greenmead 477-7375.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Schoolcraft College is holding open auditions for the mystery "Lucille Fletcher's Night Watch" 7 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 10 and 11, at the Liberal Arts Theater on the Livonia campus, 18600 Haggerty Road. Call 462-4400, ext. 5270, for information.

CHOIR AUDITIONS

The Langford Singers Male Choir and Mixed Choir are accepting applications for their 1991-92 season. The 50-voice choir is planning a two-week concert tour of Great Britain for July 1992. Singers interested in auditioning must have some sight-reading skills, and prepare a solo for the audition. Auditions will be 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5 and Sept. 12, at North Congregational Church in Southfield. For information call Diane Cragg at 881-5499.

PINE KNOB

Paul Simon, 8 p.m., Friday, Sept. 6, Manhattan Transfer, 8 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 12. Tickets available at The Palace Box Office, and all TicketMaster centers. To charge tickets, call 645-6666.

MEADOWBROOK VILLAGE MALL

Country & Western sing-along noon to 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 7 and Sunday, Sept. 8 featuring guitarist Bruce Gnegy. The mall is at the corner of Walton and Adams in Rochester Hills. For information, call 375-9451.

CHORAL CLINIC

Local baritone, and radio personality, Davis Gloff will present a workshop of singers, conductors, organists, and clergy noon to 3 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 7, at Faith Community Presbyterian Church in Novi. The workshop is free. The church is at 44400 W. 10 Mile, on the north side of the street. For information, call 474-1510.

CHORAL SOCIETY

Measure for Measure, a men's choral society announces open auditions 7-9 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 8 in the choral music room, Alexander Music Building, on the Eastern Michigan University campus. For information, call, 665-7271.



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Michael Bolak of Livonia was honored by United Parcel Service for 20 years service with the company. Bolak is a hub sorter at the UPS facility in Livonia. He started as a loader in the Livonia hub in 1971.

development, for United Technologies Automotive Inc. in Dearborn.

John M. Fink, district manager in the Garden City district office of American General Life and Accident Insurance Co., has marked 10 years with the company.

Roland E. Lartigue was named vice president of purchasing/logistics for United Technologies Automotive Inc. in Dearborn.

Gregory F. Gallus was named chairman of the board of Foodland Distributors in Livonia. Gallus is president of Foodland and has held that position since March 1987.

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Michael Bolak of Livonia was honored by United Parcel for completing 20 years of service with the company. He is a hub sorter in Livonia and was cited for his service to UPS.



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William P. White joined the department of family practice at the Providence Medical Center-Livonia. He recently completed his residency in family practice at Providence Hospital.

Dr. Paula Grimes, a specialist in obstetrics/gynecology, joined the staff of the Providence Medical Center, Livonia.

John Fink, district manager in the Garden City district office of American General Life and Accident Insurance Co., marked 10 years with the company.

Patrick Zarem, a delivery driver for United Parcel Service, was recognized by the company for completing five years driving without an accident. He lives in Livonia.

Gregory Gallus was named chairman of the board of Foodland Distributors in Livonia. He is responsible for overseeing the daily operations of the corporation and the execution of all decisions made by the board.

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Effective August 1, Hilton Hotels Corporation will assume management of a former Compro Hotel in Southfield. European Hotel Investors One will maintain ownership of the 198-room Hilton Garden Inn.

Ray D. Elsbrener & Co. of Troy won top honors in the Public Relations Society of America East Central District award competition for a media relations program it developed and implemented for Robert Bosch Corporation.

Film Craft Video, a full-service teleproduction facility located in Farmington Hills, can boast an achievement few facilities have ever accomplished. Twice in the past two months, Film Craft Video was featured in cover stories of national teleproduction industry trade publications. The publications, Video Systems and Post, published articles written by Film Craft President, Tom Stefani, and featured the art of Film Craft computer artists Dave Moon and Joyce Woznick on their covers.

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COMMUNICATION TRAINING

Thursday, Sept. 5 — International Training in Communication meets at 7 p.m. in Dearborn. Information: 563-0361.

ATHENA DEADLINE

Friday, Sept. 6 — Deadline for nominations for outstanding members of Livonia Chamber of Commerce's Athena Award. Information: John White, 427-2122.

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Wednesday-Friday, Sept. 11-13 — Industrial waste generators' annual seminar and exhibit in Dearborn. Information: 642-9797.

BUSINESS COMMUNICATORS

Friday, Sept. 13 — International Association of Business Communicators meets at noon at the Ritz-Carlton Dearborn. Information: Nancy Skidmore, 546-5490.

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Thursday, Sept. 19 — National Association of Purchasing Managers meets at 5:15 p.m. at the Grand Manor at Fairlane in Dearborn. Information: 313-773-3737.

BUSINESS ETIQUETTE

Tuesday, Sept. 24 — "Business Etiquette and Consumer Relations" 1-5 p.m. at Madonna College, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Fee: \$50. Information: 591-5188.

LIVONIA CHAMBER

Wednesday, Sept. 25 — Livonia Chamber of Commerce presents Athena Award to outstanding member at noon at Roma's of Livonia. Information: 427-2122.

BUSINESS ETIQUETTE

Wednesday, Oct. 2 — "Business Etiquette and Consumer Relations" 6-10 p.m. at Madonna College, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Fee: \$50. Information: 591-5188.

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Ad agency blazes new trails in motorsports

By Doug Funke
staff writer

A Livonia advertising agency that happened to be in the right place at the right time now promotes itself as a pioneer in applying a new photographic reproduction technique to decals for the sides of large semi-trailers.

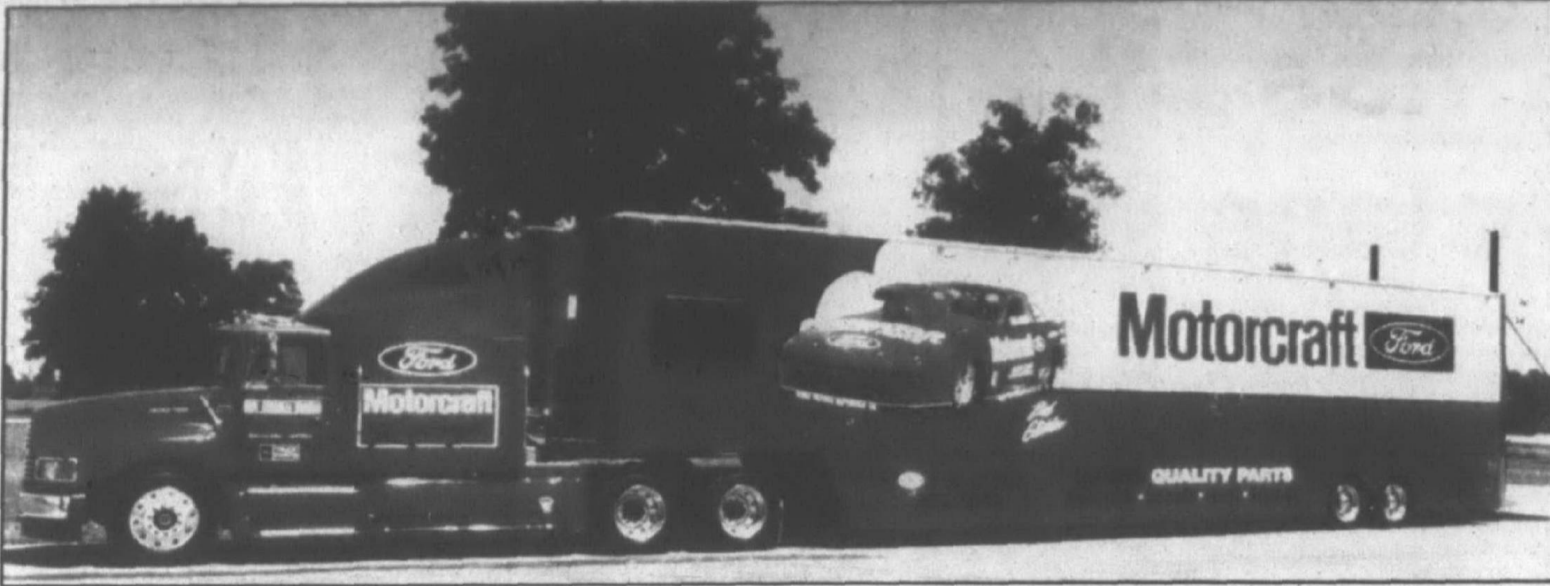
Fisher Advertising, which earlier this year established a motorsports division, picked up a job for Ford Motorcraft at the time a decal applicator for the agency learned about the new reproduction process developed by 3M.

"In the process, you literally take a 3-by-5 (inch) color photo, put it in a machine and it literally blows an image up 9-by-12 (feet) or larger," said Larry G. Ciancio, a Fisher marketing rep. "Basically we were the first company in the country to use this in a motorsports application."

Fisher's assignment — to redesign the advertising on the outside of a 51-foot trailer used by Bob Glidden, a drag racer sponsored by Motorcraft. A photo of Glidden's car seems to jump off the side of the truck used to haul his equipment to race sites.

"I had a key set of objectives. I wanted the client's product to look the best it could and Fisher Motorsports to do the best job we could," Ciancio said.

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A photo of Bob Glidden's car seems to jump off the side of the truck used to haul his equipment to race sites, thanks to Fisher Advertising's application of a 3M photographic process.

tion for huge enlargements and air brushing on the sides of trucks don't produce the quality of 3M's process and can be much more expensive by several thousand dollars, said Ciancio and Frank J. Fisher, executive vice president for the agency.

"First you're going to get better quality," Fisher said. "3M guarantees outdoor use for three years. The market that's going to be best for

this is anything for limited production run where only two or three images are required."

"This is the leading edge of technology," Ciancio added.

Glidden's truck and a hauler for Morgan Shepherd, a NASCAR racer, seem to be the hit of the track wherever they go, Ciancio said.

Sam Scott, Motorcraft motorsports coordinator, said Fisher's util-

ization of 3M's technology has surpassed expectations.

"Most people couldn't believe it," Scott said. "It grabs your attention. We had Glidden's trailer in Denver and the people from Winston (cigarettes) came around. They have seen everything and even they were impressed."

"LAST WEEK, we had all the

(racing) teams we have at Ford here. They took a look at this and said, 'Maybe this is something we want to do,'" Scott said.

"It's like packaging in marketing," Fisher said. "We're actually designing a package that rolls down the highway and shows up at race meets."

With Ciancio's connection to auto racing and with the hundreds of

teams involved in the sport, Fisher has decided to concentrate application of the photo process for advertising purposes to that industry.

"Here we understand the language, understand the business and know the players on a first-name basis," Ciancio said. "Just think about the motorsports opportunities."

Fisher conceded that other advertising agencies will have access to the same technology but figures he has the advantage as a trend setter.

"We got such a jump getting out of the gate," he said. "We thought about the best approach and figured that motor sports is the quickest attack, the strongest link."

"Just think about motorsports opportunities, the number of suppliers in the Motor City," Ciancio added.

Other applications may be to other haulers — food products, faces of human endorsers — but as the number of photos grow, the process becomes less economical. "Twenty is about the limit for economies of scale," Fisher said.

The new technology in an increasingly visual world presents new opportunities for advertising agencies.

"What our objective is to give a sponsor (client) a quality product. The sponsor's objective is to get a recall of the product around the country," Ciancio said.

And that's the bottom line in any kind of advertising relationship.

Manager of credit union bridges banking cultures

By David F. Stein
special writer

Lithuania is banking on Michigan — thanks to Gaile Dedinas, manager of KASA Lithuanian Federal Credit Union's branch in Southfield.

Last year, Dedinas invited the officials of Litimpex, the newly organized import-export bank of an autonomous Lithuania, to Michigan to study American banking techniques. The visit led to meetings with officials at Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit.

Now, much to the chagrin of the Citicorps and Chase Manhattans of the banking world, MNB will handle the worldwide transactions of Litimpex and train its staff in modern banking techniques.

The agreement, upgraded in May,

is one of the first necessary steps to achieve economic independence from the Soviet Union, Dedinas said, because the Soviet ruble is essentially worthless and deals going through Moscow take months to clear.

"Even though the Lithuanians declared themselves independent, if they cannot stand independent economically, then it's just so much bravado," Dedinas said. Dedinas lives in West Bloomfield with her husband Saul and children Kristina and Tomas.

IN THE LAST five years, starting from scratch, Dedinas has also built the Southfield office of KASA into a 1,600-member branch with assets of \$5.5 million. There are some 50,000 Lithuanians in the area.

Dedinas was born in 1947 in a displaced persons camp in Germany. Her parents had fled Lithuania, where they faced confiscation of family businesses and resettlement or imprisonment by the Soviets.

The family emigrated to the United States in 1948, living in Fargo, N.D., and Brooks, Minn., before joining relatives in Detroit.

It was while attending a wedding that Dedinas was recommended by wedding guests to KASA directors to set up the Michigan branch. She was working at a Rochester, N.Y., advertising firm at the time.

Although she had little accounting experience, she was confident in her marketing and advertising skills and convinced the directors she was right for the job at a formal interview.

One early decision proved right on target. Dedinas placed the credit union office on Nine Mile, just down the street from Divine Providence Church, a religious and cultural center for suburban Detroit Lithuanians.

The credit union specializes in car loans and five-year, fixed-rate home equity loans.

BUT ONE OF its most important services is providing a banking environment for those not fluent in English.

"Older Lithuanians look more toward the comfort of doing business in Lithuanian," Dedinas said. "We're all bilingual. New Lithuanians coming in and living here — they also have a language barrier and like the idea that they can do business

with us in Lithuanian."

The Southfield staff includes loan officer Irene Vizgirda, customer service representatives Valentina Bulota, teller Daiva Memenas and Vida Zambo, who handles Visa credit cards and CDs.

A chance meeting also led to the banking agreement between Litimpex and Manufacturer's.

At an economic and trade conference in Florida in 1989, Dedinas met Rounaldus Visokavicius, the future president of Litimpex, and the Lithuanian prime minister Gediminas Vagnorius.

Dedinas invited the Lithuanians to Michigan to study American financial techniques. The six-week visit by Lithuanian banking officials was

sponsored by KASA and the Michigan Credit Union League.

Saul Anuzis, an aide to state Sen. Richard Posthumus, R-Alto, and Dedinas' brother, helped the Lithuanian bankers get together with Manufacturers' international department during their stay. The meetings led to the corresponding bank and training agreements.

The deal indicates the soundness of Michigan banking, according to Ann Arbor banking consultant Justin Moran.

"The Lithuanians were looking for a large bank with a good international department that stood up to very conservative financial standards. Manufacturers fit that bill, and none of the New York banks did," Moran said.

Insurance companies come under eye of rating services

By Sid Mittra
special writer

This is the second in a series regarding the state of health of the insurance industry.

Amid the worry and confusion surrounding the insurance industry, you can safeguard your assets by relying on those knowledgeable in the field and doing a little homework on your own.

As Joseph Belth, Indiana University professor, puts it, "The idea that an individual planner can do the analysis (of the insurance industry) on his own is quite simply ridiculous."

So the next best thing is to rely on the opinions of these rating services: A.M. Best, Duff & Phelps, Moody's Investor Services and Standard & Poor's. For details on rating companies, consult Stranger's Investment Advisor, July 1991.

Here's a brief description of the services offered by the rating companies.

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Next week, the series concludes with an article dealing with insurance industry offerings.

Sid Mittra is professor of finance at Oakland University and owner of Coordinated Financial Planning. If you wish to know the ratings of your insurance company by the companies mentioned in this article or would like to know if the type of plan you have lends itself to a transfer or diversification, mail a copy (not an original) of your policy with a self-addressed, stamped envelope and daytime phone number to: Dr. Sid Mittra, 3250 W. Big Beaver, Suite 540, Troy 48064.

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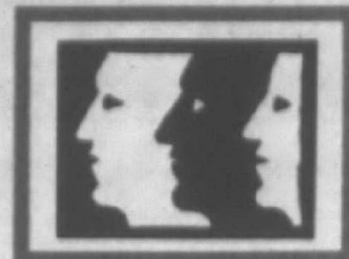
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Museum's exhibit has lots of class

By Julie Brown
staff writer

SCHOOL DAYS these days don't bear much resemblance to those of 100 years ago.

In the days of the one-room schoolhouse, children wrote on slates rather than typing on computer keyboards. Children of different ages were often taught in the same classroom by one teacher.

Those school days are highlighted in a new exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum. "The American Country School: A Nostalgic Remembering" opened last week and will continue through Nov. 24.

The exhibit is tied into the opening of the renovated Geer School in Superior Township. Museum staffers and volunteers also wanted to have the exhibit done in time for the Plymouth Fall Festival.

PHOTOS AND artifacts in the exhibit tell the story of the community's educational history.

"No computers on exhibit, no," said Beth Stewart, museum director. "We didn't get quite that far."

Most items are from the late 19th century on up to the mid-20th century. The museum's main lobby area is set up to resemble a one-room schoolhouse of 1880 or thereabouts.

This photograph of Plymouth schoolteachers was taken in 1887.

In those days, schools had coal-burning stoves and no indoor plumbing, Stewart said. Typically, children of different ages were in the same classroom, and older students tutored the younger ones.

The school year in the past was shorter because children needed to work on family farms. "School was sometimes secondary to what they had to do," said Stewart, a Plymouth Township resident.

Other differences are evident as well. Photos from the late 19th and early 20th centuries show that schoolchildren of that era dressed up more so than is true today. The teacher was usually a young unmarried woman who would board with a local family.

"She certainly couldn't live by herself," Stewart said. Such an arrangement wouldn't have been considered proper, and the pay those



This basketball uniform was worn in 1918-19 or thereabouts.

teachers received would have made living independently difficult.

SOME EXHIBIT items have



It's back to school time at the Plymouth Historical Museum, according to museum director Beth Stewart. "The American Country School" exhibit opened last week.

Staff photos
by Sherrie Buzby

areas; Geer School, for instance, remained open until 1982.

STUDENTS OF the past didn't have much time for socializing away from school. "That's where you got to see your friends," Stewart said.

Some members of the Plymouth Historical Society recall their own school days or those of their parents when seeing the exhibit. Exhibit organizers plan to have children from local schools visit to see

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Time at work flies by for student journalist

By Julie Brown
staff writer

Minal Hajratwala's summer in New York City wasn't limited to seeing Broadway plays and visiting tourist attractions.

Hajratwala, 20, did do those things, but also spent two months working as an editorial intern at Time magazine. She's a senior at Stanford University and will graduate in December with a bachelor of arts degree in communication.

"I really liked New York and the internship was obviously a good experience," said Hajratwala, a 1988 Plymouth Canton High School graduate.

She was in New York City June 10 through Aug. 10. Time has an internship program with about 40 colleges and universities, and Hajratwala was nominated and chosen through that program.

She worked on the "back of the book," which includes the magazine's science, society and culture sections. Hajratwala, the daughter of Dr. Bhupendra and Bhanu Hajratwala of Plymouth Township, worked in the society section, reporting on such areas as law, education,

religion, the press and food.

SHE WORKED on one food story on Miami's cuisine. Hajratwala earned three bylines in Time this summer for stories on the growth of Protestant superchurches, news-room plagiarism and the resignation of Stanford University president Donald Kennedy.

She did her reporting by telephone rather than traveling around the country. Hajratwala, who was managing editor of The CEP Perspective her senior year of high school and has worked at The Community Crier, didn't find the pace difficult to handle.

She worked on The Stanford Daily, the student newspaper at the university near Palo Alto, Calif. At Time, Hajratwala would often only work on one or two stories at a time. Work, however, was more thorough than what she'd done previously and the weekly newsmagazine has high standards for accuracy.

She found most people returned her telephone calls. "A pretty good response. There are still people who don't call you back."

Hajratwala, a former Canton resident, found that Stanford University

trustees were quicker to return calls than had been the case when she was working for the student newspaper.

"I really enjoyed everything I did," she said. "You learn different things from every article."

IT'S UNLIKELY she'll return to Time following her graduation in December. Typically, staffers have at least five years of daily newspaper experience, she said.

Instead, Hajratwala hopes to get a couple of good internships for the spring and summer of 1992 "and then see where we go from there." She's considering becoming a copy editor and is flexible about moving to any part of the country to work on a daily newspaper.

Hajratwala recently returned from the annual convention of the Asian American Journalists Association in Seattle, Wash. She worked on the daily convention newspaper and attended a job fair.

Hajratwala and other student interns from Time were in a photo printed with the publisher's note in the Aug. 12 edition of the magazine. Hajratwala was quoted in that note as well.

"I think those issues probably sold out in Plymouth," she said with a smile.

Her family was proud that she was chosen for such a competitive program. Hajratwala's parents came to visit at the end of the summer. They went to see "Cats" and did the usual tourist-type things.

"People are very supportive," said Hajratwala, who has a brother, Nayan, 18, a freshman at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. One of her professors at Stanford had worked at Time and helped to steer Hajratwala to the internship program.

Other students at Stanford were pleased Hajratwala was chosen. She made friends this summer among other student interns at Time Warner.

She wasn't particularly apprehensive about living and working on Manhattan. Many people were out on New York's streets and she was never in a completely isolated area.

"Obviously, you have to keep your eyes open," said Hajratwala, who didn't ride New York's subways at night.



BILL BRUESLER/staff photographer

Minal Hajratwala enjoyed her summer internship at Time magazine in New York City. She's a senior at Stanford University and a 1988 Plymouth Canton High School graduate.

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● CHILD BIRTH CLASS

The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association will offer a seven-week series on prepared childbirth beginning 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, at the Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Classes will last two hours. For more information, call 459-7477.

● BOOK SALE

The Plymouth branch, American Association of University Women, will sell used books during the Plymouth Fall Festival Thursday through Sunday, Sept. 5-8. AAUW members will have a festival booth and will sell paperbacks priced at 50 cents per inch (according to the thickness of the book). Selections will include fiction, mysteries, science fiction, Westerns and books for teenagers.

Proceeds will be used for scholarships for students at the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Schoolcraft College, Madonna University, Washtenaw Community College and the Plymouth-Canton adult education program.

● WESTSIDE DANCE

Westside Singles will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, Sept. 6, 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 budget bar. For more information, call the hot line, 562-3160.

● GARDENERS' SALE

A fall gardeners' sale will be 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, at the Matthei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor. Featured items will include specimen trees and shrubs, hardy chrysanthemums, bulbs from Holland and orchids for in-home cultivation. Sale organizers will give complimentary seedlings to the first 100 adult patrons. The sale is sponsored by the Friends of the Matthei Botanical Gardens. For more information, call 998-7061.

● ART SHOW

The Three Cities Art Club will hold an art show during the annual Plymouth Fall Festival in downtown Plymouth. Show hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8. Oils, watercolors and mixed media will be featured. Several members will participate in painting demonstrations. The public may attend the show. For more information, call club president James DeArmond, 459-2082.

● SATURDAY NIGHT

Saturday Night Singles/Westside will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, at Roma's of Livonia, on Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road. The dance/party is for singles ages 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a budget bar. Admission price is \$4 for men, \$1 for women. For more information, call the hot line, 277-4242.

● PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

Livonia-Redford Chapter No. 130, Parents Without Partners, will hold its "Harvest Moon" dance 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, at Mama Mia's, 27770 Plymouth Road, Livonia. The public may attend. For more information, call 464-1969. The chapter meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Mama Mia's in Livonia. Activities designed for families and children are offered by Parents Without Partners.

● BETHANY DANCE

Bethany West will have a dance 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, in the gym at St. Robert Bellarmine, West Chicago and Inkster Road in Redford. Price is \$6. Organizers are encouraging those who attend to wear Western attire (jeans acceptable), although that isn't mandatory. Bethany West is a Catholic organization for divorced and separated people. The dance is for singles over age 21. Music will be varied. For more information, call 729-8515 or 255-3620 after 5 p.m.

● SINGLE PROFESSIONALS

The Single Professionals will meet 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, for a bike/walk event at Kensington Metropolitan Park. Participants should meet at the east boat launch parking lot. Members meet 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays for wallyball at Racquetball Farmington, 34200 Nine Mile, west of Farmington Road in Farmington. The social group is for singles age 25 and older. For more information, call 478-9181.

● GARDENER ALERT

Members of the Plymouth Trailwood Garden Club have invited all gardeners to bring their prize bloom or their largest vegetable to place on display at the exhibit tent Sunday, Sept. 8, during the Plymouth Fall Festival. Entries will be accepted 9 a.m. to noon. There will be junior and adult groupings in all flower and vegetable categories, and ribbons will be awarded. Master gardeners will choose the winners.

● TRAIL TOUR

A "What the Nose Knows" trail tour will be 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Matthei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor. Docents, volunteer guides at the gardens, will conduct the tour of the herb garden and trails area. Participants should register in the lobby and meet docents on the steps. The tour will take place rain or shine. Sturdy footwear (no sandals) should be worn. For more information, call 998-7061.

● SIXTY-PLUS

The Sixty-Plus Club will meet noon Monday, Sept. 9, for a potluck luncheon at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon in Plymouth Township. The program on "Mixins and Fixins and Other Narratives" will be narrated by Martha Suchanski.

Those attending should bring their own table service and a dish to pass. Club meetings are the first Monday of each month at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth.

● 50-UP CLUB

The St. John Neumann Seniors/50-Up Club will meet 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at the church, on War-

ren between Sheldon and Canton Center in Canton. The meeting will feature a 10th anniversary Mass and reception. For more information, call 459-4091 or 495-1307.

● EX-NEWCOMERS

The Plymouth Ex-Newcomers Club will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, in the Plymouth Township meeting room (formerly Friendly's Restaurant), Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. The meeting is for all current and prospective members.

● BIRTH CLASSES

The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association will offer a seven-week series of prepared childbirth classes beginning 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 Sheldon, Canton. Classes will last two hours. For more information, call 459-7477.

● SENIORFEST

The annual "SeniorFest '91" will be 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, in Hines Park, Hines Drive at Riverside Drive in Plymouth. The New Generation Dance Group from Schoolcraft College will perform. Free refreshments will be served. For reservations or more information, call 455-6627 or 453-1234 Ext. 236. There will be no regular Monday, Sept. 9, Council on Aging meeting.

● AUDITIONS FOR PLAY

The Plymouth Theatre Guild will hold auditions for the play "Steel Magnolias" 7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 11-12, at the Water Tower Theater, on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, between Haggerty and Northville roads in Northville Township. The cast consists of six female roles (ages 20 to 60-plus).

Performance dates for "Steel Magnolias," the first production of the 45th PTG season, will be Oct. 25-27, Nov. 1-3 and 8-9. Help is also needed behind the scenes. For more information, call 349-7110.

● VICTORIAN FESTIVAL

Northville's third annual Victorian Festival will be Friday through Sunday, Sept. 13-15. The event, sponsored by the Northville Community Chamber of Commerce, will begin with a parade Friday evening. Activities and events will continue all day Saturday and Sunday. The Northville Arts Commission will sponsor an art show featuring the work of more than 50 artists.

Other activities will include: horse and carriage rides; trolley rides; storytelling; medicine man shows; performances by strolling musicians; old-fashioned games; and others. Historic Mill Race Village will be open for tours. For more information, call 349-7640.

Exhibit earns a good grade

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the items. Youngsters are still getting settled into the new school year, but many will visit in October and November.

"So they will get to see a lot of the things before they're taken down," Stewart said. She imagines those students will notice how different school days of the past were.

The museum's next exhibit will be on World War II and is tied into the 50th anniversary of the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor.

"The American Country School" exhibit has some surprises. Organized sports for girls and young women, for instance, aren't new. One mannequin in the exhibit wears a girl's basketball team uniform from 1918-19 or thereabouts.

"That was probably about the first," Stewart said. Sports teams for girls began in that era, focusing on such activities as volleyball and basketball. Fewer area residents were working on farms by that time, and even housework had be-

come less demanding. "You see things like this starting to come about." People were beginning to understand the importance of physical education and activity, she said.

The Plymouth Historical Museum will have extended Plymouth Fall Festival hours — noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8. Craft exhibitors will be featured inside the museum. Antique and collectible vintage automobiles and fire engines will be displayed outdoors. In preparation for the upcoming World War II exhibit, a questionnaire for visitors to fill out on their recollections of that era will be available.

Regular museum hours are 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 age 5. Family rate is \$4. For more information, call 455-8940.

engagements

Homick-Wright

Joseph and Barbara Homick of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Reyne, to Douglas Wayne Wright, son of Donald and Margaret Wright of Traverse City, Mich.

The bride-elect, a former Livonia resident, lives in New York. She is a graduate of Stevenson High School and Ferris State University and is employed at St. Joseph Hospital in Elmira, N.Y.

Her fiancé, who also lives in New York, is a graduate of Traverse City High School and of Michigan State University, where he earned his bachelor's and master's degrees. He earned a doctorate from the University of Arkansas and is employed at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.

A mid-September wedding is



planned at Newburgh Church, located at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia.

Local craftsman to teach classes

Phillip Hawk, a local saddler and shoemaker, will teach classes this fall.

Hawk, who has a shop in Plymouth's Old Village, will teach a hand-stitching craftsmanship class through Schoolcraft College. The course is being offered as part of the community college's equine arts and science program.

The class will meet 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays for 11 weeks and is scheduled to begin Saturday, Sept. 21. Students will learn techniques to create almost every stitch used to make

professional quality leather products.

For information on Continuing Education Services classes at Schoolcraft College, call 462-4448. Advance registration is required. The college is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia.

Hawk, a Redford resident, will also teach a class on belt-making at his shop, 110 E. Liberty in Plymouth's Old Village. Those sessions will be 2:30-4:30 p.m. eight Saturdays, beginning Sept. 7. For information, call 455-4295.

new voices

Scott and Michelle Staber of Canton announce the birth of a son, Alec Christopher, Aug. 22 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Carl and Lexy Stüber of Wayne and Don and Mildred Pettier of Portage, Mich.

Charles and Debra Campbell of Stockbridge, Mich., formerly of

Plymouth, announce the birth of a daughter, Leah Simone Campbell, Aug. 16 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Kenneth and Mary Dowden of Huntington, Ind., and Charles and Charlotte Campbell of Huntington. Great-grandparents are Ila Campbell, Marie Selle and Bernice Brewer, all of Huntington. Leah Simone has a sister, Vanessa, 11.



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Collectors revved up about Camaros

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

SOMETIMES CAMARO OWNERS find themselves professing their love of the sports car in some of the most peculiar places.

In Grace Kirk's case, the testament came before the Redford Township Zoning Board of Appeals, where she was attempting to get an extension approved for the family garage. She and her husband, Richard, only own four Camaros.

"The guy on the board asked, 'Why a Camaro?' I looked at him exasperated and said, 'What other car is there?'" recalled the 47-year-old Redford resident. "He said, 'Give her a variance.'"

Actually, Camaro enthusiasts prefer to express their sentiments in more conventional settings.

Well, for instance, places such as the Camaro Club of Michigan, which meets twice a month at Les Stanford Chevrolet in Dearborn. Or they like traveling the circuit to shows such as the 12th annual Camaro Street Nationals Aug. 17-18 at the General Motors Tech Center in Warren.

Some 200 registrants, representing 23 clubs, turned up at the event recently, including contingents from as far away as Sweden and Denmark, to show off their shiny Camaros.

This year, the event was a little more special since the Camaro is marking its 25th anniversary, debuting in 1967 as a competitor to the popular Ford Mustang.

THE CAMARO was initially viewed as something of a sports car for the working man, said Vic Brant of Garden City, president of the Camaro Club of Michigan.

"It just came on by storm," said Brant, 44, a tool designer for Cadillac and an owner of a blue 1967



Club members have no shortage of enthusiasm when it comes to collecting Camaros.

Camaro Rally Sport. "In terms of styling, there was nothing like it."

Through the years, the Camaro has undergone several styling changes.

Keith Young of Livonia owns a pair of them, a silver 1978 Z-28 and a red '81 Berlinetta, and he believes the variances even within the same class year further enhance their originality.

Some are convertibles, some are hardtops. Some carry 427 engines, some 327. Other things such as wheel design, color tones and interiors set Camaros apart from one another.

SEVERAL MODELS of the automobile were on display at the Camaro Street Nationals, including the 31st one to roll off the assembly line in 1967.

Bruce Wheeler's '67 red convertible completely restored model was made during the first hour of production. The Glen Ellyn, Ill., resident has the paperwork to prove it, he said.

Other years, models and makes were well-represented — sometimes just in one family, such as the Kirks.

THE COUPLE has a red 1991 Z-28, a black 1978 LT and a white 1971 Super Sport, and Richard is busy restoring a 1967 convertible. The grandfather of five estimates the process of converting the machine into a purple Super Sport Rally Sport will run \$8,000 to \$10,000.

"We don't smoke or drink," said Kirk, who works as a tool maker with General Motors Power Train, "so we save money there."

Kirk finds the hobby personally relaxing rather than financially taxing. Working in the garage for two or three hours helps relieve stress, he said.

FOR MANY Camaro buffs, like Jeannie Driscoll of Canton Township, the cars offer a chance to recoup a bit of the past.

"When I was 16, my dad owned a junk yard. He put together a '67 Camaro for me and I kept it until I got married and we needed money to buy a house so I sold it," Driscoll said. "I always wanted another one."

Driscoll owns a red 1967 Camaro Super Sport, which has been completely restored from the ground up. Even the 6-cylinder engine was replaced by a V-8 to give its street machine look validity.



Terry Driscoll of Canton owns this 1969 Rally Sport Camaro.

photos by PAUL HURSCHMANN/staff photographer

Already, the dashing auto has racked up nine first places in the Great Central Division of the International Show Car Association (ISCA) circuit. Her husband, Terry, just bought a blue '69 Rally Sport Camaro.

Both travel throughout the Midwest, competing but also making a lot of friends along the way.

AT THE Camaro Street Nationals, owners of the sports car competed in such classes as stock-unrestored, stock-restored, street, modified, pro street, race car and show class divisions.

The show is the largest in the Midwest, bringing in people from all across the country.

Such events allow Camaro devotees to show off their cars, share some information and renew acquaintances.

"It's like being at a big family reunion," said Brant of the Camaro Club of Michigan, "except nobody is related."



The 31st Camaro ever made is a 1967 convertible owned by Bruce Wheeler of Glen Ellyn, Ill.



Canton resident Tammy Compton, 19, is crowned Miss Camaro Nationals by Vic Brant of Garden City, Camaro Club of Michigan president.

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8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Morning Worship
9:30 A.M. - Sunday School

321 Ridge Road
Just South of Cherry Hill in Canton

First United Methodist Church of Plymouth
45201 N. Territorial Rd. - 453-5280

Worship at 10:00 A.M.
Ministers:
John H. Greenfield, Jr. - Dr. Frederick C. Vosburg
Kevin L. Miles

WELCOME

NEWBURGH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
36500 Ann Arbor Trail
Livonia's Oldest Church
422-0149

9:15 and 11:00 A.M. Worship Service and Sunday School

September 8th "Homecoming"
Dr. David E. Church preaching
Ministers:
Dr. David E. Church,
Rev. David Evans Ray
Nursery Provided

CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

WEST SIDE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Plymouth Canton High
Joy Road & Canton Center
454-9587

Worship Service 9:00 A.M.
Sunday School 10:15 A.M.
Sunday Evening Youth Program 6:00 P.M.
Weekly Bible Study
Donald Ruff, Minister Nursery Provided

BAHA'I FAITH

Say: observe equity in your judgment,
ye men of understanding heart! He that
is unjust in his judgment is destitute of
the characteristics that
distinguish man's station.

BAHA'I FAITH
Informational Meeting Each Friday
455-7845 or 453-9129



EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN

Ward PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Farmington Road and Six Mile
422-1150
SUNDAY SERVICE BROADCAST
9:30 A.M. WMOZ-FM 103.5

SUNDAY, September 8, 1991
8:00, 9:15, 10:45 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.
Worship and Sunday School
8:00 a.m.
Message by Rev. Ludgero Morales
9:15, 10:45 a.m.
"THE STORY OF THE TWO WIDOWS"
Dr. Bartlett L. Hess
12:05 p.m. "DEALING WITH THE DEVIL"
Rev. John Crimmins
7:00 p.m.
SUMMER MISSIONS REVIEW
Presented by the Youth Department
MESSAGE: Rev. Paul Hansen
Continuous Shuttle Bus service each Sunday from
Stevenson High School from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
(Activities for All Ages)
Nursery Provided at All Services

APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH

FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH
26325 Halstead Road at 11 Mile
Farmington Hills, Michigan
Services Every Sunday at 10:30 A.M.
Also, 1st & 3rd Sunday at 7:00 P.M.
Sunday School - 9:15 A.M.
Bible Class - Tuesday 7:30 P.M.
Song Services - Last Sunday
of Month 7:00 P.M.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth
at Gottfredson & Ann Arbor Rd.

Worship Services
8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
9:30 A.M.
Dr. Wm. C. Moore - Pastor
Rev. Wm. Branham - Associate Pastor
Nursery Provided
Phone 459-9550

PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.)
Hubbard at W. Chicago - Livonia - 422-0494

September 8
10:30 A.M. Worship Service and
Sunday School
"No Price is Too High"
Rally Day
Rev. Richard I. Peters
Nursery Care Available

VILLAGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
25350 West Six Mile
Redford - 534-7730
Paul S. Bousquette, Pastor

Worship
Sunday - 10:00 A.M.

Nursery Provided - Wheelchair Accessible

ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH
16700 Newburgh Road
Livonia - 464-8844
Sunday School 9:30 A.M. All Ages
Worship 11:00 A.M.
"Just Do It!"
Rev. Janet Noble
Janet Noble, Pastor
A Creative Christ Centered Congregation
Nursery Provided - Barrier Free

GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)
5535 Sheldon Rd., Canton
(Just North of Knarr)
459-0013
Dr. Kenneth D. Lieter, Pastor
Worship & Sunday School 10:00 A.M.
Handicapped Accessible
Resources for Hearing and Sight Impaired

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Main & Church
PLYMOUTH
(313) 453-6464
Worship, Church School & Nursery
9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
Philip Rodgers Magee Leland L. Seese, Jr.
Minister Associate Minister
"We have been contemporary since 1835"

PENTECOSTAL

FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF PLYMOUTH
291 E. SPRING ST.
2 Blocks N. of Main - 2 Blocks E. of Mill
SUNDAY 11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. (Nursery Provided in A.M.)
WEDNESDAY Bible Study 6:30 P.M. (Classes for all ages)

Pastor Frank Howard - Ch. 453-0323

CHURCHES OF CHRIST

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST
(Christian Church)
35475 Five Mile Rd. 464-6722
MARK MCGILVREY, Minister
Steve Allen
Youth Minister
BIBLE SCHOOL (All ages) 9:30 A.M.
8:15 A.M. Service - Morning Worship 10:45 A.M.
Evening Worship & Youth Meeting 6:30 P.M.

COVENANT CHURCH OF AMERICA

FAITH COVENANT CHURCH
Making Faith a Way of Life
Sunday School for all ages
9:30 A.M.
WORSHIP SERVICE
8:15 and 10:45 A.M.
September 8th
"What Motivates Our Ministry"
Pastor Icenogle
33415 W. 14 Mile
(at Drake) Farmington Hills
661-9191
Rev. J. Christopher Icenogle
Rev. David S. Noreen
Rev. Douglas J. Holmberg

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

Brightmoor Tabernacle
Assemblies of God
26555 Franklin Rd. - Southfield, MI
(I-996 & Telegraph - West of Highland Inn)
A Charismatic Church where people of many denominations worship together

MORNING WORSHIP 8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 A.M.
Celebration of Praise - 6:30 P.M.
7:30 P.M. Wed. Adult, Youth & Children
11:00 A.M. Worship Service "Live"
ON WLOV 1500 AM
Franklin Road Christian School K-Grade 7
Church: 352-6200
Nursery provided at all services
CALVIN C. RATZ, PASTOR

FAIRLANE ASSEMBLY WEST
(Assembly of God)
41355 Six Mile Rd., Northville
Sunday Worship
8:30 and 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Fairlane West Christian School
Preschool & K-8
348-9031

TRI-CITY ASSEMBLY OF GOD
2100 Hannan Rd., Canton
326-0330
Btw. Michigan Ave. & Palmer
Pastor Rocky A. Barra
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 8:30 and 11:00 A.M.
Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.
Wed. Family Night 7:00 P.M.

Worship Together

Heeding the call

Ohio native finds a friendly welcome north of border

By Julie Brown
staff writer

The Rev. Paul White knows that Ohio State graduates are in the minority in western Wayne County. Even so, he decided to travel north to Michigan and appreciates the warm welcome he's received.

White, who grew up in the Columbus area, earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Ohio State University. He's the new pastor at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, and opted to wear OSU's scarlet and gray his first Sunday at the church. At least one worshiper wore maize and blue that day.

"So I think there will be a lot of good-natured teasing," White said.

Before coming to Plymouth, White was pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Rio Grande, Ohio, a com-

munity known for being the home of the original Bob Evans farm and restaurant.

He'd been chaplain at the University of Rio Grande in Ohio and then became the university's executive director of counseling services, handling those duties while also serving as the church's pastor.

WHITE, WHO earned a master's degree in counseling psychology from Florida State University, didn't enter the ministry in his 20s. He worked first as a counselor and later as a university administrator.

"Then at age 38, I left that field and went off to seminary," said White, 45. He earned a master of divinity degree from Ashland Theological Seminary in Ashland, Ohio, in 1987.

White had felt the call to the ministry as a teenager. "I argued with Him for a number of years before finally giving in and accepting the call."

He realized he wouldn't be completely happy doing anything else until he accepted that call.

White discovered many other students at the seminary were in their 30s or older. He was involved in student government and recalled that only one of the five officers was under 30.

He's found that having experience in another field has helped him as a pastor. Such experience can make a pastor more sympathetic to the realities of life for laypeople trying to give their best to God and the church

while handling family and work responsibilities.

CALVARY BAPTIST Church in Ohio was White's first assignment after he finished at the seminary. He and his family recently arrived at the church on North Territorial in Plymouth Township.

"We've been just overwhelmed by the love and the friendship, the generosity that has been exhibited to us already. It just seems to be a very friendly and loving church."

White's wife, Connie, is a reference librarian and plans to look for work in her field. They have three sons. Matthew, 17, a junior at Plymouth Salem High School, recently returned from a mission trip to Guatemala. Timothy, 13, is a seventh grader at West Middle School and Joseph, 9, is a third grader at Bird Elementary School.

"We have been made to feel very, very welcome here. It's our prayer that we will be able to live up to the kindness and the love that everyone has extended to us so far."

He came to interview and give a trial sermon at the church in mid-July, and was in Plymouth for his birthday and wedding anniversary. Church members provided a cake at the end of dinner in honor of both occasions. Worshipers also spent many hours fixing up the parsonage, and have shown a great deal of hospitality since the family arrived.

WHITE AND his wife enjoy traveling and walking. He's busy these days at work figuring out the

church's computer system. His duties at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth will include preaching, counseling and pastoral care.

"My first goal is just to get to know the people." He's getting to know the community and the congregation. White's looking forward to working with church members to develop a mission.

He was raised in the Methodist church, and began worshipping at a Baptist church while in graduate school at Florida State University. White was baptized at that church in Tallahassee and served as a deacon.

White hasn't been to Ann Arbor just yet, but imagines he'll get there eventually. He remembers being asked by a church member during his initial telephone interview if he could take a position so close to the University of Michigan.

White replied that it would be OK to do so now that OSU football coach Woody Hayes is dead. One of the church members promptly responded that White could be considered for the job now that Bo Schembecher has left U-M.

"So I think we'll have a good time with it," said White, who doesn't consider such a good-natured rivalry inappropriate for Christians.



The Rev. Paul White is the new pastor of the First Baptist Church of Plymouth.

Staff photo
by Bill Bresler


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— The Rev. Paul White
First Baptist Church of Plymouth

Our enemies also should be in our prayers

We returned to Haiti for a work project a while ago. We discovered much to our surprise that the people we had come to know in that country had been praying for us and our church during the year or so we had been gone.

What a surprise! Those in deep trouble praying for people who have very few troubles. I discovered the same among friends in Czechoslovakia. They had been praying for the problems which they have heard about in our nation. They were praying for our crime and drug problems. They were praying about our violence and our build-up of arms. They were praying for personal needs here in our family when they heard



moral perspectives
Rev. David Strong

about them. Again I was surprised.

Will poor people pray for rich people? Will African-Americans pray for whites? Will the homeless pray for those of us who are comfortably housed?

WHEN I REFLECT upon this phenomenon, I realize that it is perfectly natural. It is not surprising. Those who think they have it

all, those who think that life is all tied up neatly, such do not need to pray. Certainly, they do not need to pray for folks who remind them of their human and God-given responsibility to share with the less fortunate.

Compassion is important in our religious traditions. Compassion may only be a word if it is not related to experience. A religion

which suggests that I pray for my soul and my family is incomplete. It is only humane and true if compassionate prayers and deeds reach out beyond our own. Unfortunately, the trend is the opposite.

Money and the greed for more money is the god of our society. It is important that we counteract this not only with our teaching but with our human contact.

It is especially important now to have personal contact with people in need. It is important to have contact with people who have experienced tyranny. We need to find persons who exemplify a human and spiritual greatness. This is a greatness that would be found in

the oppressed who pray for the oppressor. It is the poor Haitian who prays for his or her rich brother and sister in the faith.

THERE IS AN old tradition in our religious heritage wherein prayer is made for government leaders. Some would believe that this suggests support for their policy. But no, prayer has been made for political leaders with whom we disagree. During the war in Vietnam, there were Vietnamese Christians who prayed for the head of a government who was killing their people.

For me, this is a radical statement about life. Pray for your enemies. Pray for those who abuse

you. Pray for them and love those who have power over you and your social class.

Pray that they will have love and compassion reborn in them. Pray that they will seek peace and justice. Pray that they will consider the cries of the needy. The power which changes life for the better comes from within.

Yet it has the power to touch the most hard heart. This is the truth that many believing people have who have faced the greatest difficulty. It is a radical statement about life.

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

religion calendar

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday the week prior to publication.

WOMEN'S SEMINAR

Joanne Wallace, founder of the Image Improvement Corp., will present "The Confident Woman" seminar for women of all ages 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia. The seminar is sponsored by Women's Ministries at the church. Registration price is \$12, including lunch. To register, call 422-1826. Advance registration is required.

Wallace is the author of several books, including her latest, "Starting Over Again." She is also a former Mrs. America Pageant contestant, hostess of her own television show, a contributing editor for Virtue magazine and a corporation president.

MUSIC WORKSHOP

Davis Gloff, a local baritone and radio personality, will present a workshop for singers, conductors, organists and clergy noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7. Stanley J. Zydek, director of music and organist/choir master at St. Ladislaus Parish in Hamtramck, will assist.

The free workshop is for singers, organists, choristers, pianists and other musicians. To register, call Salvatore F. Mancuso, 474-1510.

REVIVAL

A family restoration revival will be 7 p.m. nightly Monday, Sept. 9, through Saturday, Sept. 14, at Church of God of Prophecy, 28563 Pardo, Garden City.

FELLOWSHIP

Sharon Lichtman will speak 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, at the Farmington Hills Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile. She is a homemaker and mother of five grown children. She and her husband, Richard, live in Sterling Heights. He is an adviser for the Southern Board of Women's Aglow.

RALLY DAY

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church will hold a Sunday school "Rally Day" with a 10:30 a.m. service Sunday, Sept. 8. Cake and punch will be served after the service. The church is at 9601 Hubbard, Livonia.

MUSICAL GROUP

A return engagement featuring Dust and Ashes will be 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daly, Redford.

The group has recorded six albums. Members have taken their music to colleges, churches, radio and television as well as the stage of the Grand Ole Opry. For information, call Bill Travis, 533-0886.

Also, the Christian education department of Aldersgate Church will present the film "Hope for the Family" 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25. A potluck soup supper will be served 6:30 p.m.

EDUCATION SUNDAY

Education Sunday and installation of new teacher

Kristin Melendez and new principal/Christian education director David McNeil will take place Sunday, Sept. 15, at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Westland. A dinner reception will be held after the 11:45 a.m. worship service Sunday, Sept. 29.

RALLY DAY

St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, 16700 Newburgh, Livonia, will have its annual fall Sunday school "Rally Day" 9:30-10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 8. For information, call 464-8844.

CHICKEN BARBECUE

A chicken barbecue will be 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook, between Eight Mile and Nine Mile in Novi. Price is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children under age 8. Dinner will include half a chicken (one-fourth for children), salad, potatoes, rolls, beverage and dessert. For information, call 348-7757.

BIBLE SCHOOL

The community Bible class taught by Margaret Hess will begin its fall session Tuesday, Sept. 10, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, near Six Mile in Livonia. Small groups will meet 9:30-9:55 a.m. to discuss the lesson. Hess teaches the class as a whole 10-11 a.m. The subject for the first Tuesday will be Zephaniah, "When God Acts."

During class, infants and toddlers will be cared for in nurseries, and a program of Bible stories, play time and creative activities will be provided for children ages 2-5.

Hess is a graduate of Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and has taught Bible classes in the Chicago and Detroit areas and as a short-term missionary in the Philippines.

The class follows a course written by Hess which goes through the entire Bible in eight years. New members can enter at any time. Study materials, priced at \$2, will be available 20 minutes before the first class.

BIBLE STUDIES

New Bible studies will begin Tuesday, Sept. 24, at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill, Canton. The 9:30 a.m. Bible study will be conducted by the Rev. Roger Aumann, pastor of the church. That evening will feature the 7:30 p.m. beginning of "I Have Good News for You," which will continue through the Christmas holidays. Materials price is \$2. Also, "Lifelight" Bible study will begin 7:30 p.m. with study of Genesis, to be led by John Hinc. Materials price is \$4. For registration information, call 981-0286.

KING'S KIDS

The School of Sacred Arts of Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia has fall openings for new members of the King's Kids' Chorus, the children's choir for fourth through seventh graders. Regular rehearsals are 4:30-6 p.m. Mondays. Those interested are asked to come prepared to sing a favorite song 4:30-5:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, or 4-4:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16. Auditions will take place in the sanctuary choir room. Tuition price is

\$36 plus a \$5 materials/music fee. For information, call 422-3459.

ACTIVITY CLUB

Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile, Farmington Hills, will have a new activity club for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. It will meet 2-4 p.m. the second Sunday of the month. The first meeting will be Sunday, Sept. 8. Parent volunteers are needed. For registration information, call 626-7906.

COUPLE TO COUPLE

The Couple to Couple League will sponsor its next series on natural family planning beginning 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 14, at St. Thomas a Becket, 555 Lilley, Canton. The series will continue once a month with meetings Oct. 5, Oct. 26 and Nov. 16. Private counseling will also be available. Registration price includes all materials for class. To register or for information, call John or Claire Mueller, 729-5407.

GOSPEL MUSIC

Lowell Mason will appear 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Mason has been called the "World's Smallest Gospel Singer" because of his height of 46 inches. Little Lowell and the Masons travel nearly 10,000 miles each year taking the Gospel to those of all faiths. A freewill offering will be taken.

SACRED ARTS

The fall term of the Ward Presbyterian Church School of Sacred Art will start Thursday, Sept. 12, and continue through Friday, Dec. 6, at the church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile in Livonia. The school offers instruction in the arts, including voice, instruments, drama and drawing. Students may register 2-6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 5-6, and Monday through Wednesday, Sept. 9-11. For information, call 422-1899.

TOUGHLOVE

Toughlove is a group for parents who have troubled teenagers. It meets 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 21915 Beech, at Monroe in Dearborn. For information, call 285-0823 or 295-0080.

SIGN LANGUAGE

Classes in American Sign Language will be taught 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, at Our Lady of Loretto School, 25700 W. Six Mile, Redford. Beginning, intermediate and advanced classes will be offered. For information, call 542-4806.

DIVORCE RECOVERY

A "Divorce: Living and Growing" lecture series will begin 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18, at the annex of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 1062 Church, Plymouth. The series will continue through Wednesday, Nov. 6. Topics to be covered will include: self-image; co-dependency; forgiveness; letting go; and others. Donation of \$25 includes the text and materials. Guest

speaker will be Dave Carpenter, former coordinator of the divorce recovery program at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia. For information, call the church, 453-0326, or Joanne LaForest, 459-9063.

GRIEF SUPPORT

Grief Support Groups meet 7:30 p.m. the first and third Thursday and 10:30 a.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile in Livonia. The groups are sponsored by Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church. For information, call 422-1854.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christ the King Lutheran Church, 9300 Farmington Road, Livonia, will have a Christian education program 6:30-7:45 p.m. Tuesdays, starting Sept. 17. Topics such as family lifestyles, death and dying, and heroes of the Bible will be included.

Children will have opportunities for worship, for cooperative games in which they will learn conflict resolution skills, and for crafts projects. Students in kindergarten through 10th grade may attend. For registration information, call 421-0749.

ANNUAL DINNER

Women's Fellowship of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia will have its annual fellowship dinner 6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 23, in the Mayflower Meeting House, Main and Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth. Price is \$13, including dinner. The speaker will be Telitha Farah, a clinical social worker from Birmingham. She will discuss the changing role of women in church and society in the 1990s. Farah has been counseling women and families for the past 10 years. For reservations, call Barbara Lappetito, 421-4789.

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.

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings is a non-denominational fellowship group for substance abusers, their families and friends. The group meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. For information, call 728-2302 or 464-0035.

ALCOHOLICS' SUPPORT GROUPS

Alcoholics for Christ, Alcoholics for Christ Family Group and Adult Children of Alcoholics meet weekly at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia. Groups meet 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in Fellowship Hall and 1 p.m. Fridays in Room A-5. Ward Presbyterian Church is at 17000 Farmington Road, at the corner of Six Mile. For information, call 534-6383.

bazaars

- **ST. SABINA**
St. Sabina School P.T.G. will hold a Christmas craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at the activity hall, 8147 Arnold, between Telegraph and Beech Dale in Dearborn Heights. A six-foot table will be provided for a price of \$17.50. Eight-foot tables are sold out. For information, call Benjie Sobek, 563-6604.
- **LIVONIA ELKS**
The Livonia Elks craft show will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at the Livonia Elks hall, on Plymouth Road, one block east of Merri-man. Admission price is \$1, free for children and seniors. Some 90 crafts-people will participate.
- **ST. AIDAN**
St. Aidan Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia, will have an arts and crafts show Saturday, Oct. 12. Spaces are still available. For information, call 471-4552.
- **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION K OF C**
The Women of the Immaculate Conception Knights of Columbus Council will have a boutique 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at the K

- of C Hall, 30759 Ford, Garden City. Eight-foot tables are available for \$20. For information, call 423-0373, 425-5288, 941-7812 or 561-3816.
- **ST. DAMIAN**
St. Damian School and Sodality will have an arts and craft show 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12. Crafters are needed. Table rental fee is \$28. For information, call 454-0376.
- **ST. THEODORE**
St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Mothers will have a boutique 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, in the church, 8200 Wayne, between Joy and Cowan roads. Tables are available for \$18. For information, call 427-7106.
- **ST. DUNSTAN**
St. Dunstan Catholic Church, 1646 Belton, Garden City, will have a boutique Saturday, Oct. 19. Eight-foot tables are available for \$15. For information, call 425-3282.
- **KIRK OF OUR SAVIOR**
Kirk of Our Savior Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, Westland, will have an arts and craft show Saturday, Nov.

- 2. Tables available: six-foot for \$13 and eight-foot for \$16. For information, call 428-6505 or 721-3875.
- **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN**
St. Paul Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt, near Eight Mile, will have a craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9. Tables are available for \$20. For information, call 476-0841.
- **ST. PAUL CHURCH OF CHRIST**
St. Paul United Church of Christ, 26550 Cherry Hill, Dearborn Heights, will have a craft show Saturday, Nov. 9. For information, call 278-7270 or 562-2805.
- **HOSANNA TABOR**
Hosanna Tabor Church, 9600 Levee, Redford, will have an arts and craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5. Crafters are needed. The price for an eight-foot table is \$20, or two for \$35. For information, call 522-8137.
- **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**
The Women's Association of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church, will hold a holiday bazaar 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16. Proceeds will support local and worldwide mission projects. The free event will feature a used toy sale, bake sale, craft items and consignment tables. For information, call the church office, 453-6464.

community calendar

Editor's note: The calendar is prepared one week in advance and will include events running through the next seven days. To include your event in the calendar, call Nancy Pennington, 459-2700.

THURSDAY

SELF HELP: Families Anonymous meets 8 p.m. Thursdays, St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton, 453-2811.

MONDAY

TOUGH LOVE: A parent support group meets at 7 p.m. Mondays, Faith Community Church, 46001 Warren Road, Canton, 981-5967.

KARATE: Classes meet 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays. Call Canton Parks and Recreation at 397-5110.

TUESDAY

MEETING: The Toastmasters Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Denny's Restaurant, 39550 E. Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth, 451-1241 or 455-1910.

Senior citizens

HOSPICE SPEAKERS: Hospice Services of Western Wayne County has volunteers available to speak to church groups and civic organizations. 523-4244.

HEALTH CARE: Speakers on long-term health care and Medicare are available. Call Patty Jamison at 455-0510.

TRIPS: For senior citizen or adult trip information, call Plymouth Parks and Recreation, 455-6620, or Canton Township Parks and Recreation, 397-5444.

SENIOR CLASSES: The Canton Recreation Center offers painting, ceramics and woodcarving, crafts, genealogy and machine quilting classes. 397-5446.

Help

INTERPRETERS: Volunteers who are fluent in a foreign language

are needed to assist in interpreting for ill, disabled or elderly people. Call Helen or Colleen at 981-8820.

SPEAKERS AVAILABLE: Speakers are available to any group interested in learning about home care as an alternative to nursing homes or hospitals. For more information, call the community relations director at 981-8820.

SMOKE DETECTORS: Free detectors, with installation, are offered from Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth. Call Plymouth Fire Department Chief Al Matthews, 453-1234, or Plymouth Township Fire Department Chief Larry Groth, 453-3840.

VOLUNTEERS: Teen and adult volunteers are needed at the Arbor Health Building, Plymouth, and McAuley Health Building, Canton. 572-4159.

ADULT CARE: Foster care is needed for adults with mental retardation. Call 332-4410 in Oakland County or 455-8880 in Wayne County.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
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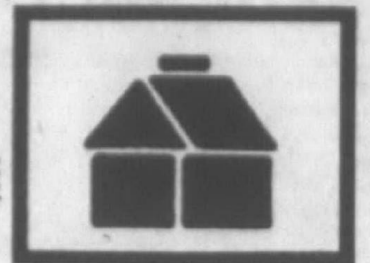
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4 bronze reliefs capture spirit of civil rights hero

By William Coutant
staff writer

WHEN SCULPTOR Sergio De Giusti was commissioned to make four bronze reliefs to honor the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for Eastern Michigan University, it affirmed to him that the slain civil rights leader's dream of racial tolerance included all people.

The Italian-born sculptor, who lives in and has his studio in Redford Township, said the Arts on Campus Committee asked him to complete the project after the artist originally selected, Oscar Graves, died of a heart attack.

"They gave me quite a bit of liberty," De Giusti said. "They had enough faith in me that I wouldn't embarrass them."

The reliefs are a part of the Martin Luther King Gardens between Welch and Boon halls on Eastern's campus. A committee, started in 1986, began raising money to landscape a garden with flowering trees and shrubs and a bust of King.

THE ART on Campus Committee then joined the project with the idea of adding reliefs depicting four milestones in King's life: The Montgomery bus boycott, the letter from the Birmingham Jail, the "I Have a Dream" speech, and King receiving the Nobel Prize.

"We've always had a very successful celebration of King," said Juanita Reid, a member of the Arts on Campus Committee. "But we wanted a different kind of recognition of King because his message is everlasting."

De Giusti, who has been sculpting for a living full-time for five years, had no doubts about his ability. But he had some concerns about taking on the project.

"I thought, 'How can a white person do this relief?' But we are all a part of what he worked for. Race was not the only issue for King. It (racial strife) was the crisis that led him (in his work). You've got to stick to what you believe in."

De Giusti took on the project, starting with clay, then using plaster before having the final bronze reliefs cast. The 49-year-old said he wanted the reliefs to convey a message, but one that had to be interpreted, not one that came at the viewer like a photograph.

"I work right from the clay," De Giusti said. "I don't use sketches. I want a more psychological effect, not just to translate a photograph."

AND THE reliefs, which vary in size, some as large as 16 by 22 feet, are anything but replicas of photos.

The bus boycott relief shows blacks linked arm to arm, the "I Have a Dream" relief has an image of Abraham Lincoln in the background while King delivers his famous address in the foreground, and the letter from the Birmingham Jail relief shows King in an almost Papal pose, with jail bars and church windows in the background. The relief of the Nobel Prize includes the medal, part of King's casket on a wagon and his

hand reaching skyward.

De Giusti said the Redford Township Library provided him with his best and most complete information about the life and accomplishments of King.

"Once I got into it, I really enjoyed it," De Giusti said. "I wanted (the Nobel Prize relief) to show that anyone can reach great heights. I just wanted to give clues."

The sculptor's more interpretive, less heavy-handed approach to depicting the meaning of King's life has not gone unnoticed. At the January ceremony to honor King on Eastern's campus, the plaster casts of the reliefs were displayed.

"The woman who spoke there came up to me afterward and thanked me for doing the reliefs," he said. "She said: 'We just don't need any more busts of the man.'"

THE COMMITTEE came up with the idea of four events in the life of King after consulting A. P. Marshall, a former dean at EMU, and an authority on Black American history in the area. Marshall has met and written articles about King.

Marshall said the reliefs are "as good as any for what they wanted to communicate. The symbols represent what the man stood for. He meant something different to everyone. Women and gays have benefited because he made the individual more important."

And so a man, who came to this country from Italy at the age of 14, has attempted to recreate in symbols the life and teachings of the most famous civil rights leader in our history.

Who would ever have dreamed



The "I Have a Dream" relief by De Giusti shows Martin Luther King Jr. delivering that famous address, with images of the Washington Monument and Abraham Lincoln looking on in the background.



In the "Bus Boycott" relief, De Giusti shows riders arm-in-arm, a symbol for the unity during the Birmingham, Ala., boycott and beyond for the civil rights movement.



De Giusti said he likes the way Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s hairline adds to his papal appearance in the "Letter from Jail" relief.

Dancer tops in nation

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

After a grueling search for the top U.S. dancer, Dawnell Dryja of Canton was chosen Junior Miss Dance of America 1992 in final competition given by the Dance Masters of America July 30 in Las Vegas.

Dryja is the lead female dancer of the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company, which will have open auditions Saturday, Sept. 7 at Joanne's Dance Extension in Plymouth.

Dryja competed against 62 other contestants for the national title after winning the Dance Masters of Michigan competition for Junior Miss Dance of Michigan 1991 last November in Lansing.

The Las Vegas competition began at 7 p.m. with a leotard competition. Dryja as No. 42 did not dance until 11 p.m.

"I was proud of her. She worked hard," said Dawn Greene, Plymouth Canton Ballet Company artistic director and Dawnell's mother.

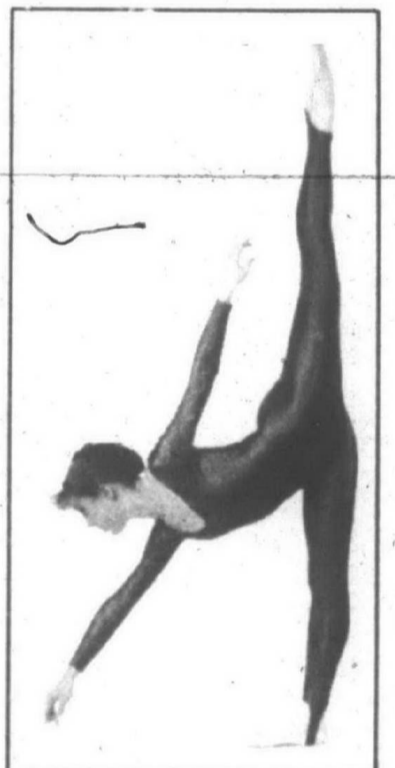
Greene, a ballet instructor for 20 years, teaches at Joanne's Dance Extension and Grosse Ile Academy of Dance. She serves on the executive board of the Cecchetti Council of America.

FOR THE past three summers, Dryja has studied on a full scholarship with the Cleveland School of Ballet (Cleveland-San Jose Ballet). In summer 1988, she attended the Chicago School of Ballet (Chicago Ballet Company) on a full scholarship.

"Dawnell and I felt it was an honor to represent Michigan and an honor to have won for Michigan," Greene said.

Dryja will dance the featured role of the Sugar Plum Fairy when the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company performs "The Nutcracker" with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, under conductor Russell Reed, Dec. 13-15 at Plymouth Salem High School. Performing with Dryja in the fea-

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Antique fest gives symphony a financial boost

IT'S MORE than an antique show. It's also a key fund-raiser for one of Observerland's most-valued cultural resources: the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra.

It's nice that the quality of the American and European wares at the Plymouth Symphony League's annual fall antique show is traditionally high. Wares include folk art, estate jewelry, linens, quilts, rugs, lamps, primitives, brass, copper and country fare.

But it's even nicer the Plymouth Symphony League doesn't rest on the symphony's laurels and wait for unsolicited contributions to flow. Instead, the league flexes its volunteer muscle and stages the antique show, now in its 29th year as one of symphony's top fund-raisers.

"A town needs to be well-rounded.

The arts and the symphony are among the things that make Plymouth a whole town. They're a major boost to our cultural spirit," said Peggy Blaisdell, a symphony league board member and antique show co-chairwoman.

"**COMING HERE** from the South, we didn't have anything like a community symphony down there," said Sharyn Tidwell, a six-year Plymouth resident and Plymouth Symphony League president. "It's nice to have something like this right here in the community."

Not only does Plymouth Symphony Society president Kiyu Morse appreciate those kind words, she also sees the league as indispensable.

"I don't know how reliable other support groups are, but the league's



Bob Sklar

totally reliable. It always raises what it says it will.

"There were times I didn't think the symphony would make it, and times I thought it would be seriously stretched, if the league hadn't been here."

THIS YEAR'S antique show, featuring 25 dealers from Michigan and Ohio, runs 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Fri-

day, Sept. 6, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, in the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. General admission is \$3.

The limited number of dealers works to advantage for visitors. Says Northville dealer Betty Nowka: "There's the opportunity for a personal exchange with the person who's selling each antique, the person who knows its history."

Antiques range in price from \$5 to \$2,000.

The preview reception — replete with hors d'oeuvres, desserts and wine — is 7:30-10 tonight; tickets, \$15 per person, are available at the door and include admission all three days.

THE PLYMOUTH Symphony no

longer receives state arts funding, like many other arts groups do. But in the wake of Gov. John Engler's drastic cuts in such funding, it's essential the symphony maintains its local fund-raising prowess.

A support arm like the Plymouth Symphony League is one such mechanism. All proceeds from the antique show benefit the Plymouth Symphony.

That helping hand isn't taken lightly. Last year's show raised \$8,100. Overall last year, the league raised \$26,000, a third of the symphony's 1990-91 budget of \$78,000.

A beginner orchestra it isn't. The Plymouth Symphony, 85 musicians strong under conductor Russell Reed, is about to begin its 46th sea-

son interpreting the works of classical legends like Brahms and Mozart and modern composers like Copland and Bernstein.

The seven-concert season starts at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11, at Plymouth Salem High School. Classical fare is slated. For a program schedule and season ticket information, call 451-2112.

Plymouth Symphony concerts typically draw 300-600 folks. Seasonal performances of "The Nutcracker" draw up to 1,000.

That level of support reflects the symphony's smashing success in prickling the Plymouth community's cultural conscience.

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A sampler of good reads about the USSR

Like almost everybody, I've spent a great deal of time lately watching television. Frankly, I have been concerned that, if I dare to look away, some new, earth-changing event will occur and I will have missed seeing it at the very moment it took place.

It's gotten to the point that if I happen to wake up in the middle of the night, I immediately start groping for the TV switch. Who knows what new country may have been formed as I slept, what longstanding ideology declared null and void, what leader ousted, what visible or invisible walls sent tumbling down?

I wish I knew more about the Soviet Union. Toward this end, I plan to go there some time, and not just to visit Moscow and Leningrad, but also to see places like Taganrog, the birthplace of Chekov, or Yasnaya Polyana, where Tolstol was born.

IN THE meantime, here's a sampling of recent fiction and non-fiction that can provide a closer look at that vast, mysterious place and its people:

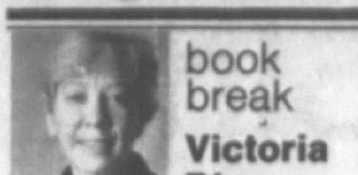
- "The Turn: From the Cold War to a New Era: The United States and the Soviet Union, 1983-1990" by Don Oberdorfer (Poseidon).

- Washington Post correspondent Oberdorfer was present at all the USA-USSR summit meetings during the last decade, covering the events and interviewing the participants. His up-close observations and conclusions go to make up this hefty volume. Gorbachev receives high marks as does former Secretary of State George Shultz.

- "Stalin: Triumph and Tragedy" by Dmitri Volkogonov, edited and translated by Harold Shukman (Grove Weidenfeld).

- Perhaps one of the most noteworthy aspects of this no-holds-barred biography of Stalin is that it comes from a Soviet source. Volkogonov is a historian and a deputy in Russia's parliament. Also noteworthy: Volkogonov's father was a casualty of one of Stalin's many purges.

- "The Irony Tower: Soviet Artists in a Time of Glasnost" by An-



book break
Victoria Diaz

drew Solomon (Knopf).

This focuses on avant garde artists from enclaves in Moscow and Leningrad who, a decade ago, were forbidden to exhibit their works in public. Solomon is a British journalist who covered Sotheby's historic auction of their paintings in Moscow in 1988.

- "The New Russians" by Hedrick Smith (Avon-paperback).

Comprehensive study of the Soviet Union today, even as it changes.

- "The New Soviet Journalism: The Best of the Soviet Weekly Ogonyok" edited by Vitaly Korotich, translated by Cathy Porter (Beacon-paperback).

Ogonyok, a progressive Soviet journal, published these 32 articles in 1988 and 1989. The pieces explore such matters as the chronic Soviet food shortages, anti-semitism in Leningrad, organized crime in the Soviet Union, contraception and abortion in Moscow. Photos complement the collection. Korotich edits Oronyk.

- "Gorbachev: Heretic in the Kremlin" by Dusko Doder and Louise Branson (Penguin-paperback).

Thought-provoking commentary on perestroika, glasnost and the Gorbachev era, written by two world-class journalists wise in the ways of the Kremlin.

- "Every Hunter Wants to Know: A Leningrad Life" by Mikhail Iossel (Norton).

A collection of 10 short stories, many of which are set in Iossel's native Leningrad (he now lives in the United States). A taste of pre-and-post-glasnost.

- "Catalyst" by Philip Cornford (Bantam).

Espionage thriller by Austrian journalist Cornford features KGB and CIA operatives, and the fictional Vigilantes for Peace, who apparently aim to stop at nothing in order to attain their goal of total nuclear disarmament.

Victoria Diaz is a book reviewer based in Livonia.



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- "Aysa" by Michael Ignatieff (Knopf).

Extravagant first novel by this BBC television journalist is filled with romance, tragedy, intrigue.

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clarification

A story about the Livonia Arts Commission's challenge grant to the Livonia Symphony in the Creative Living section Thursday, Aug. 29, should have stressed that the grant is new this year.

Last year, the commission gave a \$5,500 concert sponsorship to the symphony. This year, the symphony

hasn't yet approached the commission to do so again.

The symphony has, however, successfully raised \$3,000 on its own to match and secure the \$3,000 challenge grant from the commission.

So there's the potential for financial support from the commission to the symphony to be greater this year than last.

Dancer tops

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ture male role is Denis Adams, a member of Dancers Unlimited Repertory Company of Dallas, Tex.

IN TEXAS, Adams is director and owner of Preston Center Dance, artistic director of Plano Dance Theatre, faculty member of El Centro College, ballet coach/choreographer for national ice dancing champions training for the 1992 Olympic Games, and an instructor traveling cross country, giving workshops.

In mid-August, he was guest teacher during a week-long workshop at Joanne's Dance Extension. At that time, he also set the dance for "The Nutcracker," working with the senior members of the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company.

"What I'm looking for is qualified dancers, qualified ballet students that have a nice ballet body," Greene said. "We'll take the best qualified dancers. We have about 40 members in the company currently. They will have to re-audition. So it gives everybody a fair chance."

There are two classes of auditions: ages 9-12 at 1 p.m., and ages 13 and older, 2-3:30 p.m. Female and male dancers are needed. There is a \$5 audition fee. All females auditioning must wear a black leotard and pink tights.

Hair should be in a bun or french braid; no ponytails. Males should wear appropriate dance attire. The company requests that all dancers bring a resume and photo to the audition.

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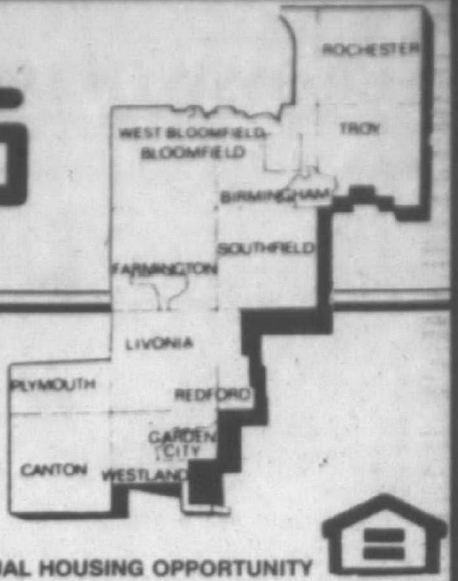
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SCULPTURE FEST

Michigan Outdoor Sculpture III opens with a 5:30-8:30 p.m. reception Thursday, Sept. 5, at the Southfield Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield.

This exhibition of outdoor sculpture by 17 Michigan artists is sponsored by the city of Southfield and the Business Consortium for the Arts.

Louis G. Redstone, architect and founder of Redstone Architects Inc. and Michael Curtis, sculptor, are chairmen of the exhibition.

The juror was David Fuchgott, executive director of the International Sculpture Center. Awards of \$1,000 and \$500 were donated by the Arts Foundation of Michigan and the Business Consortium for the Arts.

Artists represented include Joseph N. DeLauro of Canton. Also: Herb Babcock, Robert Lielat, James E. Born, Norma Penchansky Glasser, Al Hebert, Matthew Holland, Nancy Leiserowitz, Susan Linburg, William Mayer, Dora Natella, David Newton and James Oxford.

Others are: Thomas Palazzolo, John Piet, William C. Stone, Pamela M. Stump, Dale John Wedig and Marcia Wood.

The outdoor exhibition, on the plaza at the back of Southfield Pavilion in the Southfield Civic Center, will continue through October.

GARDEN FRIENDS

The Friends of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens invite all gardeners and others interested in plants to the first fall gardeners sale 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7.

Among the featured items will be specimen trees and shrubs, hardy chrysanthemums, bulbs from Holland and orchids for in-home cultivation. The gardens will give complementary seedlings to the first 100 adult patrons.

In addition to woody plant material, the sale will include 80 varieties of Holland bulbs, which cover a range of colors, heights and flowering times.

The selection also includes 35 varieties of outdoor hardy mums.

Proceeds from the sale support the gardens' educational and environmental programs.

Matthaei Botanical Gardens is at 1800 N. Dixboro. Take the Geddes Road exit off U.S. 23 and go east to Dixboro. The Gardens is two miles north on Dixboro, on the right.

MUSICIANS SOUGHT

Livonia Symphony Orchestra is looking for string musicians for the 1991-92 concert season.

The LSO has six openings for strings. An audition is required. High school students who apply must be studying privately.

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BOOK SIGNINGS

Elmore "Dutch" Leonard reads from and signs his 29th novel, "Maximum Bob" (Delacorte) 7-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6 at Borders Novi, Novi Town Center, Novi Road and I-96.

Also at Borders Novi, an evening of conversa-

tion, hosted by environmentalist-writer Stephanie Mills, is slated for 8:30-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8. Special guests include S.K. Wolf, Livonia-based author of "MacKinnon's Machine"; Chuck Wilbur, WDET news director; Susan Fostey, retired psychotherapist; and Kathleen Ripley Leo, poet.

Plymouth author John Vraniak will sign copies of his new book, "The Polish Trivia Book," from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8 at Little Professor On the Park, 380 S. Main, Plymouth. Call 455-5220.

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ARTISTS' GALLERY

Thursday, Sept. 5 - New show features mixed media works by Rasha (Rhea Schaefer) and oils by Irene Kallas. Continues through Oct. 20. Reception 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, until 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Applegate Square, between 12 and 13 Mile, Northwestern, Southfield.

T'MARRA GALLERY

Thursday, Sept. 5 - Group show of works by area and internationally known artists includes Donald Mendelson of Lathrup Village. Continues through October. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 111 N. First, Ann Arbor.

CRIPPS PATRONA GALLERY

Friday, Sept. 6 - "All About Being a Woman," original sculpture by Janice Trimpe, continues through Oct. 2. Reception 7-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. This Grosse Ile artist is showing 17 oil-painted sculptures from 14 inches to four feet tall, 209 S. Main, Rochester.

DETROIT FOCUS

Friday, Sept. 6 - Works by Felecia Hunt, Jim Slack, Sennis Summers and Sharon Wysocki are on display through Oct. 5. Reception 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. Hours are noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 743 Beaubien, Detroit.

DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS

Saturday, Sept. 7 - Quilts by Ann Brauer, baskets by Michael Bailot and ceramics by Lane Stover are on display through Oct. 5. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 104 Fisher Building, Detroit.

HABATAT GALLERIES

Saturday, Sept. 7 - Three-man exhibition - glass sculpture by Livio Seguso, weapon-like sculptures by Christopher Lee and glass/metal work by Herb Babcock - continues through Sept. 28. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 32255 Northwestern, Farmington Hills.

ROCHESTER MUNICIPAL PARK

Sept. 7-8 - Art 'n Apples Festival features works by 275 artists, entertainment, demonstrations and refreshments. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Downtown Rochester.

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Sept. 7-8 - Juried arts and crafts exhibit with 45 artists is in the Exhibition Hall 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Take U.S. 23 to exit 41 (Plymouth Road) then east to Earhart Road and north to Exhibition Hall, Ann Arbor Township.

SOUTHFIELD PAVILION

Thursday, Sept. 5 - Michigan Outdoor Sculpture III opens with a 5:30-8:30 p.m. reception Thursday and continues through October. Louis G. Redstone and Michael Curtis head the committee that invited 19 Michigan sculptors to show their work in this outstanding setting. Toward the back of the Civic Center complex, 10 1/2 and Evergreen, Southfield.

SYBARIS GALLERY

Saturday, Sept. 7 - "Cup: As a Metaphor," features works in clay by 24 artists. It continues through Oct. 12. Reception 5:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 301 W. Fourth, Royal Oak.

SWIDLER GALLERY

"Steeping Matters: The Metal Tea Infuser," an exhibition featuring utilitarian tea infusers by 23 American and Canadian artists, continues through Oct. 12. Sidney Swidler, architect/collector will give a talk about the show at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 followed at 3:30 p.m. by a slide lecture by Thomas Muir, professor of art at Bowling Green University. Reception 4:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, 308 W. Fourth, Royal Oak.

ROCHESTER HILLS CITY HALL

Color photographs by Nancy Stocking are on display through October. The exhibit is sponsored by Paint Creek Center for the Arts of Rochester. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 1000 Rochester Hills Drive off Avon Road.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Saturday, Sept. 7 - "Mexican Folk Ceramics," curated by Van Deren Coke, continues through Nov. 9. Reception is 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

CRANBROOK HOUSE

Wednesday, Sept. 11, Thursday, Sept. 12 - "Artisteia," a national tour and exhibition of the new Charles Crowley Metal Tea Service Collection, is open 5-8 p.m. both days with the artist present. This tour stop with 12 contemporary sterling silver tea services by Crowley, metalsmith, is sponsored by Janis Wetsman 20th Century Decorative Art. Price range is \$4,000-12,000. Cranbrook House is at 380 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills.

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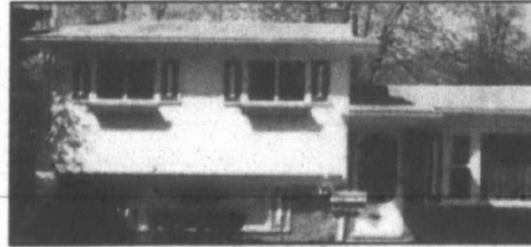
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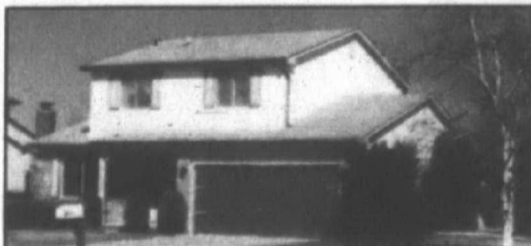
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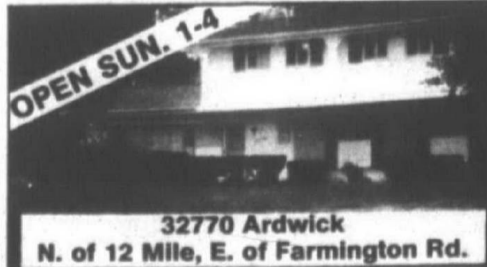


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Owners apply different strategies when sales stall

By Janice Brunson staff writer

So, you're planning to move and you've listed the house for sale at a fair market price, carefully selecting an able real estate agent to handle the deal.

Everything is in order and the wait begins, a trying time during which you hope for a reasonable offer that signals a sale.

Alas, too often sellers find there is no such signal in today's real estate market. A sale does not materialize in a timely manner.

Owner response to such a dilemma varies widely, depending upon the motivation for selling a home in the first place.

Alice, a 50-year-old Farmington Hills woman who is in the midst of a messy divorce, is ambivalent about

selling the family home where she and her husband, an auto executive who left a year ago, reared two children.

The house, a contemporary two-story structure, has been on the market 10 months. The current listing expires in two weeks.

Alice, who doesn't want her full name used for legal reasons, would like to sell the home because divorce proceedings cannot be finalized until then. But she is in no hurry to do so because her husband pays the monthly mortgage and supplies her with a living allowance, buying Alice time to adjust to divorced status in the supportive comfort of the family home.

"WHAT I'D LIKE to do is stay put," she said, knowing full well the home must be sold as part of the

pending divorce.

Buyers regularly tour the house but an offer of purchase has yet to be made, even though the asking price has been reduced from \$345,000 to \$305,000. "I guess I'll just have to hang in there," Alice said.

For now, she refuses to lower the price any further and when the listing comes due, she intends to relist with a new agent.

Pat and Jim Glionna of West Bloomfield are more intent on selling their 3,000-square-foot, tri-level home which has been reduced \$5,000 to an asking price of \$249,900. They first listed for sale in May.

The Glionnas have purchased property in downtown Toronto and are currently building a home there. They are depending on cash from the sale of the home here to complete construction of the new house. If it

does not sell, they are considering refinancing, according to Pat Glionna.

"We thought about renting (the West Bloomfield house). We decided no. We'll sell. When it didn't sell, we again thought about renting. But we decided to stick with our original decision, which was to sell.

"Now we have no intention of renting. We'll keep it on the market until it finally goes," she said. "Hey, it's only been four months."

THE GLIONNAS do not rule out reconsidering renting the house if it does not sell by early next year when their new home in Toronto is expected to be completed. Then, they will move their furniture, which Pat feels adds to the selling potential of the house here.

For now, the house is regularly

shown to interested buyers and the couple is considering another possible reduction in asking price.

Patricia and Steve Cramer of Birmingham have had their remodeled storybook home listed for sale since March following an intense six months during which they converted the basement into an exercise, laundry and storage room complete with a built-in wine vault.

The house is one of four for sale in their neighborhood. Nobody, according to Patricia Cramer, has had luck in selling. While hordes of buyers regularly tour their home, and they have reduced the selling price from \$275,000 to \$264,500, there have been no offers of purchase.

The listing with their current realtor comes due in mid-September.

"We're not going to relist. We've

decided to stay. We're not under any pressure to move," she said.

The couple originally decided to sell in order to purchase property in either Birmingham or Bloomfield Hills and construct the Victorian-style home of their dreams.

"We were more or less testing the market. Now we're going to wait until the market picks up," she said.

A stimulated market may be just around the corner, the result of recently reduced interest rates for home loans, according to Allen King, president of the Western Wayne Oakland Association of Realtors.

"The lowered rates have produced a very favorable impact, the fuel for home purchase among first-time buyers and people wanting to move up," King said.

Soil contamination demands thorough investigation

When we purchased our condominium, the developer denied anything about the levels of contaminants in the soils around our condominium. We have since been advised by the Department of Natural Resources that there are high levels of mercury and lead in the soil that might pose a safety hazard. The board of directors is perplexed as to what to do and whether it must notify its members.

This is a very complex legal question. Suffice it to say that to the extent that the board is aware of po-

tential safety or environmental hazards at the condominium, it should notify the members of the association as soon as possible, advising them as to what precautions can be taken.

The board has a responsibility to pursue those persons who may be responsible for the contamination at the site and should also be fully apprised of its legal liabilities and responsibilities in connection with the contaminated areas. Contact should be made with the Department of Natural Resources after consultation with legal counsel as to a course of action to be taken in concert with

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the DNR against those persons responsible for the contamination.

We have just determined that the attorney for our managing agent is also the attorney for our association. These facts were never disclosed, ei-

ther by the managing agent or the attorney. The board is upset that there are still certain members on the board who have allegiance to the management company but believe that nothing has been done that was improper. What is your recommen-

dation? It would appear that the attorney has an ethical responsibility to disclose any conflicts of interest that would appear to have arisen in regard to his representation of the managing agent while at the same time representing the association. Full disclosure would have been appropriate and consent to such client representation should have been obtained from the respective parties. In this case, it appears that not only the attorney, but the management company, was remiss in disclosing the relationship between them. Keep

in mind that the managing agent as well as the attorney owe a fiduciary duty to the association that apparently has been breached. Under those circumstances, the board has every justification to be upset and should evaluate its alternatives in deciding whether to change attorneys and managing agents.

Robert M. Meisner is a Birmingham attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate and corporate law.

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Builders take unusual steps to reach buyers

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

In the vast spectrum of sales, few challenges have proved as daunting as selling new homes.

Some marketing efforts are directed at attracting potential buyers, some are directed at bringing lookers back, and others are directed at people who have already bought — which not only thanks the buyer, but generates good feelings and word of mouth advertising.

NOSAN/COHEN Associates of West Bloomfield introduced its newest Woods of Novi development in Novi with a "sneaker" preview for Realtors back in April. "It was a complete success."

President Lawrence Cohen said the marketing effort was aimed at Realtors, not buyers. Cohen said some builders shy away from using Realtors for selling homes and instead rely on in-house sales staff, but he has always believed they can be a valuable component of a sales strategy.

Builders often target Realtors for marketing efforts with the idea of getting them interested in a project.

Cohen mailed 1,500 single sneakers in plastic tubes with brochures and an invitation to a "Sneaker Preview" at the development. Invitees brought the sneaker with them where they were matched with partners to make a pair.

"Then we sent the sneakers to the Pontiac Lighthouse (an organization that helps the needy) so they could give them to needy children," he said.

Response to the campaign was nearly 70 percent. "That's double what I expected."

"I was never one for grand openings — when people come to grand openings they expect perfect, they expect clean," Cohen said.

"The truth is the landscaping isn't done and the streets are dirty," he said. "Generally, (the development's) still rough around the edges."

So rather than a grand opening, or a sneak preview, the idea for a sneaker preview was proposed.

The promotion combines the elements of the rough conditions found at building sites in early spring — hence the need to wear sneakers — and the idea of an early opening. The term "sneaker preview" comes from the idea that models are previewed before they are completed.

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Builders are constantly looking for new ways to make their projects stick out in people's minds. For example, Jaikins Investment Development Corporation in Orchard Lake put on a pig

roast to engender good feelings in potential homeowners and also to thank people who had already bought in the company's Milford Bluffs project.

West Bloomfield raised awareness of its 900-unit Maples of Novi project by targeting a specific group of home buyers — Japanese transferees — with a Japanese open house July 21.

Dave Botsford, marketing director, noticed several months ago that a good number of potential buyers at the development were Japanese transferees or immigrants. On reflection, he said, it made perfect sense.

Western Oakland and Wayne County's Asian population has grown significantly during the past decade as Japanese owned and operated companies have moved offices and technical centers to the area.

But a bigger part of the Maples of Novi's attraction is the on-site golf course. To join a golf club in Japan would cost \$1 million, to buy a home on a golf course would cost \$3 million.

And many Japanese transferees have housing allowances that makes homes in Maples of Novi affordable.

Botsford said Classic Construction's Japanese open house was meant to accomplish several things, but the main idea was to make them feel comfortable. Home lists, feature lists, brochures, even advertisements, were translated into Japanese so people could readily understand them.

Japanese foods were served, a for-

mal Japanese tea was given, and interpreters were on hand. "They (the interpreters) worked really well because many of the wives can't speak English."

The initial open house attracted more than 50 couples, he said, but the residual effect has been even more promising. "What we were looking for was to start something that would generate referrals several months down the road."

JAIKINS INVESTMENT Development in Orchard Lake took a different tack when it offered a pig roast at its 46-unit detached condominium development Milford Bluffs in the Village of Milford.

Vice president Linda Friedman said the purpose behind the pig roast was to thank new homeowners and enable homeowners to get together with their neighbors.

Builders showing their appreciation to customers is becoming more common, Friedman pointed out.

In addition to thanking residents, the roast had another purpose and that was to show prospective buyers the type of development Milford Bluffs is.

Some potential home buyers who had expressed interest in the development were also invited, Friedman said. "We sent some of our sales brochures and follow-up cards inviting

them."

The idea, she said, is to make people feel welcome and to make them feel as if they're part of something special.

A builder does more than sell a home today, Friedman said; they sell a place to live. Activities like a pig roast draw a development together and create a sense of goodwill.

That, in turn, gets people talking, and a builder just can't buy that kind of advertising.

THE HERMAN FRANKEL Organization's Artistry theme uses still another technique to build a marketing approach around the development.

The idea began as a love for a painting, said Laurie Frankel, marketing director for the Herman Frankel Organization.

Her father, Herman, first saw the abstract painting by Helen Cavensky about six years ago; that painting is now reproduced on the Frankel signs and sales brochures.

The idea behind the artistry theme is to convey that the company's homes are interesting, good pieces as well.

Frankel's Woodcliff, Woodcliff on the Lake and Simsbury projects in West Bloomfield are presented as more than just homes — they are creative, she said.

"With our homes, we look into every single detail, so they are artistic in a sense," she said.

After buying the painting six years ago, the idea of how to use it in a marketing effort began to evolve, she said. "Homes are more than just two by fours slapped in a square."

"I think a lot of frustrated artists are architects and a lot of frustrated architects are artists," Frankel added.

The artistry not only includes the art of building, but the decor as well. The Wyndam model home at Woodcliff is decorated with several different kinds of art pieces.

The image of the Cavensky painting also serves to generate interest in another way.

"I think the idea intrigues people — people see the painting, but don't know what it is," she said. People are curious, and that leads them to look further.

"I've had people say they thought it was a bunch of balloons and I've had them say it's (a depiction) of flowers," she said.

Architect issues idea magazine to spark interest in new homes



Robert Bryce, an architect, figures the more people know, the better chance they'll get what they want.

By Doug Funke
staff writer

Robert Bryce enjoys architecture.

So much so that the 37-year-old West Bloomfield resident has begun publishing a bi-monthly idea magazine on building, decorating and lifestyles as an extension of his architectural practice in that community.

The first issue was distributed free last month to some 2,000 clients, friends, associates and other referrals who may be interested in home building topics. The long-term goal is free distribution of a 178-page publication to 60,000 every other month.

"If someone is planning on building, renovating or remodeling, this is something someone would keep as a reference book, a source book, like Reader's Digest or National Geographic," Bryce said.

"We're trying to make it a combination of Building Ideas Magazine, Homes & Gardens and Architecture Digest. Exactly what our magazine is trying to do is pique interest, create interest," he said.

Most of the articles in the first issue of the Monthly Home Idea Magazine from Bryce & Palazzola were authored by syndicated writers.

ARTICLES TOUCH ON window treatments, payback values of remodeling and ways to cool your home.

Editorial service stories also examine collectibles and cooking, plus locally-written stories about developers James VanderKloot and Richard Koch.

"The purpose is to promote good architecture, exhibit good architecture, highlight people capable of doing these things," Bryce said. "It's definitely a good way for us to get our name out in the community, but business has never been better. We're swamped."

Other architects produce sales brochures, but Bryce knows of nothing here that compares to his magazine.

"It seems like they've taken some initiative," said Robert Zieglman, president-elect of the Detroit chapter of the American Institute of Architects, who admitted to not seeing the initial issue.

Companies in other industries put out house organs, so why not architects, VanderKloot reasons. "Architects can capitalize on an exchange of information better than other industries because every job is new," he said.

KNOWLEDGE LEADS to more informed choices, said Lisa Fantuzzi, marketing director for Bryce's firm who is in charge of the magazine.

"It may well spark interest and people will take a more active interest. Maybe they won't rely on an architect to say, 'This is the kind of house you want,'" she said.

"Lisa brought out a good point the other day," Bryce said. "What we want to eliminate is people saying, 'I wish I had done that.' If we can show them, they can do it."

An encounter with a couple from Vermont who hired the firm a year and a half ago to design a house supplied the spark that prompted Bryce to launch the publication.

"The clients put together a book of what they liked, didn't like and wanted. They spent years collecting information. They taped things on blank pages. There were several hundred pages. When we saw this, we said, 'Great.' Clients had brought in pictures from magazines, but never to this extent."

"They did a tremendous amount of research and the result was what they wanted it (their house) to be," Bryce said.

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Antique lamps surge in value

Home lighting trends offer more than a flicker of nostalgia. In fact, the mass market is aglow with traditional lamps.

"What really excites the public is period decorating," says Rhett Sypher, president of Shoal Creek of Anniston, Ala. "High tech and contemporary do not sell very well."

Sypher says 95 percent of his company's 800 styles are traditional. Many have period detailing that fits into rooms with Victorian, neoclassical, French country, 18th-century or even Russian court decorating schemes.

Interest in 20th-century designs appears to stop at the Arts & Crafts period, which began about 1888. That era is especially rich as a source for lighting since it coincided with early electrification of American homes. New York City, for example, was electrified in the 1890s.

The cost of period originals designed by famous early 20th-century designers such as Gustav Stickley, Dirk Van Erp and Frank Lloyd Wright puts them out of reach of most consumers. But reproductions that recreate the feeling are readily available.

One popular style reminiscent of the period uses mica lampshades. The mica sheets treated with shellac to give them a smoky amber translucence are handled like stained glass and inserted into metal chases.

WHEN SHOAL CREEK first offered mica-shade lamps in Arts & Crafts styles two years ago, they were popular enough for the company to add to the collection. Now there are 18 styles at prices ranging from \$200 to \$500. Mica shades are also available on other lamps for about \$100 extra.

Jerry Cohen of The Mission Oak Shop in Woodstock, Conn., reports that pricey reproductions of arts

lamps and fixtures by Stickley, Van Erp and Wright are doing well all around the country. The lamps, which sell for \$425 to \$5,500 each, are made by Michael Adams, a Syracuse, N.Y., craftsman.

Cohen started buying the reproductions to sell in his antiques store in 1984 after he saw them in a Syracuse antiques shop. He began distributing Adams' lamps nationwide in 1987.

"Some antiques dealers don't like reproductions because they think they undercut sales of the originals," he says. "I don't think we are going to ruin our market. We don't have many customers who can pay \$50,000 for a lamp, but we do have customers who can pay \$2,000 or \$3,000."

ALTHOUGH ORIGINALS by top names are scarce and expensive, there is a good supply of less exalted turn-of-the-century lighting, according to Bill Langton, a Norwalk, Conn., dealer. Langton reconditions old lamps he finds at auctions and house sales, antiques stores and flea markets.

He says demand is driving up prices and creating scarcity in a field where 20 years ago finding customers was the biggest problem. For example, a gasolier (a hanging gas lamp converted to electric) that sells for \$1,000 today went for about \$150 in 1970. A converted brass oil lamp with a glass shade that once sold for \$45 now runs about \$170.

Besides specialty stores such as Langton's Ye Olde Lamp Shop, other sources for old lighting are auctions, estate sales and, if you are lucky, flea markets. Typically, those bought as-is need new wiring and socket replacements. If brass, they require refinishing.

Here's how to stop burglars

(AP) If you worry about burglars — and most of us do — there is much you can do to prevent illegal entry. Here is some information that can reduce your chances of being burglarized and provide you with greater peace of mind.

• If you spot people in your neighborhood behaving suspiciously, notify the police immediately.

For example, burglars often cruise in pairs. Upon seeing an empty garage or a car pulling out of a driveway, they ring the doorbell. If someone answers, they ask an innocent question and leave. If there is no response, they try to enter the home.

• Speak to your local police to find out which entry methods intruders favor in your area. Then, examine your home for weak points.

• Burglars commonly enter through an unlocked door, break in through a cellar window, break simple locks on doors or use force until the screws burst out of the wood or the frame gives way.

Replace a hollow wooden door or flimsy door frame with a solid wooden (or even a steel) door mounted in a sturdy frame. Then equip the door with a deadbolt lock. A good bolt is one inch thick and has a 1-inch throw.

• Overgrown shrubbery and high hedges provide as much privacy for burglars as they do for you. Keep hedges trimmed, prune tree branches and remove trellises — especially if they provide access to second-floor windows. Keep basement windows — a favorite entry point for burglars — locked and free of foliage.

• If you live on the first or second floor of an apartment building, keep all windows locked. Lock windows or doors that lead to balconies, rooftops or fire escapes. Be sure fire escape doors are easy to unlock in case of an emergency.

• Burglaries in occupied homes are not as rare as you might expect. Keep your doors locked even when you're home.

• Before moving into a new house or apartment, have the cylinders of each door lock in your new home changed.

• If you have a telephone answering machine, don't let the greeting message reveal your whereabouts. Say simply that you can't come to the phone right now, but you will return the call as soon as possible.

• Don't put your name on your mailbox. Bur-

glars will phone to learn if anyone is at home.

• If you're planning an evening out or going on vacation, set an automatic timer to create the illusion that someone is at home. Use it to activate lamps, television sets and radios that will make the house seem occupied.

• Before leaving for an extended period, arrange to have your home appear occupied. Ask someone to park a car in the driveway and move it periodically. Arrange to have the snow shoveled or the grass mowed. Have mail and newspaper deliveries halted until you return.

• Avoid attracting unwanted attention to your valuables. For example, if a new stereo arrives, don't put the labeled carton in the trash without flattening it inside out.

• Neighborhood watch programs work well. Post signs warning strangers that they are being observed.

• Finally, a family dog is one of the best burglar alarms you can have. The sound of loud, frantic barking is often all that's needed to discourage a

would-be intruder and alert family members and neighbors.

Here are some ways you can minimize the extent of loss if your house is burglarized:

• Don't keep cash around — traveler's checks are safer.

• Leave some money and less-expensive valuables in the open and hope a burglar will overlook the gem collection in the bottom of the goldfish tank. If you hide valuables, it's a good idea to keep a map of their locations in a safe-deposit box or with your attorney.

• Make your valuables harder for thieves to sell and easier for police to identify by engraving your Social Security number on them. You can borrow an engraving tool from the local police department.

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