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## Assessments increase again



While property tax assessments are going up, it doesn't mean property tax bills will increase by the same amount. The Headlee amendment puts a 5.5-percent cap on the amount of new tax revenue local governments can draw under current millage rates.

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

The lifting of the two-year freeze on property tax assessments should not be too scary a prospect for taxpayers, local officials suggest.

While a county study has pegged average assessment increases for residential property at 11.49 percent in

the city of Plymouth and 8.7 percent in Plymouth Township, most residents won't pay anywhere near that much of an increase, officials say.

For one thing, many state legislators and the governor are talking about acting to reform the property tax system before the increased assessments can take effect.

But even if no action is taken by the state legislature, residents in both the city and township will average no more than a 5.5 percent increase, officials say.

That percentage figure is arrived at by applying the Headlee tax limitation amendment, which limits rises in taxes to the rate of inflation — figured for the two-year period at 5.5 percent.

"So overall the township can collect 5.5 percent for property taxes, if the board chooses to accept the Headlee increase," said township finance director Rosemary Harvey.

That could provide \$146,000 more for the township government in 1993, not really enough to seriously boost the budget.

"It would help us keep up with inflation, help keep up with cost increases," Harvey said, adding it's too early to predict that the township will actually gain that amount.

Judy Zirblis, city deputy treasurer and assessment coordinator, said that while the county study has said residential property assessments in the city could rise as high as 11.49 per-

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## County MADD quilt heightens awareness

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW  
STAFF WRITER

Even though drunken-driving laws have grown tougher over the years, the sorrow, grief and palpable anger of the families of people killed is deep and long-lived.

They band together in a combination group-therapy, activist organization called Mothers Against Drunk Driving, attempt-

ing to expiate the sorrow, expedite changes in the law and expeditiously explain just how heinous the results are, if not the act of operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol.

"When you have somebody you can reach out to it helps so much," said Wayne County

See **QUILT, 5A**



*Peg Rish*  
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**Quilt maker:** Above, MADD quilt maker Carole Salisbury-Ravicchio (left) and MADD director Michelle Kubicz inspect the quilt. At left is the patch honoring Peg Rish, 51. Rish's daughter, Liz LaClaire, used fabric paint to design a rose, her mom's favorite flower.

## Sun room suit goes to court of appeals

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

The state court of appeals will decide the outcome of a dispute that pits the Plymouth Township government against a couple seeking to add a sun room to the back of their house.

George and Linda Nimmerguth want a five-foot variance to enable them to replace their existing backyard deck with a sun room.

"We saw other structures like that

See **APPEALS, 2A**

## City names acting recreation director

Longtime assistant to the city recreation director Tom Willette will begin serving as acting recreation director effective Saturday.

Willette was named by city manager Steve Walters, after Chuck Skene's resignation from the post to

accept the head recreation job in Westland.

Skene's move was sparked by voters' decision in November to uphold the provision of the city charter that

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## 95-year-old lovebirds offer couples advice

BY M.B. DILLON  
STAFF WRITER

Dean Saxton of Plymouth, 95 years young, says he and his wife Vicky, also 95, are more in love now than they were May 20, 1920, the day they wed.

Saxton, who opened Saxton's Garden Center as a feed store in 1934, survived World War I, despite contracting pneumonia while on duty as a runner on the front lines in France. By working tirelessly and making sure not to spend more than they took in, the Saxtons weathered the Great Depression.

Now retired and wintering in Arizona, they're "in the grandchildren and great-grandchildren business," say the Saxtons.

In the service, Saxton "wrote to every girl I knew, and I got a reply from most, but not from

her," he said, nodding in Mrs. Saxton's direction in a recent interview. Saxton had lived for a time in Detroit with an aunt who lived across the street from Margaret Victoria Van Fleet. Miss Van Fleet lived with her mother, a professional photographer, in a large home on East Grand Boulevard.

Before Saxton went to war, he dated Vicky a few times.

"I was mixed up in a sorority at the University of Michigan," says Mrs. Saxton, explaining why she never returned her future husband's letters.

When Saxton returned home, his sweetheart was graduating from U.M. "We got engaged that summer," he said. The rest is history, and food for thought.

"At night, we sit here and cuddle up with each other on the couch," said Saxton. "I found out

she likes it yet. We got married 72 years ago, and we love each other now more than we did then."

How have they kept love's light burning for seven decades?

"I don't think you can always agree, but you can always compromise, and that's what we did," said Saxton. "One or the other would compromise."

"If we had troubles, they weren't that bad, because you could live through it. It was a challenge. And we enjoyed each other."

"If you can," offered Mrs. Saxton, "square dance."

There must be something to that. The Saxtons folk danced into their late 80s, "until they just couldn't hack it anymore," said son Bill Saxton, adding that his mom also taught him and his siblings to dance.



# Appeals

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in our neighborhood, so we didn't think there would be any problem," Linda Nimmerguth said.

The couple first sought a variance for a slightly larger structure, but were turned down in April last year by the zoning board of appeals.

"We got an attorney and discussed what our options were," George Nimmerguth said.

The couple went back before the zoning board in July, after getting signatures "from all our surrounding neighbors, saying they didn't have a problem with it," he said.

They also reduced the variance to five feet — but it was rejected again.

The Nimmerguths decided to appeal the decision. They cited in a brief presented to Wayne County Circuit Judge Michael Talbot 21 instances over five years in which the township government had granted similar setback variances, ranging from 16.8 feet to .75 foot, Linda Nimmerguth said.

Talbot ruled in their favor in a written opinion issued Jan. 15. But the township board of trustees voted last week to challenge that decision before the state court of appeals.

"I feel sympathetic with the Nimmerguths; we all want to do what we want to do with our own property," said township Supervisor Kathleen Keen-McCarthy.

"But I personally believe that if you have ordinances they should be enforced," McCarthy said. Residents are "relying on the fact that the ordinances are there and are going to be enforced."

And even though the variance being sought is small, McCarthy said the township should show consistency in enforcing its zoning ordinance, as courts weigh



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Ordinance challenged:** Linda Nimmerguth wants to build a sun room in her backyard, but Plymouth Township says that would violate an ordinance.

such consistency in settling court challenges brought by developers seeking to challenge zoning ordinances.

"I like strict restrictions," Linda Nimmerguth said. "But I don't think we should be this strict with restrictions," she added, say-

ing the variance being sought is only five feet.

The Nimmerguths said they're paying between \$1,500 and 2,000 in legal costs to fight the township over the issue, and estimated

the township must be spending a similar amount to fight them.

"There's a lot of anger. There's more important things in this township for them to spend time on," Linda Nimmerguth said.

# Cash reported stolen during local break-in

Cash was stolen from a Plymouth Township office in a break-in and entering Saturday, according to a report filed with township police.

Police were alerted to the incident by a burglar alarm triggered at 4:29 a.m., according to the report. Upon investigating the Investment Capital office, 215 Ann Arbor Road, they discovered a window had been pushed through with a brick and damage to a door, allowing entry to the office.

Inside, papers were strewn about and drawers were open. Damage to the office was estimated at \$250. Police are investigating.

## COP CALLS

**Thieves made off with a car stereo and four tires from a 1991 GMC station wagon parked in a fenced-in area at Bob Jeanotte Pontiac early Friday, according to a report filed with Plymouth Township police.**

### Lot break-in

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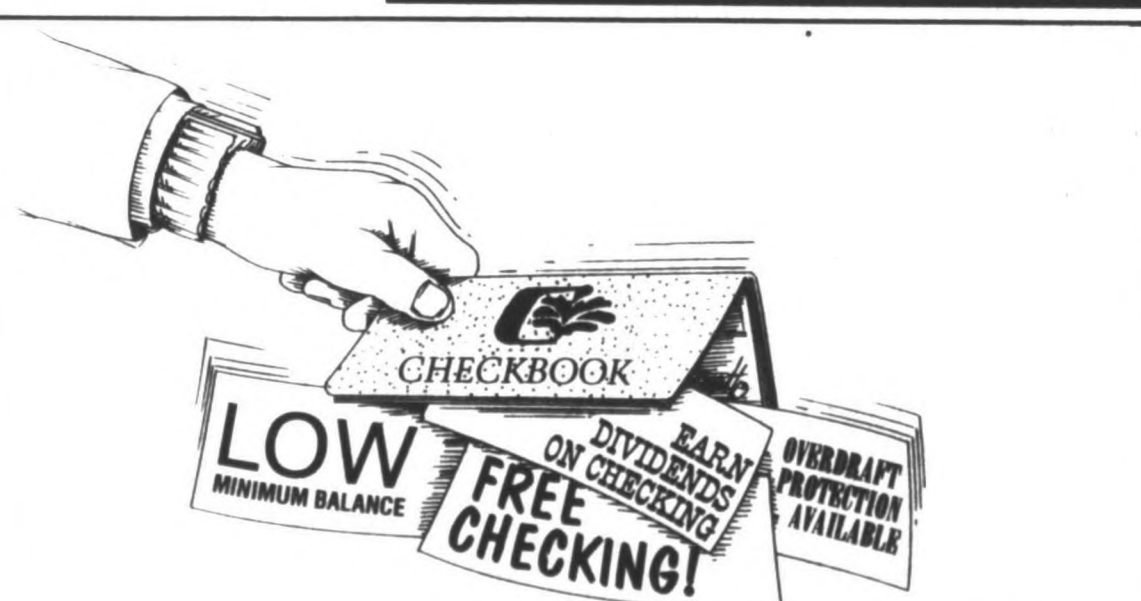
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# Inmate testifying against Fisher will be identified

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI  
STAFF WRITER

**'If the witness wants to get up on the stand and tell the story he's going to tell, he's gotta give his name, too.'**

Ken Mogill  
Fisher's attorney

The identity of the inmate who will testify Friday against Dr. Charles Fisher — awaiting retrial in the 1984 murder of his wife — will not remain confidential, despite a request from a Wayne County assistant prosecutor to protect the man.

"If the witness wants to get up on the stand and tell the story he's going to tell, he's gotta give his name too," said Fisher's attorney Ken Mogill.

Fisher, twice convicted in the 1984 murder of Ella Maria Mercado Fisher in their Canton home, was in court Monday for a preliminary exam on additional felony charges.

A fellow prison inmate has accused Fisher of paying him several hundred dollars to say he and other inmates broke into the Fishers' Thornwood home and murdered his wife. Fisher is charged with one count of inciting perjury, a five-year felony, and one count of attempted obstruction of justice, a 2½-year felony.

Fisher has been out of prison since shortly after the Michigan Supreme Court overturned his second conviction in late 1991. A Wayne County Circuit judge revoked his bond a week ago pending the outcome of the new felony charges. Fisher remains in the Wayne County Jail.

Monday's preliminary exam, which was expected to last 2-3 hours, dragged throughout the day because of delays. Doug Baker, Wayne County assistant prosecutor, put only one witness, Canton Detective Bill Keppen, on the stand to establish what evidence was presented at both of Fisher's trials.

Baker said he wanted to establish what evidence Fisher would have been aware was used against him so he could provide that information to the inmate whom he reportedly paid to take the rap. Mogill accused Baker of par-

tially trying to close the court by requesting that the name and prison location of the inmate who will testify against Fisher remain confidential.

"The right of the accused to a public proceeding would be jeopardized," Mogill said, adding that the inmate has used various names and the attorney would like to question the man's credibility.

"What we're talking about is someone who's making a serious and highly questionable complaint against my client," Mogill continued.

Baker, however, argued that providing anonymity does not prevent Mogill from cross-examining the witness about his story.

"It brings pressure to bear on this witness and that's where the defense is coming from," Baker said.

Judge Rufus Griffin of the 36th District Court grudgingly agreed that the inmate's name must be made in public in court, but ruled that his prison location would not.

"I think it's important to protect people who are to testify. But the powers that be frown upon it if it means closing the court," Griffin said, referring to past court challenges from the media. "I don't like it because I know things happen in the penitentiary; (people are) killed, wounded, destroyed."

Mogill also requested the prison location be made public because how and when the inmate tried to contact the prosecutor's office with his story "raises questions about his credibility."

Baker told the court that the prosecutor's office wasn't notified by the inmate of his story until November, 1992, because the inmate's previous letter was sent to the wrong place. Baker said the inmate also kept his story to himself for quite some time because he never thought Fisher would get a retrial.

Laying the foundation for Friday's testimony from the inmate, Baker questioned Keppen in detail. "He (Fisher) stated to me that on the night the reported incident occurred at their home, he and his wife had an argument and the argument was over her trip to Germany to visit a cousin," Keppen testified.

Ella Maria Mercado Fisher apparently had an affair with a half-cousin and wanted to divorce Fisher at the time of her death, Baker said.

Keppen testified that a Thornwood neighbor had seen Fisher the evening of the murder with two men in his red pickup at a time when the Fulbright scholar said he was at home by himself.

Two juries found Fisher guilty of first-degree murder. The first trial was ruled in error based on a comment by a prosecuting attorney.

In late 1991, the Michigan Supreme Court reversed the second conviction, ruling that a diary kept by Mercado should not have been admitted as evidence because it was hearsay.

Before Fisher's retrial gets underway, pretrial motions will be appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court because prosecutors say the justices' ruling is unclear.



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Classic:** A study of downtown buildings could turn up more historic building features, like the tin ceiling at Country Charm downtown, co-owned by Larry Bird.

## Historical building survey could up property values

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Property values in downtown Plymouth and throughout the city could get a boost from this action by city commissioners.

The commission on Monday approved awarding a grant for a historic survey of downtown buildings.

That may sound tame. But a similar study in Northville 20 years ago started a process which contributed to a downtown renovation there, and the resulting boosting of property values throughout the city and Northville Township.

The survey "will be done during this year, they think it will take 6 months," city commissioner Doug Miller said.

The commission approved the awarding of a \$8,995 contract to Historic Preservation of Birmingham Farms, Mich., for the project. The money comes to the city in a federal grant.

"They'll be taking a look at several things," Miller said. "One is the age of the building and the architectural style of a building that makes it unique or interesting, how a building has been occupied or used, what's the significance that may contribute to a historic theme."

"Once we know what our historic assets are we can exercise appropriate caution in protecting them," Miller said.

"What we're in is a study phase, we're trying to determine if there are historical assets to be protected," he said.

A likely next step would be adopting a historic district ordinance, which could give property owners guidelines on how to renovate their buildings.

Plymouth city manager Steve Walters — a longtime Northville city manager — said once wary business owners "got to be very supportive" of historic preservation ordinances in Northville.

Before someone can improve a historic building in Northville, the historic district commission must approve of the action for a building permit to be issued.

Being architecturally consistent with buildings in the district is not a main concern, Walters said. Rather, concern focuses on "being architecturally compatible with the original building."

An ordinance, Miller said, "can be very restrictive or consultative in nature, you could create an advisory panel."

"I would suspect our ordinance would take on more of a consultative approach," he said.

## Almost there once, area man writes book about bankruptcy

BY DIANE GALE  
STAFF WRITER

Kevin E. McKelvey wrote from experience when he authored "Beyond Bankruptcy."

"The focus of the book was to demonstrate to people who filed bankruptcy that it is not the end of their lives," the Canton resident said.

He was a 21-year-old California real estate agent when the bottom fell out of the market and his lifestyle dug him into debt.

With a job that offered large sums of money, he found that credit came easily, but the payments didn't.

"I was very close to filing bankruptcy," McKelvey, now 32, said. "The only thing that prevented me from filing was paying the attorney \$600. The whole concept of filing bankruptcy didn't set well with me."

McKelvey turned to the U.S. Army, which he said provided him with the discipline he needed. In five years he was out of debt and he had saved \$15,000.

You can start over, McKelvey said, adding "you need the right information."

And that's what he promises you can find in his first book, which he published himself.



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Financial recovery:** Kevin McKelvey's book, "Beyond Bankruptcy" points out how to bounce back from bankruptcy.

It outlines "good nuts and bolts stuff," like rebuilding credit, certificate of deposit "magic" and the secured credit concept.

"The book tries to relate to people they are not alone," McKelvey said. "There are record numbers

of people facing exactly the same problems."

Along with the inconveniences of poor credit, the people become targets for rip-off scams. For instance, magazines often run ads like: "Bad credit erased," McKelvey said adding that some of these places charge \$1,100 or \$1,200.

"But in fact it's something that can be done," he said. "The best that people can hope for is to build good credit on top of bad credit and you can do it remarkably quickly if you know what you're doing."

Another inconvenience, he said, is that credit cards are essential in some markets. Customers even have to show a credit card to rent movies.

In addition to rebuilding credit, McKelvey talks about how to make money.

For instance, he bought a duplex two years ago for \$33,000. He said he made repairs and sold it less than a year later for \$96,000.

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**Sunny ride**



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**Buggy days:** A driver braved the chill temperatures on Tuesday to give his horse a workout on a track in Plymouth Township.

**Assessments from 1A**

cent, the assessor has the option to set assessments at no lower than 49 percent of the increase.

The city for now has opted to set the citywide increase for residential property at 10 percent, a figure that would be reduced by provision of the Headlee amendment to about 5.5 percent.

City Manager Steve Walters said that theoretically, city taxpayers could experience no rise in actual taxes paid, if the city commission chooses to lower the millage rate to offset assessment increases.

"We can levy a millage rate to get the same amount of money we

did last year," Walters said.

Officials in both the township and city said it was too early to suggest what residents might really be paying in taxes this year, pending action from the state legislature.

The next round of property tax bills is scheduled to be mailed to residents in July in both the city and township.

No rises in commercial or industrial property assessments will occur in the city or township, except for a 3.03 percent rise in township commercial property, county officials have told the township.

**Recreation from page 1A**

mandates city residency for department heads. A longtime Plymouth resident, Skene had recently been living in Westland and was unable to move back to Plymouth for personal reasons.

"Mr. Willette and I will be reviewing the administrative structure and other matters regarding the recreation department during the next several days," Walters

told city commissioners.

"I will submit a report on the recreation department to the city commission by the March 1 meeting, before proceeding to appoint a permanent replacement for Mr. Skene," Walters continued.

Willette, who grew up in Plymouth, currently lives in Westland. "I'd like to be here," he said, adding he'd move back to Plymouth if chosen to fill Skene's job.

**LWV has information service**

Looking for information about state government? The League of Women Voters has a toll-free telephone service (1-800-292-5823) that may be helpful.

The league's Citizen Information Center in Lansing offers to

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# Tax-cut plan goes to Senate

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

Gov. John Engler's 20-percent school property tax cut plan is on its way to the full state Senate after getting a key vote from Sen. Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham.

Suburban school districts that are out-of-formula bitterly opposed Senate Bill 146, which the Senate Finance Committee recommended to the Senate Wednesday on a 3-2 party-line vote.

"I have commitments from the leadership," said Bouchard, whose yes vote drew gasps from an audience packed with school officials and parents from out-of-formula districts.

Bouchard said Engler's office and Sen. Dan DeGrow, chair of the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on school aid, promised to:

- Address the loss of school revenue due to the property tax cuts.
- Avoid cutting school aid in a forthcoming executive order. Engler had reportedly eyed cutting

school aid 5 to 6 percent as a means of closing a \$400 million state budget gap.

■ Retain state funding of local schools' retirement systems for at least two fiscal years. DeGrow has wanted to cut retirement payments for out-of-formula districts to reduce the funding gap between rich and poor districts. Bouchard said the item is worth "hundreds of millions" to schools.

"So we've got some movement," Bouchard told the audience. In an interview, he described himself as "mortar between two bricks" — Republican leaders eager to move the bill and his school districts back home.

Voting yes were Republicans Bouchard, chair Joanne Emmons of Big Rapids and Doug Carl of Utica. Voting no were Democrats Debbie Stabenow of Lansing and Virgil Smith of Detroit.

Another party-line vote rejected Stabenow's amendment to require the state to reimburse lost school revenue.

If enacted, the bill will cut 1993 assessments for school taxes from 50 percent of market value to 45 percent; to 42.5 percent in 1994; and to 40 percent in 1995. Assessment increases thereafter would be held to the rate of consumer price inflation.

The Senate Fiscal Agency staff estimated local revenue losses at \$460 million (or 8.2 percent) in '93, then \$971 million (16.2 percent) and \$1.3 billion (21 percent) in the next two years.

School superintendents said they would take brutal hits.

Livonia's Joseph Marinelli said it would chop \$6.9 million the first year and \$26 million the third year out of a current \$100 million budget and called the plan "drastic... unconscionable."

Garden City put its first-year loss at \$1.6 million; Northville, \$2.4 million; Plymouth-Canton, \$7.2 million; Redford Union, \$1.3 million; and Wayne-Westland, \$5.6 million.

# Schoolcraft to host job fair for nurses

The Schoolcraft College Nursing Department will host its annual job opportunities day from noon to 3 p.m. Friday, Feb.

12. All interested nurses as well as individuals planning to pursue a career in nursing are invited

to attend in the college's Physical Education Building on the Livonia campus, 18600 Haggerty.

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# Quilt from page 1A

MADD director Michelle Kubicz, whose husband Steve was killed by a drunken driver at the age of 29. "You can show them there's a way to live through this."

Part of the process now includes symbolism in the form of quilts honoring the memory of life snuffed out prematurely.

George Landes, son of Lee and Sue Landes of Livonia, has one of 23 patches on the new Wayne County MADD quilt.

George Landes, a Ford engineer, was killed at the age of 26 in 1981. His quilt square was created by his friend, Paul Zimmerman of Southfield, who photographed special items in George's life and printed them on cloth.

"I think it's a very effective thing to do," said Lee Landes, founder of MADD in Michigan and Wayne County. "It gives (families of victims) a way of expressing their feelings in a tangible way."

George Landes' square contains

a potpourri of artifacts that define his life, including his Stevenson High School and University of Michigan diplomas and his junior high school clarinet.

Also included is a University of Michigan sports logo that father Lee Landes acquired at the university's store.

He told the sales clerk what he wanted and why he wanted it. "She said, 'I've got just the thing for you,' with a tear in her eye, and she gave it to me."

The MADD quilt was created by Carole Salisbury-Ravicchio, who teaches quilting in Livonia and Redford Union schools' adult education programs. Her brother-in-law Leonard died of pneumonia in 1982, 10 years after becoming a brain-damaged quadriplegic at the hands of a drunken driver.

Salisbury-Ravicchio collected patches commemorating drunken-driving victims from families and friends, sewing them onto the quilt with intense emotion born of

camaraderie.

Unveiled at last December's candlelight vigil, the quilt's effect was readily apparent, Kubicz said.

The quilt, which will be on display Feb. 8-10 in the Wayne County building at 600 Randolph in Detroit, also includes squares honoring the following area people: Craig Allard of Westland, Amy Alexander of Westland and Erica Henley, who attended St. Agatha High School in Redford.

Allard's square was created by his mother, Darlene Hodges. Allard and classmate John Shea, seniors at Franklin High School, were struck and killed by a drunk driver in Florida.

Henley's quilt square was created by Nancy Long, a friend of MADD members. Henley was a sophomore at St. Agatha High School in Redford Township at the time of her death.

Alexander's quilt square was created by Linda and Sue Alexander, Amy's mother and aunt.

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# Accident on Cherry Hill kills Canton man

A 24-year-old Canton man was killed Jan. 28 in a one-car accident on Cherry Hill, near Prospect.

Jeffrey D. Scott lost control of his car, ran into a ditch and was

thrown clear of the car about 3 a.m., according to a spokeswoman for the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department. Deputies found Mr. Scott about 7:17 a.m.

Mr. Scott, a farmer, who moved

to Canton from Northville in 1984, served in the U.S. Army for six years with the 101 Airborne Unit. He served in Panama and later in Iraq during Desert Storm.

Mr. Scott was buried Monday

at Fort Custer Cemetery in Augusta, MI. Services were at St. John Neumann Catholic Church. The Rev. Father George Charnely officiated. Arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth. Memorial con-

tributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Mr. Scott is survived by foster parents Thomas and Susan Rudnicki of Ypsilanti; half sister, An-

drea of Inkster; foster brothers, Thomas Rudnicki Jr. of Superior Township, and Stephen Hart of Canton; foster sister, Beth Maze of Rockwood; and foster grandmother, Wanda Rudnicki of Redford.

## OBITUARIES

### LEVI P. LAERGNE

Services for Levi P. LaVergne, 92, of Canton Township were Saturday, Jan. 30, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church. Burial was in St. John's Cemetery, Ypsilanti.

He was born May 25, 1900, in Seattle, Wash. He died Thursday, Jan. 28, in Canton Township. He came to the Plymouth community in 1939 from Seattle. He was a manager with Krogers for 10 years. He was a salesman for Electro-Lux Vacuum Cleaners for 30 years. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church and a former member of the Knights of Columbus.

He is survived by one daughter, Phyllis Mitchell of Plymouth; two granddaughters including Annette Frederick of Plymouth; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be given to Catherine McAuley Health Systems — Senior Aide or in the form of mass offerings. Arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home.

### NORMA B. WOLLGAST

Services for Norma B. Wollgast, 81, of Canton were Sunday, Jan. 31, at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

She was born Aug. 28, 1911, in Holton Township. She died Thursday, Jan. 28, in Canton. She moved to Plymouth from Detroit 15 years ago. She taught in Muskegon for a short time after graduating from Albion College in 1933. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by one son, Lee A. Wollgast of Canton; one

daughter, Judy Bridges of Livonia; and five grandchildren.

The Rev. David Brown officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to Plymouth Family Service, 880 Wing St., Plymouth, 48170.

### JEFFREY D. SCOTT

Services for Jeffrey D. Scott, 24, of Superior Township were Monday, Feb. 1, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church. Burial was in Fort Custer Cemetery, Augusta, Mich.

He was born April 12, 1968, in Garden City. He died Thursday, Jan. 28, in Ann Arbor. He was a farmer. He moved to the Canton community (Superior Township) from Northville in 1984. He graduated from Willow Run High School in 1987. He served six

years in the Army with the 101 Airborne Unit, serving in Panama and later in Iraq during Desert Storm.

He is survived by foster parents Thomas and Susan Rudnicki of Ypsilanti; two sisters; two brothers and one grandmother.

The Rev. Father George Charnely officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to a charity of choice. Arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home.

### RUTH J. EMMETT

Services for Ruth J. Emmett, 81, of Plymouth were Monday, Feb. 1, at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Livonia. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

She was born Sept. 28, 1911, in

Bruin, Pa. She died Friday, Jan. 29, in Livonia. She lived in Coventry Gardens, Livonia, for 17 years. She moved to Dallas and sold cosmetics at Neiman Marcus. She moved back to Plymouth three years ago. She was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Livonia for almost 50 years.

She is survived by one daughter, Karen Phipps of Ann Arbor; one son, David Emmett of Plymouth; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Rev. James L. Hoff officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Lung Association. Arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home.

### LAURA L. VANDERROEST

Services for Laura L. VanDer-

Roest, 48, of Canton were Sunday, Jan. 31, at Vermeulen Funeral Home. Burial was in Resurrection Cemetery, Grand Rapids.

She was born March 16, 1944, in Grand Rapids. She died Thursday, Jan. 28, in Canton. She was employed as a bartender at Holly-Golly Restaurant in Plymouth.

She is survived by her husband, Robert F. VanDerRoest of Canton; two sons, Scott and Richard; one daughter, Nicole; two brothers, Karl Liebert of Virginia and Michael Liebert of Grand Rapids, and one sister, Beverly Lowe of Sheridan, Ark.

The Rev. John Sullivan of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

# Long shot pays off: Michigan woman finds niece

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Becky Kecskes knew it was a long shot when she asked for the media's help in finding a niece she hadn't seen in 18 years.

But she gambled and won, and Friday she was on her way to Nashville, Tenn., to be reunited with her niece, Christina.

Kecskes, a Monroe County resident, telephoned the Observer in early January to ask for help in her search for her niece, on the mistaken belief that she now lived in the Westland-Garden City area.

Kecskes' family lost contact with Christina when — at age 5 — authorities took her from her mother (Kecskes' sister) amid allegations she had been abused.

**'I am so tickled . . . Nobody had ever told Christina about her mother's side of the family, but she always knew we were out there.'**

*Becky Kecskes*

The niece lived with her paternal grandparents — and then in a series of foster homes.

Kecskes began searching for Christina five years ago, when she would have turned 18.

"I thought that since she was an adult, she could make her own decisions about whether she wanted to see me or any of the family," Kecskes said.

Kecskes had heard that her niece lived in the Westland area, but she encountered numerous

dead-ends until she sought help from the media in early January, touching off an unlikely chain of events that helped her find Christina.

First, the Observer agreed to tell her story, amid hopes that any local residents who might know the niece would contact the newspaper.

The published story caught the attention of Channel 2, which called the Observer and asked to be put in touch with Kecskes,

who then repeated her story in a television report.

The TV report caught the attention of one of Christina's adoptive relatives, and the relative telephoned Christina in Nashville and told her about it.

Christina, in turn, telephoned Channel 2 and asked to be put in touch with Kecskes, completing the chain of events that brought the two into contact late last week. Kecskes and one of her brothers left Michigan on Friday to drive to Christina's Nashville home for a visit.

"I am so tickled," Kecskes said, in a telephone call Thursday to the Observer. "Nobody had ever told Christina about her mother's side of the family, but she always knew we were out there."

Kecskes and her niece talked for 1½ hours Thursday night. Kecskes learned that her niece now has a child of her own, a 7-month-old boy.

She also learned that Christina moved to Nashville only in late 1991 and that the niece lived most of her life in the metropolitan Detroit area.

"She lived in Rockwood from '86 to '91, and that's where I grew up," Kecskes said.

In a bizarre twist, Kecskes learned in her conversation with Christina that the two of them even knew some of the same people in the Rockwood area.

"I just couldn't believe it," Kecskes said. Kecskes is eager to tell Christi-

na about the many relatives she has never known. For the trip to Nashville, Kecskes took along numerous pictures to help Christina learn about her family.

"I'm just going to give her a big hug when I see her," Kecskes said. She hopes that Christina also will pay a return visit to relatives in Michigan.

Kecskes thanked the media for taking an interest in her story. She said it appears that fate brought her in contact with her niece.

"It just wasn't meant to happen until now," she said Friday, shortly before she left for Nashville for a weekend trip.

"I can't wait to see Christina," she said.



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# Assessors get ready for protests, questions

BY BARBARA WILSON  
STAFF WRITER

Residential property assessment notices - expected by month's end - will anger most homeowners and the explanations will leave many more confused.

Understanding the property tax system in Michigan requires more than a simple background in public finance.

The Headlee Amendment, the rate of inflation, projected figures by Wayne County, millages and assessments all add to the maze of information that is property taxes.

As legislators in Lansing continue to decipher the system and argue over solutions, local assessors, are bracing for the onslaught of questions once notices are received.

"It's kind of two-sided," said Livonia assessor Judie Nagy. "Everyone wants the value of their property to increase, but at the same time that means their taxes are going to go up. We expect a lot of calls when the notices go out."

### Freeze lifted

Property assessments throughout Michigan soared this year, partly as a result of the assessment freeze last year. Rather than considering only one year of market value increases, appraisers need to consider two years.

"The freeze helped residents last year, but it is really adding to the confusion this year," said Ron Showalter, Garden City clerk/treasurer.

County officials maintain that residents are fortunate because the Headlee Amendment limits the increase in taxes.

"They get two years of assessment increases, but tax increases are held to a single year's rate of inflation," said Deputy Wayne County Executive Michael Duggan. "People are up in arms because of the assessment increases, but they are not being told that their taxes are not being increased that much."

The property assessment listed on notices reflects 50 percent of the market value of the property and is the figure on which taxes are based. For example, a home with a market value of \$100,000 is assessed at \$50,000, and property taxes are based on \$50,000.

### Market study

Assessments are determined by appraisers who study sales figures in their community over a 24-month period - the last three quarters of 1990, all of 1991 and the first quarter of 1992.

Assessments are usually broken down by subdivision or neighborhood. Next-door neighbors will probably experience the same increase in assessment.

"We are fortunate that we can break areas down fairly small," said Nagy. "I don't have to do a blanket increase. Our assessment increases vary from 0 to 15 percent in the city."

The average assessment increase in Livonia is 12 percent.

While assessments reflect the value of property, they do not di-

rectly relate to tax increases in the community.

### Tax increases follow

Residents of Garden City, for example, are expected to experience the greatest assessment increases in western Wayne County with an average of 15.5 percent, according to county figures. The tax increase for 1993, however, is expected to be only 5.4 percent.

The 5.4-percent tax increase in Garden City is based on current projections by the Wayne County Equalization Department. It does not include any additional millages approved by voters.

The issue of tax increases is complicated even further by the Headlee Amendment which was

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### Going up

Average assessment and tax increases for residential property in the Observer & Eccentric readership area for 1993. The Headlee amendment automatically reduces millages when overall assessment increases outpace inflation. Numbers are expressed in percentages.

	Assessment increase	Tax increase*
Canton Twp.	6.0	2.3
Garden City	15.5	5.4
Livonia	12.0	7.5
Northville	14.7	8.8
Northville Twp.	7.8	4.3
Plymouth	11.5	7.2
Plymouth Twp.	10.0	8.7
Redford Twp.	11.9	5.4
Westland	13.0	4.7

\*Tax increase numbers exclude any voter-approved millage increases in 1993.  
Source: Wayne County Equalization Dept.

## Do your homework if you plan to appeal property assessment

Never before have area assessors and township officials anticipated such a deluge of questions and appeals regarding property tax assessments.

Some communities are even establishing additional boards of review to hear appeal cases and accepting written appeals from residents because of the controversy surrounding assessment increases.

Boards of review in most communities will meet the first three weeks of March. Those interested

in appealing their assessment should contact their local assessor's office to make an appointment, and should be prepared to present hard facts when they appear before the board.

"A combination of people come before the board each year," said Garden City Clerk/Treasurer Ron Showalter. "The bulk of them are there because they don't understand assessments. There are always some who just find the assessments unfair because they exceed the rate of inflation, there

are hardship cases, and there are a few whose assessments really are out of whack."

The board of review is in place to handle hardship cases and to reconsider assessments that appear to be inappropriate.

In case of hardship, residents should be prepared to present information about their personal financial history and some plan for how they might be able to pay some portion of their taxes. Hard-

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# Appeal from page 7A

ship cases must be pleaded each year. They do not carry over.

If residents believe that their assessments are not correct they may want to do some homework before pleading their case. Residents should be prepared to research and offer documentation of home sales (based on the last three quarters of 1990, all of 1991 and first quarter of 1992) in the immediate area. This information can be obtained from the assessor or from a Realtor.

Residents who recently had their homes appraised for the purpose of refinancing should

bring along that information.

Homeowners should also check out records pertaining to their property at the assessor's office to make sure it is accurate and reflects the current condition of the property.

All of the information gathered, including assessments of your neighbors' homes, should be brought along to the scheduled board of review meeting. Homeowners usually have about 10 minutes to argue their cases.

Assessments are usually only revised when it can be documented that the appraisal of your

property exceeds 50 percent of true cash value.

If residents are unhappy with the outcome of their appeal on the local level, they can appeal their assessments until June 30 to the Michigan Tax Tribunal, P.O. Box 30232, Lansing 48909; (517) 334-6521.

The number of appeals statewide more than tripled from 1986 to 1991, then plummeted in 1992, when a one-year freeze on assessments took effect. With the freeze having expired, the number of appeals probably will skyrocket again, said Richard Erickson,

chief clerk for the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

Residents who are upset by the general manner in which property taxes are handled should not waste their time scheduling an appointment with the review board, according to local assessors.

"The state mandates the taxing system and property assessments," said George McEachran of the Wayne County Equalization Department. "People should sound off to the state Legislature. Obviously, this plan isn't working and the residential taxpayer is getting fed up."

# Assessors from page 7A

enacted to keep tax increases in line with inflation and to curb government spending. The amendment forbids municipalities from collecting taxes over and above the rate of inflation, which is 3 percent.

"The 5.4-percent figure in this case reflects only residential properties," said George McEachran of the Wayne County taxation bureau. "It is greater than 3 percent, which means that owners of other classes of property (commercial or industrial) are probably going to pay less than 3 percent."

McEachran said Headlee works best for communities that are all residential because the increase is spread out more evenly. Commercial and industrial properties have been increasing in value more slowly so they are not shouldered with the bulk of the tax burden.

**Headless factor**

"Headlee envisioned that everybody's assessments would change at the same rate," McEachran said. "It did not take into consideration various classes of property."

Commercial and industrial property has not increased in value because of overbuilding and the recession.

In the city of Northville, for example, residential property was assessed, on average 14.7 percent above 1991 figures. Industrial and commercial property assessments remained the same. Because of that disparity, the residential taxpayer in Northville can expect an 8.8-percent increase in property taxes for 1993, while commercial and industrial property owners can expect a 5.5-percent cut in their taxes.

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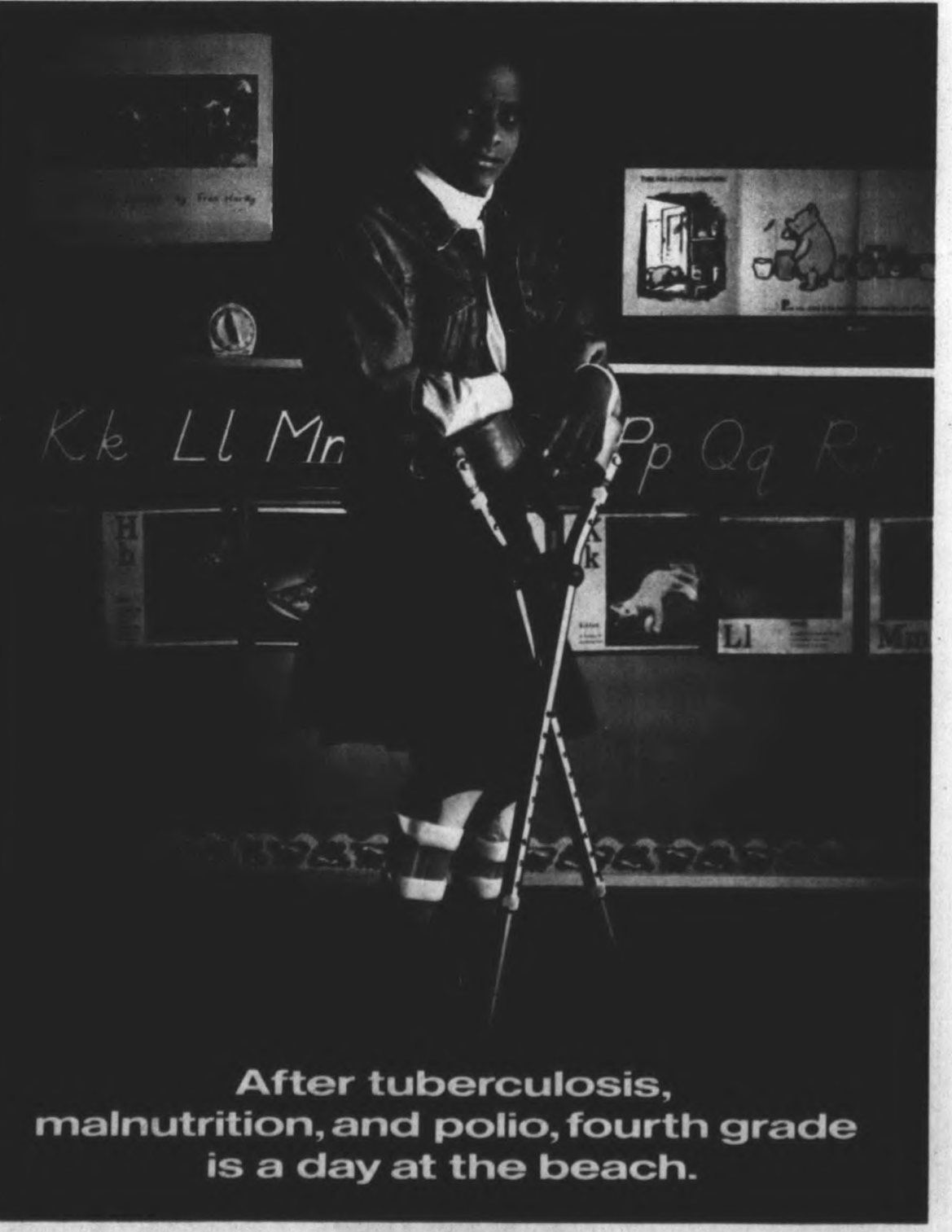
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# Schools plan questioned by union

The Michigan Education Association's plan to consolidate 560 public school districts into 14 is taking its bumps from a rival union and an economic think tank.

"I question, for example, the practicality of administering the entire Upper Peninsula as a single school district," said Hugh Jarvis, president of the Michigan Federation of Teachers and School Related Personnel. "I think most parents would feel that such a leap distances them

from decisions affecting their children.

"For more than a decade, MFT has supported consolidating smaller school districts to provide administrative services. However, to go from over 500 to 14 is a significant leap."

Larence Reed, president of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, a Midland-based think tank, said, "Can anyone imagine a concerned parent from Ironwood who wants his or her voice to be heard about a school board

matter driving all the way to Sault Ste. Marie for a meeting?" The two Upper Peninsula cities are about 300 miles apart.

"We are not opposed to consolidation per se, because sometimes it makes sense, especially in a truly competitive market. But under current circumstances, a mandated shift of this magnitude simply serves those well-connected and well-heeled interests who wish to exert influence over schools on behalf of their own agendas," Reed said.

Both criticized MEA's proposal to allow the 14 surviving districts to levy a supplemental income tax after capping property taxes at 30 mills.

MFT's Jarvis said the 25,000-member union supports a state-wide cap on school operating millage with money made up elsewhere. "I would point out as well, that if one offers local income taxes, without equalization, the inequities of our current school finance system could be made worse," Jarvis said.

# Schools fighting Engler's tax cut

Out-of-formula school districts said they were "outraged" at Gov. John Engler's plan to reduce property tax assessments to 40 percent over the next three years.

Reducing assessments would result in a 20 percent reduction in school property taxes, Engler said in his State of the State address.

"We're very disappointed with the governor's plan because it means less money for our already financially troubled schools," said Tom Mateer, executive director of the Michigan Out-of-Formula District Association. The group, which includes most Oberver & Eccentric area public schools, receives no state aid because of its high property tax base.

"It is estimated that the state will be taking away \$9.8 million from the Livonia school district, \$5.9 million from the Farmington school district, and \$5.7 million from the Troy school district, to name a few.

"The governor is only telling people they will receive a tax cut. What he doesn't say is that the money to operate schools needs to

come from somewhere. In many cases, this means asking voters for a millage increase or reducing local school programs.

"To help offset the loss of funds, MOFDA is supporting an increase in the state sales tax of one percent, or one cent, raising it from four to five percent. Changing the sales tax would require voter approval.

"One of MOFDA's criteria for school finance reform is to name the source of funds," Mateer said.

Added Julius Maddox, president of the Michigan Education Association, the union which bargains for virtually all area school districts:

"The governor's continued focus on property tax relief without replacement dollars for Michigan's schools appears to be an even worse version of Proposal C — an idea voters handily rejected in November.

"While the governor claims to have increased spending for education, he has actually shifted greater financial responsibility to local school districts, and the state's share has diminished."

# County Republicans to honor new additions

Republicans, celebrating? In Wayne County?

Ed Haroutunian, chairman of the Wayne County Republican Committee, thinks there is reason to celebrate despite political control by the Democrats in Wayne County for the past 61 years.

The Wayne County Republican Committee is planning a celebra-

tion to mark the increase by two of newly-elected officials to the Wayne County Republican contingent of six.

New Wayne County commissioners Thaddeus McCotter and Andrew Richner will be the guests of honor at the Feb. 4 celebration. Other honored guests will be U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, whose dis-

trict includes Redford Township and part of Livonia; State Sen. R. Robert Geake, whose district includes Livonia, Redford Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township; and State Reps. William Bryant, Lyn Bankes, whose district includes part of Redford Township and Livonia, Deborah Whyman R-Canton, and Jerry Vorva, whose

state House district includes Plymouth and part of Livonia.

Detroit City Councilman Keith Butler will attend as a guest speaker.

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support an IMC hospital in Bosnia and to train medical personnel. IMC currently operates three hospitals in Somalia and funds will be used to sustain the current medical relief operations.

Everyone is invited to attend. If you can not or do not wish to at-

tend yet want to show your support for the Bosnian and Somali people, you can send your tax deductible donations to: International Medical Corps 5933 W. Century Blvd. Suite 310 Los Angeles, CA 90045.

For more information call 313-563-2222.

## Support agency for disabled moves headquarters to Wayne

Wayne Community Living Services, Inc. will move this week from offices in Northville to the MetroPlace Center in Wayne.

Wayne Community Living Services is a non-profit agency that serves more than 1,400 people with developmental disabili-

ties living in Wayne County. The Detroit-Wayne County Community Mental Health Board contracts with WCLS to find housing and support services for people with cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, mental retardation and other conditions.

Wayne officials are pleased with the WCLS decision to locate in MetroPlace since several businesses have moved out of the city in recent years.

Representatives of WCLS announced the move Wednesday at a news conference in Wayne.

## Hispanic group offers scholarships

The League of United Latin American Citizens is accepting applications for college scholarships.

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## ARC expands advocacy role

The ARC of Northwest Wayne County, formerly known as the Association for Retarded Citizens, continues to advocate for the future of people with developmental disabilities.

The ARC has a parent-to-parent group that provides support and comfort to other parents of children with disabilities.

The ARC has a toy library for families with special needs.

The ARC has expanded its monitoring program to include 12 adult foster care homes funded by the state social services department.

The Arc has four of its members participating in Wayne Community Living Service's "Home of My Own" project.

For more information, call 937-2360.

## S'craft sets class signup

In-person registration for winter continuing education classes at Schoolcraft College will take place 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 8-10 in the college's registration center.

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For more information or a free copy of the winter course schedule, call 462-4448.

## Madonna offers scholarships

Madonna University is accepting scholarship applications through March 1 from already admitted students for the 1993-94 academic year.

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RAYMOND E. BULLOCK

**SKY WATCH**  
February is best known because of the groundhog but the folklore surrounding the groundhog is not limited to North America. In parts of Europe it's a bear or a badger that is the authority; in some areas of northern Europe, where Feb. 2 is Candlemas Day, this day marks the beginning of spring planting.

decided that his month should have just as many days as his uncle's, so he took one day from February and added it to August.

That left February with only 28 days (29 on leap years). At least that gets us one day closer to spring! We, in the northern hemisphere, should be grateful this short month falls in winter and not in summer. The people south of the equator have reason to cry; they are not so fortunate!

Because February is so short, the moon will go through only three of its four phases. There was a first quarter moon shortly before the start of the month (on Jan. 30), and there will be another immediately after (on the first day of March), but there will be no first quarter phase in February! (Had this been a leap-year, the first quarter moon on March 1 would have ended up on Feb. 29.) Although we won't see one of its

phases, the moon will make a full circuit of the sky this month.

On the evening of the 4th the moon, Mars and Castor form a large equilateral triangle.

That brilliant "star" in the west southwest after sunset on the 5th will be Venus. Thirty-six degrees below Venus, a mere two degrees above the horizon, is Mercury. Mercury will be very well placed for observing later this month.

Full Moon will be at 6:55 p.m. on Feb. 6. Native American Indians gave various names to the February full moon, such as Snow Moon, Wolf Moon and Hunger Moon. For people living off the land, the name Hunger Moon is especially appropriate.

The bright star to the lower left of the Hunger Moon is Regulus (REG you lus), the "heart" of Leo the lion. If you could see the Greek mythological pictures in

the sky, you would find the Hunger Moon uncomfortably close to the mouth of the lion.

Worry not, the moon escapes being devoured; on the following night it will be found six degrees below Regulus (hopefully).

Raymond Bullock is former coordinator of the planetarium and observatory of the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills.

No matter, the good news is February is the shortest month of the year, and we can thank politics in Roman times for that.

The ancient Roman calendar originally began with the month of March and ended with February. It was an imperfect calendar and, over the course of many centuries, was no longer in synchronization with the seasons. Calendar reform was badly needed.

The calendar would have been much easier to deal with if the year was exactly 360 days long. There could be 12 months, each having 30 days. Unfortunately the earth takes 365.26 days to complete its orbit and those extra 5.26 days complicate matters.

It was Julius Caesar who brought the calendar back into step with the seasons. He decreed that the months would alternate in length, having either 31 or 30 days. March, the traditional first month of the year, was given 31 days. April followed with 30 days, May had 31 and so on. By the time February, the last month of the year, rolled around there needed to be only 29 days to add up to 365. February would have its full 30 days only once every four years to allow for leap year.

Being very pleased with the results, Julius Caesar modestly named one of the months "July" to honor himself. His successor was his nephew Augustus, who felt that he was entitled to have a month named for him as well, hence August.

But because August followed a month of 31 days, it had only 30 days of its own. That was completely unacceptable! Augustus

## Blood drive set Feb. 11 at SC

An American Red Cross blood donation station will be at Schoolcraft College 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, in the Waterman Campus Center Cafeteria.

The Red Cross has issued another plea to community donors because local hospitals use about 1,200 pints of blood per day. Call 462-4400, ext. 5050, to schedule an appointment. Walk-in donors are welcome too.

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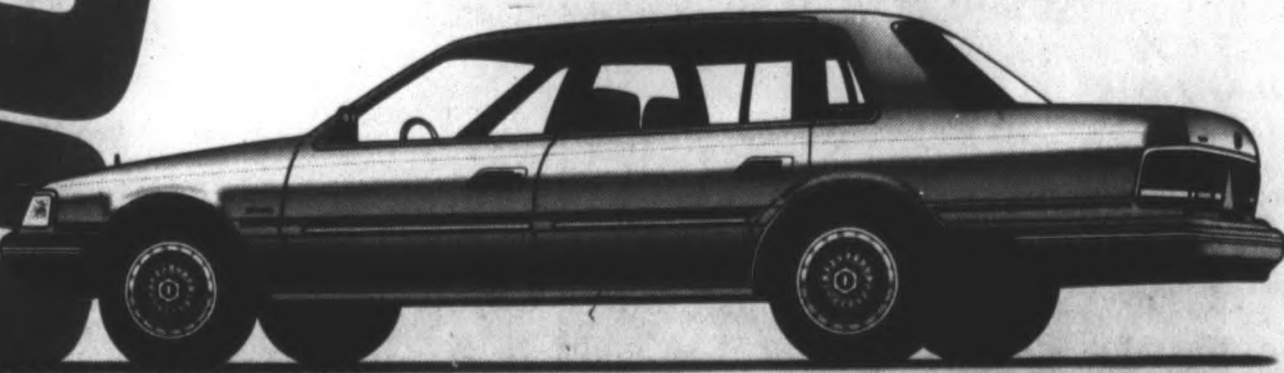
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**AROUND PLYMOUTH**

**Dinner theater**

**J**osh White Jr. is scheduled to perform at the second annual dinner theater Feb. 12 at the Mayflower Meeting House, put on by the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

White is best known for his dynamic vocal and acoustic guitar style of contemporary folk, country and blues. He has performed at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center and the Kennedy Center.

Cost of the dinner theater is \$27 per person, for the 7:30 p.m. show. Tickets are available at the arts council office from 9 a.m. to noon weekdays or by writing to 332 S. Main, Plymouth 48170.

**Faculty award**

**L**inette Popoff-Parks of Plymouth is one of five educators named to receive a faculty excellence award from Madonna University.

Parks is an associate professor in the university's music department. The faculty members chosen for the award "enrich the Madonna community by communicating their subject areas with enthusiasm, demonstrating respect for their students while inspiring and motivating and by working harmoniously with their peers," according to a university announcement.

She has two master of arts degrees from Eastern Michigan University, in music theory-literature and piano performance.

**Park agents**

**H**anzl, Kopic & Van Lokeren Inc. has been appointed the exclusive marketing agents for Plymouth Corporate Park.

The park is at Beck Road and M-14 in Plymouth Township and is a joint venture of Damone-Andrew and Copley Real Estate Advisors.

Lots are sized to serve flexible building requirements, the park is serviced by city utilities and all-weather roads, and four buildings will soon be under construction and available for sale or lease, the company reports.

**Millage hike could face opposition**



The Plymouth Canton schools are putting a millage increase request on the June ballot, saying they need the money to keep school programs from being cut. However, local leaders are unsure how much support there will be for the millage.

BY DIANE GALE  
STAFF WRITER

Area observers see the pros, and mostly the cons, of a proposed Plymouth-Canton Community Schools millage increase.

"Every year we get less and less to do business with and it gets harder and harder to effectively teach our kids," according to Carl Battishill, Plymouth-Canton school board member.

"Gov. (John) Engler thinks all out-of-formula schools can get along with a lot less money," Battishill said.

Engler must not be familiar with Plymouth-Canton schools, Battishill said, adding that state financing

plans mistakenly believe public school districts are wealthy.

"We have to ask voters to help us out," he added.

Canton Supervisor Thomas Yack, a former teacher and school board member, said as "an average taxpayer" with children in school, he's against the idea. "I think it will be paramount that before they come before the people for a school increase that they finalize and negotiate all their contracts."

Contracts for all employees, except administrators and licensed technicians, expire at the end of this school year.

"Taxpayers want to know where

their tax dollars will end up," Yack said.

He also asked how long school districts could afford hefty pay increases and maintain fringe benefits.

Plymouth-Canton school administrators received a 5 percent pay increase last year and an additional 5-percent increase this year.

"Administrators in the district had been assured a 7-percent increase in 1992-93, but elected at the request of the board to defer 2 percent to 1993-94, said Dick Egli, Plymouth-Canton school spokesman.

"An additional 3 percent was added to that, resulting in a 5-percent increase for 1993-94."

State Rep. Jerry Vorva, R-Plymouth, said it was a bad idea to seek a millage increase last year.

"I think they should concentrate on saving money along with working with the legislature and governor," Vorva said.

**SCHOOLS**

School funding should be reworked, he said, because "obviously it's not working now."

"A lot of school districts are over administered," he said. "The unions, the school boards, the legislators are going to have to get together and work this out. You're going to see proposals coming out of the woodwork."

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen-McCarthy said "these are difficult times for all units of government."

"The voters have said they are not interested in paying more taxes," she said. "I don't know what to suggest for the schools, but that's why I'm not on the school board."

State Rep. Deborah Whyman, R-Canton, said she doesn't know enough about the issue to give an opinion.

**State action will determine tax request**

■ 'Depending on other state cuts we could end up with less money this year than last year.'

Dick Egli  
school spokesman

BY DIANE GALE  
STAFF WRITER

State budget cuts will determine how much the Plymouth-Canton school district will ask voters for in June.

Two questions will be asked on the June school ballot: Whether to renew 17.74 mills, which generates half the schools' operating revenue; and whether to approve a new millage, likely between 2.5 and 3.8 mills.

School officials are waiting to see how much the state will fund public schools before deciding exactly how large a tax increase they will request.

Budget cuts will still be necessary

if voters approve the renewal, officials say. Cuts resulted last June after Plymouth-Canton school voters rejected a 1.5-mill increase.

However, if voters approve the mil-

lage increase, the district expects to have enough money to rehire 57 teachers laid off last year, and average class size could be lowered by more than two students.

For homeowners with a house worth \$150,000 and assessed at \$75,000, the renewal will cost \$1,330.05 annually. An increase of 3.8 mills would cost \$288.75 annually.

Meanwhile, state equalized valuation is projected to go up 7 percent next year, which will bring in about \$5 million more for the 1993-94 school budget.

The state's recapture policy, how-

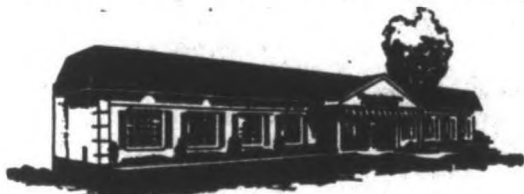
ever, takes away state aid previously given to each district. The cost will come to \$439,000 more this year than last year. This year it was \$2.2 million.

"Depending on other state cuts we could end up with less money this year than last year," said Dick Egli, school spokesman.

Ray Hoedel, associate superintendent for business operations, said another financial problem is that the district doesn't have a fund balance this year.

Ninety-four percent of the district's revenue comes from local sources. This year's Plymouth-Canton school district budget is \$76 million.

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YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND PLYMOUTH

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**MUSICAL**  
Canton resident David Reynolds, singer, will present light classical music and show tunes at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road. Tickets are available at the library reception desk. 397-0999.

**TAX HELP**  
IRS representatives can help with your federal tax returns at the Canton Public Library 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday and 6-8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8. Register, 397-0999.

**STORYTELLING**  
Barbara Schutz-Gruber will present two evenings of tales from around the world for children ages six and up and their parents. Tales from Africa are 7:30-8:15 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 9; Asia will be featured 7:30-8:15 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, at Canton Public Library Meeting Room. Register after Feb. 9, 397-0999.

**STORYTIME**  
Kids ages 2-6 can hear a great story and enjoy free milk and cookies 2-2:45 p.m. every Tuesday at McDonald's, 39700 Five Mile Road, Plymouth. Sign up by calling 420-0033.

**MAYFLOWER DINNER**  
The Plymouth Community Arts Council will have its second-annual dinner theater at the Mayflower Meeting House at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12. This year's performer will be Josh White Jr. Tickets can be purchased 9 a.m. to noon at the Arts Council office, 332 S. Main Street in Plymouth. 455-5260.

**CARNIVAL/CRAFTS**  
The Canton Newcomers Club is holding its 2nd annual children's carnival and adult craft show 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in the cafeteria of the Canton High School on Canton Center Road. Proceeds will benefit Hospice Services of Western Wayne County, located in Garden City and Plymouth. Call fund-raising director Cecilia Hinske, 397-2772.

**VARIETY IS**  
The PCEP High School Bands presents the 28th annual talent show. Performances are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday in the Plymouth Salem High School auditorium. Tickets available at the door. Reserved tickets, 453-3615.

**FAMILY SKATE**  
Canton Parks and Recreation encourages the entire family to come out for a free night of great fun 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at Heritage Park Ponds behind Township Hall. Warm refreshments will be available and the ponds will be lit and music will be played. No residency requirement.

**TEEN SKI**  
Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring an Alpine Valley Ski Area trip 5 p.m. to midnight Friday, Feb. 12. Rental equipment available. Registration information, 397-5110.

**RUSSIA REVISITED**  
Shirley Reynolds of the People-to-People program will share reminiscences of Russia during the transition of power between Gorbachev and Yeltsin 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the Canton Public Library meeting Room. Register, 397-0999.

**BOWLATHON**  
Bowlathon is noon Saturday, Feb. 13, at Plaza Lanes on E. Ann Arbor Road. Bowlers and pledgers needed. All proceeds to benefit Special Olympics and homeless. Sponsored by Mayflower Lt. Gamble Auxiliary and Post No. 6695. Reservations, call Jim Dray, 420-3095 or Alice Fisher, 728-7619.

**VALENTINE PARTY**  
Canton Parks and Recreation Services will sponsor a children's party for Canton children ages 12 and under 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 13. Reservations, 397-5110.

**SPEAKER**  
Dr. Ken Riopelle will share his experience on the Orient Express from Venice to Paris 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, at the Canton Public Library Meeting Room. Registration begins Feb. 8, 397-0999.

**YMCA MEETING**  
The Plymouth Community Family YMCA Annual Board of Director's meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17. Public invited. For further information, call 453-2904.

**SPELLING BEE**  
Canton Rotary Literacy Committee will sponsor the Third Annual Community Spelling Bee at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 13, at the Canton High School Little Theatre on Canton Center Road. Registration limited to the first 20 teams. Proceeds to benefit local literacy efforts. 451-6555.

## SPORTS

**CANTON SOCCER**  
Registration for spring season will be accepted through Friday at the Canton Parks and Recreation office. Boys and girls, 5-18 are eligible. Call Watson Zdrodowski, 459-0927.

Boys are needed for the U14 (under 14) Recreational Division, birthdate between Aug. 1, 1978 and July 31, 1979. Call Don Kelm, 397-1926.

**PLYMOUTH SOCCER**  
Parks and Recreation Department will hold registration through Friday for the Plymouth Soccer Club's spring season. Boys and girls, ages 5-18, are eligible. League play begins in April. 455-6620.

**GIRLS SOCCER**  
The Canton Cruisers team, which plays in the Under 14 Division of the Little Caesars Soccer league, needs good players for the spring 1993 season. If interested, and if birth date is on or after Aug. 1, 1978, call coach Carl Brey, 453-5547.

**CANTON SOFTBALL**  
Men's, women's and co-ed teams welcome. Season begins April 18. "Early Bird" tournament is April 16-18. Information, 483-5600, ext. 102, or 483-2913. Registration begins March 1.

## CLASS TIME

**RAPE PREVENTION**  
The Plymouth YMCA is offering a six-week class 7-8 p.m. Mondays at the Grange Building beginning March 1. Register, 453-2904.

**PLYMOUTH CLASSES**  
Parks and Recreation Department offers adult and youth classes, 455-6620. Numerous winter classes of D & M Art Studio have begun. Call Plymouth Recreation Department, 455-6623 or D & M Studio, 453-3710.

**BOATING SKILLS**  
Seamanship classes begin 7:30-9:30 p.m. tonight at Plymouth Canton High School Library. Sponsored by US Coast Guard Auxiliary - 9th Central Division XI Flotilla II. Registration information, call Hal Young, 453-7548.

**CHILD BIRTH**  
The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association offers classes, 459-7477. Livonia Childbirth, call 937-0665.

## FOR YOUR HEALTH

**BLOOD SERVICES**  
American Red Cross Blood Services is sponsoring blood donations noon-6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at Meijer Thrifty Acres, 45001 Ford Road in Canton. Call Stephanie Strugis, 422-1425.

**VISUALLY IMPAIRED**  
Radio reading/information service is available, free of charge, for blind and visually impaired listeners. Call Detroit Radio Information Service (DRIS), WDET-FM at (313) 577-4146.

**ADULT CARE**  
Foster care is needed for adults with mental retardation. Call 455-8880 in Wayne County.

**WALKERS**  
Group walks are 10 a.m. Monday-Friday in the Community Room at St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren in Canton, 455-9042.

## EDUCATION

**OPEN HOUSE**  
New Morning School is celebrating 20 years of learning with an open house and auction preview (to be held April 3) sponsored by First of America Bank 1-5 p.m. Sunday at New Morning School, 14501 Haggerty Road in Plymouth. Information, 420-3331.

**ORIENTATION**  
Members of the Class of 1997 and parents/guardians are invited to the annual program for incoming 9th grade students at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at Canton and Salem High Schools.

**PRESCHOOL**  
Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool, 5835 Sheldon Road, Canton will begin registration for morning and afternoon classes for 3- and 4-year-olds. Alumni and Geneva Church members may register 1-3 p.m. Feb. 16; general public, 6-8 p.m. March 2. Call Lori, 454-1051.

Canton Parks and Recreation Services has openings in the Canton "Crickets" preschool program for 3- and 4-year-olds. 397-5110.

**FREE CLASSES**  
For non high school graduates, IBM training and GED training, Plymouth-Canton Community Education, 451-6555.

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

## VOLUNTEERS

**GROWTH WORKS**  
Seeks volunteers to assist with typing at its office at 271 S. Main in Plymouth. Call 455-4095.

**CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE**  
Volunteers are needed for typing and stuffing of envelopes, labeling and sorting of mailings, telephoning and photocopying. Plymouth, 453-1540; Canton, 453-4040.

**ALZHEIMER'S**  
Volunteers are needed to assist with Adult Day Care Program for people with memory impairment, 557-8277.

**MEAL DELIVERY**  
Volunteers needed to package or deliver meals to homebound seniors living in the Plymouth-Canton community, 326-4444.

**HEALTH CARE**  
Volunteers needed at the Plymouth Arbor Health Building Urgent Care, and McAuley Health Building, Canton, 572-4159.

**PLYMOUTH YMCA**  
Volunteers needed, 453-2904.

## SENIOR CITIZENS

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION**  
Focus:HOPE provides food to eligible Canton senior citizens at the Canton Recreation Center, 397-1000 Ext. 278.

**TAX ASSISTANCE**  
Free assistance is available to seniors in Canton, Northville and Plymouth from Feb. 8 to April 15 through the tax-aid program of AARP. For appointments at the Canton Recreation Center or Royal Holiday Trailer Park, call 397-5444; Northville Senior Center, 349-4140; Tonquish Creek in Plymouth, 455-3670; Plymouth Cultural Center, 455-6620.

**CANTON SINGLES**  
Canton Seniors Singles Club, for men and women 55 and up, will have a Valentines Fun party at 7 p.m. Saturday at Canton Seniors Center, on Michigan Avenue at Sheldon Road. Bring one item, at least one pound, in a brown bag to be auctioned. Canton residents only. 397-8803 or 981-8412.

**PLYMOUTH CLASSES**  
Parks and Recreation offers classes to seniors: Happy hour cards, party bridge, pinocle, arts and crafts, woodcarving, fitness, painting, drawing, current events, tax assistance and trips. 455-6620.

**SENIOR ALLIANCE**  
Seniors needing help with outdoor chores may call the Senior Chore Referral Program at 722-2830. Workers are needed to help seniors shovel snow during the winter months. Call 722-2830.

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

**CANTON CLASSES**  
Canton Recreation Center sponsors free classes: woodcarving, painting, ceramics, crafts and machine quilting. 397-5446.

## CLUB CALL

**WOMAN'S CLUB**  
Plymouth club will meet at 12:30 p.m. Friday at Plymouth First United Church, 45201 North Territorial Road in Plymouth. Program will be "House Beautiful," an interior design presentation of ideas to spruce up your home for spring.

**STAMP CLUB**  
Next meeting of the West Suburban Club is Friday, at the Cultural Center. Program title is "1/2 Additional."

**COUNCIL ON AGING**  
Plymouth club meets at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8, at the Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street. Helen Garber will present "What You Didn't Know About the White House" and will recite poetry. 453-1234, ext. 236.

**WOMEN'S CLUB**  
The Business and Professional Club meets 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8, at the Plymouth Mayflower Hotel. Deborah Madison discusses new developments in the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer. For reservations, call Liz Johnson, 455-9000 or Marcia Rapnicki, 437-7408.

**GARDEN CLUB**  
Lake Pointe Village Branch of WNFGA will meet 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at Farquhar School Library. Speaker from Seven Ponds Nature Center will demonstrate the tools of native Americans.

**VIETNAM VETERANS**  
Plymouth Canton Chapter No. 528 will hold a general membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8, at Mayflower - Lt. Gamble VFW Post No. 6695, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. 525-0157.

**PASSAGE-GAYDE**  
Post 391 will host its regular business meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at

173 N. Main Street in Plymouth. For information, call Commander Jim Maaha, 455-5541 or Adjutant Jim Barbour, 451-8659. Also, donations are needed for its annual rummage sale on Saturday, Feb. 27.

**M.O.M.**  
Meet Other Mothers (MOM) group meeting is 9:30-11:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at First Presbyterian Church, 701 Church Street in Plymouth. Call Barbara Pearson, 421-6745 or Toni Shepherd at 453-6134.

**PLYMOUTH EX-NEWCOMERS**  
Winter Luncheon is at noon Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the Plymouth Landing, 340 N. Main Street. No reservations required. For information, call Joan Papiak, 349-4408.

**AAUW**  
The Plymouth Branch will present the monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, at Ernesto's on Plymouth Road. Harriet Kozyn, artist and daughter, will present a hands-on demonstration of jewelry making. Guests welcome. 455-3662.

**GENEALOGY**  
Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, at Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road. Topics of discussion are "Struggling to Develop a Genealogical Collection at a Small Library," and "Being Active in Michigan Genealogical Council." In Plymouth call Marge Najarian, 455-1122.

**SUNSHINE CLUB**  
Plymouth Michigan Sunshine Club annual picnic is 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, at Highlands Hammock State Park, off US 27, near Sebring, Fla. at 634 West. For information write or call Lew and Fran Mettetal, 18474 Royal Hammock Blvd, Naples, Fla. 33961. (813) 775-4946. For reservations, call (813) 385-0011.

**VFW CANTON POST**  
Post No. 6967 will meet at 8 p.m. every first Monday of the month at Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post No. 6695, 1426 S. Mill St. in Plymouth. New residents being transferred from other posts will be welcomed. 397-2444 or 459-8027.

**TOASTMASTERS CLUB**  
Oral Majority meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Denny's Restaurant, 39550 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. Call Ken Morley, 277-2709 (evenings).

**PLYMOUTH PIECEMAKERS**  
Meetings are 7 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 W. Church. Call 455-3838.

**DEMOCRATIC CLUB**  
Canton Club meets 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday each month at the Cherry Hill Schoolhouse, corner of Ridge and Cherry Hill roads. 397-0545.

CALENDAR FORM

The Plymouth and Canton Observers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth Observer, 744 Wing, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 313-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

Event: \_\_\_\_\_

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## CAMPUS NOTES

To submit your academic honor or graduation announcement to Campus Notes, send the material printed or typewritten to: Nancy C. Pennington, Plymouth-Canton Observer, 744 Wing St., Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

**THOMAS SWARTHOUT**, son of Livonia resident Kathy Swarthout, has been cast in the Eastern Michigan University Theatre production of "As You Like It," on Feb. 12-14 and Feb. 18-20. He is a 1991 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. While at Plymouth Canton High School, he was an active member of the International Thespian Society. He was awarded the English and Drama Departmental Honor Keys. Since arriving at EMU, Swarthout has been an active member of the Players at EMU, student theater organization.

**SCOTT MANCHA** has been cast in the Eastern Michigan University Theatre production of "As You Like It." He is the son of Plymouth residents Don and Jane Mancha. He is a 1990 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, where he was active in various activities, including theater and the Thespian Society. He worked with the Plymouth Park Players, as well as playing in Oakland Community College's production of "Anne of Green Gables." Since arriving at EMU, he has been active behind the scenes as well as onstage, his most recent role being that of Niles in "Suicide in B (flat)."

**PATRICIA A. HAWES** of Plymouth was named to the dean's list at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. She is a sophomore majoring in nursing.

**CANTON RESIDENTS** were named to the dean's list at Grand Valley State University. They are Anthonius B. Collins, Tammy I. Felt, Christy A. Parker and Jennifer A. Ratcliffe.

**JENNIFER A. WONG** of Plymouth was named to the dean's list at Grand Valley State University.

**SHERYLL A. GUILDO** graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in biology from Saginaw Valley State University.

**APRIL BURGE** has been named an editor of "Eclipse," the arts journal of Siena Heights College. Burge, a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, is the daughter of Kathy and John Burge of Canton. She is a freshman majoring in English.

**SUSAN J. HOY** of Plymouth was named to the dean's honor roll at Lawrence Technological University. To be so named, a student must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average for the term and be a full-time student. Her major is business administration.

**CANTON RESIDENTS** were named to the dean's honor roll at Lawrence Technological University. They are Debbie L. Harju, business administration; Terry L. Lytle, electrical engineering technology; Gordon R. McDonald, electrical engineering; and Mary D. Rochon, business administration.

**WENDI R. MROZINSKI**, daughter of Jack C. and Nancy C. King of Canton, has been named to the dean's list at Albion College. Mrozinski is a freshman.

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# Plymouth Salvation Army elects advisory board

Four new officers and one new member have been elected to the Plymouth Advisory Board of the Salvation Army.

Newly elected officers for a two-year term to the advisory board are: chairman, James Vermeulen of Plymouth, owner of Vermeulen Funeral Home; vice chairman,

Daniel Herriman of Plymouth, partner in Loiselle and Herriman; treasurer, Robert Jones of Plymouth, City of Plymouth mayor; and secretary, Nancy Sharp of Plymouth.

The new advisory board member is James Wirtz of Northville,

a sales engineer for Engineered Components in Plymouth. Other current members of the Plymouth Salvation Army Advisory Board are: Harold Fischer of Canton, Roger Haslick of Canton, Russ Hoisington of Northville, James Jabara of Plymouth, Elaine Kirchgatter of Canton, Cindy Merrifield of Plymouth, Gene Overholt

of Plymouth, Frank Palmer of Plymouth, Judy Stone of Canton, Ellen Thompson of Plymouth and Steve Walters of Plymouth.

"The Salvation Army is excited to have such a dynamic group of people head the Plymouth Advisory Board. With the demands of the Army constantly increasing,

and the needs of the community ever changing, we can undoubtedly benefit from our board's expertise and knowledge," said Lt. Jeffrey Beachum, Corps Officer for the Plymouth Salvation Army.

The Salvation Army has been serving the Plymouth community since February of 1929. The Advisory Board is comprised of men and women in the community who volunteer their expertise through time and talents.

The Salvation Army, a religious non-profit organization, is dedicated to serving those in need without discrimination. It was founded in London, England, in 1865 by William Booth.

# Scientists hope to fight cancer with drug

By MARY LOU SONG STAFF WRITER

For a decade, Virinder Moudgil and his team of scientists at Oakland University have been researching RU486, not for its use as the controversial abortion pill, but as a potential cancer-fighting agent.

Now, he says he is one step closer to tapping that potential. "First, we had to establish condition, to see how it works in normal tissue before we can see how it works in cancerous tissue."

Moudgil, who has studied progesterone for more than 20 years, is now studying the effects of RU486, an anti-progesterone, on breast and uterine tissue. In normal tissue, estrogen and progesterone help grow and maintain cells.

While no evidence has shown that estrogen or progesterone cause cancer, the two hormones seem to enhance the growth of cancer once it begins, he said.

Tamoxifen, which blocks the flow of estrogen to some cells, is already used in the United States as hormonal therapy for postmenopausal women with breast

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Virinder Moudgil  
Oakland University

cancer. Moudgil said he has begun work to show that RU486 stunts the growth of cancer by blocking the flow of progesterone to cancerous cells.

"At least give it a chance," Moudgil said of RU486. "Don't ignore the possibilities totally. Even if there are no benefits, at least we tried. If the other effects are not there, then we will know and simply accept it."

"But we must seek the truth. If we find the truth, then we go on. But not to seek it is a mistake. The social obligation of a scientist is to seek the truth. In that way, I'm doing my duty as a scientist."

But for some scientists, research on the drug in the United States has been hampered by gov-

ernment policies. Moudgil said that while he has been luckier than other researchers in the United States, he supports scientists in Europe who have easier access to the drug.

"It was my opinion for many years, that as long as we had the White House attitude promoted by Presidents Reagan and Bush, who had very strong pro-life influences, that it would be difficult to explore the potential," Moudgil said.

With President Bill Clinton taking the helm, the White House may be more supportive of research efforts and potential uses of RU486.

"With the change in administration and attitude, the time has arrived," he said. "We can start

an aggressive effort to examine all the potentials of this very unique drug."

While Moudgil admits that the public recognizes RU486 as an abortion pill, he said there is still much to be learned about its effects. One mystery is that 96 percent of women who use RU486 as an abortion pill are affected. The other four percent don't respond to a single dosage.

"For many years, our lab has maintained the conviction that we're not interested in abortion per se," Moudgil said. "Our first interest is to promote that the beneficial affects of RU486 should be studied. We don't know anything about the positive effects."

Moudgil, who has authored several books on RU486, said the drug has yet to leave the laboratory in Michigan. He gives credit to Oakland University, students and international researchers for their support. He said they understand the importance of the work.

"Even at the lower end of the optimism scale," he said, "even if that results into saving the lives of thousands of women, or even a hundred, that's worth it."

# Human service agency moves to Wayne

Wayne Community Living Services, a human services agency which employs more than 250 people in western Wayne County, is moving closer to the people it serves.

The agency has leased space in MetroPlace Mall, in downtown Wayne. The agency previously was in Northville.

WCLS will be occupying more than 60,000 square feet, which comprises about 70 percent of the building at MetroPlace Mall, on Michigan Avenue west of Wayne Road.

Substantial improvements will be made to the property to change it from retail use to a professional and business center, said a

WCLS spokesman. The renovations are expected to take four months to complete.

Wayne Community Living Services is a non-profit agency that contracts with the Detroit-Wayne County Community Mental Health Board to serve more than 1,400 people with developmental disabilities throughout Wayne

County. Developmental disabilities include mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, and other related conditions.

WCLS administers a variety of supports and services, including housing, through more than 90 provider agencies and 50 foster parents.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 17, 1993, commencing at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the following:

The Single Family Cluster Housing Option for property located south of Ann Arbor Road, north of Joy Road, west of Canton Center Road and east of Westbriar Village Subdivision No. 2, containing 22.046 acres, more or less. Legal description of the property is:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 33, T.15.S. R.8 E. AND PROCEEDING THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 33 N. 89°50'44" W., 624.00' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE PARCEL HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID LINE N. 89°50'44" W. 688.83' TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF WESTBRIAR VILLAGE SUB'DIVISION NO. 2, RECORDED IN LIBER 98, PLATS, PAGES 57 & 58, WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SAID SUBDIVISION N. 00°06'22" W., 1,317.94'; THENCE N. 89°53'08" E., 600.00'; THENCE S. 00°06'22" E., 484.93'; THENCE S. 89°51'09" E., 250.19'; THENCE S. 00°00'44" E., 587.03'; THENCE N. 89°50'44" W., 160.00'; THENCE S. 00°00'44" E., 248.82' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 22.046 ACRES AND BEING SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC IN THE SOUTH 33.00' THEREOF FOR ROAD PURPOSES (JOY ROAD), BEING SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC IN THE TYLER COUNTY DRAIN AND TO EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

Tax I.D. Nos. 78-056-99-0025-000; 78-056-99-0028-000; 78-056-99-0029-000; 78-056-99-0030-001.

Public Hearing is required by Ordinance No. 83 and/or Subdivision Ordinance No. 32, of the Charter Township of Plymouth. (Application No. 1187) NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the application may be examined at the Plymouth Township Hall, Community Development Department, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting.

The application, review, meeting and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone No. 313-453-3840, Ext. 209.

DONALD SPROGELL, Secretary  
Planning Commission

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## PROPOSAL SOUGHT - AUDIT SERVICES CHARTER TOWNSHIP FOR PLYMOUTH REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AUDIT SERVICES

The Charter Township of Plymouth is requesting proposal (RFP) for the audit of the financial records of the Charter Township of Plymouth in accordance with the Michigan Public Act 2 of 1988, Single Audit Act of 1984 and generally accepted auditing standards. The selected auditors will be required to report for the year ended 1992 on the general purpose financial statements and, if required, under the Single Audit Act of 1984:

- Report on internal accounting control based solely on a study and evaluation made as part of the audit of the general purpose financial statements.
- Report on compliance with laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements.
- Provide a report on the supplementary schedule of our federal financial assistance programs showing total expenditures for each federal assistance program.
- Report on accounting and administrative internal controls used in administering federal financial assistance programs.
- Report on compliance with laws and regulations identifying all findings of noncompliance and questioned costs.
- If applicable, a report on fraud, abuse or an illegal act or indications of such acts.

The Township is seeking the proposals from Licensed Certified Public Accountants or Public Accountant. According to General Accepted Governmental Auditing Standards (GAGAS), public accountants must be licensed on or before December 31, 1970, or working for a CPA firm to be eligible. The audit period under contract is for the year ended December 31, 1992. Proposals for multi-year contracts with a maximum of 5 years, will be considered.

For further description of the above services, requirements, qualifications and method of evaluation and selection, please contact the office of the Township Clerk (Attention: Audit Services Proposals), 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, either by phone, 313-453-3840 or written request. The proposals may be filed in person or by mail to the office of the Clerk on or before March 18, 1993, at 4:00 P.M.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk  
Charter Township of Plymouth

**Western Townships Utilities Authority  
Board of Commissioners Meeting Synopsis  
7 p.m. Monday, January 25, 1993  
Northville Township Hall  
41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan**

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.  
Present: Thomas J. Yack, Kathleen A. Keen-McCarthy, Mark Abbo.  
Absent: Karen Baja  
The agenda was adopted.  
The minutes of the regular meeting of January 11, 1993, were approved.  
The Odom Resolution was approved.  
Requisition Certificate No. 100 and Requisition Certificate 101 totalling \$2,088,943.08 were approved.  
Thomas J. Yack was elected chairman, Karen Baja was elected vice chairman/secretary, Kathleen A. Keen-McCarthy was elected treasurer and Deloris Newell was elected assistant secretary of the Board of Commissioners.  
The Engineer's Update was received and filed.  
Change Order No. 5, Granger Construction Co., was approved.  
A moving petty cash fund was established.  
A change in meeting schedule was approved.  
The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK,  
Chairman

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the UTUA offices, 40905 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan 48187.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 17, 1993, at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan, commencing at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the Tentative Preliminary Plat for Country Club of Plymouth, a proposed subdivision located south of Powell Road, North of Ann Arbor Road, between Napier and Ridge was required by Subdivision Ordinance No. 32. Application No. 1034A.

Description of property for the proposed subdivision is:

LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 31, T.15.S. R.8 E., PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 31, THENCE ALONG THE WEST SECTION LINE (ALSO BEING THE CENTERLINE OF NAPIER ROAD, 66 FT. WIDE) N. 0°38'06" E. 383.00 FT. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE SAID WEST SECTION LINE AND THE CENTERLINE OF NAPIER ROAD, N. 0°38'06" E. 2310.46 FT. TO THE W ¼ CORNER OF SAID SECTION 31, THENCE ALONG THE E-W ¼ LINE OF SAID SECTION 31, N. 89°50'09" E. 2021.29 FT., THENCE N. 0°46'47" E. 2672.11 FT., THENCE ALONG THE NORTH SECTION LINE (ALSO BEING THE CENTERLINE OF POWELL ROAD, 66 FT. WIDE) S. 89°53'02" E. 660.00 FT. TO THE NORTH ¼ CORNER OF SAID SECTION 31, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID SECTION LINE AND CENTERLINE OF POWELL ROAD, S. 89°40'03" E. 1404.42 FT., THENCE S. 00°15'01" W. 357.77 FT., S. 89°40'03" E. 576.80 FT., THENCE S. 0°15'01" W. 959.09 FT., THENCE S. 89°33'22" E. 665.93 FT., THENCE S. 0°28'50" W. 1325.24 FT., THENCE N. 89°33'22" E. 308.75 FT., THENCE S. 0°03'40" W. 965.00 FT., THENCE N. 87°36'06" W. 678.12 FT., THENCE S. 0°02'58" W. 963.51 FT., THENCE ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF ANN ARBOR ROAD (N. ¼ BEING 33 FT. WIDE) AND THE NORTHERLY LINE OF "FORSHEE SUBDIVISION" (AS RECORDED IN LIBER 88 OF PLATS, PAGE 94, WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS) S. 66°55'10" W. 1777.99 FT., THENCE N. 00°01'49" E. 48.27 FT., THENCE ALONG THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF JOY ROAD, 577.08 FT. ALONG A CIRCULAR CURVE TO THE RIGHT (HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 14°38'12", A RADIUS OF 2259.00 FT. AND CHORD BEARING S. 81°02'25" W. 575.51 FT.), THENCE S. 1°38'29" E. 33.00 FT., THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH SECTION LINE (ALSO BEING THE CENTERLINE OF JOY ROAD, 66 FT. WIDE) S. 88°21'31" W. 1189.67 FT., THENCE N. 0°38'06" E. 383.00 FT., THENCE S. 88°21'31" W. 283.00 FT. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 356.4277 ACRES, SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC IN NAPIER ROAD, POWELL ROAD, ANN ARBOR ROAD AND JOY ROAD, AND SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

ALSO LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 31, T.15.S. R.8 E., PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE WEST ¼ CORNER OF SAID SECTION 31, THENCE ALONG THE WEST SECTION LINE (ALSO BEING THE CENTERLINE OF NAPIER ROAD, 66 FT. WIDE) N. 0°13'00" E. 120.00' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID SECTION LINE AND CENTERLINE OF NAPIER ROAD N. 0°13'00" E. 1727.19 FT., THENCE S. 89°45'11" E. 526.98 FT., THENCE N. 0°40'39" E. 296.45 FT., THENCE N. 89°38'59" E. 820.86 FT., THENCE S. 0°40'38" W. 2022.67 FT., THENCE S. 89°50'09" W. 1333.97 FT. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 58.6823 ACRES, SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC IN NAPIER ROAD AND SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS OF RECORDS.

Tax I.D. Nos. 045-99-0006; 046-99-0001-001; 046-99-0001-703; 046-99-0005-001; 047-99-0001-000; 047-99-0002-001; 047-99-0003; 048-99-0001; 048-99-0005

The plat, as proposed, is available for review by the public during business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting.

The application, review of the proposed plat, meeting and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone Number 453-3840, Ext. 209.

DONALD SPROGELL, Secretary  
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# Plymouth Observer OPINION

744 WING, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1993

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## Residency City should scrap the rule

The city of Plymouth should go back to voters a second time with its residency rule for city department heads.

Voters turned down the change in November, and since then long-time recreation director Chuck Skene has left his job for a similar one in Westland.

Also, Police Chief Robert Scoggins, who lives in Canton, has until March 1 to move into the city of Plymouth.

Both are valued city workers who for various reasons don't live in the city. Skene's move to Westland was prompted by a marriage and Scoggins' by financial necessity.

We can understand the reasons of both men.

Residency is an outdated, unrealistic rule that may have had some validity in 1955, but no longer.

The city is just too small. Also, there is little diversity in housing and availability is also a factor. Much of the city's housing stock is aging, and other homes are just too expensive for the salaries paid by the city.

The city commission is chafing under the requirement in its attempt to keep good people at work.

Because of that, it's time for change. The commission should declare the requirement stupid and ask voters to change it.

## Another tragic Tonquish tale

Poor old Chief Tonquish. He's been dead for nearly 175 years and local historical buffs still can't leave him in peace.

We have a creek named after him, local historian Helen Gilbert has written a book called "Tonquish Tales," and now Chuck Guideau has unearthed more tales of the long dead Chief Tonquish.

And it's not a pretty one, according to the white men who wrote the tale in the early 18th Century. The account states that Tonquish and his fellow Potawatomi Indians went to cabins to take items during the day when women were home and the men gone.

But one day the Indians showed up at a cabin

where the man of the house was putting up shelves. Chief Tonquish ordered the man's wife to give him something, and the man "took him by the hair, raised his head up and kicked him under each ear and then threw him out the back door and down the hill."

In 1819 Tonquish and his son were killed after being chased by white men. The Indians had stolen bread from a home.

The retelling of the story helps us understand what we did to Native Americans, and it's a tragedy. But just as tragic is that the Indians never had the chance to tell their side of the story.

That's lost in time. It's too bad.

## Pay hike anger is justified

Taxpayers are justifiably angered over the arrogance demonstrated by state legislators who gorged themselves on a big helping at the public trough recently when they maneuvered a five-percent pay increase.

Not unlike the bewilderment expressed by inside-the-beltway Washingtonians over the outcry against disgraced attorney general nominee Zoe Baird for flagrantly breaking the law, many in this state's ruling elite are just as surprised at the public distress over what insiders see as a meager increase.

This open display of gluttony is nothing short of shoving the public's nose in the residue of the feast.

Some legislators are particularly fond these days of telling the public how everyone is going to have to sacrifice in order to get the state financial house back in order.

"We're going to make everyone suffer," bragged State Rep. Lynn Bankes at a recent early morning breakfast. Although voting against the increase, Bankes, like many legislators, is anything but contrite or embarrassed over the raise.

In truth, many legislators who voted against the raise privately believe it is deserved. But the system is rigged so that only a minority have to support it for the raise to take effect.

In short, those in secured districts can take the risk while others can parade about their district, shrugging their shoulders and proclaiming innocence. Added security is in taking the vote

at the beginning of a legislative session in the hope angry voters will forget by the next election.

Our state legislators, like many political leaders in this country today, don't understand the American public's perception of those who are supposed to lead in action as well as in word.

Certainly, nobody begrudges the next guy a five-percent raise — during the good times. But few Michigan taxpayers can even remember the days of a five-percent increase.

Thousands are unable to remember the last time they received a paycheck, let alone a raise.

For more than a decade, Michigan taxpayers have suffered at the hands of a recession made only worse by inept leadership in both the private and public sectors.

While other states have suffered the ups and downs of the economic cycle, Michigan has sustained an above-average unemployment rate and a lethargic marketplace which sees little hope of improvement.

Many have become hardened to the high numbers which exemplify the exhausted Michigan marketplace.

But the affront demonstrated by our leadership has awakened the public ire. The majority of legislators who gave lip service by voting against the raise should do the honorable thing and donate their raises to charity or risk the consequences — the much dreaded term limitations or even defeat.



### LETTERS

#### Terms misleading

I am pleased that you include articles about people with disabilities, such as the article on the Work Opportunity.

However, some of the language used conveys negative rather than positive images. Also, the explanation about the term "developmentally disabled" is misleading.

Because you are supportive of people with disabilities, you will be interested in knowing more about positive disability language — using language in ways that give dignity to people with disabilities.

Avoid use of the term handicapped as a noun. A handicappers advocacy group expressed their wish to be referred to as People First. When we talk about people who are handicapped rather than about people with (or experiencing) handicaps, we still make the disability the defining aspect of the person. For this reason, we always put people first.

Avoid referring to people with disabilities as victims. It is wise to avoid the term suffer. People who experience handicaps prefer being referred to in terms that express their ability to be in control of their lives rather than in terms

that stress lack of control.

The fourth paragraph of the article reads, "Rakstis, Baker and Summers are developmentally disabled, which is defined as mental retardation from any cause. Also included are people who suffer from epilepsy, cerebral palsy and autism."

It sounds as if people who experience epilepsy, cerebral palsy and autism also have mental retardation. More members of those groups have average or above average intelligence than have mental retardation. In order to be considered as having a developmental disability, a person must have one of the four conditions that manifests by age 18 and that results in delay in at least three of six major life functions: Self care, understanding and use of language, learning, mobility, self-direction, and capacity for independent living.

I would be glad to assist you with information and with "finding the right words."

Dr. Sandra McClennen, Plymouth

Opinions are to be shared: We welcome your ideas, as do your neighbors.

Letters should be mailed to: Editor, The Plymouth Observer, 744 Wing, Plymouth 48170.

## Tax cut may lead to a shift

Some reflections on Gov. John Engler's State of the State speech, given last week:

Well written and delivered, it may be Engler's best big speech to date. With upbeat emphasis on jobs and economic development, it even sounded like something his predecessor, James Blanchard, might have produced.

With Republicans and Democrats sharing power in the House and the GOP firmly in control of the Senate, Gov. Engler even has a chance of getting some of his ideas enacted.

That's both a promise and a threat, because in his speech Engler reiterated his intention to cut property taxes, unveiling a proposal to cut real estate assessments on which school taxes are based by 20 percent over three years.

Most experts think this plan, if adopted, would cost around \$1 billion in state revenue. This comes on top of this year's budget deficit (\$400 million-plus) and next year's estimated deficit (\$1 billion).

Considering the reductions already made in state services over the past two years, it's reasonable to ask: Where will the added cuts come from? The most likely answer is from "out of formula" school districts, including many served by this newspaper, which receive no state aid to make up for local tax losses.

According to Rick Simonson, lobbyist for the Oakland County Intermediate School District, if assessments were cut from 50 percent to 45 percent of market value in the first year and allowing for inflation, some representative revenue losses would be:

- Birmingham \$5 million.
- Farmington \$5.9 million.
- Rochester \$4.9 million.
- Troy \$5.7 million.
- Walled Lake \$4.7 million.
- West Bloomfield \$2.5 million.

For these districts, already suffering from the "Robin Hood Bill" which diverted revenue increases to poorer districts, such losses could be back-breaking.

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**Gov. Engler's economic strategy could turn out to be biting the hand that feeds him, as much of his political base rests in precisely the affluent suburbs he proposes to go after.**

about damaging your own constituency," said William Ballenger, a former GOP state senator and editor of Inside Michigan Politics. "I don't like it," said Sen. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield. "It hurts our school districts and doesn't do much for property taxpayers either."

"That was Phase I," said Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, whose district includes Rochester. "Phase II is maybe one cent of the sales tax."

Plainly, Gov. Engler has some elegant balancing to do between cutting property taxes, alienating his core constituencies and trying to blame somebody else for increasing the sales tax to balance the state's budget.

The facts of the matter, moreover, endorse this approach. No longer a wealthy state, Michigan cannot afford property taxes 30 percent higher than the national average. But in the aggregate, Michigan's total tax burden is about average, so a shift from property tax to sales tax might make economic sense.

Now let's see how the governor and new ungridlocked Legislature manage the politics.

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### COMMUNITY VOICE

#### QUESTION:

Do you agree with President Clinton's proposed family leave plan that gives husbands and wives time off of work when there's a new baby in the family?

We asked this question at the Plymouth Post Office.



"I'm way beyond that. If I was 25 maybe I would know what I thought. But I would think it was a good idea."

Marguerite Lockhart  
Plymouth



"I believe it."

Jennifer DeBrincat  
Westland



"Yes."

Marlon Szmagaj  
Canton



"Sure. I do."

Kathy Stutzmar  
Plymouth

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POINTS OF VIEW

# Double standard exists for some macho 'warriors'

**T**he Feminist is really steamed this time. I can tell. Otherwise she wouldn't have been calling the White House the other night. Or Don Reigle. Or Carl Levin. Or Bill Ford. In Washington, no less. Couldn't settle for a local call. Oh, no.

Anyway, what's got her agitated is all the flap over Bill Clinton's attempt to keep his campaign promise to lift the ban over gays enlisting in the military. It's not Clinton she's upset with, mind you. It's the reaction from the macho/bozo/bubba crowd that's got her going.

"I don't want to share a shower with some gay guy who's gonna tell me I've got a nice ass," Bubba Number 1 tells the talk radio host.

"And I don't want to sleep in the same barracks with these guys" Bozo Number 2 adds.

"I don't want some guy comin' on to me in the Enlisted Men's Club," says Macho Number 3.

Boy does that get The Feminist upset.

"What about some straight guy coming on to a woman? What about some macho jerk telling her she has a nice ass and then wondering why she gets upset about it? What's the difference?"

The difference, of course, is that when Mr. Macho comes on to a "brood" or a "chick" or some other descriptive term that can't be published in this newspaper, he figures that's "normal." She shouldn't make a big deal out of it. Guys are like that.

But if a gay male comes on to a straight "warrior," ooh, that's different. The "warrior" feels threatened. His masculinity is challenged. If a gay male hits on him, it might be because he's given out a signal — a signal that he could, God forbid, be gay himself.

The fact is these "warriors" are scared out of their pants — or they're



JACK GLADDEN

afraid they will be. And they just can't take it.

These are the same antediluvian machismos who didn't get it when Anita Hill was accusing Clarence Thomas of sexual harassment. Most of them, of course, didn't believe her anyway. But those who conceded that she might be telling the truth figured it was no big deal. Learn to live with it, baby. Get a life.

The fascinating thing about this whole brouhaha is that all of the outrage is coming from macho males. I haven't heard any women complaining — or any men bringing up the point — that lifting the ban on gays in the military applies to gay women as well as gay men.

The straight women don't seem to be incensed about sharing a barracks, or even a shower, with gay women. At least they're not screaming about it.

And as far as harassment goes, it's the gay men who are getting the crap beat out of them by the straights. Any bozo who thinks a gay is going to come on to him in a shower occupied by 20 other machos had better think again. Or maybe just think. Who are the victims here anyway?

A couple of years ago when some military women attending the convention of the Tailhook Association were forced to run a "gauntlet" in which

they were fondled and sometimes disrobed, there was no great public outcry. Women's groups were incensed and the Navy promised an investigation, but the bubbas were curiously silent.

And in Birmingham recently when the schools introduced a sex education curriculum that dealt, in small part, with homosexuality, a vocal group of protesters were outraged. They didn't want their kids being taught that stuff in school.

All of the uproar that's been sweeping the country for the past 10 days is proof to me why that kind of "stuff" should be taught. If there were a little less ignorance and a little more tolerance, this whole "issue" wouldn't even exist.

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LETTERS

Not a fair fight

**T**hank you for placing me among the elite. And to think I had always perceived myself as pure, unadulterated peasant stuff.

I found Jeff Counts point of view in the Jan. 28 issue very interesting, but believe I have identified a flaw in your major premise. As I understand your rationale, forest lands plus natural predators equal balance of nature. The concept has merit. Your application is suspect.

Let's accept your statement: "Dogs are nothing more than a natural replacement for wolves, foxes and coyotes who once roamed the landscape feeding on birds and animals." When predators multiply to the degree a species outstrips its prey, starvation restores equilibrium. Does your dog subsist entirely on a diet of mourning doves, or does an occasional infusion of puppy chow skew nature's balance?

Then, there's the matter of size. I am not aware that the "self-appointed aristocracy" has suggested banning dogs from the Manistee National Forest or any other large wooded area. I believe your pet may run joyously in many of the state's forested areas — even bait bears.

Can you really equate the forests of Elizabethan England or colonial America with a postage stamp memento of Plymouth's long gone days? Does pitting Miller Woods against uncontrolled urban predators, well-fed pets and racing trail bikes, constitute a fair fight?

Come on, Jeff, admit it. The fence is a step toward the goal you advocate: maintaining the balance.

P.S. The woods is 10 acres, not 17.

In support of the underdog. Make that woods.  
Jackie Troutman, Plymouth

Vote for Mayflower

**L**et's take a vote on saving the Mayflower Hotel. One local Plymouth paper raised the question, "How can the community help?"

The answer is simple, vote with your dollars. Lunch at the fast food franchise costs \$3.50, so if you would like to keep the hotel spend \$5 for lunch there and often. It's better, healthier food and an atmosphere that is irreplaceable. If you eat dinner at the Roundtable and/or the hotel once a month then make it once a week for awhile.

Ask your friends and relatives visiting for the weekend to vote for the Mayflower Hotel instead of the Red Roof Inn. I did and was pleasantly surprised to hear my friends say it was one of the finest hotels they had experienced in Michigan.

If you haven't stayed at the hotel you may be surprised at their reasonable, competitive rates. Or splurge with the honeymoon (Starkweather) suite; it is a delightful anniversary idea.

Everywhere I go in the community people are saying what a loss it would be if we didn't have the hotel . . . the heartbeat of downtown Plymouth. Well, stop wishing and start voting with your business patronage.

There is no problem the Mayflower family can't solve if the business is good — so see you at the famous Mayflower Hotel. It is simply good business for the community to do business in the heart of downtown Plymouth.

Tom Goebel, Redford Township

Fenced woods

**M**any thanks to the Plymouth-Canton School Board members who listened and listened and listened at three recent board meetings as they reconsidered whether to give a natural area a little more protection from the ravages of civilization.

Kiwanis has patiently waited three years

while we tried the alternative of an ordinance, daily patrols, neighborhood education, and increased communications. Problems increased, especially those of dogs and bikes. Kiwanis and Friends of Miller Woods will share the cost of a strong, low-maintenance fence. It will be set back behind trees and edge-growth, barely visible, and Friends will encourage the natural growth to further obscure it.

Biologists have found that the special spring wildflowers gradually return to their former glory when dogs are fenced out and low-nesting birds have greater success with an occasional fox instead of many neighborhood dogs.

As always, Friends will continue to invite all of the community to our guided tours and meetings. Or you can go anytime: the gate is always open for you to visit, to study, to enjoy historic Miller Woods.

Emily C. Kemnitz, president,  
Friends of Miller Woods, Plymouth

Cable troubles

**A**s a Public Access Volunteer for Omnicom, and Plymouth Township resident, I take an interest in the current contractual negotiations between Omnicom and our local governmental units.

My experience with the Canton Omnicom offices has shown the entire staff to be diligent and dedicated. Many of the staff work exhausting long hours, covering events in our community such as pancake breakfasts that begin early in morning, or election coverage, which runs late into the night. These handful of Omnicom employees are to be commended for their willingness with a limited staff and equipment, to provide training, equipment, support, personnel to serve the interests of this area.

One can't help but get the feeling that they are dealing with an old-fashion "Mom and Pop," "Let us help you" operation when working with the people at Omnicom. They always do their best and go the extra mile to assist you in your endeavor.

But Omnicom is far from a small, "Mom and Pop" operation. It's big business.

How big? For example, my one household is paying \$23 a month for basic cable service, times 12 months, equals \$276 a year. Multiply that by the 35,000 customer households Omnicom claims to service. That's over \$9 million — \$9,660,000 in gross income to be exact.

As any businessman knows the cost of doing business is high, Omnicom pays \$500,000 in fees and \$290,000 in Canton taxes, plus its 64 employees' salaries. Let's estimate that the average employee makes \$15 per hour, some less, others with a technical background slightly more, that would still leave a profit figure somewhere in the ball park of \$7 million.

It is conceivable then that Omnicom is in a position to get competitive; hire additional personnel, upgrade programming and studio operations, and purchase more equipment.

My role behind the camera taping the township meetings is to communicate what is happening with our government to local taxpayers. I have recently learned that Omnicom continues to feel it cannot provide equipment or personnel for live coverage of the township meetings, but rather that Plymouth Township is prepared to pay a person(s) to ensure coverage. In light of Plymouth Township's present budget crises, I fail to see why we, the taxpayers would be asked to add people to the township's payroll, when Omnicom could be providing this service? Last time I checked, Plymouth Township was not in a million dollar profit position, as is Omnicom. Are our township elected officials protecting the taxpayers to ensure that we are receiving the maximum service for our dollars?

Plymouth Township is in a position to cancel Omnicom and bring in any one of several other cable companies willing and able to meet local consumer demands. That's called healthy com-

petition. It ensures that the consumer gets the most for his money.

It is Omnicom's responsibility to meet the needs and expectations of the community which they service, not the local governmental unit. It is the government's responsibility, representing the taxpayers, to contract the most services at the least cost to the consumers. So far it's not happening — perhaps it's time to start to negotiate with someone other than Omnicom.

Julia A. Hoglen, Plymouth Township

Information questioned

**I**n reference to the letter printed on the Opinion page on Jan. 21 written by Mr. Bill Cox, I believe his "statistics" are inaccurate and unable to be supported by any scientific or medical literature. His claims of increased breast cancer risk, pelvic infections, and psychiatric consultations are simply not true.

Having a first trimester abortion is considerably safer than bearing a child, with less than 1/2 of one percent of women experiencing any type of complication. No medical or nursing organi-

zation has ever stated that "life begins at conception." Organized professional groups such as the American Nurses Association, the American Medical Association, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Public Health Association have all issued position papers reaffirming the safety of abortion and their support of a woman's right to choose.

There is an exhaustive body of literature on these subjects from credible health professionals and organizations, none of which support Mr. Cox's assertions.

Mr. Cox's letter is a perfect example of the type of misinformation that the anti-abortion groups want in an "informed consent" document.

Cheryl L. Bord, R.N., Plymouth

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1993

PLYMOUTH  
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Observer mat tourney

The Second Annual Observerland Wrestling Tournament will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday at Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt Road (between Warren and Ford roads).

Farmington is the defending team champion. Fourteen other schools are entered including Plymouth Canton, Plymouth Salem, Farmington Harrison, North Farmington, Westland John Glenn, Wayne Memorial, Lutheran High Westland, Redford Catholic Central, Redford Thurston, Redford Union, Livonia Churchill, Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevenson and the host Cougars.

Defending individual champions include heavy-weight Jason Peterson (Garden City) and 171-pounder Jason Krueger (Redford CC).

The tournament will also feature defending state champion Mike Reeves (Westland John Glenn), who suffered his only loss last season at the Observerland meet on a disqualification.

Admission is \$2 for students and \$3 for adults. For more information, call GC athletic director Bob Dropp at 421-8220.

Sportsmanship Week

The Western Lakes Activities Association has designated the week of Feb. 8-12 as Sportsmanship Week.

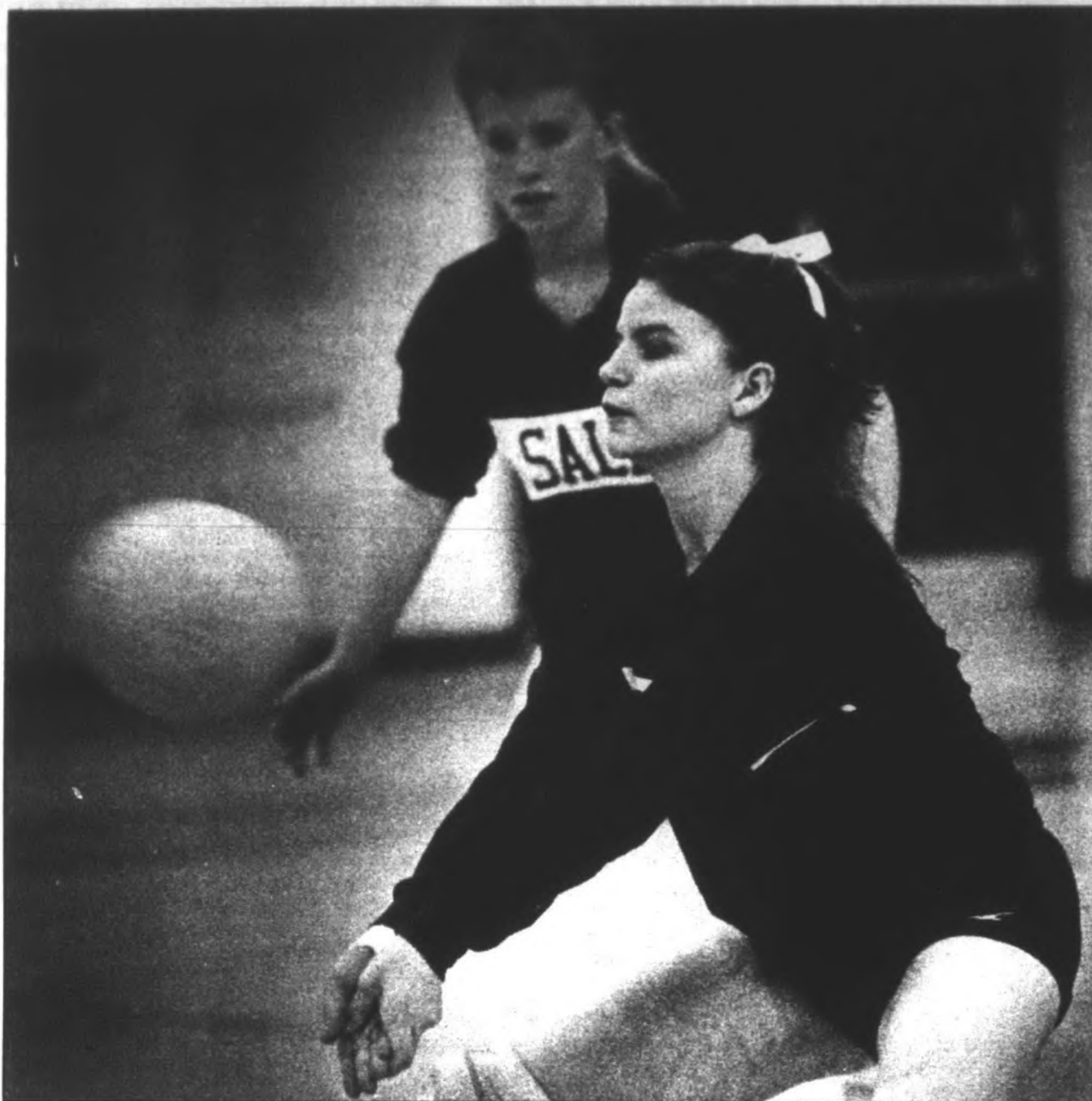
Each of the 12 schools that make up the league will be emphasizing the value of good sportsmanship through a variety of activities.

Daily announcements will contain quotations related to sportsmanship; letters will be sent to different groups such as cheerleaders, students, student-athletes, parents and fans.

Announcements will also be read at athletic events, and 1,000 "Be A Sport" buttons will be distributed in each school.

It's the desire of the administration and athletic directors that all parties realize athletics are an extension of the classroom. For everyone to receive their full benefits, all parties must display good sportsmanship at athletic contests.

Seniors guide Rocks over Chiefs



Senior leader: Jenny Garvey is one of four seniors on the Salem volleyball team who are credited with the team's continued success.

Plymouth Salem is unbeaten in three volleyball matches with rival Plymouth Canton this year, the latest win occurring Monday in a Western Lakes contest.

BY DAN O'MEARA  
STAFF WRITER



Quality seniors are a common denominator among successful teams, so it's no surprise the Plymouth Salem volleyball squad has

four good ones.

The Rocks, who boosted their season record to 21-8-3 Monday with a four-game victory over visiting Plymouth Canton, are on course for a record-breaking season.

This is the fourth year of co-coaching by Brian Gilles and Allie Suffety, who have created a competitive program at Salem.

Seniors Caryn Tatterton, Cyndi Platter, Jenny Garvey and Jenna Stanton are the first four-year players during the Gilles/Suffety era, and each represents one reason the Rocks are doing so well this year.

"Before the season, I thought, if we could win 25 matches, we'd be happy," Gilles said. "Now I think we can surpass last year's school record of 32 matches."

"It has a lot to do with the four seniors coming through the program. The kids have grown up so much, even since their junior year."

Tatterton, who is the setter and also a solid hitter, was the only one of the four who played a lot last year.

Platter, who has blossomed into an outstanding hitter/blocker, hit mainly from the outside, Garvey played back row and Stanton was a spot player.

"Cyndi is now probably one of the

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Plymouth Invitational next for Salem, Canton gymnasts

Plymouth Salem will attempt to win its third consecutive gymnastics championship Saturday in the Annual Plymouth Invitational at Plymouth Canton High School.

"We'll be down one (gymnast), so it will be a little more challenging," Salem coach Johanna Anderson said. "Hopefully, if everyone hits their routines, it should be an easy meet for us."

"We have a loaded lineup, so we're not short of girls. If someone is out, there's always someone else to put in. We have a lot of depth on this team."

The top-ranked Rocks will have to get along without senior Kim Miller, who will be competing in the Wolverine Classic at the University of Michigan.

But Salem won last year without Miller, who was doing only club gymnastics then, and team depth is why the Rocks have won the past two invites and are ranked No. 1 in the state.

Salem demonstrated the latter Monday when it whipped host Walled Lake Western without Miller, who was preparing for the weekend event.

The Rocks scored 140.4 and boosted their dual-meet record to 6-0. The Warriors posted a 114.15.

Courtney Gonyea had the best score on vault (9.0), bars (8.8) and beam (9.45). She was second in

floor exercise (9.35) behind teammate Alycia Sofios, who had an Observerland best of 9.5.

Sofios was second on vault (8.7) and beam (8.8) and third on bars (8.7). Melissa Hopson tied Gonyea for first place on bars (8.8) and was fifth on beam (8.2).

Salem's Sarah Makins was second on floor (9.4), third on beam (8.75) and fourth on bars (8.5). Stefanie Angiulo placed fourth on beam (8.7) and Kristen Atkinson fifth on vault (8.0).

PLYMOUTH CANTON

None of their top gymnasts competed all-around Monday, but the Chiefs still had a lineup strong enough to win their seventh dual meet in eight attempts. Canton scored 131.1 and visiting Ann Arbor Huron 125.75.

"We shifted the lineup to get some qualifying scores, particularly on vault," Canton coach John Cunningham said, adding Kim Lewke was the only top vaulter entered in that event. Adrienne Brenner and Katie Demey were among the others who got another vault score.

"As we get down to the more important meets, we're going to be a nice, solid team, and the reason is a lot of (girls) are getting to participate and all are doing well. Kari Jackson did her first floor

routine tonight (7.8) and got a regional qualifying score."

Lewke was first on vault (8.6), third on beam (8.3) and sixth on bars (7.0).

Kim Rennolds finished first on beam (8.65) and floor exercise (9.1), and she was second on bars (8.6).

Jenny Tedesco had the top bars score (8.8), was the runner-up on beam (8.4) and tied with teammate Kim Nowak for second on floor (8.85).

Nowak also was fifth on beam (7.8), Jackson fourth (7.9) and Brenner fifth (7.85) on vault and Mindy Sofen sixth on floor (8.1).

The No. 6-ranked Chiefs hope to do as well in the Plymouth Invitational as last year when they finished second behind Salem. The Rocks scored 142.1, Canton 140.5.

Other state-ranked teams that will be competing are Freeland, Rochester, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, East Lansing, Holt and Rochester Adams. All of the WLA teams are entered.

"We can't touch Salem, but we're within range of all the others," Cunningham said. "Salem will be first, and six teams score within range of each other."

The meet starts at 9:30 a.m. and continues until about 5 p.m. There will be competition in Division I and II. Admission is \$3.

Johnson signs with Lakers

BY STEVE KOWALSKI  
STAFF WRITER

Grand Valley football coach Brian Kelly received an unexpected phone call last week from Wayne Memorial coach Chuck Howton.

Howton was shopping around his tailback Bruce Calhoun and Kelly couldn't wait to see the prospect in person.

"Kelly said he'd love to have Bruce Calhoun," Howton said.

So Calhoun, Wayne's second all-time leading rusher, made a recruiting visit late last week and decided to sign a national letter of intent to attend Grand Valley. Calhoun was one of several Ob-

serverland players who signed letters Wednesday, the first day of the signing period. See chart.

Kelly was surprised to hear from Howton because, like several Division II coaches in the state, he thought Calhoun would end up at a Division I program.

Calhoun made an official visit to Western Michigan in early January but never received a scholarship offer from the Broncos. He also scheduled visits to Bowling Green and Toledo but each visit was canceled by the coaching staffs at both schools.

"Three days before my visit to Bowling Green the recruiter called and told me they already

signed two running backs and that's all they were going to sign," Calhoun said. "I was going to go to Toledo the next week but they called and said the same thing."

Calhoun said he doesn't regret the way he was treated, he only wishes he scheduled earlier visits.

Howton said Grand Valley "got a steal," in Calhoun, a 6-foot-1, 195-pounder who runs a 4.6 40-yard dash time. Calhoun also carries a 3.8 grade point average and scored a 20 on his ACT test.

"I've had other people sign Division I who didn't have his talent," Howton said. "He's such a

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# Stevenson star selects Madonna

By BRAD EMONS and C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITERS

## VOLLEYBALL

Playing close to home for a team that's a contender for a national title was pivotal in Julie Martin's thinking.

Which is why the Livonia Stevenson volleyball standout decided to spurn offers from NCAA Division I schools like Florida State, Illinois State, Western Michigan, Ohio University and Toledo to accept a scholarship from Madonna University, an NAIA team.

"It's one of the biggest steals of the year," said Stevenson coach Lee Cagle, who also coaches Martin in the AAU Crusader Volleyball Club at Madonna. "She's almost unstoppable because she hits the ball so hard inside of 10 feet, and she's almost always 1 1/2-to-2 feet above the net.

"Her blocking at this time is incredible. This year she's also serving well and playing back row. She's become more than a one-dimensional player. She should be considered for all-state first team."

The 6-1 Martin, together with Patty Diamond, has led Stevenson to a 24-4 record. Martin has over 300 kills this season, with a 430 kill percentage.

Still, volleyball wasn't the only factor in her decision. "It's a real good school," Martin said, then added, "I know they have a good volleyball team. I know the coach (Jerry Abraham) and I know the (Madonna players) real well."

Martin's signing should help offset some notable losses to

graduation for Madonna. Gone are all-district selections Elena Oparka (also a third-team NAIA All-American) and Tonia Smith, both outside hitters. Also gone is outside hitter Melissa Mars.

The biggest loss, however, could be Dana Finley, Madonna's two-time NAIA District 23 most valuable player who's also been an All-American twice. Finley, a middle hitter, is considering switching schools because her husband, who's in the military, has been stationed near Washington, D.C.

If Finley returns, Madonna could be ranked in the NAIA's pre-season top 10.

Abraham could not be happier with Martin's decision. "She's a major, major recruit," he said. "She's very similar to Dana (Finley), an impact-type player. She has that kind of po-

tential, to come in and help right away.

"As far as pure hitting and net play, she's one of the best in the state. She's a smart player who's improved dramatically the last three years. And she's developed as an all-around player."

After referring to Martin as a dominant player, Abraham said, "In my opinion, she's the top middle hitter in the state."

Now she's coming to a program that has improved every year since Abraham started it five years ago, its only drawback coming at tournament time. Madonna has never qualified for the NAIA Tournament.

If Abraham can pick up a couple more notable recruits — and Martin's signing should only aid that effort — that last goal should be realized.

# SC men cagers slip; women end streak

## SC SPORTS

Well, there was no one coming to Schoolcraft College's defense. Certainly none of the Ocelots did Saturday at Oakland CC. The Raiders went ahead by a bunch early and just kept pouring it on, burying SC 116-76 in men's basketball.

"We played absolutely no defense," said SC coach Dave Bogataj, whose team slipped to 5-16 overall, 1-9 in the Eastern Conference. "They just outscraped us, anywhere and everywhere. When you're out there, you've got to play defense."

"It just wasn't pretty." Unless, of course, you're an OCC fan. The Raiders stayed alive in the Eastern Conference race with the win, improving their conference record to 8-3 (12-9 overall).

Balance keyed OCC's onslaught, which resulted in a 60-39 halftime lead. Seven Raiders reached double-figures in scoring, led by Willie Payne's 20 points (and 13 rebounds).

Ray Moreland and Bill Knight had 15 points apiece, Craig Martin and Bill Thurston netted 14 each, Troy Coleman scored 11 and Mark Galbraith had 10. Knight added 10 rebounds, and Randy Hicks finished with nine points and nine boards. Point guard Kevin Woodmore did a commendable job quarterbacking the OCC attack, dishing out 10 assists. He also had five steals.

For SC, Mohammed Abdaboh scored 21 points, LaMonte Fondren totaled 19, Steve Whitlow had 18 and Vince Turner got 10. No one had more than five rebounds for the Ocelots, who were outboarded 49-31.

Another key factor for OCC was its lack of turnovers, according to coach Lynn Reed. "We only had 13," he said. "That's our best for the year. And we had excellent teamwork, with 28 assists. I thought we passed the ball well, and we rebounded well."

The win was the Raiders' 10th in their past 12 games. SC slipped to 5-16 overall, 1-9 in the conference.

## SC WOMEN

The Lady Ocelots overcame a size disadvantage and ended a four-game losing streak Saturday, beating visiting Oakland CC 67-59. The win improved SC's record to 2-8 in the Eastern Conference, 10-11 overall. OCC is 3-7 in the conference.

The homecourt advantage certainly helped SC, which had been on the road for all four of the consecutive losses. But it took a team effort for the Lady Ocelots to pull out the win.

"This was a team victory," said Lady Ocelot coach Jack Grenan. "When you have seven players, everybody has to contribute or you're in deep trouble. The kids are proud of themselves, and rightly so."

For nearly half the game, SC did not even have seven players. Alisa Wechter, the Lady Ocelots' 5-10 freshman center, got two quick fouls early in the second half and fouled out with 18 minutes left. That forced Grenan to switch his leading scorer, Dana Hudson, to center.

His forwards were 5-6 Angie Cerne and 5-4 Michelle Ernst. OCC, which trailed 37-30 at the half, fought back to within one with nine minutes left. But that's as close as it got.

SC quickly reassumed control, stretching its lead back to six. Still, the Lady Ocelots were never able to pull away. A Jody Dorr three-pointer with 45 seconds left trimmed SC's lead to five, but the Lady Ocelots answered by making three free throws to pull away.

# Kennedy scoring big after leave of absence

By C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

Jennifer Kennedy's final year of collegiate basketball will be an abbreviated one.

Too bad for Albion College. Not so bad for everyone else in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Kennedy has been tearing the league apart since returning from an internship with the U.S. Informa-

tion Agency in Washington, D.C. The 5-6 senior point guard from Redford (Livonia Ladywood HS) leads the MIAA in scoring, averaging 18.5 points a game. She's also averaging nearly six rebounds and over four assists per game.

All this after missing the entire pre-season and the first six games while interning. Obviously, the time off didn't hurt her game

much. "I played at Catholic University," Kennedy explained. "I tried to stay in shape as best I could."

Which was beneficial for the Britons, who struggled without her. Albion was 1-5 before Kennedy returned in mid-December; since then, the Britons are 6-5.

"It was kind of one of those Catch-22 things," said Kennedy's coach, Sally Konkle, of Kennedy's

internship. "As a coach, I missed having the MVP of the league in the lineup, but she's here for an education."

"She's one of those people who can step right in and help."

And where does Kennedy help most? "Her scoring ability," answered Konkle, then added, "But we missed her leadership the most. We have players who can pick up the (scoring) slac X4043

# Playoffs long shot for Madonna basketball team

## MADONNA

A week ago, the season still seemed full of promise for Madonna University's women's basketball team.

After Tuesday, hopes had suddenly become very slim.

The Lady Crusaders lost a pair of NAIA District 23 games in a four-day span, losses that could cost them a berth in the four-team playoffs. Saturday at Aquinas College, Madonna battled but couldn't overtake the Saints in absorbing a 66-60 loss.

That evened the Crusaders' district record at 4-4 — a setback, to be sure, but they were still in the playoff hunt.

Until Tuesday. A trip to Concordia College proved disastrous. The Cardinals were winless in eight previous

district games, but they rolled to a 22-point first-half lead and hung on, defeating Madonna 71-64.

"The girls just did not come out prepared," said Madonna coach Bill Potter, whose team is now 10-14 overall (4-5 in the district). "We stunk, actually."

"That probably cost us a playoff berth."

To regain what they've lost in the two road defeats, Madonna may have to pull off a major upset, like tonight when the Crusaders host district-leader Spring Arbor at 7 p.m.

There were few bright spots for Madonna at Concordia. One was

Stephanie Niebauer, who scored 27 points and grabbed 11 rebounds. No other Crusader reached double figures in scoring; Mary Bieniewicz had nine points and Dana Sevcch scored six, with 10 assists.

Beth Cannon's 21 points led Concordia (5-17 overall); Kim Miller had 15.

Madonna missed 16 layups, shot a dismal 36 percent from the floor (24-of-66), and committed 23 turnovers, according to Potter. The Cards were 31-of-72 from the field (43 percent) and had 17 turnovers.

Still, Madonna had a chance late in the game. With five minutes left, the Crusaders were within 56-52 — but they followed that with a miss and a turnover.

The effort against Aquinas was better, but the result was the same. The Crusaders had a chance, trailing by two in the closing minutes. But they missed two layups, two free throws and committed a costly turnover on their last four possessions.

Niebauer's 21 points was best for Madonna. April Blanton and Stephanie Creley chipped in with eight apiece, while Sevcch had four points and 10 assists.

Sam Reenders led Aquinas with 22 points. Nikki Turtle contributed 12. Madonna now trails the second-place Saints by three games in the loss column. University of Michigan-Dearborn and Tri-State University are also in the playoff picture.

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# CC upsets U-D; Canton tumbles

The Redford Catholic Central basketball team pulled off a major upset Tuesday night in the Catholic League's Central Division, beating previously undefeated University of Detroit-Jesuit 57-54 at home.

The win moves CC to 4-3 in the Central Division, 6-7 overall. U-D fell to 6-1 in the Central, 9-2 overall.

Senior forward Brian Paluk led CC with a game-high 30 points, including eight-of-11 free throws. Junior guard Andy Kummer added 10 points.

CC led 17-8 after one quarter and by as many as 10 or 12 points most of the way. The Shamrocks' lead was 27-21 at halftime before U-D pulled closer after three quarters, 39-36.

Damien Love led U-D with 22 points, including four three-point shots. Julian Bonner added 12 points and Dwight Kaigler scored 10.

**■ CENTRAL 75, CANTON 40:** The Chiefs lost more than a three-game winning streak Tuesday in their loss to visiting Walled Lake Central.

Canton (4-8 overall and 3-3 in the Western Lakes Activities Association) was forced to play without junior guard Matt Paupore, who twisted his ankle in the second quarter and is out indefinitely.

The Vikings, who led 18-9 after the first quarter and 42-17 at halftime, remained undefeated at 12-0 overall and 6-0 in the WLAA.

Ron Thompson paced a balanced Central attack with 18 points. Adam McCarthy and Dave Johnston added 12 apiece.

The Chiefs were led by seniors Owen Crosby and Al Hollingsworth, who scored 12 and nine points, respectively.

**■ SALEM 65, N'VILLE 58:** Junior forward James Head scored 24 points to lead the No. 10-ranked Rocks. Mike Stone tossed in 18 and Brandon Stone 16.

Salem, 5-1 in the WLAA and 11-1 overall, has an important league game Friday at Walled Lake Central. The No. 7 Vikings are 6-0 in the WLAA and 12-0 overall.

**■ PCA 65, BETHESDA 54:** Plymouth Christian Academy got some revenge Tuesday in its win at Warren Bethesda.

The Eagles avenged an earlier 69-50 home defeat and improved to 4-9 overall, 3-5 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Bethesda is 4-9 and 2-5.

Senior forward Jason Neil led the victors with 26 points and eight rebounds. Chris McCoy and Ryan Bigelow added 12 points each for PCA, while Ryan Thomason chipped in nine assists and four steals.

Jacques Smiley paced Bethesda with 23 points.

**■ AGAPE 75, ZOE CHRIST. 64:** Plymouth Agape's Brandon McKelvey dominated the second overtime Tuesday during a thrilling victory at Zoe Christian of Warren.

Agape rallied from a nine-point deficit with 3:00 left in regulation but missed the front end of a one-and-one opportunity, which would have won the game.

Zoe forced a second overtime on a three-pointer with two seconds left. But the second extra session was owned by McKelvey. The 6-foot-5 junior scored 10 of Agape's 12 points.

McKelvey finished with 40 points and converted 23 of his 30 free-throw attempts. Pete Muench added 15 for Agape (7-6). Chris Bank led Zoe (6-6) with 14 points.

## SPORTS SHORTS

Items for the Sports Roundup should be submitted by 5 p.m. Tuesday (for Thursday edition) and 5 p.m. Friday (for Monday edition).

### ■ EAST-WEST SOCCER

A tryout session for the East-West Soccer Ambassadors will be Saturday, Feb. 6, from noon to 2 p.m. at Thompson Middle School in Southfield.

Players age 11 to 19 are eligible to try out for age-group teams to represent the United States in overseas competition.

Players should bring their own soccer ball, water and \$15 to register. For more information call the East-West office at 216-562-1900.

### ■ TEEN SKI TRIP

A teen ski trip is planned for Friday, Feb. 12, to Alpine Valley Ski Area. The fee is \$16 for skiers with equipment and \$23 for those renting equipment.

A bus will leave the Canton Township Administration Building parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and return around midnight. Call the Canton Parks and Recreation Office at 397-5110.

### ■ FAMILY SKATING

Canton Parks and Recreation Services will have a Family Skate Night 7-9 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 11, at Heritage Park Ponds behind the Township Hall.

There is no residency requirement. Warm refreshments will be available, the ponds will be lit and music will be played.

### ■ MADONNA SALE

The Madonna University women's softball team will hold its second annual big garage sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, at the Madonna University Activities Center. Admission is free.

All proceeds will go toward the softball team's spring trip to Florida. For more information, call 591-5000.

### ■ COACHES SOUGHT

The Canton Lions Junior Football Club is accepting applications for head and assistant cheerleading coaches for the 1993 season. Interested persons are asked to call 397-1720.

### ■ SOCCER OPENINGS

The Canton Bulldogs of the Little Caesars Premier Soccer League still has positions open on their spring roster. Players born after Aug. 1, 1978, are eligible. For information, call Mike Shirley at 451-1470.

### ■ BASEBALL SHOW

The Canton High School Baseball Parents Club will have its Second Annual Sports Card Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 6-7 at East Middle School in Plymouth.

The show will feature hourly 50/50 raffles and a free card giveaway each day. Autographs will be signed by former New York Yankees pitcher and two-time World Series champion Bill Stafford and former Detroit Tigers great Billy Hoft.

All proceeds will benefit the Canton High School baseball program. For information, call 455-3564.

### ■ SOCCER SIGN-UP

Registrations for the Canton Soccer Club spring season will be accepted through Friday, Feb. 5, at the Canton Parks and Recreation Office.

Boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 18 are eligible. All new participants must bring a birth certificate and social security number when they register.

For information, call Watson Zdrodowski at 459-0927.

### ■ BODYBUILDING

Madonna University will offer a winter term course, "Working with Weights," 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 3 through March 31, or 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, Feb. 6 through April 3. (No classes March 3 and 6.)

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# Aristeo leads Spartans

Anne Aristeo of the Livonia-Novi Spartan Aquatic Club won high-point honors in the Girls 13-14 age division, but more importantly qualified for the Junior Nationals with a time of 2:07.45 in the 200-yard butterfly at the Circle City swim meet held last weekend in Indianapolis.

Aristeo also won the 200 freestyle; finished second in the 400 individual medley, 500 freestyle and 100 butterfly; third, 100 and 200 backstroke; fifth, 200 IM; and sixth, 1,650 freestyle.

She will be joined at the next month's Junior Nationals in Gainesville, Fla., by teammates Lisa Butzlaff and Jill Mellis.

Butzlaff (Girls 15-17) finished second in the 100 and 200 breaststrokes; fourth, 400 IM;

fifth, 200 IM and 200 butterfly; and eighth, 200 freestyle.

### OTHER SPARTAN FINISHERS

Girls 10 and under: Emily Nicol (B) — first place, 50-yard freestyle; 8th, 200 freestyle; sixth, 100 breaststroke; Kris Ulley (B) — seventh, 200 IM and 200 freestyle; Megan Mccart (B) — sixth, 200 freestyle; seventh, 100 breaststroke; 100 backstroke and 100 freestyle.

Boys 11-12: Steve Domin — seventh, 50 butterfly; Derek Zarber (B) — 8th, 500 freestyle; sixth, 50 backstroke.

Girls 11-12: Erin Spiro (B) — seventh, 100 freestyle; eighth, 50 butterfly; Melissa Livanos (B) — first, 50 freestyle; Katy Nicol (B) — first, 100 butterfly; 8th, 200 IM; sixth, 100 freestyle.

Boys 13-14: Eric Kelly — third, 100 freestyle; fourth, 200 freestyle, 100 and 200 backstroke; 8th, 500 freestyle and 200 IM; sixth, 400 IM.

Girls 13-14: Amy Kohl (B) — third, 100 backstroke; 8th, 200 backstroke; Jamie VanderMass (B) — 8th, 200 freestyle; seventh, 200 backstroke; Maggie Corazza (B) — eighth, 100 freestyle; Mary Corazza (B) — second, 200 breaststroke; seventh, 200 butterfly.

# Orris, Clark star in Canton loss

Despite three first-place finishes from Mike Orris and Jeff Clark, Plymouth Canton was on the short end of a 103-83 score to Livonia Stevenson in boys swimming Tuesday at the Livonia Bentley pool.

Orris took first in the 200-yard freestyle (1:50.02) and posted a personal best time in the 500 freestyle (4:59.62). Clark won the 50 freestyle (23.21) and the 100 freestyle (51.37).

The duo also combined with Joe Foster and Craig Steshetz to win the 400 freestyle relay (3:27.08).

The Chiefs also received a personal-best performance from Daryl Balios, who won the diving with 238 points. Ryan Henkel was the other Canton winner in the breast stroke (1:08.65).

Canton is 2-3 in the Western Lakes Activities Association and 2-4 overall.

# Shamrocks tie No. 1 Trenton

Top-ranked Trenton and No. 3 Redford Catholic Central battled to a 3-3 draw Saturday in a Michigan Metro High School Hockey League game at the Redford Ice Arena.

Matt Greene's goal from Keith Kneiding with only 16 seconds remaining enabled to the visiting Trojans to come away with the point.

"We made a mistake and threw it (the puck) out in front of our net and they (Trenton) banged away at it in the middle," CC coach Jack Gumbleton said.

"They (Trenton) kept pecking away at us. We kept losing it as the game was going on. They got stronger and we kind of ran out of gas, but we played well overall."

CC led 1-0 after one period on Justin Ronayne's goal from Jeff Helner.

Each team scored a pair of goals in the second period.

Frank Novock connected for CC from Jon Heady. The Shamrocks' third goal was scored by Mark Holdridge on an assist from Novock.

CC goalie Jamie Ronayne was sharp, stopping 32 shots.

The Shamrocks are 9-2-3 overall and 3-2-2 in the West Division of the Michigan Metro.

Trenton is 10-1-2 overall and 6-0-2 in the West Division.

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GIRLS AA LEAGUE	
1. Lakers	3-0
2. Pistons	2-1
3. Kings	1-2
4. Celtics	0-3

Lakers 54, Kings 36, Pistons 66, Celtics 45, Lakers 60, Pistons 56, Kings 60, Celtics 53.

BOYS B LEAGUE NATIONAL DIVISION	
1. Jazz	7-0
1. 76ers	7-0
3. Celtics	5-2
4. Magic	4-3
5. Pistons	3-4
5. Lakers	3-4
5. Nets	3-4
8. Bulls	2-5
9. Blazers	1-6
10. Kings	0-7

AMERICAN DIVISION	
1. Rockets	7-0
2. Pacers	6-1
3. Spurs	5-2
3. Suns	5-2
5. Warriors	4-3
5. Knicks	4-3
7. Hawks	2-5
7. Sonics	2-5
9. Hornets	1-6
10. Bucks	0-7

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3. Bulls	2-2
7. Hawks	1-3
8. Jazz	0-4

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1. Kings	4-0
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# Recruits

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hard-working person, I was appalled he was not getting a bigger rush from Division I schools. (Division I schools are trying to hook up the best players they can early and Bruce made the mistake of putting his visits off."

Calhoun said Kelly told him there's a good chance of playing next fall at Grand Valley.

"He said he didn't even think about talking to me, that I'd be going Division I, so it's a great plus for me to go there," Calhoun said. "He's given me the opportunity and I'm going to go for it."

**'I've had other people sign Division I who didn't have his talent. He's such a hard-working person, I was appalled he was not getting a bigger rush from Division I schools.'**

Chuck Howton  
Wayne Memorial coach

Grand Valley also signed a pair of former Observerland players who have played the last two years at Grand Rapids Junior College: quarterback Eric Stover (Westland John Glenn) and tight end Ryan Johnson (Plymouth Salem).

Another top running back from Observerland, North Farmington's Todd Anderson, will attend either Yale or Princeton.

Two first-team Observer players signed with Division I schools: Jason Facione, a linebacker from Livonia Franklin who committed early to Central Michigan and Joe Suhajda, a lineman from Redford Catholic Central who is headed to the Air Force Academy.

Suhajda made a visit to West Point and said he turned down several offers to visit schools in the Big Ten.

"West Point was more beautiful and attractive but I didn't like the climate," Suhajda said. "I like the discipline and being in a controlled environment (of a military academy)."

CC linebacker Joe Herman, another first-team choice, said he wasn't signing a letter Wednesday but is headed to the University of Toledo. Herman said Toledo coaches promised him some scholarship aid but how much was not yet determined.

Another CC player, lineman Aaron Babicz, didn't draw much interest from Division I schools despite being named Dream Team by one state-wide newspaper. Babicz, a 6-2, 245-pound lineman, signed with Hillsdale.

"No one wanted to take a chance on someone my height, but I have no doubts I could have played Division I," Babicz said.

### WHERE THEY'RE HEADED

- Central Michigan  
Jason Facione, lb (Franklin)
- Toledo  
Joe Herman, lb (Redford CC)
- Air Force Academy  
Joe Suhajda, lineman (Redford CC)
- Hillsdale  
Jason Melzner, line (Franklin)  
Aaron Babicz, line (Redford CC)  
Keye Smith, wr (Harrison)
- Saginaw Valley  
Mark Salter, line (Garden City)
- Grand Valley  
Bruce Calhoun, rb (Wayne)  
Paul Nemzek, line (Redford CC)  
Eric Stover, qb (Glenn/Gr. Rapids)  
Ryan Johnson, te (Salem/Gr. Rapids)
- Northwood  
Dan Liebau, line (Redford CC)  
Brady Pankow, db (Redford CC)  
Mike Grzywacz, line (Redford CC)



**Killer Karrie:** Canton's Karrie Drinkhahn spikes the ball at the Salem defense for a possible kill Monday.

BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

# Fishing clubs providing needy community service



BILL PARKER

Gone are the days of the gruffy, beer guzzling ol' geezers sittin' round at the "fishin' club" braggin' about the big ones that got away.

Oh sure, the tales are still flying around and most are as tall as the Tahquamenon Falls,

but many of today's fishing clubs are concerned about more than simply wetting a line and catching a fish.

"More and more clubs are getting involved in community programs," explained Joe Zawislak, president of the Four Season's Fishing Club, based in Livonia. "Some clubs are getting involved with handicapped people or youth programs, trying to get people out to enjoy the resources. Sportsmen are really a different breed of people. We lie like hell (about the ones that got away), but deep inside we have big hearts."

And those big hearts are the reason Four Seasons recently received certificates of appreciation from the Paralyzed Veterans of America and Today's Living Concept for their contributions to members of the respective organizations.

Four Seasons members sponsored a pair of unique outings over the summer in which they took members of each organization out fishing.

"Last year was the first time we did anything like this and it went over really well," Zawislak said. "We plan to have these outings every year. We want to get these people out of the house and let them enjoy the outdoors."

"We tossed the idea around the table that we wanted to do something for the community and decided to put these things together."

The first outing was at Belle-

ville Lake with members of the Paralyzed Veterans of America. Four Season's member Paul Brown, a member of PVA as well as the equal the access committee of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs organized the event.

"I think everyone enjoyed it. We got able-bodied people together with wheel-chair people and had a lot of fun," Brown said. "It gave everyone a better understanding of each other and let them share in equal access."

Later in the summer, Four Seasons members took a group of about 40 mentally and physically impaired individuals on a fishing trip to Newburg Lake. The event was a joint effort between Four Season's and Today's Living Concept.

"It went like clockwork," Zawislak said. "Bob Slazinski was instrumental in setting it up and everyone from the club really chipped in and made it work." Livonia mayor, Robert Bennett, even made a special appearance at the outing.

Those unselfish anglers from the Four Season's Fishing Club realized there are people in the world who enjoy the outdoors just as much as they do, but don't have the luxury of access upon demand. We could all learn something from their actions. Why not take a day or afternoon and spend some time on the water with someone less fortunate than ourselves. A little camaraderie can sure go a long way.

**Fish Michigan**  
Since we're on the topic of fishing, a recently released book of lake maps would make a great addition to any angler's fishing gear. Noted outdoor writer Tom Huggler has just completed his ninth book: Fish Michigan — 100 Northern Lower Michigan Lakes.

The book is the second in a series of books examining the fishing opportunities awaiting anglers in Michigan. Like its predecessor, Fish Michigan — 100 Southern Michigan Lakes, this book is a

# Volleyball

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dominant players in the league if not the area," Gilles said. "Garvey is a 5-foot-3 hitter, but she pounds the ball."

The Rocks also were tied for first place in the Western Lakes Activities Association with a 5-0 record heading into a Wednesday showdown at Walled Lake Central. Canton dipped to 2-3 in the WLAA and is 16-6-3 overall.

Salem won the first game 15-2 but did an about-face in the second and lost 15-0. The Rocks regrouped to win the next two, 15-9 and 15-7.

"We've been doing that a lot this year," said Suffety of the comeback, "and a lot has to do with having that base of four seniors. We've been getting good floor leadership."

The second-game collapse was a sharp contrast with the first. Salem had only one kill in the second game, by Platter for a sideout.

"We couldn't get the momentum back if we had a mask and a gun and tried to steal it back," Suffety said. "They would capitalize on our errors, and we didn't do anything to reduce our errors."

"The only thing we were going to do was end the game. That's the nice thing about volleyball; you get to end one and start a new one."

Canton was ahead early in the third game before the Rocks got with it again. "Then we started moving our feet, getting in better

position and anticipating better," Suffety said.

Platter led the Rocks with 13 kills. Tatterton had seven kills and 30 assists from 57 sets. Jamie Visu added five kills and Stanton four.

Karen Gundry served 10 straight points, including three aces, in the last game, and Stanton chipped in four aces during the match.

Garvey was the leading passer and was 13-of-14 receiving serves, and Tatterton was 12-of-15 on attack reception.

"It's no secret; it's a matter of making good passes," said Suffety of the reason for Salem's win. "If you make good passes to the setter and get good attacks, the opponent has to dig the ball. If the ball is coming at you with velocity, it increases the chance of error."

While the Rocks made only five serving errors, Canton struggled with that aspect of the game, and a lack of consistency there prevented the Chiefs from maintaining momentum.

"The girls communicated and had a good-serving (second) game," Canton coach Jacqueline Getz said. "That was really a factor for us. We work hard on defense and when we miss our

serves it causes our momentum to drop."

Michelle Metzger led the Chiefs with 13 kills and also had three blocks. Tina Schafer was second with eight kills, and Ndu Okwumabua had four solo blocks to lead the team.

Laura Ciantar made 13 digs and Karrie Drinkhahn nine. While the Chiefs had trouble with their passing, Angela Fountain did a good job of getting to the ball, according to Getz. Shawn Champlin entered in two pressure situations and showed a lot of poise, she added.

"Metzger played well offensively at the net, and I thought Tina Schafer played well," Getz said. "She's been a key, consistent player this year. We probably didn't get as many hits from (Schafer), but that goes back to our passing and it just wasn't there to make the set to her."

The Chiefs, who previously lost to Salem in the finals of the two Plymouth tournaments, hope small steps will enable them to take a giant step later.

"We've played a little better each time we've played Salem," Getz said. "We've improved some part of our game each time and, hopefully, when it all counts in the tournament we'll put it all together."

# Schoolcraft field strong

Twenty-two teams are entered in Saturday's 20th annual Schoolcraft College Invitational volleyball tournament.

Action begins at 9 a.m. with elimination play beginning at approximately 4 p.m. Admission is \$3.

Pool A features defending tournament champion and Class A runnerup Temperance-Bedford, along with Farmington Hills Mercy, Westland John Glenn, Grand Blanc and East Kentwood (rated No. 4 in Class A).

Pool B pits Livonia Stevenson, rated No. 3 in Class A, against Livonia Ladywood,

Livonia Clarenceville, Farmington and Grosse Ile.

Pool C includes No. 5-rated Birmingham Marian (Class A), 1991 champion Livonia Churchill, Wayne Memorial, Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central, Fenton and Dearborn.

Pool D has two highly regarded teams in Burton-Atherton (No. 4 in Class C) and Monroe St. Mary's (No. 4 Class B). They will be joined by Livonia Franklin, Garden City, Flint Powers and Harper Woods Regina.

The top two teams in each pool advance to the quarterfinals.

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# Sports Stats

## SWIMMING RANKINGS

<b>LIVONIA STEVENSON</b> assistant coach Greg Phil is compiling the weekly listing for best area boys swim times. Observerland coaches in Livonia-Westland, Redford-Garden City, Plymouth-Canton and Farmington can reach Phil by calling 534-3818 (leave message on machine).	Jeff Buckler (Stevenson) . . . 23.09 Scott Brown (Farmington) . . . 23.15 David Brock (Salem) . . . 23.30 Mark Campbell (Churchill) . . . 23.31 Paul Magoulick (Redford CC) . . . 23.45	Jon Carlson (Churchill) . . . 4:59.30 Mike Orris (Canton) . . . 5:01.88 Jon Reed (Farmington) . . . 5:03.17 Aaron Berlin (Salem) . . . 5:05.27 Chris Teeters (Stevenson) . . . 5:05.88 Eric Peterson (Stevenson) . . . 5:10.67 Brian Green (Redford CC) . . . 5:13.20
<b>200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY</b>	<b>DIVING</b>	<b>200 FREESTYLE RELAY</b>
Livonia Stevenson . . . 1:40.88 Plymouth Salem . . . 1:42.80 North Farmington . . . 1:43.11 Plymouth Canton . . . 1:43.53 Redford Catholic Central . . . 1:47.77 Westland John Glenn . . . 1:47.77	Jason Fowler (Canton) . . . 238.50 Daryl Ballos (Canton) . . . 238.00 Woody Thomas (Salem) . . . 232.16 Justin Richardson (Salem) . . . 212.80 Mark Strohmeyer (Harrison) . . . 211.45 Chris Obudzinski (Salem) . . . 198.10 Chris Arnold (Canton) . . . 174.55 Richard Muner (Churchill) . . . 170.30 Matt Braun (Stevenson) . . . 151.35 Mike Redington (Stevenson) . . . 150.75	Livonia Stevenson . . . 1:31.51 North Farmington . . . 1:32.78 Plymouth Salem . . . 1:33.32 Catholic Central . . . 1:37.43 Farmington . . . 1:38.60
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Matt Martin (John Glenn) . . . 1:45.99 Jon Kershaw (N.Farmington) . . . 1:48.70 James Leslie (Redford CC) . . . 1:49.36 Jon Carlson (Churchill) . . . 1:49.93 Mike Orris (Canton) . . . 1:50.21 Steve Reinke (Redford CC) . . . 1:52.28 Ryan Freeborn (Stevenson) . . . 1:52.74 Jon Reed (Farmington) . . . 1:53.52 Aaron Berlin (Salem) . . . 1:54.32 Joe Ervin (Salem) . . . 1:54.68	Matt Martin (John Glenn) . . . 52.82 Steve Reinke (Redford CC) . . . 55.18 Gordy Gatewood (Stevenson) . . . 55.61 Mike Gravin (Stevenson) . . . 56.57 Matt Erickson (Salem) . . . 57.85 James Leslie (Redford CC) . . . 58.22 Chris Lynn (Salem) . . . 58.29 Joe Foster (Canton) . . . 58.62 Jeff Danner (Churchill) . . . 58.88 Jeff Clark (Canton) . . . 59.03	Matt Martin (John Glenn) . . . 51.31 James Leslie (Redford CC) . . . 55.87 Ryan Freeborn (Stevenson) . . . 56.59 Mike Orris (Canton) . . . 57.06 Steve Reinke (Redford CC) . . . 57.57 Scott Helmstadter (Salem) . . . 58.64 Scott Brown (Farmington) . . . 59.10 Mark Campbell (Churchill) . . . 59.44 Cliff Bellner (John Glenn) . . . 59.58 Chris Lynn (Salem) . . . 1:00.13
<b>200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY</b>	<b>100 FREESTYLE</b>	<b>100 BREASTSTROKE</b>
Matt Martin (John Glenn) . . . 1:57.58 Karl Kozicki (N.Farmington) . . . 2:01.61 Gordy Gatewood (Stevenson) . . . 2:03.65 Ryan Freeborn (Stevenson) . . . 2:03.95 James Leslie (Redford CC) . . . 2:04.46 Alex Goecke (Stevenson) . . . 2:04.65 Steve Reinke (Redford CC) . . . 2:06.89 Chris Teeters (Stevenson) . . . 2:09.56 Matt Erickson (Salem) . . . 2:10.79 Joe Ervin (Salem) . . . 2:11.30	Matt Martin (John Glenn) . . . 48.74 Jon Kershaw (N.Farmington) . . . 49.74 Mark Campbell (Churchill) . . . 50.24 Alex Goecke (Stevenson) . . . 50.36 Jeff Clark (Canton) . . . 50.47 Gordy Gatewood (Stevenson) . . . 50.72 Don Boyer (Farmington) . . . 51.08 Fred Locke (Salem) . . . 51.29 Craig Steshetz (Canton) . . . 51.42 Joe Ervin (Salem) . . . 51.80	Alex Goecke (Stevenson) . . . 1:00.38 Matt Martin (John Glenn) . . . 1:03.10 Adam Kammer (N.Farmington) . . . 1:04.36 Ray Blair (Wayne) . . . 1:04.65 Dan Barnett (Wayne) . . . 1:05.29 Jeff Danner (Churchill) . . . 1:05.39 Eric Peterson (Stevenson) . . . 1:06.14 Phil Hoffmeyer (Salem) . . . 1:06.63 Alex Beard (Salem) . . . 1:06.87 Dan Belanger (Farmington) . . . 1:06.78
<b>50 FREESTYLE</b>	<b>500 FREESTYLE</b>	<b>400 FREESTYLE RELAY</b>
Matt Martin (John Glenn) . . . 22.60 Alex Goecke (Stevenson) . . . 22.64 Jeff Clark (Canton) . . . 22.77 Gordy Gatewood (Stevenson) . . . 22.94 Fred Locke (Salem) . . . 22.98	Matt Martin (John Glenn) . . . 4:49.12 James Leslie (Redford CC) . . . 4:49.45 Karl Kozicki (N.Farmington) . . . 4:52.84	Livonia Stevenson . . . 3:25.52 North Farmington . . . 3:27.50 Plymouth Canton . . . 3:28.31 Farmington . . . 3:30.55 Plymouth Salem . . . 3:30.72

## BASKETBALL STANDINGS

<b>1992-93 HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL STANDINGS</b>	<b>CATHOLIC LEAGUE</b>	<b>METRO CONFERENCE</b>	<b>WESTERN LAKES</b>
<b>Central Division</b>	<b>West Division</b>	<b>Western Division</b>	<b>Lakes Division</b>
U-D Jesuit . . . 8 1 9 2 Bishop Borgess . . . 5 2 9 3 Catholic Central . . . 4 3 6 7 De La Salle . . . 3 4 7 6 Brother Rice . . . 3 4 6 6 Notre Dame . . . 0 7 4 8	St. Florian . . . 7 0 11 2 M.C. Mooney . . . 5 2 6 8 Oakland Catholic . . . 3 4 3 11 Mount Carmel . . . 3 4 3 7 St. Agatha . . . 3 4 3 8 Immac. Concept . . . 0 7 1 9	Cranbrook . . . 4 1 6 6 Lutheran West . . . 4 2 8 3 Lutheran N'west . . . 4 2 7 4 Lutheran Westland . . . 3 2 6 4 0 6 2 10	Harrison . . . 5 1 5 6 Ply. Canton . . . 3 3 4 8 Northville . . . 2 4 7 5 W.L. Western . . . 2 3 5 7 Liv. Franklin . . . 0 6 3 8 Liv. Churchill . . . 0 6 1 10
<b>Northwest Suburban</b>	<b>Tri-River</b>	<b>Wolverine A</b>	<b>Michigan Independent</b>
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## GYMNASTICS

<b>OBSERVERLAND BEST GYMNASTICS SCORES</b>	<b>BALANCE BEAM</b>
<b>TEAM TOTALS</b>	Kim Miller (Salem) . . . 9.65 Courtney Gonyea (Salem) . . . 9.45 Melissa Hopson (Salem) . . . 9.10 Kim Lewke (Canton) . . . 9.05 Alysia Sofios (Salem) . . . 9.05 Sarah Makins (Salem) . . . 8.95 Stefanie Angulo (Salem) . . . 8.85 Kim Rennolds (Canton) . . . 8.85 Jenny Tedesco (Canton) . . . 8.85 Marissa Maybauer (Glenn) . . . 8.85
1. Plymouth Salem . . . 144.40 2. Plymouth Canton . . . 132.75 3. Westland John Glenn . . . 130.60 4. North Farmington . . . 126.60 5. Farmington . . . 104.80	<b>FLOOR EXERCISE</b>
<b>VAULT</b>	Alysia Sofios (Salem) . . . 9.50 Sarah Makins (Salem) . . . 9.40 Kim Rennolds (Canton) . . . 9.35 Courtney Gonyea (Salem) . . . 9.35 Kim Miller (Salem) . . . 9.25 Melissa Hopson (Salem) . . . 9.15 Kim Nowak (Canton) . . . 8.95 Jenny Tedesco (Canton) . . . 8.85 Michelle Tsai (N.Farmington) . . . 8.75 Kristen Nicholls (Glenn) . . . 8.70 Sonya Sims (Glenn) . . . 8.70
<b>UNEVEN BARS</b>	<b>ALL-AROUND</b>
Kim Miller (Salem) . . . 9.45 Sarah Makins (Salem) . . . 9.25 Alysia Sofios (Salem) . . . 9.20 Courtney Gonyea (Salem) . . . 9.10 Melissa Hopson (Salem) . . . 9.05 Kim Rennolds (Canton) . . . 8.90 Jenny Tedesco (Canton) . . . 8.80 Michelle Tsai (N.Farmington) . . . 8.60 Marissa Maybauer (Glenn) . . . 8.40 Zoe Yockey (Salem) . . . 8.35	Melissa Hopson (Salem) . . . 36.40 Kim Miller (Salem) . . . 36.40 Courtney Gonyea (Salem) . . . 36.40 Alysia Sofios (Salem) . . . 35.65 Kim Rennolds (Canton) . . . 34.95 Sarah Makins (Salem) . . . 34.35 Jenny Tedesco (Canton) . . . 34.10 Michelle Tsai (N.Farmington) . . . 33.90 Kim Lewke (Canton) . . . 33.85 Zoe Yockey (Salem) . . . 32.90

## HOCKEY STANDINGS

<b>SUBURBAN HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS (as of Monday)</b>	<b>MICHIGAN METRO HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS (as of Feb. 1)</b>
<b>West Division</b>	<b>West Division</b>
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<b>East Division</b>	<b>East Division</b>
G.P. South . . . 6 1 0 12 37 15 Southgate . . . 5 1 0 10 24 13 A.P. Cabrini . . . 4 4 1 9 25 27 G.P. North . . . 2 4 0 4 24 24 Riv. Richard . . . 1 7 0 2 13 48	Joey Chappelle (Trenton) . . . 7 8 15 Richard Rathman (Pioneer) . . . 7 8 15 Brian Quinn (North) . . . 7 6 12 Sean Seylerth (Pioneer) . . . 6 7 13 Frank Nowack (CC) . . . 7 5 12 Joe Sucher (North) . . . 7 5 12 Kevin Watt (South) . . . 5 7 12 Marshall Chagnon (South) . . . 5 9 12 Jon Heady (CC) . . . 4 7 11 Andy Watson (Trenton) . . . 4 7 11 David Tucker (South) . . . 4 7 11 Keith Knicker (Trenton) . . . 1 10 11
<b>LEADING SCORERS</b>	<b>LEADING SCORERS</b>
Todd Siedlaczek (Church) . . . 19 Ryan Gussak (Steve) . . . 14 Mark Dalezandra (Wyan) . . . 13 Cory Swider (Church) . . . 13 Brian Jakowicz (Church) . . . 13 Dan Nacinovich (Lahser) . . . 12 Jeremy Klotzowicz (Frank) . . . 12 Scott Worthen (Steve) . . . 12 Doug Galau (Steve) . . . 12 Mark Peterson (Steve) . . . 12 Ryan Schmidt (Steve) . . . 12 Shane Hastings (Frank) . . . 12 Mike Hakala (Wyan) . . . 12 Scott Johnson (Steve) . . . 12 Bruce Coventry (Lahser) . . . 12 Jon Gronlund (Andover) . . . 12 Steve Grom (Church) . . . 12 Pat Livornos (Wyan) . . . 12	G.P. South . . . 5 Southgate . . . 5 A.P. Cabrini . . . 4 G.P. North . . . 4 Riv. Richard . . . 4 Joey Chappelle (Trenton) . . . 7 Richard Rathman (Pioneer) . . . 7 Brian Quinn (North) . . . 7 Sean Seylerth (Pioneer) . . . 6 Frank Nowack (CC) . . . 7 Joe Sucher (North) . . . 7 Kevin Watt (South) . . . 5 Marshall Chagnon (South) . . . 5 Jon Heady (CC) . . . 4 Andy Watson (Trenton) . . . 4 David Tucker (South) . . . 4 Keith Knicker (Trenton) . . . 1
<b>GOALIE RECORDS</b>	<b>GOALIE RECORDS</b>
Daryl Chamberlain (Steve) . . . 7.0 Dave Watson (Church) . . . 7.9 Joe Peterson (Wyan) . . . 8.0 Dan Schemanski (Frank) . . . 9.2 Chris Zoppie (Birm.) . . . 7.6 Ryan Jermain (Lahser) . . . 8.5	Andy Brewer (South) . . . 1.60 Ed Pich (Trenton) . . . 1.87 Shawn Greene (Trenton) . . . 2.19 Jim Searsmith (Pioneer) . . . 2.39 Kris Arthur (Rice) . . . 2.40 Ray Aho (Cabrini) . . . 2.50 Jamie Ronayne (CC) . . . 2.60

## SWIMMING

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style relay: Gordy Gatewood, Jeff Buckler, Alex Goecke and Chris Teeters (Stevenson), 1:35.52; 100 backstroke: Ryan Freeborn (Stevenson), 57.49; 100 breaststroke: Ryan Henkel (Canton), 1:08.65; 400 freestyle relay: Canton (Mike Orris, Joe Foster, Craig Steshetz and Jeff Clark), 3:27.08.  
Overall dual meet records: Canton, 2-4 overall; Stevenson, 6-2 overall.  
Stevenson's next meet: 7 tonight at home vs. Farmington.

**LIVONIA CHURCHILL 97 NOV 86**  
Tuesday at Novi

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
Thursday, Feb. 4  
Wyandotte at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
Friday, Feb. 5  
Luth. Westland at G.P. Liggett, 7 p.m.  
Lutheran North at Clarencville, 7 p.m.  
Red. Thurston at D.H. Crestwood, 7 p.m.  
Northville at Liv. Churchill, 7:30 p.m.  
Liv. Franklin at Farm. Harrison, 7:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Liv. Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.  
N. Farmington at Westland Glenn, 7:30 p.m.  
Ply. Salem at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.  
W.L. Western at Ply. Canton, 7:30 p.m.  
Redford Union at Dearborn, 7:30 p.m.  
Wyandotte at Wayne Memorial, 7:30 p.m.  
Bishop Borgess at U-D Jesuit, 7:30 p.m.  
Birm. Bro. Rice at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.

Immac. Concept at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m.  
Ply. Christian vs. B.H. Roeper at Lowell Middle School, 7:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley vs. Taylor Baptist Park at Marshall Jr. High, 7:30 p.m.  
**PREP HOCKEY**  
Thursday, Feb. 4  
Liv. Stevenson vs. Bloomfield Lahser at Detroit Skating Club, 8:30 p.m.  
Friday, Feb. 5  
Liv. Stevenson vs. Bloomfield Andover at Livonia's Edger Arena, 8 p.m.  
Redford CC vs. Birm. Bro. Rice at Oak Pak Computers Arena, 8 p.m.  
Saturday, Feb. 6  
Redford CC vs. Windsor (Ont.) Brennan at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.  
Liv. Churchill vs. S'field-Lathrup at Southfield Civic Center, 9 p.m.  
Sunday, Feb. 7  
Redford CC vs. Allen Pk. Cabrini at Wyandotte's Yack Arena, 2:30 p.m.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
Saturday, Feb. 6  
Oakland CC at St. Clair CC, 7:30 p.m.  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
Thursday, Feb. 4  
Spring Arbor at Madonna, 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Feb. 6  
Siena Heights at Madonna, 3 p.m.

## RANKINGS

These unscientific rankings are compiled weekly by the Observer sports staff. School eligible to be rated must be located in Plymouth-Canton, Livonia, Westland, Wayne, Farmington, Redford and Garden City.

<b>BOYS BASKETBALL</b>
1. Redford Bishop Borgess. 2. Wayne Memorial. 3. Westland John Glenn. 4. Plymouth Salem. 5. Redford Catholic Central.
<b>GIRLS VOLLEYBALL</b>
1. Livonia Stevenson. 2. Livonia Ladywood. 3. Plymouth Salem. 4. Livonia Churchill. 5. Redford Thurston.
<b>BOYS WRESTLING</b>
1. Plymouth Salem. 2. Westland John Glenn. 3. Livonia Stevenson. 4. Redford Catholic Central. 5. Garden City.
<b>BOYS HOCKEY</b>
1. Redford Catholic Central. 2. Livonia Stevenson. 3. Livonia Churchill. 4. Livonia Franklin.
<b>BOYS SWIMMING</b>
1. Plymouth Salem. 2. Livonia Stevenson. 3. Redford Catholic Central. 4. Plymouth Canton. 5. North Farmington.
<b>GIRLS GYMNASTICS</b>
1. Plymouth Salem. 2. Plymouth Canton. 3. North Farmington. 4. Westland John Glenn. 5. Livonia Clarencville.

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**Southfield Syphony**

**S**outhfield Symphony Orchestra will present a concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7 at Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield. Guest soprano Linda Thorne will perform "The Four Last Songs" of Richard Strauss. She will be the featured soloist in Mozart's "Solemn Vespers" when the orchestra combines with the Ford Motor Chorus. For tickets, call 354-4717 or 851-7408.

**Cabaret concert**

**T**he Julius Chajes Music Fund Concert Series and Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit will present a cabaret concert starring Alexander Zonjic and friends, with special guest harpist Jane Rosenson, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Refreshments will be served; tickets \$15; call 661-1000, Ext. 342.

**Family luncheon**

**T**he Jewish Community Center with Tedd E. Bear Productions is offering a family luncheon theater featuring a performance of "Beauty & The Beast," Feb. 7, 14, 21, and 28 at the center in West Bloomfield. The cost is \$12.50 per person. For information, call 661-1000, Ext. 335.

**Musical auditions**

**O**pen auditions for singers, dancers and actors for "A Little Night Music," to be presented by the Jewish Community Center with Nancy Gurwin Productions beginning March 20, will be held 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 7 at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. For information and audition appointment, call Nancy Gurwin 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 354-0545 or 352-2797.

**Livonia Symphony**

**T**he Livonia Symphony Orchestra will present a concert featuring the music of Tchaikovsky, Wagner, Liszt, Ortolani and Gould, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 in the James P. Carl Auditorium at Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh, Livonia. Call 458-6575 for ticket information.

**Children's tale**

**A**nn Arbor Goodtime Players will perform an updated, humorous version of "Cinderella" at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9 at the Maplewood Community Center in Garden City. Cost \$4 per person includes brownies and drinks. Tickets must be purchased in advance; call 525-8846.

**Meadow Brook**

**N**eil Simon's comedy "Plaza Suite" opens 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11 for a four-week run at the Meadow Brook Theatre on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. For times and tickets, call 377-3300, or Ticketmaster, 645-6666.

**Marlo Thomas stars in profound comedy**

Performances of "Six Degrees of Separation," at the George Burns Theatre continue through Feb. 14. For ticket information, call (800) 589-8000 or Ticketmaster, 645-6666.



KEELY WYGONIK

A young black man cleverly invades the lifestyles of the rich by assuming the guise of Sidney Poitier's son. It doesn't sound like material for a comedy, but Marlo Thomas, who is starring in John Guare's "Six Degrees of Separation," with John Cunningham, assures me it is.

"You're laughing the first 40 minutes, and getting clicks about life," said Thomas. "There are many surprises. You don't know what's going to happen."

Thomas plays Ouisa, and Cunningham is her husband Flan, an art dealer. The show, playing at the George Burns Theatre for the Performing Arts in Livonia through Feb. 14, is set in New York.

"She's a woman who thinks she has a perfect life, yet she and her children have no relationship. They are a couple who haven't taken their emotional temperature in years," said Thomas. "They are great anecdotes — people who feel tragic when something happens, then it's a joke the next day. They distance themselves from pain."

Paul (Ntare Mwine), who attends their daughter's school, comes into their lives, and changes them forever. He brings imagination and spirit.

If the story sounds familiar, maybe it's because you remember hearing about a charming well-dressed teenager who told people he was Sidney Poitier's just-mugged son. He talked his way into the homes of prominent Manhattan residents and stole from them. One of the people was Guare's friend.

But the story isn't about him, it's about trust, faith, relationships, race, and the connections between them. The play scrutinizes such serious social situations as white liberal guilt, the gulf between generations, alienation and the need to belong, loveless family relationships, upscale greed, the power of education, and celebrity-mania. There are 17 people in the cast.

"John Guare is a brilliant writer," said Thomas. "This play is a plea — let's respect life, let's be aware of how we're separated from each other, and realize it's not important."

One of Ouisa's lines in the play is "I read somewhere that everybody on this planet is separated by only six people. Six degrees of separation. Between us and everyone on this planet."

It's possible that someone in the audience at the George Burns Theatre has a connection to Thomas. The daughter of the late Danny Thomas, Marlo was born in Detroit at Grace Hospital. Her sister-in-law lives in the Detroit area.

"My early childhood memories are about my father working, and now I'm coming home to work. I've never done theater here. It's an emotional homecoming," said Thomas.

There's also a connection to George Burns, he's a family friend, who en-



Funny show: Marlo Thomas as Ouisa and John Cunningham as Flan in "Six Degrees of Separation."

couraged Marlo Thomas to pursue her acting career.

"When I was thinking about becoming an actress, George Burns said show business is the greatest life in the world. But my father thought I would be hurt if I didn't make it," she said. "After he saw me working on stage in London he knew I would be OK."

In "Six Degrees of Separation," Thomas said the audience will have a good time, look at themselves and their relationships, and have something to think about.

"I really love theater," she said. "I get a chance to stand on stage and tell a whole story from beginning to end. It's a thrill to hear the audience laugh."

**Lots of surprises in PSO chamber concert**

BY KRIS SPENCER  
SPECIAL WRITER

When you have a tough act to follow, do something entirely different. Such an adage describes the Plymouth Symphony Society's latest presentation. Following its great success with "The Nutcracker," the group opted for a smaller, more intimate chamber concert Jan. 29 at the Plymouth-Canton Little Theatre.

The program focused on individual and small group performances, including members of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, and winners of the Youth Artist Competition, a yearly event sponsored by the symphony society.

The concert was marvelous in its variety of musical styles ranging from Bach and Beethoven to Scott Joplin and Swiss folk melodies, and in its

variety of instrumentation. There were the sweet sounds of the piccolo, the fluttering of harp strings, and even the raspy belch of the alphon.

Nicole Berry (piano), Dan Anderson (violin) and Wendy Stuart (cello), played Beethoven's "Trio in E-Flat, Op. 1 No. 1." Considering the piece's somber mood, it seemed an unlikely choice for an opener. Nevertheless, the group played splendidly.

Next came Susan Bozell, youth competition first-place winner, with a rendition of Hue's "Fanaise." A flutist for six years, and senior at Plymouth Salem High School, Bozell tackled the piece's Debussy-esque ambience without a hitch.

Then in a program full of twists came the biggest surprise. Jeffrey Ash took the stage with his 11-foot, pipe-shaped alphon. Accompanied by a

travelogue-style slide show, Ash played Swiss folk melodies of staccato charm. Despite a few sour notes, the performance added considerably to the concert's diversity.

Ash was followed by another surprise, trombonists Michael Rumbell, Charleen Wilson, Matthew Tropman, and Jeffery Parker, (tuba) played Scott Joplin's "The Entertainer." After hearing the tune on one-too-many music boxes, it was fairly refreshing to hear this seemingly authentic vaudevillian rendition.

Deborah Rebeck Ash (flute), Amy Kuras (cello) and Ruth Myers (harp) brought Faure's "Pavanne" to life, ending it with a sense of profound longing.

PSO principal cellist Derek Snyder played Bach's "Suite No. 5 in C Minor." He injected the piece with life,

and gave it an emotional quality that I can only describe as timeless.

Second place youth competition winner Shizuo Kuwahara played Jeanine Reces' "Chanson et Passepied" on alto sax with piano accompaniment. The Novi High School senior thrilled the audience with his truly cutting-edge sound. He has the potential to be another Charlie Parker, and I expect to hear more from him.

The program closed on a whimsical note with Michele Groff Kelly (piccolo), Annette Sievert Mechling (piccolo), Sue Pockington (flute), Deborah Rebeck Ash (alto flute), and Amy Kuras (cello) with Smetana's "Dance of the Comedians," from "The Bartered Bride." The performance lived up to its lighthearted origins.

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# Delightfully inept cast funny in 'Play On!'

Performances of the Farmington Players production of "Play On!" continue through Feb. 20 at the Farmington Players Barn in Farmington Hills. For ticket information, call 553-2955.



MARK S. CARLEY

Memo to all my community theater friends: One night, during the next three weeks, take a break from rehearsals, skip out to the Farmington Players Barn and have a hearty chuckle at your own expense.

"Play On!" a farce by Rick Abbot, should amuse audiences from all walks of life, but will be especially funny to those of us who trod the boards for fun (and no profit).

Mr. Abbot must have extensive theater experience. His script abounds with those little details which all groups seem to share, whether it's the goofy set builder, those messy little impromptu romances, or the almost universal addiction to coffee.

As our story opens, an unnamed amateur theater troupe is struggling through rehearsals of an absolutely dreadful murder mystery by a local playwright. In typically stingy community theater fashion, the group has chosen this dog in order to avoid paying royalties.

Director Geraldine Dunbar (Cynthia Tupper) is exasperated by a host of familiar headaches including forgotten lines, intracast squabbles and technical glitches. Compounding her misery is nitwitted playwright Phyllis Montague, played by Paula Myers. This would-be Agatha Christie continues to re-write her abominable script right up until opening night.

By Act 2 Ms. Dunbar and her cast have managed to stumble their way through dress rehearsal, which only serves to convince them that they cannot possibly be ready to open the following evening.

Act 3, opening night, proves them right in excruciatingly funny fashion. Lines go astray, props disappear, zippers fly open, and the murderer arrives for the performance stinking drunk. Hearty congratulations go to real-life director Phil Hadley, who choreographs this disaster with great skill, thus achieving maximum hilarity.

Kudos also to a fine cast. In fact it is hard to single anyone in particular out for praise. I'll start, though, with Margaret Gilkes because she reminds me of so many stage managers I have known. Myers is also quite good as the irritating Ms. Montague.

The "cast within the cast," so to speak, is delightfully inept. It takes a lot of talent to act this badly. Especially noteworthy are the awful British accents.

Yes, friends, go and enjoy "Play On!" But be forewarned. It may seem just a little too familiar.

Mark S. Carley is active in local community theater, both onstage and behind the scenes. He is a member of the Birmingham Village Players and Ridgedale Players in Troy.

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### ■ MARDI GRAS

Schoolcraft College is hosting a Mardi Gras celebration, 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 19 and 20 in the Waterman Campus Center. New Orleans dinner, Bourbon Street sounds of the Red Garter Band, harmonica virtuoso Peter "Madcat" Ruth and Schoolcraft's SCool Jazz Vocal Group. Cost is \$30 per person. Call 462-4417.

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Deadline for the Upcoming entertainment calendar is three weeks ahead of publication. Send items to be considered for publication to: Keely Wygonik, Entertainment editor, The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

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# Tangle from NEXT PAGE

For Little People and Earthbeat, a wholesale distribution network and a division that develops education materials for schools and libraries.

The Music For Little People label produces musical and audio recordings for children and Earthbeat features world music for adults and children.

Kathy Jo Lucky-Proctor, the Music For Little People family entertainment consultant coordinator, said the company began using independent consultants in September after a year-long pilot program involving 10 independent consultants.

"The feeling was that we had pretty much saturated the catalog market — we'd gotten as far as we could with it," Lucky-Proctor said. At the same time, it seemed obvious to her that there was still a market for the life-affirming product that Music For Little People has to offer, she said.

"(But) some people just aren't catalog people."

It was thought a more personal marketing approach might be successful.

Since September, Lucky-Proctor has gained more than 90 consultants and expects to add another 300 by the end of this year.

## Customer base tapped

"Most of them are loyal customers who have been purchasing our products for years," she said. She added it makes a lot of sense that these people would be a likely conduit for getting the materials into the hands of people with similar interests.

"We do screen our people," she said. "It's not give us \$20 and you can sell our stuff."

Most have music backgrounds or have experience working with children.

The family entertainment consultant program is still evolving. "They (the consultants) are really creating the program."

Abrams said she offers the products through home listening parties in the evenings as well as at fairs and educational events. "It allows people to see what we have to offer and listen to the selection."

Products are still offered as mail order items, but many people prefer to test products first.

"Some of these things can be bought (through other channels)," she said. Some toy stores and bookstores, for example, may carry selected items, but none carries such an extensive collection.

"I think what we offer is very special — particularly the music instruments," she said.

# 'Expected' \$20 billion write off bodes ill for future of industry

## AUTO TALK



DAN MCCOSH

I had just finished attempting to balance my checkbook when I read in the Wall Street Journal that GM had taken a one-time write off of some \$20 billion "as expected," which is the kind of language most other papers reserve for the obituary page.

What was expected is that a new federal accounting rule would make GM and the rest of the Big Three come up with a figure approximating what it was going to have to pay for health care for future retirees. I don't know how many people expected it would be \$20 billion.

That's more than twice what GM earned in the past decade, which was supposed to be the most profitable decade in history, according to Roger Smith, who

was running the company at the time. It's also adds up to about \$30,000 for every current employee.

I suppose I shouldn't have been too surprised, since the last time I brought up the subject of GM health care benefits for retirees, I got a call from a guy in Livonia who was irate that GM was considering cutting some of his benefits. He had worked for more than 10 years at GM, he said, and had taken early retirement with the understanding he would be taken care of for the rest of his life — which ought to be at least another 20 years or so.

This conversation got me to thinking that if health insurance keeps rising at the rate it has in the past 10 years, by the next decade, a GM retiree's insurance is going to cost more than his salary when he was working.

To pay for this, GM has to become profitable, and GM's new management is feverishly cutting costs to pursue this end by retir-

ing more people earlier, which of course means that there are more retirees, retired longer, which will then cost more in benefits. Pretty soon I was starting to think like Ross Perot, picturing the last guy still working at GM opening the mail and looking at this bill for \$20 billion.

Or, for that matter, thinking like President Clinton, who quite accurately specified the cost of health care as sufficient to bury us all in the not-so-distant future is something isn't done to control costs.

It's pretty easy these days to get buried in apocalyptic numbers. Everything from the national debt to the projected rise in property assessments ends in disaster if it is projected far enough. Still, the \$20 billion write off taken by GM, "as expected," ought to be a big enough shock to make anyone understand that this isn't going to go on like this for very much longer.

# Labor from NEXT PAGE

"Previously, people could graduate from school and stay with one company until retirement. Today, a new employee will have 10 different jobs. Skills will constantly need to change."

On the state level, Schall called Michigan a leader in recognizing and dealing with the issue.

"In Gov. Engler's state of the state message, he announced the creation of a Michigan jobs team. There are 60 different jobs programs at the federal level. They need to be streamlined. Governor Engler is making this a priority."

Schall says General Motors' layoff of 74,000 workers will have a ripple effect — taking in auto suppliers and other businesses like restaurants located near plants — which will translate to 200,000 jobs lost in the state.

Schall claims it's easier than most people think to get funds for job training for dislocated workers. When Livonia's GM plant closes, dislocating 2,000 workers,

application could be made for federal dollars from the Department of Labor to retrain those workers, he said.

"In the year 2020 in Michigan, there will continue to be a viable auto industry, but it won't be big enough to employ all the workers in Michigan."

Many area suburbs receive federal training funds through the Job Training Partnership Act, created by Congress in 1981.

"One plan we were hoping to accomplish was giving \$3,000 training vouchers to middle-aged workers. We were purposely going to break with history and define it very broadly," said Schall. "There are so many more potentially dislocated workers. The economy does change that much."

Schall, the son of Thomas and Rita Schall of Livonia, attended St. Michael's elementary school and Bishop Borgess High before obtaining a degree with honors

from the University of Michigan in political science. He also received a master of public policy degree from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government in 1984. He was selected as the Harry Truman Scholar for the state of Michigan in 1980.

Schall was selected as a presidential management intern in 1984. Other political assignments include budget examiner in the White House Office of Management and Budget from 1984 to 1987. From 1987 to January 1989, he was legislative director to then U.S. Rep. Connie Mack, R-Florida.

Schall, 32, says it's premature at this point to predict what course his fast track career will take now.

"Several people have asked me to run for Congress in 1994 in the 13th (U.S. Rep. William) Ford district," he said. "I'm thinking about it."

## DATEBOOK

### WOMEN & INVESTING

"Learning the Basics of Smart Financial Management" is the topic of a seminar presented by Deanna Lee Miller, branch manager of Linsco Private Ledger Investment Services at the AmeriCenter Building, 3911 West Six Mile in Livonia on Thursday, Feb. 4, at 12 noon and a second seminar at 7 p.m.

### OSHA BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN

The American Society of Employers is presenting a seminar on "OSHA bloodborne pathogen standard compliance training" on Monday, Feb. 8 at 9 a.m. at 23851 Northwestern highway. Speaker: Don Hinkson, Electric Safety, Cost Containment and Occupational Health Services. Call 353-4500 for more information.

### COMPUTER INTRODUCTION

The American Society of Employers is presenting a seminar on "Introduction to Computers," Monday, Feb. 8 at 9 a.m. at 23851 Northwestern highway. Speaker: Robert Battaglia, We Teach. Call 353-4500 for more information.

### WOMEN'S NETWORK

"How to Improve Your Organization skills," practical information and techniques that apply to all areas of life will be the topic at the Michigan Professional Women's Network dinner meeting on Monday, Feb. 8 at 6 p.m. Call 377-1900, ext. 219 for reservations by Wednesday, Feb. 3. Tickets available at door for additional cost.

### WORDPERFECT 5.1, LEVEL II

The American Society of Employers is presenting a seminar on

"WordPerfect 5.1, Level II," Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 9 a.m. at 23851 Northwestern highway. Speaker: Robert Battaglia, We Teach. Call 353-4500 for more information.

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The American Society of Employers is presenting a seminar on "Principles and Practices of Supervision I," Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 9 a.m. at 23851 Northwestern highway. Speaker: Dick Warner, ASE's Management Education Division. Call 353-4500 for more information.

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Universal Software Solutions of Canton is presenting a seminar on "Step-By-Step Promotional Planning" on Wednesday, Feb. 10 at the Clarion Hotel in Farmington Hills. Call 981-0600.

## SUBURBAN BUSINESS LEADERS

Dr. David H. Janda, director of the Institute for Preventive Sports Medicine and Associate of Orthopedic Surgery Associates based at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor has been appointed to serve a four-year term on the board of directors of the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. Dr. Janda and his colleagues on the board

will develop policies, strategies, objectives and priorities in reference to the development of a national plan for injury prevention and control.

Patricia Wedhorn of Wayne, a

self employed video producer, has been voted in as president elect of the Detroit Producers Association. She begins her one year term in June 1993.

The Detroit Producers Association is made up of artist, anima-

tors, audio-video directors, producers, educators, equipment and material suppliers and all other elements of the professional media production community.

Kathy Moulton of Dow Corn-

ing Corp. was the winner of two round trip airline tickets to any Northwest Airline destination at the Mayflower Hotel Secretary party in Plymouth last month.

The party is held each year to reward and honor secretaries from

local corporations that make hotel and banquet arrangements at the Mayflower Hotel.

Tony Camilleri has been named to the position of manager at the Westland office of Real Estate One.

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John R. Long has been appointed president and chief operating officer of Livonia-based Ladbroke Racing Corporation. Long previously held the position of vice president of operations with responsibility for the development of Ladbroke's highly successful Pennsylvania operations that includes Ladbroke at the Meadows Racetrack and the off-track betting system.



John R. Long

Kenneth J. Fulk of Plymouth has been appointed vice president of manufacturing for Ziebart Products Corp., a division of Ziebart International Corporation. Fulk will be responsible for overseeing manufacturing, the warehouse, inventory control and the mechanical department.



Kenneth J. Fulk

Lisa Morris of Livonia has joined the Farmington Hills-based public relations firm of Hermanoff & Associates. In her new role, she will assist on a number of the agency's health care, real estate and other service industry accounts.



Lisa Morris

Attorney Daniel J. Sliwa of Dearborn has been appointed chair of the Michigan State Bar law day committee for a second consecutive year.

Sliwa and members of the committee will assist local bar associations, schools, associations and other organizations in the planning and implementing programming for Law Day and Law Week April 25 through May 1.



Daniel J. Sliwa

To submit materials to this column, please send a brief biographical summary along with a black-and-white photo, if possible, to: Business Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. There is no charge.

Opting out of the toy tangle

A mother dissatisfied with choices at traditional toy stores has taken a position with a non-traditional children's product outlet, helping to expand the company beyond its catalog business.

BY GERALD FRAWLEY  
STAFF WRITER

Kids, especially small ones, can be difficult to buy for.

Sure, there are Dr. Seuss books, Playschool toys, Sesame Street items and a few other trusted names parents have come to rely on, but how far can that get you?

One birthday and two holidays? Maybe.

In a world where toys are based on Saturday morning cartoon shows and vice versa, where can a parent find wholesome, honest things to entertain their children?

That's what Ann G. Abrams of Bloomfield Hills wondered, and several years ago she discovered a small company out of California called Music For Little People that promised just that.

"I have two children of my own, and it's difficult to find things for them," she said. She added that while the usual merchandise found in traditional retail outlets have their place, she doesn't believe they are the end all for children.

She was impressed when she was first introduced to the Music For Little People line through a catalog.



JIM JAGDFELD

Tired of toys: When it comes to expanding children's horizons, some people find toys can only go so far. After discovering alternatives for her own children, a Bloomfield Hills mother has struck out on her own to bring them to others.

Here was a small mail order company that sold products not meant just to keep kids busy and out of mom's hair, but to teach and expand their horizons.

When she discovered Music For Little People was launching a new effort late last year — direct marketing via Family Entertainment Consultants putting on home shows — she signed up and now sells the company's products in her spare time.

Local origins

Music For Little People was founded in 1985 in Redway, Calif., as a home based mail-order business selling musical instruments and audio recordings for children.

Founders Leib Ostrow and Linda Dillon-Ostrow, originally from southeast Michigan, launched the company in response to a shortage of quality music for their own children.

The company has quickly grown to more than 60 full-time and up to 60 part-time employees with sales upwards of \$10 million in 1992. That does not include its burgeoning force of independent consultants who sell the company's products at customer's homes.

Music For Little People has diversified with two record labels, Music

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Optometrist organizes club for consumers to buy frames

BY R.J. KING  
SPECIAL WRITER

The recent surge of frame discounts and two-for-one promotions by national eyewear chains left Dr. Roy Wilson, founder of Eyes & Optics in Farmington Hills, on an uneven playing field.

Because national chains have sizable advertising budgets and buy in large volumes, they can afford to lower frame prices to rock-bottom levels in hopes of attracting price-conscious consumers.

An independent like Wilson finds it difficult to compete against such marketing efforts. But if there were a way frame prices could be dropped without resorting to cutbacks in service, an independent optometrist would have the best of both worlds — low prices and steady revenues.

So taking a page from warehouse outlets, Wilson began lowering frame prices via a buyer's club. For an individual membership fee of \$25 per year, a customer can select among frames which are on average 50 percent below retail prices.

"The amount of advertising by the chains is staggering, while at the same time you're left to wonder

what kind of service people are getting," said Wilson, a Livonia resident.

But a spokesperson for The Eyeglass Factory, which is based in Redford Township and operates more than 20 outlets in metro Detroit, said because many customers already arrive with prescriptions for lenses in hand, the only advice they need is on frames.

"On average, our doctors spend between five and 10 minutes with customers in need of an exam," said the spokesperson, who asked not to be named. "We feel that is enough time for people to get the right prescriptions."

Wilson has found a groundswell of support for his buyer's club. Up and running since October, the club already has more than 100 members. To promote the club, Wilson, a 1988 graduate of the College of Optometry at Ferris State University, has advertised, printed flyers and modified his display units.

Families of three or more can join the club for an annual fee of \$65. Like individual memberships, there is no limit on the number of frames purchased in a given year within a family.

"When we started the buyer's club, we initiated a program where our price tags list the retail price, and right below that, the buyer's club price," said Wilson. "On some of our higher-end designer frames, people can see a cost difference of between \$58 and \$100."

"What we're trying to do is break the mold that everything has to be on sale," said Wilson.

Of the 1,000-plus frames available at Eyes & Optics, Wilson said designer frames account for between 60 and 70 percent of total units sold. The 1,200-square-foot office, located near the corner of 14 Mile and Haggerty, has two employees.

One of the most popular frames of late, said Wilson, is a pair once known as granny glasses, where lenses are small circles set in wire frames so thin they all but disappear. The look has recently shown up on the fashion runways of Paris and Milan.

"The designer frames really became big in the 1980s, and they've just grown from there," said Wilson. "However, there is a move away from big, plastic glasses, and now people want designs which are smaller, more elegant."

Key labor aide to refocus skills

BY MARY RODRIQUE  
STAFF WRITER

As chief of staff to the U.S. secretary of labor, Livonia native John Schall managed day-to-day operations for the department of 18,500 government employees. But as a political appointee of the Bush administration, Schall is looking for a new job.

Although still in Washington, Schall is packing up his D.C. condo with one eye on Michigan politics.

"I'm trying to figure out what to do," said Schall. "Beginning Monday, I'll be a consultant to

Governor John Engler's office on job training and job issues."

Schall was on the White House domestic policy staff for the first half of the Bush years. In August, 1991, Secretary of Labor Lynn Martin offered Schall the chief of staff post on recommendation from his White House boss.

During the long campaign, Martin was often on the road, leaving Schall to manage the department, he said.

"Job training and retraining was one of the highest priorities in the Bush administration," he said. "And it will continue to be

in the Clinton administration. The Democrats agree with this.

"Although there was a lot of controversy during the campaign, now the consensus among economists is that the economy is growing. Unemployment nationally is at 7.3 percent. In Michigan, the rate is 7.9 percent.

"It won't drop quickly. During the 1990s and into the next century, the economy will change quickly but unemployment will stick upwards. General Motors will continue to downsize. Job retraining will be really important.

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FAMILY LIFE



EARTHA DEYAMPERT

## 1993 offers challenges for males

Men in child care.  
Men teaching in kindergarten classes.  
Men assisting with weekly play groups.  
Fathers helping with home work.  
1993 is now here and with its arrival comes new challenges for males in our society. Children need men more than ever to take a pro-active role in their lives. We as a society must seek ways to help men become more comfortable and competent, as they assist in the development of our children.

Children of all ages are the benefactors when they experience positive involvement of both males and females in their daily lives. For too long men have been in the background developmentally as it relates to interacting with children. Because of the changes the family has undergone in the past it is now important that roles for men, women, fathers, mothers and other concerned adults be redefined.

In the past roles of males and females were easily identified. Dad was the bread winner while Mom kept the house and raised the children. This we called the traditional family. With Mom at home and her being accessible to the children made it very easy for Dad to be a distant parent.

Distant parenting was the norm across the nation but now with more women in the work force, than ever in the history of our country, with single parent households and males that are raising children alone for many reasons, it is imperative that both males as well as females understand the developmental needs of children.

Men must be empowered to assist children in their many stages of development. Children have little understanding as to whether men or women should cook, change diapers, clean house, prepare snacks or give cough medicine. All children know is that they have needs and these needs must be satisfied.

Men are finding this new role of nurturing children to be uncharted waters. Some men have referred to this role of primary caregiver as "going where no man has gone before." A male friendly environment needs to exist, if our children are to experience the sense of safety and confidence when in the care of men.

Men have proven they can be excellent caregivers, when equipped with the proper tools and knowledge. The role of male caregiver in our society is not a new role, but we are finding more men placed in the position of primary caregiver due to divorce, death, drug abuse, incarceration, employment, unemployment family emergency, ect.

Support of these males in primary caregiver positions is the responsibility of us all. A well-prepared male approaches the responsibility of caring for children with confidence. It is important that males in the role of primary caregiver are aware of support services available in their communities.

One of the many new exciting opportunities for men to get involved in the lives of children is in the field of child care. The Learning Tree Day Care Center of Livonia is one of many pioneers, hiring male caregivers to work with young children. Men at the Learning Tree express a sense of satisfaction working with the early childhood program. The children at the Learning Tree seem to be very please to have both male and female teachers at the center.

There are more men being hired in child care, Head Start programs, elementary schools and community-based organizations than we have experienced in the past. This movement to include men in the lives of our children must continue. The more opportunities males have to work with young children, the greater their experience will be, thus creating a balanced environment for children to develop.

There are many ways men can get actively and positively involved with on behalf of children. First, let children know you care; talk with them and listen to their concerns. Build their self-esteem by sharing every day tasks like reading with them. Use positive discipline and teach non-violent conflict resolutions. Help them to express their feelings and encourage your groups, block clubs, unions, churches, fraternities and service clubs to sponsor activities for children and youth.

The 4C Wayne County Men and Children Campaign can assist groups with getting men in their communities more involved in the lives of children. For more information, call 782-7224.

And men, your positive involvement is vital to the healthy growth and development of children. Men and children need you!

If you have a question or comment for Eartha DeYampert, call her at 953-2047, mail box number 1883, on a touch tone phone, or write her at The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.



## about apostrophes

Remember those confusing grammar rules like the apostrophe? Looks like where it may have come from explains why it's easily misunderstood.

BY JAMES RADEBAUGH  
STAFF WRITER

It took awhile, but after 12 years of public education I mastered the apostrophe.

That's that little thing that stands in when part of a word is lopped off and shoved up against another word, as in could've, should've and didn't.

Or, when it's followed by an s, it can show possession. If I were to say John car, you'd look at me funny. If I said John's car, you wouldn't.

The tricky one, of course, is its versus it's. Since the 's shows possession, it should be it's handle, right? Wrong. It's its handle. Its, being a possessive pronoun like his, hers or theirs, doesn't need an apostrophe. It's, on the other hand, is one of those words created when two words are shoved together. It means it is.

But anyone reading this already knows that, right? Right?

Well, whatever. I'm not picky. But I have been wondering lately why we use the 's to form posses-

### The chip off the grammar block

sives. Does the apostrophe stand in for a long-forgotten word or part of a word that once denoted possession? And what about the s? No one I've asked has been able to tell me.

I've also wondered whether . . . excuse me, do I hear someone snickering? Hey, I know most of you don't care a wit about the 's, but we use it countless times a day and I can't help wondering where it came from. It's not so trivial compared with some of things some people wonder about. While typing this, I've been listening to my coworkers speculate about the authenticity of Dolly Parton's breasts and whether Princess Di can openly take a lover (I hear they are and I hope she does).

But as I was saying, I've also wondered whether the 's is unique to English. The only other language I know anything about is French, and the French don't use an 's to form possessives. They say the car of John, only they say it in French. With eight hours of company time to kill, I decided to see what I could find out.

My search began at the Livonia

library, where a harried woman at the reference desk tried to be helpful.

"I don't know where to look it up, it's such an unusual bit of information," she said.

I tried the Encyclopedia Americana, which says the apostrophe, along with the exclamation point and quotation marks, came into use with the proliferation of printing in the 17th and 18th centuries. But it didn't address the possessive.

Unsatisfied, I called Madonna University, hoping someone on the English faculty could help.

"Oh, that is a good one," a woman in the public relations office said. She'd have someone get back to me, she said.

Did I detect a note of sarcasm? Anyway, nobody called back.

So, I tried the University of Michigan and hit pay dirt. The PR office put me in touch with Richard W. Bailey, an English professor and author of "Images of English," a book that examines people's attitudes toward the language over time.

"Ah," he said, sounding scholarly. "I can answer this."

Bailey, a Birmingham resident, said that since apostrophes often stand in for omitted words or letters, it's commonly supposed that that's what the apostrophe in the possessive is doing. Dabblers in etymology like to think that Shakespeare's book is a contraction of something like Shakespeare his book, Bailey explained.

"That's entirely wrong, please understand," he added.

Though he makes no claims to being an expert on the ancient history of the language, Bailey said that forming possessives with an S sound goes way back in spoken English. Modern German, English's cousin, also forms possessives with the S sound.

Use of the apostrophe to set off the S in written English simply became conventional in the 18th century, Baily said. So, the "Encyclopedia Americana" was right as far as it went.

Why the ancient predecessors of German and English formed possessives with an S sound is the ultimate question, I guess, but it can wait for another day.

So, if you've read this far, congratulate yourself. You've learned more than you would have wondering about Dolly's bosom.

## Parents find that hugs beat slugs

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

No one can discount the stories of child abuse. On any given day, you can find such a horror story in the newspaper. People shake their heads in disbelief, wondering how parents

can do such awful things to their children and what can be done to stop it.

Sandra Murphy has an answer — a relatively new program for parents being offered through the Out Wayne County Council on Child Abuse and Neglect which teaches parents how to

"Be a Hugger, Not a Slugger."

With a small cadre of volunteers and financial support from Target Stores, Murphy's program focuses on the alternatives to managing a child without hitting, slapping or shaking.

"We've found that by far parents

don't want to hit their children. But they don't know what to do," Murphy said. "Through this program they are offered constructive ways of handling such situations."

"Be a Hugger" utilizes a video presentation and discussions to address problems every parent faces. The video includes four vignettes of common situations that take the group to the point where the parent becomes physical. The tape is stopped and the parents with the help of a trainer like Dorothy Murphy talk about the situation and come up with solutions.

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FAMILY LIFE



EARTHA DEYAMPERT

## 1993 offers challenges for males

Men in child care.  
Men teaching in kindergarten classes.  
Men assisting with weekly play groups.  
Fathers helping with home work.  
1993 is now here and with its arrival comes new challenges for males in our society. Children need men more than ever to take a pro-active role in their lives. We as a society must seek ways to help men become more comfortable and competent, as they assist in the development of our children.  
Children of all ages are the benefactors when they experience positive involvement of both males and females in their daily lives. For too long men have been in the background developmentally as it relates to interacting with children. Because of the changes the family has undergone in the past it is now important that roles for men, women, fathers, mothers and other concerned adults be redefined.

In the past roles of males and females were easily identified. Dad was the bread winner while Mom kept the house and raised the children. This we called the traditional family. With Mom at home and her being accessible to the children made it very easy for Dad to be a distant parent. Distant parenting was the norm across the nation but now with more women in the work force, than ever in the history of our country, with single parent households and males that are raising children alone for many reasons, it is imperative that both males as well as females understand the developmental needs of children.

Men must be empowered to assist children in their many stages of development. Children have little understanding as to whether men or women should cook, change diapers, clean house, prepare snacks or give cough medicine. All children know is that they have needs and these needs must be satisfied.

Men are finding this new role of nurturing children to be uncharted waters. Some men have referred to this role of primary caregiver as "going where no man has gone before." A male friendly environment needs to exist, if our children are to experience the sense of safety and confidence when in the care of men.

Men have proven they can be excellent caregivers, when equipped with the proper tools and knowledge. The role of male caregiver in our society is not a new role, but we are finding more men placed in the position of primary caregiver due to divorce, death, drug abuse, incarceration, employment, unemployment family emergency, ect.

Support of these males in primary caregiver positions is the responsibility of us all. A well-prepared male approaches the responsibility of caring for children with confidence. It is important that males in the role of primary caregiver are aware of support services available in their communities.

One of the many new exciting opportunities for men to get involved in the lives of children is in the field of child care. The Learning Tree Day Care Center of Livonia is one of many pioneers, hiring male caregivers to work with young children. Men at the Learning Tree express a sense of satisfaction working with the early childhood program. The children at the Learning Tree seem to be very please to have both male and female teachers at the center.

There are more men being hired in child care, Head Start programs, elementary schools and community-based organizations than we have experienced in the past. This movement to include men in the lives of our children must continue. The more opportunities males have to work with young children, the greater their experience will be, thus creating a balanced environment for children to develop.

There are many ways men can get actively and positively involved with on behalf of children. First, let children know you care; talk with them and listen to their concerns. Build their self-esteem by sharing every day tasks like reading with them. Use positive discipline and teach non-violent conflict resolutions. Help them to express their feelings and encourage your groups, block clubs, unions, churches, fraternities and service clubs to sponsor activities for children and youth.

The 4C Wayne County Men and Children Campaign can assist groups with getting men in their communities more involved in the lives of children. For more information, call 782-7224.

And men, your positive involvement is vital to the healthy growth and development of children. Men and children need you!

If you have a question or comment for Eartha DeYampert, call her at 953-2047, mail box number 1883, on a touch tone phone, or write her at The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.



## about apostrophes

Remember those confusing grammar rules like the apostrophe? Looks like where it may have come from explains why it's easily misunderstood.

BY JAMES RADEBAUGH  
STAFF WRITER

It took awhile, but after 12 years of public education I mastered the apostrophe.

That's that little thing that stands in when part of a word is lopped off and shoved up against another word, as in could've, should've and didn't.

Or, when it's followed by an s, it can show possession. If I were to say John car, you'd look at me funny. If I said John's car, you wouldn't.

The tricky one, of course, is its versus it's. Since the 's shows possession, it should be it's handle, right? Wrong. It's its handle. Its, being a possessive pronoun like his, hers or theirs, doesn't need an apostrophe. It's, on the other hand, is one of those words created when two words are shoved together. It means it is.

But anyone reading this already knows that, right? Right?

Well, whatever. I'm not picky. But I have been wondering lately why we use the 's to form posses-

### The chip off the grammar block

sives. Does the apostrophe stand in for a long-forgotten word or part of a word that once denoted possession? And what about the s? No one I've asked has been able to tell me.

I've also wondered whether . . . excuse me, do I hear someone snickering? Hey, I know most of you don't care a wit about the 's, but we use it countless times a day and I can't help wondering where it came from. It's not so trivial compared with some of things some people wonder about. While typing this, I've been listening to my coworkers speculate about the authenticity of Dolly Parton's breasts and whether Princess Di can openly take a lover (I hear they are and I hope she does).

But as I was saying, I've also wondered whether the 's is unique to English. The only other language I know anything about is French, and the French don't use an 's to form possessives. They say the car of John, only they say it in French. With eight hours of company time to kill, I decided to see what I could find out.

My search began at the Livonia

library, where a harried woman at the reference desk tried to be helpful.

"I don't know where to look it up, it's such an unusual bit of information," she said.

I tried the Encyclopedia Americana, which says the apostrophe, along with the exclamation point and quotation marks, came into use with the proliferation of printing in the 17th and 18th centuries. But it didn't address the possessive.

Unsatisfied, I called Madonna University, hoping someone on the English faculty could help.

"Oh, that is a good one," a woman in the public relations office said. She'd have someone get back to me, she said.

Did I detect a note of sarcasm? Anyway, nobody called back.

So, I tried the University of Michigan and hit pay dirt. The PR office put me in touch with Richard W. Bailey, an English professor and author of "Images of English," a book that examines people's attitudes toward the language over time.

"Ah," he said, sounding scholarly. "I can answer this."

Bailey, a Birmingham resident, said that since apostrophes often stand in for omitted words or letters, it's commonly supposed that that's what the apostrophe in the possessive is doing. Dabblers in etymology like to think that Shakespeare's book is a contraction of something like Shakespeare his book, Bailey explained.

"That's entirely wrong, please understand," he added.

Though he makes no claims to being an expert on the ancient history of the language, Bailey said that forming possessives with an S sound goes way back in spoken English. Modern German, English's cousin, also forms possessives with the S sound.

Use of the apostrophe to set off the S in written English simply became conventional in the 18th century, Baily said. So, the "Encyclopedia Americana" was right as far as it went.

Why the ancient predecessors of German and English formed possessives with an S sound is the ultimate question, I guess, but it can wait for another day.

So, if you've read this far, congratulate yourself. You've learned more than you would have wondered about Dolly's bosom.

## Parents find that hugs beat slugs

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

No one can discount the stories of child abuse. On any given day, you can find such a horror story in the newspaper. People shake their heads in disbelief, wondering how parents

can do such awful things to their children and what can be done to stop it.

Sandra Murphy has an answer — a relatively new program for parents being offered through the Out Wayne County Council on Child Abuse and Neglect which teaches parents how to

"Be a Hugger, Not a Slugger."

With a small cadre of volunteers and financial support from Target Stores, Murphy's program focuses on the alternatives to managing a child without hitting, slapping or shaking.

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don't want to hit their children. But they don't know what to do," Murphy said. "Through this program they are offered constructive ways of handling such situations."

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"Most parents want to do the best for their children, but none go to school to be good parents," she added. "Parents don't think of spanking as an assault, but it is very assaultive. We look for alternatives to spanking and there are alternatives."

Using a variety of information, including a "Be a Hugger, Not a Slugger" kit she got at a national convention on child abuse and neglect, Sandra Murphy came up with the local program, then applied for a Target grant. The retailer gave \$5,000 last year and bumped it up to \$6,500 this year.

A part of the first grant was to train the presenters but demand for the program was such (14 programs, 250 parents between February and June) that the training had to wait. Now, she has five people to help with "Be a Hugger."

"I've been with this for five years and I've learned that support for parents is very fragmented and there's not enough resources for parents to become better parents," Murphy said. "If we continue spending money to treat families or support families who already are abusive, families at the other end who are really struggling will get nothing to support them."

The Target funding helps cover the cost of copying the videos and materials like the Parent Survival Kit that includes tips on how to stop such things as report card reflex, winning ways with children when eating out and 12 alternatives to lashing out at children. There's also a small packet of Hershey kisses and a note pad, promoting the "Be a Hugger" theme.

The video vignettes cover such daily occurrences as a crying infant, the toddler who decides to explore the cupboard under the kitchen sink while dad is reading the newspaper and a daughter who won't clean her room.

## Richness of group

What parents discover is that they have a lot to share with group members.

"The sharing that goes on between the parents is the richness of the group," Murphy said. "Parents need to hear that they're not the only ones facing this issue. Such discussions help to diffuse the situation while giving them something to think about."

Murphy and her volunteers have presented the program before Head Start parents and at PTAs gatherings in communities as close as Westland, Redford, Livonia and Plymouth and as distant as Hamtramck and Gibraltar.

"We ask the parents to do an evaluation before they leave," Murphy said. "We ask them how we can improve and for the most part, they say that they need more of it. When you put people together in this program, you can't believe the tremendous amount of sharing that goes on."

The "Be a Hugger" program goes hand-in-hand with the purpose of the Out Wayne County Council on Child Abuse and Neglect. It is to identify parent needs and then develop programs to meet those needs, Murphy said.

"My observation is that the family has become more isolated from the extended family and neighbors," said Murphy. "They have become disconnected and the people are not around that once were readily available."

"We have to start realizing that families need help, that we don't have a microchip that makes us instant parents. Even the whole idea of getting help as a parent is new."

For more information about "Be a Hugger, Not a Slugger, call Sandra Murphy, executive director of the Out Wayne County Council on Child Abuse and Neglect, at 728-3400.

# Change reflects traumatic experience

## GRAPHOLOGY PROFILES



LORENE GREEN

Dear Lorene: The slant of my handwriting shifted to the left a little over a year ago. I'm surprised no one questioned the change. Most everyone I know has handwriting that slants to the right, as mine did for "21" years. I'm wondering what you think this may reflect?

I'll probably have a new hobby. Many thanks!

J.P., Northville

I enjoyed this letter so much I wanted to share it with my readers.

I can't help wondering if the writer can recall what was happening to him at the time his handwriting changed from a right slant to a left slant. The research suggests he was probably experiencing something of a traumatic nature at the time.

In graphology, handwriting with a right slant leans toward people emotionally and away from the writer. The left slant pulls back from people and toward the writer. This suggests a cautious nature with regard to being hurt again.

In adult handwriting, a change to back slant indicates hurt or rejection of some type. Youngsters, however, especially girls, sometimes switch the slant of their handwriting as a fad-type thing. Usually, it does not last very long. So I'll leave it to our writer to confirm or deny this research.

For more accuracy, it would also be helpful to know when and why he started to print. The change of slant and switch to printing are both significant changes from the handwriting style he was taught in early life.

Printing often relates to a me-

Except for signatures I usually print 100% of my writings. I also use contract symbols, homonyms and "fudged" words a great deal which writing friends: 4 x-am eye off-10 rite let-hers dat R. moore h puss-sills then come-ewe-nick-aye-shun. Sum peep-hole un-deer-stand dis az ez az eye rite it. Udders R. Sym-plea B.-Fudd-old. Ty dis moore two

chical or art aptitude. It can also be related to a desire/need to be understood by others.

This man was raised in a home where discipline and traditional values were instilled. His intelligence, creativity and versatility cannot be missed. He was probably a very good student.

Our writer is a good worker, conscientious and demanding of himself. Vitality rides on his firm pressure. He appears to have a preoccupation with details. He leaves little to chance. This overemphasis of the trivial may cause him to make mountains out of molehills at times.

His memory is retentive. It is conveniently useful in saving time and effort in retrieving information.

Outwardly, he appears cool and unflappable. He thinks before he acts and it would not be easy to disturb his self-control. Often he has strong opinions. Once his

mind is made up he can be rather steadfast.

Although our writer is emotional it appears he may be holding back his true feelings, not wanting others to know him intimately. Or he may be having difficulty getting in touch with them.

I would really appreciate hearing some objective feedback from this unique young man.

If you would like to have your handwriting analyzed in this newspaper, write to Lorene C. Green, a certified graphologist, at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 46150. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Age, handedness and full signature are all helpful. Lorene Green regrets that time does not allow her to mail out personal replies.

A special thanks to H.H. of Redford for her beautiful long letter.

# LCEA, PCEA offer birthing classes

Expectant parents can prepare for their new roles through classes offered by the Livonia Childbirth Education Association and the Plymouth Childbirth Education Association.

The PCEA offers morning and evening childbirth preparation classes, along with newborn care and Caesarean preparation classes at 10 locations, serving residents of Wayne, Washtenaw and southwestern Oakland counties. New classes begin each month. Registration and information is available by calling 459-7477.

The LCEA offer six-week classes for new parents, providing information about pregnancy, labor and delivery. It also offers two- or four-week refresher courses and a monthly breastfeeding class. Weekday classes are 7-9:30 p.m. while Saturday classes are held 9-11:30 a.m.

Six-week classes beginning this month will be Mondays, Feb. 18-March 16 at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia; Wednesdays, Feb. 17-March 31, at St. Matthew United Methodist Church, 30900

Six Mile Road, Livonia; and Saturdays, Feb. 27-April 3, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile Road, Livonia.

The refresher class will Thursday, Feb. 11 and 18, at Memorial

Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia, while the breastfeeding class will be Tuesday, Feb. 2, at Stew United Methodist Church in Livonia.

For more information or to register, call 937-0665.

# Hospice class offered

Hospice Services of Western Wayne County Inc. is currently seeking male and female volunteers to work as part of the hospice team in caring for terminally ill patients and their families throughout Western Wayne and parts of Oakland and Washtenaw counties.

Volunteer opportunities include direct patient care, office

assistance, fund raising and special projects. Two eight-week training classes are available beginning in mid-February. Tuesday evening sessions will be held at Hospice Services' Garden City office, 6701 Harrison St., and Thursday morning classes at its Plymouth office, 127 S. Main St. For more information, call Mary Letters at 522-4244.

# Court of St. Brigid applications sought

Irish eyes will be shining later this month when the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians present their 29th annual Court of St. Brigid pageant.

The pageant will be at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, at the Hibernian Hall, 24242 Grand River, west of Telegraph Road.

It's open to young women who are practicing Catholics of Irish descent between the ages of 17 and 22. They also must be single

and never have been married. Contestants also must complete a biographical form as part of their entry.

Participants will be judged on poise, speaking, appearance and ability. Education scholarships will be awarded to the queen and her court.

For more information and applications, call Mary Pat Monroe at 380-9439, Norah O'Reilly at 937-2121 or Sue Lauster at 565-3317. The deadline for entering is Feb. 10.

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# His job is as varied as the sports

By JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Variety is the primary appeal of Tom Willette's job. "It's something different all the time," said Willette, assistant

recreation director for the City of Plymouth. The changing sports seasons mean that his job changes throughout the year, with basketball and coed volleyball the current sports.

"It's just something different all the time. I'm not just tied to the desk. I think that's the best part."

Willette's been on the job for a little more than nine years, and had worked part time for Plymouth Parks and Recreation for about four years before that. He did everything from shovel snow to work on the summer parks program to care for the softball and soccer fields.

These days, his work includes scheduling employees for the building, including rink guards and scorekeepers for the sports leagues. Willette, 35, also runs the arts and crafts shows at the Plymouth Cultural Center, along with all the adult sports programs.

"I enjoy what I'm doing and I enjoy the people I work with. I plan on staying here. I don't know where else I'd go. Right now, I'm very happy here."

He earned a bachelor's degree in history and education from North Carolina State University and a master's degree in recreation administration from Wayne State University. Willette's a Plymouth native, and his parents, Robert and M.J. Willette, still live in the city.

"Since the fourth grade, I went to the Plymouth schools, graduated from Plymouth Salem. I like it here. I've always liked Plymouth. It's nice coming back here and working."

He'd coached baseball and been a substitute teacher at Centennial Educational Park, and had enjoyed that. The job with Plymouth Parks and Recreation opened up, so Willette took advantage of that opportunity.

He enjoys working with Carol Donnelly, senior citizens coordinator, and other staffers. Willette's sister-in-law, Tonya Willette, is the secretary in the parks and recreation office at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

"We get a few complaints, like every business does." He enjoys meeting different people on the job, and the sports aspect of it.

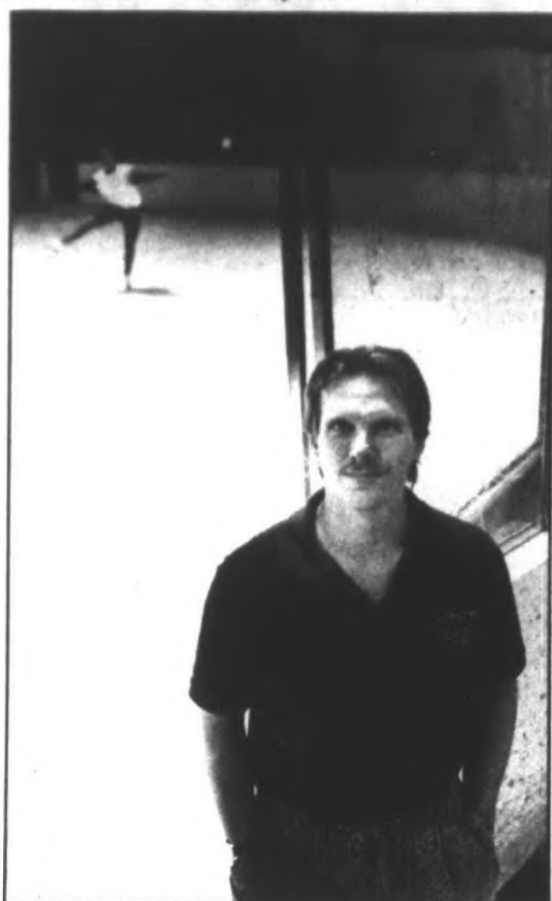
Softball's probably his favorite sport. Willette played baseball in high school and in college. He pitched on the 1975 Salem team that won the state championship.

"I'm more of a softball, football, basketball person," he said. He isn't as much of a soccer fan, although he notes that soccer is tremendously popular with youths, and provides an excellent opportunity for kids to participate in team sports.

"They can still participate in a team sport and feel like they're contributing."

"There's tons of kids in it. It's very popular not only in Plymouth but in the other communities too." The parks and recreation program now serves as a feeder program for the high schools.

**On the job:**  
Tom Willette, a Plymouth native, is assistant director of Plymouth Parks and Recreation.



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Registration is open through Friday, Feb. 19, for the Fashion Group, now in its fourth year. It is a volunteer promotional program that allows interested participants the opportunity to become involved with fashion shows, informal modeling exhibitions and other merchandis-

ing events at the mall. Regularly scheduled meetings also are held for Fashion Group members to acquaint them with many aspects of retail management, promotions, visual displays and more.

Fashion Group registration forms are available at the Laurel Park Place Management Office 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Completed forms along with a current pho-

tograph must be received in the management office by 5 p.m. Feb. 19.

For more information, call Michael Buescher, Laurel Park Place marketing director, at 462-1100 or Vicki Howard of Ta-Dah! Productions at 548-4749.

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The Rev. Emery F. Gravette, Vicar  
The Rev. Margaret Haas, Assistant

Sunday Services  
8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
10:30 a.m. Family Eucharist & Sunday School  
A Barrier Free Facility for the Handicapped

## CHURCHES OF CHRIST

**MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
(Christian Church)  
35475 Five Mile Rd. 464-6722  
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Steve Allen, Youth Minister

Celebrating 50 Years of Service  
BIBLE SCHOOL (All ages) 9:30 A.M.  
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Evening Worship & Youth Meeting 8:30 P.M.

**KENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Celebrating 40 Years  
20200 Merriman Road 475-8222  
MIKE HAZELTON, Minister  
Ray Sanders, Youth Minister

BIBLE SCHOOL (All Ages)..... 9:30 A.M.  
MORNING WORSHIP..... 10:30 A.M.  
EVENING WORSHIP & YOUTH MEETINGS..... 6:30 P.M.

**ST. JAMES AMERICAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Come to the Catholic Church of the 90's, where you are accepted as you are. Come and join us for Mass on Sundays at 11:00 A.M. We are currently meeting at:

Schoolcraft College  
Forum Bldg. Room F 110  
Phone 348-3124

## LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

**CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
14175 Farmington Rd. (Just N. of Jeffries X-Way)  
Livonia Phone: 522-6830

Rev. Luther A. Werth, Pastor  
Sunday Worship 8:30, 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:45 A.M.  
Week Day School, Pre-School, Kindergarten

Sharing the Love of Christ

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD**  
High & Elm Streets, Northville  
T. Lubeck, Pastor  
L. Kinne, Associate Pastor  
Church 349-3140 - School 349-3146  
Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
Saturday Vespers: 6:00 P.M.

**ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN Church & School**  
1 Blk. N. of Ford Rd. Westland 5885 Vencoy 425-0260

Divine Worship 8 & 10:45 A.M.  
Bible Class & SS 9:15 A.M.  
Monday Evening Service 7:30 P.M.  
Ralph Fischer, Pastor  
Gary D. Headzoph, Associate Pastor

**Risen Christ Lutheran**  
46250 Ann Arbor Road  
(1 Mile West of Sheldon)  
Plymouth, MI 48170 - 453-5252

Worship Service 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Family Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Reverend K. M. Mehri, Pastor  
Hugh McMartin, Lay Minister

## EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

**Timothy Lutheran Church**  
5820 Wayne Rd.  
(Between Ann Arbor Trail & Joy Road)  
Livonia - 427-2290

Worship Service: 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Rev. Mary T. Olivanti, Pastor  
261-0766

## APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN

**FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
26325 Halstead Road at 11 Mile  
Farmington Hills, Michigan

Services Every Sunday at 10:30 A.M.  
Also, 1st & 3rd Sunday at 7:00 P.M.

Sunday School - 9:15 A.M.  
Bible Class - Tuesday 7:30 P.M.  
Song Services - Last Sunday of Month 7:00 P.M.

## PENTECOSTAL

**FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF PLYMOUTH**  
291 E. SPRING ST.  
2 Blocks N. of Main - 2 Blocks E. of Mill

SUNDAY WEDNESDAY  
Bible Study 10:30 A.M. Bible Study 7:30 P.M.  
Worship 11:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. (Classes for all ages)  
(Nursery Provided in A.M.)

Pastor Frank Howard - Ch. 453-0323

**CHRISTIAN HARMONY MINISTRIES**  
24230 West McNichols  
2 Blocks West of Telegraph

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
Friday Praise and Worship 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor Donna Lach 532-1000

## UNITED METHODIST

**NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
29887 West Eleven Mile Road  
Just West of Middlebelt  
476-8860

Farmington Hills  
Worship & Church School  
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.

Feb. 7th  
"At The Edge of Your Comfort Zone"  
Dr. Ritter preaching

Dr. William Ritter  
Rev. David B. Penningan  
Rev. Robert Bough  
Rev. William Frayer

**NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
36500 Ann Arbor Trail

422-0149  
Worship Services & Sunday School  
9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

February 7th  
"Buried Treasure"  
Dr. Gilson M. Miller preaching

Ministers:  
Dr. Gilson M. Miller  
Rev. Steven E. Pools  
Nursery Provided

**RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Rev. Richard A. Perletto, Pastor  
981-6600

Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Mass - Faith Community  
Church (Warren Rd. - West of Canton Center Rd.)  
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Mass - Pioneer Middle School  
Ann Arbor Rd. between Canton Center Rd  
and McClung

**St. Thomas a'Becket**  
981-1333 - Canton  
555 South Lilley Road  
Rev. Ernest Forcari, Pastor

Mass Schedule  
M, T, Th, F - 9:00 a.m.  
Saturday 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8:00, 10:00 a.m. & 12 Noon

**First United Methodist Church**  
45201 N. Territorial Road (Just West of Sheldon Road) - 453-5280

Worship at 9:00 am & 11:00 am (Nursery Provided)  
Church School 9:00 am - Children's Worship 11:00 am  
Sermon Title for February 7, 1993  
"Questions For Which Jesus Sought Answers"

Wednesday Education  
4:30 pm Children's Choirs  
5:30 pm Dinner  
6:30 pm Classes - all ages  
Director of Education: Linda A. Holtsberry

Ministers: The Entire Church

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD**  
25630 GRAND RIVER at BEECH DALY  
532-2266 REDFORD TWP.

Worship Service  
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday School  
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.  
Nursery Provided

Rev. Victor F. Halboth, Pastor  
Rev. Timothy Halboth, Assoc. Pastor

**HOSANNA-TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
9600 Laverne - So. Redford - 937-2424  
Rev. Glenn Kopper, Rev. Lawrence Witto

WORSHIP WITH US  
Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
Monday Evening 7:00 P.M.  
Bible Classes and Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
Christian School: Pre-School-8th Grade  
Mrs. Pat Sadler 937-2233

## LUTHERAN CHURCH WISCONSIN SYNOD

**Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Churches WISCONSIN LUTHERAN RADIO HOUR**  
WCAR 1090 SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.

**In Livonia**  
St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church  
17810 Farmington Road  
Pastors Carl Pagel & James Hoff  
261-1360

WORSHIP SERVICES  
Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday School & Bible Classes 9:45  
In Plymouth

St. Peter Ev. Lutheran Church  
1343 Penniman Ave. - 453-3393  
Daniel Helwig \* Peter M. Berg  
Worship Services  
8:00 & 10:30 A.M.  
Sunday School & Bible  
Class 9:15 A.M.  
Nursery Available at 10:30 Service

In Redford Township  
Lola Park Ev. Lutheran Church  
14750 Kinloch  
Pastor Edward Zell - 532-8655

Worship Services  
8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

## UNITED METHODIST

**ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST**  
30900 Six Mile Rd. (Bet. Merriman & Middlebelt)  
Chuck Souquist, Pastor - David Stiles, Assoc.

10:00 A.M. Worship & Church School  
11:15 A.M. Adult Study Classes  
Nursery Provided - 422-6038

**CHERRY HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
495-1155 - 495-0035  
Rev. Randy Whitcomb

9:00 A.M. Informal Worship Service  
9:50-10:25 A.M. Coffee Hour  
10:30 A.M. Traditional Service & Sunday School

321 Ridge Road  
Just South of Cherry Hill in Canton

**Clarenceville United Methodist**  
20300 Middlebelt Rd. - Livonia  
474-3444

Rev. James Kummer, Pastor  
Worship Services  
8:45 & 11:15 A.M. 7:00 PM  
Church School - 10:05 AM  
Wednesday Enrichment  
Dinner at 6:00, Classes at 7:00  
Nursery Provided

**ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
(Redford Twp.)  
10000 BEECH DALY ROAD  
Between Plymouth and West Chicago  
Redford, MI 48239 937-3170

Fall Hours  
Worship 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
Saturday Evening  
Informal Chapel Worship 6:00 p.m.

February 7th  
"Knowing God"

Adult Sunday School 9:45  
Child Care Available  
Children's Sunday School 11:00

Pastors M. Clement Parr and  
Bufford W. Coe

## EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth  
at Gottfredson & Ann Arbor Rd.

Worship Services  
8:15 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES  
9:30 A.M.

Dr. Wm. C. Moore - Pastor  
Rev. Wm. Branham - Associate Pastor  
Nursery Provided  
Phone 459-9550

**Ward Presbyterian Church**  
17000 Farmington Road  
Livonia 422-1150

Reverend Mark A. Brewer, Sr. Pastor

Identical Worship Services  
Sunday School  
8:00, 9:15, 10:45 A.M.  
and 12:05 P.M.  
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.

Nursery Provided  
Shuttle Service  
Service Broadcast  
11:00 A.M.  
WUFL-AM 1030

## PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)

**Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.)**  
Hubbard at W. Chicago - Livonia - 422-0494

10:30 A.M. Worship Service

Rev. Richard I. Peters  
Nursery Care thru Senior High

**YOU ARE INVITED GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**  
1841 Middlebelt - 421-7620

9:15 & 11:00 A.M. Worship & Nursery  
Adult Class 9:15 A.M.  
Classes for 2 years - 12th Grade at 11:00 A.M.  
Elevator Available Gareth D. Baker, Pastor

**ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH**  
16700 Newburgh Road  
Livonia - 464-8844

Sunday School 9:30 A.M. All Ages  
Family Worship 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Janet Noble, Pastor  
A Creative Christ Centered Congregation

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Main & Church - (313) 453-6464  
PLYMOUTH

Services 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.  
Church School & Nursery 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.  
David E. Krehbiel Leland L. Seese, Jr.  
Interim Sr. Minister Associate Minister  
Philip Rodgers Magee - Minister Emeritus  
Accessible to All

**GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**  
5535 Sheldon Rd., Canton  
(Just North of Kmart)  
459-0013

Rev. Bryan Smith, Pastor  
Worship & Church School - 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.  
Handicapped Accessible  
Resources for Hearing and Sight Impaired

## CHURCHES OF THE NAZARENE

**PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
48801 W. Ann Arbor Road - (313) 483-1825

Sun. BIBLE STUDY & WORSHIP - 9:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday Evening - 6:00 P.M.  
Ladies' Ministries - Tues. - 9:30 A.M.  
FAMILY NIGHT - Wed. 7:00 P.M.  
\* Mass Barons Pastor

NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN: 455-3196

## CHRISTADELPHIANS

**CHRISTADELPHIANS**  
Sunday Memorial Service 10:00 A.M.  
Bible Class, Wednesdays 8:00 P.M.  
Lecture - February 21 at 2:15 p.m.  
Is The Bible Still Valid Today?  
36516 Parkdale, Livonia - 425-7610

## INTER-DENOMINATIONAL

**AGAPE CHRISTIAN CENTER**  
41550 E. Ann Arbor Trail  
Plymouth, Michigan 48170  
(313) 459-6240

Sunday Worship - 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.  
Wednesday - Family Night - 7:00 p.m.  
Nursery & Children's Ministry at All Services

"A church ministering to today's needs"

Mark B. Moore, Pastor Agape Christian Academy - K through 12

## BAHA'I FAITH

O Son of Being! How couldst thou forget thine own faults and busy thyself with the faults of others? Whoso doeth this is accused of Me. (From the Baha'i Writings)

**BAHA'I FAITH**  
WATCH "THE BAHAI FAITH" SUNDAYS AT  
8:45 p.m. ON CHANNEL 62. Phone 416-5515  
416-5515

**NEW LIFE Community Church**  
New Life Christian Academy K-12  
34645 Cowan Road, Westland, MI 48185  
just east of Wayne Rd.

422-5433

Sundays Wednesdays  
Celebration of Worship Hours of Inspiration  
11 a.m. 7 p.m.

Call for schedule of ministries and activities  
Inspiring People to Serve Jesus.

## ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

**Brightmoor Tabernacle**  
Assemblies of God - Calvin C. Ratz, pastor  
26555 Franklin Rd., Southfield, MI. (I-696 & Telegraph - West of Holiday Inn) - 352-6200

9:15 am "Family Sunday School Hour"  
\*10:30 a.m.  
"A CARING FELLOWSHIP"  
\* 6:30 p.m. "Spiritual Warfare: Part 4" \*  
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. "Family Night"

**Tri-City ASSEMBLY**  
2100 Hannan Road - Canton  
326-0330

Morning Worship  
8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.  
Praise Celebration  
6:00 p.m.  
Family Night - Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

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# Christ's message takes on a multi-media look

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Films and plays like "The Last Temptation of Christ" and "Jesus Christ Superstar" stirred controversy among the religious community. But the interactive play "Jesus Was His Name" headed for The Palace of Auburn Hills in May has captured the faith of area religious members.

"My impression was very positive," said Richard Buckenmeyer, pastoral associate of St. Agatha's Catholic Church in Redford. "I really believe that the multi-me-



Christ like: Jean Marie Lamour plays the role of Jesus in Robert Hossein's production.

dia presentation has the potential of being very effective in communicating the message of Jesus in renewing one's faith."

The Rev. Kent Hajduk of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Southfield agreed.

"From what we were shown, it's going to be based on the four gospels and it's not going to be like 'Jesus Christ Superstar,'" said Hajduk who along with Buckenmeyer attended a recent presentation at The Palace. "I was very impressed from what we saw and what we were told."

"Jesus Was His Name" combines live theater and 70mm film on an 80-foot screen and a live 58-member cast to tell the story of Jesus, according to the Gospels of the New Testament. Actors on the stage interact with events occurring simultaneously behind them projected on the screen.

It depicts 34 episodes from the Gospels including The Sermon on the Mount, The Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes, The Court of Herod, John the Baptist in the desert, Gethsemane and the Crucifixion. The words of the script are those of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

Buckenmeyer said this way of storytelling will appeal to all re-

ligions.

"It's very sensitive to the ecumenical movement; it's one way for us to try to work together as Christians," he said.

"Jesus Was His Name" was conceived and directed by Robert Hossein, the original creator of "Les Miserables" in Paris. The production is underscored by the fervor of Hossein's religious faith and by his determination to use the most advanced and creative technology available. That technology includes the use of a soundtrack instead of live spoken words. Three narrators with atmospheric music will be used instead.

"They're (the actors) are going to (appear to) come right out of the screen; it's going to be a very unique experience," Hajduk said.

Performances for "Jesus Was His Name" are scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, May 18-20, 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 21, 3 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 22, and 3 and 7 p.m. Sunday, May 23. Discounts of \$3 off \$20 and \$15 tickets for groups of 15 or more are available through The Palace Group Sales Department at 377-0100. Children 12 and under and seniors 62 years or older receive \$2.50 off \$20 and \$15 tickets.



Different styles: While Judas asks the Pharisees what he will get for handing over Jesus to them, a 70mm film image of the latter appear on a screen behind the characters in "Jesus Was His Name."

## RELIGION CALENDAR

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday for the following Thursday's edition.

**BAHA'I DISCUSSION**  
"Beyond Malcolm X: A New Race of Men" will be the topic of a discussion at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, at the Detroit Baha'i Center, 17215 James Couzens, Detroit. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 442-2527 or 861-4125.

**CHURCH WOMEN**  
Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will hold a international student day carry-in casserole luncheon at 12:15 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road between Merriman and Farmington roads, Livonia. Exchange students will be provided by Dan DiComo of the Rotary. Participants should bring a casserole to feed three. For reservations call Joan Patterson at 591-1842 by Tuesday, Feb. 2. Babysitting also will be available.

**TU B'SHEVAT SEDER**  
Congregation Beit Kodesh will celebrate a Tu B'Shevav Seder at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at the synagogue, 31840 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Traditional fruits and nuts that signify this occasion will be served. For more information, call Diane Allen at 477-8974.

**POLISH DINNER**  
The St. Hilary annual Polish dinner will be 5:30-7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, in the church hall, 23749 Elmira, Redford. Donation will be \$7 for adults \$4 for children 12 years and under. For tickets, call Dorothy at 533-5698 or Lil at 533-9197.

**VOYAGER SINGLES**  
Voyagers Singles, a group for people 45 years and older, will attend the Spring Home and Garden Show at the Novi Expo Center at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6. Carpooling will be from St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Those driving direct should meet at the ticket office at 2 p.m.

The group also will meet at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at the church. The guest speaker will be Linda Mlynarek, administrator of the Botsford Continuing Health Care, who will discuss choosing and arranging home health care, long-term care and skilled nursing services. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 591-1350.

**NEWCOMERS' FORUM**  
Dr. William Prescott, professor of Old Testament at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Austin, Texas, will be a guest at the Newcomers' Forum 9:45-10:45 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Prescott will give a presentation on the latest studies of the Dead Sea Scrolls. That same evening, St. Paul's will hold its annual Elder's Dinner at Ernesto's Restaurant. All active and inactive elders are invited to attend. Outgoing elders from last year's Session will be

given a special gift of appreciation. For more information, call 422-1470.

**SUNDAY SEMINAR**  
Newburg United Methodist Church will hold its First Sunday Seminar at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. The topic will be "Why Are Men the Way They Are?" Guest speakers will be Jerry Boggs, Michigan representative of the National Coalition of Free Men and Al Lebow, executive director of Fathers for Equal Rights. They will discuss issues men are dealing with as they attempt to shed societal stereotypes and teachings. Child care will be provided. For more information, call 422-0249.

**GUEST SPEAKER**  
Missionary Becky Lyons, on furlough after 11 years of work in Brussels, Belgium, will be the guest speaker at the Livonia Assembly of God, 33015 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7. Lyons works with the International Christian Academy in Brussels. Students come for four continents, representing several different countries and language groups.

**ANNIVERSARY**  
Bethel Baptist Church, 29475 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia, will celebrate its 19th anniversary Sunday, Feb. 7. The well-known Templetons Quartet will sing at the 10 and 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship services. People attending will receive a 19th anniversary souvenir pen. For more information, call the Rev. H.L. Petty at 525-3664 or 261-9276.

**FAMILY MATTERS**  
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will present a video discussion series, "The Family Matters," 6:30-8 p.m. Sundays during February. The topics will be "Working Parents" Feb. 7, "People with Aging Parents" Feb. 14, "Parents of Teenagers" Feb. 21 and "Single Parents" Feb. 28. The series is free but a \$2 per session donation would be appreciated. St. Andrew's is at 26701 Joy Road, between Beech Daly and Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call 274-3820.

**MINI RETREAT**  
The United Methodist Women of Aldersgate Church will present their annual Mini Retreat 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the church, 10000 Beech Daly, Redford. Registration fee is \$10 and includes morning coffee and a luncheon.

Lois Van Wageningen, a noted conference speaker and Bible teacher, will deliver her message of hope and encouragement based on a theme of "United in Harmony." Music will be by Cheri Carlson who uses her alto voice to further her ministry with Youth Haven Ranches, which serves underprivileged and disadvantaged children in the state. Reservations can be made by calling Glenna Webb at 471-4985 or the church office at 937-3170.

**PRAYER BREAKFAST**  
The Rev. Mark Brewer, senior

pastor of Ward Presbyterian Church, and his wife Carolyn will be the guest speakers at a Valentine prayer breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the church, Farmington and Six Mile roads, Livonia. Women are invited to attend. There is no charge for the event. For more information, call 422-1826.

**GROWTH WORKSHOP**  
Single Place Ministries will offer a growth workshop, "Men and Women Relating Together," at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, 21 and 28, at the First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Nick Berar will be the facilitator. Single Place also will be offering a growth workshop, "Co-Dependency," at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at the church. Ed Humenay will be the facilitator.

There is a \$24 donation requested for each of the workshops. To register, call 349-0911.

**VALENTINE'S DAY**  
Several couples at St. John's Episcopal Church in Westland will celebrate Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, by renewing their wedding vows during a Congregation Wedding at the 10:30 a.m. service. The special service will be performed by the Rev. Raymond Zips.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**  
Couples with strong marriages can improve and deepen their relationship through a marriage encounter weekend. World Wide Marriage Encounter will have a marriage encounter weekend Friday through Sunday, Feb. 26-28. For more information, call 349-8195.

**A.C.T.I.O.N.**  
A.C.T.I.O.N. Ministries provides support and practical help for people who are unemployed or changing careers. Meeting are at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month at Ward Presbyterian Church, Farmington and Six Mile roads, Livonia. Sessions are sponsored by the Congregational Care Ministry of Ward Presbyterian Church. For more information, call 422-1826.

**SUNDAY MORNING**  
Single Place Ministries holds a Sunday Morning Gathering 10-10:45 a.m. Sundays in the library/lounge of the First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main, Northville. The gathering is for Christian singles of all denominations as a time of fellowship, sharing and growing. The topic for January and February discussion is "quality friendships." For more information, call 349-0911.

**BIBLE STUDY**  
Those interested in breakfast and informal Bible study can find both at 8 a.m. Saturdays at the Northville Crossing Restaurant, 18900 Northville Road, Northville. For more information, call 348-8576.

**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 more information, call 525-3664 or 261-9276.

**PRAYER GROUP**  
St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, at Five Mile in Livonia, has charismatic prayer group meetings 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in the church meeting room. (Use rear entrance No. 2.) For more information, call Sandy at 462-2243.

There also will be prayer group meetings 6 p.m. Sundays in Patio Classroom 1 of Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan in Livonia. Singing will be included. The meetings are open to the public. For more information, call Julie at 464-4566.

**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 more information, call 538-1559.

**FRIENDSHIP**  
Friendship Connection, a personal growth and support group, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 13439 Marion, Redford, for discussion, questions and answers, fellowship and Bible study. For more information, call 534-2065.

**ALCOHOLICS**  
The Alcoholics for Christ, Meet Your Needs Group, meets 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Tri-City Assembly of God, 2100 Hannan in Canton. Alcoholics for Christ is a non-denominational, non-profit Christian fellowship for alcoholics and their families. The group's chief goal is to direct alcoholics, family members and other concerned people to a dedicated, sincere relationship with Jesus Christ. For more information, call the church, 326-0330.

**S.A.F.E.**  
Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor, south of Joy in Canton, has a ministry to assist people whose lives have been affected by substance abuse. S.A.F.E. (Setting Addicts Free Eternally) Recovery Group meets 7 p.m. each Tuesday for both the chemically dependent and their families.

Help is provided through a 12-step recovery program. Family members receive support in overcoming problems of co-dependency. Those wishing to assist in the recovery ministry are offered training. All meetings are interpreted for the deaf.

For more information or individual counseling, call the Rev. Michael York, 453-4785.

**RESALE STORE**  
The Women's Association at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth operates a thrift shop on Liberty in Plymouth's Old Village. The resale store is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays for shopping. Clothing and small household goods are needed. All proceeds support mission work of the church.

## Question: What does America want from us?



RABBI IRWIN GRONER

It is a good idea to reaffirm the theme of brotherhood in the period between the celebration of the birthdays of Washington and Lincoln. It was the dream and hope of both the founder and the preserver of our republic that in this land all men and women should enjoy the blessings of freedom and liberty and should regard each other as brothers and sisters.

The ideal of human brotherhood has not yet taken firm hold in the spirits of mankind. Something more is required than merely assigning one week in the year for its observance. What is needed is a deeper understanding of what America asks of us.

I have always been fascinated by bridges and walls. On this theme, they are among the most fruitful and inspiring symbols of human speech and thought.

Prejudice, intolerance, racial and group hatred are tragic walls which people build around themselves. Our age has unfortunately witnessed the erection of many such forbidding walls — walls that divide and separate the peoples of this earth. The poet Robert Frost said it well: "Something there is that doesn't love a wall. Before I build a wall, I'd ask to know what I was walling in or walling out, and to whom I was like to give offense."

The formers of group antagonism are still active in the world today. Even in our own country. Wherever there is unhappiness, discontent or unrest, these racial and religious bigots swarm out of their dark holes, creep over the land, and sow the pernicious seeds of suspicion and hate.

Sometimes even good and respectable citizens build walls around themselves, which are effective blocks to mutual understanding and good will.

They build walls of social exclusiveness and snobbery. In the sight of God, there are no first families, no aristocrats, no distinctions of rank — only children of the earth whose brief careers may be made bright by the cultivation of the heart and mind, who may find a measure of happiness in life by helping one another in goodness and love. This, in the eyes of heaven, is to earn distinction and honor.

**What is needed is a deeper understanding of what America asks of us.**

And there are vital concerns in American life where we should build bridges, where our joint efforts can make a major contribution and where common action can change the present and shape the future.

One such area is that of family life. We are faced with a disintegrating family, a high divorce rate, a decline of standards of sexual morality, an attenuation of parent-child relations.

The family has been the place where ethics and responsibility have been communicated from one generation to another. We should recognize that we face now a major crisis in the character of our civilization. The challenge to all religions, races and creeds is to restore the quality of family life.

There are many other areas where we should be building bridges, among them the problems of the aged, health care, the drug problem and the recession that has wreaked havoc in the lives of so many Americans and has brought them to the brink of frustration, want, need and despair.

When thousands of workers are laid off in our state, words are inadequate to describe the catastrophic impact this has on the lives of their families and the true human cost of the recession.

While the new administration and Congress seek solutions for our economic problems, life must go on for those who are concerned about their daily bread and keeping a roof over their heads.

We must be builders of bridges rather than of walls. Charity, compassion, sympathy, magnanimity are such bridges. So is friendship, tolerance and brotherhood. "Love thy neighbor as thyself" is the noblest and most enduring of all bridges ever devised. "With malice towards none, with charity for all" is another bridge which an immortal American built across a river of blood in the Civil War.

A recent cartoon depicts animals standing in a long line waiting to board Noah's Ark. The legend reads, "It looks very crowded. Let's catch the next boat." There is no next boat. We would do well to heed the admonition of an ancient sage: "You are not obliged to complete the work, but neither are you free to desist from it."

Rabbi Irwin Groner is with Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield. If you have a question or comment for him, dial 963-2047, mailbox number 1862, on a touch-tone telephone.



## DIA events highlight Black History month

Renowned painter Benny Andrews will lecture on the genesis of his art 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The lecture, "Benny Andrews: An American Painter," is being presented during Black History Month by the Friends of African and African-American Art and the National Conference of Artists/Michigan Chapter. After the talk, Andrews will sign his book, "Between the Lines."

The slide-illustrated lecture will take place at the DIA Lecture Hall. Admission is \$3 for the general public and free to members of the Friends of African and African-American Art and the National Conference of Artists. Seating is limited. For ticket information, call 833-2323.

The presentation is part of the DIA's Sunday at Two series, which focuses on works and artists featured in special exhibitions and the DIA's permanent collection.

Also to commemorate Black History Month, Michael Kan, curator of African, Oceanic and New World Cultures, will give a gallery talk on "Kuba Royal Masking Traditions" Sunday, Feb. 28.

The program is free with museum admission (suggested: adults \$4, children \$1, members free).

The Friends of African and African-American Art will also host a black tie preview of an exhibition of Andrews' collages and drawings 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Sherry Washington Gallery, 1274 Library in Detroit. Tickets are \$50 and are available by calling 833-0247.

## Salt is vital staple in nature's diet

### NATURE TRAILS



TIMOTHY NOWICKI

As we examine our daily diets and the types of food eat, studies suggest we need to limit our intake of salt. Salt cannot be eliminated from the diet because it is broken down into sodium and chloride which are used in many bodily functions. Each time a nerve sends a message in your body, sodium is used during that electrical transmission.

Because salt is so basic to all living things, many of the animals we see also use salt. While driving along I-75 recently, I noticed two fox squirrels along the shoulder of the road. In most cases they would have run away

from the shoulder because of the danger posed by the cars. These squirrels, however, just sat there and ate. They looked nervous because of their vulnerable location, but they needed the salt used to keep our roads cleared of snow more than they needed to leave.

Animals that eat only plant material - herbivores - need to supplement their diet with salt. They do not get salt in the concentrations that they need from just plants. Carnivores, or animals that eat other animals, get a sufficient supply of salt from their prey.

Many people are familiar with farmers providing their cattle with a mineral, or salt lick. Some people that enjoy watching deer will put a salt lick out to attract them. If these animals are not getting enough salt in their diet they will sup-

plement it by feeding at a concentrated source.

A handful of small songbirds also have a curious appetite for salt. Crossbills and siskens can be seen a long the roadside pecking salt. Scientists have even baited a trap with pure salt and were successful in capturing these birds.

Migratory birds that spend much of their time near the water have another situation regarding salt. Instead of not enough, they have too much. Water birds like cormorants, ducks, swans, pelicans and shorebirds that breed in freshwater areas, winter in saltwater areas along the oceans.

Though waterbirds ingest saltwater regularly, they do not die from its high concentration. There is a gland in the skull between their eye and bill which secretes the excess salt from

their blood. A highly concentrated solution of salt is then excreted from the nostrils.

This filtering system maintains the proper level of salt in their blood even after drinking the concentrated ocean salt water.

Something as common as salt, that we often take for granted, is necessary for all forms of life. If an animal does not have enough of it then it must seek it out the best way it can. Antlers shed by deer are rarely found in the forest, despite the thousands of deer in the state, because the multitude of rodents, like mice, need to eat them for the minerals they provide.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks County Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia.

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# CREATIVE LIVING

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BOB SKLAR

## Project's mission: to promote the arts

**T**he arts help make a community whole. Recognizing that, Supervisor Tom Yack is moving quickly to appoint Canton's first arts council, dubbed Project Arts. It'll fill a void created by dissolution of the Canton Community Foundation's arts council in 1991.

Canton is one of southeast Michigan's fastest-growing townships. But the rise in community volunteerism hasn't kept pace with the crush of development over the past two decades.

"Unlike in more-established communities like Plymouth, Livonia and Ann Arbor, we don't yet have a volunteer infrastructure of community-based organizations in place providing the extras that make a community a community," Yack said.

He sees township government stimulating volunteer initiatives like arts programming, then "backing away and letting the people involved advance their opportunities. We've made a commitment to do that."

As a signal of that commitment, township trustees budgeted \$5,000 "to begin the process of creating a group to initiate and encourage cultural activities in Canton," Yack said.

"That may not be a lot of money but it does show a level of interest and commitment among every township board member," he added. "It demonstrates each one in their own way is dedicated to the arts."

Yack soon plans to solicit residents with a background in or appreciation of the arts to serve on Project Arts.

Kim Scherschligt, Canton resource development director, is drafting a set of bylaws so the volunteer board can plunge right into its first charge: planning cultural events to supplement recreational programs at the new outdoor amphitheater in Heritage Park.

## Community center in works

The board also will begin developing arts-oriented programs for a future community center near the amphitheater. The \$13-million multipurpose center will offer banquet, meeting, exercise, senior citizen, dance, leisure, and arts and crafts facilities. It's on course to open in 1995.

"I must admit I wanted an arts group in place well in advance of having this new cultural resource so it could assist in planning and programming arts activities," Yack said. "There's a number of objectives we'd like to accomplish other than typical recreation and banquet goals."

For example, Project Arts might decide that a dinner theater, fine art gallery, art rental gallery or hall of fame should be integrated into the center's design plans. Or it might assist in expanding the fledgling Canton Liberty Fest Fine Art Festival, develop joint programming with the Plymouth Community Arts Council or lay the groundwork for a poet, artist or philosopher in residence.

"It'll take a while for a group like this to understand its role and develop itself to take on the kinds of responsibilities, from a programming standpoint, that we'd like it to assume," Yack said.

"Besides," he added, "the more people we involve in arts programming, the more people will get excited. And that's a plus for everybody."

## Foundation earns plaudits

Yack had high praise for the Canton Community Foundation's arts council, which operated from 1989 to 1991. "It made a valiant attempt to stimulate interest in Canton toward the arts. In fact, it sponsored the first commission of a piece of artwork in Canton in a long, long time."

"We support the supervisor's efforts completely," said Foundation executive director Bill Joyner.

The arts council was perhaps best known within the arts world for commissioning nationally renowned Canton sculptor Joe DeLauro to create "The Storyteller" for the Canton Public Library. The 26-inch-high sculpture is dedicated to the spirit and vision of Native Americans.

In 1990-91, the Foundation ticketed \$10,000 for the arts. That year included an exhibition of DeLauro's work as well as the unveiling of "The Storyteller."

That same year, the arts council sent 300 elementary students to a University of Michigan touring opera production, hosted a 50-piece art show for 30 artists at township hall, sponsored a play-a-thon so two Canton piano teachers could showcase their students' skills and helped Canton songwriter Larry Kneeshaw promote his tribute to Desert Storm, "Desert Strength."

It also donated \$600 to the Plymouth Community Arts Council for a series of color postcards of Canton scenes by Canton photographer Sondra Farmer. The cards typically are used to promote activities in Canton.

As Joyner aptly put it: "The arts transcend generations. They should play an integral role in everyone's life. Appreciation of the arts defines quality of life. A society that turns its back on the arts turns its back on itself."

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Feelings: "I want them to feel, not just see," Lena Massara says about viewers of her artwork. Her one-woman show in the Livonia Civic Center Library Art Gallery spotlights her paintings, pastels, mixed media, collage and assemblage.

## She strives to stir emotion via art

**Lena Massara's artistic integrity and energy shines like a new diamond in a one-woman show of paintings and mixed media in the Livonia Civic Center Library Art Gallery.**

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
SPECIAL WRITER



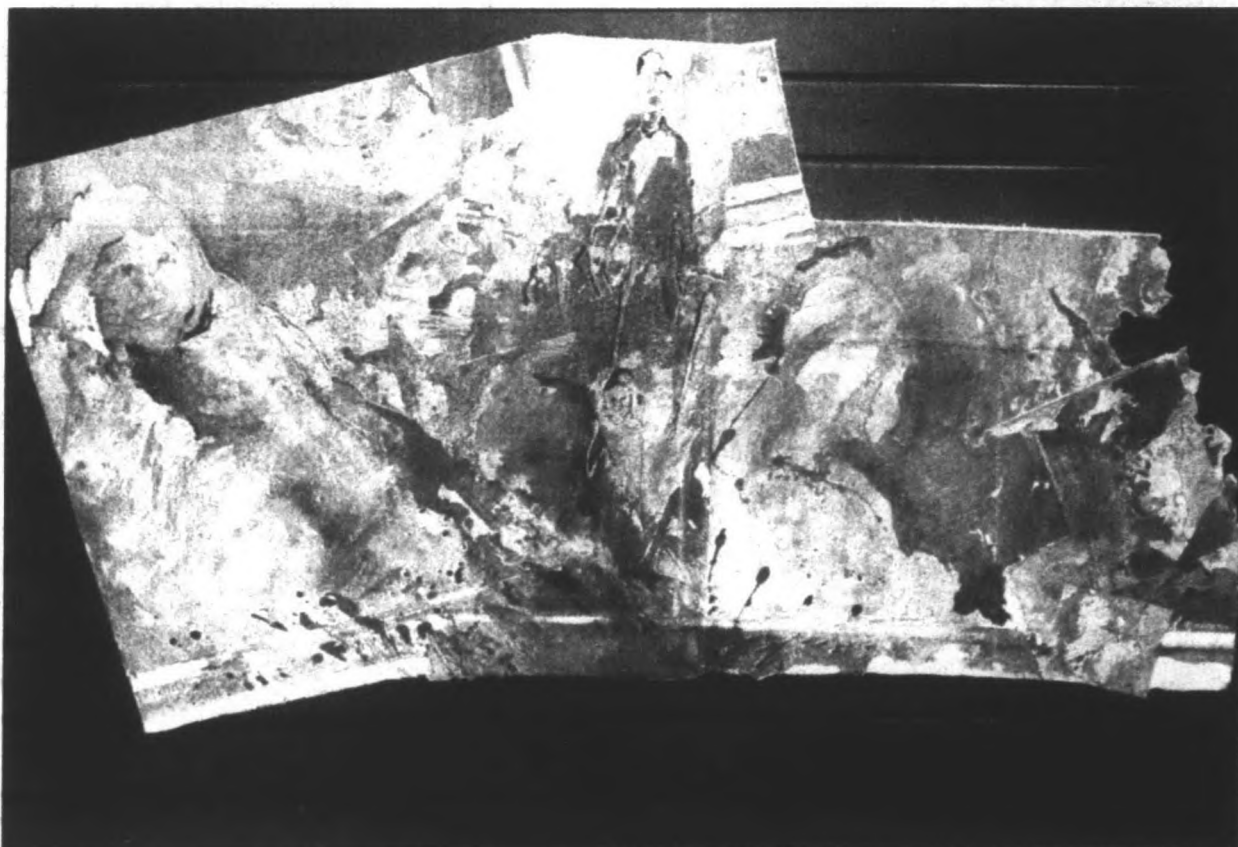
Violet rivers of sand kindle the imagination, leading the viewer up the path and into the emotion-filled painting by Farmington Hills artist Lena Massara.

Livonia Arts Commission presents the Wyeth-like landscape, "From the Top," plus 29 more acrylic paintings, pastels, mixed media, collage and assemblage, in a one-person exhibition to Feb. 20 in the Livonia Civic Center Library Art Gallery.

Massara will give a gallery talk and tour, answering questions about the materials and techniques she uses in her work, 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10 in the library's second-floor gallery.

Created in the tradition of representational abstraction, although non-objective abstracts also

See MASSARA, 3D



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**Beginnings:** Using an abstractly built canvas her husband Greg created, Lena Massara, in this darkly colored expressionistic painting, speaks of the plight wrought on Native Americans.

## Romance writer to sign copies of new book

BY VICTORIA DIAZ  
SPECIAL WRITER

"Silver and Sapphires," Shelly Thacker's third romance novel, will appear on bookshelves, appropriately, just in time for Valentine's Day.

Fans of the Redford Township author will not be surprised to learn that the trade journal, Romantic Times, has already given the novel February's coveted KISS award.

The sweeping tale, published by Avon, moves along at a blazing pace, taking readers from a Maharajah's

glittering palace, to a ship on the high seas, to a desert island, to the silken drawing rooms of 18th-century London. At center stage, the exotic Princess Ashiana and the handsome smuggler, Saxon D'Avenant, smoldering for each other all the while, vie for possession of nine fiery sapphires.

Shelly Thacker

sort of a grown-up version of

"Aladdin," says Thacker, who recommends "Silver and Sapphires" especially for readers "who would love a romantic getaway to a tropical island but can't afford the plane fare."

During February, you can meet Thacker at the following locations, where she'll be signing copies of the new novel:

■ Friday, Feb. 12, 6-8 p.m. — B. Dalton, Livonia Mall.

■ Saturday, Feb. 13, 2-4 p.m. — B.

Dalton, Westland Mall; 6-8 p.m., B. Dalton, Wonderland Mall, Livonia.

■ Sunday, Feb. 21, 1-4 p.m., Sweet Afton Tea Room, Plymouth (For ticket information on this event, call 454-0777).

■ Wednesday, Feb. 24, 6-8:30 p.m., Livonia Civic Center Library (Sponsored by the Greater Detroit Romance Writers of America, this event will include many other area romance writers.)

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### SILVER SCREEN SUCCESS

Livonia fine artist and sculptor David Messing was elated to see much of his scenic art in the Danny DeVito flick, "Hoffa," starring Jack Nicholson as the fiery Detroit labor leader.

"I was surprised how much stuff I worked on was in the movie," said Messing, who teamed up with Aaron Dytyniak of Wayne about a year and a half ago to pursue a new career in scenic art.

Much of what they did in "Hoffa" involved making objects look older so they reflect a desired time period.

## Art Beat

Messing headed a crew of artists that helped create two key sets: the U.S. Senate chamber in the Detroit Public Library and the Hoffa residence in Indian village, both 1930s vintage. Their scenic art also provided the backdrop for the produce terminal shown in the movie.

"Fortunately, the sets we did looked great. I was real proud of them."

"They didn't zero in on what I did, of course, but it was fun to see our designs just the same. A lot of film winds up on the cutting room floor."

As for what he thought of the movie, Messing, who operates Art Store and More in Livonia,

said, "I loved it, although some of the language was kind of rough."

### ARTISTIC WOMEN

The third exhibit of Wayne County-based "Women of Artistry" runs through Feb. 28 in the showcases on the first floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington Road.

Artists Susan Argiroff of Livonia, Sharon Lee Dillenbeck of Plymouth, Julie Giordano of Northville, Carol Lynn McCreedy of Westland and Norma McQueen of Garden City are taking part. They're showcasing watercolors, acrylics, oils, charcoals and marbling 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

Dillenbeck, who operates D&M Art Gallery in Plymouth, founded the group in 1991 to spotlight investment-quality artwork by local women artists.







# Massara from page 1D

are presented here, Massara dazzles the viewer with her artistic integrity and energy.

"I hope they get the feeling I try to convey — the motion, space, wind. I want them to feel, not just see," Massara said in an interview at the gallery. "It's just not the usage of a technique. I want feelings."

Fascinated by texture, Massara works in layers to build color and surface on an unprimed canvas. A rickety fence rambles through the picture plane till it reaches a large old tree in "Dunes Edge." The acrylic diptych, with its windswept and wayward look, sends a chill up the spine.

"I work in layers. I felt that was the only way I could get that wild look on the dunes," Massara said. "It's push, pull: the light, the dark, the warm, the cool."

Artist Audrey DiMarco of West Bloomfield helped Massara hang the show.

"I think what identifies Lena's paintings is the dark background and pulling all this out in light," DiMarco said, pointing to the branches in the recent pastel, "Dusk's Glow."

"It's what ties all of her paintings together."

All through the wide range of media here, Massara's palette shines in shades of violet, blue, and rose.

"I think I have favorite colors I relate to. I reach in for the same color combinations — the pastels — over and over," Massara said.

Growth lies at the heart of Massara's art. She renders her latest work in pastels on experimental surfaces. Like most of Massara's art, three pastel landscapes on sandboard mix a variety of media

over a base of watercolor.

"I want to see how far I can expand. I'm also using the dry pigment. I find that using dry pigment gives them added intensity, gives it that added depth," the versatile artist said. "I'm still into the acrylic on paper, though."

"Floating Away," an acrylic on watercolor paper, lifts the viewer up, up and away. Massara's spatial organization is key to achieving the floating effect.

"They had the dinghies lined up and I wanted to break them up, give them their own environment," she said.

Assemblage in the show uses found objects retrieved from computer boards and jet airplanes.

Massara has been painting for more than 25 years, 16 of them seriously.

In 1990, the Farmington Area Arts Commission honored her with their artist-in-residence award. She has exhibited her work at Lawrence Street Gallery in Pontiac, Paint Creek Center for the Arts in Rochester, Scarab Club in Detroit, Edee Joppich's Bay Street Gallery in Northport, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association and at the Bald Head Island Invitational in North Carolina.

"I'm very impressed with the quality of the work," said Livonia arts commissioner Jack Olds. "It's a very versatile exhibit. I think the public will enjoy seeing the many different faces of the artist."

Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. The library is at Farmington Road and Five Mile.



JIM JAGDELD/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Awe-inspiring: A pointed steeple leads the eye into the subtle painting of a church overlooking a bluff.**

# Capturing the fancy of unsung terrier heroes

## BOOK BREAK



VICTORIA DIAZ

Ever heard of Finnigan, the first terrier saint? He graced the earth from around 8-13 A.D. and was, apparently, "a remarkably kind beast."

How about Ugly Jo Hawkins? From 1928 to 1939, he played the guitar in the style of Chuck Berry. Obviously a Scotch terrier ahead of his time, nobody appreciated his music in those backward days.

Or maybe you remember the infamous canine Bo Jenkin (alias The Forger). Born in 1978, his life of crime quickly spun out of control and, in 1981, he grew a little too smart for his own good and signed his own death warrant.

If none of this rings a bell, you may want to check out "A Scot Gallery Eccentric: Wry Tales of a Little-Known Realm," recently out from Troy-based Momentum Books. In it, Lathrup Village artist-writer Tom Roy will acquaint you with the above canine luminaries, plus 34 other unsung terrier "heroes."

You may not know exactly what to make of any of it, but chances are, you'll have a great time browsing through the off-the-wall Gallery, anyhow.

Roy, who also draws the zany, single-frame comic, "The Pitts," for the Detroit Free Press, can't quite say why he chose to put together this odd little history featuring Scotch terriers and their mythical realm. No, he's never owned a "Scottie," and he's only just "a smidgen Scotch" himself. About the closest he can come to

any explanation for what he calls "The Dogs" is that he always has had a soft spot in his heart "for all things British."

But "A Scot Gallery Eccentric" is not really something you explain, anyway. It's something you experience.

A Detroit-area native, Roy attended the Center for Creative Studies after graduation from Redford Union High School in the late '60s. Following a stint as a freelance illustrator, he owned his own television graphics company for awhile, returned to free lance, and now, in addition to his off-hours "cartooning," works at a TV graphics firm in Southfield.

"The Pitts" debuted in the Free Press last March. It was an outgrowth of numerous sketchbooks he had put together over the years in his at-home basement studio in Lathrup Village.

"Gallery" also was conceived via the sketchbooks.

"I had 10 or 11 sketchbooks that contained all these tiny, short stories, along with the sketches," says Roy.

When Bill Haney, publisher at Momentum, got a look at the books, he quickly expressed special interest in publishing "The Dogs." After some reworking of the already existing pen-and-ink sketches, plus an addition of two or three new canine characters, "A Scot Gallery Eccentric" was born.

A few of Roy's terrific terriers and their stories were inspired by "real people," he admits. Most notable of these is probably Fergus McThomson, born in 1945 and still very much alive. An ardent jazz fan "born in a rock 'n' roll world," he wrote "the definitive fiction that drove the final

nail in the coffin of popular cultural trends."

He is modeled on Roy's editor, Tom Ferguson.

In the future, we may see other shaggy dog story-pictures from Tom Roy. Or we might see a series on Sherlock Holmes and a comically gluttonous Watson instead. Or the misadventures of a hapless farmer and his strange herd of radioactive cattle. Or something called "Some of My Best Friends Are French."

For now, though, we can smile at the definitely eccentric "Gallery." Some of the advance publicity for these dogs' tales called them "a breed apart."

That they are. Take a look.

Last words: In honor of Black History Month, Detroit folklorist-musician Naim Abdur Rauf will perform African stories and songs at Borders Book Shop in Novi at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6. The program is especially for children 4-9. It will include African musical instruments, dance, and African storytelling techniques. Register in person or call 347-0780.

Michigan historian William Anderson will autograph copies and read from his most recent work, "Laura Ingalls Wilder: A Biography" at Borders Novi at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27. The program will be of special interest to readers ages 8-12. Preregistration is required.

Victoria Diaz of Livonia tracks the books and literary industry. You can leave a message for her on a touch-tone phone by dialing 953-2047, then her mailbox number, 1854.

# Photographer chronicles 3 decades of rock

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN SPECIAL WRITER

Three decades of photographs focusing on "Rock and Roll Superstars As Seen Through The Camera of Frank Pettis" were exhibited during the Michigan Music Lovers Expo at the Ferndale Community Center in mid-December.

The one-day exhibition by the Redford Township photographer included more than 50 color images

of the Rolling Stones, Aerosmith, Led Zeppelin, The Who, Tina Turner, Chuck Berry, Faces with Rod Stewart, David Bowie, Bob Seger, Grand Funk, Alice Cooper and the Amboy Dukes with Ted Nugent.

There is also a special display of 16 photos featuring Kiss in Pettis' first one-man show. In 1970, he was staff photographer for the Eastown and later did pro-

motional photographs for Capitol Records. In the 1980s, he produced the local cable music show, "Music Monitor," spotlighting local bands live in the studio. Duran Duran and the Straycats were just two of many featured performers.

Pettis is an award-winning photographer who won Best of Show, first place and the People's Choice Award for a three-dimensional image that captured the work of nationally known Detroit

artist Tyree Guyton. Assembled with found objects, Guyton's "Heidelberg Project" turned an eastside Detroit neighborhood into a work of art. Always looking for a creative edge in his photographs, Pettis found a winner in Heidelberg.

For more information on purchasing the 16- by 20-inch color and roll color prints on Kodak paper, write Pettis at P.O. Box 40295, Redford, 48240.

## MORTGAGE RATE UPDATE

A Weekly Survey of Detroit Area Lenders

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# Franchise clashes with personal goals

First in a series. Why would a real estate company leave the folds of a national group? Why would a company join? This week, we take a look at Fortune Properties in West Bloomfield, formerly Century 21 Northwestern, as it sets out on its own. Next week, we'll take a look at Century 21 Gold House in Canton, which recently became affiliated with the national real estate firm.

BY GERALD FRAWLEY  
STAFF WRITER

It was a fruitful relationship; each giving the other the support needed.

Now it's over. Century 21 Northwestern in West Bloomfield is no more. It is ending its eight-year affiliation with Century 21 and picking up a new moniker — Fortune Properties Realtors.

Ronald Berman, broker/owner of Fortune Properties Realtors, said while the relationship was a successful one, market pressures and personal goals compelled him to start anew.

"I admit that it's very unusual," he said. Affiliated offices rarely leave Century 21.

The office, founded in 1984, was one of the most profitable in the state with 35 agents and \$35 million in sales in 1992.

As Fortune Properties Realtors,

**"We chose the name Fortune Properties because we felt it portrayed the attitude, confidence and lifestyle necessary to do business in our market area."**

Ronald Berman

Berman projects sales of \$50 million with 50 agents in 1993.

Despite the success he enjoyed as a Century 21 affiliate, Berman said it was time to move on.

"In one respect, it was a question of being stifled personally," he said.

To the average person on the street, Berman said, one Century 21 is as good as another. "No one differentiates you from others."

"If we have a superior idea or come up with a unique marketing idea, they all get the benefit of what I can do," he said.

It is not that there aren't pluses to being associated with the group, he said, but there is also a lot of spare baggage that goes along with being part of a group.

There's also the significance of the Century 21's image. Even though each office is independently owned and operated, they share Century 21's image.

That isn't necessarily bad "if you come from out of town and you're looking for a new house, you turn to the Yellow Pages and

what do you see? Century 21."

With its national image comes familiarity, he said. The image also carries an assurance of competency and staff training so people can feel comfortable with the fact that in the average situation, the real estate office will get the job done, correctly and efficiently.

In Berman's case, the key words are "average house" and "average situation."

"The market we serve (West Bloomfield and its area) is not like the average market," he said.

Century 21 Northwestern was consistently among the highest in average sales prices for homes (of Century 21 affiliates). "We were still substantially lower than our competitors."

Century 21 has made a name for itself by being all things to most people, but people who live in the communities he serves aren't all people.

"These are people who have a very sophisticated transaction, and they don't think Century 21 can handle it."

More bluntly, people with houses costing from several hundred thousand to several million dollars — rightly or wrongly — don't feel Century 21 is the Realtor for them, he said.

Berman said he has also brought in clients that would have rarely come into his office before.

Prior to the name change, he lost many of the high-end listings to other offices, he said. "We chose the name Fortune Properties because we felt it portrayed the attitude, confidence and lifestyle necessary to do business in our market area."

Since the name change, Berman said he has invested significantly in developing better ways to serve clients and in presentation materials.

The changeover to Fortune Properties Realtors has already produced results. "I've attracted a lot of agents that I wouldn't have otherwise."

These are people who probably wouldn't have considered working at a Century 21 office, not because there's anything inherently wrong with Century 21, but because of the client base Century 21 attracts — predominantly middle and upper middle class.

"There is a big opportunity in West Bloomfield and we're here to seize it," he said. "Now, there's no reason why we can't do it."

# Environmental litigation costly



ROBERT M. MEISNER

I am interested in buying some commercial property and recognize that the environmental impact studies are very expensive. Is there any way of getting around that expense?

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Robert M. Meisner is a Birmingham attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate and corporate law.

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sq. ft. home, 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 2 1/2 car garage, great room, dining room, library, covered porch, 2 1/2 car garage. \$375,000. OPEN SUNDAY, 1-5pm, 19016 Gary Lane, 5 miles W. of Farmington.  
522-8437 or 591-6573

**Livonia - BY OWNER - REDUCED**  
4KI - OPEN SUN. 1-5, 3 bedroom brick ranch, desirable street area. Beautiful home on large corner lot, 33211 Kentucky, \$101,900. 522-1491

**LIVONIA - OPEN SUN 1-5, 30474**  
Hwy. E. of Newburg, S. of Ann Arbor Trl. 3 bedroom brick ranch, 4th in finished basement, air, 2 1/2 car garage, pool. \$103,800. 425-0451

**LIVONIA - Open Sun 12-3, 29622**  
Robert. Maintenance free brick ranch in friendly sub. Newly remodeled kitchen. Finished basement & Florida room. S. of Plymouth, W. of Middlebelt, \$89,900. Eves 422-6273

**LIVONIA**  
OPEN SUN. 1-5PM  
11245 W. CLEMENT CIRCLE  
S. of Plymouth, E. of Middlebelt  
Must sell immediate occupancy on beautifully decorated 3 bedroom ranch in all brick neighborhood, Northwood. Many updates. Bring all offers, owners anxious.  
CALL JOE DURSO  
RE/MAX WEST 261-1400

**LIVONIA**  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
9094 ROSELAND  
S. of Plymouth, E. of Farmington  
A. E. of Middlebelt. Large yard, move right in everything has been updated. New roof, furnace, beautiful hardwood floors, decorated to perfection, 2 bedroom 1 full bath, 1 1/2 car detached garage, come see for yourself!  
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**Livonia**  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
3263 Bennett  
(N. of 8 Mile, W. of Farmington)  
But don't wait till Sunday to see this 3263 sq. ft. colorado style car move right in everything has been updated. New roof, furnace, beautiful hardwood floors, decorated to perfection, 2 bedroom 1 full bath, 1 1/2 car detached garage, come see for yourself!  
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**COLDWELL BANKER**  
Schweitzer Real Estate

**LIVONIA - 3 bedroom brick ranch,**  
2 1/2 bath, 2 1/2 car garage, formal dining room, central air, finished basement. Open Sun. 1-4, 27629 Lynwood.  
\$116,900

**NOVI**  
OPEN SUN. 1-5PM  
4336 Riverbridge Ct.  
(8 Mile & Novi Rd.)  
This new colonial has everything! Bring your checkbook and be ready to move in as it's best.  
462-1811

**COLDWELL BANKER**  
Schweitzer Real Estate

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4**  
100 W. Hickory Grove, Bloomfield Hills, W. of Woodward, N. of Hickory Grove, 2 bedroom, 1st floor unit, carpet, call.  
LARA PRENDEGAEST  
CENTURY 21 TODAY 855-2000

**Plymouth - Open Sun 1-4**  
40514 Pinecrest, N. of Ann Arbor Rd. 1st street W. of I-275. Charming starter home, 3 bedroom brick ranch, 18x20 ft. family room w/ fireplace, 2 baths, 2 1/2 car garage. Many features. Motivated seller. Ask about financing. \$117,800.  
CALL KAREN AT 699-0399

**ARBORHILLS REALTY**

**REDFORD**  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
19887 Lennox  
3 bedroom ranch, new kitchen, new windows, vinyl siding, 1 1/2 car garage, super house! Ask for Scott. 477-1800 or 780-8933.  
Century 21 Chatelet

**SOUTHFIELD**  
SUPER BUY  
3 bedroom starter home, new kitchen, new carpet and paint, 2 car attached all appliances. \$79,900. Open Sun. 1-4, 19394 Coral Gables, S. of I. E. of Evergreen.  
459-4723 or 728-1955

**WHITE LAKE - OPEN SUN 2-5**  
7415 Capt. Beautiful 3 bedroom home, walk-out basement, lovely landscaped yard, lake privileges. \$124,900. Realty: 437-4180  
HELP-U-SELL of NBDL 348-6006

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**OPEN SAT. & SUN. 1-5**  
6607 Pinnock  
Decrepit unique West Bloomfield Upper Straits lakefront family home. Gourmet kitchen, fireplace and Great Room. Buy now before Summer! At \$48,900, the best value on the lake at this time!  
CAROLE GOLD  
RE/MAX EXECUTIVE 737-6800

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4**  
A must see, W. Bloomfield & 3rd, new Jenn-A-Rich kitchen, large deck & hot tub. Middle Straits Lake. \$94,900. Cranbrook Realtors 855-2200

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4**  
8611 Arnold, Dearborn Hgts. S. of Joy, E. of Beech Daly. Fenced brick ranch with a sense of easy charm. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Pleasant neighborhood. Beginner's luck. \$84,900.

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4**  
26448 cathedral, Bedford, N. of Joy, W. of Beech & 2nd, 2 bath maintenance free brick/aluminum ranch. Florida room & covered patio, new carpeting, furnace & central air. All priced at \$79,900.

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4**  
35470 Oakdale, Livonia, E. of 6 Mile, W. of Wayne, ideal home! 2 car garage, tiled foyer, open floor plan, fireplace, study, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Colonial. This home has been beautifully kept. \$146,500.

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4**  
19909 St. Francis, Livonia, N. of 7 Mile, E. of Middlebelt. Large yard enhances this spacious 4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Colonial. Cathedral ceiling, new carpeting, country kitchen, parquet floors. Room for kids to play.

**Remerica SUBURBAN REALTORS**  
261-1600

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4PM**  
In TROY  
6765 Serenity...\$199,800  
S. of South Blvd., E. of Crooks  
6757 Summit...\$187,800  
N. of Square Lake, E. of Coolidge  
3570 Paddington...\$154,800  
N. of Big Beaver, E. of Adams

4050 Shadock...\$223,800  
N. of W. of Rochester Rd.  
4198 Carson...\$269,900  
N. of W. of Crooks  
1184 Shallowford...\$152,000  
S. of Long Lake, E. of Rochester Rd.

351 Leontina...\$169,000  
N. of W. of Livonia  
4828 Seasons...\$349,450  
S. of Long Lake, E. of Coolidge  
1069 Byron...\$231,500  
N. of W. of Crooks

**Max Broock, Inc.**  
644-6700

**WATERFORD**  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
7802 Macedonia Lake Road  
FABULOUS LAKEFRONT RANCH with 75 ft. of frontage on beautiful all-sports Macedonia Lake. Over 3,400 sq. ft. of living space including finished lower level walk-out, large premium lot, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 1st floor laundry, formal dining room, sunken living room, family room, 2 fireplaces, 4 doorways, spectacular lake views! 2 car attached garage, deck, 2 patios, dock built-ins. \$169,900. 642-1088  
Access to I-75, N. of M-59 off Williams Lake Rd. W. 9000  
MARTHA MOMENI  
The Prudential Wille Realty 421-5850

**Open Sat-Sun. 1-4pm**  
3 bedroom colonial, new roof, attached garage, finished basement \$84,900. 1120 Woodbourne, S. of Avondale, E. of Merriman. Ask for...

**Jim Dunn REAL ESTATE ONE**  
328-2000

**WESTLAND, Open House, Sat. 10-5, & Sun. 1-5pm.**  
39300 Nottingham, Cherry Hill & John His area. Ranch by Owner. Brick exterior, 1 1/2 car garage, 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, partially finished full basement, walk to elementary school. \$77,900. This price reflects 3% off appraisal. 459-4723 or 728-1955

**WHITE LAKE - OPEN SUN 2-5**  
7415 Capt. Beautiful 3 bedroom home, walk-out basement, lovely landscaped yard, lake privileges. \$124,900. Realty: 437-4180

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**TROY**  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
1673 Charleville  
(N. of W. of E. of Rochester)  
Immaculate New Construction 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, great room with natural fireplace, library with beamed cathedral ceiling, "Pearl" whirlpool in master bath with separate shower and marble floors and surrounds. Quality throughout. \$299,500 (OET73CHA) 875-3400

**COLDWELL BANKER**  
Schweitzer Real Estate

**WATERFORD - 3 bedroom ranch,**  
1 1/2 bath, fireplace, finished basement, 2 car garage, deck. \$83,900. Open House Feb. 7 - 1-4pm 662-7564

**OPEN SUN. 1-4**  
39210 Gloucester, S. of Cherry Hill, W. of Hick. 3 bedroom colonial, 1649 sq. ft. \$92,900.  
Ask for Craig Williams  
Century 21 Dynamic - 728-8000

**W. BLOOMFIELD**  
NATURAL BEAUTY  
Quality & luxury like you've dreamed. 3-4 bedroom contemporary in serene woodland setting. Prepare to be impressed.  
Open House Sun 12-5  
3539 Oakleaf - 313-360-9350

**W. Bloomfield**  
OPEN SUN. FEB. 7, 2-5PM  
BRAND NEW LISTING  
Bloomfield Hills Schools  
4960 CHAMPLAIN  
Exceptional contemporary home with every upgrade imaginable. Panoramic view of lake, golf course and nature preserve, skylites, vaulted ceiling, fabulous master bedroom bath area, walk-out lower level, built-in pool & hot tub both totally automatic. This house is immaculate, if you see it you will buy it. \$595,000.  
LESLIE FRIEDMAN  
CRANBROOK ASSOC. INC. Realtors 932-8883 626-8700

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24 Hours A Day  
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the Weekend

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**302 Birmingham Bloomfield**

**A TOUCH OF COUNTRY**  
for the kids, peaceful rolling lawn surrounds this classic 547,000 sq. ft. brick ranch. Four bedrooms and Birmingham schools make it perfect for watching children grow. \$147,500. (MA)  
RED CARPET KEIM 855-9100

**BERKLEY HANDYMAN'S SPECIAL**  
1642 Riverside \$47,000  
851-7112 or 939-0780

**BEVERLY HILLS - 3 bedrooms**  
country ranch, wooded lot, large family room, newer kitchen, deck, carpet, roof. Bargain \$155,000. 435-1559

**BEVERLY HILLS - Spread out in this**  
elegant, 3 bedroom ranch in a park-like setting. 2 1/2 bath, 2 fireplaces, eat-in kitchen, laundry, 2+ car garage, hardwood floors, new closets built-ins. \$169,900. 642-1088

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Birmingham**  
Schools, newly renovated 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch on 15 acre beautiful lot. 2200 sq. ft. REDUCED by OWNER \$189,900. 851-1665

**BIRMINGHAM DOLL HOUSE**  
Move right into this one! Brand new kitchen replacing throughout, freshly painted, newer updated formica kitchen, vaulted ceiling great room with track lighting, decking and central air. Priced to sell quickly. \$85,000.

**IRENE EAGLE OFFICE 651-8000**  
OR 625-8907 OR 626-4769  
RALPH MANUEL WEST

**BLOOMFIELD - Quarter & Lusher**  
area. Exciting, fabulous Tudor with an open, luxurious, and contemporary interior. Step into 2-story foyer and see the 23x23 great room, the huge dining room with glass wall, the kitchen with granite counter, woodwork, woodwork kitchen with bleached wood floor. Birmingham schools. \$245,000.  
ASK FOR KATHY COMBS  
THE PRUDENTIAL  
GREAT LAKES REALTY 646-8000

## 302 Birmingham Bloomfield

**BRAND NEW HOME** in Berkley Under construction, 2 story Colonial, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, full basement, 2 car garage, hardwood floors, you choose paint, carpeting, etc. Call. 642-2775

**CONDO ALTERNATIVE - Owner**  
anxious 2 bedroom, finished basement, garage, updated kitchen, location! \$69,900  
Help-U-Sell Birmingham 335-0050

**GREAT STARTER** Open Sun. 1-4, 3 bedroom, 2 car garage, newer furnace, some appliances. W. of Woodward. \$119,900.  
Help-U-Sell Birmingham 335-0050

**SAVE THOUSANDS!** Helping Sellers sell by owner from... \$2,000! Help-U-Sell Birmingham 335-0050



302 Birmingham Bloomfield

BEVERLY HILLS BEAUTY! Unique 1 1/2 bath home on lower wooded lot...

BEVERLY HILLS BEAUTY! 4 bedroom cape cod in 2 1/2 bath family room...

FOX CROFT 4 bedroom cape cod in 2 1/2 bath family room...

FRANKLIN - large living area, 4 1/2 bath, 2 car garage...

OPEN SUNDAY 1-4 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial, 1777 Marlboro...

OPEN SUNDAY 1-4 Super residential area - excellent location...

OPEN SUNDAY 2-5 Big family home with this Hickory Heights Colonial...

Ask for Chris or Tom HALL & HUNTER 644-3500

OPEN SUN. 1-4 Birmingham Schools, 457 Whippers in Court...

OPEN SUN. 1-4PM 3150 WALTON BEVERLY HILLS E. of Evergreen...

BEVERLY HILLS Most affordable home in area 2 bedrooms...

ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS - Describe this 4 bedroom central entrance colonial...

ONE & 1/4 - Historic 19th century farmhouse on 1 acre...

FANTASTIC LOCATION - Walk to all sports Walnut Lake...

THE MICHIGAN GROUP Realtors, Inc. 851-4100

CASS WATERFRONT 4 bedroom 1986 Contemporary with attached garage...

LAKESIDE PARADISE Fireplace in living room, 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths...

ERA COUNTRY RIDGE REALTY TWO STORY COLONIAL, 4 bedrooms on cul de sac...

WEST BLOOMFIELD-15/Middlebelt Perfect if you're looking for a 4 bedroom contemporary...

OWNERS LOSS CAN BE YOUR GAIN Transferred and must sell this one year old colonial...

REDUCED FOR BEST BUY Beautiful 5 bedroom Tudor is only 3 years old...

COLDWELL BANKER Schwitzer Real Estate

303 W.Bimfid. Keego Orchard Lake

OPEN SUN. 1-4PM 5075 ARROWHEAD Over 3000 sq. ft. in this stunning ranch country...

PILGRIM HILLS II Take advantage of the area best value for your dollar...

SOMEONE'S DREAM 4 bedroom ranch, all rooms are huge, sculptured fireplace...

WEST BLOOMFIELD TIMBERS EDGE SUB (PHASE 2) Spectacular contemporary with 3 bedrooms...

WEST BLOOMFIELD 1986 two story, 4 bedroom, contemporary Open! Neutral Deck!

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306 Farmington Farmington Hills

DELIGHTFUL RANCH! Open floor plan, finished basement, air conditioning, central air...

BRIAR HILL - Farmington Hills, A great home for the growing family...

KENDALL WOOD COLONIAL Charming colonial in Kendallwood, North Farmington Hills...

MEADOWBROOK HILLS SUB Newly remodeled, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home...

PRESTIGIOUS MEADOWBROOK PARK Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, contemporary home...

THE CURE For your new home fever is this custom 7 year old 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home...

MARY MCLEOD CENTURY 21 ROW 464-7111

305 Brighton-Hartland Howell Brighton - Open Sun. 1-4 5128 Canyon Oaks

LOCATION LOCATION Great room 43x23, Great room, multi-level, Great room, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths...

JUST REDUCED Beautiful! Bright contemporary ranch in "UP NORTH" neighborhood...

Laura Edwards REAL ESTATE ONE 478-7660 or 229-0450

BRIGHTON: Spacious 2,200 sq. ft. colonial with 4 bedrooms & 2 1/2 baths...

BRIGHTON: New Listing! 1 1/2 story contemporary on 1/2 acre, 2,600 sq. ft. with 1st floor master suite...

COLDWELL BANKER BRIGHTON TOWN & COUNTRY 227-1111

BRIGHTON - 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath in brick home with 2 1/2 car garage...

SOUTHFIELD-4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 1800 sq. ft., beautiful area, 192,000, HMA, 353-7170

TERRIFIC HOME IN GREAT LOCATION, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, over 2400 sq. ft. Very well maintained including 3 yr. old roof...

NEW ON MARKET! - Beautiful 5 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, w/2 car garage, w/pond, cooks delight kitchen w/ huge pantry overlooking family room...

ENGLAND REAL ESTATE 474-4530

306 Southfield-Lathrup AT LAKE RAVINES You'll enjoy the tranquil setting of winding streets and large lots...

NEW LISTINGS SUPER SHARP 4 bedroom, quad, finished basement, remodeled kitchen, too many extras to mention...

ROLLING OAKS Nestled on Park Commons, sparkling Colonial features an open fire flowing floor plan, large foyer, spacious living room and dining room...

307 South Lyon Milford-Highland

Beautiful 3 bedroom ranch large family room with wet bar & fireplace, beautiful finished pool, huge deck, 2 1/2 car garage...

CHARGER! Incredible ranch, 1 1/2 car garage, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car garage, 2 1/2 car garage, 2 1/2 car garage...

SOUTH LYON Spacious 3 bedroom brick ranch with dining room, 2 1/2 baths, appliances, basement, attached garage & more...

PHIAVA Terris, 3 Bedroom Tri-Level with family room, central air, garage, only \$89,900.

CENTURY 21 WEST 349-6800

S. LYON - 571 Conington Rd. 3 bedroom ranch, 1 bath, attached garage, deck, fenced, stove & refrigerator...

OPEN SUNDAY 1-4 ANXIOUS OWNER! 3 bedroom ranch on 1/2 acre lot, Basement, garage, 2900 Wisconsin.

JUST LISTED! No maintenance brick ranch with 1,200 sq. ft. Built 1991, 1662 Westwood, Call 878-3400

PRIME TROY AREA-4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial on large court style lot. Move-in condition. Full cedar deck, 6200 sq. ft. lot, 2 1/2 car garage...

ROCHESTER HILLS Beautiful 3 bedroom ranch on tree lot backing to woods, 3 baths, central air, 3 car garage, finished basement, 179,900.

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309 Royal Oak-Oak Park Huntington Woods

OAK PARK Berkeley schools, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 2 story brick home, w/wooded lot, new carpet, w/wooded lot...

ROYAL OAK - 3-4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, eat-in kitchen, family room, hardwood floors, extras, deck, 2718 Sherman, \$125,000, 549-2907

ROYAL OAK - Home to be built in primary Royal Oak, close to park & Red Run Golf Course, large lot with trees, Colonial & Cape Cod plans with 2 car attached garage available. Turn key price \$128,900. Brokers welcome. Custom Builder, 549-5315

ROYAL OAK - 5 bedroom house, 2 1/2 baths central air, fireplace, also Carriage House & large detached 4 car garage, \$249,500. 545-3242

WHEN LOCATION IS IMPORTANT! Family colonial with knotty pine den w/built-ins, fireplace, finished living room w/ fireplace, pegged oak floors. Huge master suite. Carpeted rec room with 2nd fireplace. \$159,500. WEIR, MANUEL, SNYDER & RANKE 689-7300

NEW CONSTRUCTION, Contemporary 1 1/2 story custom brick home with 2 car attached garage, full bathroom w/ vaulted ceiling & fireplace, large kitchen w/ island, nook in dining area, library/den, 2 1/2 baths, full floor master suite, 2 person whirlpool tub, GE appliances, central vac system, alarm, intercom/radio system, attached 2 1/2 car garage, half acre lot, spacious sub w/paved streets. Asking \$192,900. 437-7841

NEW CONSTRUCTION Ready to move, beautiful colonial w/3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, just finished. Large master suite w/bath & walk-in closet, 1st floor laundry, 2 car attached garage. Many features not listed. 1 mile from downtown South Lyon. Realtors Welcome! \$172,900. Call Steve Willacker Country Concepts 313-437-3667

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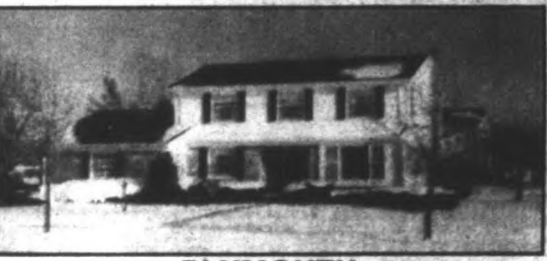
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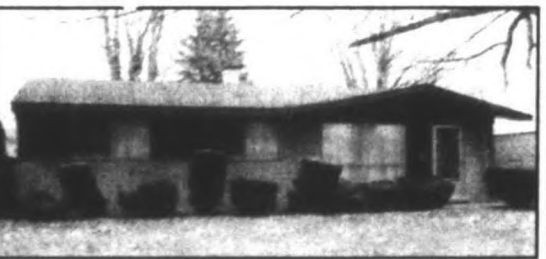
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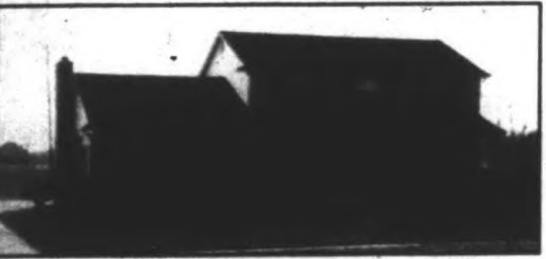
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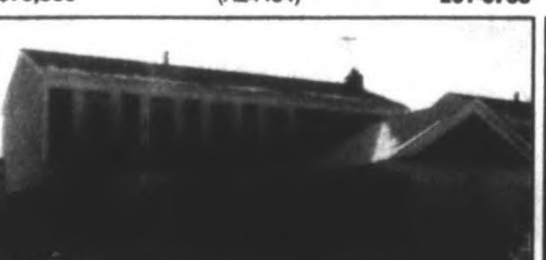
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# BUILDING SCENE

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1993

## BUILDING SCENE'S NAMES & PLACES

### Contractor president

Tom Huff has been elected president of the greater Detroit chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America, based in Southfield. Huff is vice president of operations, central U.S. division, of Perini Building Co. He has worked 30 years in the construction business.



Huff

The local chapter of AGC was founded in 1916. Educational programs, labor relations services and government affairs programs are some of its services.

### VP at Campbell/Manix

William M. Oakley Jr. of Livonia was promoted to vice president of Campbell/Manix, where he had been chief estimator.



Oakley

Oakley will be responsible for corporate managerial responsibilities and will oversee all estimating activities including a utilization of a computerized estimating program for bids and proposals.

Campbell/Manix is a design/build contracting firm of industrial/commercial buildings.

### Masonry officers

Roy Seelbinder has been re-elected chairman of the Masonry Institute of Michigan, based in Livonia. He is president of R.A. Seelbinder Construction Co., Troy.

Also re-elected were: vice-chairman Mariano "Skip" DiGiovanni, president of Central Masonry & Cement, Rochester Hills; secretary John Robovitsky, president of Robovitsky Construction, Southfield; and treasurer Charles Wilson, vice president of Monte Costella Co., Novi.

### Energy efficient homes

Builder Gary Sabo will conduct a presentation on building affordable energy efficient homes from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 13, at Oakland Community College's Auburn Hills campus.

Sponsored by OCC's Environmental Systems Technology Program, and ENACT, an environmental student association, the program will cover designing, building and financing super-insulated houses. Topics include energy efficient construction techniques, 0 percent down payment options, air quality control, affordable solar energy applications and owner/builder opportunities.

Sabo is president of Future Homes and Parade of Homes-Oakland County. He is past president of the Home Builders Association of Genesee County. He is a four-time recipient of the national "Design for Better Living" award from the American Wood Council.

For more information, call 340-6701. The campus is located at 2900 Featherstone, two miles east of the Pontiac Silverdome.



**Additional pride:** This historic Birmingham house was made more livable by the addition of a kitchen and laundry room on the east end of the house. The other addition was added to the back of the house and includes the master bedroom. The sloping grade allowed for a garage beneath the addition.

## Integrity preserved in more livable homes



**During lackluster economic times, builders often turn their attention away from new construction and toward remodeling. But the secret of successful remodeling is to leave the house looking much as it did before the contractor arrived at the site.**

BY DALE NORTHUP  
SPECIAL WRITER

When there's a slump in the economy, one of the industries to feel the pinch is new construction. The excess of the 1980s and the savings and loan fiasco helped to bring it about. As a result there's a glut of office buildings with resultant high vacancy rates. Prospective tenants can now choose

from a wide range of office space available for rock-bottom rents. New housing construction is struggling thanks to uncertain employment, weak income gains and falling consumer confidence.

As new construction becomes more costly, prospective buyers are considering other alternatives. They are looking at more affordable, older

houses in established neighborhoods that have the amenities of in-town living.

The two million-plus houses started each year of the 1970s are now 20 years old and ready for a facelift. Add to this the houses built in previous decades. Some of these houses have the added problem of small rooms that satisfied an earlier lifestyle. Today's domestic dweller has a penchant for space that can be satisfied by building additions on to older houses.

### More livable

Two houses in Birmingham are a

visual testament to the feasibility of making an older house more livable with additions. What is particularly unique about these two houses is that they represent two centuries — one of the late 19th, the other the middle of the 20th.

One is in downtown Birmingham. It is a simple, frame structure with gable ends built in 1898. The other is a Georgian-style colonial in Bloomfield Village built in the 1960s. Both have new additions that complement the original structure. Thanks to the care in maintaining the integrity of

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## Computer-programmed system automates appliances in home

BY DOUG FUNKE  
STAFF WRITER

Smart House, which uses special wiring to automate household appliances and fixtures, has been hailed as technology of the future.

Intelli/Systems, a fledgling Plymouth firm, provides many of the same services today with computer-programmed system controllers that communicate with adaptive "intelligent" switches over traditional 110 and 220 amp electrical lines.

And all at a much lower price than Smart House, say Larry Oliver and Nancy Austin, a husband-wife team that owns Intelli/Systems.

"We're not changing house wiring. We're adding functionality," he said. "We're putting a high frequency on house wire and switches that can decode and understand."

Oliver, a development engineer at Unisys, is in charge of the technical end of Intelli/Systems, a business sideline for now.

Austin, a former real estate saleswoman, is in charge of marketing and public relations.

"Nobody has to have the house rewired," she said. "That's the good thing about it. You can retrofit new or old."

"We hope to be automating a builder's model," Austin added. "The builder will benefit by making a model more attractive and you (customer) will benefit because there will be a keener interest in how it works."

Controllers programmed to specific automated functions are plugged into electric outlets to bring the system on-line. Controllers can be activated by remote control, telephone lines or "intelligent" electrical switches.

Oliver and Austin have spent up-



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Command agents:** Larry Oliver and Nancy Austin, owners of Intelli/Systems, display small controllers which are programmed by a personal computer to automate home appliances and fixtures.

wards of \$5,000 to automate their house for demonstration purposes. That includes controllers, transceivers, switches and remote controls.

Their system can program a furnace thermostat attachment, dishwasher, home entertainment equipment and all lights to kick on and off at specific times. Appliances like vacuum cleaners and hair dryers can be programmed to shut off when the phone or doorbell rings.

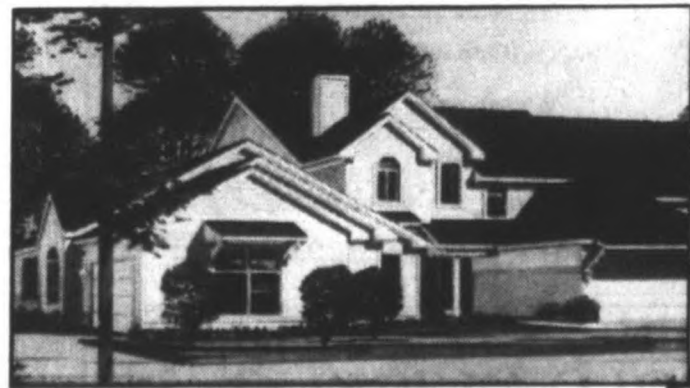
"When guests leave, I push one button and light the front porch, the back porch and light their way through the living room," Austin said. "It's programmed so in five minutes; the outdoor lights go off by themselves."

"I have a button at my bedside that can turn on every light in the house," she said of a security feature.

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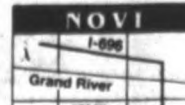
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the owners were spared the comments, "I see you've put a new addition on your house," which immediately says that the addition doesn't fit.

The owners of the Birmingham house fell in love with its domestic charm and simplicity, but they needed more room. They enlisted Birmingham architect Victor Saroki to design an addition that almost doubled the living space. The house has an east-west orientation with additions added to each end. A flat roof, one-story addition containing a kitchen and laundry room was put on the east end of the house. This low-profile approach made the addition compatible with the neighborhood.

The west side of the house has a gable end that overlooks a natural sloping site. The other addition was added to the back of the house and repeats the same gable motif as the original without obstructing it. This addition includes the master bedroom. The sloping grade allowed for a garage beneath the addition, which can be entered on the side.

### Compatibility

Because the house is designated as a historic structure, great care was taken to make the additions compatible. Particular attention was given to the decorative wood brackets in the gable of the primary structure that was duplicated for the gable of the west side addition. These additions can be viewed as kindred spirits on the outside that provide all the modern amenities on the inside.

The Bloomfield Village house is a gracious two-story brick Georgian-style colonial. It presented a problem to the new owners who needed additional space.

The matter was resolved by adding 1,100 square feet to the original 3,100. While expanding the space on the interior, the exterior of the house has an added profile. The additions were built by Herbert Conlan, a custom home builder, and designed by Gerald Carter of Custom Home Designs. Here the builder has dovetailed new construction that successfully makes it a visual extension of the original structure.

This house has a north-south axis with the central entrance facing east. The additions were placed on the south and west sides of the house. As with some older houses, the bedrooms were too small. A four-foot brick wall extension was placed on the south end of the second floor to expand the bedroom there.

Brick quoining, which is a corner detail, is repeated in the addition, making it compatible with the original detail on the house. A master bedroom was added to the south end of the house, which also repeats the brick quoining on the exterior corners. The shallow hip roof over the master bedroom visually extends the roof of the living room when viewed from the east.

A conservatory, with windows on three sides, was added to a family room on the west side, or back, of the house. The windows open out onto the yard, taking advantage of the view and western exposure. The gable end of the conservatory repeats the gable over the den with an added bay window, and part of the original bedroom or enlarged master. When viewed from the west side, it's almost impossible to tell where the original house ends and the two added wings begin.



**Living space boosted:** This Bloomfield Village house, a two-story brick Georgian-style colonial, received an addition of 1,100 square feet to the original 3,100. The central entrance faces east (top). The additions were placed on the south and west sides of the house (bottom). A four-foot brick wall extension was placed on the south end of the second floor to expand the bedroom there. A master bedroom was added to the south end of the house, and a conservatory, with windows on three sides, was added to a family room on the west side, or back, of the house.

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# Reduce noise, stress levels by decorating

(AP) — Garbage truck or lawn mower, a neighbor's TV or your kids' stereo, the hum of an air-conditioner or clothes dryer. It's a noisy world. But if you feather your nest just so, you can live in relative tranquility.

The goal is to stop the offending sound as close to the source as possible, says designer Nina Hughes.

If the noise is coming from the next room, the goal is to contain it, she says. When the din is outdoors, then windows, doors and exterior walls are the main points of defense.

Hughes sometimes builds a room within a room by erecting walls an inch or so from existing walls. It's the air space between the walls, rather than the new wall, that creates the sound barrier. It works to keep sound in as well as to keep sound out, so she recommends it for musicians who must practice many hours.

To cut down on outdoor noises, consider storm windows and sound-absorbing draperies. The more layers you use, the more the incoming sound will be muffled, says Richard Harary, owner of Richard's Interior Design in Greenwich, Conn.

He suggests extending decorative window treatments beyond the window edges and to put special acoustic lining in draperies and roman shades. The linings, available to home sewers and in custom window treatments, include a synthetic material by Roc-Lon, about \$6 a yard, and a

**To cut down on outdoor noises, consider storm windows and sound-absorbing draperies.**

flannel interlining, about \$9 a yard.

If window dressing isn't enough, consider upholstering the wall. Usually, Hughes says, a layer of Dacron or cotton batting goes next to the wall with a face fabric stretched over it and tacked to wood furring strips. The fabric should be woven loosely enough to allow sound waves to get through. The batting keeps them from bouncing back into the room.

While far from cheap, fabric-covered walls are competitive in cost with traditional wallcoverings in medium and better grades, Harary says. The treatment is also decorative. Harary finds it's particularly effective both visually and acoustically for the wall behind the bed.

If even the littlest noise seems to reverberate in your living space, you may have too many hard surfaces: wood, stone or brick floors; plaster walls; shuttered windows. Sound waves bounce off these surfaces a little like a table tennis ball run amuck. Added complications include water pipes and air condi-

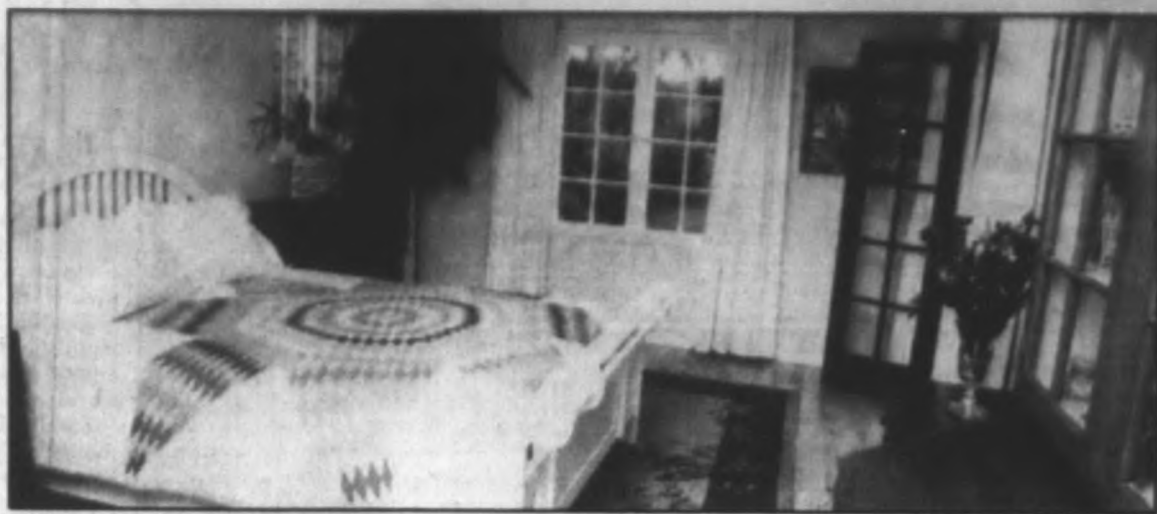
tioners in or near the room.

Minimize noise with sound-absorbing materials such as carpet and area rugs and fabric window coverings. If that's not enough, Hughes says, consider upholstering walls, building a buffer wall or repainting ceiling and walls with textured paint filled with tiny particles that trap sound. A suspended ceiling of acoustical tile is another option, though the look is more suited to utility area than living areas.

Wood paneling might deaden outside sounds if you leave air space or add insulation between the paneling and the wall, Sam Botero, a New York designer, says.

But Botero is a firm believer in carpet. In one apartment, Botero cut down the noise from a child's room by carpeting the floor, a wall and a platform which held the bed.

For a teenage drummer's room, he carpeted the floor and put the drums on a carpeted platform. The platform cut down the vibrations traveling along the floorboards to other rooms. He also added a dropped acoustical tile ceiling as a courtesy to upstairs neighbors.



**Fabric softeners:** Drapes on the window and carpeting on a hardwood floor help muffle the sounds that invade this bedroom.

## Control noise or it controls you

(AP) — You can learn to tune noise out of your mind, says Dr. Kenneth Roy, an acoustics researcher at Armstrong World Industries in Lancaster, Pa.

"But your body receives it, and there's a stress reaction," he says. So other remedies are in order.

How much noise is too much depends on what you are doing, whether you like the sound and the noise level to which you're accustomed. A noise unnoticeable in the middle of the afternoon will be annoying in the middle of the night.

Noise is measured on a decibel (db) scale which goes from zero, or

the absence of sound, to about 120 db equal to a 747 jet taking off. Most people are comfortable up to about 65 decibels, with quiet registered at 40 decibels. To sleep, 30 or below is considered within the comfort zone.

In the home, major sources of unwanted noise are appliances, television, sound system, shouting and rowdy play. To ideally deal with the first, replace older dishwashers, refrigerators and clothes washers. Newer appliances have an acoustical barrier such as a sound absorbing material built in. Buy a white noise machine or use a small fan near

the bed or desk to mask sounds from other rooms, such as television or conversation.

Most sound comes into the house through windows and gaps in doors. Weatherstripping is a first step. Give it a try with masking tape. If the noise level goes down, install weatherstripping and a plastic or rubber strip that fits between the bottom of the door and the door sill. Weatherstrip windows.

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## Compact home, Computer luxury touches from page 1F

A large workshop, separate from the garage, is included in the floorplan of the Legacy 2, a compact single-level home with a country style front porch.

Economical to build, this home is well suited to the needs of first-time buyers, singles or empty nesters. And it can be adapted for wheelchair adaptability.

Family living areas are at the front, bedrooms at the back. Vaulted ceilings give a sense of spaciousness to the living room, entryway and dining room. The living room also has a door that opens to a small deck. The house has three bathrooms.

Counter space in the kitchen is augmented by a work island with built-in range and oven. Other features include a walk-in pantry, broom closet and built-in dishwasher. Sink and dishwasher are nestled into a bay window that faces the street.

For a study plan of the Legacy 2 (332-131), send \$7.50 to Landmark Designs, P.O. Box 2307, Eugene, Ore., including the plan name and number.

Austin also programs her dishwasher to operate while she's sleeping, bedroom lights and a clock radio to flick on in the early morning hours for a gentle wake-up, and lights in the family room to dim for specific moods.

Their \$5,000 expenditure for the entire package wouldn't even cover special wiring in a Smart House.

But Smart House can integrate an entire home, not just bits and pieces, said Donald Pratt, a Troy builder who holds rights to that technology for this area.

Austin and Oliver would first meet prospective clients in their houses to determine interest and needs, then invite them to their Plymouth home for a demonstration.

Prospects include people who want to upgrade their existing houses, and purchasers of new

houses who want to automate without the Smart House expense.

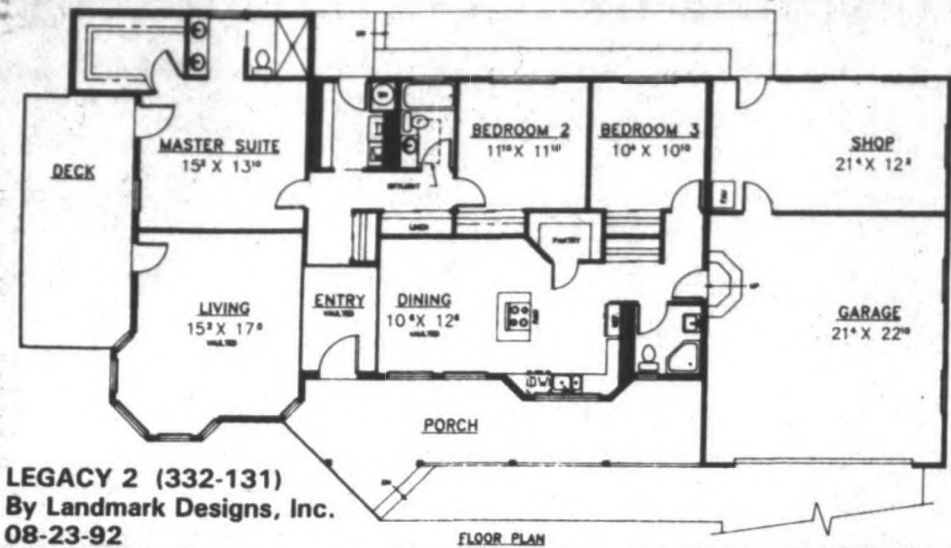
Oliver will program controllers to specific requirements and install "intelligent" switches needed to relay commands. Heavy-duty modifications like more wiring and outlets would involve a subcontractor.

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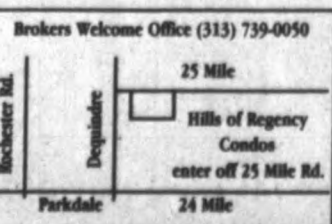
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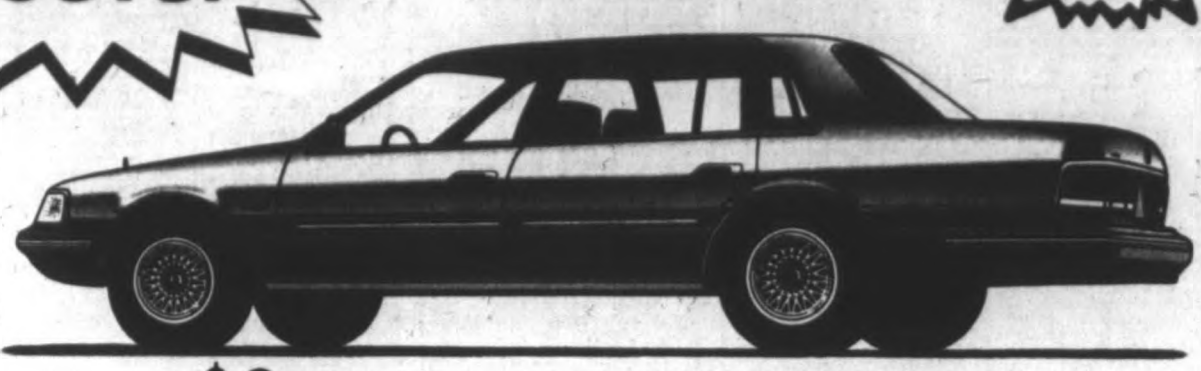
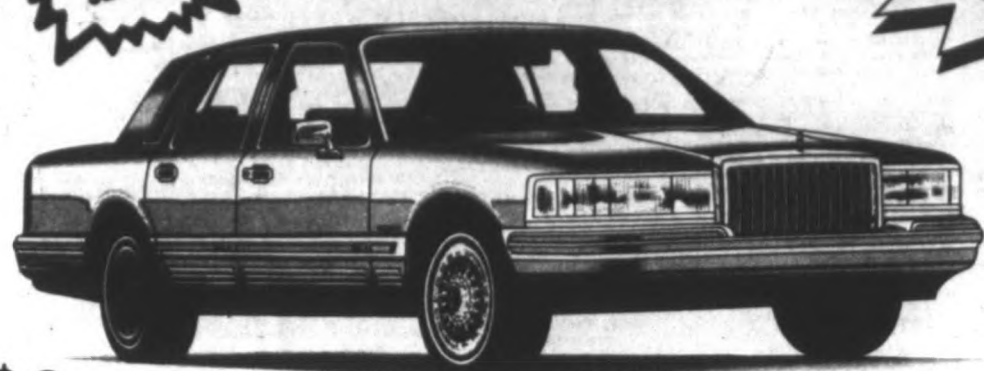
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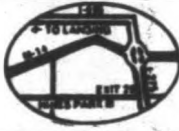
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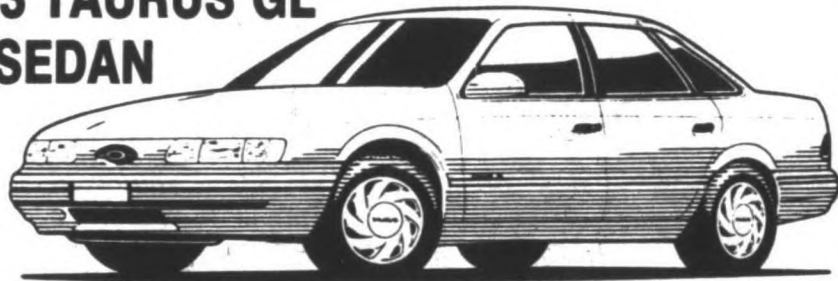
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required for professional firm. Some accounting experience helpful. Approximately 25 hrs/week. Please send resume to: Personnel Control Dept., 3000 N. Woodward, Suite 150, Bloomfield Hills MI 48304.

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A name you don't have to sell. Call Linda Phelps: 355-5485

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BOOKKEEPER opportunity-Now!

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - seeking organized individual with computer skills to assist in sales & accounting. Salary commensurate with experience. Entry level. Apply at LDI Electronics, 1200 E. Big Beaver, Troy.

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CLERICAL

Company located in Livonia area has an opening for a part-time clerical worker in its sales department. A minimum of 15 hours work a week is required. Send resume to Box 204 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Livonia MI 48150

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507 Help Wanted Part Time

CONTRACTOR and/or ACCOUNTING EXPERIENCE a necessity. Professional Farmington Hills firm seeks articulate, people oriented professional with good communication skills. PC and Macintosh experience a definite plus. Flexible hours, 11:00-5:00 per hour. One grow to full time. Some travel may be required. Please send resume to Box 222, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia MI 48150

CORPORATE Office of Metro Detroit Furniture stores requires mature, detail-oriented person for inventory control, computer entry and inter-store coordination. Week day hours are flexible some Saturdays. May lead to full-time position. Furniture, 19500 Middlebelt Rd., Livonia, MI 48150

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507 Help Wanted Part Time

GENERAL WAREHOUSE HELP Hours approx. 2:30pm-6pm, Mon-Fri. \$6/hr. to start. Call American Catering: 525-2213

GENERAL Warehouse-Mon., Tues. & Fri. 8:30-2:30. Apply in person at 35345 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150

JANITORIAL - PART TIME

Farmington area. Good wage. Contact: 474-7181

LIVONIA SERVICE company has 2 positions open. Both 3-6, Mon-Thurs. Telephone Catalogue Sales. Call 477-1180, 4-7pm.

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Part time \$4.50-\$6.25 plus commission. Available shifts. Apply at: 30150 Telegraph, Ste. 400, N. of 12 Mile, N. Calix.

SEEKING ENERGETIC PEOPLE

to work on weekend children's program at local hotel. Professional experience with children a must. ALSO seeking Lifeguard for Friday evenings. Call: 474-4768

507 Help Wanted Part Time

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507 Help Wanted Part Time

METROVISION CABLE TV -Telemarketing - Evenings - hourly wage plus commission. Must be articulate, person person. 36251 Farmington Rd., Livonia, MI 48150. An Equal Opportunity Employer

PART-TIME Office Assistant

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SALES Associates for W. Bloomfield

putting stock away & picking orders. Some heavy lifting. Mon.-Fri. 2-6pm. Full time in near future. 37700 W. 6 Mile Rd., Livonia, MI. Fr. 8:30am-5pm.

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Doctor's Assistant, over 18 experience preferred. Mon.-Fri. 8-5pm. Sat. 9am-5pm. After 1pm 345-8305

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620 Men Seeking Women

AAS-SALAAH-ALAIKUM Muslim professional white male, 40, seeks a millionaire and 100% minister in the new nation of Islam etc. 4434

ABIDING woman of color from cafe au lait to chocolate, she is the special someone, who will be my perfect mate. 44783

ABSOLUTELY Unique Entrepreneur - California transplant. Looking for extremely attractive, vivacious, sexy, financially competent female for adventure. 44879

ADVENTUROUS, uninhibited, single black male, 40th, seeking compatible loving, sensual, unique lady under 40, for romantic encounters & relationship. 44915

ADVENTUROUS white lady sought by attractive black man, 40. Try it-you'll like it! 44651

AFFECTIONATE caring, understanding professional white male seeks female unhappy with current situation for discreet relationship. 44843

AFFECTIONATE, caring, white male, 36, seeks petite to average, white female, 25-40, for discreet relationship. Status unimportant. No drugs or smoke. Social drinks OK. 44862

AFFECTIONATE nice-looking single white professional male, 54, 5'8". Enjoys golf, biking, movies, dining out, non-smoker. Seeking white female 42-50, for friendship or possible relationship. 44801

AGGRESSIVE Male 45, fit, seeks docile female. 4488

AGILE, sexy, attractive, slender, clean, non-smoking, drug-free 44 white male seeks similar black female for passionate, discreet, satisfying relationship. All replies confidential. 44876

A LITTLE overweight white male, 31, 5'7". Intelligent, employed, educated, non-smoker, outdoorsman, sportsman, likes to read, theater. Seeking single female for friendship, possible relationship. 44853

APPEALING, white, 38, 5'8", physically, mentally, spiritually fit, open, honest, sincere, affectionate. Among many interests are exercising, travel, cooking, also have 2 bedroom apartment like a state. Note: New # effective 1/25, please call again. 44000

ARTISTIC, photographer, 46, 5'10", warm eyes, trim beard. Seeks mood-al-type, passionate woman (30-40), non-smoker, likes dancing, movies, camping, etc. 44484

ATTRACTIVE black male, 30, great build, personality, business owner. Lots of fun to be with. Desires sweet bi-racial female for relationship. 44873

ATTRACTIVE, honest, factory worker, 38, seeks fun-loving white lady. 44611

ATTRACTIVE, white male 42, honest, sincere, affectionate, social drinker, smoker. Seeks white, petite female with same interests. 44911

ATTRACTIVE, 5'9, 170 lbs, young white male seeking energetic, 20-25 yrs fun loving, intelligent, weight proportion to height. Out-door activities, no dependents. 44003

AVERAGE black gentleman, 37, 6'2, 205lbs, non smoker/drinker would like to meet interesting, confident lady (weight proportion/height) to build a friendship. No barrier. 44789

BLACK BROTHER seeks white sister for fun times. Call today for the excitement of your life! 44695

SEEKING a single black female for long term relationship. I'm an attractive single white male, 33, 6', 160 lbs. If you're 28-38, pretty, sophisticated, fun, career oriented or quiet girl, please call. 44842

620 Men Seeking Women

ATTRACTIVE, physically fit, neglected married white male, 29, seeks single or married female for daytime sensual encounters. Age unimportant. 44851

BALD but goodlooking single white male, 5'10", 160 lbs, physician/golfer. Hoping to meet trim, attractive 50-ish woman for all the usual reasons. 44924

BI-RACIAL SINGLE, late 40's, employed, honest & caring, looking for bi-racial or white female for a great friendship or 32-45, small-medium, Southfield area. 44929

BLACK MAN 24, interested in sexy lady, dating between 21-40. Attractive with a sense of humor who is willing to deal with a college student. 44005

Bright degreed, caring, divorced white male, 41, seeks bright, non-smoking, weight proportionate single white female, no smoking, relationship, marriage. 44724

CANTON, small business owner (just started), 37, average body, and nice, receding blonde hair, I'm serious/unimportant. Prefer petite lady, advisor to learn from. 44954

CHEERFUL, nice looking, slender, 36 yr. old male enjoys good conversation, dining, romantic evenings, seeks sincere, trim, 21-38 yr. old woman. Relationship, marriage-minded. Plymouth. 44890

CHRISTIAN GENTLEMAN, 43 years old, looking for that one special Love which will endure for eternity. 44922

COLLEGE PROFESSIONAL, 47, 5'10", white, seeks sincere woman w/ sense of humor for dining, dancing, movies/plays. Looking for a friend first, possible relationship. 44992

CUTE, sexy, nice, clean, white male, 45, non smoker, slender, seeks similar female for an occasional, interesting, passionate, discreet relationship. 44962

DECENT LOOKING single white male, seeking attractive single white female, 20-something, who is confident or a bed wetter. Sincere ladies only. 44924

DESPARATELY SEEKING SEXY white lady in her 40's, early 50's for romantic liaison by eager to please. 32 year old white male. 44892

DISCREET WHITE MARRIED man well endowed, non smoker, non drinker, seeks lady age, size, status not important for discreet fun times, day time good. 44007

DIVORCED white male, 29, 5'10", 180lbs, honest, caring, sincere, seeking white female, 27-33. Enjoys movies, dining, bowling, warm nights at home. Friendship, possible relationship. 44813

DIVORCED white male, 53, 5'10", handsome bearded professional, enjoys children sports, travel. Seeks attractive, educated woman for friendship or relationship. 44814

DIVORCING black male, 50, seeks attractive, petite, loving, caring, young uninhibited white female for serious monogamous relationship. Age open. 44961

DOMINANT, SENSUAL, passionate white male, 38, tall, dark, handsome, seeks adventurous submissive lady for friendship, passion. Will answer all! 44006

DO YOU ENJOY Music, Life, Laughter, Nature, Conversation, Friendship, Fun? Attractive, easy-going single white male seeking confident lady friend/soulmate. 44855

EASY GOING, handsome 6' white professional nice guy in shape, golf, 42, wants white female companion, friend, pal, attractive 27-37, to share experiences. 44782

EASY to get along with, handsome, fit, divorced white male, 32, 5'8", 150 lbs., searching for all attractive white female, 25-35 for friendship or relationship. 44866

620 Men Seeking Women

NOT FOUND in stores. White divorced male, 40, seeks someone for monogamous relationship who still enjoys flowers & will take time to know someone. 44895

PROFESSIONAL - uninhibited divorced black male, 40, looking for compatible, honest, attractive, sensual black lady, 30-40 for friendship, fun & possible relationship. 44895

PROFESSIONAL, moral, never married white male, 40, seeks relationship minded female. Enjoy dinner, movies, plays, sports. 44458

PROFESSIONAL and Artistic Single Black Male, 32, 6'4", seeks a positive, modern, creative intellectual, fun, 24-32 yr. old, relatively slim single female for possible relationship. 44940

PROFESSIONAL - single white male, brown hair & eyes, 28, 5'9", 160 lbs, physically fit, nice looking, enjoys dancing, dining, seeking single white female interested in fun & friendship. 44888

ROBINSON CRUSOE - tired of years of loneliness, sweet, young, female girl Friday for business man for long term, discreet, mutual, rewarding relationship. 44900

SHY, QUIET, 29, white tall, slim, professional, enjoys sports, movies, concerts, travel, quiet evenings, social drinker, non-smoker, seeks single female girl Friday for business man for long term, discreet, mutual, rewarding relationship. 44956

SINCERE WHITE MALE, 49, professional, loves life, seeking same. Age, status, no barrier. Looking for a special someone. 44001

SINGLE BLACK Professional male, handsome, intelligent, fun, romantic, 25, seeking single female black, 25-35, for a special, fun, love, relationship. Must be attractive & professional. 44885

SINGLE LEBANESE male, age 37, reed minded, college educated, 25-35, seeking a special lady who wants a lover and a husband, romantically. 44844

SINGLE ORIENTAL Male, professional, 30, fit, looking for someone with same interests. 44838

SINGLE, tall, white, Construction Worker, kind-of-shy, & his 7 yr old son, tired of being bachelors, seeks down-to-earth, good-looking, slim, lady to take care of. 44956

SINGLE WHITE MALE, 38, non smoker, seeks single white female 24-36, children free. Mutual feelings, respect with respect & an uncomplicated, relaxed atmosphere. 44864

SINGLE white male, 5'11", 230 lbs, 28 yrs. Honest, compassionate, seeks petite, attractive, fresh, woman, 20-35; for movies, dinners, & drag racing. Must like fun. 44903

Single White Male, 34, 1 child, honest, sincere, very affectionate. Enjoys outdoors, movies, quiet time. Seeking woman 29-34, 1 child only, who enjoys same. 44891

SINGLE WHITE MALE 35, 5'6", attractive, seeking attractive female for friendship/companionship. 44923

SINGLE WHITE MALE, British, 5'10", 26, intelligent, athletic, new to Michigan seeking attractive 20-28, single white female, must be serious, caring, slim & have good sense of humor for lasting relationship with a possible marriage. 44908

SINGLE, white male, 42, 6', 175 lbs, enjoys golf, bowling, fishing, reading. Seeks attractive, sincere, witty female, 25-40, for friendship or more. 44822

SUBMISSIVE single white male, mid 50's, seeks dominant older white female. 44822

TALL, HANDSOME, well built, non-smoking, young looking, 37 yr. old, optimistic, growth oriented, likeable - fun, professional, seeking counterpart 26-35. Family feasible. 44852

620 Men Seeking Women

SINGLE white male, 22, good looking, 5'9", 161 lbs, single, brown eyes, health conscious. Seeks single white female, 22-26, nice attractive, career minded, romantic. No mind games must be serious. 44883

SINGLE, white, male, 38, seeking beautiful, handicapped ladies for friendships and relationships. 44953

SINGLE white male age 31 - tall sincere seeks a cool single white female, under 35 to walk me up from the winter chair. Quality. 44963

TALL, dark, & handsome inside & out, white male, willing to devote my time & affection to a financially independent mature woman. I'm mid-40's, advanced degreed, active, in shape, non-smoker. Please be sincere. 44658

TALL, Single, white, good-looking, single, attractive, professional older woman, 30's, who likes music, movies, romance, cooking. 44053

ATTRACTIVE Black career woman, 48, Rochester Hills professional, affectionate, musically, who hates oysters, loves backrub and needs a romantic quiet evening away from everything but me. 44842

HOW DO The Elite Meet? Sweet slim, beautiful blonde, seeks her equal in a handsome, fit, affluent gentleman. 47th, degreed, world traveled, good dancer. 44087

ME - black female - 38, sexy, sweet, sincere, likes to be spoiled. YOU - tall, dark, handsome, well spoken, nice dresser. If you are the one - call me. 44559

ONE CALL IS ALL it would take from you. Looking for affluent divorced white male 52-60, good health, physically fit, healthy decent golfer & likes to travel. For sincere lady, well put together body & brains, seeking a beautiful, 44012

PERKY, EDUCATED, bright, attractive, clean, sexy, warm, sensitive, romantic professional lady with varied interests seeking non-smoking gentleman, enjoys sports, traveling, friendship, love, marriage. 44908

PETITE WHITE 40, caring & loving single mom loves cooking, music, beach, movies, quiet times, humor. Seeking single non-smoking 35-45 male with similar interests. Friends first. 44887

BEAUTIFUL, busy, healthy, black, middle-age, christian lady, 5'4", 160lbs, looking for gentleman who enjoys theater, movies, candle-light dinners & the beach. 44661

BEAUTY, enchantment, spirituality, attracts this divorced white female. Cash for you, quiet evening. Bad Wing Hockey. 44752

WELL-ENDED Man seeks well-endowed lady. 44460

White Knight(owl) - 44, 6'3", 230, (RVer, skier, tennis, cuddler, dancer, jazzier, Harley) seeks genuine Damsel in Distress, trim, tranquil, traditional. 44854

WHITE MALE, 28, overweight but fun, likes going to movies, reading, enjoys having a good time. 44934

WHITE MALE, 32, 5'10", 170 lbs, union public utility worker, seeks female to be dance partner for western dance lessons. Canton area. 44925

WHITE MALE, 45, educated, seeks female who does not look fun to anger, nor ahead in bed, but around in awareness. 44438

YOUNG BLACK MALE seeking female, size & race no matter, for fun, dancing & possible relationship. Friends first. 44886

YOUNG, TALL, HONEST, Sincere, single white male seeks very pretty female, 18-30, who would enjoy romantic evenings and being shared. 44996

YOUNG WHITE widow, 45, 5'10", 165lbs, black hair brown eyes, nice looking, seeking lady for positive growing relationship with friendship as a foundation. 44848

27 single white male, 5'10", 162 lbs, white, talks, dances & cuddles. Seeking 24-34 fit attractive woman for friendship, possible relationship. 44996

621 Women Seeking Men

CLASSY, vivacious, attractive female seeks honest, single, white male, non-smoker, 50-60, to share special moments, laughter, family & friends. Loves backrub and needs a romantic quiet evening away from everything but me. 4495



507 Help Wanted Part Time PERSON FRIEDY for small office in person...

508 Help Wanted Domestic GROSSE POINTE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY

511 Entertainment MUSIC TO YOUR EARS PROFESSIONAL DISC JOCKEY

512 Job Wanted Male / Female SOUTHWEST MOTHER would like to care for your children...

518 Education & Instruction ALL MATH & SCIENCE SUBJECTS Tutors, High School & University

600 Personals THE 1989 ANNUAL Michigan Business Council Association

700 Auction Sales ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE AUCTION

702 Antiques ANTIQUE CAR BARBER chair, very ornate, rosewood, looks like a 1910's chair

708 Crafts CHERYL'S Country Corner items for sale...

508 Help Wanted Domestic ABDOMEN GROWING - ENERGY slowing - expectant mom needs part time help with housework...

512 Job Wanted Male / Female ALL COMMERCIAL & ALL TYPES OF CLEANING

518 Education & Instruction BIBLE STUDY In Home Interested?

518 Education & Instruction LEARN BARTENDING Two week course Job Placement Assistance

603 Health - Nutrition Weight Loss CONQUER THE WINTER BASH! Therapeutic Myo Massage, Stress Relief & Muscle Training

702 Antiques HICKORY HILL ANTIQUES OPENING MARCH 1

702 Antiques SANDERS ANTIQUES 35118 MICHIGAN AVE. WAYNE, MI

708 Crafts CARMELA'S Wholesale - Resale Valentine's Specials

508 Help Wanted Couples APARTMENT MANAGER COUPLE Husband & wife team to manage large apartment community...

512 Job Wanted Male / Female TROY DAY CARE First aid, CPR, food prep, infant & toddler

518 Education & Instruction THE TRAVEL ACADEMY West Bloomfield 855-6560

518 Education & Instruction TUTORING/ELEMENTARY Teacher Will teach in math & reading

603 Health - Nutrition 522 Personal Services I WILL investigate any personal or business needs for you...

702 Antiques RESTAURANT AUCTION SUN. FEB. 14 AT 12 NOON

702 Antiques ANTIQUE AND COLLECTIBLES AUCTION

708 Crafts 815 Woodhouse 815 Woodhouse (1 mi. N. of opposite of 312)

508 Help Wanted Couples HOUSEKEEPER/CHILD CARE Live in our W. Bloomfield home, private living quarters...

512 Job Wanted Male / Female MAID Available-House Cleaning Residential/Commercial

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518 Education & Instruction 524 Tax Services INCOME TAX - Accurate, confidential, reasonably priced

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CHEVY S-10 1991, 4 cylinder, air, 5-speed auto, 2000 miles. \$1,299. Call after 5pm: 486-1884

823 Vans

AEROSTAR XL 1990, automatic, air, power windows, light package, luggage rack, tinted windows, cassette, warranty \$6999.00. Call after 5pm: 486-1884

823 Vans

CHEVY 1989 Cargo Van - automatic, air, power steering & brakes, 2 ft. lift. Only \$6588. MATICK CHEVY 531-7100

823 Vans

FORD 1989 Club Wagon, 7-passenger, air, cruise, low mileage. \$5,200.00. After 5pm: 785-2020

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BRONCO S 1984, 4x4, V-6, 88, air, cruise, auto, cassette, 10,000 mi. Call after 5pm: 421-3275

825 Sports & Imported Cars

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MERCEDES 1975, 450 SEL, excellent condition. Priced to sell at \$4500. Call after 5pm: 837-2871

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CAMARO 1967-2 1968 - 70K mi. loaded, excellent condition. Call after 5pm: 837-2871

826 Buick

LAZARE 1989 - new engine & transmission, \$5899 or best offer. Call after 5pm: 801-0748

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LAZARE 1989 LTD - air, cruise, automatic, power windows, tinted windows, new tires, \$12,885. MATICK CHEVY 531-7100

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PARK AVENUE 1981, loaded, excellent condition, 28,000 miles, new tires, \$12,500. Call after 5pm: 862-2322

826 Buick

REGAL 1987 V-6, bucket seats, air, cruise, rear defogger, 53,000 miles. Call after 5pm: 537-4845

826 Buick

REGAL 1988 Limited, 2 door coupe, loaded, 19K miles, new brakes & tires. \$9900. Call after 5pm: 416-9187

826 Buick

RIVIERA 1978 - New engine, transmission & tires. Runs good. \$3,000. Call after 5pm: 352-0009

826 Buick

SKYHAWK 1988, highway miles, excellent condition, \$11,400. Farmington Hills. After 5pm: 626-2973

826 Buick

SKYHAWK 1988, automatic, air/m, air, clean little car, 8951 down, \$136 monthly, no co-signer needed. Call after 5pm: 455-5666

826 Buick

SKYLARK 1990 - Fully loaded, 58,000 mi., excellent condition. \$7,900. Call after 5pm: 488-1884

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BUROUGHAM 1988 - Navy, leather, all options, excellent condition. \$6850. Call after 5pm: 478-0573

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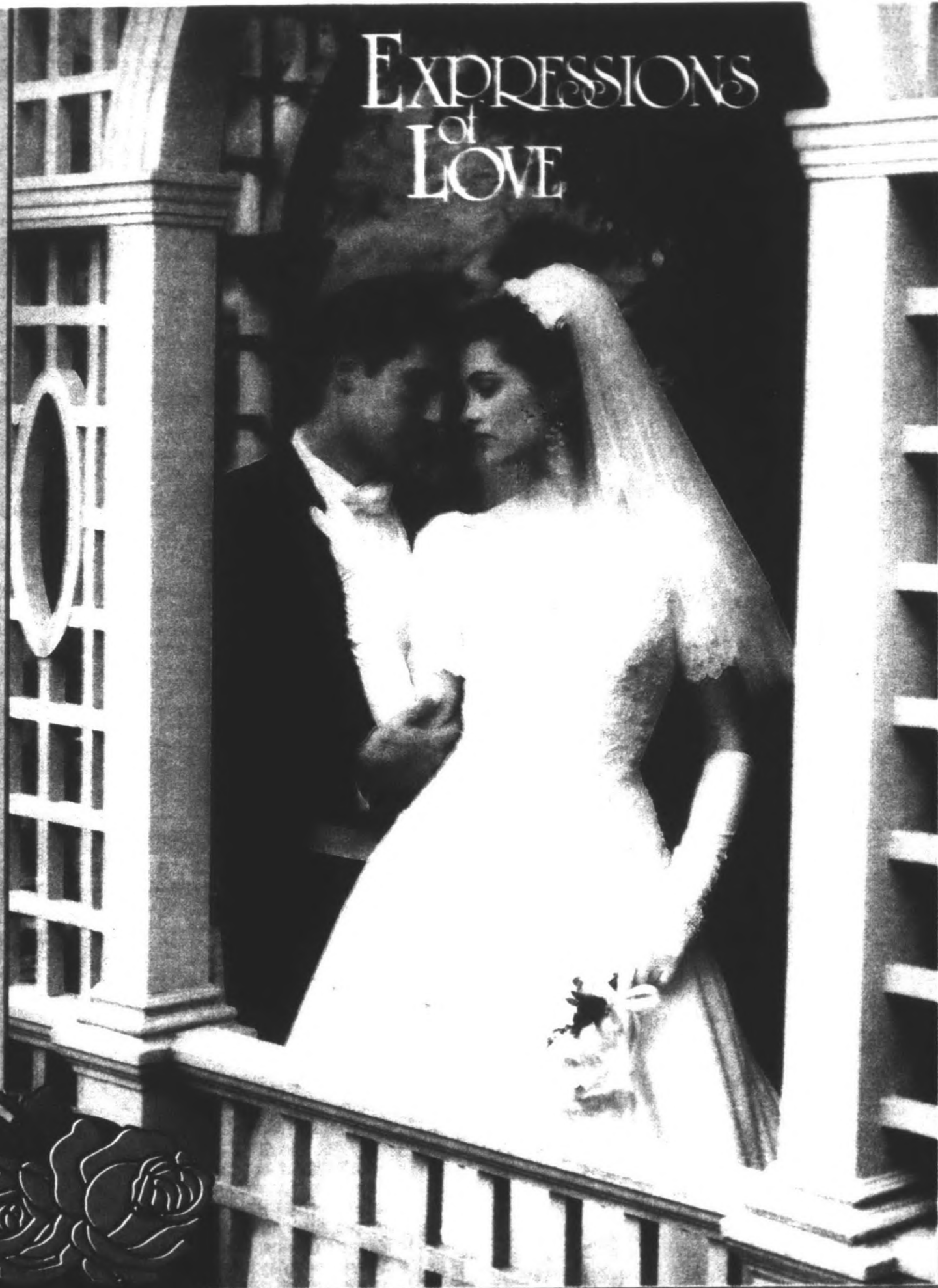








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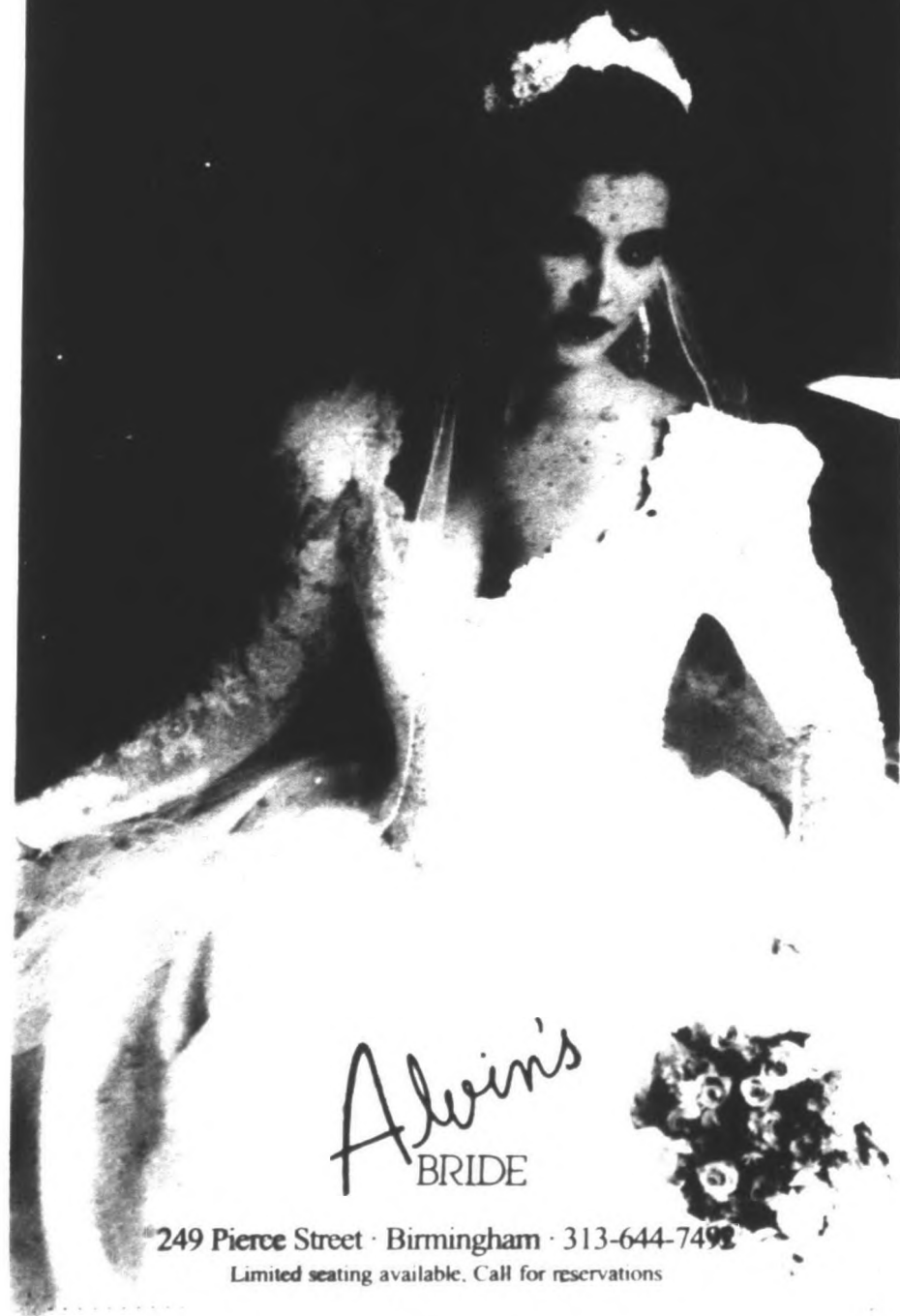
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Other returning trends include body-conscious satin gowns of the '30s and tailored dresses of the '40s, Copley News Service reports.

Within this backdrop, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers today unveils Expressions of Love, our annual winter bridal fashion supplement.

We serve up a trendy look at fashion styles that promises to help make tying the knot memorable.

—Bob Sklar

Assistant managing editor/special projects

**On the Cover:** A vision of enchanted beauty on her most memorable day... The classic A-line silhouette gown by the house of Bianchi is the essence of what bridal dreams are made of. Decorative beading accents the garden of Alencon lace bodice. Scallops open the front and back neckline and jeweled bowed cap sleeves. The full skirt and train in polished taffeta echo the soft romance of the rites of spring with a delicate lace garland border. At Pollak's Bridal, West Bloomfield. Photo courtesy of Modern Bride magazine.

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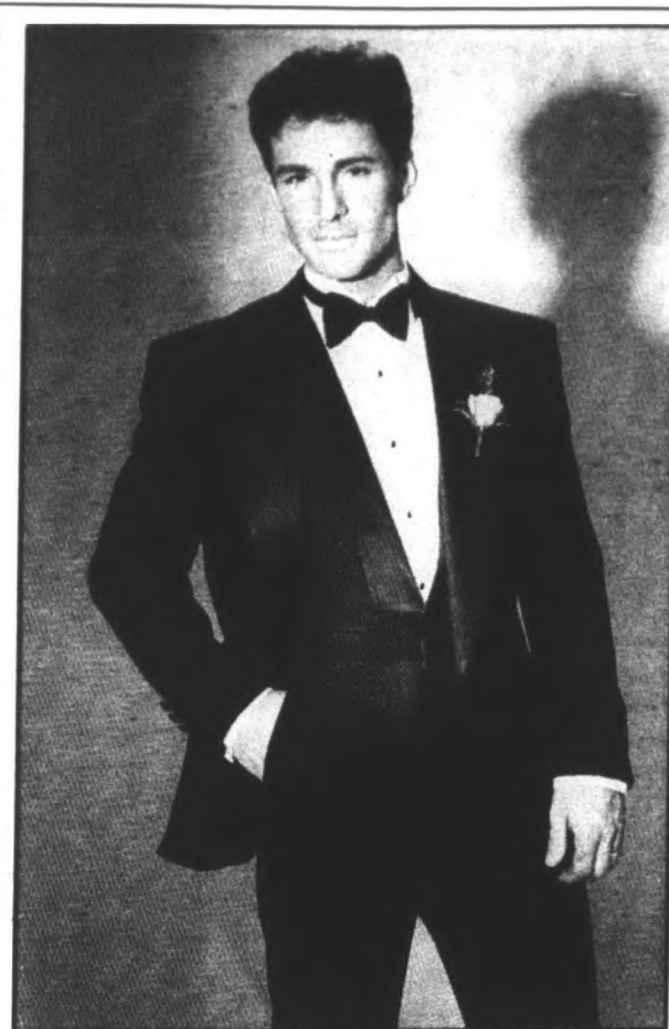


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Doubt truth to be a liar;  
But never doubt I love.*

— William Shakespeare



DENISE LUCAS

The ring's on your finger, the date is set and you have just returned home toting three spring bridal fashion magazines that weigh 40 pounds each. (You're off to a great start.) The pages are filled with bridal splendor ranging from short and chic to Renaissance drama

hauling 20-foot cathedral trains. If Shakespeare could just take that "doubt" out of selecting the right bridal gown . . . shopping would not be such sweet sorrow.

Bridal gowns are like potato chips — how can you have just one? They solved that problem in Japan. Brides traditionally don three wedding ensembles on the day they take their wedding vows. But unless you're serving sushi, there should be only one wedding gown in your bridal dreams.

After contacting local bridal experts, it was determined there are four important "W" factors to consider when selecting your bridal attire. Look at your waist, wallet, wedding plans and what's hot before making your wedding gown decision.

### Waist

Janice Hayes, Jacobson's public relations director, suggests "anything goes for bridal . . . it's whatever a bride envisions herself wearing.

"What's most important is that the gown feel comfortable and be easy to move and dance in. It should not be too low cut, too tight or too much off the shoulder," Hayes said.

Hayes suggested paying close attention to figure type. To ensure a beautiful silhouette, buy a dress that's fully lined. "If a girl's short-waisted . . . elongate the waist with a drop-waist gown. If top heavy, focus details on the skirt."

The bottom line: enhance your best qualities and disguise problem areas. Ask a bridal salon consultant to make suggestions for your particular body type.

"Once you determine the neckline and waistline, the rest will fall into place," says Jeanine Brown, co-owner of Every Bride and Mother, Birmingham.

Another body tip: select a dramatic neckline to draw the eye upward and away from the hips. And don't forget proper undergarments and shoes to enhance your best features and camouflage figure flaws.

**A Cinderella fairy tale:** Right, Tales of love and romance reveal magical enchantment in a Vera Wang off-the-shoulder gown with silk satin bodice accented with rosettes and tulle.

The dramatic full fairy tale tulle skirt is a vision of timeless beauty. At Hudson's Northland, Southfield.



### Wallet

"Don't buy a dress for the name," says Nanci Hyman of Lina's Bridal Salon in Plymouth. "Look for a quality-made gown in fine fabrics."

"Stay within your budget and take in photos from magazines (and local newspapers)," says Brown at Every Bride and Mother. "This will help the bridal salon find the look you want at a price you can afford."

### Wedding plans

Are you planning a formal daytime, formal evening, semiformal or informal affair? Your gown should match the time and location of your day. Don't forget to consider your personality type: romantic, classic, sophisticated, avant garde? Wedding size, location and previous marriages are all determining factors when selecting the style of your bridal attire.

### What's hot

"Our brides are opting for simpler, elegant gowns with less bead work and more detail," says Laura Rubin, director at Alvin's Bridal in Birmingham.

Looks to watch for, she says, are portrait collars, tulle, sheaths, silk shantung and longer veils with lace and subtle beading.

"Off the shoulder, lots of A-lines, simpler lines and Juliet caps are what young brides are asking for at Lina's Bridal," Hyman says. "Some trends are even reminiscent of the '60s with modified empire waistlines."

"Overall trends . . . less is more," says Hayes of Jacobson's. "A little beading, a little lace, off the shoulder, brocades are popular and what's really new is short with long over-skirts. It's the best of both worlds and can be worn for other occasions."

Reflections of individual style and the myriad of stylish gowns available will give the '90s bride multioptions when making that final decision of her expression of love.

Remember W-4 (waist, wallet, wedding plans and what's hot).

*Doubt thou the stars are fire;  
Doubt that the road doth wind  
Doubt truth to be a liar;  
But never doubt the perfect gown you will find.*

— Denise Lucas



**Imagine the fantasy:** Express your fantasy in a silk-faced satin mini with detachable, floor-length tulle skirt. The mini-sheath of Venice lace is adorned with pearls and rhinestones and off-the-shoulder satin rosette sleeves. The Ron Lo-Vecce gown displays a removable full tulle skirt with Venice lace and is trimmed with a satin rosette bow at waist. At Jacobson's.

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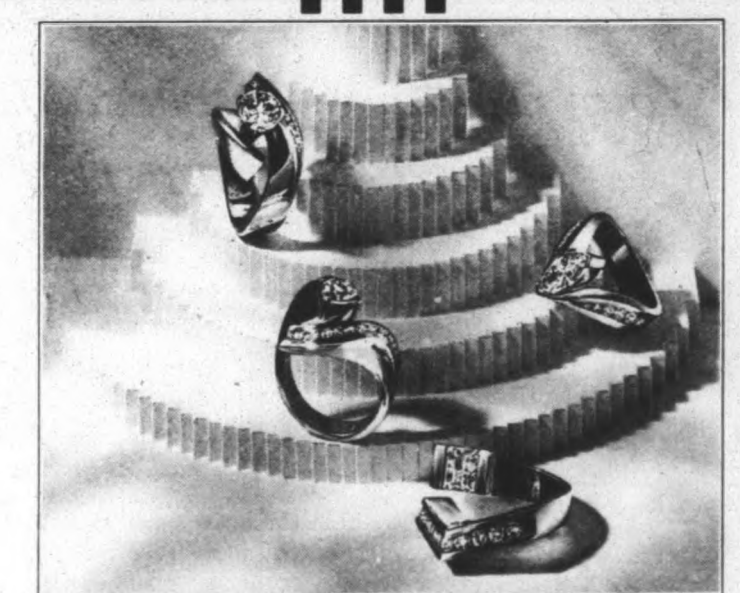
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■ **FEB. 4-7**  
Priscilla of Boston trunk show, Elizabeth's Bridal Manor, Northville. 348-2783.

■ **FEB. 7**  
Contemporary Bride bridal show by Alvin's Bride, in the Townsend Hotel, Birmingham. Noon to 4 p.m. Tickets, \$6 advance or \$7 door. 790-1900.

A bridal headpiece trunk show, Polak's Bridal, West Bloomfield. By appointment noon to 5 p.m.

Brides-To-Be, Inc., Hotel Baronette, Novi. Elizabeth's Bridal, Northville. L'Elite Bridal, Southfield. 12:30 p.m. Tickets, \$6 advance or \$7 door. 790-5500.

■ **FEB. 11-13**  
Jim Hjelm trunk show, Jacobson's, Birmingham. 644-6900.

Ilissa, Ilissa 2000 and Grand Tradition bridal only trunk show, Lina's Bridal, Plymouth. 455-1100.

■ **FEB. 11-14**  
Christian Dior trunk show, Eliza-

beth's Bridal Manor, Northville. 348-2783.

■ **FEB. 18-20**  
Galina trunk show, Jacobson's, Birmingham. 644-6900.

■ **FEB. 18-21**  
Ilissa trunk show, Alvin's Bride, Birmingham. 644-7492. Formal fashion show, 7 p.m. Feb. 18.

■ **FEB. 18-20**  
Wallentin Bridal Collection trunk show, Lina's Bridal, Plymouth. 455-1100.

■ **FEB. 21**  
Fashion show, Ellen's Bridal, LTD. Laurel Park Place, Livonia. Noon to 1 p.m. 462-0740.

■ **FEB. 25-28**  
House of Bianchi trunk show, Alvin's Bride, Birmingham. 644-7492. Formal fashion show, 7 p.m. Feb. 25.

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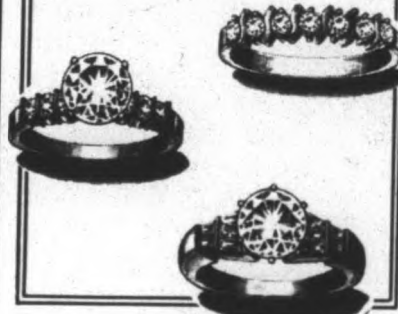
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■ **MARCH 4-6**  
John Bradley for the Couture Collection headpieces trunk show, Lina's Bridal, Plymouth. 455-1100.

■ **MARCH 4-6**  
Mother of the bride and special occasion dresses by Foursixteen, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Roz & Sherm, Bloomfield Hills. 855-8855.

■ **MARCH 5**  
Crowning Touch bridal headpieces trunk show and custom design, Jacobson's, Birmingham. 644-6900.

■ **MARCH 6**  
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Van Lear bridal trunk show (bridal only), Lina's Bridal, Plymouth. 455-1100.

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■ **MARCH 21**  
Fashion show, Ellen's Bridal, LTD. Laurel Park Place, Livonia. Noon to 1 p.m. Reservations 462-0740.

■ **MARCH 25-27**  
Bill Levkoff, Watters & Watters & New Image bridesmaids & formals trunk show, Lina's Bridal, Plymouth. 455-1100.

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