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## Gifts for club piling up

The pile of canned goods and toys folks are donating to our Christmas Cheer Club is starting to take over a corner of our office.

But that's OK. We've got plenty of room to house your donation.

Most recent contributors were Mark Simpson and his son Jeffrey, Canton; Paul Nastoff, Plymouth; Frances Rudd, Plymouth Township; Betty Fisher, Plymouth; Glena MacDonald and her daughter Marla Kuehn, Plymouth, anonymous, Plymouth; Elaine Ames, Plymouth; Donna and Kirsten Cappabianca, Ann Confer, Canton; John Langs on behalf of Compost Systems of Canton; and Judy Stolar, Plymouth.

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So come by our office at 744 Wing, just a few blocks south of Kellogg Park. When you come in, we'd like to take your name and list it in the Observer with others who give to the Christmas Cheer Club.

We're hoping readers will enthusiastically support the Christmas Cheer Club this year. We'd like to make it an annual tradition.

For more information, call our office during business hours, 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., and ask for Kevin Brown or Jeff Counts at 459-2700.



Elaine Ames of Plymouth drops off toys for the Cheer Club.

SHERRIE BUZBY/staff photographer

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## Letters next step in protest of vacant store

By Kevin Brown  
staff writer

A letter writing campaign is the next phase in a protest over the continuing vacancy of the city's largest storefront.

Local realtor K.C. Mueller, who helped organize a picketing of the vacant Farmer Jack store on Main Street Nov. 23, said she'll soon ask local groups to encourage their members to write Farmer Jack.

"I think phase 2 is going to go into effect," said Mueller, on the letter-writing campaign.

She got the idea for such an effort when the owner of Farmer Jack, Larry Zettle, said in the media he answers all his mail.

Mueller, city officials and residents have complained in recent years about the continuing vacancy of the Plymouth store, and some have referred to it as an eyesore.

As the store remains vacant — as it has for three years — it serves as a negative advertisement for the city's business climate, observers say.

**'I'm probably spending two hours a day trying to negotiate a lease for that property. I'm attempting to find a tenant — we're perhaps 80 percent of the way there with one or two of them.'**

— Stanley Dickson Jr.

Also, city officials are bugged that Farmer Jack appears willing to keep the store empty to keep out potential food business competitors — even though the city's image and business climate suffer.

FARMER JACK has seven years to go on a sub-lease of the building.

Mueller said she last talked to Farmer Jack official Ted Simon just before the Nov. 23 protest, adding he agreed to meet with the property owner Stanley Dickson Jr.

"It's not just one party that is in-

volved," she said, adding Dickson "didn't want to have a meeting with him and with me."

"I'm probably spending two hours a day trying to negotiate a lease for that property," Dickson countered.

"I'm attempting to find a tenant — we're perhaps 80 percent of the way there with one or two of them," he added.

What's the biggest stumbling block for potential sub-leasees? "It's almost an impossible property to

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## Authorities shocked by order for new murder trial

By M.B. Dillon  
staff writer

Greeted with the news over Thanksgiving weekend that convicted murderer Dr. Charles Fisher is being granted a third trial, prosecutors and police are dismayed at the Michigan Supreme Court order.

The former Canton resident is serving a life sentence in Ionia's Riverside Correctional Facility for suffocating his wife, Ella Maria Mercado Fisher, in 1984.

"I'm glad I didn't find out about it until the day after Thanksgiving. I would have choked on my turkey," said assistant Wayne County prosecutor Mike Reynolds who tried Fisher's second case.

Fisher was found guilty after his first jury trial in 1985. However, Wayne County Circuit Judge Claudia House Morcom set aside the verdict. She ordered a new trial, citing what she termed inappropriate argument to the jury.

In 1988, Fisher was found guilty of first degree murder at a second jury trial presided over by Wayne Circuit Judge Thomas Foley of Plymouth.

Steven Whalen, Fisher's attorney, then took the case to the Michigan Court of Appeals, where he was denied an appeal. Whalen went to the Supreme Court, arguing that the former Fulbright professor didn't receive a fair trial because Mercado Fisher's diary was admitted as evidence.

FIVE SUPREME Court justices agreed, writing in a majority opinion Nov. 25 that, "We have concluded that the defendant-appellant was denied a fair trial by the admission of hearsay evidence regarding the victim's state of mind."

Luridly written passages in Mercado Fisher's diary indicated the graduate nursing student wanted a divorce and had a feeling her husband was suffocating her with his possessiveness and overbearing manner.

"This is the second time that we've had this case set aside without full review," said Timothy Baughman, chief of appeals for the prosecutor's office. Baughman is filing a motion for reconsideration with the high court. "The first time was far more egregious."

In closing arguments at the initial trial, assistant prosecutor Doug Baker analogized the defense's claim that he had a closed head injury that explained everything, Baughman said.

Fisher claims that the reason he pursued and proposed to another woman shortly after his wife's murder was because he suffered from a behavior disorder brought on by a blow to the head. Fisher testified that he sustained the injury when intruders attacked him and his wife in their Canton home the night of July 20, 1984.

"DOUG MADE an analogy to Greek tragedy. In Greek tragedy, when the hero was in trouble, a god in a

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## Parent Academy

Support group on how to help guide kids

By M.B. Dillon  
staff writer

You could say necessity was the mother of the "Parent Academy" and serendipity was the father.

Bird Elementary School parent Sue Nisch had attended parenting workshops at a Livonia nursery co-op, and wanted to start a similar thing at Bird.

When Bird Principal Claudia Kulnis learned that parent Dorian Soper was interested in the same activity, she was enthusiastic and supportive.

"In the meantime, I ran into Sue at a pool, and we agreed forming a Parent Academy sounded like a great idea. It all happened rather serendipitously," said Soper, who founded a support group at Children's Hospital for parents of hearing-impaired children 11 years ago.

A grass roots Parent Academy formed in September to provide parents with information on developmental, social, emotional and intellectual growth of their children.

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— Sue Nisch

"IN ORDER to bring children up safely and to the best of their potential, you have to be more educated than other parents did," she said. "Life is just too complicated to just sit back, feed them, dress them and send them to school."

"In order to raise them more effectively, we have to go the extra mile," Nisch said. "Too many kids out there are falling through the cracks."

Even though the Parent Academy has received little publicity, its first two programs were well-attended. October's session featured a panel of teachers from Bird School speaking on what teachers want from parents.

In November, Karen Bossieux, supervisor of the learning center at Ford Motor Co. spoke on teaching children "to study smarter, not harder."

"We knew we were doing something good, but we had no idea it would be as well received as it has been," said Nisch.

"Most people I don't think will go out and pick up a book on how to get along with your teenager or raise their self-esteem," she said. "But if parents can hear a speaker, get excited about it, and have the tools handed to them, they're much more willing to do that than to go to a library and look something up."

SAID SOPER: "The reason I feel that this is necessary in the community is because there is a need for parent education in the community. The most effective means for achieving a good education for a child is through cooperative effort."

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SHERRIE BUZBY/staff photographer

### Class reunion

The reunion of the Plymouth Salem High School class of 1981 almost wasn't. The firm that was running the event went out of business, leaving the class without a place to hold the party. However, local businesses helped the class make things happen. Above, Sharon Persico, class president, holds a bag for donations at the reunion. For more details, please see Page 3A.

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### Snow day

Mark Archie of Inkster salts sidewalks Monday at the Bradbury Condominiums off Haggerty Road after snow and freezing rain fell overnight. The weather was expected to go from

bad to worse, as snow was predicted for today accompanied by high temperatures in the 20s.

# Group helps parents guide their children

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between parents and the educator. "I think the topics we've selected really feed into that whole idea of self-esteem and self-direction," added Soper, a nuclear medicine technologist at Beaumont Hospital. "It all helps children enhance their living skills and their education as well."

Kids with low self-esteem are the ones most susceptible to becoming drug users, she added.

"Instead of talking about drugs again, we are going to talk about self-esteem and effective parenting," Soper said. "I think I'm an effective parent, but I know I can learn more."

What's especially gratifying is that quality speakers are donating their time and expertise, said Soper, who is a single parent.

"These are people who are really committed," she said. "It's a really good example of community effort. And we do get paid, we get paid back in helping people. You get a sense of contribution. It sounds altruistic, but it works."

Nisch agreed. The speakers "are not being paid in dollars, but they're being paid in other ways. They know they're making a difference."

Topics to be discussed at upcoming meetings range from "Language, the Critical Element of Learning" to "Sensory Integration" and "Death

and Dying."

Future topics will be chosen from suggestions given by parents.

For more information on the Parent Academy, call Bird School at 451-6505.

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# Class Struggle: 1981 Plymouth Salem graduates pull off gathering despite reunion firm collapse

By M.B. Dillon  
staff writer

Sharon Persico felt like she'd been transported to the movie set of "It's a Wonderful Life." Had Jimmy Stewart waited in, it wouldn't have fazed her.

With all the cameras rolling and flashes lighting the room, others felt like "they'd walked into something in Hollywood. CNN was there, TV stations, and different photographers," said the pediatric nurse.

The occasion? A reunion of Plymouth Salem High School's class of 1981 at the Mayflower Meeting House Friday night.

A few weeks ago, Salem graduates learned that a Chicago company organizing the 10-year reunion had absconded with their deposit. Reunion organizers from two dozen other area schools were grappling with the same problem before merchants such as Silver Sound deejays of Canton came to their aid.

Alison Nagy Ellipson, who with Persico coordinated the reunion, figured they could still have the event. Pizza or hotdogs would head the menu, not prime rib au jus, that's all.

"We were just going to have pizza and cheese and crackers or a potluck; we didn't know what we were going to do," said Persico.

"I WAS just thinking the whole night of the movie, 'It's a Wonderful Life.' I thought this must be kind of how Jimmy Stewart felt at the end when he went from nothing to everything."

Persico said the hard work and generosity of graduates like Mark Tanski and Kelly Hubert Scotti, the Mayflower Hotel, Silver Sounds, and even an entertainer from Joey's Comedy Showcase made for a memorable extravaganza.

"It was fantastic; it really worked out and everyone had a great time from what I could tell," said Persico. "And the food was delicious. The Mayflower did a great job. We had chicken, vegetables, pasta, potatoes and carrot cake, and pizza at the end of the night donated by the Plymouth Dominos."

"We expected 160 people and we had over 200," she said. "It was just really neat. People walked in, and they didn't expect all the cameras and videos going. It was hilarious. We had a better reunion than we were ever supposed to have."

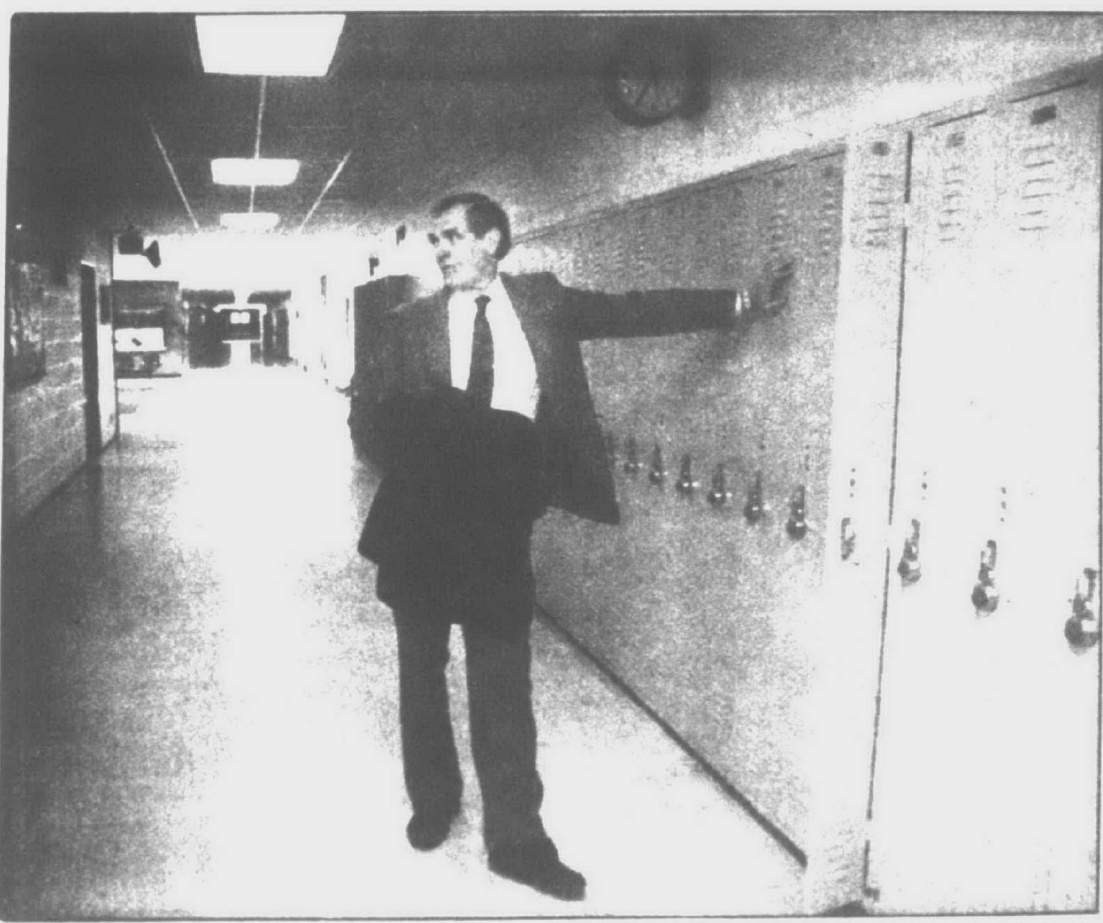
"Everything went smoothly," she added. "It's amazing though, when you have a need like this. This was a reunion, it wasn't even something that was life threatening. But people really do come through."



SHERRIE BUZBY/staff photographer



Top: Alison Ellipson, Susan Hubbell and Dawn Miller look over questionnaires they filled out 10 years ago saying where they thought they would be 10 years later. Left: The class reunion that almost wasn't attracted the attention of the Cable News Network. Chet Belecki of Detroit shoots video of the event.



SHERRIE BUZBY/staff photographer

## Bomb threat

Tom Workman, East Middle School principal, looks at the building's empty hallways. The school was evacuated Wednesday about 9:30 a.m. after police found a bottle filled with liquid in an empty locker. Plymouth police and firefighters were called to the school after an adult male called a bomb threat to the school about 7:15 a.m. Police

Chief Robert Scoggins said the evacuation was ordered after the bottle was found. The state police bomb squad was called to the school, and it is investigating to determine the type of liquid found in the bottle. Students rode buses home on their normal routes during the evacuation. There were no arrests in the incident.

## Man bags 7-pointer

We at the Plymouth Observer have revived an old northern Michigan tradition, the community buck pole.

In northern towns, hunters annually bring their buck or doe to town to hang them on a pole for all to see.

We're asking hunters to bring their deer to our office so we can take a picture or to call us with your hunting success.

Here's our most recent list of successful hunters.

Steve Palko, 18, of Canton shot a seven-point buck on Sunday, Nov. 24, near Kaleva in Manistee County.

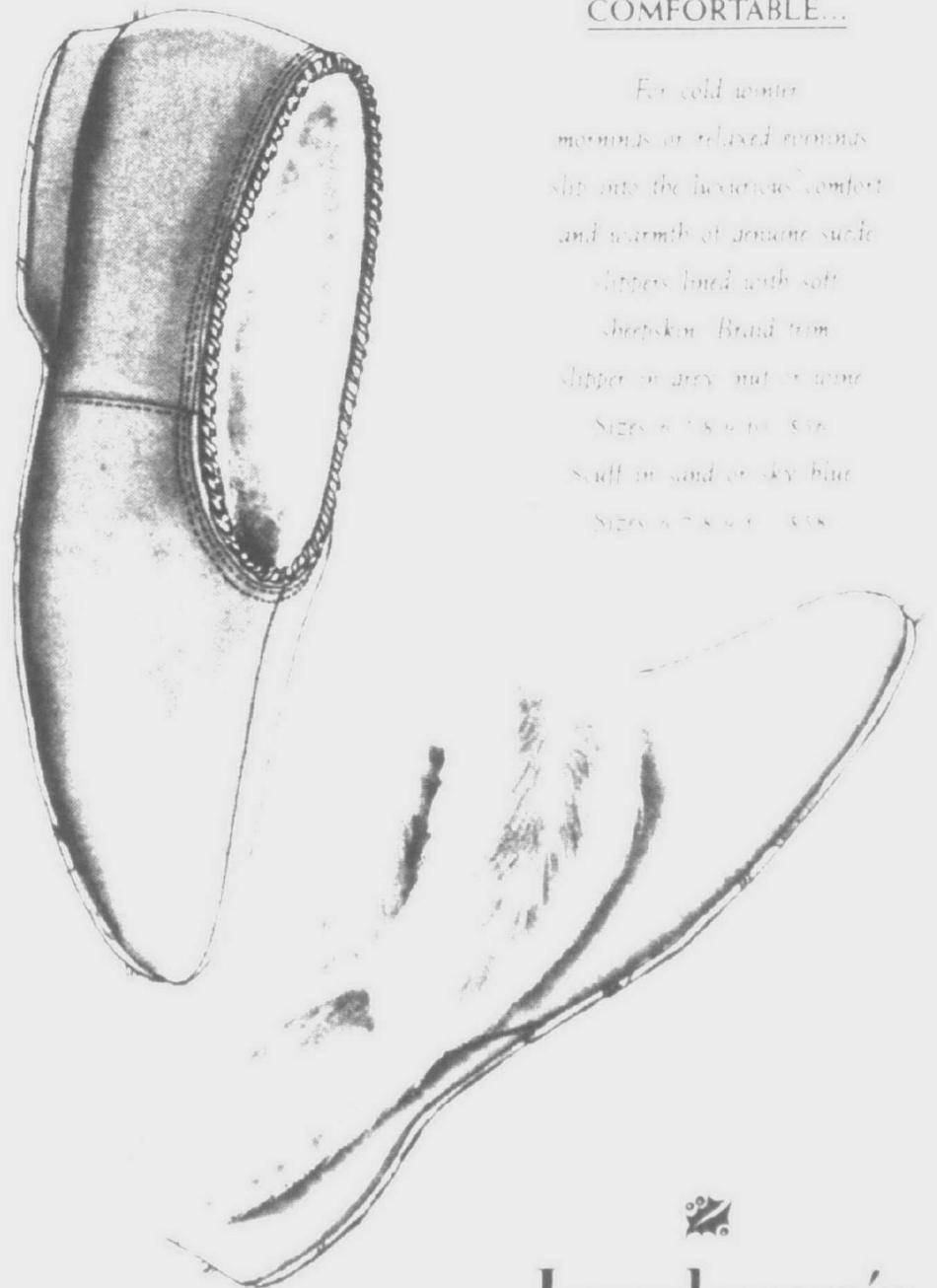
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— Greg Lemanski  
Plymouth



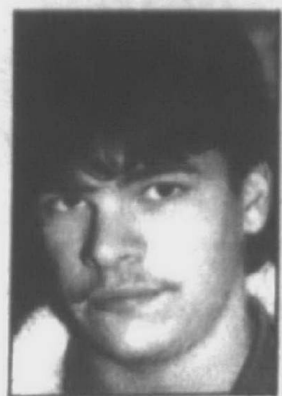
"I think they will, I hope so."  
— Tonya Willette  
Plymouth



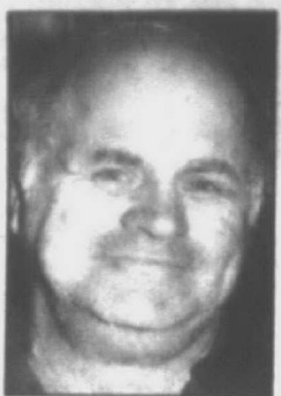
"Yea, they're going to go all the way."  
— Doug Popp  
Westland



"I think they're going to win."  
— Carol Donnelly  
Plymouth



"I think they have a chance."  
— Greg Thompson  
Inkster



"Oh yea, all the way. Who's going to beat them?"  
— Cecil Rice  
Romulus

# Order for new trial shocks police

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basket would be lowered from the ceiling above the stage," said Baughman. As in "The Perils of Pauline," or "Flash Gordon," the god would save the day.

"Fisher claimed he had a closed head injury that explained everything, similar to a god in the basket. It got to be a tired vehicle."

Prosecutors take issue with both the manner in which the case was decided, "and we also think they were wrong on the merits of the issue," said Baughman. "The order doesn't give any guidance to the judge in this case, or in future cases."

The prosecution's motion for reconsideration in essence says to the court, "If you want to grant leave, grant leave. We will come up and argue the case. But don't do this" (remand the case to a lower court without hearing arguments), said Baughman. "Two justices dissented, and we think they were right."

Reynolds, who prosecuted Fisher's second trial, said, "The opinion doesn't even tell us what portions of the diary and letters are excluded, or whether all of it is excluded from a retrial."

"WHAT ELSE bothers me a lot is that it took three and a half months to try the case the first time, and a month to try it the second time. This is a case that's generated tens of thousands of pages

of transcript, hundreds of exhibits and many hundreds of pages of pleadings. These guys are getting paid pretty good salaries to handle a case like this, and seeing in an essentially two-page majority opinion that they don't even address all the important issues is very troublesome."

Costs of the retrial will be extraordinary, Reynolds said.

In addition to the \$3,500 daily cost of running a courtroom, witnesses from all over the world will have to travel to Detroit at taxpayers' expense.

They include the victim's parents, Clara and Manuel Mercado of Cape Coral, Fla.; a doctor from New Hampshire; witnesses from Missouri, Alabama and Kentucky; a nurse running a ward in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; and a missionary doctor from Zambia. Of the latter, Reynolds said, "Last time, we got lucky. The doctor's wife developed malaria two weeks before the trial, so he came back to Michigan on his own. All we had to pay for was his travel from Ypsilanti to Detroit and back."

Neither Reynolds nor Detective William Keppen, who handled the case for Canton police, accept Fisher's claims concerning his closed head injury.

"THAT ISSUE was raised at both the first and second trial, and jurors didn't seem to believe it at

either one of those trials," said Reynolds. "All the testimony that came out from the emergency room personnel who treated Dr. Fisher was that he tested perfectly OK neurologically. The testimony of the doctors he called as witnesses was rejected by the jury, and even with their testimony, there was no physical evidence to corroborate him suffering a closed head injury."

Said Keppen: "I noticed no marks on him whatsoever, and I interviewed him a very short time afterwards when he was at Oakwood Hospital. His responses to me seemed normal."

Keppen said that as long as the prosecution can track down all the witnesses, the case against Fisher "will be just as strong. The diary wasn't admitted in the first trial, and the jury still convicted him."

"As the officer in charge of the case, I was involved from the very beginning," added Keppen. "The man has been tried by two sets of juries, two different judges, three different defense attorneys and two different prosecutors, and he's been found guilty by two different juries."

"If we have to go to trial a third time, I have no reason to believe the results will be any different. It's a shame we have to spend the money and the resources to try the same individual three times. But if that's the way the system works, that's the way it works."



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

## Thanksgiving dance

Mike Dashner headed a group of native American dancers who performed Friday and Saturday for the second annual "A Plymouth Thanksgiving." While a light drizzle greeted those attending the event Friday in downtown Plymouth, Saturday activities took place under sunny skies and temperatures around 60 degrees. The event featured a re-enactment of the first Thanksgiving.

## Letter campaign next step to protest vacant store

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split. The most ideal tenant for that space is a food-related entity," he said, adding that to please Farmer Jack he's trying to find a non-food related tenant to occupy the whole building.

Besides a letter writing campaign, Mueller said pickets could return to the Plymouth store, could go to the Canton store, or might even picket at Dickson's law office.

"BOTH PARTIES say they don't react well to threats," Mueller said.

"It's not a threat, it's an exercising of our freedom of speech."

City Commissioner John Vos, who abandoned an earlier protest when Farmer Jack officials began talking with the city, has said he is looking at possible legal action against

Farmer Jack. He was unavailable for comment Tuesday.

Mueller said residents unhappy about the continuing vacancy at the store can write Larry Zettle at A&P Farmer Jack Superstores, 718 Borman Ave., Detroit 48228.

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## Madonna gets challenge grant for science renovation project

Madonna University has accepted a fund-raising challenge which will result in more than \$1.2 million in renovations at the Livonia-based institution.

The Kresge Foundation has approved a grant of \$300,000 toward Madonna's science renovation. The grant is made on a challenge basis to assist the University in raising the balance of \$944,315 by Dec. 1, 1992.

The science renovation project is essential for the university to remain competitive, says Ellen Oliver Smith, Madonna's dean of science and mathematics.

"With continuous new knowledge and technologies in the fields of science, the university needs to evaluate and strengthen its programs and continually update its equipment," she added.

Among science disciplines to be upgraded and expanded are biochemistry, microbiology, physics and medical technology.

Since constructing its science wing in 1964, Madonna's enrollment has grown from 400 to 4,400 students. The escalating number of students using these facilities in the science field, include more than 550 nursing students and 627 prospective elementary and secondary teachers. Of these future teachers, 63 are participating in the National Science Foundation math and science program.

Several hundred middle and high school minority students from southern Michigan have access to the science labs for demonstrations and hands-on activities each summer as part of the King-Chavez-Parks College Orientation Days.

Plans for the science wing renovation include:

- Restoring the rooms to meet the needs of the science classes.
- Building additional office space to house expanded faculty and staff.
- Updating the mechanical and electrical system.

To date, the university has received pledges and cash amounting to \$366,400 toward the renovation and acquisition of equipment. The benefactors include the Detroit Edison Co., General Motors, Little Caesar's Enterprises and Phillips Service Industries (PSI).

With the successful completion of this challenge grant, the university will also end the final portion of its \$10 million Campaign for Academic Excellence which was launched in 1988 to raise funds in the areas of capital renovation, operations and endowment.

At the time of the October 1991 grant announcements, the Kresge Foundation had awarded 145 grants in 1991 for a total of more than \$55 million.

## Chorale to sing Polish carols

Polish Christmas carols will be sung by the Polonaise Chorale, directed by Bronislaw Siarkowski, at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, in the Madonna University Activities Center, 35500 Schoolcraft.

This year's concert also will feature soloist Jan Zarzycki, 8, who recently came to the United States from Poland. An audience sing-along of Polish and English carols also is planned.

Admission is free, however, donations will be accepted, according to Eva Siarkowski Depa, president of the Polonaise Chorale. Siarkowski Depa and her husband, John Depa, of Livonia have sung with the chorale since it was founded in 1981.

A cassette of Polish Christmas carols sung by the chorale will be available for purchase following the concert.

The chorale can also be seen on the Catholic Channel (EWTN) on cable television this season. "The Polonaise Chorale Sings Polish Christmas Carols" will be televised at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 19; 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24, and 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 2.

For more information, call 464-7996 or 863-6209.


## MADD to hold memorial vigil

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) has scheduled its annual candlelight vigil 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9, in Mariners' Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

Friends and relatives of drunk driving victims are invited to participate in the memorial service. A church bell is tolled and candle lighted for every person killed by drunk drivers in Wayne County.

The MADD state memorial quilt will also be displayed at the service. The quilt will also be displayed at Wonderland Mall, Dec. 6-8.

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# India immigrants strive to keep culture alive

By M.B. Dillon  
staff writer

Among its residents, metropolitan Detroit counts as many as 500 families whose heritage dates back 2,500 years to a time when the state of Tamil Nadu flourished in south India.

Their forebears traded with ancient Rome and Babylonia, spoke a classic language as old as Sanskrit, pursued the arts, and developed a distinctive form of architecture. Today, about 40 million of India's 800 million people speak Tamil.

In increasing numbers, the Detroit area's Tamil population is comprised of second-generation Indians. In an effort to keep the Tamil culture alive, the "Tamil Sangam, Michigan" organization was founded in the Detroit area 17 years ago. Nearly 20 percent of the association's members are families from Canton and Plymouth. Canton is home to more people who trace their ancestry to India than any other community in Wayne County.

WITHOUT A FACILITY of its own, Tamil Sangam has used a variety of schools and halls for its cultural activities.

A recent survey of members showed overwhelming support for a Tamil cultural center. Southfield is being proposed as a central location, since members live in communities throughout greater Detroit.

K. Sreenivasan (the Tamil sub-culture doesn't use first names) of Plymouth is among those who strongly favor the idea.

"We basically need a place where

we can meet, bring up issues and talk about our culture. It seems like it's getting lost, the way kids are being brought up," said Sreenivasan, on staff at Detroit Edison. "There's nothing wrong with learning a new culture, but they should be taught about the culture and background of their own country also. There's really no place where we can do that now."

Farmington Hills' R. Raja, formerly of Canton, recently served as Tamil Sangam, Michigan president.

THE NEED for a cultural center is great, and it's only going to increase, he said.

"We're one of the fastest growing immigrant groups in this country," said the Ford Motor Co. engineer.

While the idea for a center enjoys overwhelming support, "we have a large task in front of us," added Raja. "It will take quite a bit of intense effort to come up with what's needed to support a cultural center. It's one thing to build, and another thing to support it over a period of years."

Rajah is confident that can be done with the help of patrons, money from cultural events, rental of the facility to outside groups, and potential support from a Tamil restaurant and handicraft sales.

"We're just at the beginning stages, but we see a lot of opportunity," he said.

T.K. Venkateswaran, a professor of comparative and Eastern religions at the University of Detroit Mercy, would like to see the center materialize so that the Tamil classical arts can be nurtured. Literature,

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— K. Sreenivasan

music and dance, and in particular the 2,500-year-old south Indian Bharatnatyam dance are Tamil cultural riches that should live on, he said.

NAMED FOR a king, the Bharatnatyam dance piqued the interest of the late American dance legend Martha Graham, "who was influenced by it," said Venkateswaran,

another former association president.

Venkateswaran views the cultural center as an avenue to teach Tamil art forms; "classical music and south Indian classical dance, and to some extent language and literature to the next generation. Many of the second generation were born here. This is a way of not losing a very

ancient heritage," he said.

The center also would serve as a place to celebrate the days of Tamil ancient poets and writers and contemporary writers, and to celebrate holidays, both religious and secular, Venkateswaran said.

Non-Indians will be welcomed at the center, to include dining facilities, a performing arts center and a museum.

"We are thinking of specializing and making available to our American friends south Indian cuisine, because it is distinct from the Indian cuisine," said Venkateswaran, who came to the United States in 1959 as a Harvard scholar.

V. Laxmanan of Troy is chairing

the building committee.

"We're talking about raising anywhere between half a million and \$1 million dollars to build something in the range of 10,000 square feet," said Laxmanan, a research engineer with General Motors.

"Our preference is to locate in Oakland County, but we are open to neighboring counties."

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# Drunk drivers to face a less hospitable 1992

By Wayne Peal  
staff writer

At Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) headquarters in Livonia, they're counting the days until the New Year.

That's because new, tougher state drunk driving laws will go into effect Jan. 1, capping nearly a decade of lobbying from MADD and its supporters.

"We may even have a little celebration here," said Sandi Wolf, administrator of the Wayne County MADD Chapter. This is something we've sought for a long, long time."

National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week is Dec. 7-

13 and MADD and its local supporters are using the event to call attention to the new laws.

Signed by Gov. John Engler in August, the laws provide a minimum 30-day license suspension for even a first-time offender convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs. They also provide a minimum 48-hour jail stay, or 10 days' community service, upon a second conviction.

More serious penalties include a 15-year felony sentence for drunken drivers involved in fatalities and a five-year felony sentence for those who cause long-term injuries.

"IT MAKES death by drunk driv-

ing a distinct charge," Wolf said. "Before, it has been treated as a misdemeanor or as negligent homicide."

MADD isn't the only group applauding the new laws.

"This is going to make it more difficult for people to continue to drive drunk," said Thomas Reel, executive director of the Traffic Safety Association of Michigan. "In the past, it was fairly easy to get your license back, but that's no longer going to be the case."

There two major changes that will make it tougher for convicted drivers to regain their licenses:

• License return fees have been raised to \$125, a \$65 increase. The maximum penalty for driving on a

license that has been suspended, revoked or denied will be raised to \$500 for a first offense and \$1,000 for a second offense. The previous maximum penalties were \$100 and \$500.

• Persons with more than one drunk driving conviction will no longer be able to appeal for license return because of economic hardship.

DRUNKEN DRIVING is the No. 1 cause of traffic fatalities, in Michigan and nationwide, Reel said.

There were 738 drunk driving fatalities in Michigan during 1990 and 23,114 related injuries, according to MADD.

The new laws can't help but force police to crack down on drunken drivers, said Thomas Bonner, president of the county police chiefs association.

"In all likelihood, there's going to be a lot of effort," Bonner said. "This isn't going to be ignored."

If there's a problem, he added, it's that police departments must step up services during a time of tight budgets.

"I know from our standpoint there's a manpower shortage now," said Bonner, chief of police in Taylor. "We hope people won't be cut loose because officers can't come to court. But then, the legislators didn't confer with police chiefs when they passed the laws."

Even MADD officials acknowledge the new laws won't stop all drunken drivers.

"There are some people whose behavior is habitual," Wolf said. "But, for many drivers, these new laws should make a difference."

"At the very least, it shows people that there are consequences to driving drunk."

MADD's annual "Tie One on for Safety" red ribbon campaign continues. Ribbons are available at MADD headquarters 15195 Farmington Road, as well as at numerous Wayne County businesses. Call MADD, 422-6233 for a list of sites.

## Hospital holds holiday party

The Wayne County General Hospital Group is holding its annual holiday gathering 5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10 at the Old Country Buffet meeting room, 6535 N. Wayne Road at Wildwood, Westland.

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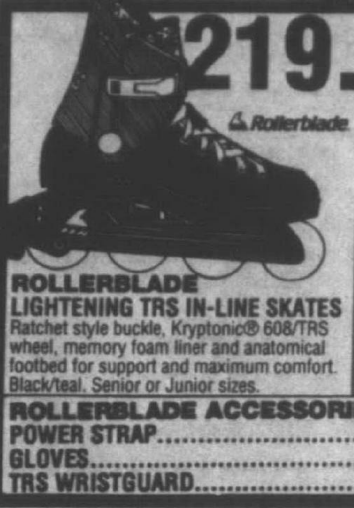
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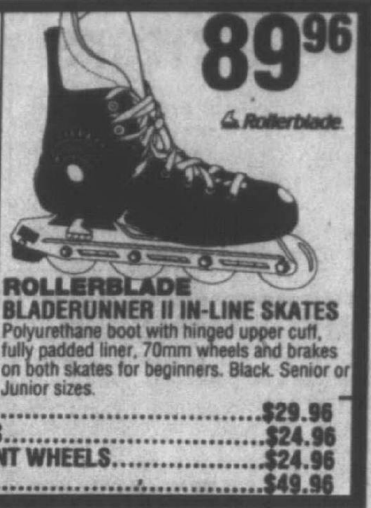
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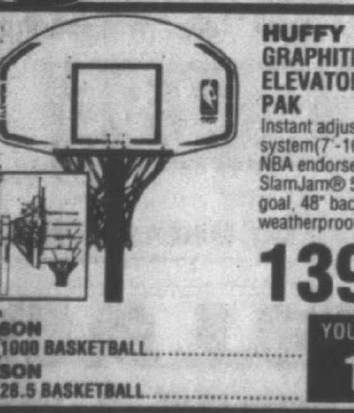
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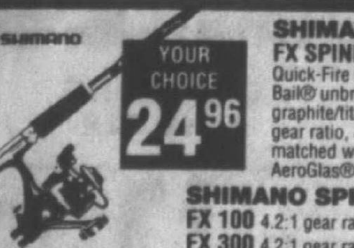
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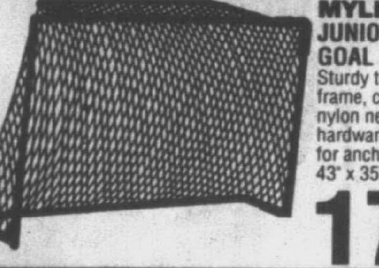
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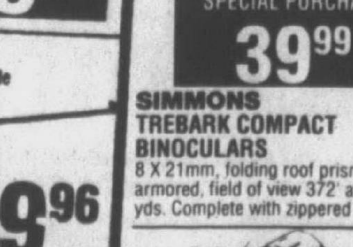
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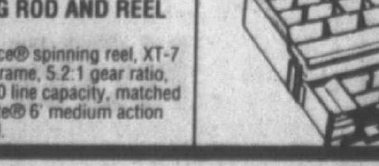
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# County races against time to restart health program

By Wayne Peal  
staff writer

It's a race against time for Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara's latest health care proposal — and for the indigent county residents the proposal would help.

McNamara has proposed increasing the state cigarette tax, or taking money from other state budget programs, to keep the county's indigent health care program going.

Without it, McNamara warned, needy county residents could be dying on the street this winter.

While they're sympathetic, area state senators said they weren't certain whether additional health care financing could be secured before the Legislature's upcoming Christmas recess.

"I WOULD have no problem in supporting it," said state Sen. R. Robert Geake, R-Northville. "But if the governor doesn't support it, it could be difficult to pass." Geake, represents Livonia, Redford, Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton.

The state Legislature was expecting to recess by the end of this week, though Geake said it now looks like senators will be meeting at least until mid-December.

Gov. John Engler eliminated state financing for the CountyCare health program in a series of cuts designed to balance the state budget.

Potential opposition from Engler is just one of the obstacles the county proposal faces.

"There's a lot of proposals out there," said Dave Wygonik, spokesman for state Sen. George Hart, D-Deerborn. "There are people talking about raising taxes for roads and the county has its Tiger Stadium issue before the Legislature, too. It could be a tough sale." Hart represents Garden City.

State Sen. William Faust, D-Westland, was unavailable for comment.

Deputy county executive Michael Duggan said many hurdles were already cleared this week.

"MR. MCNAMARA and I have met with GOP leaders Dick Posthumus and Paul Hillegonds," Duggan said. "We're working on a fast track."

Posthumus, R-Lowell, is state Senate Majority Leader. Hillegonds, R-Holland, is state House Minority Leader.

No bills have yet been proposed, but McNamara has proposed either taking money from state budgets for corrections, colleges, universities and public schools and mental health

care or raising the state cigarette tax by an additional six cents a pack.

"We feel there is agreement, but I can't say exactly what shape the final deal will take," Duggan said. "It may not include the cigarette tax."

It is the second time the county executive has proposed raising the tax on smokers.

A four-cent-a-pack increase was approved as part of the county's 1987 debt reduction package.

CountyCare, an attempt to cap rapidly rising county health care costs, was a major related proposal. The program was designed for roughly 54,000 Wayne County residents who were indigent, but not eligible for Medicaid. It was credited with saving the county as much as \$13 million a year in health care costs by providing earlier treatment and better monitoring of hospital bills.

As with both earlier proposals, McNamara will now have to once again test his powers of persuasion.

One plus is that his personal popularity remain high — at least with the local delegation.

"We haven't seen the proposal, but in general he's been pretty supportive of Ed McNamara," Hart spokesman Wygonik said. "He thinks he's doing a good job."

## MADD holds poster, essay contests

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## Red Cross seeks county volunteers

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Regional Office, Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Allen Park and at Westland Medical Center.

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# Senate OKs using some state buildings for temporary shelter

The Michigan Senate has moved toward opening state buildings as heating shelters this winter, prohibiting "lip-synch" concerts and upgrading signs for handicapped parking.

The bill opening state buildings was criticized by minority Democrats as woefully inadequate but won 35-0 approval.

It calls on the Department of Management and Budget to identify buildings that could be used as temporary, overnight warming shelters for the homeless until March 31, 1992.

Sponsor Vernon Ehlers, R-Grand Rapids, admitted that the measure was only a small step in dealing with homelessness. "It's a simple bill. It would work. It does provide shelter, and that's what it's intended to do."

But opponent John Kelly, D-Grosse Pointe, said the bill "does not deal with the systemic nature of the problem. These people are not going to go away after this winter."

**IN OTHER action, the Senate:**

• Passed, 34-1, and sent to the House a bill to require promoters to warn concert-goers if a performer is going to "lip-synch" the music, or mouth the words to a recording.

Sen. George Hart, D-Dearborn, sponsor of SB 87, said Michigan would be "one of the first states in the nation to require concert promoters to inform concert ticket buyers that portions of a concert are pre-recorded."

• Passed and sent to the House a bill to bring all handicapped parking

signs up to the standards in the uniform traffic code.

Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Oxford, sponsor of SB 547, said signs will have to be white with green borders and have a blue handicapper insignia on the inside. Existing blue signs are technically unenforceable.

Dunaskiss sponsored the bill at the urging of Rochester Hills' city traffic manager Steven Dearing.

• Passed, 33-2 and 35-0, two bills designed to require background criminal checks be made of adults seeking employment at an agency which cares for children. The legislation is intended to foil child molesters, who sometimes seek out such positions, but skeptics said the cost may be too high.

# DSS program helps maintain phone service

Low income Michigan residents can maintain their telephone service through the state Lifeline telephone program.

The program provides a \$4 per month discount on phone bills and a 50 percent discount, up to \$30, in

phone service start-up costs.

Eligibility is based on income and family size. Those who currently receive assistance from the state Department of Social Services are automatically eligible. Eligibility requirements and

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The Lifeline program shouldn't be confused with the similarly-named emergency medical service advertised on television.

# Pets can get pictures taken with Santa

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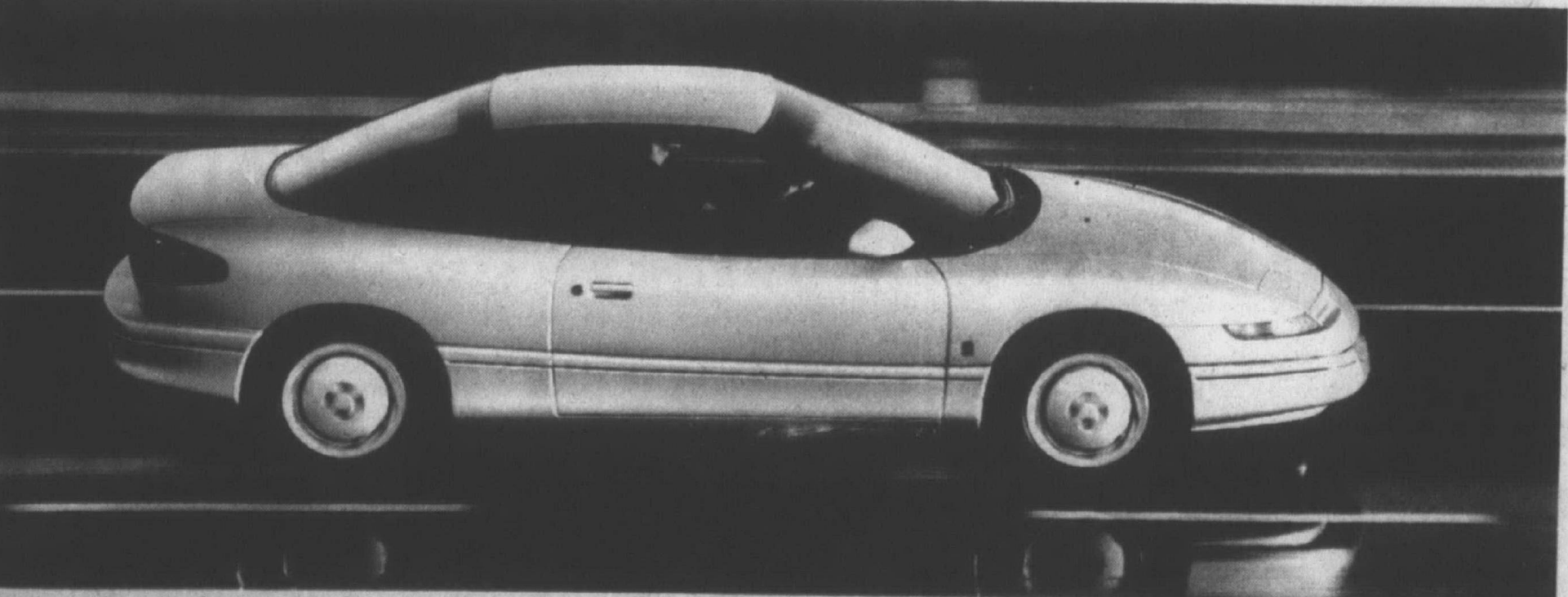
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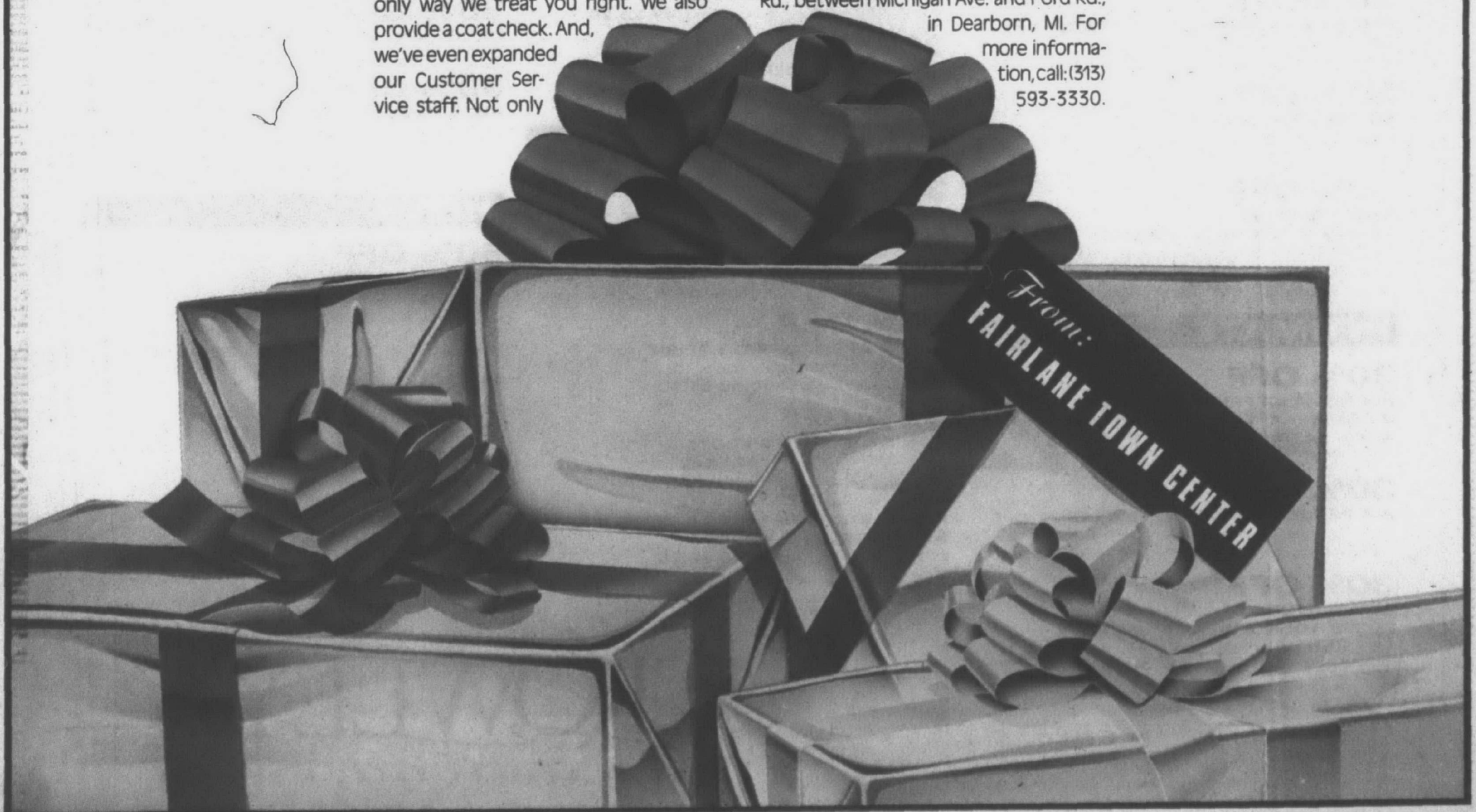
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O&E THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1991

### IN BRIEF

#### Vocal group

Students from Pioneer and West Middle schools have been selected as participants in the Michigan School Vocal Association Junior High State Honors Choir.

More than 700 students from around the state auditioned for the honors choir at Central Michigan University recently.

Six choral students from Pioneer competed against 459 students to fill six of 120 positions on the first soprano, second soprano and alto honors choir.

Pioneer winners are Shannon Malkowski, Roshani Deraniyagie, Marilyn Pilotto, Dawn Turner, Amy Law and Kimberly Adamusik. The students are directed by Joe Weycker.

Four choral students from West Middle School competed against 212 students to fill four of the 120 positions on the soprano, alto, tenor and bass honors choir. West winners are Emily Strand, Melissa Morelli, Ben Nelson and Michael Freese. The students are directed by Mary Anne Martin.

#### Elected

Dave Buck, a designer at Ford Motor Co., was recently elected vice chairman of the American Diabetes Association, Michigan Affiliate board of directors. Buck, a Plymouth resident, will serve his first year in a two year term as the American Diabetes Association, Michigan Affiliate's Vice Chairperson.

#### On sale

They're new, and they're just in time for Christmas. They're the new Plymouth sweatshirts and they are on sale at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce. The cost is \$20. For more information, contact the chamber at 453-1540.

#### Herbal ornaments

Using bulbs to decorate your Christmas tree isn't the only way to dress things up for the holidays. Ornaments can also be made from herbs. And folks at Brookville Gardens, a herb and perennial farm, will be on hand to teach folks the art of ornament making. The farm is located at 7885 Brookville Rd., Plymouth. The demonstration will be held at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call Cindy Brautigan at 455-8603.



SHERRIE BUZBY/staff photographer  
Phillips Martin receives a congressional medal from U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell.

## Pearl survivors get medals

NEARLY 50 years to the day of Japan's sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, 21 veterans from Michigan received congressional medals for surviving the attack.

Two of the veterans are from Plymouth. They were Robert Coopersmith and Phillip Martin.

The ceremony was held Monday at the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble VFW Post 6695 in Plymouth.

Coopersmith was serving in the Navy and Martin in the Army when the attack came on Dec. 7, 1941.

The medals were presented to the former servicemen by U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth.

The medals were commissioned by Congress and are embossed with an American Eagle and the USS Arizona. The medals are inscribed with "A date which will live in Infamy."



SHERRIE BUZBY/staff photographer  
Members of the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post watch as other veterans receive medals for surviving the attack on Pearl Harbor.

## Deck fixup is \$21,000 over

By Kevin Brown  
staff writer

The downtown Plymouth parking deck has reopened, but the repair bill is higher than first planned.

Repairs to the deck's steel structure were more extensive than first estimated, bringing the repair bill up more than \$21,000 to \$164,868.

While the ramp was reopened Nov. 27, "The project will not be complete and the contractor will have to complete the work when the weather permits," said Ken West, city engineer.

City Manager Steve Walters stressed that all structural repairs are complete.

"The deck is sound structurally, it just hasn't been weather-proofed," he said.

Walters said the higher repair bill wasn't a surprise, as workers couldn't know how extensive the rusting of support steel was until they actually could see those supports, cased in cement.

"We have experienced problems of temperatures lower than those recommended by the material manufacturers for applications," West said, adding some work — such as completing floor drains — can be performed in winter.

"In addition to that extra work, we found it necessary to do work along the speed ramp that amounted to another \$6,050," West said. That work involved cement repair.

Parking deck repairs are being paid from the Downtown Development Authority budget. The repairs were needed as the city commission delayed normal yearly maintenance during lean budget times.

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## community calendar

**Editor's note:** To include events in the calendar, information must be typewritten on standard-size paper. For information, call Nancy Pennington, 459-3700.

### THURSDAY

**"CRICKETS" PRESCHOOL:** Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a lottery for limited class openings for Canton residents only, through Dec. 20, 397-5110.

**AEROBICS:** Exercise classes are offered at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. Child care available, 459-9485.

**CHILDREN'S PARTY:** Canton residents may make reservations now for a Christmas party for children ages 12 and under to be Saturday, Dec. 14, at Canton Recreation Center. Call 397-5110.

**ADULT RECOVERY:** Chemical Dependency Outpatient Program provides therapy for adults on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Straight Inc., 42320 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth, 453-2610.

**SELF HELP:** Families Anonymous meets 8 p.m. Thursdays, St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton, 453-2811.

### FRIDAY

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** The Plymouth Community Chorus Christmas concert "Christmas Treasures," will be held Dec. 6, 7 and 8 at Plymouth Salem High School. Tickets available at Sideways in Plymouth, The Giftfiddler in Northville, or by calling 455-4080.

### SATURDAY

**PANCAKE BRUNCH:** The Gallimore School PTO is sponsoring a family day on Dec. 7. Includes ornament workshops, T-shirt painting, visits with Santa, Holiday Shoppe and Bake Sale. Advance sale tickets only. Call 451-6530.

### MONDAY

**TOUGH LOVE:** Parent support group meets 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

**KIDS WORKSHOP:** Registration continues for all Plymouth-Canton children, ages 1st grade - teens, to attend a Dec. 21 Christmas workshop at Canton Recreation Center. 397-5110.

**CANCER SUPPORT:** Support group for cancer patients and family members continues 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays through Dec. 10 at Radix Center, 42199 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth. To register, call 478-0212.

**GRIEF RECOVERY:** Classes will continue, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Tuesdays through Dec. 17, in Fellowship Hall at Metropolitan Seventh-day Adventist Church, 15585 Haggerty Road, in Plymouth. To register call 1-800-873-0398.

**SWEET ADELINES:** Women who enjoy singing four-part harmony, barbershop style, are welcome to join the Spirit of Detroit Sweet Adelines International Tuesday even-

ings. For information call 534-4468 or 861-0417.

**TOASTMASTERS:** Club meets at 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Denny's Restaurant, 39550 E. Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth. Call Ken Morley at 699-9697 or Bill Jones at 473-1438.

### WEDNESDAY

**CANCER SUPPORT:** Support group for cancer patients meets 1:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, through Dec. 11 at The Radix Center, 42199 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth. To register call 478-0212.

## lunch menu for seniors

Wayne County Office of Nutrition Services offers the following hot meals for people 60 or older the week of Dec. 9:

**Monday** - Hamburger on bun, with individual ketchup, mustard and relish, baked beans, chopped tomato salad, pineapple tidbits and milk.

**Tuesday** - Barbecued chicken breast, peas with pasta, baby carrots, honeydew, birthday cake with ice cream and milk.

**Wednesday** - Chili with beans, oriental blend, crackers, tangerine and milk.

**Thursday** - Swedish meatballs, boiled potatoes, caraway cabbage,

cookie, rye bread with margarine and milk.

**Friday** - Pork chop with gravy, sweet potatoes, asparagus, applesauce, pumpkin bread with margarine and milk.

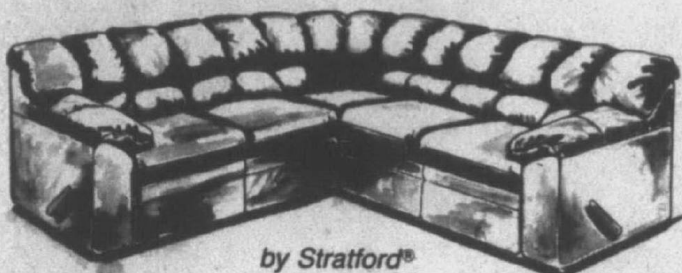
Meals will be served at noon at

Tonquish Creek Manor, 1160 Sheridan, in Plymouth (453-9703) and at 11:30 a.m. at Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan Ave. (397-5444).

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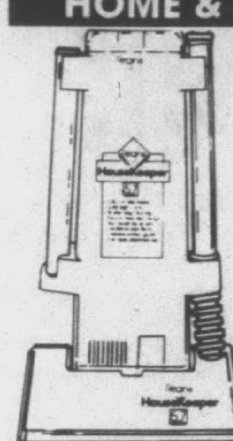
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## library watch

### YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Julie Austin and Chris Barton are the Song Sisters, and they have entertained families at the Ark in Ann Arbor and many other gatherings with their guitar and banjo playing repertoire. Bring the family and join the fun at 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 15, at the Cultural Center. Registration is required in person or by phone starting Monday, Dec. 9. 453-0750.

A large collection of Christmas books is on display at the Library and is available for circulation. A one week loan period is available on these display items.

### HOLIDAY CARDS

A large number of cards are on display at the Library. Many local and national organizations have provided samples of their cards. Some order blanks will need to be copied.

### LIBRARY GIFT PROGRAMS

The Gift Book Program adds a personal touch to your giving. A bookplate designates your thoughtfulness and a letter of acknowledgment is sent.

Library contributions are tax deductible and the State of Michigan allows a partial credit on individual and business returns.

### ATTENTION SENIORS

If you think you might enjoy campus life on a short-term basis, maybe you should come in and browse the Library's new 1992 Elderhostel Catalog. Elderhostel is a non-profit educational organization composed of a network of over 700 colleges, universities and education centers. Programs are one or more weeks in duration and hostellers live on campus and take non-credit courses.

### CONTEMPORARY BOOKS

This adult book discussion group will be meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 17, to discuss "The Razor's Edge," by Somerset Maugham. If you are inter-

ested in participating, please call Darlene Ursel at the Library, 453-0750.

### LIBRARY SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY

The Outreach Librarian and Library volunteers deliver library materials to nursing and retirement homes each month.

The Friends of the Library are providing year-round Adult Programs that focus on the various library collections.

The Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) operates their Art Rental Gallery upstairs at the library each Wednesday.

The Women's Center is sponsoring a book sale. The sale will include a variety of books. The Women's Center is located at the intersection of Main and State. The sale will be held on Saturday, Dec. 14, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Your Library for the most interesting information. Library hours: Monday, 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-3 p.m.

## campus pipeline

Jan Latimer, daughter of Michael and Joy Fobar of Canton, has been selected by audition for membership in the Albion College Briton Singers. This 16-member vocal group is student directed and performs frequently on and off campus throughout the year. Latimer is also a member of the Albion College Concert Choir. She is a music major and a 1991 graduate of John H. Glenn High School.

Scott Rama of Plymouth is one of

nine ROTC cadets from Northern Michigan University that won the U.S. Army's Ranger Challenge competition recently held at Camp Custer in Battle Creek. The NMU team finished first followed by Michigan State University and the University of Michigan second and third, respectively.

Sarah Romine of Plymouth is a sophomore enrolled at Trinity College.

Canton residents will receive asso-

ciate degrees or certificates from Washtenaw Community College. They are Michael Barnes, Laura Dorogi, Pamela Ridl and Ronald Sampson.

Tamara Tilly of Plymouth received the president's scholarship at Taylor University. This scholarship requires a minimum SAT verbal score of 500, a minimum SAT composite score of 1200, and a high school class rank in the top 10 percent. She is the daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Paul Tilly and is a graduate of Plymouth Christian High School.

Sandra Postell is a new member of the centennial pledge class of 1991, Theta Chapter of Alpha Phi at

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**Free informational meeting:**  
Tues., Jan. 14  
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### VERA K. CRAZE

Services for Vera K. Craze, 92, of Plymouth were Saturday, Nov. 30, at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Roseland Park Cemetery in Berkeley.

Mrs. Craze was born April 11, 1899, in Americus, Kan. She died Thursday, Nov. 28, in Livonia. She came to the Plymouth community nine years ago. She first lived in Detroit, then retired to Cheboygan in 1964. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Craze is survived by one daughter, Nancy Barkley of Plymouth; one granddaughter and one great-granddaughter.

The Rev. Robert L. Miller officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to Lupus Foundation of Michigan.

Mr. Fisher was a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, the Senior Citizens Club of Plymouth and the Northville Masonic Lodge. He was also a member of the Eastern Star, HI-12 Club and the Plymouth Grange.

Mr. Fisher is survived by his wife, Zaida Fisher of Plymouth; one son, Kenneth Fisher of Westland; one sister, Camella Bartlette; four grandchildren, including Susan Petrylka of Plymouth and six great-grandchildren.

The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to American Cancer Foundation or the American Heart Association.

### JEAN M. JABARA

Services for Jean M. Jabara, 63, of Plymouth were Monday, Dec. 2, at Lambert-Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Manvel, Mich.

Mrs. Jabara was born Oct. 1, 1928, in Sioux Falls, S.D. She died Friday, Nov. 29, in Sinai Hospital, Detroit. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Jabara is survived by her husband, James Jabara of Plymouth; two sons, Michael Jabara of California and Marty Jabara of California; three grandchildren and one brother,

James Swiden of Sioux Falls, S.D., Lt. Jeffrey Beachum, Plymouth Salvation Army, officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to National Multiple Sclerosis Society or Scleroderma Research Foundation.

### MARY L. NIKODEM

Services for Mary L. Nikodem, 95, of Plymouth were Saturday, Nov. 30, at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Mrs. Nikodem was born May 17, 1896, in St. Augustine, Fla. She died Tuesday, Nov. 26, in Plymouth. In 1971 she moved from Detroit to the Plymouth community. She moved to Detroit in 1915. She was a member of Divine Savior Catholic Church and was a nurses aide at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital in Highland Park.

Mrs. Nikodem is survived by two grandsons; three sisters, Daisy, Ruby and Irene and one brother, John.

The Rev. William Pettit officiated the service.

### EDWARD W. ASH

Services for Edward W. Ash, 68, of Northville were Monday, Nov. 25, at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. Ash was born July 3, 1923, in Livonia. He died Friday, Nov. 22, in Northville. He lived in Livonia most of his life and moved to Northville in 1972. He was a farmer most of his

life. He worked for 30 years, retiring in 1986 as supervisor of building maintenance at Schoolcraft College. He was a member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Plymouth. He attended Briggs School in Livonia and Plymouth High School.

Mr. Ash is survived by his wife, Yvonne Ash of Northville; two sons, Marvin Ash of Troy and William Ash of Plymouth; two daughters, Lenore Kramer of Livonia and Joanna Moyer of Livonia; three grandchildren; three sisters, Lucile Prieskorn of Brighton, Mildred Ash of Plymouth and Ethel Eckles of Plymouth.

The Rev. Dan Helwig officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, American Cancer Society or Angela Hospice Home Care.

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### MARVIN P. KOCH

Services for Marvin P. Koch, 72, of Canton were Tuesday, Dec. 3, at Uht Funeral Home. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery.

Mr. Koch was born Sept. 1, 1919, in Detroit. He died Saturday, Nov. 30, in Ann Arbor.

Mr. Koch is survived by his wife, Ida Koch of Canton; one son, Douglas Koch; one daughter, Judith Wolken; two sisters, Alice Riggs and Esther Hanneberg; and six grandchildren.

The Rev. Robert A. Baer officiated the service.

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Levin has introduced legislation to provide tax breaks to companies and institutions that pool research and development activities.

"U.S. companies need an incentive to fund enough research and development and to move what we learn onto the market faster," Levin said.

"My proposed tax credit would enable companies to share their research and development costs, make their own product development decisions and push new ideas into the development stage at a faster rate."

Levin's Cooperative Research and Development Act is designed to eliminate redundant research and create a cost effective way of enhancing research opportunities, he said.

The bill would enable qualifying institutions to obtain a tax credit of up to 50 percent. To qualify, a cooperative research organization must have five unrelated members, four of whom would make significant financial contributions in support of the research.

An identical bill is being introduced in the U.S. Senate by Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn.



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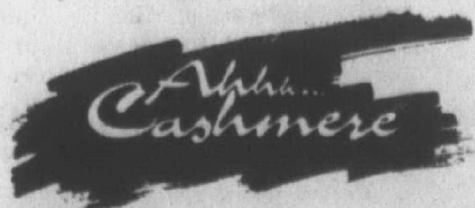
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points of view

# People still have to eat (out)

IT'S HARD TO KNOW if it's just us, double income empty nesters (DIENS?), who are eating out — and taking out — more often or if it's everyone.

Take Thanksgiving for instance. No, we didn't go out for Thanksgiving dinner (roast turkey is one of the few foods that is truly better when homecooked than when prepared by the most elegant restaurant).

But over the four-day weekend — except for one lunch of leftovers (no turkey, young relatives ate it all) and one brunch of cream cheese and bagels (no, we don't make eggs any more) all other meals were either eaten out (Zingerman's, Eagle Tavern at Greenfield Village, Norm's Diner) or brought in (Chinese food).

That may be extreme but my sense is that everyone is eating out more, because even in this doldrum economy, restaurants are opening or reopening left and right in our suburbs — and my husband and I simply can't keep them open all by ourselves.

A common thread winds through this new batch of eateries — they

have a theme, are reasonably priced and aim for a noisy, convivial atmosphere.

First comes to mind is: the back to the '50s but with a nod to the new health-consciousness Norm's Diner which opened in late summer on 12 Mile just east of Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills.

THIS TIME, Norm and Bonnie LePage (Nifty Normans, Eton Street Station, etc.) feature florescent-as-in juke-box-colors, waitpersons doing the hand jive and a menu ranging from milk shakes to caesar salad. The diner offers something for everyone as whole families line up for Sunday night dinner and groups of young people fill it up on Friday and Saturday nights.

A way up Orchard Lake Road in the restaurant haven of West Bloomfield, Detroit Pistons coach Chuck Daly soon will feature, you guessed it, a basketball theme sports bar — Chuck Daly's Great Northern.

Taking over from the Sign of the Beef Carver, which for at least 20



Judith Doner Berne

years has been the well-known "early bird special" haunt of area senior citizens, the restaurant reportedly will contain a basketball court and still be run by the Troy-based Sign of the Beef Carver chain.

It's the third sports bar to open within a quarter mile area in the last months (Mr. B's Bloomfield) and (Chuck Muer's WB Pals — replacing Bloomfield Charleys). When I questioned West Bloomfield editor Phil Sherman as to where the seniors will go now, he suggested they learn to like basketball.

SOUTHFIELD, ALSO no slouch on the cuisine scene, recently welcomed Mike Blitch (Little Caesars) and Jimmy Schmidt's (Rattlesnake Club)

southwestern-style bistro, Cocina del Sol on Northwestern Highway.

No basketball court, no juke box, but a reflecting pool, fountains and moderately priced menu featuring dishes such as Norwegian salmon glazed with red chile honey served with corn spoon bread and chocolate velvet ice cream in spicy coca dust served with butter-milk tequila sauce.

Again, the thrust is for a noisy good time and the unusual dishes prompt some sharing (if you don't like it maybe someone else will or if you do like it, someone else should enjoy it, too).

These restaurants all are operated by established restaurateurs who obviously have the backing to open even in a down economy. Let's hope for their sake, for the sake of their employees and in the interest of our palates, they have the menu for continued success.

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# Public transit is a real trip



Tim Richard

IF THEY "reorganize" public transit any more, they'll be back where they started.

Every few years, someone decides we need better public transit in southeastern Michigan, and the way to provide it is to reorganize the service governmentally.

Never does anyone suggest a tax source for these wonderful services for job seekers, the young, the elderly and the handicapped. Perish the thought! We've got to reorganize!

THE LATEST call came last month when SMART (the first three letters stand for Suburban Mobility Authority, and I forget the rest) announced it would be broke by May, and maybe it ought to seek a merger with Detroit's DOT bus system.

In 1969, the state Legislature gave birth to a seven-county system called SEMTA (Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority). Its missions were to absorb a half-dozen private bus companies, negotiate a merger with D-DOT, set up an integrated system, and maybe even build rapid rail transit.

It had no tax powers, of course. SEMTA had a board of 15, most picked by the SEMCOG, the regional planning agency, and some by the governor. The board had a regional outlook and many women members. (Two-thirds of public transit users are female.)

MUCH WENT wrong, but I'll hit only the high points.

The mayor of Detroit nixed a merger because Detroit had tax money to subsidize its farebox revenues, and SEMTA had none. The mayor didn't want his town's service diluted. Coleman Young was 1,000 percent correct.

In 1976 came a "reorganization" cry. SEMCOG was out the window as an important appointing authority. The mayor of Detroit and the counties became the heavy hitters.

That was doubly bad for the suburbs. Regional thinkers on the board were replaced by county politicians, and the women members were broomed.

In the mid-1980s, SEMTA got

into trouble with cost overruns on the downtown Detroit People Mover. Millions were diverted from suburban buses to the DPM. Out of money, SEMTA turned over the project to Young, who put his name on it. Ride the DPM today, and you'll see no acknowledgement that SEMTA contributed a dime.

THREE YEARS years ago, SEMTA was reorganized into a suburban bus service called SMART. Now the county executives were supposed to be the heavy hitters.

The first thing the new SMART board began talking about was "privatizing" bus service. Hey, wasn't that what we had when SEMTA was birthed in 1969?

And now they're talking about a merger with D-DOT. Hey, wasn't that what SEMTA was supposed to do?

Meanwhile, after 22 years of lethargy, SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, is springing to life to halt "urban sprawl" issue — the paving over of farmlands, woodlots and wetlands for malls and condos, with an essentially stagnant population.

Part of SEMCOG's thinking is the need for public transportation to get folks from the left-behind, older urban areas to jobs, doctors and stores in the hinterlands.

Hey, wasn't that supposed to be SEMCOG's mission when it was organized in 1968?

CLEARLY THIS seven-county region has come full circle. In 1991, we are talking about precisely the same issues we were talking about in 1969 — saving older cities, halting urban sprawl, providing regional public transit.

Tim Richard covered the births of both SEMTA and SEMCOG.

# Answer case study in chauvinism

AM I A MALE chauvinist? You tell me. (I don't mean in the alleged Clarence Thomas per Anita Hill sense. Chauvinism can be manifested in ways far subtler than sexual harassment.)

In a graduate-level course I'm teaching in leadership theory at Oakland University, I selected male class members to lead analyses of the first three case studies, and near the close of the third discussion analysis, I mused to myself that I'd better choose a woman to lead the fourth one.

This concern was confirmed as entirely viable when one of my male students told me he had overheard a female student remark that I hadn't selected a woman to lead an analysis yet. The idea that I might be viewed as (shudder) chauvinistic by some of my students caused me to promptly write up the incident in case-study form and have the class discuss it. I chose a woman as discussion leader.

IN THE WRITTEN case study — whose protagonist was a thinly disguised version of myself whom I



John Telford

named "Professor Prestwick" — I included defensive data purported to quickly quash all sentiment that I might be any kind of chauvinist, e.g. the fact that I have long been famous for my egalitarian instincts and that I hired or promoted women in five directorships, nine principalships and six assistant principalships in Rochester.

In Plymouth-Canton I installed one of the state's first all female administrations in a middle school; in Berkley I chose the state's first female to coordinate boys' and girls' athletics; and that I have often encouraged my daughter, Katherine, in traditionally non-female pursuits.

I stated in the study that the discussion would either confirm the professor as the non-chauvinistic

"Prestwick" he regarded himself to be, or he'd learn something about himself that needed correcting, and the class would get a valuable and entertaining learning experience on egalitarianism.

I had the professor mutter to himself that maybe he really was something of a chauvinist. Here's how this emerging self-doubt was further characterized in the case study: "Prestwick knew too many of his old-guard brethren who, like him, had ascended to high administrative positions via the athlete-coach-athletic director route, and who were indeed as chauvinistic as the devil and undoubtedly would continue to be until their dying days.

"PERHAPS," HE mused, 'since I came up with them, and I was trained and coached by men like them to be like them, and for years I worked with men who chronically exhibited mutually reinforcing male chauvinism, I'm thus still more like them than I want to believe.' "

This written case study concluded with Prestwick resolving to redouble

his vigilance in monitoring himself. Then I gave the leader these questions to address in the discussion: Can we be chauvinistic without being aware of it? Is it possible to "see" chauvinism that isn't there? Was it chauvinistic of Prestwick to choose men to lead the first three discussions? How can people guard against chauvinistic thinking?

As you might imagine, class debate was lively, to say the least! I know you're wondering whether or not the discussion exonerated me of any "male chauvinist" charge, but I'm not telling you yet. That would be too easy. Instead I'm going to let you be the judge. You can call or write me in Rochester Hills (I'm in the phone book), or write me in care of this newspaper. I may run your best analyses, and then I'll tell you how the class ruled, too!

John Telford, a Rochester Hills resident, recently was assistant superintendent in the Rochester School District. He previously was executive director for secondary education in the Plymouth Canton district.

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# Closest, highest full moon of year appears Dec. 21

The moon is approaching the beautiful Pleiades (PLEE a dees) star cluster on the evening of the 18th. The Pleiades marks the shoulder of Taurus the bull. In Greek mythology, the Pleiades represented the seven daughters of the god Atlas. To the naked-eye, only five or six of the "daughters" are visible; through binoculars dozens of stars can be seen. In Japan this cluster is called Subaru and, when you see the automobile of the same name, note that this cluster is the logo on the trunk!

On the evening of the 19th, the moon is eight degrees above and to the left of Aldebaran (al DEB a ran), the orange-red "eye" of Taurus. On the following night, the moon is located between the "horns" of the bull. Look for two stars, one above and to the left of the moon, the other below and to the right.

Full Moon is at 5:23 a.m. on Dec. 21. The moon is located opposite the sun, as seen from the earth, and is fully lighted. The moon will nick the edge of the earth's shadow and there will be a partial eclipse of the moon. At 5:33 a.m. about 9 percent of the southern part of the moon will be

eclipsed. Interesting, but not spectacular. The moon will not turn orange like it does during a total lunar eclipse.

This is the closest and the highest Full Moon of the year.

**THE ORBIT OF** the moon around the earth is oval, not perfectly round. Each month there is a point where the moon is at its closest and another point where it is at its farthest. The close point just happens to coincide with the full phase this month.

Because the Full Moon is always opposite the sun, and because the sun is at its lowest altitude in December, this month's Full Moon will have the highest altitude of any moon this year.

Winter officially arrives on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 3:54 a.m. On this day the sun will be rising at its farthest point south of east, have its lowest altitude in the sky at noon, and set at its farthest point south of west for the entire year.

The sun appears in different parts of the sky at different times of the year. Remember where the sun was rising back in June? It was rising at its farthest north of east and setting



skywatch  
**Raymond E. Bullock**

north of west. The days were long and warm and we had summer.

The difference in the sun's position is not due to any movement on the part of the sun. Instead it's due to the tilt of Earth's axis of rotation.

We orbit around the sun, but our axis is tilted 23.5 degrees. It just happens to be pointing toward a star named Polaris, the North Star. In summer, when the North Pole of the earth is pointed toward Polaris, it is tilted 23.5 degrees toward the sun as well.

SIX MONTHS later the earth is on the opposite side of the sun. The North Pole is still aimed toward Polaris, but now it tilts 23.5 degrees away from the sun. Therefore the sun appears in a different part of the sky.

The moment when the earth

reaches the point in its orbit where the North Pole is at the greatest tilt away from the sun, is the exact moment of winter. At least it is for the Northern Hemisphere. When the North Pole is tilted away from the sun, the South Pole is tilted toward it. We may be facing the start of winter, but for people south of the equator it's the start of summer.

If it were not for the tilt of Earth there would be no change of seasons. If the earth's axis was straight up and down, everyone would have March-type weather year-round. That may not be bad if you live in the tropics, but it's not so great in Michigan!

The second meteor shower of the month, the Ursids (ER sids), peaks during the pre-dawn hours of December 23. The Ursids are named for the constellation of Ursa Major, marked by the Big Dipper in the north. Ursa Major, the Big Bear, is a circumpolar constellation; it is always visible somewhere in the north year-round in Michigan. In December it will be high in the north before sunrise. The Ursids are nowhere near as spectacular as the Geminids; expect to see only 15 meteors each

hour. Because the moon will be in the sky during this shower, the fainter meteors will be difficult to see.

Look for Mercury on the morning of the 24th. It is 10 degrees above the southeastern horizon, 45 minutes before sunrise. Seven degrees below and to the right of Mercury is Antares (an TAR ees), the "heart" of Scorpius the scorpion. Nine degrees below Mercury, barely one degree above the horizon, is Mars. Officially a morning object, Mars will be extremely difficult to see.

**ON THE MORNING OF** the 25th, the moon is five degrees below Regulus (REG u lus), the "heart" of Leo the lion. The bright 'star' to the left of Regulus is the planet Jupiter. On the following morning the moon is six degrees below Jupiter.

Mercury is at its maximum elongation (greatest apparent distance) from the sun on Dec. 27. It is 22 degrees to the west (right) of the sun. Mercury stands eight degrees above Mars and 17 degrees below and to the left of Venus.

The moon is at last quarter phase at 8:55 p.m. on the 27th. It is begin-

ning the last-quarter of its orbit around the earth.

The moon is located below Spica on the morning of the 29th, fairly close to where it was on Dec. 2. At that time, Venus was four degrees to the left of Spica; now Venus is nearly 30 degrees from that star.

Jupiter, which has been drifting slowly eastward through the stars of Leo, is stationary on the 31st and begins retrograde (backward) motion thereafter. It will appear to move westward toward Regulus during the next four months. Retrograde motion is an optical illusion, caused when the faster moving earth passes slower moving Jupiter.

An excellent aid for learning constellations and keeping up to date with the sky is the monthly "Sky Calendar." A one-year subscription is \$6 and is available from Abrams Planetarium, Michigan State University, East Lansing, 48824.

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## MHS says don't give pets as gifts

Pets can be a constant source of joy, but the Michigan Humane Society says they aren't good Christmas gifts.

Pets need time to adjust to new surroundings and the excitement and general confusion of a holiday celebration can be frightening, MHS officials said. Pets need time and extra care to ensure a smooth transition into the household.

People need time to identify the type of animal they would like, including behavioral characteristics and temperament.

Choosing a pet is also a personal choice filled with responsibility, many individuals prefer to select their own pet.

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## Chiefs cruise into semis with 52-41 win



JOHN STORMZAND/staff photographer

Kelly Holmes looks for a teammate on the outlet pass in Canton's quarterfinal victory.

By Steve Kowalski  
staff writer

Plymouth Canton coach Bob Blohm rested Stephanie Gray during some of the second quarter Wednesday night because he "wanted to make sure we were going to finish with her."

Well, the way Gray played in the third quarter, Blohm didn't need his 6-foot junior center around at the end.

Gray made four of her first five shots after halftime and scored 10 third-quarter points as the Chiefs pulled away from Grand Ledge for a 52-41 Class A quarterfinal win at Lansing Eastern.

The win earns Canton (21-4 overall) its second trip to the Final Four in the past three years. The Chiefs, who lost in the 1989 semifinal, will meet Detroit Martin Luther King in Friday's 5 p.m. semifinal game at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena.

Starting guard Britta Anderson left Wednesday's game in the first half with a slight concussion after a collision, and Blohm is hoping she'll be ready to play against King.

"King, they're awesome," Blohm said. "They're the best team in the state. They've got great quickness, size and their pressure is unbelievable."

WHILE GRAY was enjoying so much success shooting in the third quarter, Grand Ledge was not, missing its first 10 shots. Canton outscored Grand Ledge 12-0 at the start of the third quarter and took a 40-28 lead after three quarters.

Blohm acknowledged Canton's third-quarter defensive presence but said the momentum changed in the second quarter when the Chiefs' sensational reserve guard Amy Westerhold scored the last four points of the half for a 28-23 lead.

Grand Ledge finished at 19-7. "I thought our defense really got going in the second quarter," Blohm said. "We played defensively as good

as we've played and our rebounding wasn't bad. When we got the ball off the glass, we got it to (point guard) Alyson Nouné, and she got it in the middle or to Amy (Westerhold), and Gray and Kelly Holmes ran the wings real well."

Westerhold, Canton's sixth player, scored a game-high 17 points, while Gray and Nouné contributed 13 apiece.

Canton made 21 of 48 shots from the field (44 percent) and limited Grand Ledge to 30 percent shooting (17-for-56). The Chiefs also enjoyed a 32-24 rebounding edge, with Gray grabbing a game-high 10 and Holmes six. Blohm also praised the rebounding of Lisa Nicastrì, who came in for Gray when Gray picked up her second foul in the second quarter.

Grand Ledge's best shooter, Jill Hetherington, scored a team-high 14 points and 5-11 senior center Sarah Brandt added 12. Most of Brandt's shots came within 5 feet of the basket, but she managed to make only five of 20.

"THEY (THE CHIEFS) weren't the problem, we were," Grand Ledge coach Deb Traxinger said. "We had a lot of easy shots and missed them. I think the kids tried a little too hard. It's unfortunate, because we've been playing very well."

The Chiefs and Comets were tied 12-12 after one quarter but Canton took the lead for good, 15-14, early in the second quarter on Nouné's three-point shot. The Chiefs got some more solid backcourt play in the second quarter from Westerhold, who scored 10 of her points in the first half, including a three-pointer.

Westerhold picked up her fourth foul with 7:05 remaining in the game, but she stayed in and helped put the game away with a three-point play off a steal and a bank shot that gave Canton a 45-36 lead with 4:02 left.

"I like to start, but I don't really mind this (coming off the bench),"



JOHN STORMZAND/staff photographer

Britta Anderson hears a positive word from Karrie Drinkhahn after Anderson suffered a concussion.

said Westerhold, who was a starter earlier in the year. "Lately, it's easier because I don't have pressure on me."

Canton won't be satisfied with just showing up at the Final Four, Nouné said.

"It's a great accomplishment and we've come a long way, but there's still the semis next," she said. "When people ranked us high in the pre-season, we just ignored it and played hard each game because we know there's a better goal to look forward to."

## Ocelots have slow start but still win hoop game

It took a while — "Maybe they had too much Thanksgiving turkey," mused coach Dave Bogataj — but once Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team got going, it was in control.

The result was an 83-72 triumph over the Adrian College junior varsity Monday in Adrian. The victory improved SC's record to 5-2.

Jarvis Murray and Scott Meredith provided the inside punch that paved the way to victory. Murray riddled Adrian for 28 points; he also grabbed 10 rebounds. Meredith was one of those to get off to a slow start, scoring just three points in the first half, but he found his touch in the second, getting 14 to finish with 17. Mitch Fyke had 13 and Gemal Ahmed added 10.

The Ocelots did suffer one loss: Point guard Rahim Woodson sprained his ankle and did not play. He was replaced by Tony Rumble and Jeff Stein, who combined for

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eight points, five assists and just one turnover.

The game was close until the final six minutes. Tied at 31 at half, SC led by four with seven minutes remaining. Four minutes later, the Ocelots had bumped their lead to 17.

"I'M REALLY concerned with our outside shooting," said Bogataj, noting his team's 1-for-7 three-point accuracy. "We'll be working on that."

Adrian was paced by Chris Keller with 23 points, Eric Zernikow with 12, and Don Lapinski, Mike Moseley and Mike Campbell with 10 apiece.

Last Wednesday (Nov. 27), fouls and rebounds cost SC any hope of

victory against visiting Glen Oaks CC, which claimed a 97-84 triumph.

"It was just terrible," said Bogataj. "We were outrebounded horrendously."

Murray, Fyke, Meredith and Shawn Harrell each had three fouls in the first half; Rumble fouled out, while six others finished with four. On the boards, the Ocelots were on the low end, 43-28, including 16-7 in offensive rebounding.

In scoring, the difference was free throws: Glen Oaks made 32-of-48, while SC was 15-of-24. Murray and Woodson paced the Ocelots with 17 points each. Meredith had 12 and Rumble 10. Fred Ferguson was high scorer for Glen Oaks (a 4-2 record for the season) with 23; Felite Phillips added 18.

SC plays visits Spring Arbor tonight for a game against its junior varsity before opening the Eastern Conference season Wednesday at Highland Park CC.

## Mercy receives free pass to state semifinal contest

By Dan O'Meara  
staff writer

Farmington Hills Mercy coach Larry Baker attended a quarterfinal game in the girls basketball tournament Wednesday night as he had planned to do.

But Baker thought he would be coaching and not scouting.

He had expected to make a short trip to Southfield High where his Marlins would play, not drive to Grand Rapids to see some other teams.

Mercy was to have faced No. 1-ranked Detroit Murray-Wright, but Baker's plans changed Tuesday when the Michigan High School Athletic Association removed the Pilots from the Class A state tournament for using ineligible players.

Thus, the Marlins got an automatic bye to the semifinals Friday. Mercy will play the Saginaw-Alpena winner at 8 p.m. in the Battle Creek Central Fieldhouse. The final is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday at Kellogg Arena, also in Battle Creek.

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"WE HAD NO active part in the whole proceeding of this eligibility matter," Baker said. "We were just bystanders and, for the last 24 hours, frustrated and anxious bystanders. We were keyed up and ready to play our biggest game of the season Wednesday night."

The MHSAA disqualified Murray-Wright, the state runner-up last year, after it was learned Eugenia Warren and Latricia Gunnells were not on the eligibility roster submitted to the district tournament manager. Those rosters cannot be amended once the tournament starts.

Warren, a transfer from Flint, had not played until the regional while the Public School League studied the circumstances of her transfer. She scored 10 points in Murray-Wright's 69-66 win over Livonia Franklin and 35 against Dearborn Fordson in the

regional final.

"In retrospect, I'm much sorer for the kids at Fordson and Franklin, being put out of the tournament with no recourse," Baker said. "It seems horribly unfair that my candidate for Miss Basketball, Dawn Warner (of Franklin), was eliminated under those circumstances."

Warner scored a career-high 47 points in the Murray-Wright game.

Instead of coaching his team in a quarterfinal game for the first time since 1986, Baker went to scout the Saginaw-Alpena contest in Grand Rapids. It meant spending an additional four hours on the road, but Baker said he could handle that.

"IT'S CERTAINLY with the incentive of being in the Final Four and something we do with enthusiasm, though it means trekking across the state on a Wednesday night," Baker said. "We'll be as prepared as we possibly can be for our next game."

"It's also an advantage not to be scouted at this point. I can't fault

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**200 MEDLEY RELAY**  
(state cut: 1:57.59)

Farmington Hills Mercy	1:50.92
Livonia Stevenson	1:53.70
Plymouth Salem	1:54.78
Plymouth Canton	1:55.61
Farmington Hills Harrison	1:59.66

**200 FREESTYLE**  
(state cut: 2:01.99)

Erika Smith (Mercy)	1:56.36
Jamie Anderson (Stevenson)	1:58.92
Andrea Hoeflein (Mercy)	1:59.29
Tara Ditchkoff (Churchill)	1:59.58
Karrie Kranz (N. Farmington)	1:59.74
Sherri Richardson (N. Farmington)	2:01.99
Holly Palmeri (Stevenson)	2:03.39
Ellen Lessig (Churchill)	2:04.31
Mandy Speer (Mercy)	2:04.31
Katie McWhirter (Canton)	2:04.40

**200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY**  
(state cut: 2:19.99)

Mandi Falk (Stevenson)	2:14.14
Jill Mellis (Canton)	2:15.16
Mandy Speer (Mercy)	2:16.55
Ellen Lessig (Churchill)	2:17.33
Liz Sorokac (Churchill)	2:17.40
Jenny McCombs (Mercy)	2:17.74
Erika Smith (Mercy)	2:18.60
Jill Knapp (Stevenson)	2:19.37
Jennifer Knapp (Stevenson)	2:20.02
Shannon O'Brien (N. Farmington)	2:20.07

**50 FREESTYLE**  
(state cut: 25.69)

Ellen Lessig (Churchill)	24.33
Mandi Falk (Salem)	25.13
Erika Smith (Mercy)	25.47
Jeni Cooper (Canton)	25.47
April Billis (Canton)	25.57
Jill Hawkins (Farmington)	25.67

**swimming**

Jennifer Knapp (Stevenson)	26.01
Mandi Falk (Stevenson)	26.09
Katie Knipper (Mercy)	26.10
Nancy Watson (Stevenson)	26.19

**DIVING**  
(state cut: five first places)

Elaina Trager (Harrison)	258.85
Mandy Tereff (N. Farmington)	251.10
Amy Kodris (Canton)	248.20
Katie Williams (Salem)	227.85
Alysa Sofos (Salem)	225.80
Amy Dombrowski (Mercy)	214.10
Misty Maniez (Wayne)	206.55
Elise Turner (N. Farmington)	205.45
Missy Siedel (Thurston)	199.70
Bridget Jones (Wayne)	199.35

**100 BUTTERFLY**  
(state cut: 1:02.99)

Mandi Falk (Stevenson)	59.85
Katie Knipper (Mercy)	1:01.41
Jill Mellis (Canton)	1:01.42
Ellen Lessig (Churchill)	1:02.00
Becky Weary (Farmington)	1:02.48
Candi Bosse (Salem)	1:02.51
Michelle Welch (Mercy)	1:02.53
Jenny McCombs (Mercy)	1:04.10
Tara Ditchkoff (Churchill)	1:04.11
Holly Palmeri (Stevenson)	1:04.32

**100 FREESTYLE**  
(state cut: 55.89)

Ellen Lessig (Churchill)	53.36
Erika Smith (Mercy)	53.95
Jeni Cooper (Canton)	55.21
Mandy Speer (Mercy)	55.27
Jill Hawkins (Farmington)	55.34
Tara Ditchkoff (Churchill)	55.36
April Billis (Canton)	55.74
Karrie Kranz (N. Farmington)	55.83
Mandi Falk (Salem)	55.89
Andrea Hoeflein (Mercy)	56.27

**500 FREESTYLE**  
(state cut: 5:26.29)

Jamie Anderson (Stevenson)	5:18.34
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Tara Ditchkoff (Churchill)	5:18.70
Erika Smith (Mercy)	5:23.01
Karrie Kranz (N. Farmington)	5:24.88
Andrea Hoeflein (Mercy)	5:24.94
Katie Scallen (Mercy)	5:24.99
Sherri Richardson (N. Farmington)	5:28.02
Katie McWhirter (Canton)	5:28.20
Michelle Welch (Mercy)	5:32.98
Ellen Lessig (Churchill)	5:34.10

**200 FREESTYLE RELAY**  
(state cut: 1:45.49)

Livonia Churchill	1:41.68
Plymouth Canton	1:42.62
Farmington Hills Mercy	1:42.64
Plymouth Salem	1:44.37
Livonia Stevenson	1:44.39

**100 BACKSTROKE**  
(state cut: 1:04.59)

Jenny McCombs (Mercy)	1:00.77
Mandy Speer (Mercy)	1:01.51
Stacey Krause (Harrison)	1:03.18
Tara Ditchkoff (Churchill)	1:03.20
Kristin Stackpole (Salem)	1:04.84
Janet Roberts (Canton)	1:04.78
Brandi Gary (John Glenn)	1:05.16
Julie Petrillo (Stevenson)	1:05.58
Jamie Hillard (Stevenson)	1:06.53
Jill Barnes (Canton)	1:06.60

**100 BREASTSTROKE**  
(state cut: 1:12.59)

Mandi Falk (Stevenson)	1:07.32
Katie Knipper (Mercy)	1:07.86
Jennifer Knapp (Stevenson)	1:08.07
Jill Knapp (Stevenson)	1:09.30
Nancy Harvey (Mercy)	1:10.91
Amy Austin (Salem)	1:11.18
Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	1:12.10
Selena Bassine (Canton)	1:12.38
Dana Dixon (Harrison)	1:12.50
Andrea Hoeflein (Mercy)	1:12.56

**400 FREESTYLE RELAY**  
(state cut: 3:52.59)

Farmington Hills Mercy	3:41.81
Plymouth Canton	3:43.11
Livonia Churchill	3:43.31
Livonia Stevenson	3:47.80
North Farmington	3:48.24

**Cruisers claim dual-meet victory**

The Plymouth-Canton Cruisers defeated the Pinckney Pirates 494-244 in a swimming dual meet Nov. 6. Following are the Cruisers top two relays and top four individuals in each event.

**GIRLS 13-14**

200 medley relay: 1. Sara Casillas, Amy Parry, Lyndi Burton and Erica Pendergrass, 2:30.83; 2. Kavita Matani, Anna Winkler, Sarah Winkler and Andrea Bien, 2:44.81.

50 freestyle: 1. Amy Parry, 30.80; 2. Kelly Larsen, 30.86; 3. Sara Casillas, 31.25; 4. Andrea Bien, 32.58.

100 butterfly: 1. Erica Pendergrass, 1:21.97; 2. Amy Parry, 1:23.00; 3. Sara Casillas, 1:26.52; 4. Kelly Larsen, 1:29.90.

**BOYS 13-14**

200 medley relay: 1. Joe Ervin, Jason Markley, Paul Magoulick and Jerry Peters, 2:07.49; 2. Scott Mulder, John McLanaghan, Lee Bonner and David Bracht, 2:18.54.

50 freestyle: 1. Paul Magoulick, 25.58; 2. Joe Ervin, 25.72; 3. David Bracht, 27.17; 4. Jason Markley, 29.49.

100 butterfly: 1. Paul Magoulick, 1:04.49; 2. Joe Ervin, 1:17.01; 3. Jerry Peters, 1:23.95; 4. John McLanaghan, 1:26.89.

**GIRLS 11-12**

200 medley relay: 2. Jayne Roberts, Katie Bonner, Angela Frost and Amy Sonnanstine, 2:20.99; 4. Kim Crabill, Kelli Zink, Megan McHenry and Sarah McCasland, 2:51.92.

50 freestyle: 3. Amy Sonnanstine, 31.29; 4. Angela Frost, 31.36; 5. Jayne Roberts, 31.87; 7. Kristen Whalen, 33.66.

50 butterfly: 4. Jayne Roberts, 35.21; 5. Amy Sonnanstine, 36.05; 6. Angela Frost, 37.30; 8. Katie Bonner, 41.58.

200 freestyle relay: 2. Danielle Winkler, Joelen Kersten, Sarah Bethel and Kellyann

Williams, 2:32.23; 3. Renee Bertsch, Liz Bixler, Amanda Kralisz and Julie Cary, 2:46.99.

**BOYS 11-12**

200 medley relay: 1. Luke Woodcock, Scott Belsie, Russell LaForte and Jim McLanaghan, 2:22.02; 2. Nicholas Corridore, Matt Parry, Noah Allor and Tim Brady, 2:48.37.

50 freestyle: 1. Russell LaForte, 26.12; 2. Scott Belsie, 29.43; 4. Jim McLanaghan, 31.67; 5. Brant Mellis, 32.09.

50 butterfly: 1. Russell LaForte, 31.56; 2. Scott Belsie, 34.47; 4. Luke Woodcock, 39.34; 5. Jim McLanaghan, 39.83.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Nicholas Corridore, Joshua Filiater, Brent Mellis and David Colburn, 2:23.47; 2. Michael Dempsey, Justin Adkins, Brian McKay and Brian Sawicz, 2:58.49.

**GIRLS 9-10**

200 medley relay: 1. Tricia Kelley, Carin Larson, Teri Hanson and Aline Karoleff, 2:40.94; 3. Sarah Rogers, Robin Dzialo, Jennifer Foess and Kim Sikas, 3:00.24.

50 freestyle: 3. Teri Hanson, 33.32; 5. Tricia Kelley, 36.43; 6. Carin Larson, 36.58; 8. Aline Karoleff, 37.36.

50 butterfly: 2. Teri Hanson, 38.84; 4. Carin Larson, 43.31; 5. Aline Karoleff, 43.58; 6. Tricia Kelley, 45.43.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Melissa Stacey, Sarah Rogers, Whitney Endicott and Brandy Shuler, 2:48.39; 3. Kari Sauve, Kerry Patten, Bridget Carney and Lorissa McKay, 3:34.77.

**BOYS 9-10**

200 medley relay: 1. Matt Casillas, Scott Mincher, Kevin Crabill and Danny Jones, 2:43.25; 3. Stephen Graham, Blake Bernstein, Chris Jones and Michael DePouw, 3:11.99.

50 freestyle: 2. Kevin Crabill, 33.91; 3. Scott Mincher, 35.30; 5. Danny Jones, 37.28.

50 butterfly: 1. Kevin Crabill, 41.37; 3. Scott Mincher, 44.96; 4. Chris Jones, 48.74; 5. Matt Casillas, 49.08.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Chris Belch, Stephen Graham, Sam Ellison and Duncan Burgess, 3:21.02.

**GIRLS 8-UNDER**

100 medley relay: 1. Sarah Broniak, Stephanie DePouw, Jenny Barrowcliff and Charlene Dallos, 1:35.76; 2. Brenda Roberts, Dayna Niemi, Alicia Kralisz and Kim Larsen, 1:55.38.

25 freestyle: 1. Stephanie DePouw, 19.48; 2. Brenda Roberts, 21.31; 3. Kim Larsen, 21.82; 5. Jenny Barrowcliff, 22.09.

25 butterfly: 1. Jenny Barrowcliff, 22.06; 2. Charlene Dallos, 23.95; 3. Brenda Roberts, 24.32; 4. Stephanie DePouw, 26.55.

**GIRLS MIXED**

100 freestyle relay: 1. Elizabeth Graham, Jenny Crabill, Charlene Dallos and Leah Reeder, 1:56.60.

**BOYS 8-UNDER**

100 medley relay: 1. Chris Mackinder, Jeff Parry, Mark Montayne, Brian Theiss, 1:24.75; 2. Adam Sonnanstine, Peter Neuroth, Brett Reidsma and Steven Rice, 1:47.40.

25 freestyle: 2. Mark Montayne, 16.68; 4. Brian Theiss, 20.31; 5. Jeff Parry, 20.34; 6. Chris Mackinder, 21.44.

25 butterfly: 1. Mark Montayne, 21.24; 3. Brian Theiss, 23.74; 4. Jeff Parry, 25.74; 6. Chris Mackinder, 28.21.

100 freestyle relay: 1. Ben Dzialo, Adam Ellison, Ben Mellis and Jeff Nevi, 2:02.44; 2. Benny Finley, Ryan Sartor, Austin Kralisz and Brett Reidsma, 2:26.05.

**Lady Ocelots rout cage opponents**

The description Jack Grenan gave for his team's performance at its Thanksgiving Tournament last weekend seemed well-suited, considering the results.

"We were hitting on all cylinders," said Grenan after his Schoolcraft College women's basketball team romped to victories over Fanshawe College (Ontario) and Jamestown CC (N.Y.).

The Lady Ocelots improved to 6-2 with the wins.

Neither game was close. SC ripped Fanshawe 49-35 Saturday; the final margin was as close as Fanshawe got in the last 15 minutes. It also provided Grenan with his 100th career coaching victory (against 38 defeats).

Nicole Dapprich got the Ocelots off to a fast start, pouring in 16 first-

half points. She finished with 20 points, a strong performance after going 0-for-7 from the floor the night before.

Sis Guth added 10 points. Dana Hudson's eight rebounds topped SC; she scored four points. SC led 28-17 at halftime and was ahead by as many as 23 in the second half.

**AGAINST JAMESTOWN** Friday, defense again prevailed as the Ocelots routed the visitors 83-33. The game was one-sided all the way, with SC up 46-16 at the break.

The difference between the two victories was where the points came from. Against Fanshawe Saturday, post players Dapprich and Guth provided the scoring.

On Friday, the Ocelot backcourt set the tone: Donna Galli poured in

31 points, hitting 4-of-4 three-pointers in the opening half and 5-of-7 for the game. She had 18 points in the first half.

Point guard Jen Audet was nearly as effective; she made 10-of-12 shots to score 20 points, and she did not commit a turnover throughout the game. Guth and Hudson added 10 points apiece, with Guth grabbing 11 rebounds.

Jamestown was led by Laure Gamdelluca's 11 points, but it had just two second-half field goals. Its points came from the free throw line, where it converted 13-of-17 over the final 20 minutes.

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**Mercy benefits from eligibility ruling**

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any opponent if they hadn't been tracking us before the quarterfinals, because Murray-Wright appeared to be the favorite."

Baker learned Sunday that Murray-Wright might be disqualified and informed his players of that possibility Monday. But the Marlins had been preparing to play Murray-Wright for five days when suddenly everything was put on hold.

"We had a strong practice (Tuesday), because we had to finish our preparation for Murray-Wright, but we all knew our next opponent would be either Alpena or Saginaw," Baker said.

He added the uncertainty of the last few days caused more stress in the adults than the players, who seemed to be handling the situation well.

"I've been refreshed around the players, because they're still enthusiastic about winning the regional championship and the opportunity to practice this week when so many others aren't," Baker said.

THE NEGATIVE side is that it will be 1½ weeks between games for

the Marlins. The positive aspect is Mercy has time to work and prepare for its next opponent instead of having one day between games without having seen the other team, he said.

The Marlins (16-8), who last reached the semifinals in 1984 and lost to Benton Harbor, are no less excited about being one of the Final Four teams despite the circumstances that put them there, Baker said.

"There's certainly nothing to be ashamed of. We're delighted to be going. We didn't ask for a bye. We were ready to play (in the quarterfinal), and I think I'm taking a team that is playing its best basketball of the year. We won't look over our shoulders with any regrets."

Mercy lost 47-42 to Saginaw early in the season in a game the Marlins believe they could have won. Alpena defeated Saginaw during the regular season.

"Having played (Saginaw) before makes them very beatable in our minds," Baker said. "If we had made a couple adjustments the first time around, we would have come away with a win. We're confident without being cocky."

**Franklin wanted to play Tractors**

Livonia Franklin's hope of getting back into the Class A girls basketball playoffs turned into false hope.

The Patriots spent Tuesday afternoon wondering if they'd get another chance after finding out Detroit Murray-Wright was disqualified for using ineligible players in the regional at Dearborn Edsel Ford.

No such luck. Murray-Wright did not have to forfeit regional victories over Franklin (69-66) and Dearborn Fordson.

"We were on the phone all day with (state officials), trying to set up a situation where we could play Fordson for the regional title and the winner would go on to the quarterfinal," Franklin coach Dan Freeman said.

"We said we'd make any concession necessary, play in the Fordson gym, whatever it takes."

Had Franklin gotten the chance to advance further, there's no doubt senior guard Dawn Warner would have benefited in trying to secure the Miss Basketball award. "Players like Dawn come around once in a lifetime," Freeman said. "I feel bad for the team and if Dawn had been able to show herself in the quarterfinals or beyond that it would have helped. You can't watch Dawn play and not vote for her."

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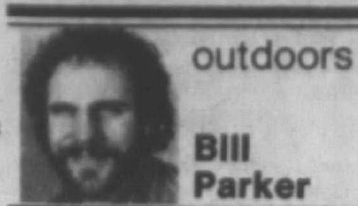
**P**RELIMINARY harvest numbers compiled by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources indicate the 1991 firearm deer season should go down on paper as one of the best ever.

"The harvest was 275,000, based on the traffic survey estimate," said Harry Hill, the DNR's statistician. "If that number holds up the total will be the fourth highest in history."

The buck harvest seems to be down slightly from last year. In 1990 hunters took 183,000 bucks while preliminary estimates indicate 173,000 bucks were harvested this year during the firearms season. Hunters took 72,000 bucks from the northern Lower Peninsula, 59,000 from the southern Lower and 42,000 from the Upper Peninsula.

Observer & Eccentric readers were as successful as any hunters during both the first archery season and the firearms season of 1991.

Redford Township's Tom James passed a buck on opening day of the firearms season. He couldn't shoot because he already had his two-buck limit. On Oct. 6 the 27-year-old hunter arrowed a 145-pound, 8-point with a 10-yard shot while still-hunting a section of hard-



Bill Parker outdoors

woods in Livingston County. At 9 a.m. on Nov. 2, James topped that buck by nailing a 178-pound, 10-point from a tree stand in a fence row in Livingston County. The trophy 10-point has a 19-inch spread, 12-inch lines and green scored 135 points on the Boone & Crockett scoring system.

Gerry Pelto, 30, of Gregory, took a 9-point with his bow at 5 p.m. on Halloween night from the same stand James shot his 10-pointer from.

John Haas missed an 8-point buck in the early morning hours of opening day of the firearm deer season. But the 34-year-old Livonia resident made up for the miss an hour later when he dropped a beautiful 170-pound, 10-point at 9 a.m. in a cedar swamp in Livingston County. Two days later, at 9:30 a.m., Haas bagged a 177-pound, 7-point while still-hunting the same cedar swamp.

Although Haas was pleased with his success, he didn't quite match his success of last year when he shot a 10-point and a 12-point.

Birmingham's John Schrot took a pair of Upper Peninsula bucks early in the firearm season. Hunting hardwoods in Menominee County, the 41-year-old hunter shot a 130-pound spike horn on opening day then took a 140-pound 4-point on Nov. 17. Schrot and his three brothers combined efforts to take five bucks.

Mark Schrot, 34, of Caro, dropped a 155-pound, 6-point on Nov. 17.

Tom Schrot, 40, of Stephenson, shot a 170-pound, 8-point on Nov. 15.

Steve Schrot, 39, of Lapeer, bagged a 150-pound, 6-point on Nov. 16.

Kawaun Maxwell didn't let the fact that she was the only female hunter in camp bother her hunting effort. The 25-year-old Detroit resident was the only hunter in her party of four to shoot a buck this year, downing a 6-point, 130-pounder on Nov. 17th. Maxwell shot the buck, her first ever, on the edge of a swamp near Baldwin.

Larry Kammerer Jr. shot a 6-point, 140-point buck with his bow on Oct. 4 while hunting his father's

property in Lapeer County.

Larry Kammerer Sr. took his first buck with a bow on Oct. 20 when he wacked a 170-pound, 8-point near a swamp in Lapeer County.

Oakland Township hunter Dan Poole took his first buck with a bow at dusk on Oct. 14. Hunting hardwoods in northern Oakland County, the 32-year-old archer dropped a 140-pound, 8-point with a well placed shot to the neck.

Oxford's Billy Edwards used precise shooting skills to bag a 140-pound, 4-point with a shotgun on Nov. 17 while hunting the edge of a swamp in Oakland County.

Darrah Woodbeck, 26, of Clarkston, shot a 145-pound, 6-point with his bow on Oct. 5 while hunting hardwoods in Oakland County. The buck was Woodbeck's second 6-point in two years.

John Hansen, the former girls basketball coach at Bloomfield Hills Lahser, had a successful firearms hunt in the Upper Peninsula. Hansen, 40, of Bloomfield Township, dropped a 4-point at 10 a.m. on Nov. 27 while hunting upland hardwoods near Escanaba.

Bob Branton has a hot tree somewhere in Tuscola County. The 49-year-old Farmington Hills hunter has taken a buck with his bow from

the same tree stand for three years in a row. This year, Branton arrowed 145-pound, 7-point at 7:30 a.m. on Oct. 17. In September, Branton shot a 5x5 bull elk with a 35-yard shot from his bow while hunting in Montana.

Westland's Dave Pinkowski had a great firearms season, limiting out with two bucks. On opening day the 35-year-old hunter snuck into a swamp in Livingston County and came out with a 160-pound, 5-point. On Nov. 19, Pinkowski traveled north and shot a 165-pound, 6-point in a patch of hardwoods in Montmorency County.

Donald McCarthy, wasted little time in shooting his buck this year. The Livonia hunter bagged an 8-point at 9:20 a.m. on opening day in a

cedar swamp in Wexford County. This was the first 8-point buck for McCarthy, who has hunted for 25 years.

Richard Fleimeyer, of Spring Lake, shot an 8-point on Nov. 20 in Wexford County.

(Hunters are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, Mi., 48089 or call Bill Parker Monday evening, 6-10 p.m. at 644-1100, ext. 241. Hunters should include their name, age, hometown, number of points on the buck, weight, county of kill and the type of habitat where the deer was harvested.)

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Columbia has just introduced the "Bud II" which is a two-piece urethane ball. AMF is showing the "Suno," another rather expensive hunk of urethane. Faball industries is showing the new "Purple Hammer," and "Patriot" is now available in this area from ASU.

I have tried the Bud II by Columbia, and this ball has a very strong finishing kick as it hits. All of these balls are priced in the \$135 range, so you can expect to pay about that in the local pro shops.

There are all kinds of accessory items available which can be anywhere from \$5 to \$50. Among these are wrist braces and supports, with a wide variety to select from.

A favorite among many top bowlers is the "Pro Release" by Moro Design. It is the most versatile, with a wide range of adjustments to meet the various lane conditions.

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There are many other wrist devices, such as the "Robby's" a popular unit, less costly and quite effective in keeping the hand in proper position. These are available in pro shops and sporting goods stores.

A new pair of bowling shoes could be just the right gift, or how about a few stocking stuffers: towel, resin bag, a small wire brush to scuff the soles of the shoes.

Another idea — videotapes. There are quite a few good instructional tapes available now and are a worthwhile gift idea.



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The pro shop can also sell you a gift certificate if you are still not sure of what to buy for your favorite bowler.

### BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Bel-Aire Lanes (Farmington): Tuesday Senior House League — Jeff Erard, 265-254/754; Mike Cimato, 253/735; Mark Abele, 269/716; Steve Dunning, 286/697; Tony Camerella, 678; Fred Vitale, 668; Paul Koenig, 278/659; Willie Smith, 653; Glenn Libtow, 256.

Keglers — Bill Ringrose, 226; Fred Ringrose, 246/649; Greg Hiding, 221; Glenn Libtow, 225/668; Gary Regulski, 240-268-268/776; Greg Lepak, 209; Bruce Snyder, 244/644; Don Taylor, 215; Mark Roggenbeck, 222/621; Tim Hettlinger, 267/652.

Early Birds — Nancy Kruez, 224. St. Francis K of C — Carl Zortman, 238/643.

Salad Bowlers — Jackie Teraki, 214/553; Kathy Moody, 200; Debbie Mathes, 225.

B'Nai Brith Ben Lusk Traveling League — Phil Horowitz, 246; Allan Salomon, 239; Howie Gerentraich, 238; Cy Rott, 233; Wayne Lusk, 233; Allan Oleinick, 230; Clem Baggleman, 229; Larry Schusel, 245; Mickey Aronoff, 221.

Drakeshire Lanes (Farmington Hills): Tuesday Men's Junior House — Jeff Emery, 265/722; John Bryngelson, 685; Brian Reamy, 680; Jerry Quinn, 279/687.

Country Lanes (Farmington Hills): Ladies Classic — Jan Vanderwil, 265/722; Sherry Pettko, 217/605; Debbie Van Meter, 221/604.

Greenfield Mixed — Billy Franklin, 224/624; Phil Szonye, 232/650; Bill Funke,

266/682; Bob Mertz, 225/616; Bobbie Gooding, 207/568; Tom Koebel, 254/692; Ryan Wilson, 279/681.

B'Nai Brith Brotherhood Eddie Jacobson — Lyle Schaeffer, 267/647; Barry Fishman, 246/644; Ira Sapperstein, 235; Mark Rosen, 234; Dennis Horowitz, 234; Steve Anstendig, 234/616; Alan Trotsky, 231; Dale Taub, 228; Bruce Webberman, 223/626.

Redford Lanes: West Side Lutheran League — Pat Libka, 248/625; Scott Wiener, 611; Bill Bryant, 235/609.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia): Senior House — Jeff Morris, 289/760; Barry Van Dyke, 690; Gary Krause, 688.

Ford Parts — Tom Cyrul, 689. Wonderland Lanes (Livonia): Family Affair — Tony Trumpf, 206; Judy Griffith, 202/529.

Motor City Eagles — Jim Molnar, 268/699; Tim Santieu, 255/641; Steve Wozniak, 234; Gino Peragine, 236; Bob Harris, 226.

Night Owls — Mark Call, 267/643; Carl Shinaburgh, 266/638; Brian Smith, 233; Ed Sheidon, 236; Rod Florka, 237.

Lads & Lassies — Brian Reamy, 267-268/736; Mike Wrubel, 267/687; Al Wilson, 235; Bill Bright, 257; Jim East, 234/631; Bob Battle, 235; Peggy Battle, 215/553.

No Names Mixed — Mike Boal, 248; Ken Gignac, 247/652; Debi Gignac, 212.

Youth Leagues — Mark Jaroh, 238/510.

Preps — Cindy Foreman, 188; Jeff Addington, 146.

Bantams — Jamie Goodell, 168. Bumpers — Rebekah Frustl, 117.

Mayflower Lanes (Redford): Friday Seniors — Max Lewis, 212/619; Art Kuzniar, 220/618.

Monday Seniors — Jack O'Berry, 222/643; Al Freden, 222/637; Gerry Zalewski, 243/635; Bob Lowers, 218/631; Stan Wesner, 225/631; Ozzie Hovsepian, 212/609; Steve Solis, 227/606; Benny lanet, 212/601; George Komplitowicz, 222/603; Mel Sell, 520.

Senior Bowler of Month — Roy Lince, 17.89 points.

Garden Lanes (Garden City): Suburban Proprietors Traveling League — Hershel Parris, 276; Greg Guntow, 239.

## sports shorts

### HOOP VICTORY

Plymouth Agape Christian defeated Romulus Christian 81-48 in a Metro Christian Conference boys basketball game Monday.

Freshman forward Dion Dixon scored 28 points, including 13 in the second quarter when Agape outscored the visitors 19-8, to lead the winners.

Agape, 3-1 in the conference and 4-1 overall, led 36-18 at halftime and 48-34 after three quarters.

Greg Thompson scored 21 points for Romulus.

### WRESTLING TOURNEY

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Invitational will take Saturday, Dec. 14, at Canton High School. Holt will attempt to defend its championship in the 16-team high school wrestling tournament.

Among the top area wrestlers will be Canton's George Young, who was the runner-up at 171 pounds last year, and Mike Reeves of Westland John Glenn, who won the 152-pound title.

Competition begins at 11 a.m. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for students and children under 12. The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club is the event sponsor.

### SPRING SOCCER

Registrations for the Canton Soccer Club spring season are being accepted at the Canton Parks and Recreation Department through Friday, Jan. 31. Girls and boys between the ages of 5 and 18 are eligible. Youths registering for the first time must bring a birth certificate. For information call Watson Zdrodowski at 459-0927.

### EQUIPMENT SALE

Canton Parks and Recreation Services will have its seventh annual used sports equipment sale Saturday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Coventry Commons Shopping Center at Joy and Morton Taylor roads.

The public is invited to sell used sports and recreational equipment. Sellers can bring their equipment to the shopping center 6-9 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 5, to be priced and tagged for sale.

The seller sets the price, 15 percent of which goes to Canton Parks and Recreation. Volunteers will do the selling, so the seller need not be present. Sellers can collect their money or pick up unsold items from 1-2 p.m. the day of the sale. For information call Bob Dates at 397-5110.

## the week ahead

**PREP HOCKEY**  
Wednesday, Dec. 4  
Liv. Churchill vs. Bloomfield Andover, Liv. Stevenson vs. S'field-Lathrup at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 6 and 8 p.m.  
Liv. Franklin at Wyandotte (Yack), 8 p.m.  
Redford CC at G.P. South, 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Dec. 6  
Liv. Churchill vs. Liv. Franklin at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
Thursday, Dec. 5  
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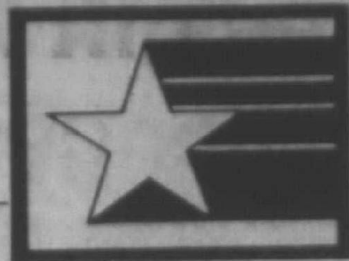
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## Theater magic Journey to wonderful land of Oz

Performances of the Birmingham Theatre production of "The Wizard of Oz" continues through Dec. 15. For ticket information, call the box office at 644-3533. The Birmingham Theatre is at 211 S. Woodward.



**Barbara Michals**

If your heart's desire is two hours of pure nostalgic fun, then follow the yellow brick road to the Birmingham Theatre and see their wonderful "The Wizard of Oz."

In a lively production that is both familiar and unique, there are many clever embellishments to this re-staging of the classic MGM movie musical.

The story unfolds from the vantage point of L. Frank Baum (William Brown), author of the original Oz books, as he struggles to meet the demands of his publisher and keep up with his characters, who seem to have taken on a life of their own.

BAUM NARRATES the play and also fills in for several minor characters, changing his voice for each. Brown handles the role smoothly, and he is particularly amusing as the voice of Glinda, the good witch.

The show opens with a nasty confrontation between Baum and his publisher, W.W. West (Darren Matthias), with the latter flourishing his umbrella as he exits in a huff. So it makes perfect sense that in this production the same actor plays a male Wicked Witch of the West, exercising power with his magic umbrella. Matthias is appropriately nasty without being too melodramatic, and he brandishes tongue-in-

cheek humor as much as wicked sneers.

As Dorothy (Diane Della Piazza) and her friends make their way to the Emerald City, all of the familiar Harold Arlen-E.Y. Harburg songs are intact. Additional music and lyrics have also been added by Worth Gardner, the production's creator as well as director and choreographer.

THERE'S STILL the bouncy rhythms of "Yellow Brick Road," "We're Off to See the Wizard," "If I Only Had a Brain," and "Ding Dong the Witch Is Dead," and the hauntingly lovely "Over the Rainbow."

New additions include "Optimistic Voices," sung Las Vegas-style by the Emerald City Wizzettes in fluorescent green skin-tight jumpsuits, and a second act reprise of "Over the Rainbow" played on various instruments by the Emerald City Ozmonia and sounding like a bad high school band.

It's refreshing that the show can poke fun at itself. During an untearful reprise of "We're Off to See the Wizard," Dorothy stops the music and confronts Baum with a sour inquiry of "Is this the only dance we get to do?" Assured that it is, she demands, "Why don't you at least try to develop it?"

DELLA PIAZZA'S Dorothy is pert and perky, and she has a pleasant singing voice. John Schiappa makes a very lovable Scarecrow, the rubbery-legged fellow in search of a brain. Bob Arnold is a totally winning, adorable pussycat as the Cowardly Lion in search of courage. Howard Kay is fine as the rusty Tin Man in search of a heart, though his character is never given as much personality as his companions.

The absolute show-stealers are the Munchkins, who are so outrageously funny they deserve to star in a sequel or better yet their own TV series. The chorus of little people pop up waist-high through trap doors and dance with shoes on their hands.

Their fake roly-poly bodies and arms are dressed in funky, psychedelic costumes, and their heads appear disproportionately large. As they dance they sometimes flop over and must struggle to right themselves. From the moment they appear, both adults and children howl with delighted laughter.

Paul Shortt's costumes are traditional for the principals, wildly creative for some of the chorus numbers. His set designs function very effectively, especially the yellow brick road that forms a double spiral



Bill Dietrich (left), Darren Matthias, Diane Della Piazza, William Brown and Clarence Snow in a scene from the Birmingham Theatre production of the musical, "The Wizard of Oz."

upwards but always returns those who transverse it back to where they started.

Pyrotechnic tricks from the witch's umbrella, a flying bed, and the flashing green eyes of the huge Wizard mask are among the special effects that make theater magic for the youngsters in the audience. Pacing is near-perfect, zipping right

along except for the slow opening preceding the first song.

By the play's end, the principals and author Baum understand that it takes courage to follow one's heart's desire, but the effort is worth it. Likewise it takes courage for director Gardner to try a fresh approach to re-telling one of the world's best-loved tales, but the effort pays off.

The old familiar parts are still great fun, and the new additions are also great fun; that's a pretty good formula.

Barbara Michals is a retired Southfield English teacher. A theater critic for the last 17 years, she is an inveterate playgoer who regularly catches up on all the New York productions.

## Churchill attacks Pearl Harbor myths

"Churchill! His Finest Hour," 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7 in the Liberal Arts Theater on the campus of Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile in Livonia. Tickets are available from the Student Activities Office at Schoolcraft College and at the door. Cost is \$4 for students and \$6 for the general public. For more information, call 462-4422.

By Bob Weibel  
special writer

"Dec. 7, 1941: A date which will live in infamy" — Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

It hardly seems possible that 50 years have passed since many of us learned on a Sunday afternoon about the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. A great variety of special ceremonies will mark this infamous date in history. Perhaps one of the most

interesting will occur at Schoolcraft College 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, in the Liberal Arts Theatre.

MARK MCPHERSON, from Grosse Ile, will present his one-man show, "Churchill! His Finest Hour." What makes this interesting is that many accused Churchill of knowing about the Pearl Harbor attack in advance. "I hope to clear up this misconception, along with many others about the former Prime Minister of Britain," said McPherson.

"Churchill did not trap the United States into World War II. And he didn't sound as many think, says McPherson, like the late actor, Richard Burton, who once narrated a Churchill documentary."

Mark McPherson is no stranger to television, film or the stage. Or for that matter, to investigating events as varied as psychic phenomenon and historic mysteries. He is a real-life Indiana Jones "literary sleuth."

MCPHERSON WAS named after

the fictional detective in the 1940's mystery classic, "Laura," and has done his best ever since to make mystery his business, quite literally.

As founder of the "Daedalus Investigative Agency," McPherson has produced and performed a variety of productions. He has taken on many roles and "casework," including topics such as the historical veracity of Sir Arthur and the Camelot legends, nine expeditions hunting for the fabled Loch Ness Monster, orchestrating the "Last Houdini Seance," and probing the mysteries of the Shroud of Turin in France.

In 1989, McPherson wrote, produced and narrated an award-winning documentary on PBS television examining the Shakespeare authorship question. More recently he has been performing his acclaimed, "An Evening With Sir Arthur Conan Doyle," the creator of the world's most famous detective, Sherlock Holmes.

The idea for Churchill occurred

during the Gulf Crisis according to McPherson. "I recall thinking that President Bush's rhetoric sounded positively Churchillian. What a perfect time for Churchill to make a dramatic return."

MCPHERSON APPLIED his extensive research methods to the Churchill Project. It included make-up tests to capture the essence of the squat, bald, cigar-in-the-mouth, British bulldog. He listened to over 200 recordings of Churchill's speeches to mimic the voice that inspired millions through the dark days of World War II.

His original two-act play covers everything from Churchill's youth to his adventures in South Africa, war experiences and his political triumphs and defeats. Audiences will hear Churchill in his own words, in the form of anecdotes, speeches, conversations and writings. It promises a most interesting way to mark the 50th anniversary of Dec. 7, 1941.



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# Greek drama challenges actor

Pearl Ahnen's "The Amber Beads" will be performed 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, Friday, Dec. 13, Saturday, Dec. 14, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15 at the Trueblood Theatre, in the Frieze Building on the U-M campus, 105 S. State, Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students. For ticket information call Elaine Phillips in Birmingham at 626-0924.

By Carolyn DeMarco special writer

You might say that University of Michigan student Eric Jungwirth has gone Greek. Note we aren't talking fraternities here, even though the Beverly Hills resident is a member of Alpha Tau Omega. We're talking Greek as in modern Greek drama.

The sometimes pre-med, sometimes theater student has a lead role in "The Amber Beads," an original play by Brighton playwright Pearl Ahnen.

The two-act play is a benefit for the Modern Greek Studies and the endowment of a modern Greek chair at the University of Michigan. The venture is being produced jointly by the University of Michigan classical studies department, the U-M theatre department, the Hellenic Students Association and the Greek American Cultural Association.

Jungwirth has won the role of the ghost of Petros Ariostos, a Greek American who died tragically in his thirties. Only three other characters are in the cast: Karen Kiki Ariostos, Petros' widow; Vasso Ariostos, his traditional Greek mother, and the undertaker.

The story revolves around the con-

flict between a mother and daughter-in-law following the death of their son/husband under unusual circumstances.

Jungwirth views "The Amber Beads" as a challenging play with some challenging roles.

"It's an interesting script. It's very personal, and it requires a great deal of work from the actors since there are only four characters. Everyone is on stage throughout the play, observing the actions of the others from the balcony. And while he has "only three or four pages" of dialogue, Jungwirth said, "I'm playing a ghost, a figment of my mother's imagination. Sometimes he's a child, sometimes an enraged husband, sometimes a son who's been shunned."

"It's going to be difficult," Jungwirth said, about portraying the ethnic-oriented role. "I don't know a lot about Greek background, but I'm being told about the culture and I'm absorbing it."

The amateur actor has appeared in several other productions at U-M and earlier at Birmingham Seaholm and Brother Rice high schools.

Jungwirth is the youngest of Dr. Raymond and Rita Jungwirth's seven children, none of whom followed their father into medicine.

"My father thinks I'm going to medical school. There are no doctors in the family and I'm his last hope. Actually at first he tried to talk me out of it because of the demands."

Plan B for Jungwirth is applying to medical school — he is enrolled in pre-med. But Plan A means he'll be



SCOTT PIPER

Eric Jungwirth strikes a pensive pose as Pete during a rehearsal of Pearl Ahnen's play "The Amber Beads" at the Trueblood Theatre in Ann Arbor. Nancy Heusel (below) portrays his mother, Vasso.

earning his undergraduate degree in theater, a bachelor's degree in fine arts, the university's performance degree.

"I'll have eight months after graduation before medical school and if I get a break just out of college, well ... there's no way I could turn it

down." And if it doesn't turn out, Jungwirth said, "I'd love it if I could be acting. I like the feel of being on stage, but if it doesn't work out, this will still help me be a better person. I'll have the best bedside manner of any doctor in the hospital."

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**Mary Jane Doerr**

Last weekend, a friend gave me a copy of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol", illustrated by Detroit's Greg Hildebrandt and sold at Meadow Brook Theatre. Inside the colorful edition was a hand written Christmas wish from Booth Colman.

A Yuletide blessing from Ebenezer Scrooge himself, Booth Colman, who each year brings a special glow to the holiday season with his dramatic genius in Meadow Brook Theatre's consistently fine, always delightful, theatrical tradition, "A Christmas Carol."

COLMAN HAS been bringing cheer to us all for 10 years as the stingy, mean, crotchety Scrooge, the miserly old buzzard. No one plays Scrooge better than Colman making lovable his despised character — who is more the butt of jokes for his "humbugs" and penny-pinching ways than his Christmas Day generosity and his 11th hour conversion.

The play used at Meadow Brook, director Charles Nolte's adaptation of the 150-year-old English classic, clearly captures the spirit of Christmas. But no matter how many times I see it, there are more lessons to be derived from the story.

How is it, too, I am always

surprised when the ghost of Jacob Marley disappears or am left wondering how Ignorance and Want end up under the cloak of the Spirit of Christmas Present.

Those theatrical tricks intrigue the imagination of adults and children, making the story well suited to the live stage, so appealing in living color, thanks to Barbara Jenks' costumes and Peter W. Hicks' much used sets. This play, while it may be less provocative perhaps, is far prettier than the 1938 black and white film.

Colman is not without a faithful cast who return year after year. Like Colman, Joseph Reed is unsurpassed each year with his hardy laugh and his lighted costume, the Spirit of Christmas Present. Geoffrey Beauchamp, Paul Hopper, Sue Kenny, Jullian Lindig, John Seibert, Phillip Locker, Thomas D. Mahardm, Maureen McDevitt, and Glen Allen Pruett are all names we see regularly on the Meadow Brook stage, this time playing their roles with the skill they usually lavish on major roles.

THE CHILDREN come back each

season too. A seventh grader, a confident Adrienne Kriewall took the role of the Spirit of Christmas Past, a rather inspired piece of symbolic casting. Six-year-old Adam Carpenter is already a veteran of several productions, probably the reason he delivers Tiny Tim's famous lines "God bless Us, Every One!" with such a sense of conviction. We all know Tiny Tim did not die.

Some scenes were more humorous than usual, such as the wonderfully irreverent undertaker scene and Sue Kenny's portrayal of Fred's Wife,

unwilling to have her husband's loathsome uncle for dinner. While the blended octet sing the English carols joyfully, the constant hum of music between carols tends to be tedious.

As a child I always remembered the frightful spirits in this tale not realizing the spirits are never as ghastly as Scrooge before their visits. Fortunately, Scrooge is right, the horrifying musings are only dreams but the reality of those dreams penetrates the centuries with a message to everyone, the bitterness of the past need not sour the present or condemn the future.

Thanks, Colman, for the yearly Christmas cheer. Happy New Year to you.

Mary Jane Doerr of Troy is a fulltime teacher and freelance writer who specializes in opera and musical theater.



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Trinity House Theatre's holiday drama, "Remnant," directed by Sarah Hope Hedeon, a futuristic tale about a group of people known as Remnant who have survived a deadly plague that has all but wiped out the human race. As the Remnant gather in the wreckage of an old theater to celebrate an ancient festival the Old Ones know as Christ-Mass, the play explores the deeper meanings of the celebration. Curtain time 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, Dec. 7-28. Tickets \$7 Thursdays, \$8 Fridays and Saturdays. Call 464-6302 for reservations. Trinity House Theatre is at 38840 W. Six Mile in Livonia, on the northwest corner of I-275. The play will also be presented, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 7 & 18 at Krefl Center for the Arts, Concordia College, 4090 Geddes Road, Ann Arbor. Call 995-7300 for information on January performances.

### CHRISTMAS COUNTRY STYLE

Concert with George Hamilton IV from the Grand Ole Opry, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at Harry S. Truman Auditorium, 28500 Avondale, Inkster. Tickets \$5. For information, call 721-9299.

### KWANZAA CELEBRATION

The Dance Department of Marygrove College will present its semi-annual Black Heritage Kwanzaa celebration, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6 in the Theatre in the liberal arts building on campus, 8425 West McNichols and Wyoming. The celebration is free and open to the public.

### LUTHERAN SINGERS

The Detroit Lutheran Singers present "Sweet Songs of Christmas" 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at Christ Victor Lutheran Church, 25535 Ford, Dearborn Heights, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7 at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church, 1345 Gratiot, Detroit and 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8 at Historic Trinity. Tickets are \$5 for the Friday and Sunday concerts; \$10 family rate for Saturday concert. For information, call 531-4182 or 884-1095.

### CHORALE CONCERT

The Wayne State University Choral Union and the Concert Chorale under the direction of Dennis Tini, along with the WSU Women's Chorale directed by Deborah Smith will

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Trinity House Theatre of Livonia presents "Remnant" a Christmas play 8 p.m. Dec. 6-28 at 38840 W. Six Mile on the northwest corner of I-275 and Six Mile. For ticket information, call 464-6302.

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Plymouth Community Chorus presents Christmas Treasures, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6 and 7 and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8 at Plymouth Salem High School on Joy Road in Plymouth. Tickets are available at Sideways in Plymouth, or by calling 455-4080.

### DANCE WORKSHOP

Mary Hoedeman, a national grand champion and master instructor will host an all day workshop Texas dance workshop on Saturday, Dec. 7, at Lucille's Lounge, 43711 Michigan Avenue, Canton. For information, call 397-1988.

### BELL CHOIR

Classical Bells Concert, 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8 in Kresge Hall on the campus of Madonna University, on

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### STRING QUARTET

String quartet, traditional Christmas carols sung by the Madonna University Chorale, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, in the Presentation Chapel of the Felician Sisters Mother House on the Madonna University campus. Admission free, open to the public. For information, call 591-5097.

### GALLIARD BRASS ENSEMBLE

A benefit concert featuring the Galliard Brass Ensemble of Ann Arbor is scheduled, 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15 in the O'Leary Performing Arts Center at Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt Road. Tickets \$10 adults, \$7 students, seniors. Funds raised will go toward expanding treatment programs at Northwestern Community Services, the original community mental health agency in western Wayne County.

### SENIORS' MUSICAL

The Livonia seniors "Young at Heart" will perform an original musical comedy "The Spirit of Christmas Lost," 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16, at the Civic Park Senior Center on Farmington and Five Mile Road. Cookies and punch will be served. For information, call 422-5010 or 261-1273.



Lisa Guzzo of Canton stars as Santa's elf in "Twas the Night Before Christmas," Henry Ford Community College's annual dance concert for children, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, and Saturday, Dec. 7 in the Adray Auditorium of the Mackenzie Fine Arts Center, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. The concerts are free and open to the public. Call 845-9614 for information.

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### PRESCHOOL:

- Come Little Children Center, 45050 Warren Road, in Canton, ages 6 weeks to 2 years, 455-4607.
- The Discovery Learning Center, 45078 Helm, in a Metro West Industrial Park, in Plymouth, 6 weeks through kindergarten, register now for fall, 455-5490.
- Pathways to Learning Children's Center, a new school in Plymouth, 42290 Five Mile, 420-3553.
- Canton Parks and Recreation Preschool program, the Canton "Crickets," openings for fall 1991, 397-5110.
- Creative Playhouse, Canton, fall openings for 4-year-olds, 981-2382.
- ChildTime Preschool, First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 451-1895.
- New Morning School, Plymouth. Call 420-3331.
- Creative Day Nursery School, Canton, fall openings, 2½-5 years of age, 981-3990.
- Plymouth Canton Head Start is now recruiting children for the 1991-92 school year, Central Middle School, 451-6856.
- Plymouth Canton Montessori School is accepting applications for the 1991-92 school year, 459-1550.

• Christ the Good Shepherd, 42690 Cherry Hill, Canton. Registration for fall 1991 is open now, 981-0286.

- Tiny Tots, Salvation Army Building, Plymouth, 3- and 4-year-olds, register now, 453-5464.
- Willow Creek Co-op, Geneva Presbyterian Church, 3- and 4-year-olds, call 459-9540.
- PLUS Preschool, Central Middle School, free program for 4-year-olds, register now, 451-6656.
- St. Michael Christian School, Canton, afternoon kindergarten openings, 459-9720.
- St. Peter Lutheran Day School, kindergarten through eighth grade, 1309 Penniman, 453-0460.
- Plymouth Christian Preschool, 43065 Joy, 459-3505.
- Plymouth Children's Co-op Nursery, Canton, openings for 3- to 4-year-olds, 981-5521.
- Preschool Kreatives, Plymouth YMCA, 453-2904.
- Infant and Preschool Special Education program, Tanger Elementary School, 451-6560.

### Help

**READING ASSISTANCE:** Free adult tutoring and confidential skills assessment. Call Community Literacy Council, 451-6555.

**RESUME WRITING:** Growth Works, in Plymouth, will write resumes and cover letters for job seekers, 455-4093.

**VOLUNTEERS:** Needed to package or deliver meals to homebound seniors living in the Plymouth/Canton community. Volunteers are reimbursed 21 cents per mile for meal delivery.

**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.

**EMPLOYMENT REFERRALS:** Growth Works, in Plymouth, will connect job seekers and employers looking for help, 455-4093.

**SPEAKERS AVAILABLE:** Speakers for groups interested in learning about home care as an alternative to nursing homes or hospitals. Call the community relations director, 981-8820.

**SMOKE DETECTORS:** Free detectors, with installation, 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.

**WALKING:** Group walks are at 10 a.m. Monday-Friday and 6:30 p.m. Thursday at St. John Neumann Church parking lot, 44800 Warren Road in Canton, 455-9042.

**SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS:** New Morning School in Plymouth Township is seeking "paid" volunteers for teacher aide substitutes and teacher substitutes, 420-3331.

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**"Y" VOLUNTEERS:** The Plymouth YMCA seeks volunteers, 453-2904.

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**COMPUTERS:** Four Apple IIe's and one IBM are available for public use, Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth, 453-0750.

## Senior citizens

**HEALTH CARE:** Speakers on long-term health care and Medicare are available. Call Patty Jamison at 455-0510.

**SENIOR CLASSES:** The Canton Recreation Center offers classes, 397-5446.

**HOSPICE SPEAKERS:** Hospice Services of Western Wayne County has volunteers available to speak to church groups and civic organizations, 522-4244.

**TRIPS:** For senior citizen or adult trip information, call Plymouth Parks and Recreation, 455-6620, or Canton Township Parks and Recreation, 397-5444.

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
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**RESCHEDULING OF**  
**DECEMBER BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING**

Please note that the single regular December meeting of the Board of Trustees of Plymouth Charter Township has been moved from Tuesday, December 10, 1991, to **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1991.** The Board will meet in the Meeting Room of the Township Hall at 7:30 p.m. Phone Number 453-3840.

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Wing, Plymouth.

Following are the agencies and organizations with holiday cards on this page.

• Methodist Children's Home Society, 26645 West Six Mile Road, Detroit, 48240.

The line drawn illustration on the card is of the Children's Village in a night setting with falling snow. Proceeds benefit the 400 children served each year.

For more information, call 531-4060.

• Christ Child Society, 15751 Joy Road, Detroit, 48228. This card was created and donated by Jon Buechel. Proceeds benefit needy children through Christ Child House, Joy Place, Ronald McDonald House, St. Francis Home for Boys and layettes for the needy. For ordering information, call Christ Child House at 584-6077.

• Alliance for the Mentally Ill, 24133 Northwestern Highway, Suite 103, Southfield, 48075.

Carollers are an original design created and donated by artists Cyn Kuffel. For more information, call 355-0010.

• Ronald McDonald House, 3911 Beaubien, Detroit, 48201. The house, next to the Children's Hospital of Michigan, provides a home-like atmosphere for families with a sick child. For more information, call 745-5909.

• Foundation for Mentally Ill Children, P.O. Box 245, Bloomfield Hills, 48303. The foundation is an organization of volunteers who provide supplemental patient services for Fairlawn Center in Pontiac. This card was designed by a youngster at Fairlawn Center. To order, call 641-0974, 540-6829, or 258-9335.

• Starr Commonwealth Schools, 13725 Starr Commonwealth Road, Albion, 49224. Starr Commonwealth Schools, founded in 1913 by Floyd Starr, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to caring for troubled children and their families. For more information, call (517) 629-5591.

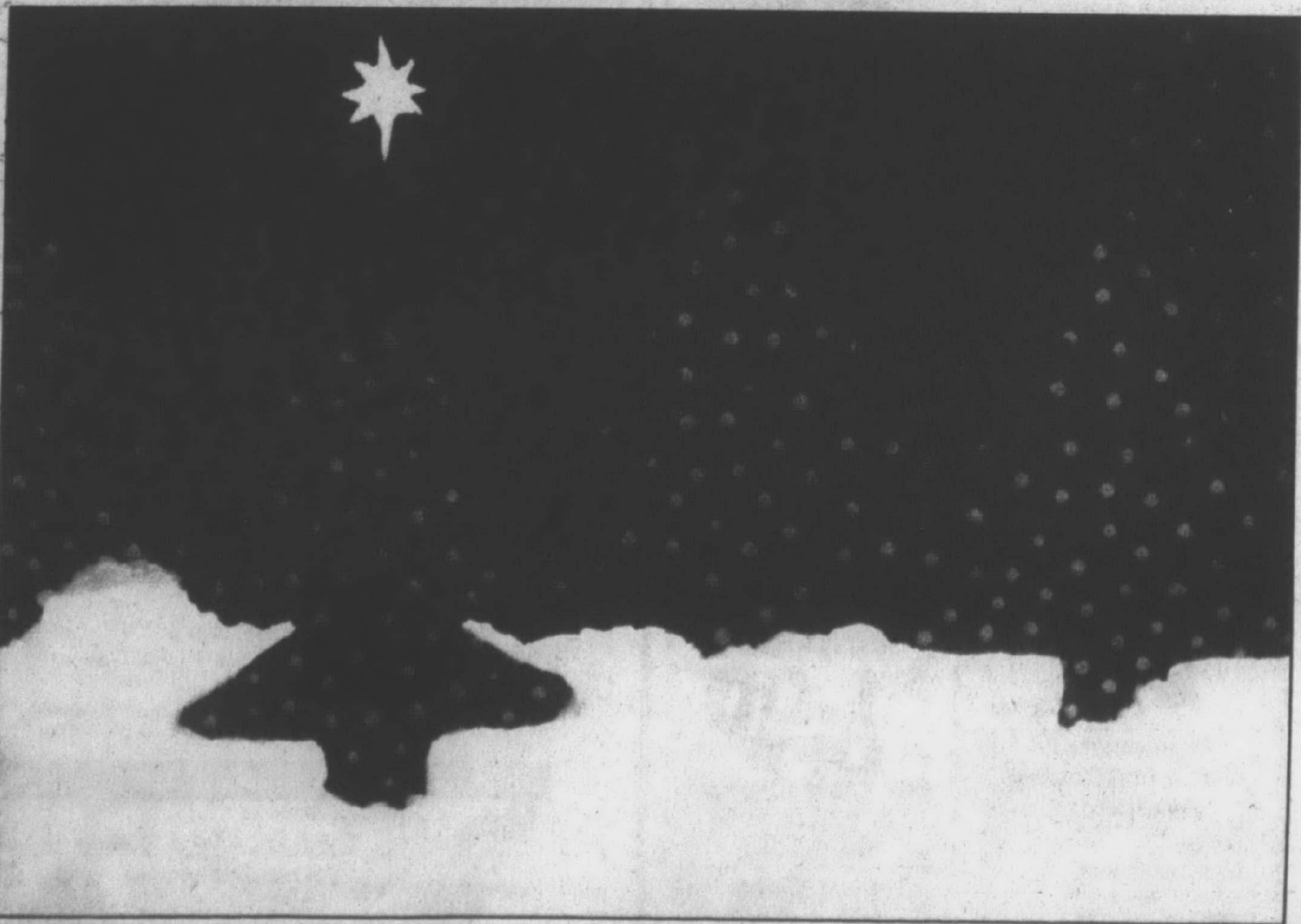
• Children's Hospital of Michigan Auxiliary. This card represents Kids in Distress, which helps abused and neglected children in Broward County, Fla. The artwork was created by children under the care of Children's Hospital of Michigan for the Festival of Trees fund-raiser. Cards are available at the hospital gift shop or by calling the Michigan Design Center office at 649-4770; the Children's Hospital of Michigan volunteer office at 745-5326; or 689-1254.

• Huntington's Disease Society of America, SE Michigan Chapter, 107 Mark Drive, Mt. Clemens, 48083. Contributions help support research, education, and patient care. For more information, call 465-7550.

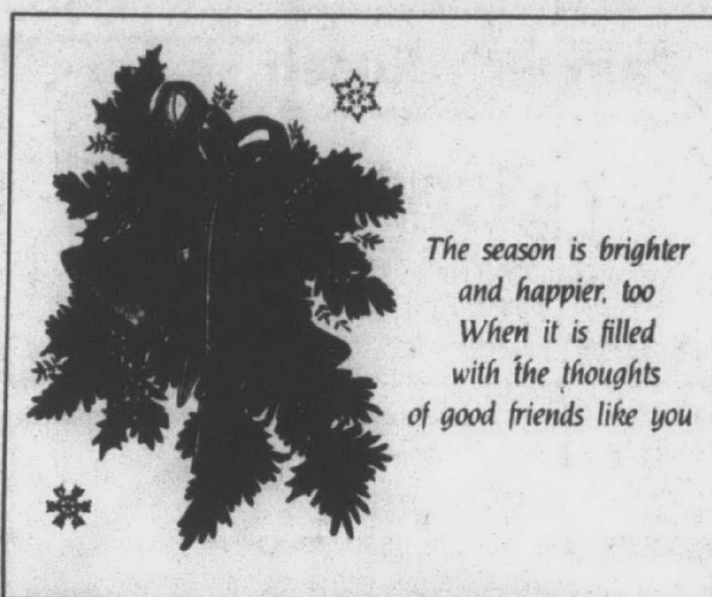
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Kenneth Hale of Cambridge Underwriters in Livonia has been elected to serve on the professional Independent Insurance Agents of Michigan board of directors.

Karen Wilson of Plymouth has been named president of Central Distributors of Beer Inc.

Keep Michigan Beautiful elected Joseph F. Banyo of Westland as president of the volunteer group dedi-

icated to recognizing programs and activities that substantially contribute to the environmental improvement, clean up, beautification, site restoration and historical preservation.

Pete Solomonsen of Livonia has been named general manager of the new Livonia Mountain Jack's restaurant.

Please submit black-and-white photographs, if possible, for inclusion in the business people column. While we value the receipt of photographs, we are unable to use every photograph submitted. If you want your photograph returned, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Indicate in a margin on the front of the photograph that you want it returned. We will do our best to comply with your request. Send information to: Business Editor, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include city of residence and a daytime telephone number where information can be verified.

## marketplace

M&B Dental Laboratory of Redford, a full service dental laboratory, has chosen Visual Communications, a full service marketing/communications firm and creative production house for training and business practices based in Farmington Hills, to produce promotional materials for the company.

Petticoats, located in Plymouth's Old Village, will open its unique howroom December 6.7.8 to the public. The back alley shop features handmade infant and childrens apparel from stitched christening outfits to whimsical denim jumpsuits and special holiday outfits.

Garden City MAACO Auto Painting & Bodywork owners Bruce and Rose Lewis received a top New Center Award at the chains recent convention in San Francisco.

Direct Source of Farmington Hills was acquired by MetroAmerica Off-

ice Guides. The company plans to operate Direct Source from an office in Bingham Farms.

A new Security Directory containing more than 130 categories of hard-to-find security products and services is designed to help consumers find fast solutions to security problems. Included in the annual Directory are conventional security equipment such as home alarm systems, gun safes, and building security and equipment systems as well as the major suppliers of armored cars, bullet-proof clothing, body guards, discreet electronic surveillance and car tracking systems. To obtain copies visit or write to L&W Enterprises, 1729 E. 14 Mile Road, Suite 220, Troy 48063.

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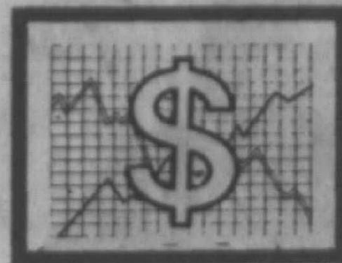
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## Here's why the checks really aren't in the mail

By Gerald Frawley  
staff writer

The big question — is anyone getting paid around here?

People owe people, people owe businesses, businesses owe businesses, businesses owe banks — it seems the current economic slump has resulted in a serious cash flow problem for everyone.

That's nothing new. Even during the economic boom of the 1980s people were running up big debts. What is new is the number of businesses that have run up big debts and aren't paying them off.

Ironically, this cash-flow problem is creating a lot of business opportunities for companies that cater to solving cash-flow problems, companies and attorneys that negotiate debt resolution and collection agencies.

According to the National Association of Credit Management, business credit grantors across the country experienced record falling sales in the third quarter of 1991.

A survey of NACM members found a record number of companies reporting moderate to severe problems with falling sales and slow-paying customers as compared to the first and second quarters of this year.

Of those companies that reported an increase, many acknowledged the increase could be attributed to newer, undercapitalized companies that are generally considered a poor credit risk.

WALLY HILL, a representative of Transworld Systems in Southfield, a Southfield third-party, pre-collection agency, said he's seen a sharp rise in the number of businesses that owe money to other businesses.

Transworld Systems works unlike many collection agencies in that it charges a set fee, rather than a percentage of bills collected. The company also stresses "diplomatic collection" tactics, often by mail, as opposed to intense phone collection campaigns.

Transworld does not bill, but instructs debtors to pay creditors directly. Just like a collection agency, Transworld has resources unavailable to the average business, including arbitration, court judgments, liens on property and profits.

Hill said it's not a situation in which there is no money to be had — although that enters into it — but it is more a case of businesses changing standard operating procedure.

"Those companies that used to pay their bills in 30 days are paying them in 60 days; those that used to pay in 60 days are paying them in 90 days," Hill said.

Some of this can be attributed to the economy because consumers are cautious, Hill said. "But a lot of busi-

nesses are just using that as an excuse to not pay.

"They're blaming it on economic conditions — it's really getting out of hand," he said. As the times have changed, customers are learning to use the system to their advantage.

BY WAY OF example, a client recently sold (on credit) some computer equipment to a school district. After several unpaid billings, the client contacted the school district seeking payment, only to be told by the district's finance director that the bill was not going to be paid.

His client, realizing it would be costly to repossess the equipment or take the district to court, asked the finance director if he would be willing to pay less than go through a long drawn-out court battle. The finance director asked what the computer retailer would settle for, and when told 90 percent, "he laughed and hung up."

"That's the credit manager's mentality," he said. Knowing how the system works and knowing the costs, and because the debtor already has the merchandise, the debtor has a certain amount of power in these situations.

Hill said part of the blame rests on the creditors themselves who have allowed debtor accounts to go uncollected for fear that they will lose clients.

"But that's happening anyway," Hill said. "What's happening is they are going to others and not paying them either. These companies are continually floating money all over the place."

UNFORTUNATELY for businesses, delayed paying is becoming a standard way of doing business. Hill maintains there is money out there — it's just that those who have it are holding onto it. "Those that are paying are the ones who are making a conscious decision to pay."

In the long run, such practices bode ill for the entire way of doing business in the United States, Hill said. Companies depend on the credit system as a way of staying alive between the time of the product being manufactured and the product being sold.

If billings continue being delayed or not paid, businesses will begin demanding upfront payments that will drastically alter the ability of companies that do get products to market — in some instances, customers will have to pre-pay for products before they are manufactured.

Arthur Bardell, president of Midwest Arbitration in Livonia, said he has also noticed the change in business bill-paying practices, but since he works for the debtor — negotiating bill payments — he is more inclined to believe poor economics is

the root cause.

Midwest Arbitration negotiates debts for small- to medium-sized businesses on a results-only, risk-free basis. The service is intended to save clients time and money, eliminate stress and avoid the need for legal counsel except when it's truly warranted.

"A lot of people don't know that your debt can be negotiable," Bardell said. For those companies that really are in need of more time, negotiating debt can mean the difference between success and bankruptcy.

WHEN IT'S LEGITIMATE, creditors are happy because they get paid, and debtors are happy because they save their business and perhaps even a little money.

Bardell said many instances in which companies aren't paid or are paid late are legitimate. "What I see as the cause of it all is people don't want to go out of business and people don't want to go into bankruptcy. It's not necessarily that the money isn't there, it's just that people are being conservative."

Company owners are afraid to pay bills that they can delay because they are worried about the economy and think they may need what money they have.

Bills that are necessary for staying in business — like space and equipment, rent and utilities — are going to take priority. Bills that can be delayed — like those for supplies and materials — are more likely to take on a lower priority.

"The longer (the recession continues) the greater the instability," he said.

And even though the owner of a business may have money, he may not want to divert personal money to a business if there's a chance the business may go under.

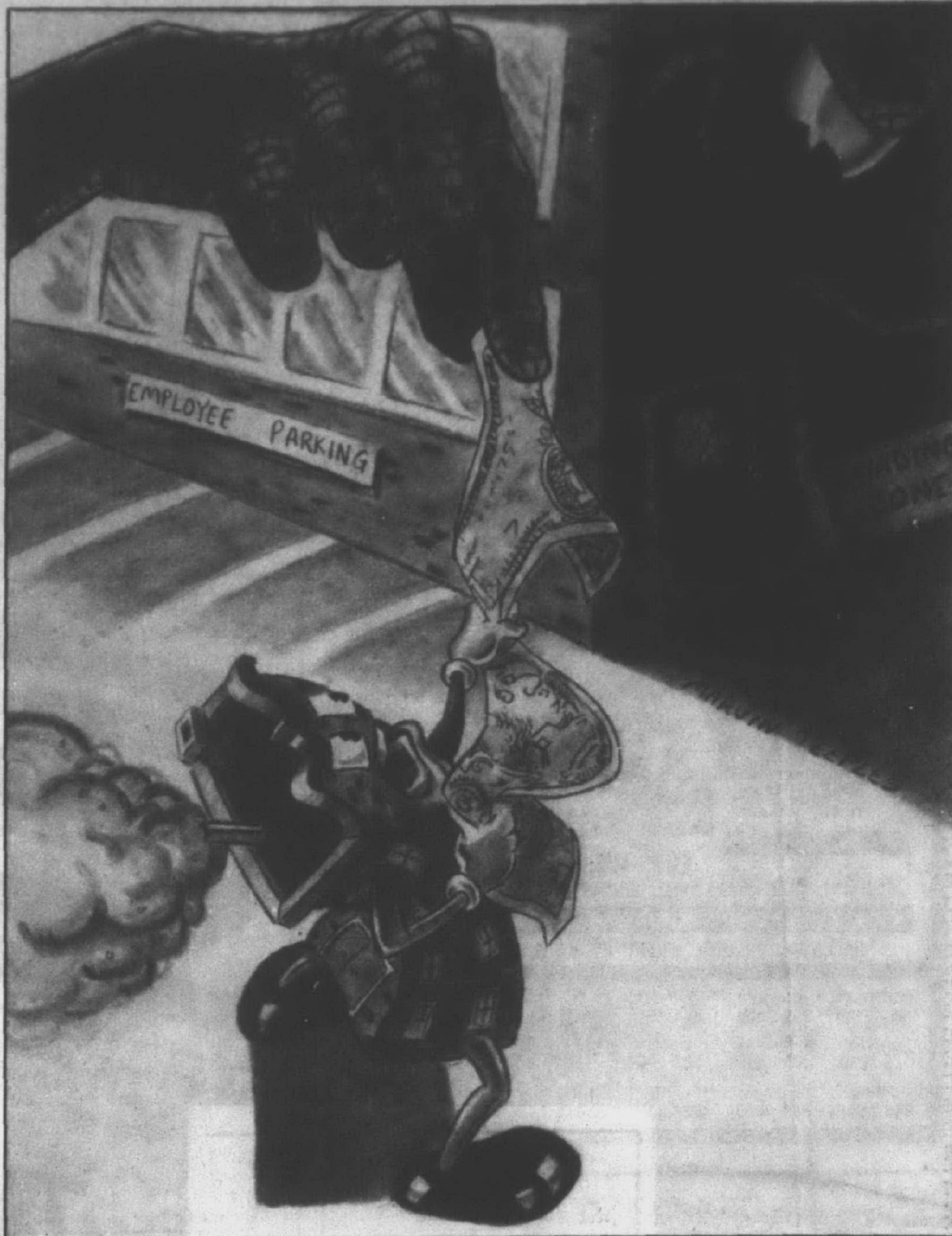
"There's no business that is safe," he said. It is not just the small and medium businesses that are having trouble or are reluctant to pay bills, he said.

"I'm no great economist, but it's the consumer that plays a big part in this," Bardell said. Until consumers open their pocketbooks, Bardell said the businesses will suffer and creditors will go unpaid.

Bardell said there are cases where people aren't paying because they don't want to, he said. "My personal opinion is that the growing greediness for the quick buck in America is the cause."

Bardell said he regularly turns down potential clients who can't prove a real need for negotiated debt. "There needs to be a moral revolution in this country."

Not paying debts or feigning troubles to avoid paying them on time is going to alter the way people do business, he said. "I think people are going to have to dig a little deeper."



## State law limits how collectors can bird-dog overdue accounts

By Gerald Frawley  
staff writer

Whether the money is there, creditors have to follow certain rules when it comes to chasing debtors. The number one rule is be civil.

At least that's the interpretation of Birmingham attorney David Zupke, a partner in the firm of Zupke & Wiseman, who has a \$95,000 out-of-court settlement to back him up.

Under terms of the settlement agreement, Zupke cannot disclose the names of the collection agency, opposing attorney or his client.

Basically, the case boils down to a collection agency relentlessly pursuing a debtor for nearly five months with phone calls at all hours of the day, at home and at work, with threats of incarceration, forcible eviction and abusive language.

A never-tested-in-court state statute protects the private — and presumably corporate — debtor from misleading, deceiving, threatening or otherwise abusive treatment from creditors, he said.

The statute permits a judge to award triple damages and attorney fees if a jury returns a guilty verdict.

"This law is not generally known — there are no published cases, no civil court cases, no appellate court cases," Zupke said. Passed in 1981, the Michigan Collection Practices Act is part of Michigan consumer

protection law.

For the most part, attorneys are unfamiliar with the law because many collection disputes are over fairly small amounts that don't involve attorneys.

WHEN HE TOOK the case, he was surprised at how little information there was on consumer protection from collection agents, he said. But a little diligence paid off.

"A general rule is that if something's unfair, there's generally a law that deals with it," Zupke said.

Since the settlement, and since the results have been published in several judicial publications, he has received many inquiries into the law — something he also attributes to the general downturn in the economy and the inability of people to pay off debts.

What constitutes abusive treatment? Zupke said it's easier to determine what a collection agency cannot do than to say what it can do. "I guess if it's not expressly forbidden, it's legitimate."

ACTIONS SPECIFICALLY forbidden by statute include:

- misleading or deceiving the debtor by giving the appearance of judicial process;
- concealing in communications the intent to collect debt;
- threatening to arrest or imprison the debtor or seize the debtor's property;
- communication with the debtor

when the collecting agent knows the debtor is already represented by an attorney;

- failure to disclose the collector's identity in phone calls;
- unauthorized communication with the debtor's employer;
- threats of physical violence;
- attempts to slander the debtor; using harassing, oppressive or abusive methods; or,
- using obscene or profane language.

After researching the law, Zupke said he was confident he could win the case, but as the case proceeded, it became apparent the defendant collection agent didn't wish to see the case end up in court.

He anticipated a \$10,000 award, but in the end won a \$95,000 settlement.

Zupke said the reluctance to go to trial was due in part to the possibility a court case could result in triple damages. But he speculated another significant reason is the case would have set a legal precedent.

If the normal avenues open to a collecting agent — reasonable phone calls, letters and other reminders — fail, the remaining option is to take the debtor to court, where the court can order payment.

"They can't send out Vinnie the knee-breaker to your house. We live in a civilized society where everyone has to follow certain rules of conduct," Zupke said.

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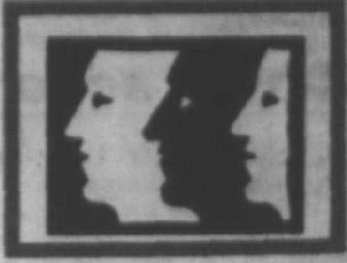
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# Suburban Life

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## Children's winter activities

Winter's arrival certainly doesn't have to mean the end to family fun and togetherness.

There's plenty for kids and their parents to do this holiday season. Whether it's a fun-filled trip to Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village during school break or an equally enjoyable activity a little closer to home, families can find lots of things to do.

Most museums and other attractions will be closed Christmas Day, and some will be closed New Year's Day as well. Information's subject to change, so making a phone call before heading out is a good idea.

### INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

The Cranbrook Institute of Science is at 500 Lone Pine in Bloomfield Hills. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday. The museum is closed major holidays.

The Cranbrook Institute of Science will host an "Excellent Electrical Event," highlighting the fun and science of electricity and magnetism, Thursday through Monday, Dec. 26-30. Activities will explore how electricity moves through wires and other devices, examine safe uses of electricity and explain its hazards.

In the auditorium, audience volunteers will assist in demonstrations of the new Cage of Many Volts. Hands-on stations in the museum halls will allow visitors to experiment with static electricity, investigate the relationship between electricity and magnetism, discover how electronic devices work and more.

Hours will be 1-4:30 p.m. each day and participation is included with museum admission.

That Thursday, Friday and Monday will include special weekday presentations of planetarium and laser shows. "Wonderful Rocket" (ages 3 and up) will be offered 12:30 p.m., "The Alien Who Stole Christmas" (ages 5 and up) 2:15 p.m. The seasonal "Ornaments" show (ages 3 and up) will light up the planetarium dome 1:30 and 3 p.m.

Weekend planetarium and laser shows are also scheduled for the holiday season. Van Halen is the latest rock group to be featured in the institute's growing repertoire of Lasera shows. Others include: "Laser Universe" performances combining rock tunes about outer space and music from space movies; Led Zeppelin; and Pink Floyd - The Wall. For ticket information, call (313) 645-3230 or 645-3228.

General admission to the Cranbrook Institute of Science is \$4 for adults, \$3 for students ages 3-17 and senior citizens, free for children under age 3. For information, call (313) 645-3230.

### DETROIT ZOO

The Detroit Zoo is at 8450 W. 10 Mile, at Woodward in Royal Oak. Winter hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. The miniature railroad is closed until the spring.

A "Day With the Vet" will be held 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 7, at the zoo. Dr. Robyn Barbers, chief veterinarian, will share stories about the daily life of a zoo veterinarian and her work with the animal collection. The class, for students age 12 and older, will include a question-and-answer session and a short film. For information, call (313) 541-5717.

The Detroit Zoo will be closed Monday, Dec. 23, through Wednesday, Jan. 1, and will reopen Thursday, Jan. 2.

Zoo admission price is \$5.75 for those age 13 and older, \$3.50 for senior citizens age 62 and older, \$2.50 for students ages 2-12, free for those under age 2 (supervision required). For group rate information, call (313) 399-7001.

Zoo supporters are being encouraged to "Adopt an Animal" this holiday season. Prices range from \$15 to \$150, including a certificate of adoption, membership card and T-shirt. For information, call (313) 398-0903

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For general information, call (313) 398-0900.

### FUN AT JCC

The Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit is at 6600 W. Maple, at Drake in West Bloomfield.

The center's fifth annual New Year's Eve "Sleepover" will be held. Drop-off time will be 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, pick-up time 9 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1. The event is for children in kindergarten through fifth grade (proof of age required). It will feature swimming, gym activities, movies, a late kosher dinner and a kosher breakfast.

Price is \$35 for members, \$48 for non-members. Limited space is available, and registration should be done in person in Room 248 by Friday, Dec. 13. Late registrations or those sent by mail won't be accepted. There is a discount for siblings. For information, call (313) 661-1000 Ext. 255.

The JCC has also scheduled fun-filled "Winter Days" 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 23-24, 26-27, 30-31 and Jan. 2-3. "Winter Days" are for kindergartners through fifth graders.

Each day will have a different theme. Youngsters will enjoy sports and games, arts and crafts, a magic show and other activities.

Enrollment is limited, and registrations won't be accepted the day of the program. Registration deadline will be Tuesday, Dec. 17. Children are to bring a kosher bag lunch each day or choose the lunch option on the application form. For information, call (313) 661-1000.

### MEADOW BROOK

Meadow Brook Theatre will present "A Christmas Carol" at the theater on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. Performances, sponsored by GMAC Financial Services, will be Tuesdays through Sundays, continuing through Dec. 29.

This will be the 10th season for the holiday production at Meadow Brook Theatre. The classic novel by Charles Dickens has been adapted for the stage by Charles Nolte, who is also directing "A Christmas Carol." Actor Booth Colman will again portray Ebenezer Scrooge.

For ticket information, call (313) 377-3300. For group reservations, call (313) 370-3316.

Nearby Meadow Brook Hall is decorated for the holidays, with "The Magic of Christmas" continuing through Sunday, Dec. 15. Many floral designers and display artists have donated their talents and materials to create the event.

During "The Magic of Christmas," Santa Claus makes his home in Knole Cottage, a six-room mini-mansion playhouse which is also decorated for the holidays.

Hours will be 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 9-12, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 5-8 and 13-15. Knole Cottage will be open until 5 p.m. each day, along with the Meadow Brook Greenhouse.

General admission price is \$6 weekdays, \$8 Saturdays and Sundays. Price is \$4 all days for children under age 13. Group rate for 20 or more is \$5. Knole Cottage and greenhouse tours are \$1 all days for all ages. Proceeds from "The Magic of Christmas" are used for maintenance and preservation of the historic home.

Meadow Brook Theatre and the Meadow Brook Music Festival have scheduled a new series of children's programs. The Song Sisters will present holiday music 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, at the theater. The performance isn't recommended for children under age 3.

Single ticket price is \$6 and tickets are scheduled to go on sale Monday, Dec. 9. For ticket information, call the box office, (313) 377-3300.

A "Messiah Sing-Along" has been scheduled 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16, by David Daniels, an Oakland University music professor. The audience will be divided according to vocal parts, plus a section for non-sing-

ers. The performance of the Christmas section of "Messiah" and the "Hallelujah Chorus" will follow a 30-minute rehearsal and intermission.

Ticket price is \$10, with choral scores available for \$6. Advance reservations are suggested. For information, call (313) 377-3300.

### ART INSTITUTE

The Detroit Institute of Arts is at 5200 Woodward in Detroit. Current hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Reduced hours, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, are scheduled to begin Wednesday, Dec. 11.

Individual galleries are open on a staggered schedule at different times of the day. The Rivera Court and other main areas remain open throughout regular hours. The DIA is closed major holidays.

DIA admission is under a mandatory/discretionary policy, with all visitors required to pay something. Suggested donation is \$4 for adults, \$1 for students and children. For general information, call (313) 833-7900.

Youth theatre performances are continuing at the DIA, with the Youth Theatre now functioning as an independent non-profit company. Several performances are scheduled during the holiday season, including: "Heidi" performed by New York's Theatreworks/U.S.A. Saturday, Dec. 7, ages 5 and up; "Holidays, and All That Jazz" with Detroit's own Bess Bonnier, Saturday, Dec. 14, for ages 5 and up; and "The Jack Frost Follies" by New York's Poko Productions and their puppets, Saturday, Dec. 21, a Wiggle Club show for ages 3 and up.

Regular performance times are 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. All children under age 12 must be accompanied by a person over age 18. Except for Wiggle Club shows, children under age 5 won't be admitted to the theater. There are no refunds, although tickets may be exchanged up to 24 hours before the performance for another production in this season.

Regular ticket price is \$6 for adults and young people. Tickets are available by mail or in person at the DIA ticket office. Group rates, season tickets and Wiggle Club memberships are available. For ticket information, call (313) 833-2323.

### HENRY FORD MUSEUM

Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village are at Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road in Dearborn, west of the Southfield Freeway (M-39) and south of Michigan Avenue (U.S. 12). Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The museum and village will be closed Christmas Day.

The museum houses an Innovation Station combining elements of a playground and think tank to create a "thinkground." The 3,200-square-foot interactive learning environment was designed in collaboration with the museum by Edwin Schlossberg Inc., a New York-based design firm.

The Innovation Station's designed to help participants of all ages explore cooperative problem-solving as individual players work on tasks at assigned activity stations.

The museum's decorated for the holidays, including a Christmas tree standing nearly four stories tall. Victorian doll houses, a toy train, Santa Claus and other signs of the season will be featured. A "Visions of Christmas" display will include a collection of family celebration photographs from various time periods. Visitors are encouraged to add their own family snapshots to the collection.

"Celebrate the Holidays" will continue through Wednesday, Jan. 1. In the outdoor Greenfield Village, selected historic buildings will be open.

Demonstrations of cooking and other holiday preparations from years gone by will be featured. Rug hooking, fancy needlework and sea-



sonal crafts will be demonstrated in some homes and buildings.

The Henry Ford Museum Theater will present the 1904 musical version of "The Wizard of Oz." Audience members will be able to meet actors after each performance. For ticket information and a schedule of matinee performances in December and January, call the museum's reservations center, (313) 271-1620.

Admission to Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village is separate and is \$10.50 for adults, \$5.25 for students ages 5-12, \$9.50 for senior citizens age 62 and older, free for children age 4 and under. Annual passes for unlimited visits are available. For information, call (313) 271-1620.

### HANDS-ON MUSEUM

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum is in a renovated historic firehouse at 219 E. Huron in Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday. The museum will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

The museum features many exhibits designed to help visitors learn about science, math, art and other subjects. Classes and workshops, weekend demonstrations and special events are also offered.

December demonstrations will focus on "Flames, Bulbs and Other Bright Ideas." Participants will explore such topics as why candles burn and how light bulbs shine. Demonstrations will be 1 and 3 p.m. Saturdays, 2 and 4 p.m. Sundays.

The museum currently features KidsPlace, an interactive exhibition designed to give young visitors the opportunity to explore the human body, nature and physics along with other basic scientific principles through the use of puzzles, bubbles, fossils, musical instruments, role-playing and more.

KidsPlace was designed especially for children in preschool through third grade. It's free with museum admission and is open during regular hours.

Workshops and classes for young people of various ages are scheduled during December and January, and will focus on such subjects as African culture, science toys, the Grand Canyon, archaeology, India and others.

Each workshop/class has a maximum of 12 students, and advance registration is required. Registration can be completed by mail or in person. For information, call (313) 995-5439.

Museum admission price is \$2 for students, senior citizens and children age 3 and up, \$3 for adults, \$7.50 for a family. In celebration of the museum's 10th year, discounted and free admission is being offered to specific groups. In December, scheduled groups will receive a 10-percent discount. For information, call (313) 995-5439.

### DETROIT HISTORY

The Detroit Historical Museum is at 5401 Woodward, at Kirby in Detroit. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday.

A toy train appraisal will be held noon Saturday, Dec. 28, at the museum. The Bluewater Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society will provide verbal appraisals of trains. Donation of \$1 per item will support the museum's Alfred Glancy Toy Train Collection.

Exhibits at the Detroit Historical Museum are bound to appeal to kids of all ages. The "Sleepwear: A Bedtime Story" exhibit features sleepwear from the Victorian era to the present and reflects lifestyle and attitude changes during those years.

Other exhibits tell the story of Detroit's earlier days. The popular Streets of Old Detroit provide a recreation of the city as it was during the 1840s, 1870s and 1900s.

Suggested donation is \$3 for adults, \$1 for students and seniors, 50 cents for children under age 12. For information, call (313) 833-1805.

### YULE CARNIVAL

The annual children's Christmas carnival sponsored by the Detroit Recreation Department will continue through Tuesday, Dec. 17, at Cobo Center in downtown Detroit. Hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, noon to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The carnival will feature playgrounds, holiday displays with animated characters, puppet shows and other entertainment, along with the ever-popular Santa's Castle. Admission is free. For information, call the Detroit Recreation Department, (313) 224-1100.

### LIVING SCIENCE

The Living Science Foundation has planned a variety of activities for the holiday season. LSF headquarters are at 40400 Grand River, Suite F in the Novi Commerce Center, Novi 48375. For general information, call (313) 478-1999.

"Holiday Discovery Days" for students ages 5-12 will be offered 9 a.m. to noon or 1-4 p.m. at the Novi headquarters. Dates will be Monday, Dec. 23, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 26-27, Monday, Dec. 30, and Thursday and Friday, Jan. 2-3. There will be a different theme each day, and price is \$30 per session. For registration information, call (313) 478-1999.

Sessions for students ages 5-12 will also be held at Mercy Center, 28600 11 Mile in Farmington Hills. Sessions will be 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with extended day care available. Dates will be Monday, Dec. 23, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 26-27, Monday, Dec. 30, and Thursday and Friday, Jan. 2-3. Price is \$40 per session. Each day will feature a different theme. For registration information, call (313) 473-1815.

The Living Science Foundation will offer sessions for students ages 5-12 in cooperation with Northville Recreation, 303 W. Main in Northville. Sessions with a different theme each day will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dates will be Monday, Dec. 23, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 26-27, Monday, Dec. 30, and Thursday and Friday, Jan. 2-3. Price is \$45 per day. For registration information, call (313) 349-0203.

## Closer to home

### MUSICAL FUN

The Song Sisters will perform in concert 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 325 Farmer. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Plymouth District Library. The duo will present a fun-filled family program. Advance registration is required and will begin Monday, Dec. 9, through the library in Plymouth. To register, call 453-0750.

### NOEL PARTIES

Canton Parks and Recreation Services will sponsor children's Christmas parties. Parties are for Canton residents only, and advance registration is required.

Parties will be Saturday, Dec. 14, and will include: 9:30-10:30 a.m. for ages 3-7; 10:45-11:45 a.m. for ages 12 and under. Both parties will be at the Canton Recreation Center, Michigan Avenue and Sheldon.

Children will enjoy games, holiday movies, refreshments and a visit with Santa. Admission is free. For reservations, call 397-5110.

### YULE WORKSHOP

Canton Parks and Recreation Services will offer a Christmas "Kids Only Workshop" in conjunction with D & M Studios. The workshop is open to all Plymouth-Canton youngsters, first graders through teenagers.

Sessions will be 10 a.m. to noon or 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, at the Canton Recreation Center, Michigan Avenue and Sheldon. Price is \$14 per student.

Participants will make fine art gifts for the holidays. Refreshments will be served. Registration can be done in person through Canton Parks and Recreation, 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton. For information, call 397-5110.

### SKATING SHOW

Members of the Plymouth Figure Skating Club will present their "Christmas Around the World" show 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

Children from Academic Gardens will perform songs of the season as part of the evening's fun. Tickets for the show will be sold at the door and are priced at \$3 for adults, \$2 for children.

### MUSEUMS

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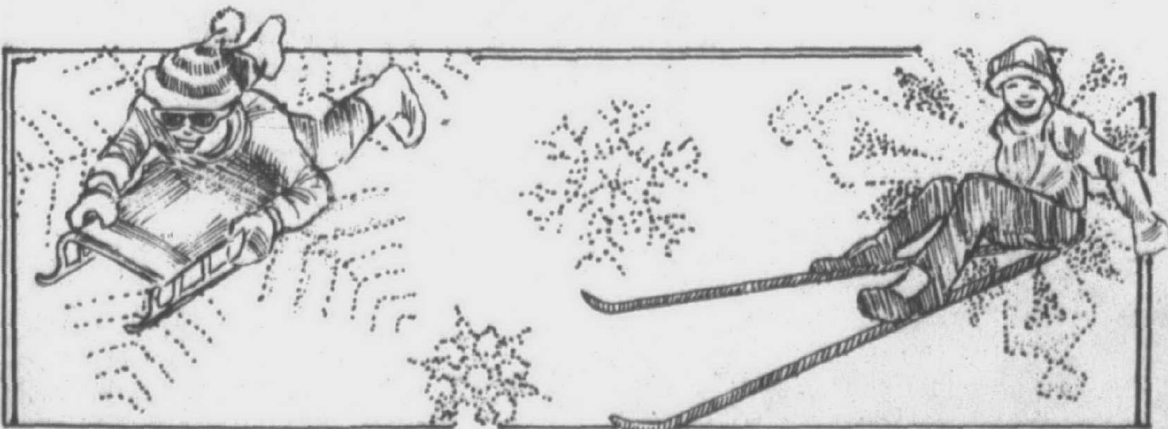
A special exhibit, "For the Duration," will open the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 7-8, and continue through late January. Exhibit items tell the story of the World War II era as it affected those in the service and at home.

Museum admission price is \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for students ages 5-17, free for children younger than 5. Family rate is \$4. For information, call 455-8940.

### THE NUTCRACKER

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, in conjunction with the Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company, will present "The Nutcracker" 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 13-14, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, in the Plymouth Salem High School auditorium, 46181 Joy, west of Canton Center in Canton.

Ticket prices are \$12 for adults/senior citizens, \$8 for students in kindergarten through 12th grade. Reserved admission tickets are available at a number of locations, including Beitner Jewelry in Plymouth, Bookstall on the Main in Northville, Canton Recreation, Evola Music in Plymouth, Joanne's Dance Extension in Plymouth and others. For phone orders, call 451-2112.





## clubs in action

### ATTENTION DEFICIT

The Attention Deficit Disorder Association will meet 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, on Five Mile east of Farmington Road. Dr. Hema Reddy, M.D., will describe the neurodevelopmental exam and how its results can be used to develop an appropriate educational plan for a child. Registration will begin 7 p.m. Donation is \$5 for non-members. For more information, call 464-8233.

### GREENS MART

A "Greens Mart" will be held 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6-7, in the lobby of the Mayflower Hotel, Ann Arbor Trail and Main in downtown Plymouth. The event is sponsored by the Plymouth Branch, Woman's National Farm & Garden. It will feature such items as wreaths, bows, boxwood and holly. A bake sale will also be held.

### WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club of Plymouth will meet 12:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon. The program will feature the Centennial Educational Park Madrigal Singers and Chamber Singers directed by Don Daniels. The club's Christmas project will be collecting scarves and mittens for the "Mitten Tree." Members and guests should bring canned goods and staples for the Christmas baskets. Reservations aren't needed.

### SINGLE PROFESSIONALS

The Single Professionals will meet 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, for bowling at Drake's Lanes, 35000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. The group is for singles ages 25-40. Other activities will include 7 p.m. dinner Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Old German Restaurant in Ann Arbor and 6:45 p.m. wallyball each Tuesday at Racquetball Farmington. Reservations are required for the dinner and should be made by calling (313) 478-9181.

### WESTSIDE SINGLES

Westside Singles will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at Roma's of Livonia, on Schoolcraft west of Inkster. 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 562-3160.

### CHRISTMAS BALL

The Plymouth Symphony League's Christmas ball will be Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Mayflower Meeting House in downtown Plymouth. Hors d'oeuvres will be served 6:30 p.m., dinner 7:30 p.m., followed by dancing to the music of Breakaway until 1 a.m. The "Putting on the Glitz" event is sponsored by the league's Prelude group. Ticket price is \$65 per couple, \$32.50 for a single. Tickets are available at Me and Mr. Jones, 924 W. Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth.

### YULE DANCE

Bethany West will hold its annual Christmas dance 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church, West Chicago and Inkster roads in Redford. Price is \$8. The dance is for singles over age 21, including alumni. For more information, call 326-9156 or 522-2394.

### EXPLORING WOODS

The Friends of Miller Woods will offer monthly "Explore the Woods" walks the second Sunday of each month at the woods, on Powell west of Beck in Plymouth Township. Nature walks, designed for those of all ages, will be conducted by Joyce Holmes and Emily Kennitz. The next walk will be 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, and will focus on "Winter Woods." For more information, call Emily Kennitz, 453-6912.

### YULE CARD

Artist James A. Hardy submitted the winning entry for this year's Plymouth Community Arts Council holiday card. The card features a Liberty Street antique shop in Plymouth's Old Village. Cards are available in many local stores and can also be bought through the PCAC. Shipping price is an additional \$1.50 per package. The organization has three other cards available. All are original art works featuring such Plymouth scenes as The Gathering and Penn Theater, the Wilcox House and the Baker House. For more information, call 455-5260.

### PLYMOUTH AAUW

The Plymouth Branch, American Association of University Women, will meet 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11, at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main. Members are encouraged to bring new clothes or toiletries to fill Christmas baskets for First Step and the Wayne County Family Shelter. Guests may attend the monthly meeting. For more information, call 455-3662.

### VOYAGERS SINGLES

Voyagers Singles will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. The meeting will feature a handbell and piano Christmas concert. The group is for singles age 45 and older. For more information, call 591-1350.

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### HOLIDAY DANCE

Saturday Night Singles/Westside will hold a Christmas dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at Roma's of Livonia, on Schoolcraft west of Inkster. The dance is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a budget bar. Admission price is \$4. For more information, call 277-4242.

### U.S. SINGLETONS

The U.S. Singletons will hold a Christmas dinner/social Sunday, Dec. 15, at Hawthorne Valley, 7300 Merriman, Westland. Dinner will be served 2 p.m., and will be preceded by cocktails. There will be a \$5 gift exchange. The group is for singles age 45 and older. For more information, write to the group at P.O. Box 2175, Fort Dearborn Station, Dearborn 48123.

### THREE CITIES

The Three Cities Art Club won't hold a regular December meeting. The club's next meeting will be Monday, Jan. 6.

### CIVITAN CLUB

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club is a community service organization for men and women. It meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month for a business meeting at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce office. The club meets 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Italian Cucina, 39500 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township, for a dinner meeting and program. For more information, call 464-1129 or 455-9720.

### MALA WISLA

The Mala Wisla Dance Ensemble is accepting registrations for classes. Children and teenagers ages 3-18 will learn Polish ethnic dances and folk songs. Classes will be held in the Plymouth area. The group will hold its fifth annual dinner theater in the spring. For more information, call 459-5696.

### JAYCEES

The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees meet 8 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. The non-profit organization is dedicated to community service and individual development. For more information, call Cam Miller, 453-1915, or Ronnita Kreiling, 455-8676.

### CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION

The Livonia Childbirth Education Association offers a variety of classes. Participants learn about pregnancy, labor, delivery and other topics. There are six-week classes for new parents, two- and four-week refresher classes, and a monthly breast-feeding class. Weekday classes are 7-9:30 p.m., Saturday classes 9-11:30 a.m. For more information, call the registrar, 937-0665.

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A special "For the Duration" exhibit will open Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 7-8. The exhibit will tell the story of people and events of the World War II era. Events will include a 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, commemoration for Pearl Harbor Day, with members of the Military Preservation Association on hand to answer questions about jeeps and other military items. Videos and other presentations on the Willow Run bomber plant will be presented. Dr. Weldon Petz will discuss "Music of the War Years" 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at the museum.

Museum admission price is \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for students ages 5-17, free for children under 5. Family rate is \$4. For more information, call 455-8940. The Plymouth Historical Museum will be closed through Dec. 6 in preparation for the World War II exhibit's opening.

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The Canton Historical Society operates the museum, which will remain open Tuesday and Saturday afternoons through December. The museum will be closed in January and February. For more information, call 397-0088.

### NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings, a grief support

group, meets 7-9 p.m. Mondays at the Plymouth Church of Christ, 9301 Sheldon, just south of Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Meetings are open to those grieving as a result of a death or divorce. Free admission. For more information, call 453-7630.

### BRIDGE GROUP

The Party Bridge Group meets 1-4 p.m. every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. Singles and couples who enjoy playing bridge may attend. For more information, call Boyd or Dorothy Shaffer, 459-2206.

### SYMPHONY COOKBOOK

Prelude members of the Plymouth Symphony League have issued a cookbook. The cookbook, priced at \$5, includes complete menus for brunch, lunch, dinner and special holiday meals. The professionally typeset cookbook makes an ideal hostess gift, shower gift or favor. Books are available at a number of Plymouth-area stores. For more information, call 453-7537 or 459-7016 before 5 p.m.

### CHURCH COOKBOOK

A cookbook has been compiled by members of The First Free Will Baptist Church of Plymouth. Cookbook price is \$5, plus \$1 for handling. The cookbook includes recipes, cooking information, pictures and more. For more information, call 326-6255 or 561-4502.

### STARLITERS

The Starliters 40 and Up Club has dances 9 p.m. to midnight Fridays at the Northwest YWCA, 25940 W. Grand River at Beech Daly, Redford. Price is \$3.75, including a live band and refreshments. For more information, call 776-9360.

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# Students find learning doesn't take a vacation

By Julie Brown  
staff writer

**T**HE DAY before Thanksgiving, most students find it difficult to concentrate on their studies. That doesn't necessarily mean they've stopped learning.

Students from Farrand Elementary School in Plymouth Township and Field Elementary School in Canton

met last week for a Thanksgiving celebration.

"We've been studying Native Americans," Farrand third-grade teacher Ann Coker, an organizer of the event, said. The Wednesday, Nov. 27, get-together at Tanger Elementary School provided a perfect opportunity for students to learn about their country's early history.

"This is the first," Coker said of the Thanksgiving event, which had a

Native American theme. "I think it's going very well."

The day-long event involved about 230 youngsters, most of them third graders. Some second graders and special education students participated.

**MANY PARTICIPANTS** wore Native American or Pilgrim costumes for the day. Some moms, dads and other family members helped to keep things running smoothly.

It wasn't the first time children from the two schools met for a joint activity. Earlier this year, Farrand students visited their friends at Field for a re-enactment of a fur traders' encampment. Some of the students have pen pals at the other school.

At the Thanksgiving celebration, children moved from post to post, playing games, enjoying songs and participating in other activities. They made musical instruments and wampum, small beads used by North American Indians as currency and jewelry.

Snacks for the day were popcorn and apples. Participants enjoyed a turkey dinner with all the fixings at lunch time.

Students agreed that it was a fun way to spend the day before Thanksgiving vacation. Katy Prew, 9, didn't have any complaints about being at the celebration.

"We get to do lots of stuff," Katy, a third grader at Farrand, said. She particularly liked the music.

Her friend Anne Morrell, 9, also liked the music. "You get to do lots of things," Anne, a Farrand third grader, said.

**BOTH GIRLS** wore costumes for the occasion, having received some help from family members in making those costumes. Anne and Katy agreed living as an Indian a few hundred years ago would have been quite different from modern-day life in the U.S.

"They had different kinds of clothes, darker clothes," Anne said. Those children didn't have a lot of toys, Katy added.

Coker, a Plymouth Township resident, has found many students are quite interested in Native American history. "Oh yes, very much so."



Sydney Haman, 8, a Farrand Elementary School student, listens as Barbara Tarrow speaks. Sydney and many of the other students wore costumes for the day-long event.

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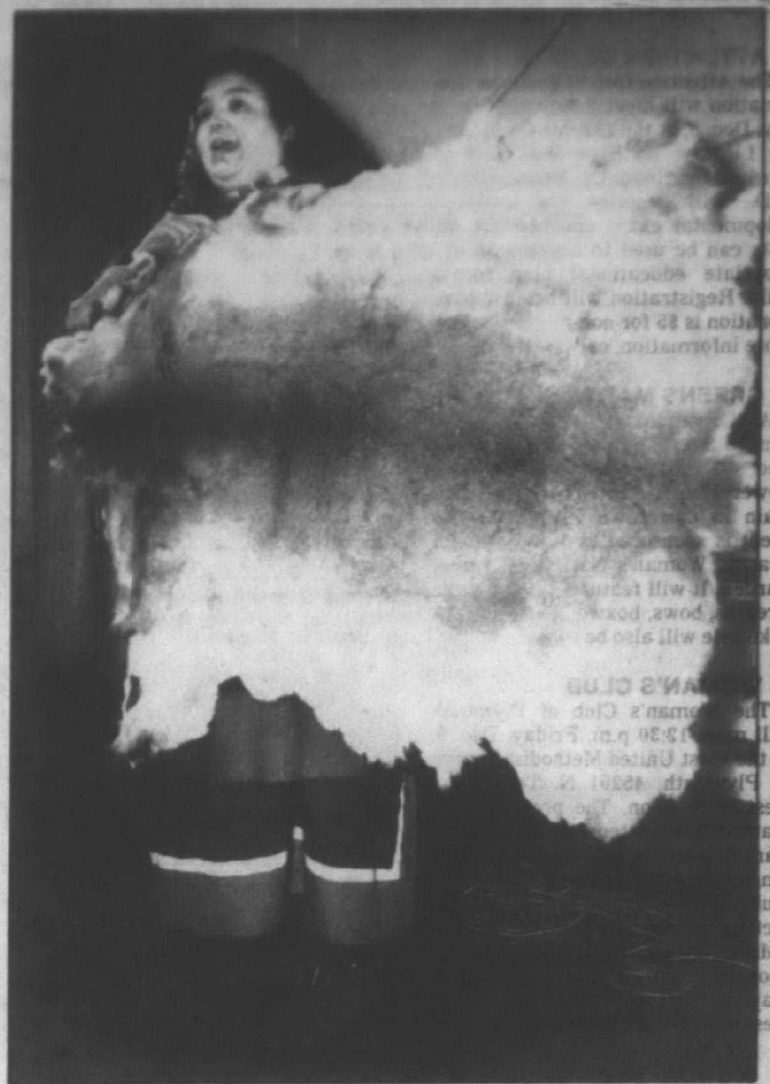
— Ann Coker  
Farrand teacher

Her students enjoy learning about the Native Americans who lived in North America before Christopher Columbus arrived. As part of the curriculum, students learn about American history from colonial life on up to the present day, including some time spent on local history.

Coker agreed adults too can benefit from learning about Native American life and history.

"We think mostly of the Pilgrims," she said. "We do concentrate a lot on the Pilgrims and kind of leave the Indians out."

**Speaker Barbara Tarrow of Plymouth shows the children how Native Americans used deer and elk hides for clothing and coverings.**



Staff photos  
by Sherrie Buzby

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# Tidings of joy

## Holiday hype can overshadow season's significance

By Julie Brown  
staff writer

Watching "It's a Wonderful Life" is a holiday tradition at the Eggebeen home in Livonia.

Every year, the Rev. Dr. Thomas Eggebeen, his wife and children like to watch the classic movie in which the main character, small town businessman George Bailey, learns just how much his life has meant to his family, friends and neighbors.

Eggebeen, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia, has found that family tradition and others serve as reminders of what Christmas is all about. He and other pastors know that people can sometimes lose sight of that during these hectic weeks.

The character of the American economy contributes to the commercialization of Christmas, he said. "It is a consumer-driven economy. So we're bombarded with consumer images and models of life endlessly."

That's not necessarily bad or immoral, but is just the way it is, Eggebeen said.

**GIFT-GIVING IS** the essence of the holiday season, said the Rev. Michael York, pastor of Main Street Baptist Church in Canton.

"We're celebrating God's gift to us," said York, a Canton resident. "I think it's unfortunate that people do lose sight of the meaning of Christmas."

Sometimes, people try to fill a void in their lives with material things. The message of Christmas helps "to fill a need in our lives with the gift of God's love."

Spending time with family helps people remember what the holidays are all about, said Lt. Jeffrey Beachum, Salvation Army corps commander for Plymouth-Canton-Northville. Reaching out to assist those in need and finding time to attend worship services also help to keep the holiday hype in perspective.

"I think we've been hoodwinked by all the hype," said Beachum, a Canton resident. The relentless pace of sales pitches can cause some to lose sight of the season's significance.

"It's about God trying to communicate with us in a way we can understand," he said. "He sent a little baby and we can understand little babies."

"Christmas is all about needs, not necessarily physical needs, but needs being met," Beachum added. Some people have plenty of material things, but still find something missing in their lives.

**AT EACH PASTOR'S** home, holiday traditions contribute to the season's enjoyment. Eggebeen's wife is of Swedish background, so their family celebration includes traditional Swedish foods. They open their gifts on Christmas Eve.

They also like to read the diary of his wife's great-grandfather who had lived in both the United States and Sweden. Attending worship services during Advent and at Christmas is another way they keep the season's meaning in mind.

The Eggebeens have a 19-year-old son who's a student at Syracuse University in New York and a 15-year-old daughter who's a sophomore at Livonia Stevenson High School. When the Eggebeen kids were younger, their parents tried to get away from the Santa Claus business and make it clear that gifts didn't just

appear magically.

"It was a celebration of family love," Eggebeen said. York and his wife have three children, a 7-year-old daughter and 10-year-old and 7-month-old sons. "We want to share with them that this is a time we celebrate the coming of Christ into the world," York said.

All year long, the Yorks emphasize what it means to have Christ in their lives. "I've always taught my kids that Santa Claus is a make-believe thing," he said.

**THEY EXPLAIN** that Santa's a part of the holiday festivities, but Christ is a part of life each and every day.

The Yorks enjoy spending time with their extended family at a Christmas Eve dinner. They have their own family celebration on Christmas morning, and take

time to read the Christmas story.

"I look forward to it tremendously," said York, who also enjoys watching a good football game on Christmas.

Beachum and his wife have two daughters ages 1 and 2½. Their Christmas celebration includes sharing Advent devotions with their daughters.

"I don't think we give little children as much credit as we should," Beachum said. Children are able to understand a great deal about the meaning of Christmas, and many excellent books are available to help parents with that.

Worship services are also part of the family's holiday celebration. When their children are older, the Beachums will most likely explain that Santa's not real but is part of the yuletide pageantry, helping to make the season cheerful and bright.

"I think we need some more Santa Clauses out there, as long as we understand they're not the King," Beachum said.

**EGGEBEEN, YORK** and Beachum agree that reaching out to help others in need is a great thing to do this time of year and all year long. Many people like to make that a family project in which those of all ages contribute.

"The Bible tells us it is better and more blessed to give than to receive," York said. As a parent, he gets a lot of pleasure from showing his children how to share and to show genuine concern for others.

The pastors have found Advent's a great time of year to encourage people to attend church who perhaps haven't done so recently.

At St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Eggebeen and others emphasize "Coming Home for the Holidays." That theme includes finding and visiting a spiritual home "if you've not paid it a visit for a while."

He's careful in doing that. "In the long run, it's never helpful to create guilt, so we try to reach out very gently," Eggebeen said.

He also keeps in mind that the biblical story of Jesus being born tells of "a time of great busyness and noise." A census had been ordered in Rome and large crowds were everywhere.

"Somehow, right in the middle of all that, Christ was born." Eggebeen knows that a dose of holiday hype isn't the real enemy; the real enemies are poverty, hunger and injustice.



The Rev. Michael York looks forward to the Christmas season each year. "It just seems to bring out some great qualities in people,"

said York, pastor of Main Street Baptist Church in Canton.

BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

### religion calendar

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday the week prior to publication.

**YULE CONCERT**

A Christmas concert will be presented 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6-7, at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 10101 W. Ann Arbor Road, at Gotfredson, west of Plymouth. The concert will include selections from the Christmas section of Handel's "Messiah." It will feature the Chancel Choir, performing under the direction of Deborah Brousseau, and the Bell Choir, under the direction of Susan Hicks. Donation is \$2. For information, call 459-9550.

**NAME CHANGE**

Congregation Beit Kodesh, formerly known as Livonia Jewish Congregation, will officially celebrate its name change 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8. Although the name change was announced in May, members felt Hanukkah would be the perfect holiday to rededicate the synagogue. Rabbi Craig Allen and Cantor David Gutman will officiate. Refreshments will be served. The program is open to the public.

**TREE DECORATING**

Village Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford, will have its annual decorating of the halls and trees 6:15 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5. Dinner will be served 6:15 p.m. For information, call 534-7730.

**CONCERT CHORALE**

St. Aidan Cultural Society will host the Wayne State University Choral Union and the Concert Choral, along with the WSU Women's Chorale, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at the church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Donation will be \$7.50 for adults, \$6.50 for seniors and students. A wine and cheese reception will be included. The Choral Union and Concert Choral are directed by Dennis Tini. The Women's Chorale is directed by Deborah Smith. For information, call 471-5158 or 427-1457.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

Church of the Savior, 38100 Five Mile, west of Newburgh in Livonia, will present its annual "Breakfast With Santa" 8:30-10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 7. A pancake breakfast will be served and each child will have a picture taken with Santa Claus. Donation is \$3.50 per person and reservations can be made by calling 534-7125.

**YULE CELEBRATION**

Canton Community Church will present a Christmas "Celebration" 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 7-8, in the Little Theatre of Plymouth Canton High School, on Canton Center south of Joy in Canton. The "Celebration" was developed by Don Moore, the church's programming

director. It will include a blend of music, drama, dancing and other elements. A teen rap, "The Greatest Story Ever Told," will be included, along with other Christmas music and stories. Admission is free of charge. For information, call 397-5863.

**'HEIRLOOMS'**

"Heirlooms: A Celebration of the Holiday Season" will take place 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 26701 Joy, Dearborn Heights. The presentation is for people of all faiths. It will feature Christmas carols, a Children's Choir performance and a sing-along. The event is sponsored by the worship and evangelism committees of St. Andrew's Church. For information, call 274-3820.

**ADVENT SERVICES**

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill in Canton, will have Advent services 7 p.m. Wednesdays, Dec. 11 and 18. For information, call 981-0286.

**ORGANISTS' GUILD**

The Detroit Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will present the Chamber Singers in a Christmas concert 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9, at Christ Victor Lutheran Church, 25535 Ford, Dearborn Heights. The concert is open to the public. A freewill offering will be taken. For information, call 278-8878.

**CHORAL CELEBRATION**

Seven choirs from metropolitan Detroit churches will celebrate Christmas in a festival concert 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile in Livonia. This is the second annual concert sponsored by the American and Korean churches of Michigan. The following choirs are part of the program: Hartford Memorial Baptist Church, Detroit; Korean First Baptist Church, Rochester; Korean Presbyterian Church, Southfield; Korean Presbyterian Church, Troy; Korean United Presbyterian Church, Troy; St. Stephens A.M.E. Church, Detroit; and Ward Presbyterian Church. All proceeds will be donated to charitable organizations in Detroit.

**ADVENT RETREAT**

An Advent retreat led by the Rev. Frank Grispio will take place 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Residence Hall on the campus of Madonna University in Livonia. Grispio, a professor, campus minister and counselor at Madonna University, lives at the Mary Mother of the Church Spanish Mission in Detroit. Sign language interpretation will be available. The \$12 admission price will include lunch and refreshments. Advance registration is preferred. For information, call 591-5127.

**CHRISTMAS MUSICAL**

Wayne Wesleyan Church, 5225 S. Venoy, Wayne, will present the Christmas musical, "Name Above All Names," arranged by Mosie Lister 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8. The musical is open to the public. For information, call 721-1751.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

The second annual Christmas concert at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church, will be 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8. The Schoolcraft College Community Choir will perform under the direction of Donald Stromberg. The concert will feature Benjamin Britten's "Ceremony of Carols" and other selections. Seating will be limited to the first 225 people. Ticket prices are \$4 for adults, \$2 for students. Nursery care will be provided. Proceeds will support charitable services. For information, call 453-6464.

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

"Christmas Celebration '91," a musical drama, will be performed at the two Fairlane Assembly of God locations. The drama will be presented Friday through Sunday, Dec. 6-8, at Fairlane West, 41355 Six Mile, Northville. It will be presented Friday through Sunday, Dec. 13-15, at Fairlane Assembly of God in Dearborn Heights. More than 100 singers and actors from Fairlane's choirs and drama groups will participate. For information, call 561-2810.

**MISSIONS DIRECTOR**

The Rev. Jack Jones will speak 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at the Livonia Pentecostal Church of God, 11663 Arcola, west of Inkster Road in Livonia. Jones is director of missions for the Assemblies of God in Europe. He will discuss ministry efforts in Romania and other eastern European nations. For information, call 425-6360.

**THE SPURRLAWS**

The Spurrllaws, a musical group, will perform 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton. The Spurrllaws have appeared on national television specials such as the "Bob Hope Show" and at national conventions. For information, call 459-3333.

**CHRISTMAS WALK**

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, at West Chicago in Livonia, will present a Christmas walk 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8. "A Tour Through Windows in Time" will feature a series of Christmas vignettes from the nativity to a typical 1950s yule scene. There will be activities for children. Musicians will perform. Refreshments will be served. Donation is \$1 for adults, and children will be admitted free of charge. Guests can make timed res-

ervations by calling the church office, 422-0494.

**ADVENT PROGRAM**

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, between Five Mile and Six Mile in Livonia, will present an Advent program, "Becoming Human: Reflections on the Incarnation," 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Dr. Timothy Endean, who earned a doctorate in theology, will teach the three-week program. Advent classes are available for elementary school children. The Youth Group for junior and senior high students meets at the same time. Dinners will be provided. Price is \$2.

**SOUNDS OF SEASON**

The sixth annual Christmas concert at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 1160 Penniman in Plymouth, will be 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12. Church choirs will perform under the direction of Dr. Michele Johns, director of music at the parish. Admission is free. A candlelight procession of choirs will begin the "Festival of Lessons and Carols." The Parish Choir, Children's Choir and Guitars Group will perform, as will handbell musicians. A reception in the gym will follow the concert. Cassette recordings of the choirs will be sold and are priced at \$8, with postage-fixed mailers available for \$1.25. For information, call 453-0326.

**CHRISTMAS TREE**

Temple Baptist Church, 23800 W. Chicago in Redford, will present its seventh annual "Living Christmas Tree" concert Friday through Sunday, Dec. 13-15. The Temple choir, Alleluia Orchestra, drama team and children's choirs will perform. Paul Black, new music minister at Temple Baptist, will conduct. For information, call 255-3333.

**INVESTMENT SEMINAR**

An investment seminar, "New Decade, New Dimensions: Investment Strategies for the 90s," will be presented noon and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, at the Dillon Inn/Comfort Inn, 30715 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. It will be offered free of charge and will cover investment strategies for creating an emergency nest egg. For information, call 474-5850 or 937-2828.

**COOKIE WALK**

First United Methodist Church of Wayne, at Wayne Road and Michigan Avenue, across from the Wayne post office, will have a "cookie walk" 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14.

**YULE PAGEANT**

The First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon, will present a Christmas pageant, "The Wonder of the Season," 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec.

14, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15. The work traces the story of several participants in the Christmas drama, using a 35-piece orchestra. The Chancel Choir will be joined by two children's choirs and The Way, a young people's group. Donation is \$5 for adults, \$2 for children age 12 and under. Tickets must be obtained in advance by calling the church office, 453-5280. The production is being directed by Michael Gross, Fran Loiselle, Nancy Whitecar, Dale Hoard and Sharon Belobraidich.

**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON**

Church Women United will have a fellowship luncheon 12:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, east of Merriman in Livonia. Christmas music will be sung by the Redford Union High School Choral Group. Price is \$4. For reservations, call 427-7340.

**CAROL SING-ALONG**

Clements Circle Civic Association will have its annual Christmas "Carol Sing-along" 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, in The Wilson Barn, Middlebelt and West Chicago roads in Livonia. Santa will visit with children's gifts. For information, call 425-8959.

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

Plymouth Church of the Nazarene, 45801 Ann Arbor Road, next to Pioneer Middle School, will present "Christmas Celebration, 1991 - The Song" 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 14-15. The Concert Choir, Kolaiah, Plymouth Players and Bethlehem Stars will perform in the audience participation musical. For information, call 453-1525.

**PRAISE CHOIR**

The St. John Neumann Church Praise Choir will have a Christmas sing-along 7-8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, at the church, 44800 Warren in Canton. Song sheets will be provided. An afterglow with refreshments will follow the sing-along. Children are being asked to bring jingle bells and finger cymbals. Parents have been asked to bring a dozen cookies to share and pen flashlights for children to use as candles.

**TIBETAN BUDDHISM**

The Detroit Area Kagyu Study Group offers meditation and discussion of 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.

**YULE GREETINGS**

The 200-voice Chancel Choir, Fifth Season and Men's Ensemble, accompanied by a full symphonic orchestra, will be featured in three performances 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, at Ward Pres-

byterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. For complimentary tickets, call 422-1150.

**ST. MATTHEW ADVENT**

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy, Westland, will have Advent services 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Dec. 11 and 18. For information, call 425-0261.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy, Westland, has planned several holiday activities: 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, Christmas program, "What Are You Waiting For?"; 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve service by candlelight; 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day service; 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve service; 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1, New Year's Day service. Communion will be part of worship services. For information, call 425-0261.

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA**

The Chancel Choir of Church of the Savior will present the Christmas cantata "Ring the Bells" during the worship service 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 15. Choir members have been rehearsing with their new director, Holly Borne, a recent graduate of the University of Michigan. Borne has directed at churches in Ann Arbor and Toledo, Ohio, and was assistant conductor of the Ann Arbor Women's Chorus. The choir will be accompanied by church organist Evelyn Bruggman, Karen Hooks, Jessie Meseroll and Don Bohnwagner will also participate.

**PRAYER BREAKFAST**

The Rev. Terry Prisk of Contemporary Communication will be the speaker 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at the men's prayer breakfast at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Admission is free. For information, call 422-1826.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor in Canton, has begun an outreach ministry to aid those whose lives have been affected by the problems of drug and alcohol abuse. A family support group meets 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month. Group meetings are designed to help family members deal with problems of depression, isolation, denial and co-dependency. A group to help substance abusers meets 7 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of the month. For information, call the Rev. Michael York, the pastor, 453-4785.

**SENIOR FELLOWSHIP**

Bethel Baptist Temple, 29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia, sponsors meetings for senior citizens and retirees the first and third Tuesday of the month. For information, call 525-3664.



## weddings and engagements

### Morton-Sonnenschmidt

Elke Sonnenschmidt of Ypsilanti and Kenneth Charles Morton of Toledo, Ohio, were married Nov. 2 at St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Bloomfield Hills. The Rev. Frederick G. Overdier and the Rev. Rick Beemer performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sonnenschmidt of Bloomfield Hills and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Morton of Plymouth.

The bride is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is employed by J.C. Penney in Toledo.

Her husband attended Eastern Michigan University. He is employed at Pro Golf in Toledo.

Sister of the bride Katrin Sonnenschmidt was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Michele Grimm, Ruby Rohn and Janet Stuart.

Andrew Wright was the best man. The groomsmen were brother of the bridegroom Craig Morton, Charles Garber and Juan Flores.

For her wedding, the bride wore a satin brocade gown. It had on-off



shoulder puff sleeves with rosettes. The gown had a basque waist, a V-shaped neck and back, a large bow and rosettes. Her flowers were white carnations.

A reception was held at the Marriott Hotel in Troy.

Following a wedding cruise to the Bahamas, the newlyweds are making their home in Toledo, Ohio.

## bazaars

### ● CANTON HISTORY

The Canton Historical Society will hold its annual Christmas craft sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6-7. The sale will be at the Canton Historical Museum, Canton Center and Proctor, south of Cherry Hill. It will feature many decorative and gift items. All proceeds will support the Canton Historical Society. Admission is free. For information, call the museum, 397-0088.

### ● ANNAPOLIS HOSPITAL

Annapolis Hospital-Westland Center will have its second annual holiday bazaar 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at the hospital, 2345 Merriman, between Michigan Avenue and Palmer in Westland.

### ● LATHERS SCHOOL

Lathers School will hold its 20th annual Christmas boutique Saturday, Dec. 7. For information, call Brenda Driver, 422-2389.

### ● ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL

St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth, will hold its annual holiday bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7. Some 30 area craftspeople will participate. Fresh greens and roping will be available. There will be a bake sale and cafe. Admission price is \$1 or a canned good for those in need.

### ● ST. THOMAS A BECKET

St. Thomas A Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley in Canton, will hold an arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7. There will also be a bake sale. Some 75 artisans will display their work. Admission price is \$1, 50 cents for senior citizens and children ages 7-12, free for children under 6. For information, call Terri, 397-5886, or Annette, 397-0878. Proceeds will benefit the church.

### ● 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. For information, call 422-0373, 425-5288, 941-7812 or 561-3816.

### ● CHURCH OF GOD

Livonia Church of God, 19827 Middlebelt, will have a Christmas bazaar and bake sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6-7. For information, call 476-7933.

### ● HANDCRAFTERS

Handcrafters will present Christmas craft shows 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at the Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main,

west of Sheldon. More than 70 juried artists will have items on display. Admission price is \$1.50.

### ● BISHOP BORGESS

Bishop Borgess Catholic High School is hosting its annual holiday bazaar 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at Bishop Borgess High School, Plymouth and Telegraph roads in Redford. Donation is \$1. More than 130 craftspeople will have items for sale. For information, call 255-1100.

### ● FAITH LUTHERAN

Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, between Merriman and Middlebelt in Livonia, will have a cookie walk and mini-bazaar 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14. A variety of home-baked Christmas cookies will be on sale as well as holiday decorations, gifts and crafts. For information, call 421-4279.

### ● LUTHERAN HIGH WESTLAND

Lutheran High School Westland will have a "Christmas Wonderland" arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 13-14, at the high school, 33300 Cowan, east of Wayne Road in Westland. Admission price is \$1. More than 100 crafters will participate. There will be a bake sale and lunch will be available.

### ● MICHIGAN GUILD

Michigan Guild's annual holiday "Art Fair" will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at Oakland Community College, Orchard Lake Road at I-696 in Farmington Hills. Admission price is \$3 for adults, free for children under age 12. More than 130 artists and craftspeople will participate in the juried show. For information, call 662-3382.

## new voices

Jim and Rena Sinclair of Orchard Park, N.Y., announce the birth of a daughter, Christina Marie, Nov. 7. Grandparents are James and Marilyn Sinclair of Plymouth and Leo and Christine Wojtylo of Hamtramck. Great-grandparents are Tom and Doris Wood and Roland Johnson of Redford Township. Christina Marie has a sister, Alyssa, 2.

Phil and Sharon Longley of Canton announce the birth of a grandson, Benjamin Phillip Willey, Nov. 19 at

Annapolis Hospital. His parents are Mike and Laura Willey of Garden City. Benjamin Phillip has a brother, Mikey, 2.

Donald and Kathleen Quick of Canton announce the birth of a daughter, Kate Lynn, Sept. 14 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. Grandparents are Joe and Nancy Meyers of Canton, Victor Quick of Plantation, Fla., and Ann Quick of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Kate has a brother, Allan, 4.

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**Seeds multiply species,  
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Autumn is indeed the season of the seed. Throughout the summer, since flowers were pollinated, seeds have been developing on flowering plants. Those early blooming flowers like trillium and spring beauty finished seed development by mid-summer.

Some trees, like the red and sugar maple, had seeds that matured in late summer. Early ripening seeds produce food for seed eaters like mice, chipmunks and many species of birds.

Summer and fall blooming plants have seeds that mature by mid-autumn. Those bright, attractive flowers of goldenrod and asters served their purpose of attracting insects to their nectar source. While the insects are collecting nectar, they involuntarily collect pollen. Pollen transferred to another flower of the same species serves to fertilize the developing seed.

Results of the pollination process are readily visible in fall. Some of the more noticeable and attractive seeds are those with parachutes on them. Plant parachutes serve to transport the attached seed via the wind to a new location. Not all seeds land in appropriate places, that is why plants produce prodigious quantities of seeds.

Common milkweed and its relatives produces a flattened seed



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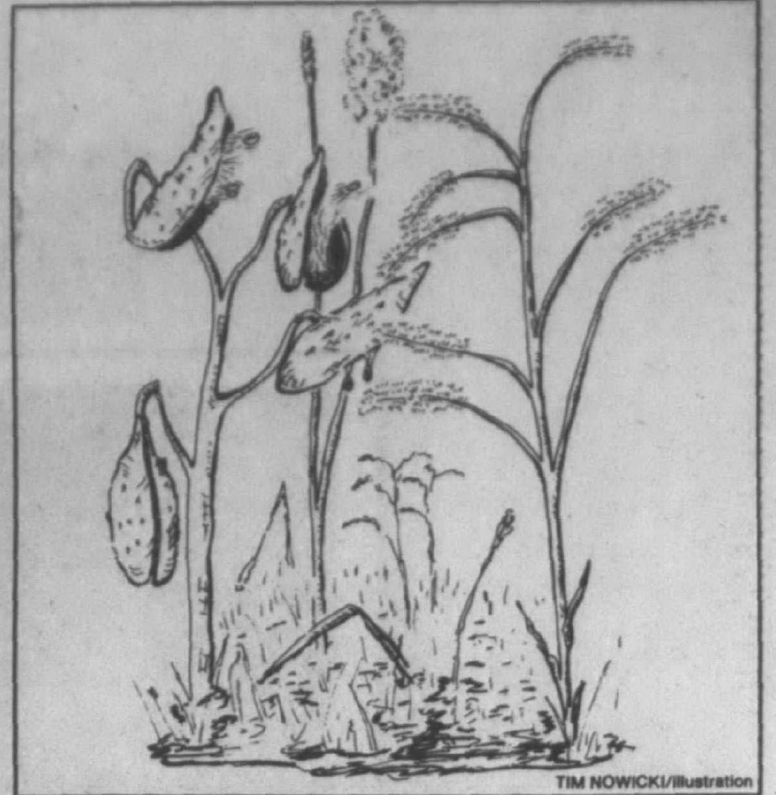
**Timothy Nowicki**

which is attached to delicate, white silken strands. When the seed pod splits open and wind and sun dry the strands, strong winds can carry them away. But before they leave the pod, notice their arrangements.

While walking through local fields in Wayne and Oakland counties, one may come upon thimbleweed. Its cone-shaped flower head on the end of a long, thin stalk has opened into a ball of creamy-white fluff. Attached to each little cotton ball is a seed. As you, or an animal, walks by and disturbs the plant, displaced seeds will get caught in the wind.

Take the time to examine one of the many goldenrod plants that blanket a field. Each spreading lower head is composed of small parachutes or inverted umbrellas with seeds attached to them. Amazing how a yellow flower can transform into a multitude of sailing seeds.

Seed production from flowering



TIM NOWICKI/illustration

**Goldenrod, milkweed and thimbleweed produce many seeds which provide food for mammals and birds during the cold winter months and a source of future plants.**

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Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence-Oaks County Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia.

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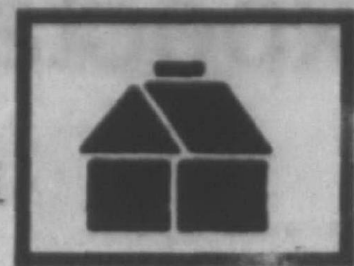
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## Art Beat

Artbeat spotlights vignettes from the suburban arts scene. Send news leads to: Artbeat, Creative Living, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Doris Kirkman of Livonia has handcrafted more than 100 porcelain dolls in the past 10 years. Not all of the dolls are pretty faces either. Some are characters with individual personalities like bushy, bearded Father Christmas and Geronimo in full headdress. Doll Crafter magazine has published four stories written by Kirkman about her dolls. It will print a fifth story about her 33-inch-tall modern doll, "Sunday's Child."

Jay Asquini of Livonia is one of six Michigan photographers whose work is included in a new book of photography that salutes photography 150 years after its invention.

Others are Junebug Clark of Farmington, Darwin Dale of Lansing, Santa Fabio of Berkley, Stephen Graham of Ann Arbor and John Hillery of Detroit.

The book, called 10,000 Eyes, was produced by the 5,000-member American Society of Magazine Photographers.

More than 13,000 photos were submitted. About 165 were selected. The photos illustrate the best in all photo disciplines.

The public may meet the six Michigan photographers at a book signing 2-4 p.m. Dec. 15 at Little Professor Book Co., Westgate Shopping Center, 2513 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor. Call 662-4110.

Running short of gift ideas? Give a gift of music — buy season tickets to the Livonia Symphony Orchestra's B series, which starts Friday, Jan. 31.

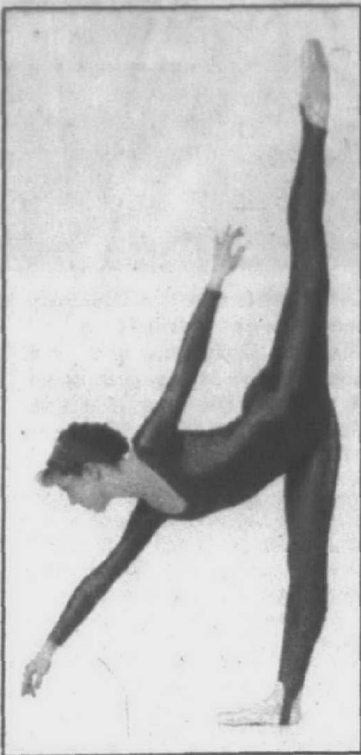
The series includes three chamber-style concerts in the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, Farmington Road at Five Mile.

In January, "Corelli to Gershwin" led off the season. Soloists for the symphony include concertmaster Victoria Haltom, violin; James Kujawski, violin; Kristen Williams and Barbara Groves, oboes; Robynn Rhodes, flute; Dianne Lord, piano; and Brian Moon, trumpet.

On Feb. 28, "Pachelbel to Stravinsky," with the symphony chamber orchestra, and Michigan Ballet Theatre, under director Michelle Wolf, promises to delight with Schubert, Stravinsky and Tchaikovsky thrown in for good measure. A special treat is conductor Francesco DiBlasi's piano performing Debussy's classic Claire de Lune.

Friday, March 20, tunes from "old-time movies" will include music by Scott Joplin, Leroy Anderson, Morton Gould and Gustav Hoist. Featured soloists are Victoria Haltom, Colin Lord and Dianne Lord performing Bartok's Contasts for Violin.

The concerts begin at 8 p.m. Series tickets are \$27, seniors/students \$15. They are available at the civic center library and at Madonna University, Levan and Schoolcraft. Call the LSO hotline: 458-6575.



By Linda Ann Chomin special writer

The Nutcracker will spring to life in a moment of magic Friday-Sunday, Dec. 13-15, when 130 musicians and dancers of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Plymouth Canton Ballet Company present three performances of Tchaikovsky's classic in the Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy Road, Canton.

Conductor Russell Reed and ballet artistic director Dawn Greene will lead the ensemble. Featured dancers are Canton resident Dawnell Dryja, Junior Miss Dance of America 1992, and Denis Adams of the Dallas-based Dancers Unlimited Repertory Company.

Left: Dawnell Dryja will dance the role of the Sugar Plum Fairy when the Plymouth Symphony and the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company present Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker."

## The Nutcracker

### Symphony, ballet team up on holiday classic

"I visited the company yesterday when they were rehearsing The Nutcracker. I walked into the rehearsal hall and I was taken aback. I think it's going to be spectacular. I think it's going to be an exciting production," Reed said. "The Plymouth Canton Ballet Company is a young enthusiastic company with beautiful costumes. This year, they have more props and sets and I hope the community will get out and see it."

This is the third year that Dryja, a honor student at Plymouth Canton High School, has performed the lead female role in the Plymouth-Canton company's production of The Nutcracker. Her first performances were as a member of New Dawn Ballet Company.

Dryja moved on to lead roles with the Livonia Civic Ballet Company and now is lead female dancer with the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company.

"I watched their troupe rehearse. Dawnell is so fluid and limber. She carries herself so well. She has marvelous movement and great fluidity but that's probably why she won the title," said Linda Alvarado, Plymouth Symphony publicity chairwoman.

ADAMS RECEIVED his formal dance training with the Joffrey Ballet and American Ballet Theatre.

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Redford resident Sergio De Giusti's dramatic bas relief captures the spirit of the Detroit Dance Collective. A poster based on the work will be sold to help the group pay for its community outreach program. DDC will host a drawing for the relief.

## Sculptor salutes dance troupe

By William Coutant staff writer

INSTEAD OF complaining about budget cuts to the arts in Michigan, one Redford sculptor is doing his part by putting his work where his mouth is.

Sergio De Giusti, whose work graces galleries and public buildings alike, has sculpted a bas relief for the Detroit Dance Collective.

The project is unusual because the collective is making a poster of the work and selling it to raise money, and De Giusti is giving away the relief itself. The collective will host a drawing for the relief after its Saturday performance at Oakland Community College, 739 S. Washington, Royal Oak.

"I've known about the dance group," said the former Wayne State art professor. "What appeals to me is the way they use shrouding and unusual images. It is psychological drama. It needs and deserves support. So I'm glad if I can help."

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— Sergio De Giusti

PAULA KRAMER, co-director of the collective, said De Giusti's gift will come in handy since the dance group, like others in the state, has lost state funding.

"Things are so dark in terms of the arts," she said. "This is something really positive."

Area businesses have joined in to create the poster. Detroit Institute of Arts photographer Dirk Bakker, Hubbard Printing of Livonia and Colortech Graphics of Roseville have all collaborated on the poster. The posters cost \$15 and will help pay for DDC's community outreach programs.

De Giusti said his interpretive relief reflects the spirit of the group, using images of dance movement rather than conventional static figures.

"For me, the kind of imagery they deal with has a lot of similarity to my work," he said. "Their work is shocking in some ways — that's part of it. But they're not willing to compromise their work. And I like that. Certainly, if I can help them, I'm glad to do it."

Sergio De Giusti will be honored at a reception after Saturday's 8 p.m. concert. The concert will be repeated at 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$10 and \$8. For information on the concerts and the posters, call 544-5550.

## Line of furniture carries a Twist

Exhibitions: 4D

By Linda Ann Chomin special writer

There is no doubt whatever, Charles Dickens would have approved the notion of charities addressing the needs of the sick, poor and destitute with royalties from family-authorized, authentic reproductions of the desk and chair at which he wrote three of his greatest works.

Dickens produced "Great Expectations," "A Tale of Two Cities" and "Our Mutual Friend" during the years 1859-65 at his country home in Gad's Hill Place, Rochester, Kent, England.

The stately Georgian-style mahogany desk is the star of the 11-piece Charles Dickens Collection of desks, secretaries, bunting bookcases, chests and chairs made by the Hekman Furniture Co. of Grand Rapids.

The line, unveiled Nov. 24 at Jacobson's in Laurel Park Place Mall in Livonia, will provide money for the Charles Dickens Heritage Ltd. and the Charles Dickens Heritage Foundation to benefit the down-trodden in America through the Little Sisters of the Poor.

A QUIET CHAT with Jeanne Marie Dickens, wife of Christopher Charles Dickens, great-great-grandson of Charles Dickens, reaffirmed firsthand the Dickens' philanthropic and business side.

"The Dickens desk came about because I read about the Churchill desk. My husband owned the original Churchill desk. He inherited it from his grandfather. His grandfather inherited it from his father," said Jeanne-Marie Dickens in an interview at Jacobson's in Livonia.

"The Dickens desk is really, truly authentic. 'The Empty Chair,' by Sir Luke Fildes, proves it's authentic. Fildes was Dickens' last illustrator."

As Dickens lay dying, Fildes was on his way, but arrived too late to see his old friend before he passed through death's door.

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## Enjoy holiday decorations while boosting Greenmead

EVERY ONCE in a while, a cause comes along that captures the community's fancy.

Restoration of the Alexander Blue House at Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village is just such a cause.

Community support continues to grow. Yet another major fund-raiser is on tap for the 141-year-old house, once home to a Livonia civic leader and Greenmead's only example of Italianate architecture.

This next fund-raiser will take shape as the third annual Friends for Development of Greenmead Christmas Walk 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7. Local florists will donate their services to decorate seven houses in the city for the holidays.

"Each house is special in its own way," said Maureen Fegan, walk chairwoman. "Visitors not only get in the holiday spirit but also pick up decorating ideas."

That these and other residents open their homes to strangers each year is a tribute to the community spirit that permeates Livonia. Of course, few communities have a jewel like Greenmead to rally around.

THE LIVONIA Historical Society hopes to see the Blue House used not only as a conference and meeting center but also a reception hall for Newburg Church at Greenmead. Period furnishings will reflect 1880s Livonia Township. The intent is to have the two-story, 11-room house self-supporting.

"We just kind of adopted the Blue House," Fegan said. "It was in such



Bob Sklar

bad shape and it needed so much money. Lots of people seem to share strong feelings toward bringing it back to life."

Homes on this year's walk are different than those showcased the first two years.

New to this year's walk will be a two-year-old ranch for homeowners looking for tips to decorate a smaller house. It features a sunken hot tub on a spacious deck.

Furnishings in a 1925 colonial in Old Rosedale Gardens include an 1800 cedar chest and a porcelain doll collection.

Other homes feature a Depression-day drugstore display showcase, a panoramic living room view of Bell Creek Woods and an English country look. A two-level ranch boasts two floor-to-ceiling fireplaces.

The Simmons/Hill House Museum at Greenmead will be decorated and open for tours during the walk. It's the former home of Livonia pioneer Joshua Simmons.

LAST YEAR'S walk drew 500 visitors and raised \$8,422. The first walk in 1989 raised \$4,883.

Overall fund-raising for the Blue House has generated at least \$59,000. Top donors include the Livonia Historical Society, the city, the Friends for Development of Greenmead and the Sauk Trail Questers.

In 1987, the white clapboard house was moved from Middlebelt to Greenmead, thanks in part to a \$25,000 donation from Livonia's 16th District Court.

Today, the former home of Alexander Blue sports fresh paint, a graded lot and repairs to the roof and chimney. A new furnace and basement floor are next up, courtesy of the Friends of Greenmead's fund-raising savvy.

Walk tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 the day of the walk. Call the Greenmead offices, in the Cranson-Hinbern House, for ticket information: 477-7375.

Greenmead serves as a mini

Greenfield Village for the city, says Janet Bennett, Friends for the Development of Greenmead president.

"We don't have a traditional downtown center. We developed as little towns over 36 square miles. We didn't have a traditional core of buildings to preserve. But we wanted to preserve historic buildings around the city, scattered as they were," Bennett explained.

Bennett sees Greenmead giving younger residents a feeling for early Livonia.

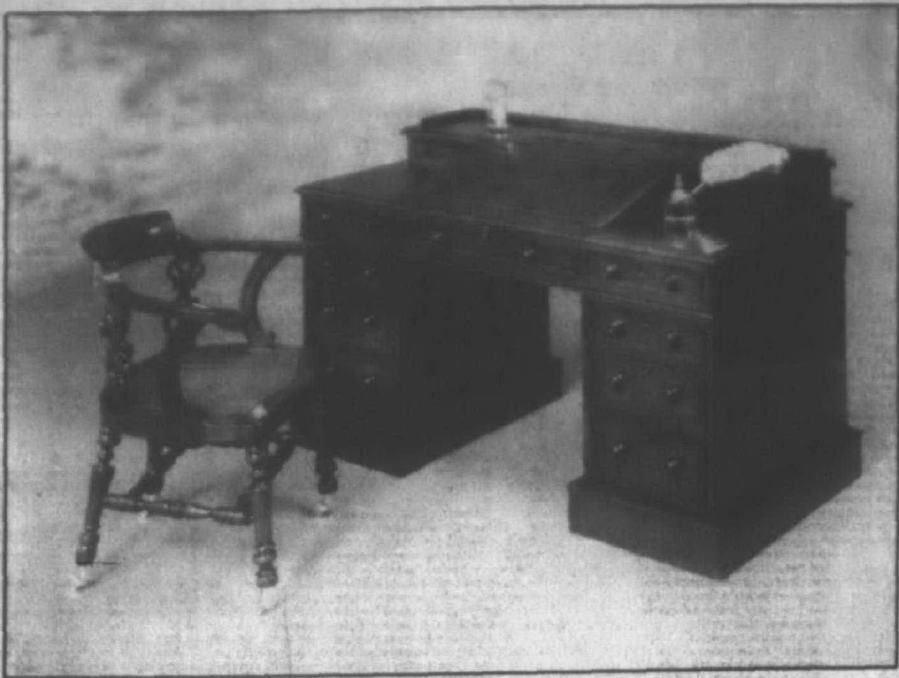
As she so aptly put it: "Greenmead has let us preserve a little bit of our heritage before all traces of Livonia's pioneering spirit and charm are gone."

Bob Sklar is assistant managing editor for special projects.



# Expectations great for new furniture line

The Dickens desk and chair by Hekman Furniture Co. were used by Charles Dickens to write "Great Expectations," "A Tale of Two Cities" and "Our Mutual Friend." The set is priced at \$4,318.



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Flides was so distressed by this, he created an artwork appropriately titled, "The Empty Chair," capturing the Dickens desk and chair used to write these three tales for all eternity.

A certificate of authenticity signed by Christopher Charles and Jeanne Marie attesting to this comes with each desk and chair set sold.

"When I started this, I knew this was going to be quite a task," Jeanne Marie said. "I took it on as a crusade. I researched into Dickens history of helping children, the poor sick children he helped when Dr. Charles West wanted to start up a children's hospital."

"I'm trying to follow him in a very small way, in his spirit as the man who cared about sick children, the old and destitute."

DICKENS' BOOKS and Charles Dickens the man are noted for his concern and work on behalf of the sick, the old and underprivileged children.

That Dickens had never read any of his work in public before 1858 confirms this endearing quality.

"In 1858, Dr. West asked him to read 'A Christmas Carol' and he did a reading in aid of the hospital. The reading raised 3,000 pounds. Dickens became the patron saint of the hospital, Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children," Jeanne Marie said.

"He told the Little Sisters of the Poor, 'If you open an institution, I will help you run it, I will help you keep it open.' They did and he did. I founded the Charles Dickens Heritage Foundation because I wanted to continue his work."

In 1986, Christopher and Jeanne Marie Dickens instituted the foundation to support charities just as Charles Dickens had. All royalties



Christopher Charles Dickens, great-great-grandson of Charles Dickens, and his wife, Jeanne Marie, president of Charles Dickens Heritage Ltd.

received by the Charles Dickens Heritage Ltd. will be shared with the foundation to benefit the sick and needy, particularly the children's charities in the United States.

"I promise that all proceeds I receive will stay here in America. I'm very much like Charles Dickens. Life was very tough for me in Hungary during my childhood. I had to leave my country in 1944. We had to leave behind the land we owned for generations."

"I worked with charities 14 years, the causes the Dickens' family is in. I know he's behind this. He came back through the furniture to help just as he always did," said the Hungarian countess, whose name before her marriage was Jeanne Marie Wenckheim.

THE DICKENS desk and chair are \$4,318 at Jacobson's stores. The desk is made of mahogany solids and veneers. It features what has become known as a sloped Dickens writing surface.

True to the original Dickens desk are distress marks on the writing surface created when Dickens' signet ring scratched the wood as he wrote his novels.

"Jacobson decided to handle the Charles Dickens Collection because we have a very good relationship with Hekman and we both have a reputation for quality," said David Murray, area supervisor for home furnishings at Jacobson's.

The 69-year-old Hekman Furniture Co. is a subsidiary of Howard Miller Clock Co., the largest producer of grandfather clocks in the world.

The Heritage has licensed Hekman as the exclusive manufacturer and distributor worldwide of the Charles Dickens Collection.

"Jeanne Marie came to us a year ago and asked if we'd be interested. We're really excited about it — the fact that Charles Dickens' name is known by everyone, even little children, and because of his work, 'A Christmas Carol.'"

"We're really proud of the furniture and I know Mrs. Dickens is," said Bruce Bergen, Hekman's vice president of sales and marketing.

"I'm very pro-America," Jeanne Marie said. "It's good to know that the reproduction is being produced in America and sold in America much cheaper than we could ever do in England. It's made here, Dickens came here."

"Dickens came to America twice. Next year we're going to work on the 150th anniversary of Dickens coming to America in 1842."

"Dickens: he belonged to the world, I suppose."

## Author to sign children's books

Author-illustrator Tanya Shpakow, former Michigan resident, will be at Jacobson's in Livonia 5-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, to autograph her children's books, "On the Way to Christmas" and "Baba."

Though she now lives in New Mexico, Tanya's stories and illustrations reflect her years in Michigan.

In 1981, she completed a degree in biology from the University of Michigan.

While still an undergraduate, drawing pictures and writing stories

provided a relief from studies. She was able to build a portfolio of illustrations and was accepted to study illustration at the Rhode Island School of Design in 1983.

While a student, she worked as a teaching assistant in film animation. After graduation, she became an instructor of fantasy illustration until moving to New Mexico.

During her early years, Flint was the big city. It was then she became aware of the joys and sorrows that distinguished Flint from hundreds of other factory towns.

"On the Way to Christmas" was inspired by watching the migration away from Flint during the recession days of the 1970s.

In her book, Shpakow takes her young readers on a journey with Walter, a teddy bear lost when the family of the little boy who loved him moved to their new home on the night before Christmas Eve.

In "Baba," the mystery surrounding a Russian grandmother from Hamtramck is uncovered. The author herself is Russian-American.

## Nutcracker boasts local talent

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atre. He owns and directs the Preston Center Dance. He is artistic director of Plano Dance Theatre, a faculty member of El Centro College, ballet coach/choreographer for national ice dancing champions training for the 1992 Olympics and a traveling instructor.

In late summer, Adams, while guest teaching a weeklong workshop at Joanne's Dance Extension in Plymouth, set the dance for The Nutcracker.

"We're very excited to have Denisil Adams coming from Dallas. He will bring a lot of power and expertise to the production," Alvarado said.

Director Dawn Greene began her ballet training in Scotland. After coming to America, she became a student of Sandra Severo and a member of the Severo Ballet Company. She has taught dance for more than 20 years. She is on the executive board and is an associate examiner for the Cecchetti Council of America.

Greene has set the dance for ballets including The Nutcracker, Swan Lake, Sleeping Beauty and Coppelia.

"I THINK the advantage of having the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company is that (almost all) the people are from the community," Reed said. "It's been my philosophy and the philosophy of the orchestra to involve as much of the community as possible in our productions."

Composed by Peter Ilyitch Tchaikovsky, The Nutcracker is an enchanting story based on E.T.A. Hoffman's Nutcracker and Mouse King. It was commissioned in 1891 by the St. Petersburg Opera.



Denisil Adams

Act I of the ballet begins with the Christmas Tree party. As guests are enjoying the evening, a mysterious dark figure arrives, Herr Drosselmeyer, a powerful magician and Clara's Godfather. He conjures up dancing life-size dolls for entertainment. Then he gives Clara the Nutcracker doll. Her jealous brother Fritz breaks the doll, which Drosselmeyer quickly repairs. The evening winds down, guests depart and the family retires.

Act II features Clara stealing downstairs in search of the Nutcracker after everyone else is tucked in bed. She falls asleep only to be awakened after midnight to the sounds of scurrying mice. The Nutcracker comes to life in her defense. A battle ensues between the Nutcracker and the Mouse King and his nasty band of mice. Clara saves the Nutcracker by hitting the rodent on the head with her shoe. The Nutcracker becomes a handsome prince and they set off for the magical kingdom, a land of sweet delights.

Once in the land of the Sugar Plum Fairy, they are treated to a series of dances. At dawn Drosselmeyer breaks the magical spell and Clara returns home.

THE PLYMOUTH Symphony Orchestra now in its 46th year, and the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company, begin what is hoped will eventually become a holiday tradition: the presentation of a major production using local dancers and musicians.

"These are local dancers and musicians, very talented young ladies and men. If people come to see The Nutcracker, they'll be sponsoring the arts in a time of tight financial budgeting," Dawn Greene said. "They'll be supporting the arts in our community."

Friday and Saturday performances begin at 8 p.m., and the Sunday matinee at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$12, adults; \$8, students, K-12. For tickets, call 451-2112.

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# Holiday art show to serve up gift ideas

By Linda Ann Chomin  
special writer

The ninth annual Garden City Fine Arts Association holiday art exhibit and sale will feature 20 artists Dec. 9-14 at Sheridan Square Mall, 30000 Ford Road.

Nearly 60 artworks, including watercolor, oil, acrylic, pen and ink, colored pencil, charcoal, pastel, pencil drawing and mixed media, will vie for top honors. Juror for the show is Richard Brinn, an art instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

An awards ceremony is set for 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9; everyone is invited to enjoy cookies and cider with the artists.

"We're cordially inviting the public to come and enjoy the creative endeavors of local artists and to become aware of local artists not only in Garden City but Livonia and Westland as well," said Carol Santello, art show publicist.

First-, second- and third-place winners will be chosen in two categories: wet and dry media. Besides the top six awards, Brinn will pick an overall Best Of Show and any honorable mentions he sees fit.

DURING THE show, visitors will be able to cast their vote for the People's Choice award.

"The purpose of the show is to make the community aware of the Garden City Fine Arts Association and what we're doing," Santello said. "It's also a good time to shop for your loved ones."

Garden City painter Luci Morris will exhibit four paintings in the show, two oil and two watercolor. She has been painting landscapes for 15 years.

"I like doing landscapes," Morris said. "It's more fun for me to do." "Gray Skies" is a peaceful autumn landscape complete with rustic cabin, grazing buck, and doe drinking from cool lake waters. Morris uses no reference, preferring to rely on her imagination and longing for tranquil surroundings.

"It's not difficult to think up a scene," Morris said. "I painted it on the sky about a year ago and made up the rest."

Morris plans to make a few

changes in the painting though; artists usually do. "Some paintings are more difficult. With oil paint, you can go back and change it," Morris said.

"Gray Skies" is priced at \$120 as is her ice-capped mountain scene, "Wintery Night." "I wanted to make it look real cold," Morris said.

MARY BRITTAIN of Dearborn Heights has been painting 30 years. Her landscapes are done on location.

"I do a lot of my painting when I'm camping," Brittain said. "I don't get to take a whole lot of reference with me camping. I paint from imagination."

Although most of her camping is done in the flatlands of Michigan, Brittain's landscapes usually contain serene mountains and evergreen meadows.

"I love mountains. I love painting mountains," Brittain said. "I enjoy drawing and sketch it out beforehand. I've always done some kind of art since I was a child."

Brittain said she looks forward to exhibiting her four oil landscapes in the show. "The competition is important, the exposure it gives my work," Brittain said, "and it gives my works a chance to be sold."

"Solitude" features two stone gray mountains; peaceful and non-descript. The black skeleton of an ancient evergreen placed amid a meadow of green gives the scene a sense of loneliness words alone cannot describe. The oil painting is priced at \$75.

NEW FOR Barbara Gosney of Garden City is an abstract oil, "Utter Chaos." Pure reds, blues and electric chartreuse swirl their way across the canvas. The chaotic acrylic is \$85.

"I picked out my colors beforehand, squeezed them onto the canvas and smeared them around. There's no brush work. It's done with a palette knife," Gosney said.

"Seven Sisters," a portrait by Gosney of seven heads from different views, was done in beige-colored pencil on dark brown paper. Using a minimal amount of line, she links them together with flowing curves. The work is priced at \$85.

Bob Sheridan of Garden City will



Luci Morris (left) with her oil, "Wintery Night," Norma McQueen with her acrylic, "Light and Lilac," Mary Brittain with her oil, "Solitude" and Barbara Gosney with her acrylic, "Reflections of

a City." They will exhibit their paintings in the Garden City Fine Arts Association's show next week.

have two oil paintings in the show, one of which is a brilliant-colored abstract, "Cattails." Not for the meek of heart, this piece will add flair and excitement to any room.

"Light and Lilac," an acrylic painting by Norma McQueen of Garden City, is a well-designed composition of daisies with gold hearts and turquoise, gray and lilac in their white petals. The work is priced at \$150.

"THE HOLIDAY show is good exposure for the artists. It's encouragement and inspiration for the new members. It's good to have new exhibitors and new types of art for the public," said McQueen, GCFAA president. McQueen will have handpainted

ornaments and cards in The Art Gallery run by the association in Sheridan Square. Special-order ornaments from a photograph of your pet are \$10, or \$7 for handpainted images of the artist's choice.

The gallery will be open during the awards ceremony because a lot

of artists exhibiting have paintings in the gallery, McQueen said. "I think it's important to be open to Michigan artists. We show only Michigan artists."

Holiday gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Satur-

day. The non-profit gallery is open to all artists in Michigan and takes a 20 percent commission.

Holiday art show hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

## OCC will host weekend holiday art fair

The Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans will hold its annual holiday art fair Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 7-8, at Oakland Community College, Orchard Lake Road at I-696, Farmington Hills.

The juried winter showcase of decorative, functional and fine art features more than 130 fine artists

and crafters from 14 states. Media include gold and silver jewelry, painting, photography, wearable and decorative fiber, ceramics, wood items and toys.

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Show hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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# Authors' homes open to view

About a year-and-a-half ago, I wrote a column that focused on the homes of several great American writers of the past.

All the homes were open to the public and, as an alternative to the usual battlefield-monument-museum vacation, I suggested you drop in and take a look at some or all of them if you ever got the chance.

I'm not sure why, but that column elicited more response from you than any I've written. All of the response was positive. Many of you asked that I write again about other authors' homes accessible to the public.

And so with this column, I'm making a start at answering your request. From time to time, we'll take a look at some other homes and places in which American authors lived and which obviously influenced their work to a considerable degree.

Yes, there really is a Main Street, as in Sinclair Lewis' "Main Street," the novel that catapulted the controversial writer to fame in 1920. (Ten years later, Lewis won the Nobel Prize for literature, the first American to do so.)

IN A sense, there really is a Gopher Prairie, too, the provincial little town in which "Main Street" was set. As most of you probably know, it's not called Gopher Prairie, though, but Sauk Centre, a central Minnesota town where Lewis was born in 1885, and where he grew up, the son of a prosperous physician.

Lewis' "Main Street," you'll remember, was not exactly complimentary of Gopher Prairie/Sauk Centre and its inhabitants. In fact, Lewis had hardly an encouraging syllable to record about what he saw as a narrow, stultifying place that symbolized all the main streets across America in his time.



book break  
**Victoria Diaz**

But while the people of his hometown may have been initially outraged at Lewis, those feelings have apparently dissipated. Today, Sauk Centre bills itself as "Main Street U.S.A. a living museum of an American institution: the Small Town." Sinclair Lewis appears to be its favorite son.

"Why should that fiery, honest, impatient spirit have come of such a house?" asked novelist Pearl Buck, after visiting Lewis' boyhood home some years back. "What . . . elements produced him?" she wondered. "I could only see him bursting out of those walls."

THE GRAY, two-story clapboard of which Buck spoke (she called it "sober" and "middle class") was probably one of the less modest homes in Sauk Centre during Lewis' childhood, although to call it "grand" would be definitely misleading.

Now restored, its lace-curtained windows, gingerbread trim, flowery wallpaper and even the occasional spittoon possess a certain Victorian charm. But the house's design and heavy, dark furniture, typical of that found in American homes in the early part of the century, may make it

feel rather oppressive to visitors today.

The house was equipped with many of the latest conveniences of the day, though, including steam heat, and one of the earliest radios manufactured, which now sits on a shawl-covered table in what was once Dr. Lewis' study.

According to all the literature, the town of Sauk Centre (pop.3,000+) looks much as it did when Harry Sinclair Lewis wrote about it more than 70 years ago. To soak up local flavor, tourists can drop in at the old Palmer House Hotel (where Lewis once worked as a night clerk), or have lunch on Main Street, at John's Cafe, a kind of combined restaurant-recreation center.

LEWIS LEFT Sauk Centre to attend Yale, and for the rest of his life, rarely visited his hometown. Never a predictable sort, though, late in his life he made provisions to be buried at Sauk Centre. When he died in a nursing home in Italy in 1951, his ashes were returned to Minnesota and are interred at Greenwood Cemetery, just east of town.

The Lewis Home and the Sinclair Lewis Interpretive Center (a depository for his works) are open seven days a week, Memorial Day through Labor Day. Tours are conducted the rest of the year by appointment. For more information, write Joyce C. Lyng, 1725 Sinclair Lewis Ave., Sauk Centre, Minnesota, 56378.

Livonia-based Victoria Diaz tracks the books industry and literary field.

## exhibitions

Send calendar items about Oakland County art gallery exhibitions to *The Eccentric*, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009. Send items about Wayne County exhibitions to *The Observer*, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Attention: Creative Living editor.

**● SYBARIS GALLERY**  
To Dec. 5 — "Basketry: An Expanding Definition," featuring contemporary art baskets by six leaders in the field, continues. "BEADazzled: From three-dimensional sculpture to personal adornment" to run Dec. 7 to Jan. 4, with opening reception 3-5 p.m. Saturday. The "BEADazzled" show focuses attention on the myriad formal and content-related issues that stem from the 12 artists' usage and handling of beads. Hours 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 301 W. Fourth, Royal Oak, 544-3388.

**● THE ARTISTS COOPERATIVE**  
Starts Dec. 6 — The general membership exhibit, "Act IV," opens with a reception 5-10 p.m. at Urban Park, 508 Monroe, Trapper's Alley, Level 3. Through Dec. 14. Hours: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, noon to 8 p.m. Sunday. The artist-run cooperative provides exhibit space for emerging and established artists of all disciplines.

**● COMMUNITY ARTS AUDITORIUM**  
Starts Dec. 6 — The "Unseen Landscape" art exhibition, featuring 19 paintings by seven major Michigan artists, opens with a reception 5-10 p.m. at Wayne State University and continues through Jan. 24. The gallery is on the Gold Tour of the 10th annual Gallery Crawl sponsored by the Detroit Council for the Arts the same evening. Call the WSU department of art and art history, 577-2980, or the DCA, 224-3482, for information. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, closed Dec. 23 to Jan. 6.

**● WILLIS GALLERY**  
Starts Dec. 6 — "Willis Gallery 1971-1991," 20th anniversary exhibition, opens with reception at 7 p.m. Friday. Exhibit will run to Jan. 10. Hours are 2-6 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 422 W. Willis on the corner of Willis and Cass, Detroit.

**● URBAN PARK**  
Starts Dec. 6 — Urban Park, a Detroit art center, has opened in Trappers Alley. It is an exhibition space dedicated to showcasing the works of Michigan artists. Comprised of about 3,500 square feet of retail space at the east end on the third floor of the alley, Urban Park has the feel of a Soho/Greenwich Village artists market. Urban Park will participate in the Detroit Council of the Arts 1991 winter gallery crawl Friday, with an exhibit including works by more than 20 artists and craftsmen. The exhibit will remain open through December. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, noon to 7 p.m. Sunday, 508 Monroe, Detroit, 963-3357.

**● HABATAT GALLERIES**  
Starts Dec. 7 — Pavel Hlava, one of the most noted

artists working in glass, will be exhibiting his fourth one-man show at Habatat through January. Hlava, who lives and works in Prague, has received worldwide acclaim for his constructed blown and cast glass sculptures.

Also at Habatat: The kinetic wall sculptures of Ricky Bernstein make light of mundane daily lives and artistically transform the "ordinariness" into an extraordinary occurrence. The cast glass by local artist and Center for Creative Studies instructor Albert Young will be on display for his second major exhibition at Habatat. Opening reception 8 p.m. Saturday. Hours 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 32255 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills, 851-9090.

**● DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**  
Starts Dec. 8 — "Gold of Africa: Jewelry and Ornaments from Ghana, Cote d'Ivoire, Mali and Senegal," features rare gold artifacts and jewelry of African kings at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

This national exhibition represents the first U.S. viewing of stunning gold objects drawn from the collection of the Barbier-Mueller Museum in Geneva.

The 150-piece exhibit, under the auspices of the American Federation of Arts, runs Dec. 8 to Feb. 9.

The 29th Bal Africain, the major annual museum fund-raiser of Friends of African Art, a DIA volunteer auxiliary, serves as the holiday season's Gold of Africa patron exhibit opening Dec. 7.

Call 833-0247 for ticket information. Gold of Africa catalogues are available at the DIA gift shops at the DIA and Twelve Oaks Mall, Novi.

**● JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSEUM/GALLERY**  
To Dec. 12 — "On, Of and About Paper" continues. The exhibition features the work of seven artists whose work involves the use of paper as a surface, as a medium and as a context to explore their creative ideas. The artists are Michael Freedman, Linda Golden, Joel Handorf, Jean Heilbrunn, Aviva Robinson, Stanley Louis Rosenthal and Karen Roth. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, to 8 p.m. Thursday and to 4 p.m. Sunday, at the Jewish Community Center, Maple and Drake in West Bloomfield, 661-1000.

**● SISSON GALLERY**  
To Dec. 13 — "Women Printmakers," a collection of works from the Print Consortium, on exhibit. Gallery hours 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, until 8 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, at MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn, 845-9634.

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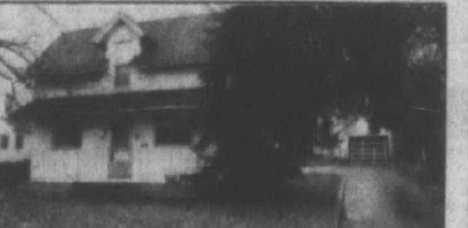
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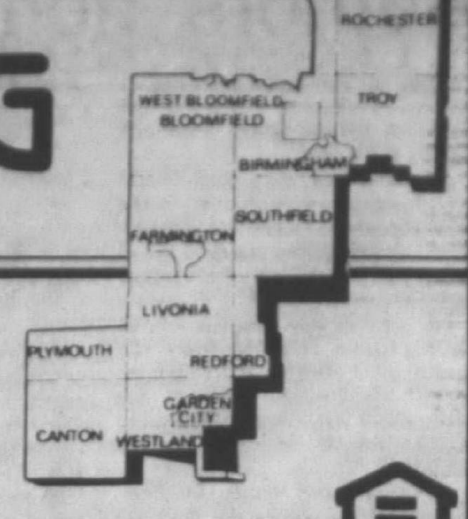
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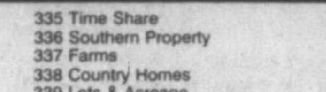
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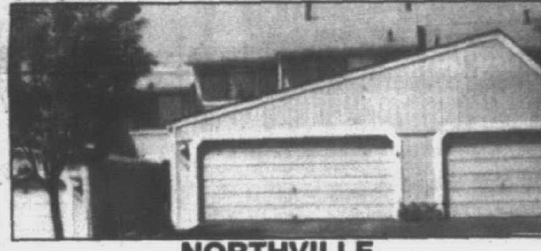
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**PLYMOUTH**  
**UPDATED TRAILWOOD RANCH.** Three bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, freshly painted in neutral colors. Family room w/ fireplace & doorwall to yard. First floor laundry plus special trust system in basement for easy finishing.  
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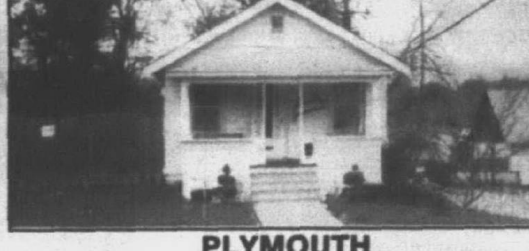
**NORTHVILLE**  
**NORTHVILLE LEXINGTON CONDO** with 3 bedrooms & 2 1/2 baths. This townhouse offers location & space + custom amenities. Extra large master bedroom & spacious family room w/walk-out lower level.  
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**COUNTRY IN THE CITY.** This cute Livonia Bungalow features 3 bedrooms and 2 baths, a large wooded lot and a beautiful family room. Great Livonia location at a great price.  
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**REDFORD BRICK RANCH!** 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, hardwood floors, Florida room, basement, garage. Good access to expressways, central air, spacious lot with trees, home warranty. 10K  
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**DESIRABLE FAMILY HOME.** On tree-lined street, 3 bedroom brick ranch, aluminum trim, 2 1/2 car garage, 1 1/2 baths, screened-in porch, wet plaster walls & hardwood floors. Nice fenced yard with privacy fence.  
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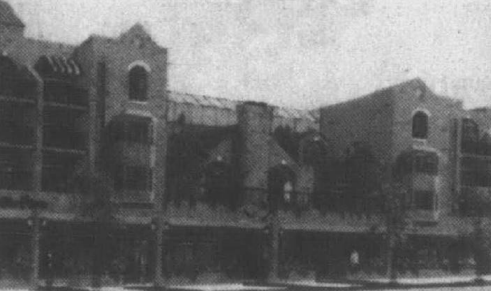
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REAL ESTATE NEWS

# Interest rates trigger residential sales spurt

By Doug Funks  
staff writer

Home sales are still good in metro Detroit, with some real estate offices reporting record sales.

The 26 Real Estate One metro Detroit offices reported aggregate sales of \$57.2 million for October, an all-time record for the month. The previous October record of \$55.4 million was set in 1989.

The number of properties sold last month, 855, and the number of new listings taken, 561, showed strong gains over comparable 1990 figures — 539 sales and 409 listings. October 1990 sales totaled \$45.7 million.

One in three area branch offices set individual records for sales in October, the Farmington Hills-based firm reported.

"The selection of homes available

and with the lowest interest rates we've seen in 18 years means buyers are very likely to find a home they really like at a more affordable cost than has been true in a long time," said Richard Elsea, Real Estate One president.

"We happen to be in a comparatively affordable residential real estate area," he said. "We haven't had a growth rate that bid prices up to a great degree."

THROUGH OCTOBER of this year, Real Estate One had sold 6,721 units for \$625.2 million compared to 6,669 units for \$583.9 million during the same period in 1990.

"I think the market is picking up. I look for a great year next year," Elsea said. "It's not uncommon for residential real estate to lead an economy down or up."

Aggregate sales at 104 Century 21 offices in metro Detroit were up some 5 percent through the first 10 months of the year, said Doug Stranahan, president of Century 21 Great Lakes, a franchiser for the national organization.

Sales January through October totaled 25,927 and \$1.7 billion compared with 24,632 and \$1.4 billion through October of 1990, Stranahan said.

The Century 21 offices sold 2,085 houses this October for \$166.5 million.

Doug Hardy, president of Century 21 Today with offices in Redford, Farmington Hills, Livonia and Southfield, reported October sales of \$11.7 million this year compared to \$10.9 million in 1990 and November sales this year of \$9.3 million compared to \$6.3 million in 1990.

"Personally, I'm having the best year I've had in 30 years in terms of dollar volume sales and commission dollars," Hardy said. "There's probably a lot of factors involved. Number one, interest rates are great."

"I THOUGHT the most interesting number is where buyers are coming from," Stranahan said of regional statistics. "Sixty-five percent are moving within a 50-mile radius. Thirty-six percent are first-time buyers."

"People positioned to purchase are taking the opportunity to purchase with low interest rates and the opportunity to move up from the first home to the second home," he said.

The state's largest multiple listing service run by the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Real-

tors also reports that sales here outpaced the national market by "a substantial margin" through the first three quarters of the year.

"Where sales in our 1,600 square mile territory were up 2.5 percent from 1990 through September, the national figure was down 2.8 percent," said Allen C. King, president of the association and Metro MLS.

"National figures for October are not yet available, but we reported another substantial increase that brought market growth this year up to 3.5 percent."

Detroit's median price (half higher, half lower) of \$83,100 was the ninth lowest among 31 metropolitan areas studied by the National Association of Realtors, Metro MLS reported.

BASED ON median household income, housing affordability here

ranked seventh, the survey indicated.

"Our metropolitan area has historically been noted for comparatively low prices compared to the majority of urban centers and the nation as a whole," King said.

"While the imbalance has lessened somewhat in recent years, home quality and prices here remain very attractive when viewed against those in most other metro areas."

The areas of highest affordability based on household income and selling prices, according to the survey, were Houston, Louisville, Salt Lake City/Ogden, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Rochester, N.Y., Kansas City and Detroit.

Lowest affordability were San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, New York, Boston, Seattle and Chicago.

# A tale of 2 divorces and effects on condo ownership

My neighbor is a newly divorced woman who has taken up selling cosmetics from her home. Customers are coming to her unit at all hours of the day and night to pick up boxes of cosmetics and otherwise keeping me from using my garage and driveway. There is a considerable amount of noise generated when people come that keeps me awake at night. The board seems to think that she is not conducting a business. What can I do?

More than likely there is a provision in the condominium documents limiting the use of the condominium

to residential purposes. It would appear that to the extent that she is using the residence as a distribution point for cosmetics, a strong argument could be made that she is using it for business. This is particularly buttressed by the fact that the coming and going of individuals during the day and evening is interfering with the use and enjoyment of the condominium premises by other co-owners.

It would appear that the board of directors and you as a co-owner have a basis to pursue this co-owner for her activities. While the board may

be sympathetic to her plight in the context of her recent divorce, it still has a responsibility to enforce the documents against all co-owners uniformly and consistently.

I would write the board requesting that it take immediate action against the co-owner to preserve the marketability, peace and enjoyment of the premises to all co-owners of record. If it refuses to do so, I would consult with an attorney regarding the various remedies that you have against the association or the offending co-owner.

I am a co-owner in a condominium

living below a newly divorced male who has a different woman over at his condo every night. While I appreciate the fact that the single family use restrictions are not normally enforceable against unrelated adults living together, there must be some provision in the condominium documents that would give me the tranquility of the use and enjoyment of my home without a different woman coming and going at 2 or 3 a.m. I have written the board of directors and they seem to think that it is not their business. What can I do?

Most condominium documents

provide that a co-owner must not do anything that would be unreasonably offensive to a neighboring co-owner, including engaging in activities that would be deemed immoral and improper. While it is not necessarily immoral or improper for a person to invite unrelated female guests to his condominium unit on a regular basis, it would appear that to the extent that the co-owner or his guests are unreasonably noisy at 2 or 3 a.m., that you would have some basis to request that the co-owner refrain from such activity, as it impairs your rights as an owner or occupant

of the condominium unit.

I would write the board of directors advising it of the problem so that it is documented in writing and request that it write the neighboring co-owner requesting that he refrain from conducting activities that would be unreasonably noisy or otherwise offensive to his neighbors.

I would also carefully draft a letter to your neighbor requesting his cooperation because you are not able to sleep or otherwise enjoy your unit because of the recurring activities in his condominium unit in the evening.

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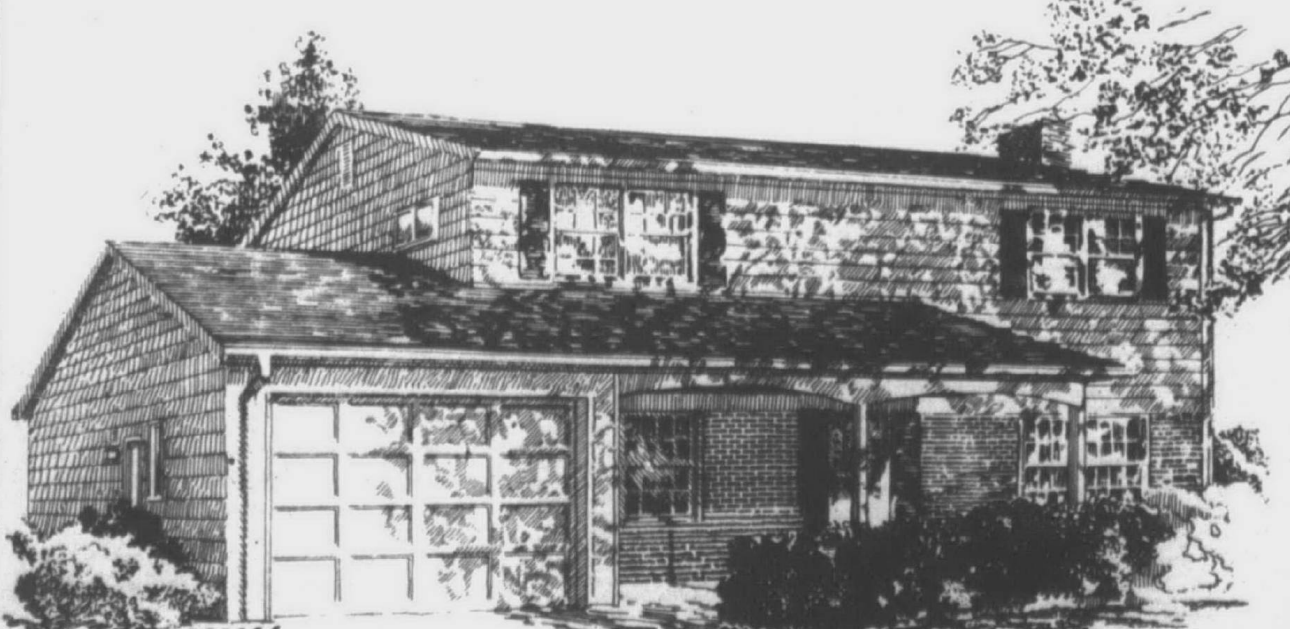
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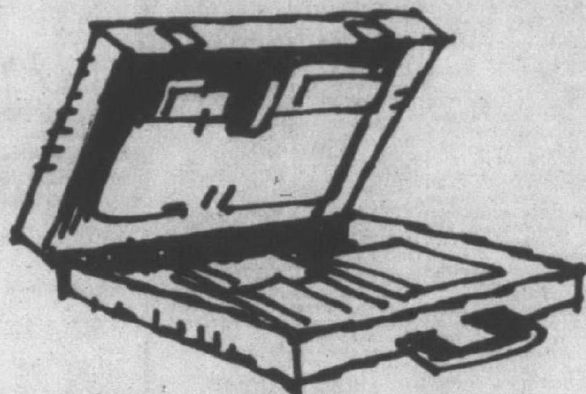




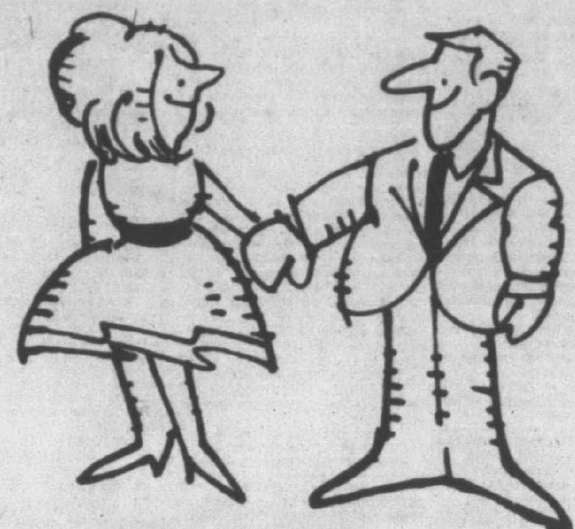
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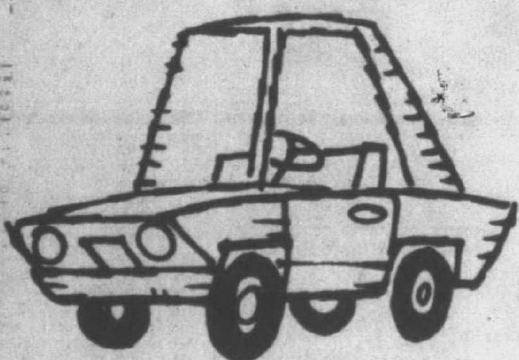
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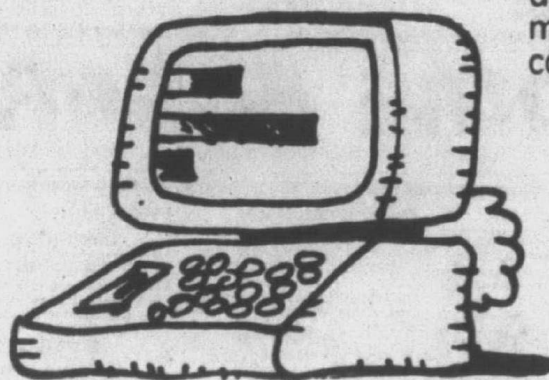
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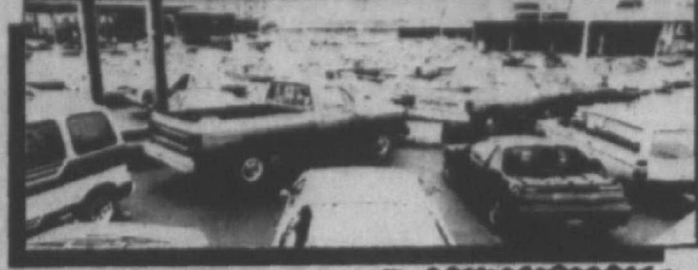
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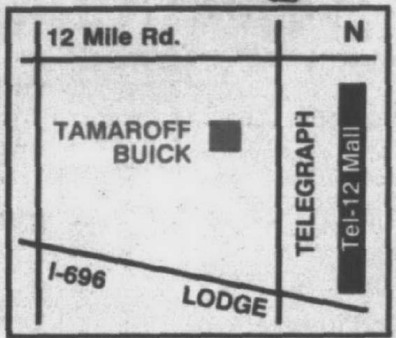


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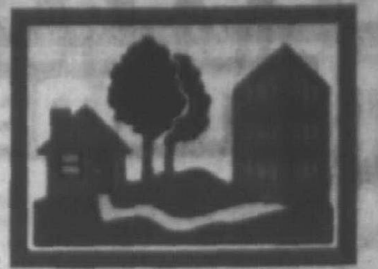
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## 'Tis the season for sales lags

By Susan Buck  
staff writer

**W**HEN IT COMES to selling houses, those in the business recite a timeworn maxim: "We follow you 'til you buy or die." Maybe that's an exaggeration, but persistence pays off in clinching a deal — especially during the holidays when buyers are distracted by seasonal activities.

To help overcome the holiday sales blahs, the Sales and Marketing Council of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan hosted a recent seminar co-sponsored by Standard Federal Bank in Troy.

Dennis Dickstein, president of Ralph Manuel Realtors in Birmingham and Farmington Hills, and Dave Lewenz of S.R. Jacobson Development Corp., Birmingham, joined Tom Ervin, a real estate columnist who is also a sales consultant for Standard Federal in Troy, to speak to an audience of 25. They focused on selling strategies and promotions during the holiday season as well as tips on how to follow up and close a deal.

"As soon as Thanksgiving arrives, the market dies," Lewenz said.

So last year Lewenz convinced his employer to commit \$14,000 for television advertising — a vehicle Realtors seldom use, he said.

"We sold 12 houses last year in the month of December between five subdivisions. A lot of our competitors didn't sell anything."

That's no small feat, Dickstein said, because of the country's economic involvement in the Persian Gulf then.

"There's fewer buyers in the market than last year," Lewenz said. "In tough times today, a good deal is a profitable deal."

**IDENTIFY THE** benefits clients want to buy, Dickstein said. That means a good school system,

***'Find out where the person is at in their lives. Your job there is to persuade. You're a paid persuader. Most people in real estate don't sell. They visit. They give answers. They call back sometimes.'***

— Tom Ervin

"People buy in new developments that are in a three- to four-mile radius of where they live," Lewenz said. **LEWENZ PLAYS** up today's low interest rate as another aid. "Interest rates, traditionally, are lowest in the months of February or March," Lewenz said.

In selling new homes, he also suggested throwing in a free \$6,000 holiday bonus package of a whirlpool tub, high energy furnace and central air conditioning.

"Target buyers by income," Lewenz said. "The prices on new homes sometimes scare people right out the door. Show buyers how they can afford the home with different types of mortgages, Ervin said.

Although today's buyers are better educated about home purchases, they are also less decisive, Ervin said. "This has got to be a great frustration for you," he said to the audience.

Get people to sign the register card when they come to look at the house — and hope they don't use fictitious names and phone numbers, Ervin said.

**DICKSTEIN SUGGESTS** that customers fill out a form with a small survey on top, followed by their personal information. Some people are uncomfortable listing their names first, Ervin said.

"There's a psychological difference." Ervin suggested that some sales techniques are not helping sales staff meet their objectives.

"How do you perceive your role?" he asked. "To me, greeting people, escorting people through the home and answering questions is not selling," he said.

Salespeople don't ask enough questions to find out what people want, Ervin said. They also don't give buyers what they want.

"Find out where the person is at in their lives," Ervin said. "Your job there is to persuade. You're a paid persuader. Most people in real estate don't sell. They visit. They give answers. They call back sometimes."

Ervin reminded his audience to remember these 10 words: "If it is to be, it is up to me."

location, equity and investment.

Advertising is a must, Lewenz said. Small community papers offer lower cost advertising than the large dailies. And don't forget classified advertising, he said.

While selling the Sugar Creek detached condominiums in Rochester Hills last year, Lewenz used demographics to target, through mail, those most likely to be interested in the units.

In that case the profiles developed suggested a target market comprised of Troy and Rochester residents, folks aged 45-60 where the husband was still working, the children were grown and the pair was looking to get out of their 2,400-square-foot colonial, where they lived for the last 12 years.

"We had a 5-percent response," Lewenz said. He used the Bresser's address book as a tool.

## Double seasonal sales efforts

By Susan Buck  
staff writer

There's some simple tricks of the trade that sales persons can use to move houses during the holidays, according to David Lewenz, of S.R. Jacobson Development Corp., Birmingham.

"Maintain the model at the best possible level," Lewenz said. "Have a hit list for the cleaners to make sure the windows are done and the light fixtures are dusted. It's important that the model always looks fresh and clean."

Lewenz suggests:

- Use pine air freshener.
- Keep a gas log burning in the fireplace.
- Place a floor mat with your company's name at the front entrance.
- Wash and paint the basement floor.
- Create festivity with lights, a tree and houseplants.
- Simmer a pot of nutmeg with some herbs in a pot on the stove.

"When people come into a house, what they see and what they smell leaves a lasting impression," Lewenz said.

**DENNIS DICKSTEIN**, president of Ralph Manuel

***'Why not have a holiday party for your past customers and ask them to bring a friend? Who's better at advertising than a bunch of satisfied customers? It's a great traffic builder in your model home.'***

— Dennis Dickstein

Use the holiday season to your advantage, he said. "Why not have a holiday party for your past customers and ask them to bring a friend? Who's better at advertising than a bunch of satisfied customers? It's a lot less than putting an ad in the paper. For a couple grand, you can throw a grand party. It's a great traffic builder in your model home."

Realtors frequently minimize the basement area, choosing to concentrate on the main area of the home and the upstairs.

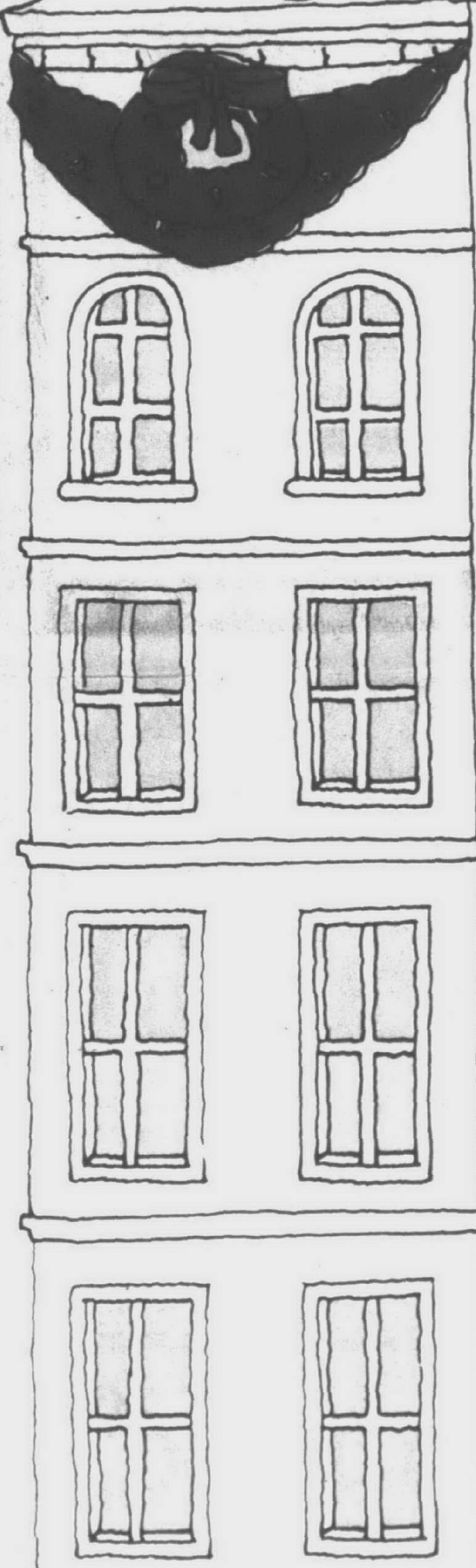
"One of the greatest concerns of buyers is the fear of basement leaks," Dickstein said.

Clean, paint and repair basement cracks, he said. "You may not get a sale because of a clean basement, but I can guarantee that you have a real good chance of losing a sale if you have problems down there in new and used homes."

Pay attention to signs, Dickstein said. Don't kill the egos of your higher priced buyers by posting a large base price sign, like "\$99,999" and up, at the subdivision entrance when the majority of your customers bought their houses in the subdivision for \$189,999, Dickstein said.

Finally, use large windows and less wallpaper in the home, he said.

Realtors in Birmingham and Farmington Hills, said snow must always be cleared, especially off the walk leading to the front door. Always take people in the front door, not through the garage door and the laundry room, Dickstein said.





# Guich joins Trerice Tosto as appraiser

Samuel Guich was named appraiser/consultant at Trerice Tosto, Birmingham.

He will be responsible for appraising non-residential properties and consulting on property tax and special assessments. Previously, he had been a commercial/industrial appraiser for the Wayne County equalization department and served as an assessor for Ypsilanti and Frenchtown townships.

Daniel O. Roesser has joined the

staff of Soil and Materials Engineers, Plymouth, as project geologist in the environmental group.

Previously he was with SCS Engineers in California, where he performed environmental assessments, managed ground water investigations and conducted hazardous waste reduction audits.

Home Planners, publisher of Home Plan books and Home Design products, has opened a home design center in Wixom.

The public can browse through designs ranging in size from 800 to 7,400 square feet. Styles include early American, Cape Cod, saltbox, Gambrel, Georgian, French, country farmhouse, Tudor, Victorian, Spanish, western and contemporary designs. Construction drawings are available for every design the company exhibits.

The center is in the Beck-Tec Industrial Park at 29333 Lorie Lane, west of Beck and south of West roads. The design center claims to

house the largest home-plan collection in the country.

October saw a drop in construction of residential buildings in both Oakland and Wayne counties compared to September figures.

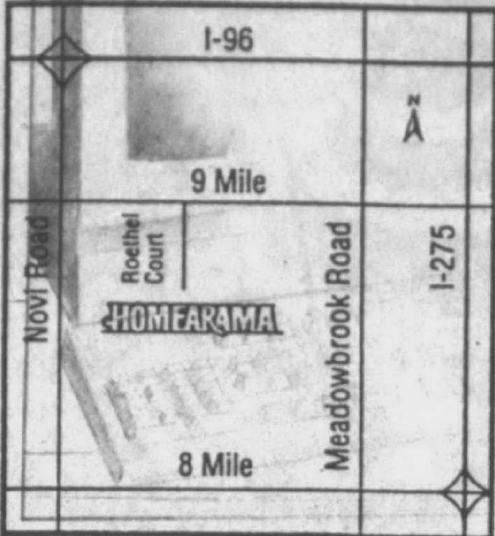
In Oakland, construction starts dipped from 607 to 537, an 11.5-percent reduction. For the year, Oakland County construction plummeted 30 percent, from 6,595 to 4,551.

In Wayne, October starts fell to 377 from 427 in September, a dip of 11.7 percent. For the year, residential building is down 19.9 percent with 2,713 starts this year compared to 3,389 in 1990.

mGarrison Co. of Farmington Hills has begun construction of the Meadowbrook Dodge dealership in Rochester Hills, a 23,000-square-foot structure.



Samuel Guich



# Last-minute touches readied at Homearama

By Susan Buck  
staff writer

There's no place like Homearama for the holidays.

That's what the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan is wishing for.

Its ninth annual Homearama, Dec. 6-22 in Riverbridge subdivision in Novi, features 13 homes and 10 builders.

"We picked a location with intense buyer interest," said Irvin Yackness, executive vice president and general counsel for the builders association, which began in 1928. "We try to find an area accessible to roadways."

This year's Homearama houses top off at about \$280,000; last year's homes began at \$300,000 and were in Brighton. Construction, lot and landscaping

are included in the price of the Homearama model homes.

"We try to determine the price of homes in that area by looking at surrounding homes," Yackness said in explaining how the price range is decided.

A COMMITTEE of eight members selected the builders. Some builders were invited; others volunteered their participation in Homearama, Yackness said.

"They (builders) are members of the builders association, licensed professional builders, with experience and background in the building business," Yackness said. "They needed to show quality, ingenuity, innovativeness and attitude."

Customer opinions of builders also were considered, Yackness said. BASM members live in an area bounded by Flint

on the north, Monroe on the south, Port Huron on the east and Ann Arbor on the west.

Some 100 lots are available in Riverbridge, Yackness said.

A People's Choice Award will be given during Homearama. Visitors the first weekend of the event will vote on their favorite home. Results will be announced the second weekend, said Roy Barnes of Stone, August, Baker Communications Cos. of Troy.

"Interest in housing is an ongoing thing," Yackness said. "There will constantly be new home buyers, and there will constantly be people looking to upgrade. There's constant movement in the housing field."

**Visitors the first weekend of the event will vote on their favorite home. Results will be announced the second weekend.**

## Spectacular surroundings and luxury homes make Oxford Estates a unique find in Farmington Hills

Some of the biggest news in the suburban development scene is the recent introduction of Oxford Estates, an exclusive new 73-home community nestled among 40 wooded acres in Farmington Hills.

Oxford Estates features lovely, custom-designed homes in a variety of floor plans including ranches, 1 1/2's and colonials from three of Michigan's most prominent builders: **Encore Custom Homes, Kimron Construction and The Selective Group**—all of whom are well known for their quality construction and dedication to detail.

"When we began looking for a home, we were immediately drawn to Oxford Estates," said Sam Pinkerton, a pharmacist and drugstore owner. "The homes here are extremely well built and that was our primary concern in buying a home. Everything at Oxford Estates is first-rate. And, of course, we were very impressed with the natural beauty of the property."

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from other communities is indeed the beauty of its property. Its lush wooded areas, ponds, hills, and ravines are among the last of its kind and are protected by the City of Farmington Hills Woodlands Committee.

"What really caught our eye was the landscape at Oxford Estates," said Joanne Tolstedt, a resident of Oxford Estates whose husband is a Ford Motor Company executive. "We've relocated many times and this is by far the most beautiful place we've lived. Here you can take a walk in the woods right in your own backyard. We also like the fact that Oxford Estates isn't too large of a community; there's a special feeling of intimacy here. We've enjoyed getting to

know our neighbors -- many of whom are transferees like us," added Tolstedt.

While offering a secluded feel, Oxford Estates is centrally located near shopping centers, restaurants and excellent Farmington Hills schools—including new Hillside Elementary. There is also a variety of recreational spots—from clubs to theatres—located conveniently nearby.

"Living here really is having the best of both worlds," said Wendy Bratt, sales coordinator of Oxford Estates. "You're able to take advantage of living in a

lovely, new home in an old, heavily treed, private setting. In fact, many of our homes are built on cul-de-sac lots which help add to the feeling of privacy here."

Homes in Oxford Estates range in price from \$300,000 to \$500,000 in an area of homes that are priced in excess of \$1,000,000. Two model homes have been decorated by Harriet Brandt of Candle Lite II Interiors and are currently on display.

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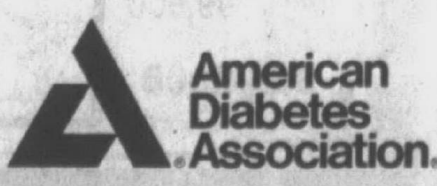
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# Builders go high-tech

By Gerald Frowley

Ten years ago, a guy with a hammer, a pickup truck and a dog named Gus could call himself a builder.

Not so today. Today's builder charges into a job armed with computers, high-tech tools and automation.

Computers are used in everything from designing entire houses and landscaping to keeping closer track of schedules and expenditures; high-tech tools range from nail guns to ultra-sophisticated land surveying tools.

In part, the growing sophistication in the industry can be attributed to the growing sophistication of builder. According to Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan president James Bonadeo, today's men and women entering the home building profession may appear more comfortable on Wall Street than they do on freshly paved roads of a residential development under construction.

"Young builders today are graduating with associate and bachelor's degrees, and in some cases, advanced degrees in construction management," Bonadeo said.

Universities, community colleges and vocational schools throughout the country have developed comprehensive programs in construction. Trained in technical areas like drafting, carpentry and surveying, younger builders often are required to take courses in higher math, physics, economics, labor relations, management estimating, and yes, computers.

Bonadeo said that the point behind all this is not just to make them good builders, but good business people.

IN A RECENT survey by the National Association of Home Builder business management department,

fully three-quarters of the builders studied use at least one computer. Of the remaining quarter, four of five have plans to computerize.

Sonia Wilder, NAHB business management department director, said building is like any other business — or more succinctly, it is a business.

Like any business, computers have become increasingly more common in offices of builders. General computer applications like maintaining a general ledger, purchase management, payables, receivables, billing, and tax preparation are just as useful for the builder as it is for the retailer.

Many of the same applications used in other businesses have been subtly modified for use by builders. "There are expenses in building a house that are different from running another business, so we need programs that address that so when we go in to talk to accountants, we're not totally in the dark."

But builders also have more specialized needs, she said. Construction estimating, sales and marketing, house design, site design and evaluation, and presentation software specially designed for use by builders has become an increasingly popular way of saving time, work and money.

Literally hundreds of programs are presented to builders each year, but not every program meets the needs of the builder, she said. In 1985, the National Association of Home Builders created a software review program.

"It enables an impartial person to review it based in criteria set up by us," Wilder said. So far, only 12 computer programs have met National Association of Home Builders standards.

ROBERT FIOLEK, senior manager of consulting services of BDO Seidman with offices in Troy and De-

troit, said for the most part, the construction contractors are behind the times in adapting technology to the industry.

In the home offices, where most of planning is done, builders, contractors and subcontractors have gradually coming around — particularly in the use of computers, Fiolek said, but out on the job site, computers and other high-tech tools like laser and computer surveying devices are only now appearing.

Builders have readily adapted the computer to specialized uses pertinent to the building industry.

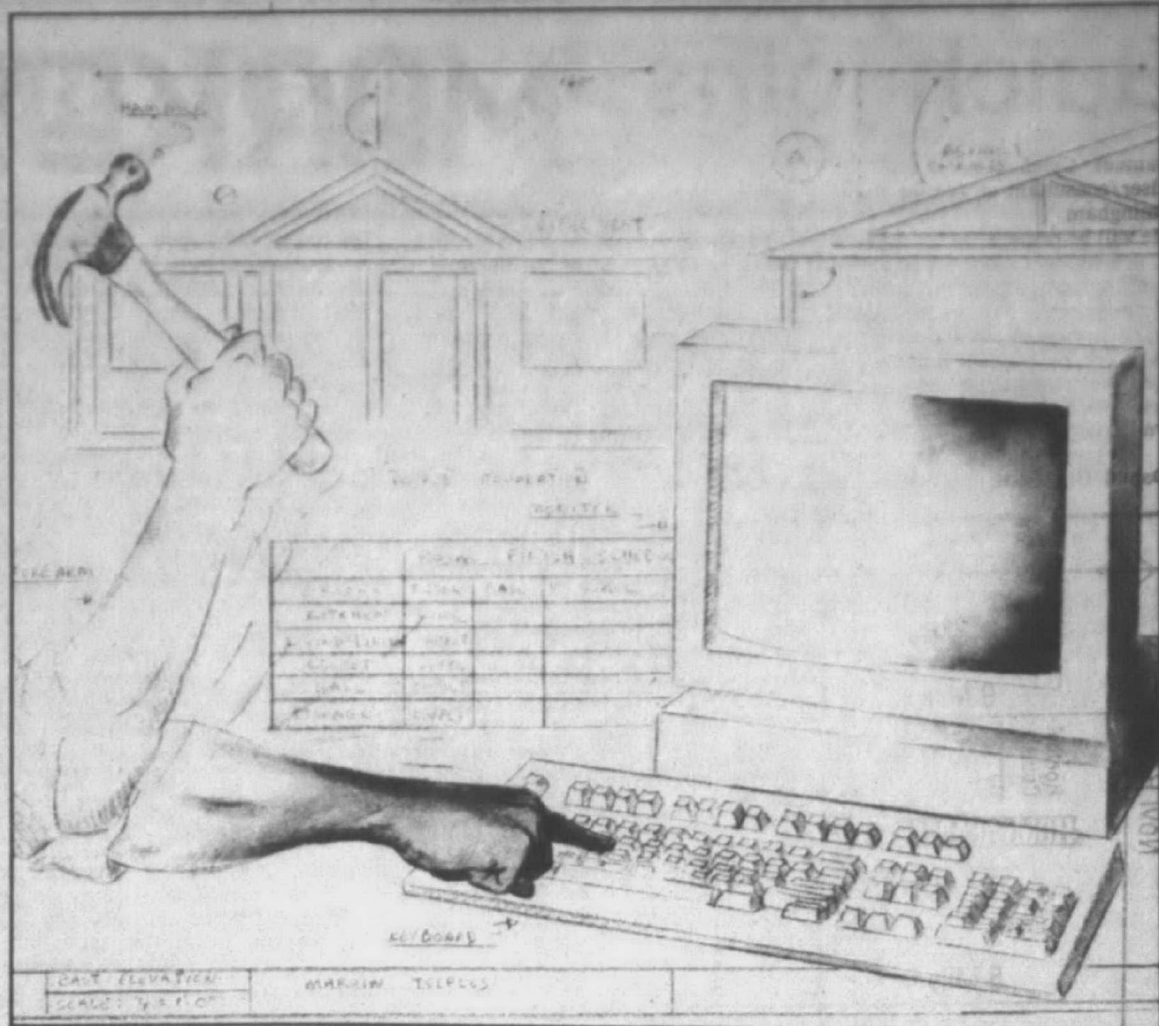
Another high-tech instrument becoming more popular on construction sites is closely related to the computer, Fiolek said.

Hand-held data storage devices which can interact with computers have greatly facilitated record keeping.

The problem with monitoring construction projects has never been at the home office, he explained. "The big problems are out in the field and the guys in charge aren't generally of a clerical nature."

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