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THE WEEK AHEAD

Beanie Babies: There will be a Beanie Baby show from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. The Plymouth Beanie Baby show and sale will feature dealers and collectors selling current and retired Beanie Babies and accessories. Call (734) 455-2110.

MONDAY

Vote: Polls will be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. for the Plymouth-Canton school board election. Remember you must vote according to your school precinct, which is different than where you might vote for city or township elections.

TUESDAY

Be a guest: The Plymouth/Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club invites members of those communities to join the club. It also has a breakfast scheduled at 7 a.m. at the Water Club Grille, 39500 Ann Arbor Road. Call (734) 207-0780.

THURSDAY

Graduation day: Students in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Adult/Alternative Education program will graduate at 7 p.m. in the Plymouth Salem Auditorium, 46181 Joy Road in Canton. The 75 graduates range from 17 to 45 years of age.

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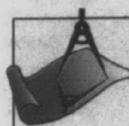
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Kroger plans a larger market



Plymouth Township and Kroger's project developer have agreed to settle a court case with a compromise in the plans, which calls for the removal of driveways located opposite of condominiums.

A bigger Kroger supermarket is planned for an area now occupied by apartments just west of the current Kroger.

The development was made possible as Plymouth Township and the project developer have agreed to settle a court battle over the development by compromising on its size.

Some residents in condominiums south of the commercial center at Sheldon Road and Ann Arbor Road strongly opposed a more intense development

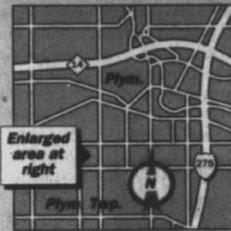
plan. Many cited traffic as a chief concern.

The township planning commission also rejected that plan, saying it called for more intense development than what zoning law allowed.

Developer Paul Dietz last winter sued the township over the planning commission rejection. In April, the township and developer agreed to settle the suit.

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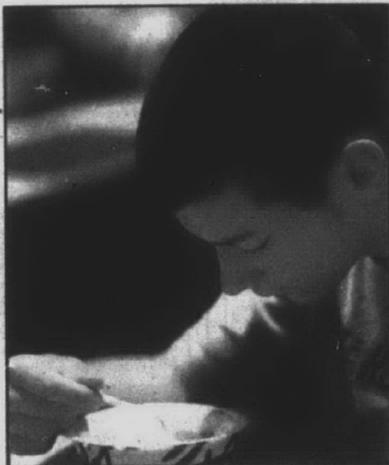
Changes planned for Kroger shopping center in Plymouth Township



New access to shopping center shifted east away from residential area. New landscaping will be added to define new entry in addition to new Ann Arbor Road landscaping along entire frontage.



A soup-er day



A benefit lunch: Derek Sarber, above, samples soup at the first-ever Annual Soup Kitchen, a benefit to help the Salvation Army, at Plymouth Salem High School. Jessica Altpeter and Bekki Montgomery also serve soup. The 150 students and adults who participated raised \$1,105 for the Salvation Army Food Bank.



Soup Kitchen

Students raise money to help food bank

The Salvation Army Food Bank has \$1,105 more today than it had last month thanks to the efforts of 150 students and adults who participated in the first-ever Annual Soup Kitchen May 26.

"We may have more coming in from a donation," said Peggy Bozyk, one of the event's sponsoring teachers.

The "Empty Bowls" program, which was started in the Farmington Public Schools, arrived at the Plymouth-Canton school district through its Service Learning Program. The Soup Kitchen was an interdisciplinary student presentation.

Students hosted the effort to benefit the Salvation Army. The program was aided by grants from the Michigan Department of Education and the United Way through the Educational Excellence Foundation.

The Soup Kitchen featured students' work in culinary arts, sponsored by teacher Carey Gary, poetry sponsored by Graham Martin, and work in history and American literature classes sponsored by Bozyk and Jane Lippow.

Art students also made 150 ceramic bowls and culinary arts students made two kinds of soup, as well as

■ 'And we plan to do it again next year.'

Peggy Bozyk
—teacher

bread, and provided milk for the meal at the Rock Cafe in Salem High School.

The 150 participants each bought a bowl with tickets that were sold in advance for \$5 per student, \$10 per adult. Participants got to keep their bowls as a reminder that many people have "empty bowls," Bozyk said.

"We are doing an awareness in service learning program," Bozyk said. "It's a whole big movement. It really is cool."

The Soup Kitchen was conducted through the school day's three lunch periods with proceeds presented to the Salvation Army — which serves Plymouth and Canton — during the last lunch period, Bozyk said.

Empty Bowls is now an international program that participants may implement in any way they choose. "We made up the Soup Kitchen idea through talking about it. And we plan to do it again next year," Bozyk said.

Voters select school trustees in election Tuesday

Plymouth-Canton school administrators are hoping for a good turnout in Monday's school board elections.

"I think with the number of big issues that board members will have to decide in the near future, voters will want to make sure they elect the candidates they feel are the best to make those decisions," Superintendent Chuck Little said.

For a school board election, a good turnout could be around 2,500 voters —

either going to the polls or voting absentee.

Last year, of the approximately 68,800 registered voters in the communities which are served by the district, only 2,513 voters cast ballots. That's an anemic 3.6 percent of registered voters.

In 1996, the school board election drew only 2,182 voters. That's a pitiful 3 percent of the registered voters.

District officials put the cost of the

election at about \$12,800, which means taxpayers are getting a low rate of return for the money spent to staff all of the 18 precincts in the district.

This will be the third election for the controversial touch-screen voting machines. Public relations director Judy Evola says there will be directions on how to use the machines just about everywhere.

"At the precincts there will be flyers with directions before voters go into

the voting booth, and there will instructions in every booth," Evola said. "We encourage voters to talk to precinct workers if they have questions, or watch a video that will be constantly playing at the polls."

School Elections Clerk Liz Adams said she's sent out 819 absentee ballots, and has received approximately 500 back. Anyone with an absentee ballot can return them by 8 p.m. Mon-

Please see **ELECTION, A3**

Pursell honored

Former U.S. Rep Carl Pursell of Plymouth was honored by the House of Representatives on Wednesday as they voted to name the post office on Clipper Drive after him.

Pursell served eight terms in the House. From his position on the appropriations committee, he used his experience as a former educator to become a national leader on education. Before his election to Congress in 1976, Pursell served on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners and in the Michigan state senate.

"Carl was responsible for securing the funding to build the post office in Plymouth and it is only appropriate that it bear his name," said U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield.

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Pursell serves on the Eastern Michigan University board of regents.

Millage backers

A cocktail party-fund-raiser put together by Citizens For Plymouth Township on behalf of the "Say Yes To Plymouth Township" millage campaign is scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday at Ginopolis

Parthenon Restaurant at Compuware Sports Arena, 14900 Beck Road.

The campaign committee is publicizing the three property tax issues: 3 mills for police, fire and emergency communications; a half-mil for recreation; and three-quarters of a mil to move Western Townships Utilities Authority debt from residents water bills to a tax-deductible township tax.

"We anticipate raising \$30,000 to insure that the message gets out to everyone," said Sandy Groth, with the citizens group. "This campaign is designed to answer questions and to help bring this community together around issues that are for the common good," she said.

Reservations, at \$100 per person, can be made by calling 459-8512.

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day at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey in Plymouth. The polls are open Monday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters are being asked to fill two four-year seats on the Board of Education. The candidates are incumbent Susan Davis, and challengers Sheila Friedrich, Richard Ham-Kucharski and Darwin Watts. Board President Mark Horvath isn't seeking reelection.

Voters will also be filling an unexpired two-year term that was vacated last March with the resignation of board member Jack Farrow. The board appointed Judy Mardigian to fill that spot until the election. She's the

only candidate for that term. Barring a massive write-in campaign, Mardigian will be sworn in and take office at the Tuesday night board meeting. That has to be done because she would have won an unexpired term, which must be filled immediately. The other two winners have to

be sworn in within 10 days of the election. Their terms will begin with the first meeting in July. Anyone with questions concerning the election can call Adams at 416-3095 or the district offices at 416-2701.

Officials negotiate to control parking lots

The goal is to attract vibrant restaurants and shops downtown, and to provide adequate parking. To get there, city officials have been acting on two fronts. First, they've been trying to loosen parking regulations on new restaurants to lure them to

town. Second, city officials have been negotiating with downtown property owners about having the city control their parking lots. And now, they say an agreement is close on new downtown parking regulations. The new rules would encourage restaur-

ant and other development downtown, while maintaining parking space.

City commissioners are scheduled June 15 to vote on the new parking regulations. City Commissioner Dave McDonald commended Commissioner Ron Loiselle and Mayor Don Dismuke for their work on the issue.

"They should be commended for making sure the parking problem didn't end up on the shelf," he said. City officials say they're close to getting an agreement with downtown landlords over their parking lots.

The new parking regulations were presented for approval to city commissioners by city planning commissioners. Last month, the planning commission approved parking regulation amendments that:

- Prohibit building on private-

ly owned parking lots - if the parking had been presented on a business site plan accepted by the city.

■ Allow residential and offices on building second floors. "This land use restriction will result in lower parking demands," said city planning consultant Don Wortman in a report to planning commissioners. That's because retail and commercial businesses bring more cars downtown than offices or apartments.

■ Add parking spaces to existing lots through redesign and improving parking lot maintenance, landscaping and security.

■ Issue no new parking credits. A parking credit system had been developed downtown to assess payments from businesses to create future parking, if they had little or no on site parking.



Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Precincts

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- Precinct 3: ISBISTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Includes all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 5, all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 9 and all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 14.
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- Precinct 5: ALLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Includes all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 3, all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 4 and all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 10.
- Precinct 6: WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL. Includes all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 12, all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 15, and all of the territory of the school district in Salem Township.
- Precinct 7: FARRAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Includes all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 1, all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 2, all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 8, and all of the territory of the school district in Northville Township.
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- Precinct 9: MILLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Includes all of Canton Township Precinct No. 4 and all of Canton Township Precinct No. 13.
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- Precinct 14: BIRD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Includes Plymouth Township Precinct No. 7 and Plymouth Township Precinct No. 11.
- Precinct 15: PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL. Includes all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 6, all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 13, and all of Plymouth Township Precinct No. 16.
- Precinct 16: TONDA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Includes all of Canton Township Precinct No. 11 and all of Canton Township Precinct No. 19.
- Precinct 17: HOBEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Includes all of Canton Township Precinct No. 1, all of Canton Township Precinct No. 22 and all of Canton Township Precinct No. 23.
- Precinct 18: BENTLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Includes all of Canton Township Precinct No. 16 and all of Canton Township Precinct No. 17.

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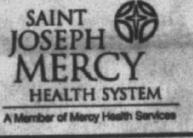


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046-99-0002-001	046-99-0001-001
045-99-0015-001	045-99-0008-001

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Improvements for the Tonquish Creek Storm Sewer Special Assessment District consists of design and construction of a detention basin with a restricted outlet to the Tonquish Creek along with storm sewer to serve proposed industrial lots. There are estimated to be 741 feet of 72-inch storm sewer, 320 feet of 68-inch storm sewer, 685 feet of 54-inch storm sewer, 625 feet of 48-inch storm sewer, 352 feet of 30-inch storm sewer, and 352 feet of 15-inch storm sewer along with the detention basin, the restricted outlet and all appurtenances. Project also includes acquisition of land for the detention basin, 3% fee for selling bonds, and a contingency.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Township Hall, at 7 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on Tuesday, the 9th day of June, 1998, for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at this hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax Tribunal if an appeal should be desired. A property owner or party with an interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment or may file his or her appearance by letter delivered to the clerk by 5 p.m. on June 9, 1998 and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. The property owner or any person having an interest in the property subject to the proposed special assessment may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the State Tax Tribunal within thirty days after confirmation of the special assessment roll if that special assessment was protested at this hearing.

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MEAP: A mixed bag

Fifth-graders score well in science, while eighth-graders improve

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools MEAP RESULTS

Percentages indicate students scoring in the satisfactory range. Scores are broken down into satisfactory, moderate and low categories.

Elementary Science				Elementary Writing			
SCHOOL	1996-96	1996-97	1997-98	SCHOOL	1996-96	1996-97	1997-98
Allen	34.0	47.0	51.4	Allen	88.3	96.8	82.9
Bentley	32.1	34.3	55.1	Bentley	80.2	88.9	91.0
Bird	42.3	60.4	64.1	Bird	91.0	96.7	91.0
Eriksson	32.9	37.2	30.0	Eriksson	80.0	84.6	85.3
Ferrand	29.7	43.1	44.7	Ferrand	69.1	81.4	91.6
Fiegel	25.5	53.2	46.7	Fiegel	84.0	81.0	82.0
Field	15.6	30.3	22.4	Field	80.0	80.0	80.0
Gallimore	21.2	50.9	45.6	Gallimore	81.8	87.7	87.3
Hoben	24.3	28.6	37.9	Hoben	76.7	82.8	77.6
Hulsing	27.0	47.2	45.5	Hulsing	76.2	84.7	85.4
Iabister	49.5	63.6	64.7	Iabister	81.6	91.5	92.9
Miller	49.3	62.2	72.0	Miller	85.2	84.7	88.9
Smith	24.6	50.0	55.4	Smith	77.0	86.6	88.1
Tonda	42.7	75.3	66.3	Tonda	83.2	98.9	87.3
District	33.9	49.6	51.3	District	81.4	88.9	87.1
Statewide	26.9	36.8	40.4	Statewide	55.6	73.4	64.3

Middle School Science				Middle School Writing			
SCHOOL	1996-96	1996-97	1997-98	SCHOOL	1996-96	1996-97	1997-98
Central	26.6	11.7	22.8	Central	83.3	78.8	84.9
East	45.5	38.3	44.9	East	82.0	91.1	81.3
Lowell	26.7	21.8	27.3	Lowell	77.1	92.2	81.4
Pioneer	38.2	21.8	29.6	Pioneer	90.5	85.2	85.8
West	32.7	20.7	27.6	West	91.4	89.1	73.9
District	33.9	22.4	29.8	District	84.8	87.0	81.4
Statewide	21.5	17.5	22.0	Statewide	69.1	77.0	69.0

Results for Plymouth-Canton fifth- and eighth-grade students in science and writing for the Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests are a mixed bag.

Scores released this week by the Michigan Department of Education show fifth grade students in the district did slightly better this year in science, scoring 51.3 percent compared to 49.6 percent last year.

The results mean that just more than 51 percent of fifth-grade students who took the MEAP science test scored satisfactory, the highest of three levels. The others are moderate and low.

The 51.3 percent compares to the statewide average of 40.4 percent for fifth-grade science.

In writing tests, fifth-graders dropped from last year's figures, but remain ahead of the statewide average.

Fifth-grade students scored 81.4 percent on the writing tests. That compares to 88.9 percent last year. Across the state,

Michigan fifth-graders scored 69 percent on the MEAP writing tests.

While eighth grade students saw their average science scores climb, it remains the lowest of any of the MEAP scores reported.

Eighth-graders scored 29.8 percent on the MEAP science test. That compares to 22.4 percent last year.

Statewide, eighth-graders only scored an average 22 percent on the science tests.

Eighth-grade writing scores were down from 1997.

This year, eighth grade students scored 81.4 percent on the writing skills test. Last year, the score was higher at 87 percent. Statewide, eighth-graders are at the 77 percent level.

"While we certainly were ahead of the state averages in science, there's certainly room for improvement, especially at the eighth-grade level," Superintendent Chuck Little said. "Eighth-grade science scores were up compared to last year.

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Chuck Little
—superintendent

However, if you look at scores from a couple of years ago we've seen a drop. We'll be studying it, trying to figure out why we haven't taught it well."

Little seemed pleased with most of the results.

"Elementary science and writing tests continued to do well," said Little. "In fact, elementary did well in all the tests, including the results (released last month) for math and reading.

"The eighth-graders saw their scores drop a bit in writing, however they're still above the 80 percent level so I'm not real concerned."

Last month the state released MEAP test scores for math and reading in fourth and seventh

grades. Fourth-graders saw math scores jump from 66.6 percent to 80.1 percent. Reading scores also improved, going from 57.1 percent to 67.2 percent.

Seventh-graders also saw increased scores in math and reading. Math went from 65.3 percent to 72.8 percent. Reading from 50.3 percent to 58.2 percent.

District officials caution parents not to read too much into big jumps in scores, whether they're up or down. In fact, school administrators believe the best results are the ones that show steady increases over a period of several years.

Gas leak



No one hurt: There were no injuries or evacuations required Thursday after a construction crew ruptured a gas line at Schoolcraft Road just west of I-275. After the 2:55 p.m. incident, the road was closed to traffic until 4:30 p.m. so equipment could be brought and Consumers Energy crews could make repairs. "A tremendous amount of wind carried it (gas) away. It wasn't allowed to pocket," said Plymouth Community Fire Chief Larry Groth.

Six high school students advance to national competition in Florida

Six students from Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton high schools will represent Michigan at the national Panasonic Academic Challenge. A highly competitive academic tournament is held each June at Disney World.

The students advanced to the National Tournament as a result of their first place win in the Michigan State Championship High School Quiz Bowl, held April 24-25 in Port Huron. Heading to Orlando are team captain Chris Machnacki, a

Six students from Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton high schools will represent Michigan at the national Panasonic Academic Challenge.

senior at Plymouth Salem High School; Nate Roller, a senior at Plymouth Salem High School; Andy Merrick, a senior at Plymouth Canton High School; and Ben Heller, a sophomore at Plymouth Canton High School.

The 11th Annual Panasonic Academic Challenge on June 13-16, is a "Quiz Bowl" type tournament in which the country's top students test their knowledge of such subjects as mathematics, English, history, computer science and the arts as they compete for scholarship money, prizes and national recognition.

senior at Plymouth Salem High School; Mike La Masses, a senior at Plymouth Salem High School; Tim Bodnar, a sophomore at Plymouth Salem High

Merger

City, township study public works

This public works department merger idea just might work.

After more than a half-dozen meetings, officials from both Plymouth city and township say discussions are moving along.

Township trustees are to be briefed Tuesday, and asked if talks should continue.

'The two union contracts have to be merged. We've got a long ways to go.'

Steve Walters
—city manager

go," said City Manager Steve Walters on Thursday.

The idea is to merge the township public works department into the city municipal services department. The 1993 agreement to merge the city fire department into the township fire department - which formed the Plymouth Community Fire Department - is serving as a general model.

"What we're doing is developing a proposal that would be taken to the two boards," Walters said.

In meetings so far, township and city representatives have exchanged information on public works services provided in each

municipality, equipment inventories and numbers of employees.

The city has 14 full-time crew members, three supervisors, two clerical employees and seasonal part-time help. The township has six crew members and two supervisors.

"We're also starting to rough out an agreement in terms how to share costs and how to account for things, how the city would bill out for services," Walters said.

But unlike the fire agreement, the joint public works agreement would specify different services to be performed in the city and township.

"The township would contract for the same level of service it provides now," said Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy.

For example, community public works crews would snowplow city streets, but not township roads as they are maintained by the county.

Yet, some township services would increase, including annual sewer inspection and cleaning.

McCarthy said the goal, as with merging fire services, would be to lower costs to provide public works services while maintaining or increasing the level of service.

As with the 1993 fire merger agreement, McCarthy said, "One of the key features is we said cost savings would not be

achieved on the backs of the employees. If there needs to be a reduction in the work force it would be achieved by attrition rather than laying off."

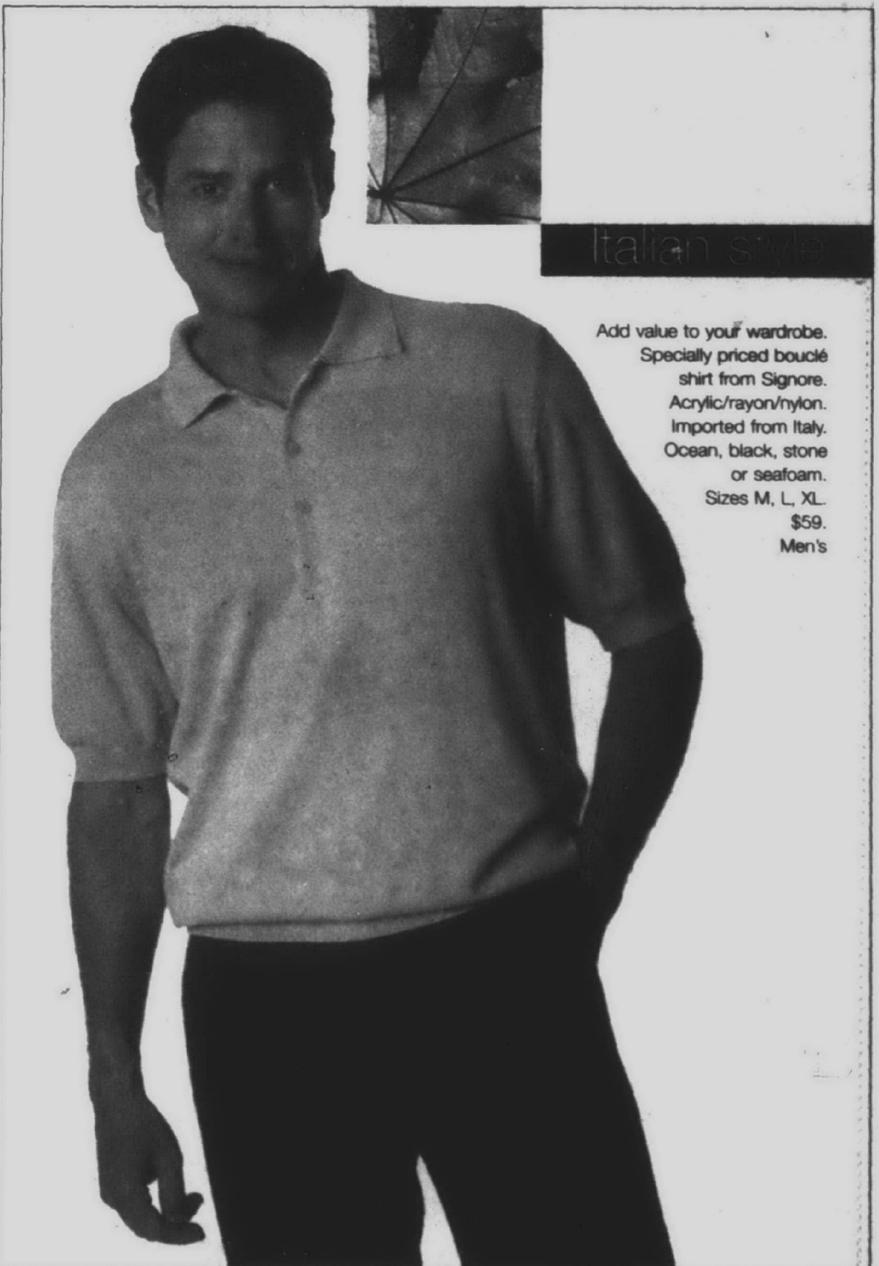
Walters said some money could be saved by buying equipment jointly, everything from big items to water meters and repair parts: "We won't necessarily have to have two street sweepers as we now do."

Merging the two departments also creates a larger central staff able to place more workers at emergencies.

Those most involved in the talks have been Jim Anulewicz, township director of public services; Rosemary Harvey, township finance director; Paul Sincock, city director of municipal services; and Walters.

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Kathleen Keen McCarthy
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SCHOOL NEWS

AWARDS

Teddy Cowger and Amanda Little received the Bob Jones Citizenship Award at West Middle School's evening eighth-grade awards presentation on May 28.

Keith Lukasik was honored with the Bob Smith Academic Award for maintaining the highest grades all three years at West.

Kathryn D'Avanzo was the first recipient of the Judith M. Stone Community Service Award presented by retiring principal Judy Stone. Kathryn also was awarded a \$100 savings bond for her efforts in the community.

Names of the students will appear on plaques in the main hall at West joining past students recipients.

MATHATHON

Students at West Middle School participated in a Math-

athon during the month of May to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. About 125 sixth-, seventh, and eighth-graders raised more than \$7,000.

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Board of Education recently passed a resolution stating that the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools School of Choice Program for 1998-99 will apply to the Alternative Education program through Adult Education only. Nonresidents, within Wayne County, may apply for admission to this program by contacting Starkweather Education Center at 416-4901 before July 15. The Alternative Education Program provides academic and vocational opportunities for students 16-19 years of age who are not attending a regular public school program.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is seeking community members for three District Committees: the Housing and Facilities Committee; the Citizens Finance Committee; and the Long Range Planning Committee. The Board of Education will select the committee members July 14 by a random draw.

Individuals interested in serving on one or more of these three committees should contact the District Community Relations Office by Friday, June 26. Please submit your name, address, phone number and the committee you wish to serve on and send it to the Community Relations Office, 454 S. Harvey St., Plymouth, 48170, or call Community Relations at 416-2755 or 416-2757.

Central student hit by car while riding bike

An eighth-grade student at Central Middle School was hit by a car while crossing Main Street on his way to school shortly before 8 a.m. Thursday.

Plymouth police say Randolph Russo, 14, had the right of way, while riding his bike across the street in the crosswalk. The unidentified driver made a left

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turn from Church Street onto Main, hitting the boy and breaking his leg.

The Plymouth boy was taken to St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, where he was reported in stable condition Thursday afternoon

following surgery.

Central Middle School principal Barbara Church said the boy was "wearing a helmet and crossing with the light, doing all the right things."

Plymouth police say the driver was ticketed for failure to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk.

Police investigate fire inside mobile home

Plymouth Township police are seeking charges against a 15-year-old suspected of helping set a fire May 25 inside a mobile home at Oak Haven Mobile Home Park.

The home was damaged in the fire, after gasoline was poured around the inside of the home then ignited.

Police were told by witnesses they saw two youths running from the burning trailer. Two days later, police interviewed one suspect, who said he had been watching the Red Wings game at the time.

Yet, the officer noticed the youth had a burn on his arm

and some of his hair was singed. A check of his shoes showed the prints matched those found at the scene, said police, who are seeking to charge him with arson.

Police are still investigating the incident.

OBITUARIES

VIOLET V. NANCOCK

Services for Violet V. Nancock, 84, of Canton were June 5 at L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton with the Dr. Dean A. Klump from First United Methodist Church, Plymouth officiating.

She was born on Oct. 22, 1913 in Detroit. She died on June 3 at Westland Convalescent Center. She was a secretary for an automotive company.

Survivors include her two daughters, Jon E. (Lynne), Nan C. (John) Mustonen; one son, Paul W. (Kim); and six grandchildren.

MARTHA BETTY LEMON

Services for Martha Betty Lemon, 71, of Northville were June 5 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. Dr. James Skimins officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

She was born on Jan. 20, 1927 in Peterhead, Scotland. She died on June 2 in Ann Arbor. She was a homemaker. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Isobel Ritchie. Survivors include her husband, Thomas W. Lemon of Northville; one son, Robert Lemon of San Jose, Calif.; one daughter, Ailsa (Craig) Blunk of Northville; one sister, Aileen Copland of Southgate; and two grandsons, Adam Blunk and Gavin Blunk.

Memorials may be made to Plymouth Adult Day Care, Our Lady of Providence, 16115 Beck Rd., Northville, Mich. 48167.

PAUL W. KELLY

Services for Paul W. Kelly, 75, of South Lyon were June 2 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. Robert L. Miller officiating.

He was born on May 22, 1923 in Detroit. He died on May 30 in Ann Arbor. He was a tool and die maker.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Louise Kelly. Survivors include his two sons, Michael (Lynne) Kelly of Davisburg, Darin (Robbyn) Kelly of Stockbridge, Mich; two daughters, Nannette (Ronald) Begola of White Lake, Mich, Susan (Dennis) McCusker of Canton; one brother, Fred (Charlotte) Koester of Redford; and one sister, Phyllis Likas of Dearborn Heights.

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Parkinson Foundation, 3990 John R St., Detroit, Mich 48201-9983.

DARLENE A. HICKEY

Services for Darlene A. Hickey, 69, of Tega Cay, S.C. were June 6 at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor. Burial was held on May 23 in Rock Hill, S.C.

She was born on May 30, 1928 in Detroit. She died on May 21 in Tega Cay, S.C. She lived in southeastern Michigan, including Dearborn Heights and Union Lake until 20 years ago when she and her husband moved to South Carolina.

Survivors include her husband, Harold; her parents, Esther and James Connell of Westland; one daughter, Donna of Rock Hill, S.C.; one son, Tom of Plymouth; two grandsons, Kevin and Sean of Plymouth;

one sister, Ruth Rudzis of Westland; and one brother, Ray Connell of Pinckney.

Memorials may be made in her honor to the Plymouth District Library.

JESSIE W. HUDSON

Services for Jessie W. Hudson, 84, of Oregon will be held at a later date in Scotland.

She was born on Aug. 20, 1913 in Glasgow, Scotland. She died on June 3 in Springfield, Oregon. She moved to the Eugene/Springfield area to be near her son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Suzanne Hudson. She moved to the U.S. in 1930 living initially in Peekskill and Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y. She married Samuel Hudson in 1939. When Sam was drafted into the U.S. Army she moved back to the Peekskill area. Her only child, Bruce, was born there in 1945. In 1951, the family moved to Livonia and in 1952 to Plymouth.

Jesse received her BA in English and Art and MA in Art degrees from Eastern Michigan University, becoming an art teacher in Plymouth High School in 1960. She was active in the local arts community. She occasionally contributed her poetry to the Crier.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law; two sisters, Agnes and Molly, who reside in Scotland; and two grandchildren, Laura and Gregory.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 919 N. Michigan Ave. Suite No. 1000, Chicago, Ill. 60611-1676.

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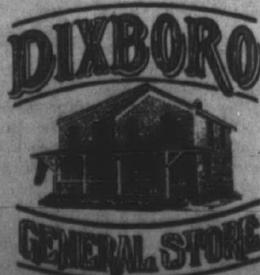


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McCotter slams election panel for ballot action

The decision to strike down a charter amendment that would have made it tougher to raise taxes is being criticized by supporters.

"The Election Commission broke the law to silence taxpayers," said County Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia. "They should be ashamed of themselves, but I doubt they are. If the law cannot protect the residents of Wayne County, you have to question whether we should be a part of Wayne County."

The Wayne County Election Commission ruled Monday to deny the amendment a spot on the Aug. 4 primary ballot.

The so-called "super majority"

amendment would have amended the Wayne County Charter and would have prevented county tax hikes unless approved by 60 percent of voters.

Proponents of the charter amendment have accused the commission of overstepping its authority.

But Wayne County Probate Judge Milton Mack, chairman of the Election Commission, says his panel has the right to nix any ballot item that violates the Michigan Constitution.

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners voted 8-7 last April to place the charter amendment on the ballot. The debate pitted suburb against city.

Heated exchanges took place Thursday at a commission meeting when some super majority supporters attempted to pass a resolution directing commission lawyers to seek a circuit court ruling overturning the Election Commission's decision.

Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, who voted to place the issue on the ballot, opposed seeking a court reversal, quashing the proposal. Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara must now decide whether to pursue a court reversal of the Election Commission's decision.

McNamara's office did not return several calls to his office.

But Mack said county attorneys told the election panel they

could deny placing the charter amendment on the ballot because it violates the standard of "one person, one vote."

"We would have minority rule," he said. "To certify something that's obviously unconstitutional would have been wrong ... I used to be a county commissioner, and this is an issue, at least from my perspective, where we respectively disagree."

A second part of the charter amendment, which would have required two-thirds board support to place a tax increase before voters would likely be constitutional, Mack said. The state constitution can be amended by two-thirds support from the House and Senate and then

a simple majority of voters.

County Commissioner Kathleen Husk, R-Redford, said the Election Commission went beyond its authority, which is mainly to examine the proposal's ballot language.

"They may be out of line," she said. "We need to see what action we want to take as a commission."

However, Beard, whose district also includes Garden City, said she opposes moving against the Election Commission.

"I don't believe it's taking away any power," she said. "We did our job when we voted to put it on the ballot."

Beard said she opposed asking

commission attorneys to seek a court reversal of the Election Commission's ruling. During the April debate, Beard voted to put the super majority issue on the ballot, but said she would campaign against the charter amendment because she felt voters were capable of seeing it was "undemocratic."

County Commissioner Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, said he expected McNamara to pursue reversal of the Election Commission's decision. He called the super majority question a "defining issue" for the county executive.

Valassis Inc. names new president

Valassis Communications Inc. has named Alan F. Schultz president and CEO, replacing David Brandon who will continue as chairman of the board.

The announcement was made in a press release late last Thursday.

Effective immediately, Schultz, 39, will assume full leadership responsibility for the company and Brandon will continue as chairman of the board through the end of the year.

Schultz, who is the current chief operating officer and member of the company's board of

directors, has been with Valassis for more than 13 years holding various positions.

"Al and the Valassis leadership team are well up to that challenge of leading our company into the next millennium," stated Brandon in a statement released late Thursday.

"I continue to believe that our best years lie ahead, making this the perfect time for me to step back, pursue some important personal goals and seek new challenges," said Brandon, who is seeking the GOP nomination to the University of Michigan

Board of Regents.

"This change will be positive and energizing and in keeping with the way we do business at our very special company."

"Change is good; we embrace it, and we have proven that we prosper in this environment. Valassis will be even stronger as a result," stated Brandon.

Valassis management noted that it expects to take a charge of approximately \$6 million in its upcoming second quarter, ending June 30, 1998, related to the settlement of Brandon's employment contract.

Valassis stock closed Friday at 35 per share, down one point. Over a 52-week range, the company's stock ranged from 23 3/4 per share to a high of 41 1/8.

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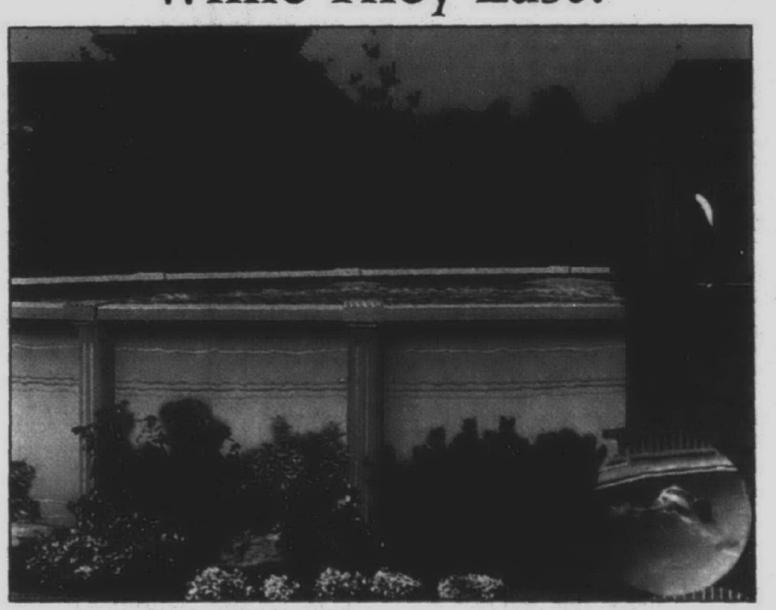
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Students awarded WSDP scholarships

WSDP awarded three scholarships at its annual banquet May 19.

The John Seidelman Scholarship is named after the Canton High School counselor and former station adviser. The award is given to a student who shows dedication to WSDP and excel-

lence in educational pursuits. This year's scholarship went to Scott Griffin, Salem senior. Griffin is co-sports director at WSDP.

The four-year staff member has a 3.6 career GPA and will attend the University of Michi-

gan in Ann Arbor.

The Bonny Dore/WSDP Founder's Scholarship is named after the station's founding manager. Dore currently owns a television production company in Beverly Hills, Calif. The scholarship is given to the student who shows dedication to WSDP and a desire to pursue a career in broadcasting or a related field. The award was given to Scott Herrold, Salem senior, and Denny Kapp, Catholic Central senior.

Herrold is the program director for WSDP and a four-year staff member. He will attend Eastern Michigan University. Kapp will attend Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts. He is co-sports director and also a four-year staff member.

Each scholarship is for \$300. WSDP has given scholarships since 1985. The station is owned and operated by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

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The compromise calls for the township to allow the new, bigger Kroger in - if driveways to the shopping center opposite condominiums are removed.

By the agreement, a lone driveway to the commercial center would be moved east along Ann Arbor Road, and there would be more landscaping screening the shopping center from residents.

Three two-story apartment buildings, now part of the Plymouth Square Apartments, are to be demolished to make way for the new Kroger, according to the court-accepted consent judgment.

Seven apartment buildings are to remain south and west of the new Kroger, the settlement stipulates.

The three buildings to be removed are on the western edge of the current shopping center.

Also by the consent judgment, an open area just west of the remaining apartments won't be developed. Areas now residential are to stay that way, by the agreement.

"It puts to bed the concerns of residents about further encroachment of commercial to the west," said James Anulewicz, township public services direc-

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James Anulewicz
-township public services director

tor. He added the settlement also calls for less parking lot than originally proposed.

"There will also be upgrades to existing buildings in the shopping center - repainting, cleaning and resurfacing of some of the facades," Anulewicz said.

"There was a concern by neighbors about the upkeep of the shopping center," he said. The settlement also calls for the resurfacing of the parking lot.

Anulewicz said the developer has yet to secure building permits that would allow the work to begin.

An attorney for the developer was unavailable for comment on when work might begin.

WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

4:00 P.M., MONDAY, MAY 18, 1998

Regular meeting called to order at 4:13 p.m.
Present: Thomas Yack, Karen Woodside, Kathleen A. Keen-McCarthy
Agenda - adopted as amended.
Minutes of regular meeting of March 23, 1998 - approved.
Minutes of special meeting of May 4, 1998 - approved.
Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$425,816.44 - approved.
Personnel Policy Changes - approved as amended.
Plante & Moran Engagement Letter - approved.
Job Descriptions - approved as amended.
Award of Contract - Lawn Maintenance and Snow Clearing Services - awarded to Tru-Cut Landscaping, Inc., of Northville, Michigan.
Lower Rouge Irrigation System Repairs - approval to proceed with preparation of proposal documents.
Northville Township Interceptor Connection: 19600 Beck Road - tabled until the next regular meeting.
Northville Township Interceptor Connection; Stonewater-Phase 1 - approved.
Emergency Repairs to Force Main at Lower Rouge - approved.
Operations & Maintenance Reports for March and April, 1998 - received and filed.
Operations Manager's Report for May, 1998 - received and filed.

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The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its REGULAR meeting Tuesday, June 16, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST FOR INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

This is to give notice that the Plymouth City commission will hold a hearing on a request for issuance of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate at its regular meeting on Monday, June 15, 1998. The public is invited to provide comments or other information on this request either in writing or in person, at this hearing.

The request is from E & E Manufacturing, 300/400 Industrial Drive, Plymouth, Michigan, regarding the following property:

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This notice is given pursuant to the Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Districts Act (P.A. 1974, No. 198, as amended -MCLA 207.551 et. seq.) which provides that the legislative body of each taxing unit which levies ad valorem property taxes in the City of Plymouth shall be notified of a request for issuance of a IFE Certificate, and shall be given an opportunity for a hearing before the City takes action on the request.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

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PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ENGINEERING SERVICES MDEQ GENERAL STORMWATER PERMIT

Plymouth Charter Township is seeking proposals for engineering services to assist in obtaining coverage under the Statewide General Stormwater Permit. The permit application process is assisted by the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration project being administered by Wayne county and is eligible for partial Federal funding through the U.S. EPA.

The Scope of Services shall include:

- Development of general information needed for the permit application.
- Provide a map of the community's storm sewer system indicating storm sewer jurisdictions.
- Prepare budget estimates to develop a Public Education Plan, Public Participation Plan and an Illicit Connection Plan.
- Draft Illicit Connection Program and Public Education Program.
- Meet monthly with Lower 1 and Middle 1 Subwatershed Communities.
- Meet with stakeholders other than representative communities in the subwatersheds.
- Prepare drafts of the General Permit application.
- Record and submit documentation of local match funds.
- Coordination of permit acquisition activities with various Township Departments.
- Attendance at meetings with County, State and Federal agencies related to the General Permit.

Any firm desiring to be considered for this project and having the capabilities for this work shall submit three (3) copies of proposals containing information on the qualifications and experience of the firm. Proposals received will be reviewed against the following criteria, with the relative importance of each factor indicated in parenthesis.

- Familiarity with the Statewide General Permit and the Voluntary Program developed in conjunction with the Rouge River Watershed communities (25 points).
- Understanding and interpretation of project requirements and familiarity with Federal, State and local standards. (20 points)
- Experience, if any, of the firm with respect to past performance on other work for Plymouth Charter Township. (5 points)
- The firm's prior experience with preparing permit applications, and the development of material and strategies related to same. (10 points)
- Professional experience of principal personnel which will be assigned to Plymouth Charter Township project. (20 points)
- Availability of adequate staffing levels, staff resources, and present work load to complete the project in accordance with project requirements. (15 points)
- Geographical proximity of the main office, or the active branch, to Plymouth charter Township. (5 points)

All proposals shall be submitted to the attention of the Township Clerk at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 prior to 4:00 P.M., June 30, 1998, clearly marked "General Stormwater Permit Engineering Services Proposal".

Award of this proposal shall be based solely on evaluation of these initial proposals. Proposals shall not contain price information. Costs for these Engineering Services will be negotiated with the selected firm.

The Plymouth Charter Township will not discriminate against any individual or group because of race, sex, religion, age, national origin, marital status or handicap. The Plymouth Charter Township reserves the right to accept or reject in whole or in part, any and all proposals, to waive irregularities and to act in the best interest, as determined by the Plymouth Township Board. This advertisement is being made for the purpose of conforming to Environmental Protection Agency Procurement Regulation 40 CFR Part 33.

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	June 17, 1998	10:00 - 11:00 AM, Community Room
Mission Health Building 37595 W. 7 Mile Road	June 11, 1998	9:30 AM, Room A
	June 18, 1998	9:30 AM, Room A

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Working with and federal agencies investigations the case for Western Wayne County Enforcement Team. "We see large narcotics control Wayne County State Police Lt. who heads the "We get marijuana. Without federal and intelligence know it was coming to share information job done."

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Teamwork

County agency, feds join forces to stem flow of drugs here

Working with regional teams and federal agencies on drugs investigations is increasingly the case for members of the Western Wayne Narcotics Enforcement Team.

"We see large quantities of narcotics coming into western Wayne County," said Michigan State Police Lt. Edward Gerds, who heads the narcotics unit. "We get marijuana from Mexico. Without federal assistance and intelligence, we wouldn't know it was coming in. We need to share information to get the job done."

Staffed by local officers and state police, Western Wayne cooperates with the FBI, Drug Enforcement Administration, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and U.S. Customs.

"We have good relationships with these agencies but also with the local departments whether they participate (in the narcotics unit) or not," said Gerds. "Narcotics know no boundaries. If there are narcotics in Westland, there will be narcotics in Wayne and Canton."

Unlike some law enforcement

Western Wayne Narcotics report

Total number of cases initiated:

■ 1997 - 239 ▲

■ 1996 - 233

Total number of people arrested:

■ 1997 - 243 ▲

■ 1996 - 213

Total drug seizures - street value:

■ 1997 - \$1.19 million ▲

■ 1996 - \$675,406

Source: Western Wayne Narcotics Enforcement Team

range from class I, which is a fairly high-level dealer to class V, which would include street-level dealers and those possessing drugs.

"It takes a lot of work to build cases in narcotics. You do want to let the little guys go to get to a bigger one," said Gerds.

Adding ancillary charges such as firearms possession, assault and probation violations, the total number of arrests by the unit were 243 in 1997 and 213 in 1996.

Cocaine and marijuana continue to be the highest quantities of drugs seized by the narcotics unit. In 1997, the amount of cocaine seized jumped to 3,901 grams valued at \$429,124 from 2,154.3 grams valued at \$236,971 in 1996.

The unit also seized over 660 pounds of marijuana valued at \$664,170 - an increase from over 400 pounds seized in 1996. The total value of confiscated narcotics reached nearly \$1.2 million in 1997 up from \$675,406 the prior year.

officials, Gerds and his unit don't feel competitive about other agencies working overlapping cases.

"I'm glad there are as many departments doing this work as there are," said Gerds. "We are trying to lock up narcotics dealers and (people) possessing narcotics. It's hard to say if we are winning the war. I hate to think what the communities would be like otherwise."

In 1997, the unit arrested 232 people for drug violations - that's up from 192 arrests in 1996. The types of violations

BUSINESS DATEBOOK

Business-related calendar items are welcome from the Observer area and should be sent to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

WED, JUNE 10

SOCIETY TECH. COMMUNICATION

The Society for Technical Communication (STC) is a professional organization whose membership comes from all over Southeastern Michigan. Interested parties can attend the June 10 program at the Holiday Inn North Campus, 3600 Plymouth Road (Ann Arbor) at 6:30 p.m. a local, best-selling

romance author will be the guest speaker at the "Volunteer Celebration" program. Sign up for the dinner by calling Ellen Burgett at (313) 913-3074 or e-mail ellen_burgett@medstat.com

BUSINESS NETWORK INT.

Business Network International will host a Kick-Off meeting for the Plymouth II Chapter at the Water Club Seafood Grill, 39500 Ann Arbor Road at I-275 from 7:30 a.m. Breakfast cost: \$5-10.

RETAINING EMPLOYEES

Don Vlcek (former VP of Domino's Pizza), and Paul J. Theisen (employment specialist) are hosting a seminar on obtaining and retaining quality employees. 7:50 a.m. to noon at Laurel

Manor located on Schoolcraft Road, 3/4 of a mile west of Newburgh Road in Livonia. Cost, \$297 for the morning workshop. Call 1-800-459-0438 for reservations.

TUE, JUNE 16

CAREER WOMEN MEETING

The National Association of Career Women West Suburban Chapter will meet from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth (41661 Plymouth Road). Guest speaker is Jerry Conrad, professional speaker and mentor. Call Judie, (734) 453-7272, Ext. 223.



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Arts reporter wins O&E honor

Head bowed, Arts Reporter Frank Provenzano thankfully accepted an accolade from his peers recently - the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' Journalist of the Year award.

"Frank is in the process of creating a new genre of journalism," said Phil Power, chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the O&E's parent company.

"And the guy writes like an angel," Power said, addressing O & E editorial staff and executives who attended the company's annual award ceremony.

Unlike traditional arts coverage, Provenzano melds community and art, emphasizing and supporting their relationship, Power said.

A graduate of Michigan State University, Provenzano has been writing about the arts for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers since early 1997 shortly after the group launched its Sunday edition.

A resident of Grosse Pointe Woods, 38-year-old Provenzano has written for the Detroit Free Press, Crain's Detroit Business and the Metro Times.

"I'm just so pleased that people are really taking the arts seriously," he said. "The arts are really a vehicle for self development and they're also a way that many communities develop civic pride and identity."

Beyond Provenzano's literary writing style and in-depth treatment of arts and community, is leadership and advocacy, said O & E Taste/Entertainment Editor Keely Wygonik.

Provenzano is credited with organizing three, local forums about the National Endowment for the Arts' "American Canvas Report," a probe into the viability and survival of the nation's arts groups.

Stepping beyond the role of reporter, Provenzano united local arts organizations - many for the first time - in discussion, Wygonik said.

Also nominated for the annual award were: Redford Observer



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reporter Bill Casper; West Bloomfield Eccentric reporter Greg Kowalski; Rochester-Clarion Eccentric reporter Sharon Dargay; Westland Observer reporter Darrell Clem; arts reporter Linda Chomin and Community Life reporter Christina Fuoco.

Mindful during the event was the newspaper group's highest mission - providing unsubstitutable news to its readers.

Featured speakers were Tim Richard, a recent inductee into the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame and director of HomeTown Communications' Regional News Service and writer, columnist and journalism faculty member at Wayne State University Jack Lessenberry.

Lessenberry underscored the O & E motto: "Today, competition is for time," he said. "I think you have to be indispensable."



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by Herbert M. Gardner, D.D.S.

TAKING GUM DISEASE TO HEART

New research conducted at the University of Minnesota indicates that gum disease may lead to blood clots that can cause heart attacks and strokes. It adds to a growing body of evidence linking gum disease with cardiovascular disease, a conclusion that began with an inquiry to see what happens when bacteria that are harmless in the mouth invade the bloodstream: a likely occurrence among people with infected gums. Gum disease develops when the sticky film of bacteria on the teeth (plaque) grows and penetrates beneath the gumline, where they eat away at the tissues around the teeth and digest a pathway into the bloodstream. The new research indicates treatment may be as healthy for the heart as for the teeth.

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Airport committee named

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners reactivated its Committee on Airport Expansion on Thursday, citing concerns about the handling of Metro Airport's expansion.

Issues the committee plans to explore include: the timetable to complete the project, the expansion's budget, the need for an independent management team to oversee the undertaking and

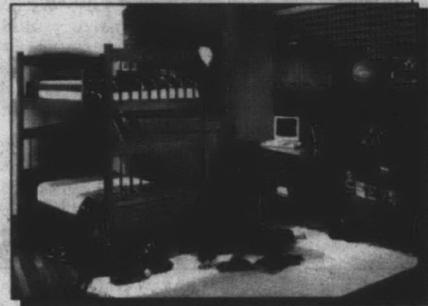
noise issues, board Chairman Ricardo Solomon said in a news release.

There will be seven members on the committee: Solomon, D-Detroit; who will lead the panel; Kay Beard, D-Westland; Robert Blackwell, D-Detroit; George Cushingberry, D-Detroit; Edna Bell, D-Detroit; Edward Boike, D-Taylor; and Susan Hubbard, D-Dearborn Heights.

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Dom Perignon sparkles as image-maker

Champagne did not sparkle until the last half of the 17th century. At the Benedictine Abbey of Hautvillers near Epernay, in the heart of the Champagne region, Dom Perignon brought still wine to bubbly life and essentially "invented" champagne. In memory, the house of Moët & Chandon bottles its image-making champagne as Cuvee Dom Perignon.

Dom Perignon's life was devoted to improving the still wines of the Champagne region and a result of his experimentation was the creation of today's most-celebrated wine, champagne. With much the same devotion, 43-year-old Richard Geoffroy has been making Cuvee Dom Perignon since 1990. In a recent meeting, Geoffroy detailed his background, his work and the uniqueness of the champagne he makes.

Although Geoffroy comes from a long line of Champagne grapegrowers, he went to medical school and earned his license to practice in 1982. He delayed that career and enrolled in the National School of Oenology in Reims. It is the mystery and magic of a champagne like Dom Perignon that energizes Geoffroy today. Practicing medicine is no longer a driving ambition.

Cuvee Dom Perignon is always vintage dated. "An exquisite champagne can only be made in years when nature gives us perfect grapes," Geoffroy noted. "We do try to make it every year, but the unique harmony of circumstances only occurs a few times each decade."

Nature does start the process, but it is Geoffroy's talented palate that selects still wines from the best vineyards to make a blend of perfection with bubbles.

"The beauty of champagne is that pinot noir (a red grape) and chardonnay (white grape) marry with yeast," he said. "In Dom Perignon champagne, chardonnay offers toast, coffee and butterscotch notes. Pinot noir contributes chocolate, biscuit and nutty elements."

"Even though flavors differ slightly with each vintage, the style of Dom Perignon is the same. The weight, mouthfeel and texture are always there. These come from the vineyards, the way the wine is made, the blending and aging processes. A set palette of vineyards allows a cherry picking of the proper vineyards suited to the vintage. With each vintage, the composition varies."

"In a classic year, more chardonnay is used because pinot noir would dominate. Perfect balance is only

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Wine Picks

Pick of the Pack:

1996 Bernardus Chardonnay \$20.

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■ French white wines from France's Loire Valley are crisp and dry. We recommend 1996 La Poussie Sancerre \$25; 1996 Comte Lafond Sancerre \$28; and 1996 Ladoucette Pouilly Fume \$29.

■ Just off-dry and perfect with summer fruits is 1996 Marc Bredif Vouvray \$16.

■ 1996 Marc Bredif Chinon \$16 is a light, mellow Loire red wine.

Barbecue Reds:

1995 Geyser Peak Reserve Merlot, Alexander Valley \$19; 1995 Gundlach-Bundschu Merlot, Sonoma Valley \$21 with grilled tuna or swordfish; 1996 Morgon Pinot Noir \$22 with grilled salmon; and 1995 Mt. Veeder Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley \$30 with a thick, juicy steak.

Best buy:

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- 2 Unique
- Main Dish Miracle

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ON THE WILD SIDE

Elizabeth Chiu King learned to eat before she learned to cook. "My nanny Ah Woo was a born chef," said King who grew up in Shanghai, Canton and Hong

Kong and now lives in Bloomfield Hills with her husband, Albert. "My parents used to give a lot of parties. I spent a lot of time in the kitchen listening to the sounds, the sizzling. I remember the smells, texture and colors. I became a gourmet eater."

When Chinese friends greet each other, they almost immediately ask, "have you eaten."

"In China, cooking is a culinary art, and eating is of the highest order," said King who talks about food the way artists talk about painting.

Ivory & Jade Flowers sounds like the name of a painting, but it's not.

When King stir-tosses Ivory (cauliflower) and Jade (broccoli) florets with garlic and oyster-flavored sauce, she is creating not only a work of art, but a scrumptious dish, one of 78 featured in "A Wok A Week - 52 Lite and Easy Meals," (China Books & Periodicals, Inc., San Francisco, \$17.95) which she co-authored with Donna H. Dean.

King has eaten Chinese food all her life, but her cholesterol was high, and she wanted to cut back on fat.

"Chinese food is intrinsically low-fat," said King. "We use vegetables and less meat but usually a lot of oil."

She met Dean at a conference in Portland, Ore., and they started talking about food. Dean is a public health educator with extensive experience in the field of low-fat nutrition.

"She kept me on the straight and narrow and fed me different literature about low-fat cooking," said King. "A Wok A Week," took eight years to write.

"Stir-fry is the traditional method to cook Chinese food, but we have over 30 cooking methods," explained King. "I developed a new term - stir-toss. I use broth or water to prevent foods from sticking to the wok. I use no more than a tablespoon of oil for a recipe for four. Marinating meat, poultry and seafood allows the flavors to seep in. If you marinate meat overnight it's oh so tender."

None of the recipes in the book call for hard-to-get ingredients. "They require minimal cutting, and the ingredients are even available in Iowa and Idaho," she said. "Uncommon ingredients turns people off."

"A Wok A Week" is a clever way of whetting your appetite for Chinese cooking, not all of the recipes are stir-tossed. King also employs other cooking techniques in her recipes - baking, boiling, braising, grilling, poaching and roasting. There are even step-by-step menus, and a party plan to celebrate the seasons. She explains how to season and



clean your wok too and says the secret is to cook with a hot wok. Electric woks are OK, but they take longer to heat up.

If you wanted to plan meals by the book, you could plan one Chinese meal every week using "A Wok A Week."

There are 52 menus, one for every week of the year. Menus take into account the seasonal availability of foods, and each recipe includes a nutritional analysis by Bob Wilson.

"I had to revise recipes to be 30 percent fat or less," said King. "Each recipe can stand on their own. We put together menus because a lot of people say they want to cook a Chinese meal, but don't know how to plan one. You could serve Ivory & Jade Flowers with hamburgers."

Culinary adventure: "A Wok A Week - 52 Lite and Easy Meals" by Elizabeth Chiu King and Donna H. Dean (China Books & Periodicals, Inc.; \$17.95) takes the fat not flavor out of Chinese cooking (Far left) Elizabeth Chiu King stir-tosses Ivory & Jade Flowers, a colorful blend of cauliflower and broccoli seasoned with garlic and oyster sauce.

Each recipe is beautifully illustrated with brush drawings by Xi'an Lin. The recipes themselves are works of art. King uses a variety of colors, textures and flavors to create culinary masterpieces.

She studied with master chefs in the U.S. and China and earned bachelor's and master's degrees in English, and a master's degree in library science.

Fluent in four Chinese dialects, King is an authority on Chinese cooking, restaurants, culture, arts, customs and traditions. She'll be giving two lectures on Chinese cooking at the Detroit Opera House this summer.

The mother of two grown sons, King and her husband, a professor in the College of Engineering and adjunct professor in the School of Medicine at Wayne State University, have two grandchildren, and one on the way.

She travels extensively and has taught numerous cooking classes locally and is a frequent guest on television and radio talk shows throughout the United States, Canada and China.

"A Wok A Week" is her fifth book. Her "15-Minute Chinese Gourmet" was published by McMillan in 1986.

See recipes inside.

Book Signings

Elizabeth Chiu King will be signing copies of "A Wok A Week - 52 Lite and Easy Meals" at the following Borders Books & Music stores.
 ■ 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 30 - 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills.
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Lectures

WHAT: King will present two lectures this summer at the Detroit Opera House, on the corner of Madison Avenue and Broadway, (one block east of Woodward Avenue), Detroit.
WHEN: 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 8 - Food in Chinese Culture; 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 15 - How to Look 10 years Younger: Eat Well, Eat Right (includes cooking demo and sampling).
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Attention men! Mark these dates on your calendars - Saturday, June 13, Men's Health Day, and Sunday, June 21, Father's Day.

My husband, David Price, always reminds me that men should be recognized, not just on Father's Day, but year-round. Men provide financial, emotional and spiritual support to their wives, children and other family members.

To continue being such good guys, men need to attend to their health. Statistics show men are less likely to have regular physicals, or take care

of a pressing health problem than women. Each year, approximately 38,000 men lose their life to prostate cancer, which is currently the second leading cancer killer of men. Many of these deaths could have been prevented had these men been diagnosed and treated early.

After listening to a dynamic lecture in May by a representative from the Karmanos Cancer Institute,

I decided to focus on prevention of prostate cancer through a healthy diet.

Cancer risk factors

First of all, let's take a look at risk factors. You are more at risk for prostate cancer if you are over 40, African American, or have a family history of prostate cancer. A poor diet also raises your cancer risk.

According to the National Research Council and National Cancer Institute, diet is the greatest single contributor to the current cancer epidemic, specifically breast, colon and prostate cancer.

More cancers are caused by poor diet than by tobacco, alcohol, radiation, pollution and medications. It is now known that high-fat diets can put men at risk for prostate cancer.

Studies have shown that consuming fat raises the level of the male blood hormone testosterone and other hormones which could stimulate the prostate to grow, along with cancerous cells. American men have a much higher death rate from prostate cancer than men in other countries who consume only about

half as much animal fat.

Animal protein sources are generally not only the highest in fat content but are the most concentrated sources of protein. High-protein diets have been implicated in cancer of the colon, prostate, and pancreas.

Red meat is linked to a higher risk of colon and prostate cancer. Men who are heavy red meat eaters have four times the risk of colon cancer and are twice as likely to get prostate cancer.

Antioxidants

As a general rule, high consumption of vegetables and fruits can cut in half the risk of many cancers. Carrots, green leafy vegetables, "cruciferous" vegetables such as broccoli and cabbage, and citrus fruit are considered the most beneficial for preventing cancer. These types of foods contain "antioxidants," which prevent substances from forming that can damage cells and impair their natural ability to resist the development of cancer.

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Cookbook helps you plan 'A Wok A Week'

See related story on Taste front.

Recipes from "A Wok A Week - 52 Lite and Easy Meals" by Elizabeth Chiu King and Donna H. Dean (China Books, & Periodicals, Inc.; San Francisco, March 1998; \$17.95).

IVORY & JADE FLOWERS

- 1/2 large head cauliflower
- 1 stalk broccoli
- 1/2 tablespoon oil
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Seasoning
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon cornstarch
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 2 tablespoons chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1 tablespoon oyster-flavored sauce
- 1 tablespoon dry white wine

Rinse the cauliflower. Remove and discard the leaves and cut off about 1 inch of the stem. Separate florets and cut them into 2-inch long pieces. Half or quarter the thicker pieces.

Rinse the broccoli and cut the

florets into 2-inch lengths. Peel the broccoli stalk with a paring knife. Slice the stalk into 1/2-inch diagonal slices or roll-cut it into 2-inch lengths. Set aside.

Mix the seasoning ingredients in a medium-sized bowl and set aside.

Heat a wok on high for 30 seconds. Add the oil and swirl to coat the wok for 30 seconds longer. Add the garlic and salt. Stir-toss for 15 seconds. Add the cauliflower. Stir-toss for 1 minute. Add the broccoli and stir-toss for 1 more minute. Pour in the seasoning mixture, blend well, cover and cook for 3 minutes longer. This dish may be served hot or cold.

Preparation time: 8-10 minutes, cooking time: 7 minutes, serves 4. Nutrition information per serving: 74 calories, 20 calories from fat, 25 percent calories from fat.

CHICKEN FINGERS

- 1 8-ounce chicken breast
- 1 egg white
- 2 tablespoons toasted sesame seeds
- Vegetable oil spray

Marinade

- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon white pepper
- 1 tablespoon dry white wine
- 1/2 teaspoon oyster-flavored sauce

Mix the marinade ingredients in a medium-sized bowl and set aside.

Remove all skin and fat from the chicken breast. Cut it into strips, 2 inches long and 1/4-inch wide, making about 26 strips. Place the strips in the marinade bowl. Marinate them for 30 minutes or longer.

Lightly spray the surface of a baking sheet with vegetable oil. Preheat the oven to 375°F.

Beat the egg white in a chilled metal bowl until frothy. Add the sesame seeds and set aside.

After the chicken has marinated for at least 30 minutes, add the egg white and sesame seed mixture. Stir well to coat the strips. Place the strips side by side on the

baking sheet. Bake the strips for 5 minutes. Turn them over and continue baking for another 3 minutes.

Cool the chicken fingers for 5 minutes before removing them to a serving platter. Preparation time: 8-10 minutes; Marinated time: 30 minutes; Cooking time: 8 minutes; Cooling time: 5 minutes; Serves 4.

Note: To make toasted sesame seeds, place raw seeds on a cookie sheet and bake in oven at 250°F for 30 minutes. Store leftover toasted seeds in an airtight jar.

Nutrition information per serving: 100 calories; 24 calories from fat; 24 percent calories from fat.

SWEET SUGAR SNAP PEAS

- 1 pound fresh sugar snap peas
- 2 (50 cent) size slices gingerroot
- 1/2 tablespoon oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup chicken broth

With kitchen shears, snip the

ends off the pea pods. Rinse, drain and set aside.

Smash the gingerroot to release its full flavor. Set aside.

Heat a wok on high for 30 seconds. Add the oil and swirl to coat the wok for 30 seconds. Add the smashed gingerroot and stir-toss for 30 seconds. Add the salt and pea pods. Stir-toss for 1 minute. Add the chicken broth, cover and cook for 2 1/2 minutes more. Ladle to a bowl and serve.

Preparation time: 6-8 minutes; Cooking time: 5 minutes; Serves 4. Can be made ahead, delicious hot or cold.

Nutrition information per serving: 66 calories; 18 calories from fat; 27 percent calories from fat.

This is a perfect way to use day-old cooked rice. For a one-dish meal, simply add cooked chicken, steamed shrimp, or leftover turkey.

RICE WITH A TROPICAL FLAIR

- 2 cups day-old rice
- 4 egg whites, lightly beaten
- with 1 tablespoon Maggi seasoning (available at

Chinese and Oriental markets)

- 1 tablespoon oil
- 1 (10-ounce can) crushed pineapple in unsweetened juice, drained
- 1 tablespoon white vinegar
- 4 tablespoons diced scallions

Separate the rice clumps with your hands and set aside.

Heat a wok on high for 1 1/2 minutes. Add the oil and swirl to coat the wok for 1 1/2 minutes more until the wok is smoking. Pour in the egg white mixed with Maggi seasoning and stir quickly. Add the rice and stir-toss for 2 minutes. Add the pineapple. Stir-toss and mix for 1 minute. Add the vinegar and scallions and mix well with the rice. Turn the heat to medium, cover and cook for 3 minutes.

Dish up the rice and serve hot. Preparation time: Less than 5 minutes; Cooking time: 9-10 minutes; Serves 5 (3/4 cup serving).

Each serving 164 calories, 25 calories from fat, 15 percent calories from fat.

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achieved this way. In Dom Perignon, nothing is heavy, yet there is good weight and mouth-feel, but it is lifted. The texture always has balanced acidity and comes across soft, silky and creamy in the mouth.

If you like pink champagne, there's Cuvee Dom Perignon

Rose. It generally carries the same vintage year as the "white." Dom Perignon's top price is \$110. Shop around because it's often available for less. The current vintage of Dom is 1990.

Around the world, people will want to usher in the new millen-

nium with Dom Perignon. There will be a shortage of all top champagnes and Dom Perignon can't be expanded beyond its availability. The 1992 vintage will have a first release early in 1999. There will also be a re-release of 1985 Cuvee Dom Perignon in time for millennium celebrations.

Will popular demand cause price gauging? "If there is, it will not stem from the producer,"

Geoffroy assured.

California sparklers

Every celebration cannot be one with Dom Perignon. Here are some new and delicious California sparkling wines that are kinder to the purse: Domaine Chandon 25th Anniversary Reserve Cuvee, Napa County \$23; 1992 Roederer L'Ermitage, Anderson Valley \$36. Scharffenberger Cellars has introduced a

new proprietary name, Pacific Echo, for its well-regarded sparklers. Non-vintage Pacific Echo Brut and Cremant \$19 are both available now, but look for a Vintage Blanc de Blancs and Brut Rose to come.

103-year-old debutante

After 103 years in the wine business, Seghesio has opened a tasting room in a newly-restored subterranean cellar, dating back

to the 1880s. If you're planning a trip to California wine country, don't miss it - 14730 Grove Street, Healdsburg, Calif., in the heart of Sonoma County.

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864. Listen to them 9:10 a.m. Saturdays on WYUR Radio 1310 AM.

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Examples of antioxidants are vitamin C, beta-carotene, and selenium. Evidence shows that vegans (vegetarians who do not eat eggs or dairy products) have an even lower risk of cancer than those who consume eggs and dairy products.

Seeing your physician once a year by the time you are 40 is also very important for prevention, or early detection of cancer and other chronic disease.

Happy Father's Day to all of my readers and a special Happy Father's Day to my father Nathan Peiss who was the driving force behind my career, and to my husband, vegetarian and father of the year David Price.

Beverly Price is a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist. She operates Living Better

Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. She is the co-author of "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," Tall Tree Publishing Company. Visit her Web Site www.nutritionsecrets.com, and look for her column on the first Sunday of each month in Taste.

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Crispy drumsticks picnic fare

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Onion crispy drumsticks are served hot or cold with a fresh sour-cream cucumber dip. The chicken can be packed in the picnic basket (with the proper refrigeration) for an outdoor summer meal.

PICNIC DRUMSTICKS

Preparation Time: 20 minutes
 Baking Time: 45 minutes

For the chicken:

- 1/3 cup butter
- 1/3 cup crushed saltine crackers
- 2 tablespoons onion soup mix
- 8 chicken legs

For the dip:

- 1 medium (1 cup) cucumber, peeled and chopped
- 1 cup light sour cream
- 1-1/2 teaspoons chopped fresh chives
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon dried dillweed

Heat oven to 350 degrees F. In a 13- by 9-inch baking pan, melt butter in oven, about 5 to 7 minutes.

Stir together crushed crackers and onion soup mix. Dip chicken legs into melted butter, then coat with crumb mixture.

In the same pan, place chicken legs; sprinkle with remaining crumb mixture. Bake for 45 to 55 minutes or until fork tender.

Meanwhile, in medium bowl, stir together all dip ingredients. Cover; refrigerate at least 1 hour. Serve chicken hot or cold with dip. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 410 cal., 30 g pro., 15 g carbo., 25 g fat, 133 mg chol., 1,106 mg sodium.

Recipe from: Land O'Lakes

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ANN'S BAKED VEGETABLES

- 6 cups mixed vegetables, chopped
- 1 cup sliced onion
- 2 tablespoons minced garlic
- 2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 3 tablespoons sherry or vegetable stock
- 3 tablespoons whole wheat flour

- 2 cups warm soy milk
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 tablespoons grated soy cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup toasted or oat bran bread crumbs

Preheat oven to 350°F. In a large microwave safe bowl steam vegetables in 1-inch of water with onions and garlic until tender, about 5 minutes. Toss with parsley and thyme. Spray a medium size casserole dish with non-stick cooking spray.

In a non-stick saucepan, heat sherry or stock to bubbling. Stir in flour. Cook over low heat 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Slowly whisk in warm milk. Cook until sauce thickens, about 8-10 minutes, stirring constantly. Add salt and pepper. Remove from heat.

Place layer of vegetable mixture in casserole dish; top with a layer of sauce. Fill casserole, layering vegetables and sauce. Top with grated cheese and bread crumbs. Bake until lightly browned on top, about 20 minutes. Serves 6-8.

Nutrition information per serving: 162 calories, 2g fat, 8g protein; 28g carbohydrate, 0mg cholesterol; 109mg sodium, 6g fiber.

Recipe from "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," by Betsey Kurleto and Beverly Price, "Tall Tree Publishing Company," 1996).

AMBROSIA FRUIT SALAD

- 1 small ripe pineapple, cubed
- 1 large apple, diced
- 2 seedless navel oranges
- 3 kiwifruit - halved moon

- 1/2 pound seedless grapes
- 2 ripe bananas - cut into slices
- 1 or 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1 pint strawberries, cut in halves
- 1/2 pint fresh raspberries
- Fresh mint sprigs for garnish

In a large bowl combine all salad ingredients. In a small bowl combine all dressing ingredients and mix well. Pour dressing over fruit and chill. Serves 4.

Nutrition information per serving: 219 calories; 3g fat; 3g protein; 45g carbohydrates; 1mg cholesterol; 85mg sodium; 6g fiber.

Recipe from "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," by Betsey Kurleto and Beverly Price, "Tall Tree Publishing Company," 1996).

GARDEN PAPRIKASH

- 2 teaspoons vegetable oil (canola oil)
- 2 cups chopped cabbage
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup baked potato, cut into 1/2-inch slices
- 1/2 cup sliced carrots
- 1/2 cup green pepper, sliced
- 1/2 cup sweet red bell pepper, sliced
- 2 garlic cloves
- 1 tablespoon sweet Hungarian paprika
- 1 1/2 teaspoons grated lemon

- 1 teaspoon caraway seeds
- 1/2 to 1/3 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 2 cups soy milk
- 1 cup low sodium tomato juice
- 2 teaspoons low sodium soy sauce

Heat oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Add cabbage and next 10 ingredients (cabbage through red pepper); sauté 3 minutes.

Add remaining ingredients; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, uncovered, 10 minutes longer or until tender and mixture begins to thicken. Serve with whole grain noodles. Yield 4 servings. (Serving size about 1 1/2 cups).

Recipe by Anne Kohls

Versatile, summer peaches complement lots of foods

With their downy yellow skin and rosy blush, peaches are arguably one of the most beautiful summer fruits. What's more, their beauty isn't just skin deep. Peaches have the flavor of liquid sunshine, are a good source of vitamin A, potassium and dietary fiber.

When selecting peaches, look for fruit with a yellow or cream-colored background. A green undertone indicates that the peach was picked prematurely and will not ripen fully to develop optimum flavor. Store peaches at room temperature. When they give slightly to the touch and have a flowery scent, they are ready to eat out of hand. Under-ripe fruit works well in peach recipes that call for baking, sautéing, broiling or preserving.

Peaches complement the flavors of many other fruits, especially raspberries, apricots, cherries or plums. Their light acidity makes them great additions to savory foods, including chicken, duck, pork and ham.

Peaches originated in the Orient, so it's not surprising that peaches are commonly used in a number of dishes that call for Asian spices like ginger, saffron, cumin, cardamom, chiles, curry

and coriander.

Chilled peach soup is the perfect start to a summer meal. Place four ripe, chopped peaches in a saucepan with 1 1/2 cups dry white wine or white grape juice, 2 tablespoons honey and 2 tablespoons lemon juice. Bring the liquid just to a boil, cover, turn off the heat and allow to cool. Puree the mixture in a food processor and strain it through a fine sieve into a bowl. Season the soup with just a bit of nutmeg, cover and chill until ready to serve.

When you're tired of pretzels, and cheese and crackers have become humdrum, make a fresh peach salsa to tickle your taste buds. Peel, pit and cube a large peach, tossing the fruit in a bowl with 2 tablespoons of lime juice to keep the flesh from turning dark. Add 1/4 cup diced red onion, 1/4 cup seeded and diced green bell pepper, 2 teaspoons diced hot green chile pepper and a teaspoon of vegetable oil. Stir the salsa thoroughly and refrigerate for 30 minutes. Just before serving, stir in 2 tablespoons of chopped fresh cilantro.

Poached peaches make an easy yet elegant summer dessert. Combine 2 1/2 cups each of sugar and warm water in a large saucepan; stir until the sugar

has dissolved. Bring the mixture to a boil over high heat and continue boiling, uncovered, for 2 minutes.

Add 2 tablespoons of lemon juice, a cinnamon stick and some crushed ginger. Reduce the heat to low, add the peeled peach halves, and cook just below a simmer until the fruit is fork-tender but not mushy, or about 8 to 10 minutes. Turn off the heat and let the peaches cool in the syrup. Serve the fruit topped with a spoonful of the poaching syrup and a dollop of low-fat vanilla yogurt.

This quick-fix salad highlights the amazing versatility of peaches.

SAVORY FRESH PEACH SALAD

- 1 cup plain nonfat yogurt
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons honey
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 2 large fresh peaches, peeled and chopped
- 1 tablespoon toasted sesame seeds
- 1 celery stalk, chopped
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh parsley
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh cilantro
- 2 tablespoons minced onions

4 dried apricots, minced

In a small bowl or measuring cup, combine the yogurt, lemon juice, honey and mustard.

In a large mixing bowl, toss together the peaches, celery,

sesame seeds, parsley, cilantro, onions, and apricots. Add the yogurt mixture and toss again. Chill for at least 3 hours before serving.

Each of the 4 servings contains

78 calories and less than a gram of fat.

Recipe and information from the American Institute for Cancer Research.

POOR REPORT CARDS RELATED TO VISION

Eight year old Scott was struggling with schoolwork to the point of tears. "It was a battle to get him to do his homework and then he still couldn't retain it," Scott's mother told us.

In fact, 99% of children who have been labeled with ADD or ADHD are struggling with this very same problem. In addition, 93% of children in special education and 80% of reading disabled children have it. What do all these children have in common? The answer is: undetected vision problems.

New hope has been found, however.

Vision is responsible for 80% of your child's education. Most children with undetected vision problems were told at some point they had 20/20 eyesight (either with or without glasses). Most vision screenings stop once it is determined that your child can see the chalk board. But what about reading, what about paperwork? According to local optometrist, Dr. John Jacobi, "There are many visual skills required for a child to read."

"We can make significant changes for these children. Often, these children are acting out in frustration. Third graders who have run into a brick wall academically, even college students who can't study without getting terrible headaches. This is very typical for a child with this type of vision problem. Unfortunately, a lot of them end up being labeled 'slow learner', 'lazy' or 'failure'," Dr. Jacobi continues. "Most people don't realize the important role vision plays in our ability to pay attention and learn. The parents of these children are usually just as frustrated as their kids. Such children often are very bright, and it is very confusing to a parent when such a bright child has trouble with school work."

One relieved parent commented, "For years, we have spun our wheels trying to find the answer, and now we are really seeing results after the correct diagnosis of the exact vision problem and the ensuing treatment. We are seeing our daughter aggressively reading, actually comprehending abstract ideas, and her self esteem has really increased. At last, learning has become a more natural process."

Dr. Jacobi has received special certification from the College of Optometrists in Vision Development and specializes in treating patients with these types of vision problems.

Vision may be the missing link to solving your child's learning problems. For more information, contact Dr. John Jacobi's office at (734) 525-8170.

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New ad campaign

AIDS Partnership Michigan is unveiling a new radio and print advertising campaign targeted to the general public and high-risk groups, including African Americans and teens. The ads position AIDS Partnership Michigan as the source for AIDS information. "We need to constantly and consistently find new ways to spread our message," said Barbara S. Murray, executive director of AIDS Partnership Michigan. AIDS hotline 1-800-872-AIDS or its teen hotline 1-800-750-TEEN.

Energy matrix for kids

Energy Matrix for children, a form of therapy that actively involves parents and care takers in the healing process with children. Focus is a tri-level process of energy balancing, personalized imagery, and building inner strength. SANT's lecture will feature Linda Kent, a trauma and loss consultant for children Monday, June 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sinnett Holistic Health Center in Livonia located at 29200 Vassar in the Livonia Pavilion, Suite 140. \$5 admission. Call (313) 247-4971.

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Diet, cancer seminar

A free seminar, "Myths and Facts About Diet and Cancer," presented by the American Institute for Cancer Research and featuring Registered Dietitian Karen Collins, the two-hour consumer seminar will explain, in non-technical language, how to choose a diet that is both good-tasting and good for you. Ann Arbor, June, 10, 1-7 p.m. Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 610 Hilton Blvd. Southfield, June 11, 1-7 p.m. at the Ramada Southfield, 17017 W. Nine Mile Rd. Reservations requested, 1-800-843-8114.

Weight Watchers offer

Weight Watchers is hosting an open house at all of their centers during June. Free introduction meetings June 1-30. Those that decide to join WW will receive half-off the registration fee and "Beautiful Summer Guide," free. Call, (888) 3-FLORINE.

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There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Databook (upcoming calendar events); Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies).

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KING and QUEEN OF HEARTS

Botsford couple lead international cardiac study

BY MEGAN SWOYER
SPECIAL WRITER

Dr. T. Barry Levine reviews his most recent notes on MACH I. Preparing for an upcoming international conference in Vienna at which he will address his research team's findings, Levine beams with excitement.

Working on projects with names like MACH I, you'd think Levine was an astronaut and knew all about the speed of sound. Not true. In fact, the only speed this doctor cares about has to do with heart rates.

Levine, the director of the Michigan Institute for Heart Failure and Transplant Care at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills, is charged with overseeing MACH I, which stands for Mortality Assessment in Congestive Heart Failure.

"It's exciting, an international study, and the headquarters are here at Botsford."

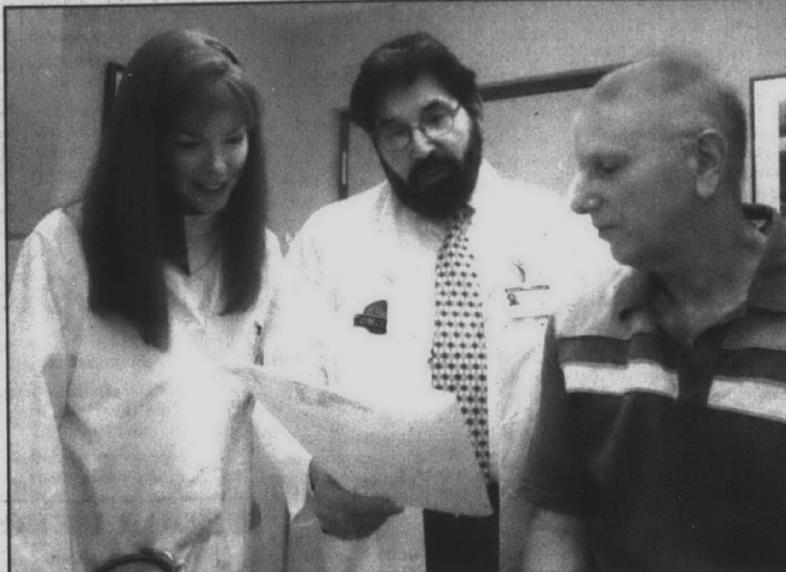
That's just one of his many duties as the institute's director.

The institute, which opened last February during National Heart Month in the hospital's former emergency room, is the first of its kind in the world and has made a great deal of progress in the past four months.

"Heart failure is a growing problem in this country and it increases with age," said Levine of Bingham Farms. "The older the population, the more likely you'll find heart failure. In fact, one in 10 people above the age of 75 will suffer from heart failure."

And while heart failure is a growing problem, Levine and the institute play key roles in addressing it. Traditionally, said Levine, there has been an imbalance on the treatment of heart failure.

"There's a lack of intellectual activity and investment at the level where the patients are being treated," he said. "Eighty percent are being treated by primary care physicians and yet research and new advancements are taking place in isolated universities, medical centers and inner city ghettos. And remember, trickle down theories



Partners: Dr. Arlene Bradley Levine and Dr. T. Barry Levine review the results of Henry Fox's (far right) heart rhythm test at Botsford General Hospital. The Levines are presently overseeing a unique international cardiac study for the Michigan Institute for Heart Failure and Transplant Care of Farmington Hills at Botsford, which opened in February.

don't work in medicine."

The solution? Bring research, aggressive medical therapy and physician accessibility straight to the bedside and homefront. There needed to be a system that would wed research and treatments. At Botsford, that meant creating a singular umbrella under which many items could work together within a specific area of the hospital. It also meant landing a couple of top heart docs, and if they happen to be married, well, all the better.

Levine, and his wife, Dr. Arlene Bradley Levine, the institute's cardiovascular research director, are indeed a husband and wife team and know not only everything about the world of hearts, physically, but you get the idea they've got a handle on the emotional facets of the ticker as well.

Heart strings played

Levine, who was born and raised in New York City, worked and trained in many places around the world, including Pennsylvania, Europe, Minnesota and Michigan. But it wasn't until 1985 that a woman named Arlene stole his heart. The two married nearly two

years later and today they, along with a handful of others, run Botsford's innovative institute.

"She usually drops off the kids (they have two children aged 9 and 10) at school," said Levine from his office. And then for much of the day, the two work side by side. "People say, are you crazy? Working with your wife all the time?" But, according to Levine, the two work perfectly well together and much of that is due to the respect he has for her.

"She's awesome," he said and then laughed. "I married up, you know. She's smarter than I am. She is tremendous with patients, she's inventive and it's fun to be around her. We're the ideal professional marriage ... she does all the work and I get all the credit," he said with a laugh.

The couple most recently worked for the Henry Ford Medical System in Detroit. "The major reason we came here was to bring our programs, research and insights to the patients of the community. The whole notion is to remove this discordance," he said, citing the problems that occur when med-

Be good to your heart

Dr. T. Barry Levine, director of the Michigan Institute for Heart Failure and Transplant Care at Botsford General Hospital, recommends the following to help prevent heart failure.

■ **Keep moving.** "The number one best thing you can do for your heart is exercise. Period," Levine says. "Our lifestyle is sedentary. We have lots of labor-saving devices in this country. How many times are you in a fairly congested parking lot and you cheer when you find a parking spot that's close to where you're going. Wouldn't it have been better to park the car farther away and take a nice walk?"

■ **Assess.** "Be sure to have a periodic assessment of your overall cardiac health," Levine says.

■ **Watch your lifestyle.** "One should avoid high cholesterol diets, smoking and lifestyles that fall into the 'workaholic' category."

■ **Sip in moderation.** "Alcohol is an interesting paradox. There are indeed people who are susceptible to heart damage due to alcohol. But there are lots of data that suggest that alcohol protects coronaries. Alcohol, for most people, is okay in moderation. But to sit there on weekends and knock back a case of Budweiser, no."

—Megan Swoyer

ical treatment isn't conducive or convenient for patients.

The Levines and their staff are helping to change traditional medical methods for the better. "Fifteen years ago, if a heart got really beat up, the only therapy would have been transplantation. That's not the case now. We can stabilize the situation and improve it with aggressive medical therapy," Levine said. "A transplant doesn't cure a patient's cardiac problems. It just substitutes one set of problems for another."

Of course, there are some patients who definitely need a transplant. One

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Henry Ford, U-M initiate collaborative cancer efforts

COOPERATIVE

The Josephine Ford Cancer Center of Henry Ford Health System and the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center have signed a memorandum of understanding to examine the feasibility of integrating programs in cancer research, education and patient care.

The alignment of programs in research will cover the areas of cancer prevention, clinical research and basic research. Examples include research in population-based cancer prevention; the discovery of new agents to diagnose and treat cancer, including gene therapy; and research into the outcomes of

various cancer treatments.

"Our integrated programs will provide the opportunity to efficiently and effectively apply new knowledge, gained in the research laboratory, to the diverse populations of the state of Michigan," said Raymond Demers, M.D., director of the Josephine Ford Cancer Center. "Our discussions to date have resulted in great enthusiasm."

"The two cancer centers have complementary strengths in a number of areas," said Max Wicha, M.D., director of the U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center. "By working together, we can further accelerate the pace of discovery, as well as enhance patient care and the health of the communities we

■ **'The two cancer centers have complementary strengths in a number of areas.'**

Max Wicha, M.D.
—director, U-M Cancer Center

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The JFCC and the U of M already have agreed to develop treatment guidelines for patients with the most common malignancies. These will be based on the guidelines developed by the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN), comprising the University of Michigan Cancer Center and

14 other leading cancer centers from around the country. The institutions will work on developing monitoring guidelines as well as outcome measures.

The two centers also will explore ways to coordinate educational programs.

"The University of Michigan has one of the most outstanding and patient-friendly cancer centers in the country," said Gilbert S. Omenn, M.D., Ph.D., executive vice president for medical affairs and CEO of the U-M Health System. "We are pleased to be able to work with Henry Ford Health System to expand and integrate programs between the two centers."

Heart disease, however, isn't the only major health concern for men. An estimated 184,500 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed in 1998 in the United States, according to the American Cancer Society. The death rate of men from prostate cancer has increased by 23 percent since 1973 in the United States.

Dr. Jeffrey Forman, professor and associate chairman of radiation oncology at Harper Hospital, is trying to

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Upcoming event focuses on men's health issues

If you're looking for a special gift this Father's Day, try giving him a push toward a healthier lifestyle. That's the focus of National Men's Health Week,

June 5-21, designated by Congress to raise national awareness of the importance of preventive health behavior in the early detection and treatment of health problems affecting men.

Area hospitals and business are spreading the word, including St. Mary Hospital with the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute during a Men's Health Day, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saturday, June 13 in Dickinson Center on Newburgh in Livonia.

The program will include multiple presentations and workshops by physicians, nutrition specialists; guest speaker Channel 4 newscaster Mort Crim; and Chris Klebba of Water Wheel Health Club in Northville, who

will be talking about how good intentions aren't good enough.

Klebba will try to motivate men into taking responsibility for their exercise routines and explain how to fit fitness and exercise into a busy schedule.

"What will be neat about this is that we're going to go into smaller break-out sessions where people can ask questions about their health," said Dr. Sanjeev Vaishampayan, a cardiologist at St. Mary Hospital Livonia and St. Joseph Hospital Ann Arbor.

Speakers will also talk about the psychology and social aspects of maintaining a healthy lifestyle; heart and health appraisals and blood pressure screenings.

"This is the first time we've done this, because we have a concern about the health status of men and that they're not taking their health seriously," said Marianne Simancek, St. Mary Hospital registered nurse and health educator. Men's Health Day complements the long-running annual

Women's Health Day sponsored by St. Mary.

Despite advances in medical technology and research, the life expectancy of men continues to average seven years less than women; three times as many men as women suffer heart attacks before age 65, and 27 percent of men will die within one year after having a heart attack. In fact, heart disease is still the leading cause of death among men. Stroke is the third most common cause.

About 20 million North Americans have significant coronary artery disease; 300,000 North Americans die unexpectedly of undiagnosed coronary artery disease; 800,000 new heart attacks are reported every year in the United States, and about one half million people are hospitalized in United States annually with unstable angina, which is signaled by severe pain in the heart. Despite the grim statistics, there is good news, too.

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Internet addiction

A growing problem for users, families



MIKE WENDLAND

I got a call this week from a marriage counselor. He was complaining about a story I did on TV the other day reporting about the growing problem of Internet addiction. "It's not a funny little phobia," said the man. "It's a crisis."

He went on to tell me that he currently has five couples he's counseling who have come in for help because one of the parties is spending more time on the Internet than with their spouse. Three were men, three women. "Of the husbands, one is obsessed with checking stock prices and investment opportunities on line," said the counselor. "Another husband is all caught up in sports sites and

online leagues. The third man is addicted to pornographic and sex sites. All three wives are addicted to chat rooms. One claims that she has been involved in a virtual affair with a man in prison in Texas she's never met. She insists she's fallen in love with him and was making plans to meet him in person before her husband got her to come in for counseling.

The therapist told me others in his field report a similar increase in such problems, and he took me to task for what he felt was my flippant tone in reporting the problem.

"We're talking about lives and relationships that are being ruined," he said. "And while these people I'm seeing all have underlying problems, the Internet seems to have been the button that has pushed them over the edge."

The story I reported on TV had dealt with a recent study on Internet addiction. Its findings

backed up what the therapist told me.

According to the study, presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association in Toronto, people who are addicted to the Internet usually suffer from a whole bunch of other psychiatric disorders.

Ranging from obsessive-compulsive conditions to binge eating to social phobias and manic-depressive disorders, all of the subjects studied lacked impulse control when it came to the Internet.

The study implies that if therapists treat those other conditions first, the online impulses of the patients will probably be more controllable.

Psychiatrist Nathan Shapira of the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine did the study and found Net addicts suffered an average of five psychiatric disorders at some point in their lives. Shapira said it is unclear whether the Internet addiction

was a symptom of some other disorder or whether certain psychiatric conditions promote excessive online use.

The study followed 14 Internet addicts who were online so much that relationships shattered, they flunked out of school or lost their jobs.

A 21-year-old man, for example, was so hooked on the Internet that he stopped attending classes and was reported missing by friends after he seemingly disappeared for a week. He was eventually located by campus police in the college computer lab. Disheveled and glassy-eyed, he had spent seven consecutive days online.

Another study participant, a 31-year-old man, was spending more than 100 hours a week online, ignoring friends and family and going offline only to sleep. So, what can be done about all this?

On the Net itself, there are several sites offering information

and treatment suggestions, though it seems strange to me that those who most need help in reducing the amount of time they spend online have to go online to get it.

Anyway, if you need more information, check out these sites:

■ **Center for Online Addiction:** (<http://netaddiction.com/>) - This is a site run by Dr. Kimberly Young, author of an Internet addiction book called "Caught in the Net." She offers ... ready for this? ... online counseling for addicts, as well as a self-help test to determine if you or a loved one is addicted to the Internet.

■ **Internet Addiction Support Group:** (<http://www.iucf.indiana.edu/~brown/hyplan/addict.html>) - This is a site that links up to a mailing list for Net abusers.

■ **Online Sexual Addiction:** (<http://www.onlinesexaddict.com/>) - Web site is dedicated to pro-

viding education and support to people concerned about their own or other people's compulsive sexual behavior on the Web.

■ **How to Cope with Internet Addiction** (<http://www.greatsthits.com/articles/hckit09.html>) - Page filled with common sense that tells how to use the Net wisely and reasonably and how to know if you have a problem.

■ **Computer/Cyberspace Addiction** (<http://cybertowers.com/self-help/articles/internet/cybaddict.html>) - Article discusses the controversy over whether this really is a full-fledged clinical disorder.

Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations across the country and locally on WDIV-TV4, Detroit. His latest book "The Complete No Geek Speak Guide to the Internet" is available in book stores or through his Web site at <http://www.pcmike.com>.

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of those was Laurence Schmid of Redford Township. Schmid, 67, had undergone three heart bypass surgeries before receiving a transplant that was overseen by Levine.

"The great thing about the institute is that the people who work there are both professional and knowledgeable," said Schmid, a former school principal. "I wouldn't want to go to anyone else. The institute is very patient-oriented and the Levines are sincere people. That's why I'm still with them. They brought me from close to death to life."

At the Institute, today's transplant patients are referred to the Cleveland Clinic. Levine is pleased with the progress he has made in working with the Cleveland Clinic. "It's the largest and most accomplished center for cardiac surgeries in the world," he said.

Referrals to Botsford

Sometimes, the Cleveland Clinic refers patients to Levine.

"Just the other day, a woman who had a leaky valve and poor ventricular function was at the Cleveland Clinic for valve repair. But doctors there didn't think that was appropriate and they were thinking rather that aggressive medical therapy could perhaps reverse her problem by dealing with the cause rather than trying to fix it after. And since she lives in Bloomfield Hills, they referred her to the institute."

Levine said that although there's a bias to perform transplants in the medical community ("transplants are money-making, after all," he said), the institute looks for all options to treat heart failure. "We have no financial interest in transplants and they're not our first reflex. We do what's best for the patient." From an economic standpoint,

the institute, which features research facilities, exam rooms, beds, procedure rooms and areas for biopsies, makes absolute sense, especially for the patient.

"It's a lot cheaper to deliver care from a community hospital than from an academic medical center," Levine explained. Furthermore, the quality of life for the patient in terms of travel (community hospitals are close to home), familiarity and other factors improves dramatically.

The institute symbolizes one of the ways a community hospital such as Botsford has changed its image.

"Community hospitals are not just about tonsils, appendix operations, and sprained ankles. This offers a lot for the community, for the patient." The institute also helps to curtail hospital admission costs. "Eighty percent of patients who go to an emergency room with heart failure get admitted. We're trying to

avoid that."

Levine cited a recent case in which a patient with heart problems went to Botsford's emergency room and was immediately sent to one of his examining rooms. "The issue was being addressed and saving the patient an admission. When you think of the tens of billions of dollars spent on treating heart failure, you can buy a lot of comprehensive outpatient care for one hospital day."

Levine stressed the many patient advantages that the institute offers. He says the average number of hospitalizations for his patients was about 3.8 before visiting the Institute. After going to the institute, the average is about .34 visits per year.

"We're restoring patients to a more normal lifestyle. They don't feel overwhelmed by their disease process," Levine said. "And they're in control."

change those statistics. Since 1992 he has been working on a study of men with prostate cancer who are treated with neutron radiation.

"Neutron radiation has been known as more effective curing certain types of cancer," said Forman, adding that neutrons radiation is beneficial in killing cancer in prostate patients. "We've treated over 500 patients on various clinical protocols to maintain and improve effectiveness and to see if we can do it safely," he said.

"We've shown that we could still maintain or enhance the effectiveness of the treatment, and as safely or more safely than standard radiation and to get away from the all the side effects. These patients allowed us to show that."

Forman wants to thank those men who agreed to be in the study by discussing his findings during a conference that will

focus on applauding those volunteers. "Most patients who participate in clinical studies never get any kind of feedback," he said. "My motivation is to let the patients who allowed themselves to be sort of human guinea pigs to see how important their contributions were. They not only benefited by getting better treatment, but the benefit goes way beyond that individually as the results can be extrapolated to other patients."

The conference will be Wednesday, June 24, shortly following Men's Health Week, at the Karmanos Cancer Institute. Radio talk show host Dick Purtan, who had prostate cancer, will also speak to the group. Reservations for the Men's Health Day can be made by calling 800-494-1650. Participants may also attend on a walk-in basis the day of the event. The cost is \$25.

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CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO HEALTH EVENTS IN AND AROUND OBSERVERLAND

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150 or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

TUE, JUNE 9

VISION SUPPORT GROUP
Botsford occupational therapist Aurelia Wiltshire will discuss modifying home environments to make them safe and secure for individuals with macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy and other disease that result in eye loss. Free, 2-2:30 p.m. Botsford General Hospital's Zieger Center, 28050 Grand River Ave., Call Margaret Bartos, (248) 471-8430.

HELP FOR IMPOTENT MEN
Educational group that meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in Classroom 2 East A/B on the Botsford General Hospital campus. Free. June 9 - Insurance Coverage. July 14 - Putting Pleasure in Your Life; Aug. 11 - Ask a Doctor, Ask a Nurse; Information: call Botsford at (248) 477-6100.

POSTPARTUM SUPPORT
The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a Mother-Baby Support Group from 10-11 a.m. The group meets in the West Addition Conference Room A near the South Entrance. Mothers and their babies are invited to attend this free support group that provides information and emotional support for new moms. Call to register, (734) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615.

WED, JUNE 10

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT
A support group for family, friends and caregivers of persons afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders. Free of charge. Group meets at 7 p.m. on June 10 in classroom #1 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building. Call 458-4330 for additional information.

THE IMMUNE SYSTEM
This program will focus on herbal and homeopathic remedies as well as nutrition to address conditions of the immune system. From 7-8 p.m. Free. Westland MedMax, 35600 Central City Parkway (734) 458-7100.

CHILD BIRTH REFRESHER
A two session class (June 10, 17) for couples who have already had a birth experience. The course provides a review of the stages of birth process along with exercises, breathing and relaxation techniques. Call 458-4330 to register.

OSTEOPOROSIS SCREENING
Osteoporosis: Are you at risk? 5:30-7 p.m. at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center - Wayne. Call 1-800-543-WELL.

THUR, JUNE 11

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY
From 8-10:30 a.m. at the Garden City Hospital, 6245 N. Inkster Road in the Garden City Medical Office Bldg. Occupational Safety and Health Training Seminar for safety administrators, HR directors/mgrs. and anyone responsible for compliance with OSHA/MIOSHA standards. Call (734) 287-2743 to register.

SAT, JUNE 13

EXPECTANT MOTHERS DAY
Meet a certified nurse midwife, learn about Doula care for women in labor, learn about pregnancy and infant massage and tour the Family Birthing Center of Providence Hospital. For more information call (248) 424-3919.

OSTEOPOROSIS SCREENING
Osteoporosis: Are you at risk? 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Oakwood Healthcare Center - Canton. Call 1-800-543-WELL.

SIBLING CLASS
The Marian Women's Center next to St. Mary Hospital will offer a Sibling Class from 10 a.m. to noon. Children are invited to attend this class and learn how much fun it can be to be a big brother or big sister. Cost of the class is \$10 per family. Registration is required, call (734) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615.

SIBLING: IT'S MY BABY, TOO!
Children (Ages 3-6) learn about new baby brothers and sisters through videotapes, coloring books and role play. Classes offered monthly. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Zieger Center. June 13, July 11 and August 8, 1998. Preregistration and \$10.00 fee. Information: (248) 477-6100

MON, JUNE 15

ADULTS WITH INSULIN
Adults with insulin dependent diabetes. "Let's Talk About Travel." Plan some stress-preventing strategies. Free. Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River, Novi. Call (248) 477-6100.

VISION SCREENING
Preserve the gift of sight at no cost. From 10 a.m. to noon. Call for an appointment. Free. Westland MedMax, 35600 Central City Parkway. (734) 458-7100.

SUMMER SPEECH PROGRAM
The Speech Pathology Department of St. Mary Hospital is offering a Summer Speech Program for children who could benefit from continuous speech and language services. If you are interested in enrolling your child in the Summer Speech Program, or if you have any questions, please call the Speech Pathology Department at St. Mary Hospital. (734) 655-2955, Ext. 2422.

CERTIFIED SITTER
Certified babysitting program for children ages 11-15 at Starkweather Center, 550 N. Holbrook in Plymouth from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call (734) 416-2937 to register.

TUE, JUNE 16

THE GROWING TREE
Ten-session program that provides age-appropriate substance abuse education, short-term therapy and peer support. Meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:45-7:30 p.m. on the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Ann Arbor campus. Call (734) 712-4320.

LOSS OF A LOVED ONE
Anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one is encouraged to participate in GranCare's free support group the third Tuesday of every month from 6:30-8 p.m. at GranCare, 38935 Ann Arbor Road, Livonia. Call, (734) 432-6565 ext. 115.

BONE DENSITY SCREENING
Do you know if you are a candidate for osteoporosis? Find out with this simple, painless, non-invasive procedure. \$20 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Call for an appointment. Westland MedMax, 35600

Behind the wheel



Safety and fun: Three-year-old Max Benoit pretends to drive a fire truck at the first Family Safety Jamboree last weekend in Livonia. About 400 people attended the community jamboree, held at Eddie Edgar Arena. Sponsored by area public safety, health care providers, the Livonia PTA Council, Livonia Public Schools and Livonia Parks and Recreation, the day was designed to offer family safety awareness tips, health tips and activities for the community. A special presentation by the Perfection on Wheels stunt team, sponsored by the Livonia Observer, was part of the day.

Central City Parkway (734) 458-7100.

WED, JUNE 17

ADULT CPR
Three hour evening class conducted at 7 p.m. at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road (between Ford and Warren roads). Teaching one person rescue through a film, lecture, demonstration and return demonstration. Registration required call 458-4330.

HEART HEALTH SCREENING
Learn blood pressure and cholesterol levels in minutes. Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center - Wayne from 9-11 a.m. Call 1-800-543-WELL.

BREATHERS CLUB
A support group for persons and/or families with respiratory problems. Meets at 7:30 p.m. in classroom #3 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building and is free of charge. Call 458-3481.

ASK THE AUDIOLOGIST
Ask questions regarding hearing, hearing loss, hearing aids, communication techniques, new technology and more. Audiologists will be available to answer questions and dispel myths. Westland MedMax, 35600 Central City Parkway (734) 458-7100. Beginning 1:30-2:30 p.m. Free.

THUR, JUNE 18

BREATHERS CLUB
New Breather's Club: "Lung Functions, How Do You Measure Up?" A Botsford respiratory therapist will speak about lung function and techniques to improve it at 1 p.m. Botsford General Hospital's Zieger Center, 28050 Grand River Ave., call (248) 477-6100.

WHY WE EAT TOO MUCH
Everyone overeats - yet for some overeating takes on a more powerful role. Learn why you use food in your life, and how to put eating back under your control. Thurs., June 18 at 7:00 pm. Preregistration and \$5.00 fee. Information: call Botsford at (248) 477-6100.

SAFE SITTER CLASS
The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital will offer a Safe Sitter Class for young people ages

11-13 on Thursday June 18 from 8:30 to 3 p.m. and Saturday, June 20 from 8:30 to 3:30 p.m. Safe Sitter is a medically-accurate instruction series that teaches boys and girls aged 11-13 how to handle emergencies when caring for young children. Cost of the class is \$40 per student. Registration is requested, call (734) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615.

MON, JUNE 22

CHILD IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer an Infant and Child Immunization Program from 5:30-8 p.m. Cost is \$5 per child no matter how many immunizations are given. Health care professionals from St. Mary Hospital will administer the vaccine. All state-required immunizations will be administered pending availability of serum, including hepatitis B and H. Influenza type B, for children under age 18. Please bring all available immunization records with you. No registration is required. Call (734) 655-8940 or 1-800-494-1650.

AEROBIC WEIGHT TRAINING
Eight-week course concentrating on building lean muscle mass and strengthening areas to improve appearance and tone. Eight-week course. Held at Botsford's TRACC in Novi. Preregistration and \$50.00 fee. Monday and Wednesday classes from 5-5:55 p.m. Sessions begin: June 22 and August 17, 1998. Information, call Botsford, (248) 473-5600

TUE, JUNE 23

BABYSITTING BASICS
(Ages 11-14) Learn basic First Aid, how to handle an emergency and child management techniques. A two-session workshop. June 23 and 24, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Preregistration and \$25.00 fee. Information, call Botsford (248) 477-6100

WED, JUNE 24

PRE-POSTNATAL EXERCISE
The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital will offer a six-week Pre-Postnatal Exercise Class

from June 24 through July 29. The six-week class meets for 90 minutes one day a week and is designed to promote fitness and a healthy lifestyle prior to and following delivery. Cost of the class is \$35 per person. Call (734) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615.

THUR, JUNE 25

RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME
Do you have itching, crawling or tingling sensations in your legs? This could be Restless Leg Syndrome. Join us and learn more about managing this disorder. 2-3:30 p.m. or 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Westland MedMax, 35600 Central City Parkway (734) 458-7100.

CHILD SAFETY CLASS
"Thursday Night at the Movies," a child safety update class will be held at St. Mary Hospital from 7 to 9 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B. This class will feature community educators from the Marian Women's Center facilitating discussion on shaken baby syndrome, SIDS and car seat safety. This is a free class but pre-registration is required by June 22. Call (734) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615.

BREASTFEEDING CLASS
A Breastfeeding Class is scheduled for Thursday, June 25, from 7 to 9 p.m. This class is designed for expectant mothers between the seventh and eighth month of pregnancy. Cost of the class is \$15, call to register (734) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615.

COOKING DEMO
Last minute meals. Class begins at 7 p.m. sponsored by Botsford General Hospital. Preregistration and \$6 fee. Information, call (248) 477-6100.

SAT, JUNE 27

WALKING FOR WELLNESS
The American Heart Association is partnering with the National Black Women's Health Project and the National Conference of Black Mayors to present "Walking for Wellness: Protecting Hearts, Saving Lives at Belle Isle." The event is a 1-3 mile walk beginning from 7:30 a.m. to noon. Registration begins at 7 a.m. For more

information call (248) 557-9500 ext. 539 or (313) 392-9266.

SUN, JUNE 28

CANCER SURVIVOR PICNIC
A free picnic for survivors of cancer and their families will be held at Garden City Park (corner of Cherry Hill and Merriman). Everyone who has survived this disease, or who has a relative who is a survivor, is invited to attend his "Celebration of Life" picnic. Food, beverage, entertainment, games and fellowship with family, physicians and medical staff will be provided. Registration by June 23 is required by calling 458-4330.

MON, JUNE 29

BREASTFEEDING CLASS
A one session class providing information to expectant parents on the many positive benefits of breastfeeding. Class meets at 6 p.m. Call 458-4330 for registration information.

TUE, JUNE 30

FIBROMYALGIA SEMINAR
Dr. Martin Tamler, specialist in Fibromyalgia will present an overview of fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue syndrome. Presenting research updates and treatment protocols. Tuesday, June 30 from 7-9 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital auditorium, 36475 Five Mile and Levan Roads in Livonia. Call Sharon (248) 344-4063 for more information.

WED, JULY 1

PATHWAYS TO PARENTING
Offers the opportunity for new mothers to network, share concerns and gain information. Free. July 1 program: 'Dental Awareness As your Baby Grows.' Meetings held monthly from 12:30-2 p.m. Call Botsford at (248) 477-6100.

MOM'S SURVIVAL CLASS
Mothers and their partners learn about why moms have adjustment problems, how to cope and how problems can be addressed before they become worse. First Wednesday of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Education Center at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. Call (734) 712-5400.

MON, JULY 6

TOPS CLUB
TOPS Club, Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Monday from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, 16700 Newburgh in Livonia. For more information please call Marilyn at (734) 464-2844.

TUE, JULY 7

MARITAL ARTS
A Marriage Enrichment Series. Seminar designated for couples who wish to strengthen their marital relationship. The emphasis will be on the practical application of interpersonal skills to develop greater intimacy within the marriage. Meets on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital (Ann Arbor) for six consecutive Tuesdays beginning July 7. Call to register, (734) 201-6644.

BABYSITTING CLASSES
Includes CPR, and basic first aid. Taught by urgent care nurses. Must be 12 years of age or older and attend all four classes. Offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Arbor Health Building in Ply-

mouth beginning July 7. Call (734) 712-5400.

WED, JULY 8

PLYMOUTH BREATHERS CLUB
For those with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, emphysema and other respiratory disease. Meets the second Wednesday of every month from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the Arbor Health Building/Plymouth. Call (734) 712-5367.

FRI, JULY 10

CLINICAL INFERENCE
Madonna University in Livonia will offer the workshop "Thinking like a therapist: An introduction to clinical inference," during the spring/summer term. The workshop will be held on July 10 from 6-10 p.m. and the following Saturday (July 18) from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For information call (734) 432-5731.

SAT, JULY 11

BABY CARE CLASS
The baby care class helps families learn newborn care in advance such as bathing, holding and dressing. \$20 fee from 9 a.m. to noon. Call the Family Birthing Center of Providence Hospital at (248) 424-3919.

THUR, JULY 16

COOKING DEMO
Arabian delights-meals from the Middle East. Classes begin at 7 p.m. Sponsored by Botsford General Hospital. Preregistration and \$6 fee. Information, call (248) 477-6100.

TUE, JULY 21

LOSS OF A LOVED ONE
Anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one is encouraged to participate in GranCare's free support group the third Tuesday of every month from 6:30-8 p.m. at GranCare, 38935 Ann Arbor Road, Livonia. Call, (734) 432-6565 ext. 115.

THUR, JULY 23

COOKING DEMO
Berried treasures - fresh berry desserts. Classes begin at 7 p.m. Sponsored by Botsford General Hospital. Preregistration and \$6 fee. Information, call (248) 477-6100.

MON, AUG 3

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WED, AUG 5

PATHWAYS TO PARENTING
Offers the opportunity for new mothers to network, share concerns and gain information. Free. Aug. 5 program: 'Reading to your Baby.' Meetings held monthly from 12:30-2 p.m. Call Botsford at (248) 477-6100.

THUR, AUG. 6

MY BODY, MYSELF
Two-hour workshop for women only. Thursday, Aug. 6 at 7 pm. Preregistration and \$50.00 fee. Information: call Botsford at (248) 477-6100.

"ENTERTAINMENT ON US"

Here's a guide to the free concert series presented by Plymouth's Downtown Development Authority in Kellogg Park, and on the streets of downtown Plymouth Friday evenings through Aug. 21. For more information, call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 254.

- Mike Karoub and Cello Jazz, 7-9 p.m. June 12 - Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street
- MEW, (alternative rock) 7-9 p.m. June 19 - Ann Arbor Trail and Forest
- The Regular Boys with vocalist Jeanne Staels, (rhythm & blues) 6:45-9:45 p.m. June 26 - Kellogg Park
- Larry Nozero, (alto sax, jazz) 7-9 p.m. July 10 - Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street
- Schunk, Starr, Dryden jazz trio, 7-9 p.m. July 17 - Penniman and Main Street
- Robert Bugar, (rock) 7-9 p.m. July 24 - Ann Arbor Trail and Forest
- Michele Ramo and Heidi Hepler (Brazilian Flamenco flavored jazz) 6:45-9:45 p.m. July 31 - Kellogg Park
- Perry Hughes, (jazz guitarist) 7-9 p.m. Aug. 7 - Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street
- Robert Noll/Blues Mission 7-9 p.m. Aug. 14 - Ann Arbor Trail and Forest
- Pamela Ransford and the Plymouth Guitar Band, and Ursula Walker/Buddy Budson Trio (jazz, rhythm and blues flavored vocal stylings) 6:45-9:45 p.m. Aug. 21 - Kellogg Park.

Live music draws audience of shoppers

Three years ago when sales started to sag in Plymouth during Streetscape construction, Downtown Development Authority director Steve Guile added one more good reason for people to visit the historic city on Friday nights.

A series of jazz, rhythm and blues and rock groups are performing in Kellogg Park and on the streets of Plymouth in an effort to bring shoppers into the retail district. The concerts began May 15.

"The idea was to offer live music as a bridge between major events downtown as a traffic generator," said Guile. "It's developed into quite an event, and with concerts beginning in June by the community band and the series by the arts council, it's gotten so you can come to Plymouth almost any night of the week and hear live music, and in different locations. It keeps people circulating. And the music is representative of talent throughout the metro Detroit area."

Scheduling entertainment
Fred Sanderson, owner of Plymouth Guitar, is responsible for scheduling entertainment. Sanderson has his hands on the local music scene's heart beat. He plays keyboards with the Plymouth Guitar Band and jazz vocalist

Pamela Ransford on Aug. 21. The group plays a blend of jazz, rhythm and blues, standards, old soul, and swing.

"The concerts are a who's who of the area musicians," said Sanderson. "Some are more well known than others. Everyone who comes down loves it. The concerts are free; they're quality. These musicians are the unsung heroes. They've worked hard polishing their craft and are not getting the recognition locally so the concerts benefit all of us."

Nearly all of the concerts are co-sponsored by downtown merchants this year.

Co-sponsors

Mike Karoub and Cello Jazz perform courtesy of Wild Wings Gallery June 12. Vocalist Jeanne Staels and the Regular Boys bring their brand of rhythm and blues to Kellogg Park June 26 thanks to Delta Diamond.

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Homage to Carl Sagan: Igor Beginin contrasts lines and curves in this vibrantly colored abstract.

Artist rises like Phoenix from Russian folklore

You'd never guess by looking at Igor Beginin the story of the man behind the paintings.

Beginin was born to Russian parents who fled their homeland for the former Yugoslavia when 15 members of his father's family were executed with machine guns during the Revolution. A Canton resident and art professor at Eastern Michigan University for 30 years, Beginin grew up in a cultured home. His father played the guitar and friends frequently dropped by to recite Pushkin or play classical music on the piano.

But all that ended when Beginin's father was shot by a firing squad in the former Yugoslavia. Beginin fled the country with his mother and "lived a life of lies" to survive.

Maybe his tragic family history is why Beginin always touches the viewer with his works whether it's with the vibrancy and passion of color, or the dark content of the "Night Stalker."

Like the Phoenix bird of the Russian folk tale, Beginin rose from the ashes. After living four years in a displaced persons camp in Italy, the family immigrated to America. Along the way, Beginin learned to speak five languages and served as an interpreter in the refugee camp in Italy.

It was in the former Yugoslavia that Beginin's talent for drawing and painting was first recognized. Beginin refers to his early art education for talented and gifted students in the German school in the former Yugoslavia as instruction under communism.

"I remember mixing pigment powders like 19th century painter Edouard Manet," said Beginin. "Everything in art was done to promote the communist government and its policy."

Phoenix rising

Since those early years, Beginin earned bachelor and master of fine arts degrees through scholarships from Wayne State University. The award-winning painter's work has been published in several books including West Bloomfield author Chris Unwin's "The Artistic Touch 2." Exhibiting in national and international watercolor shows, museums and galleries such as the Cary Gallery in Rochester won Beginin

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LIVONIA ARTS FESTIVAL

WHAT: The Livonia Arts Commission presents its 22nd annual arts and craft show in the streets of Greenmead Historical Village and the second annual Fine Arts in the Village in the historic buildings at Greenmead. On the grounds, but in a separate area, there will be a traveling museum by Precious Moments. Admission, parking and shuttle are free.

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 13, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 14.

WHERE: Greenmead Historical Village, 20501 Newburgh Road, (south of Eight Mile Road), Livonia. (248) 477-7375.

Tower emerges from the background

WHAT: The Music of Joan Tower, composer-in-residence of the Fifth Annual Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival.

WHEN: 7 p.m. Sunday, June 14

WHERE: Temple Beth El Chapel, 7400 Telegraph Road

FEATURED PERFORMERS: Paul Katz, James Tocco, Eighth Blackbird, Curateto de Cuerdas America

PROGRAM: "Petroushakes," "Winds," "Night Fields," "Tres Lent," "Or Like A... An Engine," "Noon Dance"

For information and tickets to this and other concerts in the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival series: Call (248) 362-6171, or (248) 645-6666.

Many writers claim that they listen to music while they write. Legend has it that William Faulkner sat an arm's reach away from the volume knob on his record player, often listening to Wagner's "The Ring of the Nibelung" in between sips of Jack Daniels.

But what do composers listen to when they're creating? "Having music in the background can't be done," said Joan Tower, arguably one of the least known and most talented composers in the classical music world.

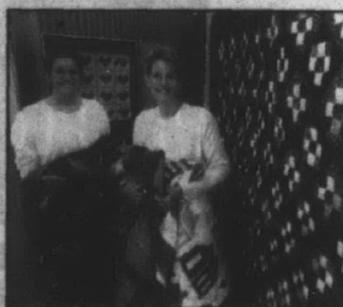
Tower is the artist-in-residence at the fifth annual Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival. Her music will be featured in an "All-Tower Concert" Sunday, June 14, at the Temple

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Bold sounds: Joan Tower is considered one of today's most dynamic and colorful composers.

EXHIBIT



Stitch in time: Dawn Sgriccia (left) and Jan Chilenko stand in front of a quilt The Needlers Quilt Group donated for a raffle to raise funds for Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Livonia.

Needlers share friendship, stitches

Jane Raiger remembers playing under her grandmother's quilting frame as a child. In fact, the Livonia resident can't remember a time when quilts weren't a part of her life. Raiger recently finished warming up her new contemporary home by hanging quilts all over the walls, and Raiger's 89-year-old mother still makes quilts for her grandchildren.

Ten years ago Raiger decided with all this quilt making going on she could use a little help from friends. She invited fellow students in a class at Schoolcraft College to form a quilting group. At the time, a similar group existed in Northville, but Raiger was tired of being on the

long waiting list for membership and decided to start The Needlers.

Friendship

"It's a friendship group," said Raiger. "We get together to make quilt blocks for each other. I can't imagine the group ever dying out. We exchange homemade gifts at Christmas, hold August picnics for past members, and if one of our members gets pregnant, we make a baby quilt."

Unlike most clubs where camaraderie is one of the major benefits of belonging, The Needlers reap the fruit of their fellow quilters' labor. Every two years, a member supplies fabric

and patterns to other members who go home and stitch up their individual blocks. They return with the finished project the next month when another member chooses quilting materials for her blocks. The folk art, traditional and contemporary quilts, and quilted clothing by the 24 members of the club are currently on exhibit at Livonia City Hall.

Originally the group met in the homes of members, but recently moved their monthly meetings to Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Livonia. The church lets them use the Fellowship Hall. On display is a

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THE NEEDLERS

WHAT: Exhibit of creative stitching (quilts and clothing) hosted by the Livonia Arts Commission. The Needlers meet 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday of the month at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Livonia. For more information, call Beth Colton, (248) 478-2812.

WHEN: Through Friday, June 26. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

WHERE: Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive.

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quilt that The Needlers have donated to the church. The church will raffle the quilt in November to raise money. All of The Needlers worked on the blue and red Hourglass Nine-Patch quilt measuring 78- by 86-inches. The quilt is machine pieced and the inner quilt is machine quilted. The pattern was chosen from the July 1996 edition of "Sew Many Quilts" magazine.

Among the stitchery in the exhibit is a blue house quilt, a log cabin sweatshirt and an airplane quilt by show chairperson Jan Chilenko. Her son Nicholas chose the star fabric for the airplane quilt Chilenko made when he was 4 years old.

Beth Colton of Livonia is one of the original members who met during the quilting class at Schoolcraft College with Doris Cross 10 years ago.

"Every month we make blocks for someone and then they have 24 blocks to make a quilt," said Colton. "I enjoy the whole process of quilting. It's very therapeutic."

Toni Guralewski of Canton began quilting seven years ago and has been a member five years. Her love of cats is appar-

ent in a quilted vest on exhibit in the show. A yellow and blue Feathered Star quilt took Guralewski eight months to hand stitch. Members of The Needlers created blocks for the two calendar quilts featuring blocks of shamrocks, Fourth of July stars and stripes, a basket of autumn apples, and a Christmas angel.

"I've always sewn," said Guralewski. "The idea of the club is each month two people present a block for all of us to do. It's a challenge. And when we're done someone has a whole quilt to piece together."

Cathy Griffin, a Waterford resident formerly from Livonia, creates bed size quilts. She enjoys stitching the blocks every month for the chosen member.

"I quilt every day when I have a project, usually two to three hours in the morning," said Griffin. "I like hand quilting and hand appliquéing. That's what's nice about belonging to a group where you have a project - you learn a lot of new things."

For Dawn Sgriccia of Livonia, what began as a love for quilting 20 years ago turned into an interest for design and art.

Inspired by quilting, Sgriccia decided to go back to school to earn a design degree at Schoolcraft College and a bachelor of fine arts degree in fiber and painting at the University of Michigan.

"My grandmother taught me," said Sgriccia. "But the first quilt I made I started when my daughter was born. I found I like design and ended up getting a degree in computer design then went on to earn a degree in fiber arts and painting."

"Fractured Flowers" represents the contemporary work Sgriccia's been doing in the past few years. A dyed sky pattern wall hanging quilt is downright abstract nature. Sgriccia adds dimension to the work by stuffing filling into vertical rows.

"Quilting is really big," said Sgriccia. "I belong to three clubs. Since not all the members of The Needlers live near me, the club gives me a chance to connect with them."

Sgriccia is also a member of the Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild. Every year members sew dozens of quilts for domestic violence shelters such as Safehouse in Ann Arbor.

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a spot in "Who's Who of American Art" and Who's Who in American Education." He recently won the Juror's Choice award in the Fine Arts in the Village competition. The abstract work, "Homage to Carl Sagan," will be on exhibit June 13-14 in the historic buildings of Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia.

Fine Arts in the Village is one of two shows, the Livonia Arts Commission is hosting Saturday-Sunday, June 13-14. Visitors will find 221 arts and crafts booths in the streets of the village and fine arts hung inside the Newburg Church and School, Quaker Meeting House and Shaw House.

One of the accomplishments in Beginin's scrapbook of newspaper clippings he's most proud of is receiving U.S. citizenship in 1960. There are also the covers Beginin painted for the Detroit Free Press Sunday magazine of Eastern Market in 1965 and burned-out buildings on 12th Street after the 1967 riots. Other clippings tell of exhibits which take much time and effort.

"I don't enter too many local shows, usually only the Michigan Water Color Society, because I've juried so many of the shows," said Beginin.

Tin cans filled with dozens of paint brushes line a wooden table in his basement studio. The globs of paint placed along the edge of the table mimic the variations of red, blue and green found in his paintings. Jars and tubes of paint are stored on several shelves in the studio.

Beginin stresses although he is a painter, drawing is the basis for all of his work. From content paintings such as "Night Stalker" to totally abstract works such as "Homage to Carl Sagan," Beginin puts his heart and life experiences into the works. Surviving tragedy has a way of sensitizing people to the beauty of

the world and the suffering of others.

"I start with texture or a blob of color and then set out to resolve the painting," said Beginin. "I'm abstract by choice. Some people say there's this camp and that camp, but I've done realism and abstract. In painting, as in life, we need variety."

Beginin's paintings whether hung or stacked against the wall can be found in every room of his home. An abstract in the living room, although framed, Beginin studies and plans to change. Something bothers him about the painting.

"I don't want to be in control because it becomes too much craft and not art," said Beginin.

Livonia Arts Festival

In addition to Beginin, Fine Arts in the Village features 46 artists from as far away as Armada. From 98 entries, 53 paintings, sculptures, pastels, prints, drawings, photographs, clay and mixed media work were chosen by juror John E. Van Haren, art professor at Eastern Michigan University and department chair from 1979 to 1994. Van Haren awarded \$2,500 in cash prizes in the competition sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission. The exhibition includes a variety of styles from Abstract to Expression and Realism. Among the more thought provoking works is Darcy Scott's surrealist watercolor of an abandoned doll laying on the floor, a suitcase, and a piece of

rope hung from the ceiling.

"A lot of it is traditional and 98 percent of people relate to it," said Bob Sheridan, Livonia Arts Commission president.

This year the juror selected the show from the actual works instead of from slides. Sheridan's favorite is "Silence," a charcoal drawing by Dianne Burkhardt of Northville.

"The first-place winner, it's the mystery of it and the imagination of a table set for two," said Sheridan.

This is the first year Sheridan chaired the fine arts show.

"It's a lot of work but well worth it," said Sheridan. "We're trying to develop an interest in the arts in Livonia."

Stephanie Skaggs is chairing the 22nd annual Arts and Crafts Show spotlighting fine art, wood, fiber, jewelry, metal, photography, glass, and pottery. She spent the last year visiting artists at shows in Ann Arbor, Grosse Pointe and Novi. Charlene Berry, dulcimer; Intraymi, an Ecuadorian group and guitar duo Sean Blackman and John Arnold will provide the entertainment.

"Half of the artists are new," said Skaggs. "I'm really happy about that. We're still crafts but fine crafts."

When asked what sets the Livonia Arts Festival apart from those other shows Skaggs said, "by far it's the setting. We have the nicest setting. The fact that it's in the village and we're listed in the National Registry."

Tower from page C1

Beth El Chapel.

The festival runs through Saturday, June 20. It features local and international musicians performing the music of the masters, and several 20th-century

composers, such as Ravel, Debussy, Prokofiev along with Tower's recent works.

The concerts are held in intimate and ethereal settings such as the chapels of St. Hugo's, Temple Beth El and Kirk in the Hills and Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Taking the abstract dissonance of serialism established by Schoenberg in the early 20th century and adding the unbridled passion of Beethoven, Tower has derived a complex, yet accessible sound.

Her style can be summed up as "every sound relates to the whole." Or what Tower refers to as motivated structures.

"I'm trying to learn how to make a piece move while creating an overall strong musical structure," she said.

Recently, the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra featured her compositions, many of which are distinguished by an infusion of percussion.

The percussive sound is an unmistakable influence. Tower grew up in South America and was stirred by both the indigenous rhythms and the works of the masters, particularly Beethoven.

While she claims to have moved away from the overly abstract influences of serialism - an extension of the 12-tone music that moves in seemingly arbitrary circles rather than keys - Tower's music is definitively rooted in the contemporary experience and deeply personal.

"(Serialism) was too abstract and dense, I wanted to explore other worlds," she said.

Her first orchestral work composed in the early 1970s, "Amazon II," integrated many of the local South African cadences. And her subsequent works, such as "Sequoia" and "Noon Dance," drew on folk motifs and ambitious, bold swings of energy.

But according to Tower, audiences have been reluctant to open up to the works of new composers, preferring to listen to reinterpretations of the works of the masters.

"Music is the most pure and most stubborn art form," said Tower from her home in Annandale, N.Y., where she teaches at Bard College.

In many ways, the contributions of women composers in classical music lags far behind other fields, such as the visual arts and literature.

"Look at the history of music, there are very few women," she said.

But clearly, Tower isn't interested in being labeled a "woman composer."

"The first listener is yourself, and the second listeners are the performers," she said. "If the player doesn't respond, then the audience won't feel the energy and emotion of the music."

With her music being played at five musical festivals this summer, it's unlikely that anyone thinks of Tower's work as background music.



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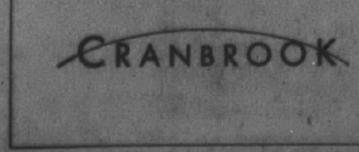
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A fine-art juried exhibit featuring 200 artists from around the U.S., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 13-14. Henry Ford Medical Center campus, West Bloomfield, 6777 W. Maple Road (between Drake and Farmington roads). Free admission; (248) 626-3636.

ART IN THE SUN
Annual fine art and craft show sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, June 20 & 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, June 21. Downtown Northville; (248) 349-7640.

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7th annual show sponsored by D&M Studio's Once Upon an Easel and Canton Township parks and Recreation Departments, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday, June 20 & 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, June 21. Heritage Park, Canton Civic Center Complex, Canton; (734) 453-3710.

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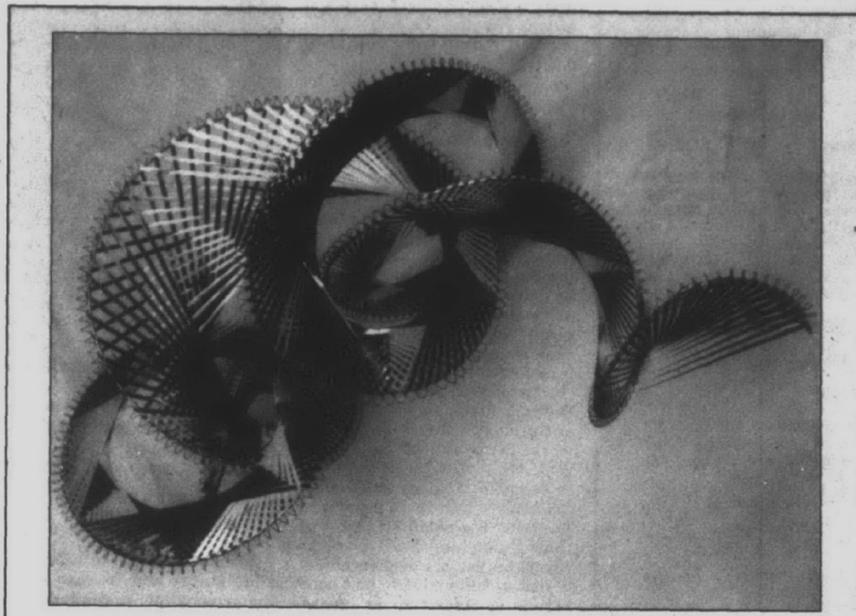
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RACKHAM SYMPHONY CHOIR
Auditions on Monday, June 8 for the 1998-99 season, which includes Carmina Burana, Handel's Messiah. Twenty-five members of Rackham Symphony choir will also be selected to perform in the Michigan Opera Theatre's "Turandot" in the fall. For an appointment, call (313) 341-3466.

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Physics of Art: "Space, Form, Motion," mobile sculptures by Detroit artist Mark Lindquist are on exhibit through June 27 at the Lawrence Street Gallery, N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

VILLAGE PLAYERS
Auditions for the Birmingham Village Players' production of "Private Lives," 7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 7 and Tuesday, June 9, 752 Chestnut Street, Birmingham; (248) 644-2075.

CAMPS

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
"Summer at the Art Factory," starting June 15 for children ages 6-12. Sessions from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and half days, 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (734) 994-8004.

BBAC VISUAL ART CAMP
Two summer art programs for children in grades 1-9: June 22-July 3, and August 10-21. Daily sessions 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
"Kids' Summer Stuff," including ongoing workshop for ages 5-13. Fee: \$8/session, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth; (734) 416-4ART.

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Annual Spring Musicale 8 p.m. Monday, June 8 in the main sanctuary of the Congregation Beth Achim, 2100 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield; (248) 541-0365.

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Spring classes, including watercolor, collage, weaving, bead stringing, photography and stained glass. Summer classes begin June 15, 117 W. Liberty, downtown Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004, ext. 113.

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PAINTING IN THE PARK
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Summer classes and workshops. Class size limited to 12 students. Classes include tile making, basic ceramics, hand building, sculpture portraiture, wheel throwing, ceramics for parent and adult. Fees vary, 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

U-M DEARBORN
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David Syme in concert 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, 4110 Telegraph Road south of Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 594-3434.

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Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra's "Celebration Concert," in association with the Japanese Business Society of Detroit, 7 p.m. Sunday, June 14, featuring violinist Kyoko Kashiwagi, pianist Chitose Okashiro, Temple Beth El, 14 Mile Road at Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-2276.

CONGREGATION SHAAREY ZEDEK
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, the Weisberg concert featuring cantor Nathan Lam, 27375 Bell Road, Southfield; (248) 357-5544.

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Featuring composer/conductor James Curnow, 3 p.m. Sunday, June 14, Groves High School Auditorium, 20500 W. 13 Mile Road; (248) 474-4997 or (248) 647-7586.

DANCE

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"OFF CENTER: A Performance of Music and Dance," 3 p.m. Sunday, June 7, Detroit Institute of Arts Auditorium, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 664-7620.

A TALENT FACTORY
"The Feast of Terpsichore 98," noon Saturday, June 13, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Hall at Garfield roads, Mt. Clemens; (810) 977-8780.

MARYGROVE CHILDREN'S DANCE RECITAL
"Cinderella," 6 p.m. Saturday, June 13 & 2 p.m. Sunday, June 14, Marygrove College Theater, 8425 W. McNichols (at Wyoming), Detroit; (313) 927-1446.

DETROIT TAP FESTIVAL
"Rhythm in Motion III," a series of master classes, tributes and performances, June 26-28. Showcase performances by the area's best tap dancers, 4 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 223-1012.

LECTURE

BBAC
"The Verbal & the Visual," a talk by artist Gail mally-mack, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 645-3323.

MUSEUMS (ON-GOING)

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
Through June 21 - "Affirmations," the sculpture of Richard Hunt, through June 30 - "The Life & Times of Paul Robeson," Coleman A. Young Exhibitions Room, 315 E. Warren, Detroit; (313) 259-4109.

KELSEY MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY
Through June 30 - "A Victorian's Passion for Egypt: David Roberts, 1796-1864," Roberts' drawings and paintings during his travels through the middle eastern country, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; (313) 763-3559.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART
Through Aug. 9 - "Traditions in Clay: Chinese Ceramics from the Permanent Collection," 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor; (734) 764-0395.

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM
Through Aug. 16 - "A Loaded Brush: Recent Paintings by Nancy Brett"; through Aug. 16 - "Bound & Gagged: The Sculptural Book" through Sept. 6 - "Cranbrook Intimate Space: Photography by Gene Meadows," 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3314.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM
Through Aug. 16 - "The Scent of Glamour," a collection of perfume bottles and atomizers; through Sept. 30 - "A Community Between Two Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit," produced by the Michigan State University Museum and the Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services, 5401 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7934.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Through Sept. 6 - "Japanese Resist: Dyed Textiles: Yuzen and Shibori," an exhibit of Japanese textiles. Hours: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. weekends, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

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Through Sept. 30 - "Passages to Innovation," in collaboration with students from Center for Creative Studies, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn; (734) 271-1620.

OPERA

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"Porgy & Bess," an American folk opera, music by George Gershwin, story by Ira Gershwin, and DuBose and Dorothy Heyward, 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. June 7; 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, June 10-13; 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. June 14. Detroit Opera House, at the corner of Madison Avenue and Broadway, one block east of Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Tickets: \$18-\$95; (248) 645-6666, or (313) 874-SING.

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LONESTAR LITERARY SERIES
Detroit poet Jim Perkinson 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, followed by open mike. Next to the Birmingham Theater, downtown Birmingham; (248) 584-5612.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

REVOLUTION
June 10 - "Hot," a summer group exhibit featuring painting, sculpture, works on paper and ceramics of 15 artists. Through July 25, 23257 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale; (248) 541-3444.

ARIANA GALLERY
June 12 - "Perceived Function," new works by Larry Fox. Through July 12, 119 S. Main, Royal Oak; (248) 546-8810.

HABATAT GALLERIES
June 12 - The sculpture of Antoine Lepelrier and Janusz Walentywicz. Opening reception 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 12. Through July 10, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-2066.

NETWORK
June 12 - "Metal Works," an exhibit featuring sculptural and functional metal works by Cranbrook Academy of Art alumni. Through July 25, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

U-M DEARBORN/BERKOWITZ GALLERY
Through June 12 - "Botanicals II: Florals & Landscapes by Michigan Artists." Alfred Berkowitz Gallery, third floor, Mardigian Library, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn; (734) 593-5058.

UZELAC GALLERY
Through June 12 - "Paintings by Nancy Raitt," 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257. 13 - 7 p.m., "Nancy Raitt," Uzelac Gallery, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257.

THE ANDERSON GALLERY
Through June 20 - "New Sculpture" by Susan Aaron-Taylor, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 335-4611.

GALERIE BLUE
Through June 20 - The sculptures of Bruce Garner, 568 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 594-0472.

POSNER GALLERY
Through June 20 - "Two Painters," an exhibit of new paintings by Joseph Bernard and Helen Evans Febbo, 523 N. Old Woodward, Detroit; (248) 647-2552.

SHAWGUIDO GALLERY
Through June 20 - 7 p.m., "One of the Ways," works by Lee Stolar, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-1070.

STUDENT EXHIBIT/CES
Through June 20 - Annual Student Exhibition. Center for Creative Studies, 201 E. Kirby, Detroit; (313) 664-7464.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Through June 21 - "Face to Interface: New Media and the Spectator," 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (734) 994-8004.

BBAC

Through June 26 - "Inside the BBAC," a student show, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY
Through June 27 - "Space, Form, Motion," mobile sculptures by Detroit artist Mark Lindquist, 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

SHAWGUIDO GALLERY
Through June 27 - "New Generation: Graduate Student Exhibit in Ceramics & Metals," 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-1070.

MICH ASSOC. OF CALLIGRAPHERS
Through June 29 - In celebration of their 20th Anniversary, the Michigan Association of Calligraphers is sponsoring an exhibit "Calligraphic Continuum." Exhibit includes juried exhibit of work by instructors from around the country. The Galleria, Oakland County Executive Offices, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac.

ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY
Through June 30 - "Heavens," featuring Michigan artists Sargent Eckstein, Bob Jacobson, Karen Klein, Karin Klue, Donella Vogel, 32782 Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak; (248) 647-7709.

CHRISTIE'S
Through June 30 - Miniature oil paintings by Marina Salene, 34649 S. Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 594-5803.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSEUM/GALLERY
Through July 1 - "Emerging Artists Exhibition," including a range of mediums. Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

CARY GALLERY
Through July 3 - "Sandy Lentz and Jan Lincoln: Transforming Elements - Five Elements Fire, Air, Earth, Water & Space," 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-3656.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
Through July 3 - Fourth Annual All Media In-State Invitational Exhibit, 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

HILBERRY GALLERY
Through July 3 - "Portraits: Susanna Coffey and Richard Lewis," 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY
Through July 4 - "A Visual Dialogue: Fifteen Women Artists," 107 Townsend Street, Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

CREATIVE RESOURCE ART & IMAGING
Through July 10 - "Beyond Tapestry," an exhibit of fiber art, 162 Old N. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-3688.

SYBARIS GALLERY
Through July 11 - "Contemporary International Ceramics Group Invitational," 202 E. Third Street, Royal Oak; (248) 544-3388.

HALSTED GALLERY
Through July 13 - The work of photographers Olive Cotton, David Moore and Wolfgang Sievers, 560 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 8284.

CENTER GALLERIES
Through July 17 - "Works of Brian Nelson, James Lutonski, Joan Livingston, Glida Snowden, Mark Beltchenko, Christine Hagedorn, Robert Bielat, Vincent Massaro, Mary Fortune and Todd Erickson, Park Shelton Bldg., 15 E. Kirby Street, Ste. 107, Detroit; (313) 874-1955.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET
Through July 17 - "Un-defining Sculpture," 300 River Place, Ste. 1650, Detroit; (313) 393-1770.

BBAC
Through July 20 - "Terry Lee Dill Site Specific Sculpture Installation" in the Robinson Gallery, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY
Through July 25 - "Toying Memory," approximated objects, 1719 W. 14 Mile Road, Royal Oak; (248) 549-3016.

Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival

For information/tickets, Call (248) 362-6171; for tickets, (248) 645-6666.

■ 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 11-12 - St. Hugo's Chapel, 2215 Opdyke Road, Bloomfield Hills

Program features pieces by Beethoven, Shostakovich, Strauss, and Joan Tower.

■ 8 p.m. Saturday, June 13 - Kirk in the Hills Sanctuary, 1340 W. Long Lake Road
Program features pieces by Ravel, Tchaikovsky and "Turning Points, for clarinet, 2 violins and cello" by Joan Tower.

■ 7 p.m. Sunday, June 14 - Temple Beth El Chapel, a concert of all Tower music.

■ 11 a.m. Sunday, June 14 - Detroit Institute of Arts, (Brunch with Bach), call (313) 833-4005 for tickets.

Features: James Tocco, Jonathan Biss, and Barbara Westphal. All Mozart program.

■ 8 p.m. Monday, June 15 - Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lake Shore Road
All Mozart program.

■ 8 p.m. Tuesday & Wednesday, June 16-17 - Temple Beth El Chapel
Program features pieces by Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Dvorak and "Platinum Spirals" by Tower.



Pianist James Tocco, Festival Artistic Director.

Vintage: Posters from the famous Paris restaurant, "Willi's Bar," are on exhibit through August 31 at the Print Gallery, 29173 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. Call (248) 356-5454 for more information.





Vocal winners: The Plymouth Community Chorus recently awarded scholarships to Eugene Ralph Doss, Melissa Ann Clairmont and Kristin Lynn Mellian.

arship to Melissa Ann Clairmont of Chelsea High School; the \$400 William Grimmer Memorial Scholarship to Eugene Ralph Doss, an 11th grade student at Churchill High School in Livonia, and a \$400 scholarship to Kristin Lynn Mellian, a 10th grade student at Plymouth Salem High School.

The chorus established its Music Scholarship Program in 1984 to assist students in their pursuit of studies in the field of vocal music, an applied vocational career in vocal music, academic study of voice or the study of voice for the purpose of organized recreational or community singing. Recipients have gone on to study at the Academy of Popular Vocal Arts, Interlochen and Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp.

For more information regarding the 1999 scholarship, call Sherrie Northway at (313) 533-4796.

CORN HUSK DOLL WORKSHOP

The Woodland Indians Trading Company and Gallery presents a corn husk doll workshop by Nisga'a Indian Joyce Tinkham noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 14 in its new location at

26161 West Six Mile Road, between Inkster and Beech Daly, in Redford.

For more information, call (313) 387-5930.

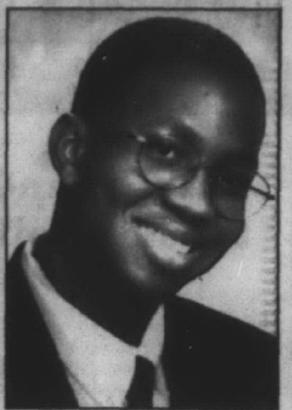
Hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, until 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday except for special events like the corn husk dolls workshop.

BLUE LAKE FINE ARTS CAMP

Rebecca Haase, a student at Churchill High School and Brandon Davis of Wayne High School are two of the 393 musicians, singers and dancers from Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp to participate in the West Michigan summer arts school's International Exchange Program in Europe this summer.

The students will present concerts in eight European countries in June and July. In return, Blue Lake and more than four dozen Michigan communities host 13 Asian and European groups this summer.

Prior to departing, the six groups, (a jazz band, concert band, choral ensemble, symphony orchestra, ballet ensemble, and community band) receive



On the road: Rebecca Haase, a student at Churchill High School, is participating in the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp program in Europe. She is a member of the ballet ensemble. Brandon Davis, a Wayne High School student who plays oboe, is also participating in the program.

one week of intensive rehearsals at Blue Lake.

Nearly 4,000 junior and senior high school students attended

Blue Lake last summer. For more information about the fine arts camp call (616) 894-1966.

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft,

Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Plymouth Community Chorus awarded an \$800 schol-

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Staels teaches piano at Plymouth Guitar.

On July 10, Larry Nozero, sponsored by Blackwell Ford, plays at Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street. The veteran alto sax virtuoso's performed with everyone from Stan Kenton to Marvin Gaye on "What's Goin' On."

Michele Ramo and wife Heidi Hepler share their Brazilian Flamenco flavored jazz with audiences in Kellogg Park on July 31 thanks to Johnson Controls. Sideways pays the bills for the Aug. 14 appearance of Robert Noll and Blues Mission.

"We're trying to bring a little of what they have in Royal Oak and downtown Detroit into the heart of Plymouth," said Sanderson.

This is the third year Pamela

Ransford and the Plymouth Guitar Band step into the spotlight in Kellogg Park. Also appearing are Ursula Walker and the Buddy Budson Trio. Ransford co-owns Plymouth Guitar with Sanderson. The two are more than band mates. Theirs is a love story of sorts.

Love story

Ransford and Sanderson initially met about five years ago through a mutual friend and began performing together. Shortly after marrying two years ago, they moved to Manchester where they live on 19 acres with two horses.

"I'm pretty proud of Fred," said Ransford, who began studying voice and piano her senior year in high school. "He's done a lot to bring music to Plymouth. People

are really getting into it now, bringing their lawn chairs and blankets; it's just people coming downtown.

"I love playing in Plymouth because I get to do what I want to do," continued Ransford. "I really love those old jazz greats by Cole Porter and the Gershwins. They're a challenge to sing

tonally, harmonically, the melodies of them."

Ransford is making a comeback of sorts. She and the Plymouth Guitar Band performed June 6 at the Tastefest and will play Aug. 21 in Kellogg Park. About five years ago Ransford quit singing to take a day job selling cars for a local Ford deal-

er. Ransford was tired of struggling to pay the bills by playing the clubs. She'd done that through most of her 20s and into her early 30s. Now she's ready to jump back into singing again and is looking for a "regular" place to play.

"I'm just kind of having fun with it now," said Ransford. "It's

nice to get away from the pressure of doing it for money. To just do what you want to do and only work with people you want to work with."

"It's fun to play outdoors and in the atmosphere of the park among the people."

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Rally 'round the flag, folks

BY DONNA MULCAHY
SPECIAL WRITER

"You're a grand old flag, you're a high-flying flag," and I can't get this song out of my head, because my column this week is on the U.S. flag, and where to buy flags and flagpoles.

"Every heart beats true 'neath that red, white and blue," but what do you do when your flag is worn out? I'll cover that, too, in honor of Flag Day, which is June 14.

Whew! I think I finally got that tune out of my head (and into yours -- sorry!) You may be wondering, what is Flag Day? Well, it's an annual national holiday that was created by Congress in 1949. It honors the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as our national flag by the Second Continental Congress on June 14, 1777.

I hope that you'll celebrate the holiday by flying the flag at your home next Sunday. I know mine will be out.

If you're in the market for a new flag or flagpole, then here are some places to try:

• The Meijer store in Westland has a good selection of flags and flagpoles and I assume it's the same at other Meijer stores, too. It carries everything from hand-held, 4-by-6-inch flags (\$1.50 for a package of four), to a 20-foot, free-standing, aluminum flagpole set for \$139.97. Most of the items are made by Bissell Outdoor Products of Grand Rapids. A Bissell American Flag set, including a 3-by-5-foot polyester flag with embroidered stars and sewn-on stripes, and a 6-foot, gold-colored anodized aluminum pole with a metal eagle ornament and a brass mounting bracket costs \$29.97. You can buy 3-by-5-foot U.S. flags without flagpoles for \$8.49 to \$24.97. Meijer also has fan-shaped red, white and blue cloth bunting for draping across porch railings; State of Michigan flags; U-M, MSU and Notre Dame flags; and a Bissell catalog from which you can order other state, college and national flags.

• Most free-standing flagpoles have a rope and pulley system for raising and lowering the flag. But the rope can get tangled and wind can cause the pulley system to clang against the pole. If you'd like to avoid that frustration and noise, but still want a tall, free-standing flagpole, then check out the ropeless, telescoping flagpoles that are sold by Tarnow Doors Inc. in Farmington Hills; (248) 478-9060. The poles come in two sizes, 16 feet and 20 feet. That's their height when fully extended. But with a press of a button they collapse to 6 feet tall. To raise and lower the flag, you raise and lower the flagpole, which fits inside a base and is detachable. The poles come in silver, black and bronze, and cost \$200-\$250.

• American Flag & Banner Inc., located at 28 S. Main, just south of 14 Mile Road in Clawson, has the widest selection of flags, flagpoles and accessories around. It even has oak display cases for interment flags (flags that have been draped over a casket and then folded tightly into a smooth triangle). Whatever you want, American Flag & Banner probably has it in stock. And if they don't, they can order it or custom make it for you. I could go on and on about this company, but that pretty much sums it up. For more information, call (248) 288-3010.

Finally, what do you do with torn and tattered, worn-out U.S. flags? Don't throw them in the garbage. That would be disrespectful. Instead, take them to your local VFW or American Legion Post and they will dispose of them properly, said Dale Brubaker, chief of staff of the Department of Michigan Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the American Legion. VFW and American Legion posts accept worn-out flags all year long. On Flag Day, they burn the flags in a private and dignified manner and then bury the ashes, Brubaker said. Other veterans organizations do the same, he said.

"Oh say does that Star Spangled Banner yet wave?" Oh terrific. Now that song's in my head.



Here's to: Cartier wine cooler (\$795) and champagne flutes (\$140). Jules R. Schubot Jewellers, Troy.



Bistro-ware: Mix and match dinnerware from the Le Restaurant collection by Noritake (\$29.95-\$39.95. Sold in sets of four). Heslop's, 11 locations.



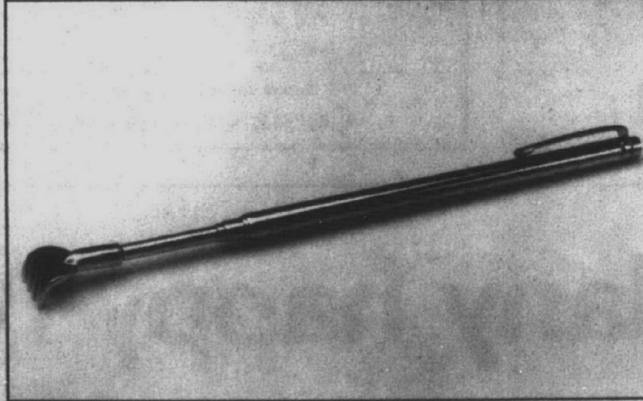
Cash in: Golf-motif money clip (\$65). Tiffany & Co., Somerset Collection, Troy.



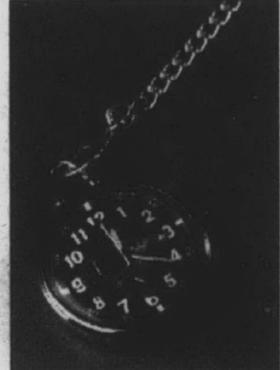
Desk detail: John Hardy sterling silver desk accessories include picture frame (\$295), letter opener (\$350), magnifying glass (\$650) and note pad holder (\$550). Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection, Troy. Photo by Barry Lewis.



Dorm decor: Beaded picture frame (\$25) and candle lamp (\$39). Jacobson's.



Say aah: Silver telescoping back scratcher (\$15). Jacobson's.



Pocket it: He'll never miss a class with Armani's pocket watch (\$295). Jacobson's.

Celebrate!

June jammed with gift-giving occasions

And you thought December was the quintessential shopping month. In sheer numbers, December may win the award for gift-buying volume.

But June offers more occasions for gift-giving than any other month. There's Father's Day, graduations, oodles of June brides and, therefore, dozens of anniversary celebrations. No matter the occasion, identifying the perfect gift is always the goal and the dilemma. Finding just the right something for each recipient often is a stressful experience. Perhaps these suggestions from local experts will help you choose the gift that makes your friend or loved one feel special.

Grad Gifts

A strand of pearls or silver Elsa Peretti bracelets from Tiffany for her; a silver briefcase tag, cufflinks or Atlas collection watch for him. A college graduate deserves to celebrate this rite of passage in style with meaningful and lasting mementos. Says Leslie Pilling, owner of Presence II in Birmingham, "Personalize your gift; add some symbolism." For instance, she suggests an engraved business card case to which you might add some printed cards and a lucky penny. "It's the little extra thought that counts," she says.

Dad-Day Discoveries

Beverly Rice, senior vice president of fashion and merchandising strategy for Jacobson's, suggests giving dad a chuckle this Father's Day. "We're getting away from the traditional and into the whimsical," she says. Golf motif gifts are always popular, even if dad doesn't play. Transport him to Key West with a vibrant vintage-look Tommy Bahamas shirt and add a back scratcher to further the laid-back beach-bum theme. And for the new

kitchen-savvy, epicurean dad: fancy truffles, oils and vinegars and exotic condiments abound. Adds Pilling, "Traveling time is a hot new trend. Give dad a globe, hourglass or travel clock."

For The Bride and Groom

Kari Ziegler, purchasing manager at Heslop's, suggests first checking the bridal registry, then narrowing your selection by price. "A place setting of china is the number one gift," says Ziegler. If your budget permits, add a place setting of flatware and a piece of stemware. A teacup and saucer in the couple's pattern also makes a thoughtful gift. With today's trend toward home entertaining, fine china manufacturers are including more serving pieces in popular china patterns. Pasta bowls and decorative casseroles make a beautiful presentation. Heirloom-quality crystal fits everyone's lifestyle and a piece of Waterford always is appreciated. Finally, alternative metals from Nambe, Wilton Armetale and Arthur Court make elegant, maintenance-free gifts.

Happy Anniversary

To commemorate a special anniversary, go for diamonds, says Lonnie Kanode, director of Tiffany & Co. "Replace her original diamond with a larger diamond ring or express your love with a diamond eternity band." If you're going to an anniversary party, consider a gift of crystal candlesticks or a vase. For gardeners: a silver garden set or a pitcher from Tiffany's new nature collection. Leslie Pilling even recommends recapturing the age-old tradition of tussie-mussies -- the original calling card that, when filled with flowers, symbolized a wedding proposal. Find tussie-mussies at Presence II in Birmingham.

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

MONDAY, JUNE 8

Medicare giveaway

Mall walkers will get free giveaways and information during the Tel-Twelve Mall's Medicare Blue Promotional Giveaway, 8-10 a.m.

Tel-Twelve Mall, Telegraph/12 Mile roads, Southfield. (248) 353-4111.

Literature class

Book Manager and Literary Specialist Elaine More leads a contemporary literature discussion group on Corelli's Mandolin, by Louis de Berniers. 7 p.m.

Borders Book Shop, 31150 Southfield Road, Birmingham. (248) 644-1515.

TUESDAY, JUNE 9

Armani collection

Jacobson's Birmingham store hosts Giorgio

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Armani Le Collezioni 1998 fall/winter collection show. Armani representative Kirsten Peters will meet customers and introduce the new styles. International Department, Jacobson's, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Jacobson's, 336 W. Maple, Birmingham. (248) 644-6900.

Witch hunt

Michigan mystery writer Loren Estleman will discuss and sign copies of his new novel, *The Witchfinder* (Warner Books, \$23), at Borders Books & Music in Birmingham. Estleman lives in Whitmore Lake and writes detective novels set in Detroit. 7:30 p.m. 34300 Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 203-0005.

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

Shining examples

The "king of all jewelry trunk shows" comes to JC Penney in Troy. Sunglasses may be required at the Le Vian fine jewelry show where 18k gold settings dazzle with diamonds, rubies, sapphires and emeralds. Limited edition designs include the new "Petite

Le Vian" collection of nature-inspired pins (\$99-\$399).

Oakland Mall, 412 W. 14 Mile Road, Troy. (248) 585-6000.

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

Lion king

Meet Detroit Lions cornerback Bryant Westbrook at Art Van Furniture in Southfield. Westbrook was the team's first-round draft pick in the 1997 NFL Draft. He'll be available for questions and will distribute autographed photos. 1-3 p.m.

Art Van Furniture, 22555 Greenfield Road, Southfield.

Golf gear

Visit Nordstrom to meet golf instructors Brian Liberati and Paul Bielski and view the latest styles in golf apparel and footwear. Look for prize drawings and golf activities. 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

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It's a bazaar scene at Cost Plus market

You may not be able to find a madras plaid bedspread or those funky '60s-era beaded curtains at the new Cost Plus World Market in Troy, but the eclectic emporium does offer over 10,000 unique casual home furnishing and entertainment items, including gourmet foods and beverages, glassware and ceramics, exotic collectibles, baskets, and rugs and pillows.

The Oakland, Calif.-based purveyor of inexpensive to moderately-priced imported merchandise has lost a bit of its bohemian charm, according to customers at its original flagship store at Fisherman's Wharf, but it still carries the "cool stuff," albeit a little more mainstream.

At its grand opening on Thursday, customers embarked on an aromatic and visual adventure. They traveled the aisles of international kasbahs, ogling iron candlesticks from India, hand-carved tribal masks from Ghana, recycled wood furniture made in Indonesia and Balinese bamboo wind chimes. Other unusual "finds" included rice paper blinds, rush seat cushions, mosquito netting canopies, fertility dolls, pinatas and colorful satin ribbon wind chimes.

"Cost Plus World Market's buyers have a heightened sense of adventure and curiosity," says Kathi Lentzsch, executive vice president of merchandising and marketing

and a veteran of Pier 1 and Pottery Barn. "They travel the world visiting remote villages, centuries-old factories and covered bazaars, searching for unusual products to bring home to our customers."

Most of the opening day browsers filled their baskets with fancy foods and beverages, including cocoa wafers, Ghiradelli Mocha Frappe, Mercado del Mundo salsas and Stewart's sodas. Joan Jovonovich of Madison Heights found scalloped glass salad bowls and some basic wine glasses. "I'm hooked," she said. "This is fun shopping."

Georgia Shaieb of Troy was already anticipating December. "I can't wait to make baskets for Christmas," she said. "I can get the basket here and all the goodies to go inside." She added chips, salsa and tea to her shopping cart.

"Check out the Monterrey throw," gushed Lisa Koziara of Sterling Heights. "It's the softest, coziest thing I've ever felt," she said, debating whether she should purchase the afghan along with her cotton bath rug.

Cost Plus was founded in 1958 when a San Francisco businessman blended his passion for travel and retail by selling shiploads of hand-woven Asian wicker. The company currently operates 71 specialty retail stores in 12 states, including locations in Ann Arbor, Westland and Rochester Hills.



World flavors: Cost Plus provides the ingredients for an outdoor fiesta.

Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement) please call Where Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message, and you should see your input in Sunday's column. Thank You.

- What we found:**
- Tretorn footwear can be found through the Samuel Tennis Sports catalog (800) 626-1153 or Tretorn Headquarters (800) 626-9548. Ask for Mary Percelli.
 - Refills for a bean bag can be found in the JC Penney spring catalog for \$10.99.
 - For Ken an electronic football game and for Barb a Henry Ford yearbook. The person won't sell it, but it can be scanned.
 - Someone who appraises stamps and postcards for Carmen.
 - A reader suggests the base from an old sewing machine to use with marble or glass for a sofa table.
 - An Avon representative advises Melanie to call (800) 367-2866 for Single Stroke polish in Stroke of Spice. It's discontinued but there may be some back stock.

- A reader has a number of Pillsbury Bake-off Cookbooks.
- Target, Meijer and Kmart sell metal tricycles.
- We're still looking for:**
- Linda is looking for a sandal made in Germany with Rohide on the bottom of the shoe and also sandals with a narrow width.
- Darlene wants a needle cartridge for the whole tone arm of a G.E. Show & Tell.
- Sandy wants Permits Sports Wear.
- Ed wants Stetson Cooling Moisture After Shave Splash with natural stone root extract.
- For Violet, china by Gorham, pattern Sweet Violets.
- A battery operated flour sifter for Gloria.
- Someone who collects Yesteryear cars and also someone who repairs old springs in phonographs.
- Shirley is looking for a squeaky dog toy shaped like a clothes pin.
- Sara from Westland wants crochet thread DMV#50.
- Ruth wants TV trays with casters.

Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

RETAIL DETAILS

ROCK ON

The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Tour shakes, rattles and rolls its way to the lower-level Hudson's court during "Fairlane Flash-back" Weekend, June 12-14. The event coincides with the National Mustang Car Show and Swap Meet at the Hyatt Regency-Dearborn. For kids, Fairlane Town Center presents "Those Funny Little People" in a '50s revue, with puppetry, music and comedy.

INSPIRED IMAGES

The Portrait of Hope photography exhibit is on display at the Somerset Collection, South Rotunda through June 30. The

exhibit, featuring the work of five area photographers, documents individuals who have been assisted by Lighthouse of Oakland County.

HOOP DREAMS

Enter Dad for a chance to win a 27-inch color TV at Livonia Mall's "Perfect Father's Day Gift" giveaway. The drawing will be held June 22. Entry forms are available at participating stores and no purchase is necessary to enter. On Saturday and Sunday, June 18-19, Livonia Mall will host "Motor City Hoops," a 3-on-3 basketball tourney, presented by Street Hoops USA to benefit the St. Gregory Community Center in Detroit. Brackets for ages 8 and

up. All entrants will receive a player T-shirt, and champions will receive trophies. Sideline competitions also are planned. Entry forms are available now at the Information Booth, Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads. (248) 476-1160.

BEANIE BONANZA

The M.T. Hunter store in Birmingham has two rare, highly collectible, limited-edition Erin Beanie Babies, valued up to \$1,000 each on the secondary market, but they're not for sale. Store owners Matt and Martha Twomey are giving them away.

The two remaining Erin Beanie babies will be raffled and

one lucky person's name will be drawn from a box on Saturday, June 13 and Saturday, June 27. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. You must purchase a ticket prior to each week's drawing. No tickets will be held from drawing to drawing, and all proceeds will go to benefit a local family in need. Call M.T. Hunter, 1000 Old Woodward, for details at (248) 646-4440.

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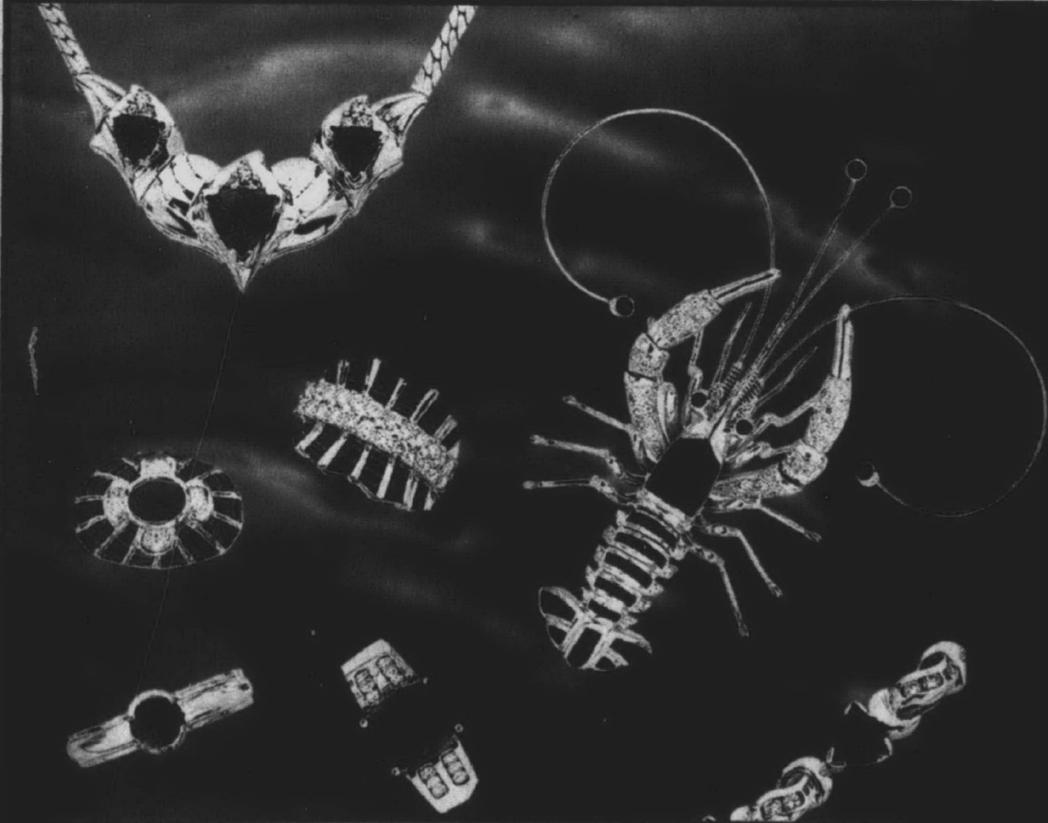
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T-TIME

If dad's out of town, or even if he's here, he'd appreciate a "Greetings from Detroit" T-shirt from The BIG Idea in Ferndale. The 100% preshrunk cotton shirts feature vintage 1940s large-letter postcard-style art, with illustrated landmarks that include the DIA, the Fisher building, Woodward Avenue, the Fisher mansion and Masonic Temple. T-shirts are \$11.95, plus \$2 shipping and handling, with bulk discounts available. Call (248) 544-0973 for more information.

DAZZLING DISCOURSE

Internationally acclaimed jewelry designer Patricia Daunis will make a personal appearance at Orin Jewelers on June 19-20. Much like a personal shopper or cosmetics consultant, she works with clients in determining which jewelry styles work best with their features. "The woman should be noticed before her jewelry," says Daunis. "Always keep in mind that jewelry is meant to accessorize, not steal the show." Daunis will be in the Garden City store on Friday, June 19 and the Northville store on Saturday, June 20.



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TRAVEL

Couple answers adventure's call on world tour

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Did you ever get the notion to just drop everything and go around the world?

Doug and Tracey Ridenour of Birmingham got the notion, and they did it.

Beginning in the fall of 1992, the young couple took off for a trip that would take them across the Pacific, through Southeast Asia, Europe and home over 11-1/2 months.

"The idea was to move to Australia for a while, my husband had visited there and knew people there," said Tracey. "But getting a work visa was impossible. We thought if we can't work in

Australia, let's just travel."

Armed with Lonely Planet guide books and a special round-the-world air ticket, the Ridenours, married in 1990, began to plan their trip. The special ticket cost \$3,400 each and was valid for a year on Qantas, British Airways and United.

"We rented our bungalow in Birmingham. We put things in storage. Doug works for his family's business, Ridenour Builders in Fenton, for his dad. And he got time off. I worked in an ad agency and they were willing to rehire me when I got back," said Tracey, who now owns her own photo and graphics studio, Creative Force, in Troy.

Their odyssey would take them to grass huts on tropical islands, white water rafting on raging rivers, elephant rides through jungles, a hike to a mountain top to stare into an active volcano and from the teeming, choking pollution of Bangkok to pristine, remote jungles.

The journey began conventionally enough with visits to friends in Denver, California and Hawaii before going on to Fiji, New Zealand, Australia, Indonesia, Bali, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore, Bangkok, Paris, London and Greece.

"In the islands of Indonesia, we were living like kings at \$15 to \$20 a day, really cheap," Tracey said. "It was most unique. Doug and I would say if anyone could tune in to us with a video camera they wouldn't believe what we were doing."

Backpacking, staying at hostels or renting inexpensive apartments and avoiding the usual tourist spots helped save money and make the trip more enjoyable.

"In Fiji, we stayed on an island in a grasshut with electricity from a generator," Tracey said. "It was run by an Australian married to a Fijian woman. It was \$12 a day plus diving."

The Ridenours stayed with a group of 16 divers from Scotland, Britain, Australia and New

Zealand.

"A boat came around every two weeks, so there we were stuck with these people, sort of like an Agatha Christie mystery. It was just such a neat place, and the Fijians are just such warm people," Tracey said.

The diving, she added, was "fantastic" with "abundant, colorful and unbelievable life."

The Ridenours love for outdoor adventure found its fullest expression in New Zealand where they hiked, rafted and bungee jumped for a month before moving on to Australia. Tracey said New Zealand is the place she would most recommend for first-time travelers, both for its beauty and its activities.

In Australia they rented an apartment in Melbourne for three months, which became a base for exploring the great island.

"In Australia, we probably traveled more than the Australians ever travel in their lives," Tracey said. "We took trains from Alice Springs to Adelaide. We drove along the coast from Perth."

As they moved into Indonesia, Malaysia and mainland Asia, the Ridenours were confronted with unfamiliar cultures and unexpected beauty.

"Bali was one of my favorites, but every spot had a wonderful point about it," Tracey said.

She said the main activity was just watching the people, absorbing their culture, spending time to talk with them. Often the only belongings they had were fit into a backpack.

"It was actually very easy, you can get rid of a lot of stuff following the sun. We didn't know what to do with a lot of clothing. There were no fashion police there," she said.

Except for a minor confrontation on the Malaysian-Thailand border, they didn't encounter any problems on their journey.

"Nothing major happened to us, we were not robbed. Now we



Away we go: Tracey Ridenour goes for the gusto as she bungee jumps in New Zealand.

Shopping: Tracey and Doug Ridenour enjoyed the bazaars of Europe where even leopard skins were available.

"We had a great time and now we have an 19-month-old son and will never do it again," Tracey said. She said that maybe, someday,

they would be able to take their son, Dean, on an adventure trip, but for now they have their photographs and rich memories of a world of adventure.



Ball balance: The women of Bali carry heavy baskets of fruit to market on their heads.

GREAT ESCAPES

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SQUARE WHEELS

COSI Toledo has a new exhibit, "Square Wheels ... Driving Science Home" May 28 to Sept. 7 in an 8,000-square-foot exhibit that includes 30 life-size,



Square wheels: What's it like to drive a vehicle with square wheels? These visitors to COSI, Toledo seem to be enjoying it. The road is specially designed to conform to the shape of the wheels. It's all part of learning about the science of cars, through Sept. 7.

interactive opportunities for visitors.

Using the automobile as an ingenious avenue to explore basic science concepts, "Square Wheels" breaks this familiar mode of transportation into its parts and allows visitors to discover science through 30 larger-

than-life exhibits that examine the principles behind the function, form and safety of every-

thing.

COSI Toledo, 1 Discovery Way, Toledo, is a hands-on science, learning and fun center that opened last year. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 for children 2-18; \$6.50 for adults; \$5 for seniors and \$25 for a family. Call (419)244-COSI(2674) or visit their website, www.cositoleo.org.

SUPERIOR SHORES

West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a fall trip to the International Wolf Center in Ely, Minn., Sept. 16-20.

The luxury motor coach trip will travel along the north shore of Lake Superior. The two days and two nights in Ely will include special programs from the staff of the wolf center. Naturalist Jonathan Schechter will escort the tour.

The trip costs \$625 per person

based on double occupancy, \$695 per person based on single occupancy. This includes round-trip transportation on a motor coach, four night's lodging, guided tours and educational programs, all meals and taxes. A \$100 deposit is due by July 15, the balance due by Aug. 14.

For more information, call (248)738-2500.

CHINA TRIP

Teacher Kim Dalrymple will lead an excursion to China, Oct. 9-20, including stops in Beijing, Xian, Hangzhou and Shanghai. Dalrymple teaches Chinese language and culture at Washtenaw Community College and Schoolcraft College. While the tour will visit such world-famous attractions as the Great Wall, Tiananmen Square and the underground terra-cotta warriors, Dalrymple plans to incorporate additional interactive and educational elements.

The tour is being arranged by

Seminars International Inc. For more information regarding cost, itinerary and enrollment, call Seminars International at (800)541-7506.

MY KIND OF TOWN, CHICAGO IS

West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a pre-Christmas weekend to Chicago, Dec. 4-6. The trip features two nights at the Inn of Chicago, within walking distance of fine restaurants, department stores, theaters and museums.

The trip costs \$209 per person based on double occupancy, \$289 per person based on single occupancy and \$95 for a child (under 18 years of age) who stays with an adult.

A non-refundable deposit of \$50 must be made for this trip by July 1. Final payment is due Oct. 1. (Trip deposit and payments are non-refundable.)

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Soccer club tryouts

The following is a list of tryouts for the Canton Soccer Club's premier and select teams, both boys and girls, for this fall and next (1999) spring.

- **Kickers (under-19 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Art Page (981-2695).
- **Strikers (under-18 girls):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Gary Kurzynski (397-2188).
- **Magic (under-18 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Jerry Parent (844-8728).
- **Flames (under-17 girls):** Tryouts June 18; contact John Schimmel (981-1672).
- **Homets (under-17 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Danny Rea (451-1032).
- **Crush (under-17 boys):** Tryouts June 17, 18; contact Gary Cifaldi (459-3757).
- **Quest (under-16 girls):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Al Davis (451-5575).
- **Homets (under-16 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Mark Zemanski (459-0611).
- **Force (under-15 girls):** Tryouts June 17, 18; contact Eric Dean (455-3662).
- **Lightning (under-15 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Watson Zdrodowski (459-0727).
- **Predators (under-15 boys):** Tryouts June 18, 19; contact Kurt Johnston (455-4703).
- **Comets (under-14 girls):** Tryouts June 17, 18; contact Ernie Bucks (453-6555).
- **Vipers (under-14 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Dave Foess (416-9729).
- **Impact (under-14 boys):** Tryouts June 17, 18; contact Tom Masters (844-1104).
- **Wings (under-13 girls):** Tryouts June 17, 18; contact John Kiefer (981-7544).
- **Crossfire (under-13 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Jim Devries (397-8953).
- **Attackers (under-13 boys):** Tryouts June 17, 18; contact Dave Krajovic (459-7849).
- **Conquest (under-12 girls):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact John Johnson (455-9884).
- **Strikers (under-12 boys):** Tryouts June 17, 18; contact Paul Palazzolo (207-1662).
- **Hurricane (under-11 girls):** Tryouts June 19, 20; contact Craig Picard (416-9428).
- **Canton (under-11 girls):** Tryouts June 22, 23; contact Cedric Gibson (453-5875).
- **Canton (under-11 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact Rick Pomorski (453-7817).
- **Canton (under-11 boys):** Tryouts June 22, 23; contact Doug Morrison (981-2773).
- **New team (under-10 girls):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact select/premier representative (455-9884).
- **New team (under-10 boys):** Tryouts June 16, 17; contact select/premier representative (455-9884).

Players wanted

A new under-19 girls premier soccer team is now taking shape, and players are needed. Anyone interested in playing for a team with a professional trainer that will be competing in the top division of the Little Caesars Premier Soccer League.

Those interested should have birthdates between July 31, 1979 and Aug. 1, 1983. All positions needed. For further details and tryout information, call (734) 464-9114.

Chiefs baseball camp

The Plymouth Canton baseball coaching staff and players will sponsor the Canton Chiefs Baseball Camp, for kids 7-14 years old, from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. June 15-19 at the Canton baseball field.

Included in the camp will be group and individual instruction in throwing, fielding, pitching, base-running, etc. Cost is \$85 per participant if received before June 7; at-the-gate registration is \$90. Included is a T-shirt and lunch. The camp is limited to the first 125 players.

Also — a one-day camp for eighth graders will be held from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 20 at the Canton field. Cost is \$15; lunch will be included.

For information regarding either, call Mike or Diane Kwiatkowski (981-2024), Doug or Debbie Cortellini (451-1525) or Dick or Ellen Tucker (416-8876).

Sand volleyball

Co-ed sand volleyball leagues are now being formed by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services. Cost is \$40 per team (eight player maximum; four play at a time). Registration begins June 15 and ends July 2, at Canton Township Parks and Recreation, 46000 Summit Parkway (phone: 397-5110).

There is a six-team maximum per league; there are no residency requirements. All games will be played at 6, 7 or 8 p.m. on Tuesdays or Wednesdays, from July 7 through Aug. 19, at the Heritage Park sand volleyball court.

Can new coach rebuild?

Now that's a pretty good birthday present. And it arrived early — about two years early, by Tim Baechler's account.

Today (June 7) is Baechler's 31st birthday. Earlier this year, the Lowell Middle School English teacher had applied for, and received, an assistant coach's position at Plymouth Canton HS. He had plenty of experience, having served as a varsity head coach at Hudson HS from 1991-96 and last year at Dexter HS.

Family reasons — his wife grew up in this area — prompted Baechler to leave Hudson, a Class CC program he had completely turned around, and move here. And although Dexter, a Class BB school that showed promise, was alluring, the travel time between Lowell and Dexter (in excess of 30 minutes) made it impractical.

So Baechler applied at Canton. "Coach (Bob) Khoenle told us he wanted to coach for two more years," Baechler said. "My intentions were to do a good job as an assistant and make my case, to have an opportunity to be a candidate for the head coaching position."

Well, things just didn't quite go according to Baechler's plan. Khoenle decided to leave early, resigning in mid-April. "He caught us by surprise," said Baechler.

It didn't take Baechler long to decide what he wanted to do, and it didn't take those making the decision on the new coach long to choose Baechler as the Chiefs' head man.

"He does bring a successful high school experience to the table," said Brian Wolcott, CEP's director of athletics. "He's proven himself. I'm real, real confident he'll do a good job."

A look at Baechler's history indicates he will. In his five years at Hudson, his team started at 4-5 in its first year (the previous three seasons Hudson had been 1-26) and then went on a roll, going 32-13 during his stay. At Dexter last year, his team went 3-6 after going 2-7 the year before.

But as Wolcott said, the winning numbers are only a part of Baechler's story. "You know a rookie coach when you see one," he said. "He's not. He's got a presence, a confidence."

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Tim Baechler
new Canton coach

Always a winner: Since he was a quarterback at White Pigeon HS, Tim Baechler has played for a winner. Even though he's only 31 (today), Baechler has six years of varsity high school coaching experience.

Chiefs, Rocks both make Observer

If you think you're having a deja vu experience looking at the 1998 All-Observer girls track and field team, it's because you are!

This year's team is nearly identical to last year's with eight individual repeat selections and two relay teams making encore appearances.

Earning consecutive places on the all-area squad are Livonia Franklin's Danielle Wensing, North Farmington's Melissa Gratz (shot put), Plymouth Canton's Nkechi Okwumabua (long jump), Westland John Glenn's LaToya Chandler (high jump), Farmington Harrison's Mahogany Fletcher (100-meter dash), Glenn's Nicolette Jarrett (200) and Livonia Stevenson's Kelly McNeilance and Kelly Travis.

Wensing, who was an at-large selection a year ago, earned a first-team berth in the shot put. McNeilance made the team in the 800 and Travis the 1,600, but last year they were the top picks in the 1,600 and 3,200, respectively.

Glenn's 800 relay team of Kania Adams, Nicole Herring, Chandler and Jarrett was Observerland's best again and added the 400 relay this year.

The top 3,200 relay team remains Livonia Stevenson's Travis, Andrea Parker, Danielle Harris and McNeilance.

Presenting the members of the All-Observer first team:

FIELD EVENTS

Danielle Wensing, senior, Livonia Franklin: Versatile is the perfect way to describe Wensing.

A regional shot put champion, Wensing also qualified for the state meet in the 400 meter dash and was second in the WLAA in the 200 dash. She placed 10th at the state meet in the shot put.

A top 10 placer in four events in Observerland, she is a three-time Most Valuable Player at Franklin.

She shot put in 29 of the 31 dual meets she competed in during her career. So dominant, she broke the school record for career points earned as a junior.

This is her third straight year selected to the All-Observer first team.

"Danielle is everything a coach would ask for in an individual," Franklin coach Rich Lamb said. "Her combination of strength and speed is a true gift. In addition, her attitude and work ethic has allowed her to reach her full potential. Her name appears on the Franklin all-time top 10 list in seven different categories. However, what really makes Danielle special is her leader-

1998 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS TRACK & FIELD	
FIELD EVENTS	
Shot put:	1. Danielle Wensing, senior, Livonia Franklin; 2. Michelle Bonior, freshman, Plymouth Salem; 3. Paula Tomlin, junior, Plymouth Salem.
Discus:	1. Melissa Gratz, senior, North Farmington; 2. Tiffany Grubaugh, sophomore, Plymouth Salem; 3. Emily Yambasky, junior, Livonia Stevenson.
Long jump:	1. Nkechi Okwumabua, senior, Plymouth Canton; 2. Brynne DeNeen, sophomore, Plymouth Salem; 3. Karinne Chatman, junior, Farmington.
High jump:	1. LaToya Chandler, sophomore, Westland John Glenn; 2. Natalis Groudin, junior, Farmington Hills Mercy; 3. Andrea Polasky, freshman, Livonia Stevenson.
Pole vault:	1. (three-way tie for first place) Kim Wise, freshman, Garden City; Katie Mitchell, senior, Livonia Stevenson; and Nicole Dettloff, junior, Livonia Stevenson.
RUNNING EVENTS	
100-meter hurdles:	1. Nicole Herring, senior, Westland John Glenn; 2. Kristal Stricker, Farmington; 3. Erin Stabb, senior, Plymouth Canton.
300 hurdles:	1. Katie Sherron, junior, Livonia Stevenson; 2. Suzanne Peplinski, junior, Livonia Ladywood; 3. Crystal Alderman, junior, Plymouth Canton.
100 dash:	1. Mahogany Fletcher, senior, Farmington Harrison; 2. Brianna Watson, sophomore, Livonia Ladywood; 3. Kania Adams, senior, Westland John Glenn.
200 dash:	1. Nicolette Jarrett, junior, Westland John Glenn; 2. Tiffany Simon, junior, Redford Bishop Borgess; 3. Terica Clayton, sophomore, Farmington Harrison.
400 dash:	1. Autumn Hicks, freshman, Plymouth Salem; 2. Jennifer Hardacre, Livonia Stevenson; 3. Sarah Ware, junior, Plymouth Canton; and Taryn Moran, sophomore, Plymouth Christian.
800 run:	1. Kelly McNeilance, senior, Livonia Stevenson; 2. Andrea Parker, sophomore, Livonia Stevenson; 3. Kristin Hetra, senior, Livonia Churchill.
1,600 run:	1. Kelly Travis, senior, Livonia Stevenson; 2. Ashley Fillion, junior, Livonia Churchill; 3. Evelyn Rahhal, senior, Plymouth Salem.
3,200 run:	1. Alyson Flohr, freshman, Plymouth Salem; 2. Kim McNeilance, junior, Livonia Stevenson; 3. Allison Fillion, sophomore, Livonia Churchill.
RELAY TEAMS	
400 relay:	1. Westland John Glenn (Kania Adams, Nicole Herring, LaToya Chandler, Nicolette Jarrett); 2. Farmington Harrison (Cierra Colbert, Temica Clayton, Lisa Rosemary, Mahogany Fletcher); 3. Livonia Ladywood (Brianna Watson, Kendall Carey, Kelly O'Brien, Katie McGraw).
800 relay:	1. Westland John Glenn (Kania Adams, Nicole Herring, LaToya Chandler, Nicolette Jarrett); 2. Plymouth Salem (Autumn Hicks, Wendi Learnhardt, Brynne DeNeen, Rachel Jones); 3. Farmington Harrison (Cierra Colbert, Temica Clayton, Lisa Rosemary, Mahogany Fletcher).
1,600 relay:	1. Plymouth Salem (Brynne DeNeen, Katie Bonner, Rachel Jones, Autumn Hicks); 2. Livonia Stevenson (Katie Sherron, Jenny Hardacre, Nicole Dettloff, Kelly McNeilance); 3. Plymouth Canton (Ashley Williams, Sarah Ware, Terra Kubert, Crystal Alderman).
3,200 relay:	1. Livonia Stevenson (Kelly Travis, Andrea Parker, Danielle Harris, Kelly McNeilance); 2. Plymouth Salem (Evelyn Rahhal, Ellen Stemmer, Becky Phelan, Annemarie Verduynse); 3. Livonia Churchill (Ashley Fillion, Allison Fillion, Kristin Hetra, Renee Kashawic).

ship. She has been captain of our team for the past two years and is a very vocal leader. She is a presence that will be missed next year."

Melissa Gratz, senior, N. Farmington: Gratz didn't lose to anyone in the discus until the state meet, where only one girl had a better toss.

She also placed fifth in the shot put at the state meet and was a double champion in the WLAA, Oakland County and regional meets.

She made three straight trips to the state meet, placing fifth in the discus the last two years.

"Melissa has worked hard and been dedicated to our program for the past four years," North coach said. "She has been a team leader. It is great seeing her finish her career by placing fifth in the shot at the state meet and

becoming an all-stater in her favorite event — the discus."

Nkechi Okwumabua, senior, Ply. Canton: Okwumabua finished sixth at the state finals in the long jump with a leap of 16-11 1/2; it was her fourth consecutive trip to state in that event. Her best jump, 17-7 1/2, broke her own school record. Okwumabua is the Western Lakes and regional champion with jumps of 17-4 and 17-6, respectively. She also was Canton's top sprinter with best times of 12.9 in the 100 and 27.2 in the 200.

"She showed a lot of consistency all year," said Canton coach George Przygodski, noting Okwumabua's seven meets with jumps over 17 feet. "That was her biggest improvement, I thought."

LaToya Chandler, sophomore, John Glenn: The



Relay standout: Rachel Jones, part of Salem's 1,600 relay team.

sky's the limit, literally, for this sophomore, who already has cleared 5-feet-9 — a new school record.

Chandler was a champion at the WLAA and regional meets and second place at the state meet.

"LaToya's a very dedicated, coachable athlete who continues to improve every year," Glenn coach John Kitchen said.

Kim Wise, freshman, Garden City: Wise became an instant contributor as a freshman, finding her niche in the pole vault, a new event in girls track.

She cleared a personal best of 8-feet, 6 inches, won the Mega Conference White Division Meet, took third at the regional and placed in the top 15 at the state meet. She was undefeated in dual meets and placed second at the Dearborn Heights Annapolis Invitational.

"Kim is one of my best all-around athletes," coach Rob Phillips said. "She works hard at every practice and is very consistent. She can compete in any event I need her to. I am looking forward to coaching her the next three

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Baechler *from page D1*

During the interview process, Wolcott admitted Baechler's approach to the game — "the Xs and Os" — were discussed, but were not a major factor in the decision-making. "In all honesty, that's not as important," Wolcott said. "What's more important is, will he develop their strengths and institute an off-season conditioning program?"

The committee conducting the interviews liked the answers they got from Baechler. "We know he's a hard worker," Wolcott said. "And he's extremely well-organized. He's got his own coach's manual."

"And you know what else I liked? He didn't come in, look things over and say 'This is what I'll need.' He looked things over and said, 'This is how I'll have to do it here.'"

It won't be easy. The Chiefs languished around the .500 mark through most of Khoenle's reign, then suffered through a 1-8 campaign last season. They made their one (and only) trip to the state playoffs in Khoenle's fourth season as head coach, in 1990.

At present, Baechler is trying to put together his staff. He interviewed several candidates last week, but promised "I'm not going to make any rash decisions."

A quarterback in high school at Class C White Pigeon (also known as the Chiefs, they were 17-1 in his two years as a starter), Baechler played collegiately at Adrian College. But although recruited as a quarterback, he switched positions and played tight end for the

Bulldogs. He knows what he would like his team to do: "Defensively, we obviously want to stop the run first. We want to dictate to the opposing offense with our defense."

"I coach the offensive line, and I think that's the most important position on the team. We're going to run the ball, and we'll have a short, quick passing game."

Baechler added, however, that "nothing's written in stone yet." Which means personnel and other factors would have to be addressed before determinations on what the team would do, and how it would do it, were made.

One thing is certain: Getting an off-season conditioning program started can't come too soon for Canton's new coach. "We play a great schedule, with Salem, (Farmington) Harrison, Walled Lake Western, (Westland) John Glenn, Monroe. Those teams win because they've got winning programs. They beat you in the off-season."

"We've got to get (the conditioning program) set and get to get it going. We're already behind in that. But we'll be okay. Attitude can make up for a lot."

He has a bigger student body to choose from than he's ever had before. "I think the potential here is awesome," Baechler remarked.

But as Canton's new coach knows, potential is one thing; results are something else. While the former element is available, the latter must be coached and manufactured.

CC's Malek eyes state record

Jeff Kaiser bounced around with five organizations as a pitcher during a 12-year professional baseball career, which means a lot of hitters probably improved their averages against him.

Kaiser starred at Western Michigan University and played about three full seasons as a middle reliever in the major leagues with Cleveland, Oakland, Detroit, Cincinnati and the New York Mets.

Now retired and running the Downriver Baseball Center in Riverview, Kaiser will tell you it's more fun to improve hitters' averages not by throwing to them, but by showing them new techniques.

No one listens better than Redford Catholic Central's star junior centerfielder Bob Malek, a regular visitor.

Kaiser's expertise is in pitching but Malek, who is threatening to break the state's all-time highest batting average for one season, has learned just as much from his hitting tips.

Kaiser, 37, became a friend of the family years ago through his sister who works with Malek's father, Bob Sr., at a bank.

"He's easy to talk to, gets his point across clearly and jokes around, so you're not uptight, you're loose and having fun," Malek said. "He's been to the majors, knows a lot about the game. He's taught me that you have to hit the ball where it's pitched. If they give you an outside pitch, go to the opposite field, you'll get more power into it."

Malek, the leadoff batter in one of the most potent lineups in the state, is hitting .600 with a team-high 48 runs, 54 hits and 14 stolen bases. Mostly a spray hitter, he also hits for power with eight doubles and three triples and three home runs. He



Hitting star: Bob Malek, from Canton, is one reason CC is so potent offensively. He's batting .600.

has 35 RBI, which is as many as most cleanup hitters, and has struck out only twice in 90 official at-bats.

Including 30 walks, his on-base percentage is a mind-boggling .750.

Malek gave Salter a sneak preview last year, hitting .430 after receiving a promotion from the junior varsity at mid-season and starting the rest of the way.

His hitting is so impressive that his 5-1 record as a pitcher, including a 2.21 earned run average, 32 strikeouts and 12 walks in 25 1/3 innings gets forgotten.

"Bob's having the finest season offensively of anyone I coached," said CC coach John Salter, whose 1980 Class A state champion team was led by future major leaguer Chris Sabo. "He's an ideal leadoff hitter, hits to all fields, is a great bunter, and can hit with power. He knows the

strike zone, you have to throw him a strike to get him to swing. He doesn't have a big head about his success, is very humble, quiet, a team player."

Kaiser laughs when asked "what do you know about hitting?"

"I challenge kids from a mental standpoint, to understand where they need to be to be successful, whether it's throwing or hitting a baseball," Kaiser said. "What I look for is things I study when I watch hitters. The philosophy of hitting is being strong at the point of contact."

Malek played baseball, basketball and soccer at St. Edith in Livonia before deciding to concentrate on baseball at CC. His 12-year-old sister Elizabeth is now the one for all seasons, playing volleyball, basketball and softball.

If he isn't at the Downriver Baseball Center in the off-sea-

son, Malek is in the family's basement in Canton, practicing his swing on a tee. His parents, including mother Debbie, have worked up a tolerance for noise.

"He used to hit with a plastic ball and bat, now he's swinging a metal bat off a tee," said his father, a commercial loan officer. "There are a few dings in the ceiling tile."

Malek's dedication extends to academics as he carries a 3.0 grade point average and scored a 23 on his ACT.

One of Malek's most impressive at bats this year came against Birmingham Brother Rice's Tom Marx, a third round draft pick of the Detroit Tigers. Malek fouled off five pitches before receiving a walk, one of four he got against Marx that day.

"Marx was throwing hard, and he wouldn't give in or swing at a bad pitch," Salter said.

Malek will take a walk any time, especially with sluggers Dave Lusky and Casey Rogowski hitting behind him.

"Ever since I was younger I had a good eye for the strike zone," Malek said. "I've just been lucky to get it. I like starting off the game (as the leadoff batter). I'm anxious to get it over with, then play the game."

Whenever Malek wears a Downriver Baseball Center hat, Kaiser couldn't do better advertising with a full-page newspaper ad.

"Bobby's got what I consider three qualities you need: talent, intelligence and work ethic," Kaiser said. "His potential is unlimited as far as what he can do. He lives and breathes baseball and has got a chance to be an outstanding Division I college baseball player. He's got tremendous tools — above average speed and arm, great bat. I see him as one of top high school outfielders right now."

Malek will probably spend most of the next off-season working on his pitching with Kaiser.

"I'm getting the starts against some tough teams now," Malek said. "The coaches put confidence in me that I can get the job done. I don't want to let them down."



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years." **Katie Mitchell, junior, Livonia Stevenson:** Mitchell caught on quickly as a junior, winning the WLAA and regional meets. She had a personal best of 8-6.

"When I heard there was going to be girls pole vault, the first person I thought of was Katie Mitchell," Stevenson coach Paul Holmberg said. "She was a gymnast, a sprinter and long jumper. She caught on quickly and continues to improve."

Nicole Dettloff, senior, Stevenson: Pole vaulters need leg strength to reach their maximum height and that was no problem for Dettloff, who was a member of the Spartans' 1,600 meter relay team that set a school record.

She finished second at the regional and third at the WLAA meet before clearing a personal best 8-6 at the state meet.

"Nicole is one of Stevenson's most versa-

tile athletes," Holmberg said. "In addition to pole vault, she is our best sprinter and long jumper. She was a major contributor for four years at Stevenson."

RUNNING EVENTS

Nicole Herring, senior, John Glenn: The senior scored 151 points for the season, recording a personal best time of 15.2 seconds in the 100 meter hurdles, a new school record. She was a regional champion.

"Nicole's a hard-working athlete who give 100 percent effort all the time," Kitchen said. "She's a good athlete and great team leader."

Katie Sherron, junior, Stevenson: Sherron was third in the regional meet in the 300 hurdles and champion at the WLAA meet. She recorded a personal best time of 47.5 and also was part of Stevenson's record-setting 1,600 meter relay team.

Mahogany Fletcher, senior, Harrison:

Fletcher's school record time of 12.2 seconds is also a WLAA Meet record. She also was the Oakland County and regional champion.

Nicolette Jarrett, junior, John Glenn: Jarrett had a personal best time of 24.8 in the 200 dash, a new school record. She placed second at the regional and eighth at the state meet.

"Nicolette's a great athlete who excels in many track events," Kitchen said. "She's a great competitor with lots of potential."

Kelly McNeilance, senior, Stevenson: McNeilance was Stevenson's leading scorer, helping her own cause as well as her teammates'. She won two events and ran on two relays that placed first in the WLAA and regional meets.

Her individual glory came in the 800 and 1,600 races and she also ran on the winning 1,600 and 3,200 relays. She placed seventh at the state meet in the 1,600 meters.

"Kelly ended a Stevenson track career with her best year ever," Holmberg said. "She led Stevenson in scoring by running four events in nearly every meet. She did more than any coach had a reason to expect of an athlete."

Kelly Travis, senior, Stevenson: Like McNeilance, Travis was a four-year standout, qualifying as a senior in three events at the state meet.

She won the 3,200 meters at the regional and took second in the 1,600 meters. "Kelly accomplished more over her last four years than any previous Stevenson runner," Holmberg said. "She qualified and placed in the state meet all four years. She was at the center of Stevenson success during her career."

Autumn Hicks, freshman, Salem: Hicks was a busy freshman at the state meet, taking eighth place in the 400 meter run in a personal best time of 58.98 and leading off the 1,600 meter relay. She placed in four events at the WLAA Meet, helping the Rocks to the team championship.

She had a personal best time of 27.00 in the 200 meters and cleared a personal best 5-0 in the high jump.

"Autumn developed into an outstanding track and field athlete in this her freshman season," Gregor said. "She was the leading point producer on an outstanding team. Her competitiveness carried her to a level sel-

dom experienced by a freshman season. She was the leading point producer on an outstanding team. Her competitiveness carried her to a level seldom experienced by a freshman. She is our team's Most Valuable Athlete and likely will improve throughout her career."

Alyson Flohr, freshman, Salem: Another outstanding reason the Rocks' future looks bright with this freshman's debut on the scene. Flohr placed 13th in the 3,200 run at the state meet with a school record time of 11:28.1. She also placed first in the 1,600 run with a time of 5:21.4 at the Ann Arbor Meet of Champions - the fastest time at Salem in the event since 1985.

She placed first in the 3,200 and second in the 1,600 at the WLAA Meet. She also showed versatility, running the 400 meters in a personal best time of 1:02.0 and the 800 meters in 2:30.0.

"Alyson made an immediate impact on our team as a freshman by aggressively challenging some of the best distance sprinters in our area," Gregor said. "She was never intimidated by reputations and eventually earned the respect of her opponents. Alyson earned the right to be considered Salem's Most Valuable Freshman."

RELAY TEAMS

400 relay, Westland John Glenn: Kania Adams, Herring, Chandler and Jarrett were outstanding in individual events and as a sprint foursome, setting a school record with a 49.1 time. They were first in the WLAA, second in the regional and sixth in the state.

800 relay, Westland John Glenn: The same foursome of Adams, Herring, Chandler and Jarrett was undefeated in dual meets and had a best time of 1:45. The Rockets were WLAA champions and regional runners-up.

"They're some of the best athletes I have ever had the pleasure to coach," Kitchen said.

1,600 relay, Plymouth Salem: Hicks, sophomores Brynne DeNeen and Rachel Jones and senior Katie Bonner were first in six of seven dual meets and the Athens Relays. The Rocks were among the top three in five other meets and eighth in the



Katie Mitchell
Livonia Stevenson



Katie Sherron
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Nicolette Jarrett
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best time was 4:04.1.

"Autumn always got the relay started with a competitive opening leg," Gregor said. "Brynne followed with an excellent second leg. Rachel joined the group late in the season to cut additional time with her outstanding speed, and Katie finished a great high school career by bringing the

baton in with unmatched effort.

3,200 relay, Livonia Stevenson: Travis, sophomore Andrea Parker, senior Danielle Harris and McNeilance had the best area time at 9:31.7 after setting a school record (9:29.4) last year. They were WLAA and regional champions and placed eighth in the state finals.



All-Observer 400, 800 relays: From left, John Glenn's Nicolette Jarrett, Nicole Herring, Kania Adams and LaToya Chandler.



All-Observer 1,600 relay: From left, Salem's Autumn Hicks, Brynne DeNeen, Rachel Jones, Katie Bonner.



All-Observer 3,200 relay: From left, Stevenson's Andrea Parker, Kelly Travis, Danielle Harris, Kelly McNeilance.



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The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will have something new to introduce to all those who show up at the next meeting — a coach.

Bob Khoenle resigned after 11 years as head coach last month. The new coach is Tim Baechler, who had just been hired as an assistant under Khoenle earlier this season. Baechler will be present to address all the boosters.

The meeting will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday (June 10) in Room 165 of Canton HS. Also to be discussed: advertising for the program and fund-raising goals for the upcoming season.

All parents of Canton football players, and parents who will have freshmen interested in playing football at Canton this fall, are encouraged to attend. If you have further questions, call club president Anne Sicilia at (734) 397-3046.

ton's Bob Blohm and Salem's Fred Thomann — will conduct two different sessions of the Canton-Salem Girls Basketball Summer Day Camp at the Canton and Salem gymnasiums.

The first session is open to all girls entering the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grades this fall. The two first-session camp dates are June 15-18 and June 22-25. Camp times for both are 1-3 p.m.

The second session is open to all girls entering the eighth and ninth grades this fall. The two second-session camp dates are July 6-8 and July 13-15. Camp times are 1-3 p.m.

Cost is \$65 per player, which includes a camp T-shirt and basketball. Joining Blohm and Thomann in conducting the camp will be players from both Salem's and Canton's teams.

For a camp application, or for further information, call (734) 416-2937.

regular business hours starting Monday. Those interested may sign-up at the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

For further information, call (734) 397-5110.

Cheerleaders stunt

The Plymouth Salem cheerleaders will sponsor a Universal Cheerleaders Association-staffed stunt camp from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, June 20 at Salem HS's gymnasium. Cost is \$25 per participant.

The camp is open to all middle school and high school students (no residency requirements); those interested must pre-register. Partner stunts, pyramids, transitions and safety techniques will be taught.

For further information, call UCA at (800) 969-4876, or JoDee Dillon at (734) 459-3393.

Soccer registration

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department will be taking registrations for its fall youth soccer season from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday throughout June at the Recreation office, located at 525

Farmer in the Plymouth Cultural Center. All registrations require a birth certificate.

Cost is \$40 for city of Plymouth residents and \$60 for non-residents. For more information, call (734) 455-6620.

Following is a schedule for tryouts for the various Northville Soccer Association's select and premier teams, which begin June 15 at two locations: Northville Community Park, located on Beck between Five Mile and Six Mile; and at the Northville Christian Assembly Church, located on Six Mile 3/4 of a mile west of I-275. For more information, call Jeff Weichsel at (248) 380-7848.

Boys tryouts — Under-10 select (Sting), 6-8 p.m. June 28 and 6-8 p.m. June 29, both at the park; under-11 select (Sting), 6-8:30 p.m. June 16 and 6-8:30 p.m. June 17, both at the church; under-12 select (Sting), 6-8:30 p.m. June 15 and 6-8:30 p.m. June 16, both at the church; under-12 select (Thunder), 6-8:30 p.m. June 17 and 6-8:30 p.m. June 19, both at the park; under-13 boys premier (Sting), 6-8 p.m. June 16 and 6-8 p.m. June 17, both at the park; under-13 select (Thunder), 6-8 p.m. June 17 and 6-8 p.m. June 18, both at the park; under-14 boys premier (Sting), 6-8 p.m. June 15 and 6-8 p.m. June 23,

both at the park; under-14 premier (Thunder), 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 15 and 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 16, both at the park; under-16 premier (Sting), 6-8:30 p.m. June 15 and 6-8:30 p.m. June 23, both at the park; under-16 premier (Thunder), 6-8 p.m. June 15 and 6-8 p.m. June 17, both at the park; under-16 premier (Storm), 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 22 and 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 23, both at the park.

Girls tryouts — Under-10 select (Sting), 6-8 p.m. June 19 and 10 a.m.-noon June 20, both at the park; under-11 select (Sting), 6-8 p.m. June 15 at the church and 6-8 p.m. June 18 at the park; under-12 premier (Sting), 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 16 and 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 19, both at the park; under-13 premier (Sting), 6-8 p.m. June 16 and 6-8 p.m. June 18, both at the park; under-14 premier (Sting), 6-8 p.m. June 16 and 6-8 p.m. June 18, both at the park; under-17 premier (Sting), call Matt Ashby (248) 486-1294 or Pat Melvin (248) 348-6443 to help form a team.

ter (located at 39750 Grand River in Novi).

There will be three races: 8K (entry fee is \$15, or \$10 for race only — no T-shirt), 8K wheelchair (entry fee is \$15); and 5K walk (entry fee is \$13). Highlights include a post race party with music and refreshments, awards ceremony, participant giveaways and a raffle drawing.

For registration information, call (248) 473-5600.

Father's Day Scramble

The 17th annual Father's Day three-person golf scrambles tournament, sponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, will start at 11 a.m. Sunday, June 21 at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton.

Cost is \$100 per team, which includes greens fees, awards and a snack lunch. Electric golf carts are extra.

There are no residency requirements. Teams will compete for prizes, which include awards to the top three teams, longest drive and closest to the pin.

Registration deadline is June 18. For more information, call (734) 397-5110.

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Registration deadline is June 18. For more information, call (734) 397-5110.

Junior tennis camps

The Canton Parks and Recreation Services will offer four sessions of junior tennis camps, beginning June 22 at Griffin Park.

The camps will be divided into two age divisions, little swingers (4-6 years) and juniors (7-15), with each age group divided by skill level. Little swingers will meet from 9-10:30 a.m.; juniors will meet from 9 a.m.-noon.

The first session will be June 22-25; the second, from July 6-9; the third, from July 20-23; and the fourth, from Aug. 3-6. Costs are: for little swingers \$30 (residents) and \$35 (non-residents); for juniors, \$70 (residents) and \$75 (non-residents). All campers receive a T-shirt.

Registration begins from 6-8 p.m. today (June 4) for residents. Registration for residents and non-residents continues during

Run for Your Life

The Botsford Center for Health Improvement's Total Rehabilitation and Athletic Center will sponsor the Run for Your Life at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, June 14, starting at the Botsford Cen-

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RECREATION

DNR throws out line for free fishing

Dig up some bait, rig up the fishing poles, load up the family - heck, bring along the neighbors - and head out to your favorite fishing hole. "Happy days are here again." Free Fishing Days have arrived!

For the 13th year in a row the Michigan Department of Natural Resources is offering Free Fishing Days in an effort to introduce non-anglers to the thrill and enjoyment of fishing. All fishing license fees will be waived for residents and non-residents alike on Saturday and Sunday, June 6-7. Regular fishing regulations still apply.

If you've got a friend or relative who doubts your stories about "the one I released," or "the one that got away," and is reluctant to shell out the cash to buy a license, now is the time to make a believer out of that "Doubting Thomas." Take him or her out to your secret "hot spot" and get that person hooked on fishing.

Michigan is blessed with an abundance of fresh water and the fishing opportunities we have are some of the best in the world. Consider these numbers: Michigan has more than 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline; over 11,000 inland lakes; and 36,350

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miles of rivers and streams including 12,500 miles of trout waters.

If you need an idea of where to fish this weekend many special events are planned throughout the state in conjunction with Free Fishing Days. If you're headed out of town call (517) 373-1280 for a complete list of weekend fishing activities.

Locally, a variety of events are planned. River cleanup and fishing activities are planned for Saturday on the Clinton River (248-853-9580) and Thelma Spencer Park in Rochester Hills will be the site of the 17th annual Bass Tournament (248-656-4657). Kensington Metropark (800-47-PARKS) is offering two clinics, one for beginners and covering the basics of fishing, and one featuring demonstrations and seminars on European fishing techniques for carp. Both seminars will be followed by an opportunity to test your newfound fishing skills in Kent Lake.

BASSMASTER standings The final point standings for the

BASSMASTER Eastern Invitational have been released and four area bass pros have done very well. Points are accumulated over the course of several qualifying tournaments and the top five finishers in the Eastern Invitational earn a berth to the prestigious BASSMASTER Classic, Aug. 6-8, on High Rock Lake in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Livonia's Art Ferguson III had the best finish of area anglers, placing 16th out of 410 competitors. Kyle Green of Bloomfield Hills placed 58th with 752 points; Gerald Gostenik of Dearborn placed 107th with 619 points, and Oxford's Kevin Long was 132nd with 551 points.

Burning ban

Governor John Engler has ordered a burning ban in 39 counties in the Upper Peninsula and northern Lower Peninsula because of extremely high wildfire danger in the northern two-thirds of the state. The ban, which took effect on May 21, will continue until conditions change significantly to reduce the risk of fire.

"Dried vegetation, lack of rainfall, warm temperatures, low humidity and high winds have

combined to create a situation where life and property are endangered," Gov. Engler said. "We're facing the driest conditions in almost three decades, and we have to do everything we can to assist state and local firefighters in their battle against wildfires."

The ban applies to all open burning of: • Flammable material including refuse, debris, brush, stumps, rubbish, grass, stubble, leaves, crops or crop residue.

• All campfires except those within containers or fire rings at authorized campgrounds and places of habitation.

• All pipe, cigar and cigarette smoking. The exceptions are places of habitation, authorized improved campgrounds, or in an automobile or truck.

• A violation of the burning ban is a misdemeanor and carries a penalty of up to 90 days in jail and a \$100 fine.

The DNR has established three regional contacts across the state. Additional information can be obtained from Art Sutton in Lansing (517-373-1226), Scott Heather in Roscommon (517-275-5151), or David Tuovila in Marquette (906-249-1497).

Outdoor Calendar

FISHING

CLINTON RIVER DAY

A variety of events including river cleanup and fishing activities are planned for Saturday, June 6, on the Clinton River. Call (248) 853-9580 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

CLINTON VALLEY BASS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

ARCHERY

3D SHOOT

Oakland County Sportsman Club will hold a 30-target 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, June 14, at its walk-through course in Clarkston. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

CLASSES

FLY TYING

Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

HIKING THE APPALACHIANS

A slide presentation by "Grandma" Verna Soule about hiking the Appalachian Trail begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, at REI in Northville. Call (248) 347-2100 for details.

CANOE DAY

Test drive one of 20 different Mad River canoes during this on-the-water clinic, which begins at 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, on Kent Lake at Kensington Metropark. The clinic is offered by REI in Northville. Call (248) 347-2100 for details.

BASICS OF GPS

Learn the basics of navigation and how the GPS receiver works during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 20, at REI in Northville. Call (248) 347-2100 for more information.

HUNTER EDUCATION

Wayne County Sportsmen's Club will hold several hunter education classes in the upcoming months at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. These classes will be taught by certified instructors. Students must be present for both days of their respective class. All equipment will be provided. Classes will be offered Aug. 29-30, Oct. 3-4, Oct. 17-18 and Nov. 7-8. Cost is \$10.00 and includes lunch both days. To

pre-register call (313) 532-0285.

CLUBS

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

MEETINGS

NRC

The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, June 10-11 at the Tawas City Holiday Inn. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 a week in advance.

SEASON/DATES

BASS

Bass season opens June 20 on Lake St. Clair, and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers. The season opened May 23 on all other waters.

OAKLAND CO. PARKS

REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

Paddles and tracks

Take a naturalist-led canoe trip and search for dragon flies and other colorful winged wonders during this program, which begins at

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

1998 PERMITS

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

ALCOHOL BAN

An alcohol ban will be in effect at some metroparks until the middle of June. Times and dates will be posted at each park.

VESPER MOON

Experience the twilight serenade of local birds and discover facts and folklore about these common evening songbirds, during this naturalist-led hike under the light of the full moon, which begins at 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, at Stony Creek.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

(To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar: send information to Outdoor, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; fax information to (248) 644-1314.

Westland Bowl summer league sizzling

Summer league bowling is alive and well in Westland.

Chris Shaw of Canton is enjoying two banner weeks in the first two sessions of the Thursday Summer Trio at Westland Bowl. The first week he had a 299 game which can only be topped by a perfect game.

Last Thursday he was perfect in the third game, following a 269 and 243, totaling 813 (31 strikes out of a possible 36, 1 open split in game 2).

That was a great performance two weeks in a row, unfortunately the second week was against my team, we never had a chance as his teammates also rolled pretty well in support.

In a span of only one week,



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Chris earned three rings for the 300, 812 and 299.

Each was his first such award score and he is taking the 800 ring in gold, that being his proudest attainment.

(Note: American Bowling Congress and Women's International Bowling Congress sanctioned bowlers receiving award rings have the option of purchasing rings in gold based on the prevailing price of gold per ounce, otherwise the rings are stainless steel. Other than a ring, bowlers may select a watch or plaque.)

•Here is a hot stock tip for all of you who have money to invest, it's AMF Bowling, Inc.

It is traded on the big board under the symbol PIN. They send their annual report as part of a media package, and since they were acquired in 1996 by an investment group, GS Capital Partners, their growth has been tremendous.

Between 1996 and 1997, revenues increased 30.1 percent. They now own 502 bowling centers worldwide with 398 of them in the USA.

They are expanding worldwide as these are untapped markets just waiting to boom, particularly the Asia-Pacific markets. They are re-structured to take air at the European market and have strengthened their position in the U.S.

The AMF Chelsea Piers Bowling Center was opened in Manhattan in August, the first new center in Manhattan in 30 years and it is now AMF's highest grossing bowling center.

Next stop, Chicago with a new center planned in the Marina City complex.

Take heed, Mayor Dennis Archer, perhaps you can lure them to the redevelopment of Downtown Detroit (at the end of this season there will be only two bowling centers remaining in Detroit proper).

AMF plans to have a total of 800 bowling centers operating in America over the next five years. The company also is leading the industry in bowling products (remember the Angle?), the automatic pinsetters, scoring systems and bowling center equipment.

Bowling products such as balls, bags and shoes are a major component as well.

They bought the Michael Jordan Golf Company and have signed Michael to a five year personal services contract to endorse AMF bowling.

They have shown a huge commitment to the sport of bowling, and the theme of the company is AMF Always Means Fun for everyone.

Now for my disclaimer: There is no guarantee that any type of investment will be profitable, so with any such venture, there is always a risk. It is up to the individual to decide whether or not to purchase this or any other stock.

Fun night for all at Zanglin Downriver event

With the spring long distance running campaign winding down, it's time to concentrate on the shorter stuff.

Races such as the West Bloomfield Half-Marathon, the 25 Old Kent Riverbank Run and the Memorial Day weekend First of America Dexter-to-Ann Arbor Half-Marathon provided a sound base.

Now it's time to have little fun. The 16th annual Zanglin Downriver Run in Trenton, an 8-kilometer event Friday, June 12, featuring good runners, good entertainment and good food.

You can race, wheel, walk, jog or party.

"It's more than just a race, it's a family affair," race director Eve Soltesz said. "We'll have clowns, banjo players, belly dancers on the course, and music in the park. We'll also have people painting faces. There will also be a business expo (tables available) prior to the race.

RUNNING

"Plus, we always have great-looking shirts."

Soltesz says the pre-registration numbers are up.

The Walk a Mile for Cancer Prevention starts off the evening at 7 p.m. Cancer survivors and patients will don armbands. Proceeds will benefit the Downriver Center for Oncology.

The 8K, with the start and finish in downtown Trenton, begins at 8 p.m. and the field is usually loaded with some of the metro area's top runners.

Defending men's champion is Paul Aufdemberge (24:14), while Laurel Park is the defending women's champ (27:38).

Already committed is Michigan Runner of the Year Ian Forsyth, of Ann Arbor, along with Livonia Stevenson High product Doug Kurtis, a masters standout who holds an interna-

tional record for most sub-2:20 marathons.

Cash awards will go to the first-, second- and third-places finishers — \$100, \$50 and \$25; and the first and second place men's and women's masters (40 and over) placers (\$50 and \$25). Age group awards will also be given. Race results will be mailed to all participants and also available Saturday on the race's web site: www.zanglinru.com.

After the race ends, part of the main street will be blocked off for food, refreshments dancing until midnight (party only is \$5).

Entry forms are available at Total Runner, 15355 Dix-Toledo Road, in Southgate. Pre-registration, through Thursday, is \$16.

Race day registration will be from 4-7:15 p.m. Friday at the Trenton Pavilion, located on the corner of Third Street and West Road, for \$18 per person.

For more information, call

Total Runner at (734) 282-1101.

Other races on tap

•Sunday, June 21 — 19th annual Plymouth Family YMCA Father's Day Run (10K, 5K and 1-mile walk/run) — call (734) 453-2904;

•Saturday, July 4 — 23rd Volk-slaufe 5K, 10K and 20K in Frankenthum — call 1-800-FUN-TOWN.

•Saturday, July 11 — 20th annual Canton Parks and Recreation Services 5-mile run around Heritage Lake — call (734) 397-5110;

•Saturday, July 25 — Heart of the Hills 10K and 5K in Bloomfield Hills — call (248) 354-1177; Roadrunner Classic 8K and 5K walk in Northville — call (248) 380-3338.

•Saturday, Aug. 1 — Allen Park 8K — call (734) 282-1101 or (248) 354-1177;

•Saturday, Aug. 8 — Run Through Hell 4.8- and 10-mile foot race in Pinckney — call (734) 878-6640.

•Saturday, Aug. 22 — Bobby Crim Festival of Races in Flint — call (810) 235-3396.

Young animals develop into healthy adults

As we watch wildlife in our yards and parks, most of the animals are in good shape.

Though a feather may be out of place, or some fur missing in a small area, basically the animals look good. Their legs are developed properly, their eyes are clear and functioning, their teeth are good and so on.

But the animals we see are the ones that are good enough to survive. Those that were not good enough did not survive.

I don't think about deformed animals because most of those I see are in such good shape. But just last week I experienced two

animals that did not develop perfectly.

Over the Memorial Day weekend, while collecting some dragonfly and damselfly nymph skeletons, my son and I found a damselfly emerging from its nymph case.

I had never seen this event that occurs every time an adult dragonfly or damselfly appears. Its head had already emerged from the case when we started our observation. Over the next hour we watched the thorax and the abdomen wiggle from the case.

Before my eyes, and so subtle that I did not even recognize it until they were enlarged, the legs developed into operational appendages.

They helped hold on to the substrate and the nymph case as it struggled to extract itself from

the case.

After it was out, we noticed that there was an attachment connecting the recently emerged adult and the nymph case. It appeared to serve as a belay rope.

When the adult was struggling to emerge, the "belay" rope kept it attached to the case, which was still secured to the wooden dock.

Emerging adults with a safety attachment would be less likely to fall and die. I could see the advantage of this security belt, but in this case it proved to be the damselfly's undoing.

In an effort to break free of the attachment it became wrapped around the newly developing wings. Two wings were not affected, but two wings were unable to pump up and enlarge to normal size.

A damselfly cannot fly with only two wings. This individual was doomed to die before it even hardened to a mature adult.

My second experience with an imperfect individual was a butterfly known as a little wood satyr.

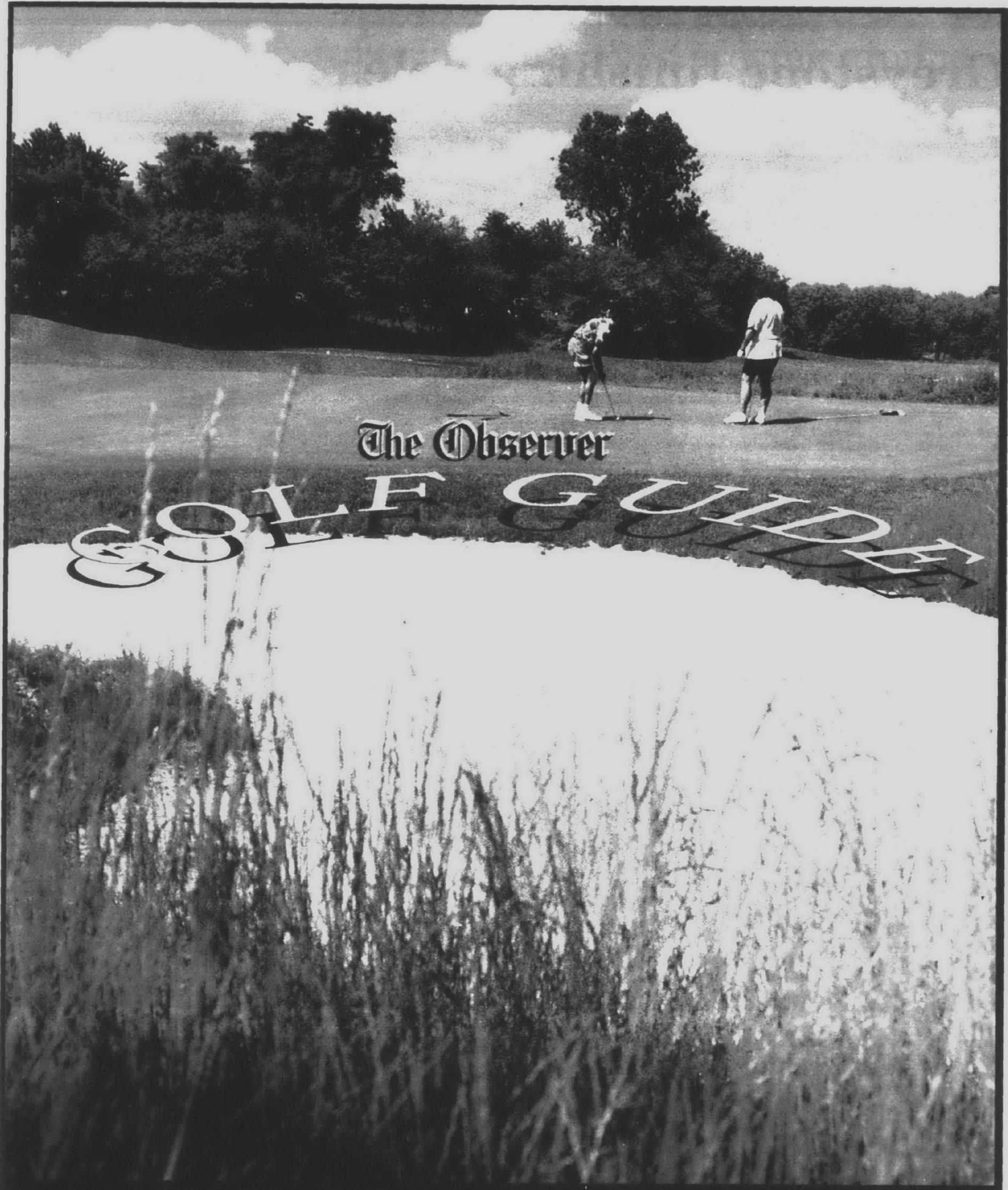
While walking the trail I noticed this butterfly with wrinkled wings walking on the ground. It was unable to fly because of those deformed wings.

I feel confident that this adult emerging from its chrysalis did not have adequate room to allow its wings to pump up to their fullest extent. Because it was unable to fly, it would soon become a meal for a predator.

After experiencing these two individuals, it made me wonder, how many young animals do not survive to become one of the perfect adults we see so frequently?



TIM NOWICKI



The Observer

GOLF GUIDE

Greystone finishing holes among best

Looking for a public golf course with all the amenities of a private country club and an up-north feeling, but within an hour's drive of most spots in the tri-county area?

Look no further than Greystone Golf Club, located on the border of Macomb and Oakland counties in Romeo on 67500 Mound Road, just off 32 Mile.

Billed as the "Best Finish in Michigan Golf," Greystone's 6,861-yard layout (from the black tees) doesn't disappoint. (The slope rating is 132.)

"We feel our finish — the 16th, 17th and 18th — are most unique and generates the most publicity," said Bob Breitmeyer, Greystone's general manager.

The scenic final three holes wrap around a man-made lake. Water becomes a factor on all three holes.

The par-3 16th, 209 yards (from the back tees), is straight downhill. Try to pay close attention because the prevailing wind makes club selection tricky.

The par-4 No. 17, 350 yards from the grey tees, is a long iron or fairway wood off another picturesque elevated tee. A longer shot will not get you closer to the green. Hit your 190-200 club at the fairway bunker (which doglegs right) or use your 240 club from the black tee (412 yards). The second shot requires one more club to an uphill green.

The 18th is Greystone's signature hole, which wraps around the lake, is



Signature hole: The 18th at Greystone, just in front of the clubhouse, is a challenge for any golfer.

451 yards from the black and 378 from the grey. A shot played left will normally come back toward the fairway.

A big drive on this hole is a must from the black, a 230 carry just to reach the fairway. Your drive must go over the trees and end up in the fairway. The approach to the green is scary with water and greystones lurking just in front.

Although the back nine is more challenging, the front side has its moments as well. The No. 8 par-5 is 548 from the

back is the course's No. 1 handicap hole.

Greystone, opened in 1992, was designed by Lansing's Jerry Matthews, an architect to many of Michigan's well-known courses including The Natural, The Majestic at Lake Walden and Timber Ridge.

The course was contoured around an old gravel mining operation.

"All we had to do was shape off the elevated areas," said Breitmeyer, whose family has been in the golf business for

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three generations. "There were piles of dirt, which is very unusual. But we also had to bring in a lot more top soil than normal because of the rocks."

"There were no sewers and very little development around when we came in."

Thanks to the efforts of greenskeeper Dave Jones, Greystone is in magnificent shape despite an usually dry spring. The greens, fairways and tees are all bent grass, which gives hitters a true lie.

"Our greenskeeper prides himself on conditioning," Breitmeyer said. "It takes a good year to fine-tune a golf course before it dramatically improves."

The greens, many surrounded by bunkers and mounds, are quick, but firm and fair.

"It's a fun course, not your typical Michigan course up north which is tree-lined, you can spray it a little bit," said Jim Szilagyi, 1997 Michigan Public Champion. "You hit from a lot of elevated areas to low greens. You can see 90 percent of the course."

"And it's very pretty in the evening," Ex-Michigan Amateur champion Dave Graulau is Greystones's Head Golf Professional.

Graulau and his staff offer lessons seven days per week. A half-hour individual lesson is \$35. Juniors (under-12) pay \$20 per half-hour.

Summer season rates (through October) rates (with cart) are \$45 (midweek), \$30 (midweek twilight after 3 p.m.), \$55 weekend (Friday through Sunday) and \$35 (weekend twilight).

Greystone also offers a range member program and a reserved pass for preferred tee times.

Besides "The Best Finish in Michigan Golf," Greystone caters to corporate and charity golf outings.

The Red Wing Alumni and Dick Puritan events will be held at Greystone. The course will also host the Golf Association of Michigan Junior Amateur Qualifier and the Ladies Publix.

"We're primarily in the golf business, but we also cater to weddings because we have an upscale banquet facility," said Breitmeyer, who is also part owner of Partridge Creek. "It's a country club ambiance we're trying to create."

"We believe there's a niche for this kind of course. We charge a little more for greens fees, but we also offer every amenity you'd expect from a resort. We have bag service as you drive up. There are not a lot of others with the same concept in the immediate area."

Once you finish your round, Greystone also provides a full service bar and grill (try the chicken sandwich). The clubhouse, featuring an upscale service bar, has an enclosed porch which overlooks the beautiful No. 18 (Lockerroom and shower facilities are also part of the clubhouse.)

On a scale of one to 10, this upscale public course certainly rates at least at 9.9.

Not perfect, but pretty darn close.

Futures Tour becomes proving ground

Suzy Green was born on Tax Day in 1967 and each year since she's had more than one thing to celebrate on her birthday.

Green hasn't been hit hard by the tax man but well into her eighth year on the Ladies FUTURES Golf Tour, she wouldn't mind seeing that change.

Keep golfing as well as she has and it might.

Green, a 1985 Birmingham Groves graduate, is off to her best start, winning two events and tying for third in another.

She has won \$18,495 through six tour events to rank second on the earnings list. Her total is nearly \$2,000 more than she won all of last year when she ranked ninth.

Green and her friendly rival on the FUTURES Tour, Shelly Sanders, were at Washtenaw Country Club in Ypsilanti recently to promote the MED-HEALTH Wellness Centers FUTURES Golf Classic, held June 10-14.

Green's goal is to make the Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour, but the catch is it doesn't matter how she plays on the FUTURES Tour, the LPGA's major feeder program. She can only qualify by finishing high at Tour School, which is held later in the year.

"A lot (of her success this year) has to do with being ready after I failed at Tour School (last year)," Green said. "I was not depressed, but psyched to get back out. With purses the way they are

we can actually make money out here. When I first started the FUTURES Tour there was no way I was ready for the LPGA."

Green uses the success some women have enjoyed on the LPGA Tour after starting with her on the FUTURES Tour as inspiration.

"I was a rookie with Pat Hurst and she just won the Dinah Shore (LPGA Tour event)," Green said.

Green is the daughter of four-time Michigan Amateur men's champion Pete Green and she started playing at the age of 2, but swimming was her early passion.

She started focusing more on golf in her teens and it paid off as she was a two-time Class A champion at Groves before accepting a golf scholarship to Ohio State University.

"Swimming helped as far as teaching me discipline," Suzy said. "At 5 a.m. I was up, by 5:30 I was in the water and to sleep by dark. I used to swim five hours a day and it's still fun, but only a couple laps. I just transferred that energy to golf."

"As a kid my goal was to be an Olympic swimmer and in college I was not a standout (on the golf team) but thought 'Let's just see how good I can get.' It's not a dream until something is actually done and it's awesome."

Green is sponsored by Boyne USA and Loc Tite as well as her father's company, John E. Green, Inc. a mechan-

ical contracting firm in Highland Park.

Pete Green, who sometimes caddies for her, can offer her financial backing more than golf tips nowadays.

"I can still hit it by her, I just can't beat her," Pete Green said.

Last year's MEDHEALTH Wellness Centers FUTURES Classic was held at Cattails Golf Course in South Lyon and Green is the defending champion, winning in a two-hole sudden death playoff.

Green's brother Mike Green caddied there for her and she's being superstitious, electing to keep him for this year's event.

Pete Green said the Washtenaw course compares favorably with most of the courses used on the LPGA Tour. It's also to Suzy's liking.

"I like a course to be demanding but I like to stand at a tee and know exactly what you've got to do," she said. "I don't like to say 'OK, which way does this one go.'"

Most of the money Green has made since college came on the golf course but she did spend some time as a sales person at a Birmingham clothing store.

What did she think of that?

"I was ready to get on the links," Green said, laughing.

For tickets to the MEDHEALTH Wellness Centers FUTURES Golf Classic, call (734) 459-1800.



Future ace: Suzy Green will compete in the MedHealth Wellness Center Futures Golf Classic June 12-14 at Washtenaw Country Club.

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Hats should help protect not only your head from the sun, but also your neck and the tops of your ears.

Dehydration can lead to heat stroke. In hot, humid weather drink eight ounces of water every three holes. Don't drink alcohol or caffeinated beverages.



Sunscreens should be used to protect all uncovered skin from harmful UV rays.

Muscle conditioning should be an on-going effort, not something that you start just before a game or tournament. Back, shoulder, neck and forearm injuries can be prevented.

Foot care is important to prevent fungus and infections in both the foot and toenails. Wearing cotton socks and shoes that fit can help.

Precautionary measures helps golfers stay sharp

"Knock on woods," golf is a fairly injury-free sport.

However, it does have its health hazards. By following these tips from sports medicine experts, golfers can live happily to tee off another day.

◆**Don't dehydrate.**
"When the beverage cart comes along, water is the best," said Shel Levine, a clinical exercise physiologist at Botsford Hospital's Total Rehabilitation Athletic Conditioning Clinic (TRACC) in Novi.

Even sports drinks take a back seat to water. In hot, humid weather, Levine recommends drinking eight ounces of water every three holes.

◆**Don't drink alcohol and caffeinated beverages.**

"They help dehydrate you even more," Levine said.

Signs of dehydration include fatigue, muscle weakness, dizziness, muscle cramping and tremendous thirst.

If untreated, dehydration could lead to heat exhaustion or heat stroke, a potentially fatal condition.

Symptoms of heat exhaustion include: cold, clammy skin; rapid, weak pulse; headache; fainting; high body temperature.

If you suspect a golfer is suffering from heat exhaustion, move the person to a cool area and remove most of his or her sweaty clothes. Damp clothes pre-

vent a body from cooling down. Place cold towels on the person and get him or her to drink cold fluids as soon as possible.

Heat stroke is a real medical emergency.

"The person's survival depends on how fast a person gets treatment," Levine said.

Symptoms include: warm or hot skin, lack of sweat, disorientation or unconsciousness, rapid pulse, and very high body temperature. Start heat exhaustion procedures and call EMS.

◆**Muscles, use them or lose them.**
For the past three years, TRACC has sponsored a golf clinic in March and April that includes muscle stretching, strength-building, on-site course instruction, and tips from pros.

Back injuries — mainly muscle strains — are the primary golf injury, especially for the weekend athlete.

"It's more the lack of flexibility, putting the muscles at a greater stretch," said Levine, an avid golfer.

The clinic targets conditioning of shoulder and back muscles — deltoids, erector spinae, trapezius and rhomboid. The neck also gets attention, as do the forearms and wrists.

Two weeks before a tournament is not the time to think about getting into shape, said Levine. He recommends

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Fashion statement: Comfort

Neutral tones are in, straw hats are out, fitted caps are in, jeans are definitely out.

When it comes to golf fashion, experts from Bavarian Village Ski & Golf; Las Vegas Discount Golf & Tennis; and Dick's Sporting Goods agree there are few no-no's in choosing clothes that go well with blue skies and green grass.

"The basic concept on the course is to be comfortable, look good and enjoy the game," said Kenneth Griffith, general merchandise manager for Bavarian Village Ski & Golf.

However, fabric is important. Heavy cottons or twills are no longer popular, especially in the summer.

"Microfiber is the trend for shorts and slacks for both men and women," he said. "It's lightweight, soft to the touch, doesn't wrinkle, travels well, and always looks good."

For women, two-piece sweater sets at about \$65 a piece, sleeveless tops and the flat-front shorts from lines like Tehama at \$56 and up are a big hit.

As for color, black and white combinations are popular, although injections of bright colors — lime, yellow and orange — are making their appearance on area courses.

Plaids are fading, except for men's outdoor like windbreakers and jackets. While men still love their navy, black and khaki, they're

venturing to wear the bolder colors: yellows, blues and reds.

Vests continue their popularity. They're carried by several golf clothing lines and cost about \$60. Also, waterproof or water resistant windshirts, at \$40 and up, are becoming the choice light outerwear for many golfers.

"They're a nice alternative to a sweater," Griffith said.

Mid-price clothing lines are Tail, ET Pro, ISOD Club, Sport Haley, Greg Norman, Nike's Tiger Woods and Tehama, co-designed by Clint Eastwood and Grosse Pointe's Nancy Haley. Some shirts in these lines start at \$29.99. Shorts and slacks start at \$45.

Expensive lines include Bobby Jones, Como, Nicklaus, and Bogner.

The costs?
"The sky's the limit," said Griffith.

Good news for golfers that don't want to pawn their clubs for some nice golf duds.

"They can get a nice pair of slacks and a golf shirt for well under \$100," he said.

John Moyer, manager of Las Vegas Discount Golf & Tennis in Canton, said women's golf fashion is his store's fastest growing segment. "If they buy their clothing from you, they'll buy their balls and their shoes."

Moyer said his women customers are fond of ecrú, an off-tan color, as well as lots of blues and navies. Some print pieces are sell-

ing, but they "take just the right person." Sleeveless cotton pique tops, at \$45, are selling well.

Men like the Tiger Woods shirts, with their zipper necks or soft-collared V-necks. "He doesn't get into buttons," said Moyer of the Woods line.

Another popular line is Ashworth.

"It's gotten a lot of tour recognition," Moyer said.

Prices for shirts in these lines start at about \$55. Shoes range in price from \$39-\$119. Saddle shoes in charcoal or black are big sellers.

"People don't want to do all white anymore," Moyer added.

Jessie Singh, lead man in the pro-shop at Dick's Sporting Goods in Livonia, knows how to transform the average male duffer into a real golf dude.

"I would go with a Tiger Woods shirt, black or red with stripes running down the sleeve," he said. "I'd go with black pants and plain white shoes."

The golf cap?
"Black with a trim or red, or possibly white to match the shoes."

The shoes? "Air Zoom, by Tiger Woods." Of course.

Singh admitted this outfit is a bit pricey, about \$250-\$300, but said it's worth it.

"It's guaranteed he'll walk out of here and a few women will say that guy is looking sharp," Singh added.



Cool look: Lisa Burkemo (left) models the Izod shirt and shorts (Lycra sleeveless), along with Karen Kane sweater, while Craig Martin (right) has on the Greg Norman collection. Both are wearing Etonic shoes.

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Hungry golfers find '19th hole' more to liking

Bradley Patterson, executive chef at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton, is a better cook than golfer... and he's a pretty good golfer.

He even wanted to plant a kitchen garden this year, but got too busy.

"I wish I had my herb garden in place," he said. "People would come by and smell the basil, thyme and rosemary and want to come in and eat."

Garden or no garden, golfers enjoy eating at what they've dubbed "the 19th hole," a special section in the course's 350-seat restaurant.

Maybe it's Patterson's sautéed lake perch, often a daily special, five big fillets at \$3.25. Maybe it's his African peanut soup or his turkey breast basted lightly in peanut oil.

"The flavor is unbelievable," Patterson said. "It took me two years to perfect it."

Patterson's menu has a definite golf theme, especially the sandwiches, which have a top price of \$4.75. Golfers are fond of the "Putter," a grilled ham and swiss on an onion roll with just the right amount of Mucky Duck mustard.

Then there's the "Hole in One," stacked corned beef — "which I use only the rounds, no fat" and provolone cheese.

To keep his golfers' cholesterol content down, Patterson often sneaks in some carrot and celery sticks.

"It makes them feel better, and they



Full serving: Fellows Creek chef Bradley Patterson can serve you lake perch, five big fillets, for a special price of \$3.25.

don't even know why," he said.

After 18 holes at Fox Hills, a public golf club in Salem Township just beyond the western boundary of Plymouth Township, golfers eat "a lot of hot dogs, a lot of hamburgers, chicken sandwiches and quesadillas," said John Asherman, the club's food and beverage director. "They come out here to golf, have a cold beer and a greasy burger when they're done."

"Greasy burger" is not exactly the right term for club's Golden Fox Burger, a quarter pound of ground sirloin topped with American cheese, bacon, mushrooms and grilled onions.

Asherman said Fox Hills is seeing a lot more women golfers. Rather than grabbing a beer at the ninth hole turn,

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There's more to a day of golf than hot dogs at the ninth-hole turn. Chefs from the following courses offer these "par"-fect specialties:

Brae Burn: 10860 W. Five Mile at Napier in Plymouth Township: "Our Brae Burn Grille — ham, turkey, cheddar, tomato, mayo and barbecue sauce on thick French bread, grilled, at \$4.95."

Fox Creek: 36000 W. Seven Mile in Livonia: "Golfers like our half-pound burgers at \$4.95 and our triple-decker club at \$5.45."

Hilltop: 47000 Powell in Plymouth Township: "They rave about our Philly steak on a hoagie roll for \$5.25."

Links at Novi: 50395 10 Mile in Novi: "Our roll-up sandwiches, like the hot Philly steak, chicken Caesar, and our club at \$4.95."

New Hawthorne Valley: 7300 Merriman in Westland: "Our Reuben sandwich with French fries at \$5.25."

Shawwood: 39430 Dun Rovin (off Haggerty) in Northville Township: "Our Hole-in-One sandwich. It's an open-face, grilled focaccia bread with homemade mashed potatoes, a six-ounce Delmonico steak, grilled onions and mushrooms. Swiss cheese and red peppers for \$8.95."

Phasant Run: 46500 Summit Parkway in Canton: "Our whole-wheat turkey lavosh sandwich. We grill the turkey with garlic and shallots and spread the bread with herbed cream cheese for \$4.75. With our evermost famous Brew City French fries, it's \$5.25."

St. John's: 14830 Sheldon in Plymouth Township: "Our salads. A Caribbean Island with apples, turkey, walnuts and a homemade celery seed dressing or a grilled pecan with a fresh basil, garlic and olive oil dressing for \$5.95-\$6.25."

Bonnie Brook: 19990 Shilwassee in Detroit: "Our Sloppy Joe's with chips for \$1.50, a daily special. We wouldn't run it every day if it didn't sell."

Idyl Wyld ("Alexandra's Ops"): 32650 Five Mile in Livonia: "Our chicken salad sandwiches at \$2.45 are fabulous."

Warren Valley: 26116 Warren in Dearborn Heights: "An oven baked sub, turkey or ham, at \$3.95"

Cattails: 57737 W. Nine Mile in South Lyon: "Barbecued ribs with bourbon glaze for our out-

ings. For regular golfers, a smoked Reuben with turkey, cole slaw, Swiss cheese and Russian dressing of grilled rye at \$6.25."

Copper Creek: 27925 12 Mile in Farmington Hills: "A California salad with fresh greens and fruit, topped with a chargrilled chicken breast and raspberry vinaigrette dressing for \$7.50. Also, a seafood bisque at \$2.75."

Glen Oaks: 30500 W. 13 Mile in Farmington Hills: "Club sandwich at \$6.25. A close second is our turkey pita at \$4.95."

Pebble Creek: 24095 Currie in South Lyon: "We really make some good hamburgers. On Mondays, they're \$1.50. Also, our Friday fish-fry. We bump a lot of fish for our seniors on Fridays for \$5.45."

San Marino: 36634 Halsted in Farmington Hills: "Our all-you-can-eat fish and chips on Friday nights for \$6.75."

Shenandoah: 5600 Walnut Lake Road in West Bloomfield: "Hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken sandwiches, from \$3.95 to \$4.95."

Downing Farms: 8145 W. Seven Mile in Northville: "We have a Big Bertha hamburger, a half pound of choice beef, at \$4.75."

Hickory Creek: 3625 Napier in Superior Township: "The submarine sandwiches at \$3.50. They're made up fresh every day."

Eagle Crest: 1275 Huron in Ypsilanti: "Beer! Besides that, our 'Brassie,' a cheeseburger with a choice of three cheeses on an onion bun with French fries or a marinated salad for \$6.75. It's pretty good."

Salem Hills: 8810 W. Six Mile in Northville: "We do a lot of nacho plates, lots of cheeses, for \$5.95."

Tanglewood: 53503 10 Mile in South Lyon: "Our tuna melt on a pretzel role with melted cheddar for \$6.45."

Union Lake: 2280 Union Lake Road in Commerce Township: "Po-Boys sandwiches, a chicken Po-Boy and a steak and cheese Po-Boy with French fries or onion rings, for \$5.95-\$6.95."

However, if you would rather bogey big time than give up your hot dog...

Glenhurst: 25345 Six Mile in Redford: "Our famous, full-plate chili dog at \$3.50."

Willow Metro Park: 22900 Huron River Drive in New Boston: "Hot dog, chips, a can of pop and a candy bar for a total of \$3.25."

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regular trips to your health club well before golf season begins.

"The muscles revert back if not conditioned on a continual basis," he said.

Levine said if you pull a muscle on the course, think "RICE": Rest, Ice, Compression and Elevation.

"Ice for 72 hours," the exercise physiologist said. "Afterwards, alternate heat and ice if inflammation is down. Once you're pain-free, start stretching and gradually work your way back where you were."

If problem persists, contact your physician for a physical therapy referral.

Don't burn, baby, don't burn. Dr. Hossein Nabai, a dermatologist at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, recommends wearing long-sleeve shirts of a heavier, closely knit fabric and broad-brimmed hats with no holes.

Straw hats or open-weave hats are not sun-proof.

"The light can penetrate," said Nabai.

Typical golf caps usually cover just the nose, not the ears, jaw or hairline.

Both the sun's UVA and UVB waves do skin damage; however, "UVA waves penetrate deeper and could damage connective tissues," said Nabai, resulting in wrinkles and potential malignancies.

Nabai recommends golfers work up

to sun exposure in daily 10- and 15-minute increments. Apply sunscreens at least on-half hour before exposure because "it takes that long to be absorbed by the skin."

The best sunblock? Good old zinc oxide. If walking around with a white nose is not appealing, Nabai suggests coloring the zinc oxide with some liquid makeup.

The "SPF" — the sun-protection factor — of commercial sunscreens indicates how long you can stay in the sun without burning. If you burn in five or 10 minutes, a sunscreen with an SPF-15 multiplies that time by 15. An SPF-30 multiplies that time by 30.

Nabai stresses good hygiene to prevent blocked sweat ducts, which can lead to postules that itch. He also recommends wearing boxer shorts to avoid crotch fungus from oversweating.

Golfer often get "actinic keratosis," rough spots or small bumps on their skin. These can be precancerous lesions and should be seen by specialist. Nabai said a monthly skin check of the entire body is a must. Any bump or mole that changes in size and color or whose border becomes uneven needs immediate attention.

Sweet feet. Feet are not like socks. You only have one pair.

Toe nail damage from ill-fitting

shoes can result in nail separation, which leads to nail fungus, said Nabai. That fungus can be a source of infection for other areas in the body.

Dr. Michael Hartman of the Adult and Adolescent Foot & Ankle Care in Plymouth and Westland, said good foot care for golfers is about common sense:

Wear cotton socks, color doesn't matter.

Don't let your feet perspire too much.

Break in those new shoes before the big tournament.

People, including myself, tend to buy new golf gear and walk 18 holes. Make sure your shoes are a good fit," he said.

If your feet start crying mercy by the ninth hole, assure them help is on the way. Once home, give them the golfer's foot bath: 1 teaspoon Epsom salts to a quart of warm water.

If your heels blister, there's the golfer's blister bath: two teaspoons vinegar to a quart of warm water.

Don't do your home remedies and drain blisters," Hartman said. "Never pull the skin. It's Mother Nature's own bandage."

So, if you treat your feet well, how many holes can you walk?

"There's no stopping," Hartman said.

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women linger a bit longer over their chicken Caesar salads and turkey Reubens.

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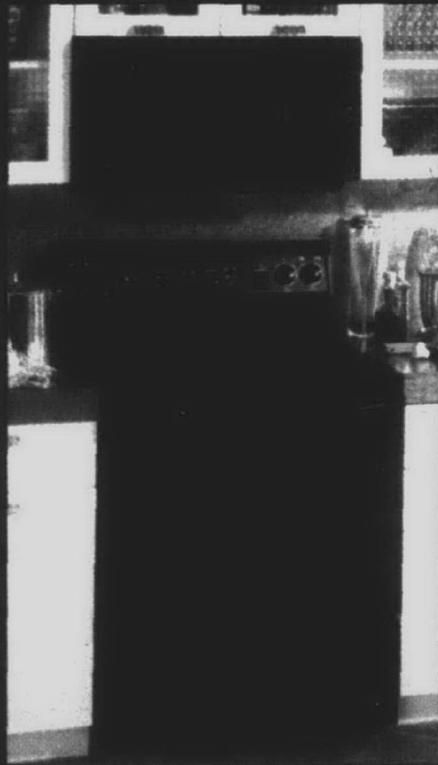
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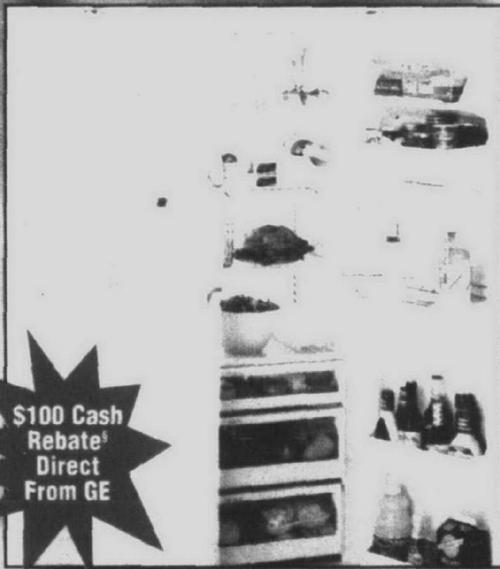
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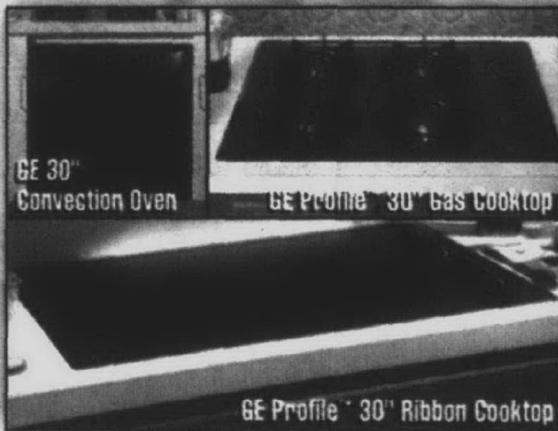


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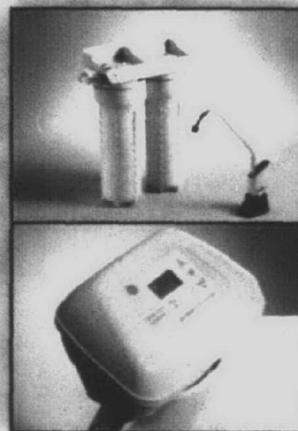
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