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## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Cultural Society:** A performance by the Waco Country Band is planned. The concert is free and will begin at 6 p.m. Sunday at the Performing Arts Pavilion behind the Westland public library. Rain location is the Bailey Center.

### MONDAY

**GOP:** The Westland Republican Club will meet 7 p.m. Monday at Amantea's Restaurant, Warren and Venoy roads in Garden City. Dr. Burton Folsom, Mackinaw Center for Public Policy senior fellow in economic education, will discuss "Entrepreneurial Heroes."

### TUESDAY

**Pizza night:** Middle school teens are invited to Middle School Kids Teen Nights Tuesday at the Bailey Center. The cost is \$1. Basketball, crafts, games and special activities will be 7-9:30 p.m., with swimming from 8-9:30 p.m. Participants must have a waiver signed by a parent on file to participate. Register at the pro shop at the center.

### WEDNESDAY

**Good cause:** The Westland Police Department D.A.R.E. John "Moses" Reddy Memorial Golf Outing is planned for Wednesday at Faulkwood Shores Golf Club in Howell. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. with shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. For information, call (734) 722-DARE.

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## Child care site prompts outcry



Nearly 40 people have signed petitions seeking to block a child care business in a Westland neighborhood. The business is geared to dual-income working families, especially those who work evenings.

A Westland woman wants to start a new child care business geared toward dual-income working parents, particularly those who work evenings, but she is facing strong opposition.

Terry Leberle said her business would provide daytime care but also would fill a void for parents who work evenings and need a place to leave their children.

She and two business partners want to run their business 18 hours a day, from 6:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., at a former medical office at Warren Road and Bison, in a predominantly residential neighborhood.

"It's mainly geared toward families who have a dual income who are on the second shift," Leberle said. "That kind of child care facility is virtually nonexistent."

And some residents want to keep it that way in their neighborhood. Nearly 40 people have signed petitions trying to block the business, saying it would cause too much traffic and threaten the safety of local children.

"People are mostly concerned about the traffic," said one Warren Road resident who didn't want her name used.

Westland Planning Director Tod Kilroy said some opponents also are claiming soil contamination on the site, "and that's totally untrue."

Leberle wants to run the business with her mother, Elaine Maldonado of Westland, and her mother's sister-in-

law, Colleen Maldonado of Livonia, but they need special land use approval from the Westland City Council.

City administration and planning department officials are recommending approval of the project, although some council members have said they aren't convinced of the merits.

A showdown between Leberle's side and residents could come Aug. 17, when the council will consider the proposal during a 7 p.m. meeting.

The now-vacant facility would be modified to reduce the size of a parking area and build a fenced-in, outdoor

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**Watching the fun:** Jazzmyn Burns, 4, clowns around (right) during the program at the library in Westland. Chad Talbot, 4, has a shark painted on his hand (below) by Pooky the clown



No one ever could say the people at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland are a bunch of clowns.

Clowns did, however, make their presence known Saturday, Aug. 1, at the library. A local troupe, Clowns Around Redford, appeared at a program to kick off National Clown Week.

"It's a summer concert series for children," said Meaghan Battle, children's services librarian II. The series,

presented by Westland Parks and Recreation, ended this weekend with Saturday's performance.

The programs have attracted newborns on up to 12-year-olds, along with some older people, Battle said.

"They're really family programs." The steel drum performance drew listeners of all ages.

The Friends of the Library group is a co-sponsor of the series, held at the library on Central City Parkway.



## Clowns bring laughs to town



Taking a break: Pooky the clown relaxes while other clowns perform.

## Fire puts family in street

Fire swept through a Westland duplex Friday afternoon, leaving a family of six homeless but injuring no one, officials said.

The mother and her four children were at home along with two other youngsters she was baby-sitting when the 1:15 p.m. fire started, Assistant Fire Chief Patrick Harder said.

They managed to escape, but the duplex at 32308 Kalamazoo in the city's Norwayne neighborhood was badly damaged, Harder said.

The mother told firefighters that she believes the flames started in her laundry room, possibly in a clothes dryer, Harder said.

Even as smoke rose over Kalamazoo, Lt. Charles Yockey of the nearby Salvation Army quickly announced plans to help the family by seeking donations of clothing.

The children include a 14-year-old girl and three boys, ages 1, 2 and 12, Yockey said. Neither their exact sizes nor their parents' were known Friday, but Yockey said anyone willing to help may call the Salvation Army for more information at (734) 722-3660.

The office is open 9 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, but anyone calling Sunday can leave a message on an answering machine, an office worker said.

Yockey also said the Salvation Army would arrange for the family to stay in a hotel this weekend before trying to help them find more permanent shelter this week.

Harder said it appears that the children were napping when the fire started. The flames damaged more than 50 percent of the residence, he said.

Firefighters were mopping up about 3:15 p.m. Friday, some two hours after the fire was reported, Harder said.

**■ Anyone willing to help may call the Salvation Army for more information at (734) 722-3660.**

## Inventor soaks up the pleasures of achievement

Randall Harris of Westland hopes his pursuit of the perfect suntan will make him rich.

Harris, a General Motors Corp. retiree turned inventor, has designed and patented a Sun Bathing Sponge Applicator to put oils and lotions on those hard-to-reach places like the back.

"I would go to tanning beds or just go outside in the sun, and I had no way of getting the lotion all over my back," Harris, 54, said.

"My back was burning, but I couldn't get the lotion back there," he said.

Frustrated, he found a wooden paint stir in his basement and tightly attached a cloth to one end of it. He poured sunscreen on the rag and - voila - an invention was born.

To make it more sophisticated and marketable, Harris designed two versions of a 12-inch applicator that National Invention Services Inc. is touting to prospective manufacturers.

One version has a hollow plastic or

wooden handle with a small circular opening that allows sunscreen to be poured inside. Then a slide mechanism pushes the sunscreen into a porous sponge on the other end, allowing it to seep out so it can be applied to skin.

A simpler version, more like Harris' homemade stick-and-cloth applicator, simply allows sunbathers to pour lotion directly onto the sponge before applying it.

Harris said his 24-year-old son, Randy, suggested that he patent the

idea, "and my wife (Sharon Jean) said, 'Go for it.'"

He did, and National Invention Services Inc. in late July began sending applicator drawings and brochures to more than 50 manufacturers, trying to draw interest.

Harris had to put up \$10,000 of his own money to help cover marketing costs, but he stands to gain much more if his invention is manufactured and becomes a hot seller in the lucrative

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## Prosecutors seek reversal on condo flap decision

A Westland judge will be asked to reconsider her decision to drop criminal charges against two businessmen who were accused of illegally taking money from two couples seeking to buy condominiums.

Prosecutors hope that Westland 18th District Judge Gail McKnight will reverse her July 23 decision to dismiss charges against Michael Edward Morche and Alvin Berton Bright Jr., involved in an upscale condominium development on the city's northwest side.

Two couples, Renée and Larry Panther and Marilyn and Amir Kashat, claim they lost tens of thousands trying to buy condominiums at Anthony's Pond, on Mix Road between Warren and Joy.

"There is additional law not previously submitted

to the judge that we believe the judge might find persuasive," Wayne County Assistant Deputy Chief Prosecutor Raymond Walsh said.

McKnight ruled July 23 that Morche and Bright shouldn't be tried on felony charges of obtaining money under false pretenses. Rather, she said the case should be settled in civil court, where lawsuits already are pending.

McKnight indicated that the men didn't intentionally cheat the Panthers and Kashats out of money, but that they had a complex business arrangement that ran into financial difficulties.

Following McKnight's ruling, Bright said he was encouraged that "finally the truth is beginning to be put forth." Morche declined to comment.

But Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Jane Cramer said she believes there is enough evidence to order Morche and Bright to stand trial.

"We will be filing a motion asking the judge to reconsider her decision," she said.

Prosecuting and defense attorneys will likely have to argue their positions again if McKnight agrees to reconsider her earlier ruling, Cramer said.

Prosecutors may appeal McKnight's earlier decision to Wayne County Circuit Court if she refuses the motion to reconsider, Cramer said.

"I'd have to further discuss it with my boss," she said.

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The Kashats lost \$130,000 on a condominium that another family now lives in. Police reports have indicated that the Kashats were buying their home from Morche when it was forfeited to Bright, who blocked them from moving in.

They now live in a Westland apartment as they wait for the

case to be resolved.

The Panthers lost \$65,000 on a condominium that was never finished. It still stands partially built without a roof at Anthony's Pond, and neighbors say it has been a scar on the neighborhood for two years.

The Panthers have since bought another house but still

hope to recoup the money they lost.

Defense attorneys have said that Morche and Bright also lost money at Anthony's Pond and that they have been wrongly portrayed as trying to intentionally cheat the Panthers and the Kashats.

## Inventor from page A1

suntanning industry.

"Now I'm just waiting for a manufacturer to take notice of

it," Harris said.

Although targeted for sunbathers, the applicator also could



Look at that: Randall Harris with his invention.

be used to apply everyday lotions or even medical solutions, he said.

It could come in useful for vacationers, beach-goers, boaters, fishing enthusiasts, golfers, cyclists, campers and people who suffer back pain, among many others.

Harris' invention also is advertised as sanitary because it is washable. The sponge also could be replaced.

So what will this Westland man do if he strikes it rich?

"Probably the first thing I'd do is buy the biggest house I could get in Westland," he said.

A Tennessee native, he has lived in Westland for 27 years and has no plans to leave—not even for a place in the sun like California or Florida.

"I like Westland," he said, although he admits he would do a lot more traveling. "The first place I'd go would be Hawaii."

## Cause to celebrate



**Milestone:** Amerigo D'Amico will turn 100 this Tuesday. D'Amico plays pinocle three times a week at Holliday Park Towne Houses in Westland. D'Amico and his wife, Connie, have been married for 69 years. They have three daughters, nine grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

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play area, Kilroy said. As a result, motorists couldn't cut through the site from Warren to Bison.

The child care facility would include 2,295 square feet of indoor space and a 1,322-square-foot play area protected by a 6-foot, chain-link fence, Kilroy said.

No more than 40 youngsters would be housed at the facility at any given time, Leberle said, and children ages 2 1/2 to 10 would be accepted.

The three owners would hire five more people, including two

program directors who would have associate's degrees plus a minimum 12 hours of training in child care development, Leberle said.

Children would receive age-appropriate help with social skills, table manners, school homework and art projects, among other areas, and "they would learn how to share and play together."

"It would do a lot for their self-esteem," Leberle said, adding that children who attend day care "are more academically prepared" when they start school.

Leberle hasn't convinced residents that the building at Warren and Bison is where her child care business should be located. On Aug. 17, she'll know whether she can convince council members.

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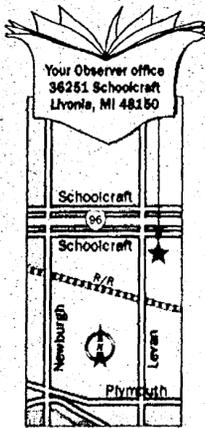
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by Josephine Finazzo, D.M.D.

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Playscape fun

Good time: Callie Goodin, 7, of Westland climbs across a bridge at the Playscape behind the Bailey Center in Westland (left). Rick Wolfe of Westland pushes son Chris, 18 months old, on a swing. Alyssa Goodin, 11, and Bradley Hinen, 2, of Westland go through the maze at the Playscape (below).



## Chambers planning expo for businesses

Local businesses will have a chance to show off their products and services at the Five Star Expo.

The event, scheduled for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at Joy Manor in Westland, is being sponsored by the Canton, Westland, Garden City, Dearborn Heights and Wayne chambers of commerce.

For over a decade, these communities have worked jointly as the Five Star Chamber of Commerce. This is the first time the chambers have joined forces on an expo — one that highlights business south of I-96.

"This will give our businesses an opportunity to let other businesses and residents know about their products and services," said Garden City's chamber Director Amelia Oliverio.

The Five Star chambers try to have a conference annually. Oliverio mentioned her idea of organizing a Garden City business expo to Westland chamber Director Linda Shapona and discussions with the other chamber directors resulted in the Five Star Expo.

"We're definitely excited about this. We'd like to see this become an annual event," said Oliverio. "We will be doing a lot of advertising and citywide mailings."

The chambers hope that the Expo will draw 70-100 business participants. Non-members are welcome along with nonprofit groups that might want greater exposure.

The costs range from \$300 for a contributing sponsor with additional advertising and complimentary admission tickets to \$100 for member exhibition space — \$50 for nonprofit groups.

Also featured will be area restaurants participating in the Taste of Five Communities. More restaurants are being sought to show-off their menu items.

There will be drawings throughout the day for door prizes such as a color television, Sony Playstation, a reciprocating saw and a drill driver set.

Appliance Doctor Joe Gagnon, a radio personality at WJR and a columnist for Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, both major sponsors of the Expo, will be on hand to answer appliance and consumer questions.

"We have a lot of businesses that this can accommodate well. It's like Hershey Shoes (on Ford Road in Garden City). People may think they have to go to Westland to buy shoes," said Oliverio.

The Five Star Expo also provides a good opportunity for businesses to network with each other and set up possible future joint projects, Oliverio said.

For more information about the Five Star Expo, contact the Garden City chamber at 422-1601; the Canton chamber at 453-4040; or the Westland chamber at 326-7222.

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A poll conducted by the Gallup Organization for the American Library Association found that two out of three Americans are using the library 13 percent more than 20 years ago despite the proliferation of bookstores, video stores and home computers during that time. The poll also found that 66 percent of patrons used a public library at least once a year, with 65 percent consulting a librarian. The majority of users, 64 percent, still visited the library in person, with 81 percent checking out a book.

The survey showed that 17 percent of library patrons used the Internet on site, and 9 percent connected to the library online from a remote location. Ninety percent believed that libraries will still be needed in the future, despite advancements in information available from computers. (From Library Hotline, July 1998)

**■ FOR YOUR REFERENCE**

"Enser's Filmed Books and Plays," compiled by Ellen Baskin and Mandy Hicken, lists more than 6,000 books and plays from which films, videos, animation, musicals and television series have been made. Directors' names are given, along with a list of addresses for production studios.

**■ PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS**

Summer shorts 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18  
"O. Henry Selected Stories," edited by Amanda Valli, book discussion group. Copies are available.

**■ PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN**

Registration for the September/October fall storytime

sessions has begun. Register at the Children's Service Desk or by phone at (734) 326-6123.

**■ TODDLER TALES**

1:30 p.m. Tuesdays or 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays  
This session of developmentally appropriate storytimes is for 18- to 36-month-olds. The program features movement, singing and stories to keep youngsters interested. All toddlers must be accompanied by an adult.

Registration required by phone or at the children's desk. See session schedules below.

**■ JUST FOR ME PRESCHOOL TIME**

1:30 p.m. Tuesdays or 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays  
A session of thematic storytimes for 3 to 5-year-olds.

Registration required by phone or at Children's Desk. See session schedules below.

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Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Oct. 6, 13, 20  
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The juvenile book on tape collection is located in Children's Services.

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The Friends of the Library provide support for library programs with various fund raising activities. If you have fund raising experience, would like to assist with a program or would just like to find out how you can help your community library then visit the Friends at one of their meetings. Friends meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, in Community Meeting Room A.

# Team to recommend best use for Cooper site

Once, going back to the 1940s, the Cooper school site on Ann Arbor Trail was a sand and gravel mine.

Then, as the sand and gravel ran out, the hole remaining became a landfill where Detroiters left such household trash as old bricks, glass, shoes and even cinder ash from coal furnaces.

When the dump was full, bulldozers covered it with a thin layer of dirt, smashing to smithereens all the glass that lay buried below.

Then, in the 1960s, Livonia Public Schools bought the land and built Cooper Elementary. In doing so, the builders dug out all the trash buried near the school site and carted it off. The dirt right under and immediately around the school building is most likely the only part of the 4 1/2-acre site that is trash-free.

That's the historical picture of the Cooper school site painted by

geologist Curt Cramer Thursday to area residents as a development team, using "brownfield" legislation, seeks a way to turn the abandoned, fenced-in eyesore in Westland into some type of profit-making venture.

The team, led by Jackson-based Consumers Renaissance Development Corp., has 120 days to determine through soil studies what type of facility would be best for the site.

Team members expect to give their recommendations for the site to Livonia schools by Oct. 29. Possibilities range from high-rise apartments to some type of commercial or recreational enterprise.

The developer, Jonna Realty Ventures Inc., has ruled out subdivision-type homes and industrial development.

"The developer will not try to construct something the community does not embrace," said

Bruce Rasher, CRDC vice-president.

On Aug. 17, working from a tractor-like machine, environmental consultants from Arcadis, Geraghty and Miller will take 4-foot borings from spots around the site not previously analyzed.

At Thursday's meeting with residents, Cramer, who works for the environmental company, showed maps where more than 45 soil samples have already been taken from the site by the Michigan Department of Health and Michigan's Department of Environmental Quality.

Cramer said he walked the property recently and found lots of woodchuck holes where broken glass lay exposed.

"My feeling is that we will have to cap the site," Cramer said. "The site won't be cleaned up. But there's no reason someone can't build on the surface.



**Former Cooper School site**  
A team plans future use of former school built over a garbage dump.

The question is, how can we put this site to better use? We don't have a problem here that can't be solved by just covering it up."

For example, Cramer said parking and road space could cover some of the land, and buildings built atop 8 inches of new soil could cover other parts. Under this scenario, any land

not asphalted or built on would be capped with a layer of soil, he said.

The report from the environmental consultants should not vary significantly from previous studies made, he said.

Rasher said the final report, expected Oct. 29, should contain the following:

- Recommendations on how Livonia schools can either sell or lease the land.

- Ways a new buyer can be protected from any liability in owning contaminated property.

- Plans to demolish the school.

- Plans to make sure no toxic conditions are created during the demolition.

- Recommendations on what to build on the site, and where to build it.

- Considerations set by Westland, including zoning and site plan regulations.

- Grant or loan possibilities. "We hope the developer will decide there's some profitable new use of the property, and may seek to acquire it, or enter into a partnership with the district," Rasher said.

At this stage, none of the team members have preconceived opinions as to what should be built on the site, said Grant Trigger, attorney for Honigman, Miller, Schwartz and Cohn.

"We have no concrete concept to force fit onto the property," Trigger said.

Last year, the city of Westland formed a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority under state legislation passed in 1995.

Westland incorporated the site into its redevelopment plan. Westland's authority allows the city to use captured tax dollars to cap and redevelop the site, as well as other sites in Westland.

## Guilty pleas cap duo's woes

The question loomed large when a Pennsylvania man and his son - accused of trying to cash in 9,000 returnable cans and bottles in Michigan - walked from the Wayne County

jail after posting bond in June.

Would the pair return from Pennsylvania to answer fraud charges in Westland 18th District Court? Or would they be, well, non-returnables?

"They're returnables," court administrator David Wiacek said Thursday.

The 51-year-old father and his 24-year-old son, caught trying to cash in returnables at the Westland Kroger at Michigan Avenue and Merriman, recently returned and pleaded guilty to fraud charges, Wiacek said.

The pair had hoped to capitalize on Michigan's 10-cent refund by hauling returnables here in a moving trailer attached to a 1991 Chevy van, police said.

In the end, however, 18th District Judge C. Charles Bokos fined them \$600 each and ordered them to stay out of trouble, Wiacek said.

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## The father and his son had already put 5,900 cans in a returnable dispenser at Kroger when a security guard took notice.

returnable dispenser at Kroger when a security guard took notice on the evening of June 17, police reports said.

The father, a Russia native, spoke little English, but his son told police that they had been given the returnables by an Ohio gas station attendant while en route to Michigan to pick up building supplies.

Although they lost money, they could consider themselves lucky. Bokos could have sent them to jail for 90 days.

## Charges dropped against gardener

Westland gardener Walter Warren won't have to answer in court to allegations that thick brush in his yard amounts to ordinance-violating blight.

In court Thursday, 18th District Judge Gail McKnight dismissed charges against Warren, who was handcuffed and arrested in front of his neighbors on April 23.

Warren and Mayor Robert Thomas have clashed publicly over Warren's yard, which, despite criticism, has been used to grow things like grape vines, squash vines and rose bushes.

Warren calls his yard an "English garden" and said his work last year earned him 33 ribbons at the Michigan State Fair.

Warren, noting that McKnight ruled he had not been properly served with notices by city inspectors, said he accepted the judge's ruling.

However, he said he would

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like to have "kicked some butt on the merits" of the case, which he has previously labeled senseless.

Hours after his arrest, Warren had threatened a lawsuit against the city. In a statement he issued to the press, however, Warren said Thursday that he just wants to get on with his life and "get the hell out of Westland."

Warren has gained a reputation for taking on city hall and for writing frequent letters to local newspapers - often to complain governmental matters.

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Livonia, MI 48154

The Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, Livonia, Michigan, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for the purchase of:

Material & labor necessary to construct a 60'x224' Pole Barn and 1 attached 24'x24' garage at Livonia Public Schools Central Office Complex Site

Bids will be received until 10:00 a.m. on the 14th day of September, 1998 at the office of the Board of Education, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan. At this time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read. Vendors are encouraged to attend.

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the office of the Board of Education in the Purchasing Department.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids in whole or in part in the interests of uniformity, design, equipment, delivery time or preference, to waive any informalities and to award to other than low bidder, with rationale to support such a decision.

Any bid submitted will be binding for ninety (90) days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

Any questions regarding this bid may be directed to Tim Kohut, Maintenance Supervisor, at (734) 523-9160.

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY**  
**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 98-**

An Ordinance extending the term of the Cable Communications Franchise Agreement with Comcast Cablevision, Inc.

WHEREAS, Comcast Cablevision, Inc., ("Comcast") is the successor Grantee under a cable television franchise (the "Franchise") granted by the City of Garden City (the "City") dated July 26, 1992; and

WHEREAS, Comcast has requested a renewal of the Franchise; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Comcast's request for a renewal, the City conveyed a proposal to Comcast for a new franchise for Comcast's consideration of April 10, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Comcast has also requested that the term of the Franchise be extended beyond July 28, 1997, subject to the rights and obligations established in the Franchise, to consider issues relating to franchise renewal; and

WHEREAS, the City has authority to extend the term of the Franchise under applicable law, including Article 7, Section 29 of the 1963 Michigan Constitution, the Home Rule Cities Act, Section 5.02(4) of the Charter and Sections III(C) and IC(E) of the Franchise, and in the exercise of its police powers; and

WHEREAS, the public health, safety, and welfare warrant extension of the Franchise term for a limited period of time in order to complete the processes for consideration of renewal in an orderly fashion; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that it is necessary, reasonable, and appropriate to extend the term of the Franchise to January 31, 1999 in order to preserve and protect the public health, safety, and welfare and to respond to Comcast's request.

**THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**Section 1. Granting of the Extension of the Franchise Agreement.**  
Pursuant to Section 5.02(4) of the City Charter and in accordance with Chapter 123 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garden City (the "City Code"), incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein, the 1982 non-exclusive Cable Television Franchise granted to Comcast Cablevision, Inc., as a successor Grantee, is hereby extended to January 31, 1999, effective August 1, 1998. All rights and obligations of Comcast Cablevision, Inc., as set forth in Chapter 123 of the City Code and the Franchise shall continue in full force and effect.

**Section 2. Consent to Extension.**  
The Ordinance shall be void and of no effect, if Comcast fails to provide to the City Comcast's written consent to, and acceptance of the extension of the Franchise within thirty days of adoption of this Ordinance.

**Section 3. Conflicting Provisions.**  
In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between this Ordinance and the provisions of any other Ordinance, the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail.

**Section 4. Effective Date.**  
This Ordinance is declared to be effective upon publication as required by law.

JAMES L. BARKER  
Mayor

ALLYSON M. BETTIS  
City Clerk/Treasurer

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Publish: August 9, 1998

**GARDEN CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Garden City Public Schools is soliciting proposals from qualified contractors to remove and demo existing condensate combination vacuum boiler feed and rig and set new unit in approximately same location. For additional information contact Mr. Gary Marchel at 734-762-8300.

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## OBITUARIES

**DANIEL GONZALEZ**  
Funeral services for Daniel Gonzalez, 86, of Westland were Aug. 8 at St. Theodore Church in Westland with the Rev. Gary Michalik officiating.

Mr. Gonzalez was born July 14, 1912, in Mexico City and died Aug. 4 in Dearborn. He was the manager of the St. Clair Yacht Club.

Survivors include wife Irene Gonzalez; daughter Irene Gonzalez of Westland; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Burial was at Michigan Memorial Park Cemetery in Flat Rock. Memorials may be sent to St. Theodore Church at 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland 48185.

**PETER JOHN SEIFERT**  
Funeral services for Peter John Seifert, 78, of Westland were Aug. 8 at St. Theodore Church in Westland with the Rev. Daniel Zaleski officiating.

Mr. Seifert was born June 16, 1920, in Detroit and died Aug. 4 in Dearborn. He was a chief tool engineer.

Survivors include wife Kathleen; children Mary Beth Seifert of Chicago, Nicholas Seifert of Livonia and James (Kathryn) Seifert of Portage; and four grandchildren.

Cremation rites were accorded. Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland handled the arrangements. Mass offerings may be sent to St. Theodore Church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland 48185.

## ACHIEVERS

Army Pvt. Raymond L. Utter has entered basic military training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the training, the soldier will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, map reading, tactics, military customs and courtesies, physical fitness, and first aid.

Utter is the son of Darlene A. and Raymond L. Utter Sr. of Westland.

He is a 1998 graduate of John Glenn High School.

# Exchange program seeks host families for students

Plymouth Township resident Gideon Levenbach followed last month's World Cup Soccer with particular interest. As a representative of PAX-Program of Academic Exchange, Levenbach is currently seeking host families for two young soccer players, Celine from France and Eduardo from Brazil. Their homelands competed in the final match.

**'As soccer enthusiasm grows in the U.S., there should be many families eager to welcome these students.'**

*Gideon Levenbach*  
—Plymouth Township resident

"With divided allegiances," Levenbach said, "I cheered for both teams."

"Sports bind together people of the world in a spirit of healthy competition," says Levenbach,

adding "and international athletes, including our young PAX soccer players, build many bridges."

PAX is a nonprofit educational

foundation which arranges semester and school year homestays for students from 20 different countries.

"PAX enrolls students from Sweden, Hungary, China, Morocco, Spain and Yugoslavia," explains Levenbach. "The great majority of them play soccer. As soccer enthusiasm grows in the U.S., there should be many families eager to welcome these students."

PAX students are between 15 and 18 and have basic English skills, their own spending money and are filled with curiosity

about the USA. A host family provides PAX students with a place to sleep and study, meals and the support and affection that any teenager needs. Students arrive in August.

Currently PAX has more than 25 percent (225 students) still without a host family for this school year.

To arrange for an interview and to review student applications, call Gideon Levenbach in Plymouth at (734) 453-8562 or Peggy Jackson in the PAX national office at 1-800-555-6211.



Exchange: PAX foreign students Celine from France and Eduardo from Brazil would like to share the spirit of World Cup Soccer with host families.



## Register now for classes

Registration is in progress for Schoolcraft College's fall Continuing Education Services classes.

Residents interested in classes can choose from more than 400 courses and programs designed to enlighten and enrich the mind, enhance job skills, tone muscles or prepare for the holidays.

New classes will focus on how to research the history of old homes, prepare stunning buffets and hors d'oeuvres, plan for a spectacular wedding, give a horse a therapeutic massage, get fit through aquatic exercise or construct a custom-made home entertainment center.

Special programs include the American Management Association Certificate Program, a series for the small business entrepreneur, public safety education for law enforcement officers and firefighters, a large selection of classes especially for seniors and English horseback riding instruction. Noted area chefs teach a varied selection of culinary courses, and computer classes serve everyone from the novice to the Web page originator.

Learn how to buy that dream house, prepare financially for retirement, play guitar or make floral arrangements for the holidays.

Classes are offered at convenient times in Livonia, Canton, Garden City and Northville. Registration forms are available in the CES catalog or by calling (734) 462-4448. Forms may be faxed to (734) 462-4572. Walk-in registration begins Sept. 8 in the McDowell Center on the Livonia campus.

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road in Livonia, between Six and Seven Mile roads, just west of I-275.

## Applications accepted at Learning Center

The Learning Center at Madonna University in Livonia is currently accepting applications for its fall term, which begins Monday, Sept. 21.

The tutorial sessions are designed for students from the first through 12th grades who are experiencing difficulty in reading and its related skills. Individual or group instruction (two students) is available.

Prior to admission, each student will be informally assessed, and a tailored remedial plan will be designed. Instruction is designed to enable the student to be a more successful and independent reader and will include strategies for reading fiction and non-fiction text, process writing and study skills. Students will develop a portfolio of their work during the session.

With more than 46 years of providing service to children who are experiencing difficulty in reading and writing, Madonna University's Learning Center has assisted thousands of children, from public and private schools representing some 20 different school districts.

For more information, call (734) 432-5586 or Sister Mary Duane, director, at (734) 432-6585.

# POWERSHOPPING WEEKEND

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6 THROUGH SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

### LADIES

**SAVE 50%** on our large selection of dresses for misses, petites and Parisian Woman. Reg. 78.00-140.00, sale 38.99-69.99. IN LADIES, D02, D3, D5, D6, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11, D12, D13, D14, D15, D16, D17, D18, D19, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT PETITES NOT AVAILABLE AT FIVE POINTS WEST.

**SAVE 50%** on misses' and petites' suits. Reg. 148.00-220.00, sale 73.99-109.99. IN LADIES, D41. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT PETITES NOT AVAILABLE AT FIVE POINTS WEST.

**SAVE 50%** on spring and summer career jackets, pants, skirts and blouses from famous New York designers. Reg. 60.00-198.00, sale 29.99-98.99. IN LADIES, D12, D13, D14, D15, D16, D17, D18, D19, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT PETITES NOT AVAILABLE AT FIVE POINTS WEST.

**SAVE AN EXTRA 25%** on already-reduced swimwear for misses and juniors. Orig. 42.00-92.00, sale 31.50-69.00, now 23.63-51.75. IN MISSES' AND JUNIORS' SWIMWEAR, D81, D82. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 50%** on famous maker casual collections. Includes shorts, tees, tanks, sweaters, pants and more. Reg. 28.00-130.00, sale 13.99-64.99. IN MISSES' SPORTSWEAR, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 50%** on famous maker blouses and woven shirts. Reg. 36.00-42.00, sale 18.00-21.00. IN MISSES' SPORTSWEAR, D45.

**SAVE 50%** off the original price on selected shorts and tees from Just Clothes and Eagle's Eye. Orig. 24.00-32.00, sale 11.99-15.99. IN MISSES' SPORTSWEAR, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT PHIPPS PLAZA, RIVERCHASE GALLERY, THE SUMMIT, NORTH POINT MALL AND NEWWOOD TOWNE CENTRE.

**SAVE 50%** on selected Country Collections. Reg. 25.00-198.00, sale 12.50-99.00. IN MISSES' SPORTSWEAR, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM AND FIVE POINTS WEST.

**SAVE 50%** on Parisian Woman famous maker career and casual sportswear. Reg. 38.00-148.00, sale 18.99-73.99. IN SPECIAL SIZES, D08, D09, D10, D11, D12, D13, D14, D15, D16, D17, D18, D19, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 50%** on famous maker career and casual sportswear for petites'. Reg. 28.00-128.00, sale 13.99-63.99. IN SPECIAL SIZES, D18, D19, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

### INTIMATE APPAREL

**SAVE AN EXTRA 30%** off our entire selection of spring sleepwear and robes from Chance Encounters, Earth Angels, Aria, Cypress, Carole Hochman and more. Orig. 26.00-60.00, sale 12.99-29.99, now 9.09-20.99. IN INTIMATE APPAREL, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 40%** on our entire stock of Olga and Warner's bras, panties and daywear. Reg. 19.00-27.00, sale 11.40-16.20. IN INTIMATE APPAREL, D12, D13, D14, D15, D16, D17, D18, D19, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 30%** on our entire stock of Vanity Fair, Bali, Maidenform and Playtex bras and panties. Reg. 18.00-28.00, sale 13.30-18.20. IN INTIMATE APPAREL, D12, D13, D14, D15, D16, D17, D18, D19, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 25%** on our entire stock of Jockey and Joe Boxer underwear and sleepwear. Reg. 6.00-30.00, sale 4.50-22.50. IN INTIMATE APPAREL, D33, D34. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

### ACCESSORIES

**SAVE 50%** on sunglasses from Riviera, Solargenics and selected designer brands. Reg. 20.00-40.00, sale 10.00-20.00. IN ACCESSORIES, D15.

**SAVE AN EXTRA 30%** on our entire selection of spring and summer redline handbags. Orig. 38.00-150.00, sale 18.99-74.99, now 13.29-52.49. IN ACCESSORIES, D51.

**SAVE AN EXTRA 30%** on our entire selection of spring and summer scarves, hair accessories and hats. Orig. 18.00-28.00, sale 8.99-13.99, now 6.29-9.79. IN ACCESSORIES, D17.

**SAVE 50%** on selected spring and summer gifts and frames. Reg. 10.00-80.00, sale 5.00-40.00. IN GIFTS, D41. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 50%** on our entire stock of sterling silver. Reg. 20.00-80.00, sale 10.00-40.00. IN ACCESSORIES, D17A. EXCLUDES DESIGNER STERLING.

### FINE JEWELRY

**SAVE 50%, PLUS AN EXTRA 10%** on our entire stock of already-reduced fine jewelry. Orig. 80.00-5000.00, sale 40.00-2,500.00, now 36.00-2250.00. IN FINE JEWELRY, D148. SAVINGS ARE OFF OUR ORIGINAL PRICES AND CANNOT BE COMBINED WITH ANY OTHER DISCOUNT. INTERNAL MARK-DOWNS MAY HAVE BEEN TAKEN. SORRY, PRICE ADJUSTMENTS CANNOT BE MADE ON PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED ITEMS. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM, FIVE POINTS WEST, EASTDALE MALL, REGENCY SQUARE MALL, WYRHOSS COMMONS, O'ROON MALL, TALLAHASSEE MALL, SAVANNAH MALL, THE FASHION MALL, NORTHLAKE MALL, O'COLE CENTRE AND THE MALL AT BARNES CROSSING.

### SHOES

**SALE 34.99** Large selection of women's shoes from Candie's, Prima Royale and more. Reg. 42.00-49.00. IN WOMEN'S SHOES, D27. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SALE 29.99** Women's casual and athletic shoes from Easy Spirit, Calico, Prima Royale, Keds and more. Reg. 38.00-79.00. IN WOMEN'S SHOES, D28, D29. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE AN EXTRA 50%** on our entire stock of women's redline shoes from Enzo, Timberland, Van Eli, Aligner, Naturalizer, Unisa, Calico, Nine West, Esprit, Candie's, Prima Royale and more. Orig. 19.99-72.00, sale 9.99-44.99, now 4.99-22.49. IN WOMEN'S SHOES, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

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### MEN'S

**SAVE 50%** on selected spring and summer better men's collection sportswear. Reg. 24.00-250.00, sale 12.00-125.00. IN MEN'S, D07. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM, SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

**SAVE 50%** on our large selection of men's knits from Architect, Natural Issue and Woods & Gray. Orig. 30.00-45.00, sale 13.99-21.99. IN MEN'S, D7. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM, SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

**SAVE 50%** on our large selection of men's woven sportshirts from Architect, Natural Issue and Woods & Gray. Orig. 28.00-42.00, sale 13.99-20.99. IN MEN'S, D515. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM, PHIPPS PLAZA, NORTHPOINT MALL AND MIDDLETOWN MALL. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

**SAVE AN EXTRA 50%** on men's better golf spring collections. Orig. 42.00-72.50, sale 31.50-53.99, now 20.99-36.25. IN MEN'S, D50. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM AND FIVE POINTS WEST. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

**SAVE 50%** on our large selection of men's clearance sportcoats and trousers. Reg. 70.00-395.00, sale 34.99-196.99. IN MEN'S, D6, D52A. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

**SAVE 50%** on our large selection of men's patterned slacks. Reg. 48.00-75.00, sale 24.00-37.50. IN MEN'S, D4. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM AND NORTH POINT MALL. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

**SAVE AN EXTRA 50%** on selected Preswick & Moore patterned dress shirts. Orig. 55.00, sale 29.99-39.99, now 27.50. IN MEN'S, D6. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

**SAVE AN EXTRA 50%** on selected Parisian signature neckwear. Orig. 35.00, sale 24.99, now 17.50. IN MEN'S, D19. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

**SAVE AN EXTRA 50%** on Preswick & Moore denim dress shirts. Reg. 39.50, sale 24.99, now 19.75. IN MEN'S, D3. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

### JUNIORS

**SAVE 50%** on juniors' tops from Coach and Camel, Absolutely by Creative Cotton, Younique and more. Reg. 16.00-32.00, sale 7.99-15.99. IN JUNIORS, D75, D8. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 25-50%** on juniors' bottoms. Reg. 22.00-36.00, sale 15.99-17.99. IN JUNIORS, D13, D8. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 50%** on juniors' dresses and collections from Ecu, Byer, My Michelle and more. Reg. 30.00-68.00, sale 14.99-33.99. IN JUNIORS, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

### CHILDREN'S

**SALE 17.99-23.99** Boys' fashion jeans. Joe Boxer in sizes 8-20; Santa Fe in sizes 4-20. Reg. 24.00-32.00. IN BOYS', D27A. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 30%** on girls' 7-14 and 4-6X fashion denim jeans, shirts, jumpers and cotton v-neck tops from PK Blues. Reg. 16.00-32.00, sale 11.20-22.40. IN GIRLS', D63, D4. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 25%** on girls' 7-16 sportswear from Jonathan Martin and My Michelle. Reg. 23.00-54.00, sale 17.25-40.50. IN GIRLS', D54. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

**SAVE 25%** on infants', toddlers', girls' and boys' 4-7 fall playwear from Buster Brown, Duckhead and Healthtex. Reg. 14.00-40.00, sale 10.50-30.00. IN CHILDREN'S, D18, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11, D12, D13, D14, D15, D16, D17, D18, D19, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40, D41, D42, D43, D44, D45, D46, D47, D48, D49, D50, D51, D52, D53, D54, D55, D56, D57, D58, D59, D60, D61, D62, D63, D64, D65, D66, D67, D68, D69, D70, D71, D72, D73, D74, D75, D76, D77, D78, D79, D80, D81, D82, D83, D84, D85, D86, D87, D88, D89, D90, D91, D92, D93, D94, D95, D96, D97, D98, D99, D100. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM, LIMITED SELECTION AT NORTH POINT MALL AND THE SUMMIT.

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DWPF, 48, intelligent, attractive, with diversified interests, NS, D-free, seeks same in WPM, 45-55, for a relationship with a committed future...

FRIENDSHIP FIRST

Thoughtful, considerate SWF, 65, 53, enjoys animals, gardening, movies, cooking, traveling, SWM, 50-65, NO, smoker ok, for friendship first...

EAR-OLD ENTREPRENEUR

Pretty, successful, giving, loving, looking for her soulmate. Any sincere, successful Caucasian, 45-70, please apply...

WISH UPON A STAR

SWF, 44, 57, brown/hazel, NS, enjoys sports, jazz, CAW, quiet times at home. Seeking romantic, honest, family-oriented, DW, 30-40, for friendship. All calls will be answered...

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL

Attractive DW, young, 49, 54, brown hair, intelligent, outgoing, friendly, secure, enjoys movies, dining, sports, travel, and romance. Seeking attractive, honest, caring, compassionate SWM, 45-55, financially secure, for friendship, leading to LTR...

ECCENTRIC & ENTHUSIASTIC

Pretty, 54 years young lady loves life, travels, oceans, nature, and animals. She believes in kindness. Seeking tall, intelligent, emotionally/financially secure, healthy gentleman for sharing the wonders of life...

SEEKING CHEMISTRY

Very attractive, fun SWF, 40, 56, blonde/brown, great catch, single parent, professional, successful, DW, executive type, for LTR...

STARTING OVER

DW, 42, 51, NS, ND, easy-going, outgoing, fun, intelligent, SWM, 45-55, for friendship, leading to LTR...

RUBENESQUE FIGURE

Married WF, 44, loves the outdoors, dancing and rustic camping. Seeking tall, fit, fun, 30-40, for friendship, leading to LTR...

ORIENTAL BEAUTY

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LOOKING FOR HONEST COMPANION

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SMART SEXY & STILL SINGLE

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I'M READY, ARE YOU?

Attractive SWF, seeks an open heart, 45-55, loves life and challenges. If this is, let's start with friendship, explore the possibilities...

STAND ON A MOUNTAIN WITH ME

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YOU MAKE ME LAUGH?

Do you have a humorous soul? Do you like wine, travel, dogs, antiquing, arts? Petra SF, 49, Designer, who's classy and easygoing, who's fun, seeks possible partner. Average guy to explore the future...

DYNAMIC & DIVERSIFIED

Captivating, vibrant DW, leggy blonde, enjoys seminars, sports, car events, the outdoors. Seeking sensitive, goal-oriented, spiritual, athletic SWM, over 38, 6' NS, for a good time. LTR...

LIVONIA LADY

DW, 51, 57, long blonde/blue, educated, enjoys simple things, movies, gardening, seeking a nice, honest down-to-earth guy, 48-55, NS, for friendship and maybe more. Must have time for relationship...

LUCK BE A LADY

She was hit, honest, fun, who looked like an angel, but played cards with the devil, and always won. Slim SJF, 54, 57, blonde/blue, seeks SWM, 48+, for possible relationship...

PRETTY, FUN, FIT, FREE

SWF, 50, slim, red/hazel, seeks SWM, 45-58, 6' NS, who's attractive, fun, romantic, enjoys dancing, movies, theater, travel, spectator sports, quiet times, for friendship, possible relationship...

SEEKING ROMANCE

1m 52, slender, tall, intelligent, often yet fun, classy yet eccentric, outspoken yet sensitive and a smoker. Seeking SWF, 52-65, intelligent, successful, classy, confident and into romantic dating...

THE ONE

Blue-eyed blonde, 22, seeks sweet, honest, fun, down-to-earth, good-looking SWM, 23-30, for possible LTR. Interests include hockey, travel, music, romance. Could you be the one?

HAPPY, SINCERE, ACTIVE

Fun-loving petite DF, 54, blonde, seeks intelligent male, 52-60, NS, social, outgoing, successful in life and work. The fun it has to offer, enjoys music, travel, arts, outdoors, walking, biking, etc...

SHARE LIFE WITH ME

Pretty, fun DW, 57, 5'11, blonde/green, enjoys dining, dancing, theater and more, seeks tall, handsome, romantic gentleman, to share life's pleasures...

TAKE THE BAIT

Outgoing, energetic, caring SWF, 20, 54, 110lbs, blonde/hazel, enjoys traveling, going to movies, sports, and more. Seeking a fun, successful, professional, outgoing, down-to-earth, honest SWM, race open, 20-27...

LADY IN WAITING

Good-looking, 46, DW, 55, 140lbs, NS, enjoys traveling, movies, reading, exercising, outdoor activities. Seeking SPCM, NS, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR...

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DOCTOR WANTED

Very pretty SWF, mental health care technician, youthful 48, 55, slightly overweight, blonde/blue, seeks attractive SWM, medical doctor, 40-50, for companionship. Try me...

FUN-LOVING, URBAN LADY

Attractive, honest, fit SWF, 40, 58, brown/brown, NS, enjoys summer activities, golf, dancing, travel, and more. Seeking attractive SWM, 38-44, 5'10", with similar qualities, interests, for LTR...

ROSE SEEMS JACK

Attractive SWF, seeks attractive SWM, tall, honest, fun, loves animals, respects the fact that honesty is the best policy, for friendship first, possible relationship...

SUMMERTIME BLUES

SWF, 64, brown/brown, petite to medium build, free-spirited, adventurous, seeks soulmate, outgoing, youthful guy, with a nice smile...

WHERE DID URBAN COWBOY GO?

DW, 40, 57, 150lbs, brunet/brown, enjoys horseback riding, cross-country skiing, hiking, traveling, plays concerts, seeks SWM, 35-45, NS, 6', similar interests, for LTR...

HEART OF GOLD

Energetic, perky, kind-hearted DW, 44, 52, 125lbs, brown/brown, financially/emotionally secure, enjoys walking, tennis, cooking, dining out, movies, seeks SWM, late 30s-50s, for best friend...

WANT COMPANIONSHIP

Employed SWF, 24, enjoys movies, dancing, outdoor activities, quiet evenings for two, Seeking SWM, 24-30, who, seeks attractive SWM, for friendship, and long-term relationship. Race unimportant...

LOOKING FOR A SPECIAL GUY

DW, 43, 58, medium build, in Garden City, mother of two, smoker, social drinker, seeks tall, financially secure gentleman, 45-53, who lives in surrounding area, to share an old-fashioned, romantic relationship...

WALLED LAKEVONIA

I'd love to be perfect. Young, fun, rich, 1m not. Can you appreciate a DW, 58, and 50lbs overweight, who is faithful, loyal, and perfect? Perfect people get lonely too...

I NEED A MAN

Attractive, employed, educated BF, 50, seeks SWM, 45-55, who's outgoing, confident, looks much younger, enjoys partying, traveling, and more. Seeking SWF, 45-55, no dependents, no hang-ups, baggage, for one on one monogamous relationship. NS mandatory. Race open...

SHARE MY HEART & SOUL

DW, 52, 55, attractive, classy, seeks a DW, 50-58, NS, sincere, easygoing, for serious LTR...

LOVE & A STRANGER

SWF, 37, attractive, petite single mother, seeks male, 35-45, like classical music, theater, gardening, camping. Race open...

LIGHT MY FIRE

Passionate, pretty DF, 40, with medium build. Seeking SWM, 38-50, NS, N/D, for dating, mating and treating. Will you spark my interest?

LOOKING FORWARD TO SUMMER

Divorced mother of one, 30, very shy, blonde/brown, blue eyes, 57, 110lbs, enjoys dancing, disco, milk, all winter sports, and more. Seeking SWF, 35-45, who is sensitive, old-fashioned guy, who will appreciate me...

THE REAL THING

Fit, attractive SWF, 28, 39, with kids, loves adventure, outdoor sports, seeks SWM, 35-45, who is outgoing, confident, financially secure, for possible LTR. Sincere, outgoing, social, open...

TALL, SLENDER, PROFESSIONAL

groom cut, enjoys golf, coffee sports, dining, dancing, would like to meet someone "new". Looking for a friend first then?

FRIENDSHIP FIRST

This petite, slender, romantic professional DW, 30s, brown hair/eyes, enjoys movies, theater, dining out and sports. Nationality unimportant...

LET'S ENJOY

Dazzling widow WF, 58, 57, blonde, seeks SWM, 55-65, golfer, boater, fun-loving, humorous gentleman, for friendship...

SEEKING SOULMATE

DW, 55, 58, brown/blue, NS, financially secure, likes movies, sports, dining, travel. Seeking SWF, 45-55, no dependents, for LTR...

ANY LOVE GOING TO WASTE?

Fun, outgoing, professional, DW, 40, 52, brown hair, enjoys music, travel, dancing, movies, theater, conversation and fun. Nationality unimportant...

CASINO ROYALE

DW, 37, fit, fun, shy, hard working, smoker, enjoys bingo, Vegas, travel, and quiet times. Seeking employed male, 30s-40s, who is honest and caring. Nationality unimportant...

ATTRACTIVE ASIAN

Non-smoking AF, 37, seeks attractive, heart-conscious, dependent-free WM, 30-40, 5'9", for casual dating, possible LTR...

MOTORCYCLE WOMA WANTS...

motorcycle dude, attractive, sexy, slightly over-weight, passionate, single mom with long brown hair, is seeking you. Are you? DMW, 35-52, 5'10", and want to ride and howl at the moon?

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT

Honest, average-looking, easygoing DW, 52, year young, 160lbs, smoker, trying to quit, enjoys walks, talks, motorcycles, good food, value family and good friends. Seeking similar in a male...

BEST CHOICE

Attractive, intelligent, educated, 42, 54, 128lbs, loves music and writing, seeks a kind, educated man, to share feelings, understand, and enjoy the life...

DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH

Fit SWF, 52, 57, 120lbs, short dark/hazel, NS, no dependents, seeks fit SWM with a nice smile, to walk, jog, bike, and cook with...

SEXY, SOPHISTICATED

Teacher/real estate investor, 50-ish, NS, wants to meet a mature, well-dressed executive professional, 40-50-ish, for companionship and travel...

YOUTHFUL CHARM

Custodial Dad, 46, 6', 185lbs, athletic, tall, unique, outgoing, honest, sincere, sensitive, romantic, Seeking WF, attractive, open-minded, 33-40, who wants fun, friendship, sincerity, romance...

TRY SOMETHING NEW

Attractive, adventurous SWM, 52, 59, 170lbs, enjoys boating, horseback riding, rollerblading, golf, travel, dancing, good conversation, seeks female, 35+, with similar interests for LTR...

BEAR ON A HARLEY

Romantic, honest, sincere DW, 31, 5'10", lots of hair, vegetarian, enjoys cooking, motorcycles, walking, country music, kids. Seeking special SWF, a best friend who rides her own bike, for possible LTR...

READ THIS AD

Easygoing SWM, 40, 5'11", 170lbs, well-educated with multiple degrees, enjoys reading, movies, travel, quiet times at home. Seeking attractive SWF, 38-58, educated, for possible relationship...

LOVE BONFIRES & CROQUET

Caring, fun-loving, romantic SWM, 28, 5'10", 185lbs, seeks attractive, honest SWF, 24-32, who's not afraid of commitment, to share special times. Must love to smile...

DREAMS DO COME TRUE

Caring, sharing, honest DW, 6', 220lbs, enjoys reading, movies, listening to music, financially secure home owner seeks SWF, 45-55, with similar interests for a true friendship...

COME FLY WITH ME

Attractive SWM, 50, 6', 165lbs, youthful, fit, Catholic, educated, considerate, humorous, fun-loving, romantic, business/artist owner, seeks SWF, 32-45, NS, intelligent, attractive, slender, adventurous, for friendship...

LOOKING FOR A NICE LADY

Sincere, outgoing, nice DW, 40, N/D, 5'8", 140lbs, enjoys boating, horseback riding, rollerblading, golf, travel, dancing, good conversation, seeks female, 35+, with similar interests for LTR...

IDEALISTIC GUY

Handsome, honest, musician, SWM, 24, enjoys writing songs, romantic evenings, for SWF, 24-32, who's intelligent, fun-loving, romantic, business/artist owner, seeks SWF, 32-45, NS, intelligent, attractive, slender, adventurous, for friendship...

LOVES TO COOK

WM, 27, 6'4", 230lbs, brown/blue, physically fit, enjoys sports, movies, camping, music, sports, and movies. Seeking spontaneous SWF, 21-40, long-term monogamous relationship, possibly more...

MUSIC IS MY LIFE

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STARTING OVER

Caring, affectionate, handsome DW, 51, 5'10", 160lbs, enjoys fishing, golf, and quality time together. Seeking SWF, 38-45, petite-medium, for friendship, possible long-term monogamous relationship. Race unimportant...

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BEFORE LOVERS

Honest, sincere DW, 58, 5'8", NS, with a pleasant personality. Seeking slender, attractive SWF, 45-50, who is fun, outgoing, intelligent, fit, and has a good sense of humor. DMW/Huntington Woods area...

IN YOUR EYES

I find someone special SWM, 41, fit, 180lbs, brown hair, nice guy, enjoys hiking, bike riding, ice skating, movies, music, art, people watching. Seeking a SWF to share experiences...

BRIGHT, GOOD-LOOKING...

young, well-established SWM, 43, 5'10", 160lbs, enjoys traveling, listening to music, outdoors, exercise. Seeking good hearted, intelligent, relatively fit and attractive WF for laughter,



**Train derails:** CSX workers walk toward a train that derailed Thursday morning in Northville Township. Investigators believe the derailment caused a fuel tank on an engine to rupture and spill at least 700 gallons of fuel, some of which flowed into the middle branch of the Rouge River. Cleanup efforts are expected to continue through the weekend.

# Train derails, spills fuel; cleanup efforts continue

At least 700 gallons of fuel spilled Thursday from an engine of a train that derailed in Northville Township.

Officials did not know how much fuel spilled into the middle branch of the Rouge River, but were confident that most of it would be removed this weekend and did not present a health hazard downstream along the Rouge.

The CSX train derailed at about 8:15 a.m. between Five and Six Mile roads and about 100 yards from Mill Street. The tracks run parallel to Northville Road and the Rouge.

Northville Township firefighters, and officials from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency were called to the scene once it was reported that a possible hazardous material had spilled.

No injuries were reported and no evacuations were necessary, according to Fire Lt. Ron Lane.

Enough rain fell and ran off onto an area adjacent to the tracks to flood it about 15 feet

deep, Lane said. "There was just so much water all over the track," Lane said.

Earl Friese, environmental quality analyst with the DEQ, said the water apparently washed out some of the railroad bed causing the derailment. "Something also must have flown up from the debris and punctured the fuel tank," Friese said.

Two engines and four box cars went off the tracks, officials said.

Ditches flanked each side of the tracks. On the east side of the tracks, Friese estimated that 400 to 500 gallons of fuel ran down the ditch and flowed into the north end of a 100-by-200 foot, 10-foot deep pond, where it floated and remained where cleanup crews worked to contain it.

On the other side of the tracks, fuel proceeded down the ditch about 200 feet to the Rouge. The high flood waters helped push the fuel toward the railroad grade, Friese said, but some of the fuel managed to enter the river.

Booms were set up to trap the fuel, floating on top of the water. Friese did not know why earlier estimates placed the spill amount at 1,900 gallons, but believes that figure was revised after CSX officials had computed the amount from examining miles traveled since the last time the engine had refueled.

CSX officials did not return phone calls to comment on their accident investigation.

Cleanup crews used equipment to remove the fuel floating on the water's surface. "It looks like a big vacuum and they use it to vacuum the top of the water," Lane said.

The cleanup continued throughout the day Friday. Cleanup efforts extended downstream about six or seven miles to Newburgh Lake.

Friese doubted that any of the fuel had flowed beyond Newburgh Lake, which is in the process of a \$10 million restoration project to remove, ironically, polychlorinated biphenyl contaminants.

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**Is Cigar Smoking Safe?**  
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By: Oscar Signori, M.D.

A recent report, entitled "Cigars: Health Effects and Trends" by the National Cancer Institute, shows that smoking cigars daily causes cancer of the lip, tongue, mouth, throat, larynx, esophagus and lung. Cigar smoking may also cause emphysema and coronary artery disease.

Cigar consumption in the United States has increased nearly 50% since 1993 with the greatest rise in cigar smoking occurring among men between the ages of 18 and 24. Cigar smoking has also become more "glamorous" with the media reporting cigar boutiques and parties featuring celebrities and expensive cigars.

Cigar and cigarette smoke contain toxins (carbon monoxide, hydrogen cyanide, ammonia, nicotine, etc.), as well as carcinogens (benzene, arsenic, cadmium, nitrosamines, etc.). Those chemicals are found in greater amounts in cigar smoke. There is 20 times more ammonia and 90 times more nitrosamines due to the larger size of cigars compared to cigarettes, the nature of cigar wrappers, aging, and fermentation of cigar leaves.

The majority of cigar smokers do so occasionally and do not inhale. This gives them a lower risk for cancer, heart and lung diseases than smokers. It also gives them a false sense of security. Smoking three to four cigars daily raises the risk of oral (mouth) cancers five times that of non-smokers, while increasing the risk of esophageal cancers four-fold. Also, the lung cancer risk from inhaling moderately when smoking five cigars per day is comparable to that from smoking one pack of cigarettes per day.

Thus be wise, if you smoke, stop. If you don't, why start?

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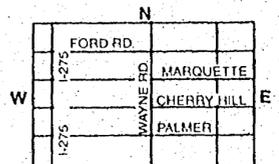
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KELLI LEWTON

## Preserve your memories of summer produce

**M**id-August always transports me back to early childhood days when I remember being the only one able to stand up straight in my Irish-born grandmother's cellar. It had a dirt floor, and a musty dampness.

August and early September was a festival of foods. My grandmother would refer to this time as "putting food by." I believe that was an old Irish, or perhaps, country way of saying "food preservation."

Having come to this country as a young girl from Ireland, and then living through the Great Depression, she was used to saving today for what she would need tomorrow. In grandmother's time, you couldn't get fresh peaches in the middle of winter. Imagine a winter without peaches, apple sauce, cherry chutney, or tomatoes. However, by "putting food by," all these fabulous foods, and more, would sit dormant in the dark cellar waiting for you to open them and unleash the memory of summer.

Inspired by memories, I started gardening when I purchased my home in Royal Oak six years ago. At last count, I've already harvested 31 tomatoes. This season, my Beefsteaks are slotted for an Italian style Olive Tomato Bruschetta. I'll let you know how my new concoction fared this winter.

Preserving fruits and vegetables appears to me to be part of America's renewed passion for homestyle favorites from our grandmother's tables. If you don't have a garden, visit local farm markets, which offer a huge variety of organic produce at reasonable prices. Home preservation can bring tastes to your table that you never thought possible. Be creative, take notes on combinations. You're limited only your imagination, and some basic chemistry rules.

If you're canning for the first time, pick up the home canner's bible - the "Ball Blue Book Guide to Home, Canning, Freezing & Dehydration," available wherever canning supplies are sold, or call 1-(800)-240-3340.

Here are some basic canning tips:

■ **Hot pack fruit verses raw pack** - Fruit has very porous tissues that contain the juice we love. These pores also hold air, which, if not exhausted from the fruit, can cause floating, or discoloration in home canned fruit. Hot packing fruit helps exhaust this air. The prepared fruit is added to boiling syrup or liquid, brought back to a boil, and simmered for a few minutes. Removing air from the jars is one of the goals of canning. The less air in the jar, the better the results. Removing air from the fruit tissues shrinks the fruit allowing you to pack more in each jar. Raw or cold packing fruit results in inferior products.

■ **Lids** - Always use new lids for every home canning project. Never attempt to reuse a lid that has been previously placed on a jar for storage or processing. Once the sealing compound on the lid has taken the imprint of a jar, it will not seal properly a second time.

■ **Mason jars** - Use only mason jars for home canning. Because these jars are made of a heavier weight of glass than commercial food jars, they are more tolerant to the high processing temperatures reached in boiling water and pressure canners. Mason jars can be reused several times. Always check the rims of your jars for nicks and imperfections before beginning a home canning project. Discard jars that have imperfections or nicks.

■ **Air bubbles** - When filling jars, air bubbles may become trapped between pieces of food, or between the glass and food. If left inside the jar, air bubbles can cause food to discolor. During processing the air bubbles

Please see **UNIQUE, B2**

## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Pizza
- Focus on Wine



# TEACH YOUR KIDS HOW TO EAT AND BE WELL

BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS  
REGISTERED DIETITIAN

**H**ealthy eating in childhood promotes lifelong good health, optimal growth, intellectual development and helps prevent long-term health problems. It saddens me to see overweight children struggling, and huffing and puffing on the playground.

I want to intervene when I see kids guzzling soda pop and eating empty calorie junk foods. These children will likely have physical, intellectual and emotional problems.

You can help your child attain their full educational and health potential by providing them with the tools and reinforcement they need to make healthy food choices.

Children who are hungry or undernourished have difficulty resisting infection, and are more likely to be irritable, get sick, miss school, fall behind in class, have low energy, and trouble concentrating.

Here are some USDA guidelines for children:

**Eat a variety of foods** - You can't always control what your kids eat when they're out, but you can control what you put in your cupboards. Take your time grocery shopping, and choose foods from all the food groups. Yogurt and oranges are healthy choices, but not if your child eats them day in and day out. Variety is the key. Don't purchase the same foods all the time. For example, fruits can be purchased whole, cut up, frozen, canned or dried. Try them all. Variety is probably the most important aspect of food nutrition.

**Balance the food you eat with physical activity** - I believe watching TV is a major contributor to childhood weight problems. Children who are slumped in front of a TV for hours miss out on the benefits of play such as strengthening muscles and improving coordination. Turn off the TV. Get your kids to play outside.

**Choose a diet with plenty of grain products, vegetables and fruits** - Encourage your children to eat unprocessed foods. Some studies have found that 50 percent of school-age children eat fewer than two servings of fruits or vegetables daily. There are lots of good options such as breadsticks, ready-to-eat cereals (watch out for those with artificial coloring), mini-bagels, muffins and all kinds of interesting fruits and vegetables. Keep these out and hide the chips and pop. Enjoy seasonal fruits, grow your own vegetables, get your children interested in the bounty from the earth.

**Choose a diet low in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol** - Some kids aren't good meat eaters, and we may tend to think their fat intake is low, too. However, packaged cookies and chips are loaded with fat, and can contribute substantially to your child's fat intake. Fast food is high in fat and calories relative to the nutrients it provides. Try to get your kids to accept low fat milk and cheese. Look for alternatives to high fat snacks.

**Choose a diet moderate in sugars** - Soda pop is probably the worst evil in a child's diet. Regular soda has 9 to 12 teaspoons of sugar per can. These aren't just empty calories

Please see **WELL, B2**

## Making edible memories

Helping children understand where food comes from can be fun and interesting.

Here's ways you can bring your kids closer to the source of their food:

- Buy ice cream cones and milk at a dairy farm
- Watch apples being pressed into cider at a cider mill
- Pick blueberries, raspberries or strawberries
- Buy produce at a farmer's market, or corn at a roadside stand
- Go fishing and eat a fish you catch
- Plant vegetables and fruits in your backyard
- Bake bread
- Roast a chicken
- Make a pie from apples you picked together

If your child tries something new because he grew it, picked it, or helped make it, it's worth the extra work involved. You'll have fun together and make good memories too. In my work with seniors I find that memories about food are some of their best.

## Mix up a seafood pasta salad for all seasons

### MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL WAGNER

makes a popular hors d'oeuvre for me because I can prepare it ahead of time. Leftovers are not a problem. I never have any. I'm going to share the winter version with an update for the summer. You'll want to serve the summer version slightly chilled or even at room temperature to capture the full flavor of the herbs and tomatoes.

I prepare my own sun-dried tomatoes in oil with garlic. It's much less expensive than buying them, and they have more flavor. Dried tomatoes are available in the produce section of most grocery stores. Simply wash and pop them into hot water to rehydrate. Dry them, and layer in a glass jar with garlic

and oil. I've included my recipe in case you need more specific information.

For the summer version, nothing tastes better than home-grown cherry or plum tomatoes, quartered and seeded as a stand-in for the dried tomatoes. Be liberal with the fresh basil. Triple or quadruple the amount. Take advantage of the summer price. Substitute fresh oregano for the dried herb in the dressing. Three teaspoons of chopped fresh oregano leaves is not too much.

Nutritionally, the fresh tomatoes and herbs add vitamin C and lots of cancer-fighting phytochemicals. Dietary fiber is also increased. Be sure to wash the vegetables well. Washing fruits and vegetables thoroughly has become important to prevent food borne diseases. Even packaged salads need another dunking.

I chose tuna for this recipe because it's something I keep on hand in my pantry. But you can substitute shrimp, scallops or other cooked fish. I like to rinse the tuna several times. It reduces the sodium by almost 75 percent. Both shellfish and water-packed albacore tuna are good sources of Omega-3 fatty acids. These help to lower cholesterol and triglycerides as you know.

I used ready prepared nonfat Italian salad dressing, but spiked up the flavor with olive oil, lemon juice and oregano. I am a lazy cook, as you know, par-

ticularly during the summer.

The salad can also be served mixed with other summer greens such as romaine, leaf lettuce, Boston or bibb lettuce, for a main course or as an appetizer. Don't count on leftovers.

### A PASTA SALAD FOR ALL SEASONS

- 1/2 pound bow tie pasta
- 2 cans (6 ounces) White Albacore Tuna, water packed, rinsed, drained and chunked
- 1/4 cup (3/4 cup for summer) fresh basil, chopped
- 3/4 cup Special Italian Dressing (see recipe below)
- 2 ounces prepared sun-dried tomatoes, or 1 quart fresh cherry or plum tomatoes (see recipe below)
- Salad greens, optional

Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain and cool to room temperature. Drain sun-dried tomatoes, reserving 1 tablespoon of oil for Special Italian Dressing. Cut sun-dried tomatoes into wide strips. If using fresh tomatoes, wash, quarter and seed.

At serving time, toss pasta, tomatoes, tuna and basil with Special Italian Dressing and optional greens. Serves 4 as a main dish, 10 as an appetizer.

Food values per main dish serving: 355 calories.

Please see **PASTA, B2**

# These fun round sandwiches are kid-tested

See related Peggy Everts-Martinelli story on Taste front. Recipes compliments of HDS Services.

"Rounds" are favorites with kids in our area. They're sandwiches in the shape of a ball, great for car trips, picnics, or school lunches. Ten-year-old Analena Iacobelli of Clarkston created this recipe for Pizza Rounds. From her idea we developed the Tuna Rounds and PB&J Rounds. All have been kid-tested, and overwhelmingly approved.

## ANA'S PIZZA ROUNDS

- 1 loaf frozen bread dough
- 8 tablespoons pizza sauce
- 32 slices turkey pepperoni
- 2/3 cup shredded low-fat mozzarella cheese
- Chopped green pepper, onion, or other favorite vegetable,

optional  
1/4 cup corn meal

It is important to use low-fat, fully cooked ingredients in this recipe.

Thaw bread dough according to package instructions.

Preheat oven to 375°F. On a floured surface, roll out dough into a rectangle until it is about 1/4-inch thick (this is quite thin). Cut dough into 8 squares. Place 1 tablespoon of pizza sauce in the center of each dough square. On top of sauce, put 4 pepperoni slices, then divide mozzarella cheese evenly among squares and place on top of pepperoni.

Pull up edges of each dough square and seal so dough completely covers pizza ingredients. Seal tightly, making sure no sauce or cheese leaks out. The dough will now look like a little ball. Spread

corn meal evenly over a cookie sheet or pizza stone. The corn meal prevents dough from sticking to the cookie sheet.

Place dough balls, seam side down, on cookie sheet and bake for approximately 15-20 minutes, until outside is browned. Serve warm. Serves 8.

**Nutrition information per serving, excluding optional vegetables:** Calories 211, protein 10g, fat 5g, sodium 547mg, carbohydrates 27.

## TUNA ROUNDS

- 1 loaf frozen bread dough
- 1 (6 ounce) can chunk light tuna packed in water and drained
- 1 stalk celery, minced
- 1 carrot, finely minced or shredded

- 1 tablespoon onion, minced
- 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/3 cup fat-free sour cream
- Pepper to taste
- 1/4 cup corn meal

Thaw bread dough according to package instructions. Preheat oven to 375°F. On a floured surface, roll out dough into a rectangle until it is about 1/4-inch thick (this is quite thin). Cut dough into 8 squares. Combine remaining ingredients, except corn meal. Place a heaping spoonful of the tuna mixture in the center of each dough square, dividing tuna mixture evenly among dough. Pull up edges of each dough square and seal so dough completely covers tuna mixture and tuna is sealed tightly inside. The dough will now look like a little ball. Spread corn meal evenly over cookie sheet or

pizza stone (the corn meal prevents the dough from sticking to the cookie sheet.) Place dough balls, seam side down, on cookie sheet and bake 15-20 minutes, until outside is browned. Serve warm or refrigerate for serving cold. Serves 8.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 256 calories, 15g protein, 3g fat, 602mg sodium, 32g carbohydrates.

## PB&J ROUNDS

- 1 loaf frozen bread dough
- 10 tablespoons jelly or jam of your choice
- 5 tablespoons peanut butter (we prefer chunky)
- 1/4 cup corn meal

Thaw bread dough according to package instructions. Preheat oven to 375°F. On a floured surface, roll out dough into a rectangle until it is about 1/4-inch thick

(this is quite thin). Cut dough into 10 squares.

Place 1/2 tablespoon of peanut butter in the center of each square. Place 1 tablespoon of jelly on top of peanut butter. Pull off edges of each dough square and seal so dough completely covers peanut butter and jelly and it is sealed tightly inside. The dough will now look like a little ball.

Spread corn meal evenly over a cookie sheet or pizza stone. (The corn meal prevents the dough from sticking to the cookie sheet.) Place dough balls, seam side down, on cookie sheet and bake 15-20 minutes, until outside is browned. Serve warm or refrigerate for serving cold. Serves 10.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 168 calories, 6g protein, 4g fat, 283mg sodium, 25g carbohydrate.

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may rise to the top of the jar creating too much headspace, and preventing a tight seal. Remove air bubbles by sliding a spatula along the inside of the jar, gently shifting the food and allowing the bubbles to rise to the surface. Be sure to adjust the headspace to the level indicated in the recipe.

**Proper utensils** - Use glass, stainless steel or enamel saucepans and utensils, not only for tomatoes, but also for all other home canning projects. Naturally occurring food acids can react with aluminum, copper, brass, galvanized or iron equipment to produce bitter flavors and undesirable colors. Wooden spoons can absorb flavors and colors from foods and carry them to the next food in which they are used.

**Fruit selection** - When making jams without the addition of commercial pectin, use 1/4 slightly under ripe fruit and 3/4 just ripe fruit. Slightly under ripe fruit contains more pectin, which makes jams and jellies set. Slightly under ripe fruit will be firm to the touch, and will not

have the expected rich coloring of fully ripe fruit.

**Processing** - After processing. Remove jars from canner and allow to stand undisturbed for 24 hours. Do not invert jars. Inverting jars places the weight of the food against the lid putting pressure on the sealing compound, which is not yet fully set. This weight may prevent or break the airtight seal. When jars have cooled for 24 hours, check for airtight seals. A concave lid that shows no movement when pressed with your fingertips indicates a good seal. Remove screw bands.

**Mason jar sterilization** - When the processing time is less than 10 minutes, mason jars must be sterilized before filling. Place them on a rack in a boiling water canner and boil 10 minutes. Do not attempt to sterilize jars in the oven or dishwasher. Heating jars in an oven subjects them to uneven temperature extremes, which can cause breakage. Even on a sterilizing cycle, dishwasher temperatures may not be high enough or long enough to provide adequate ster-

ilization.

**Lid preparation** - Immediately before using lids, place them in boiling water and boil for 5 minutes. This sanitizes the lids and, more importantly, softens the red sealing compound. Softened compound has the ability to fit snugly around the rim of the jar to form an airtight seal. Omitting this step increases the chance of seal failure.

**Cooking techniques** - Knowing the difference between a boil and simmer is essential to the success of many home canning recipes. When a home canning recipe says "boil" it means that the mixture is bubbling rapidly, and that stirring will not stop this action. This short intense heating of the mixture is essential, especially in recipes prepared with added fruit pectin. In jam and jelly preparation, long, slow simmering can destroy pectin and result in an inferior product.

**Preventing discoloration** - Preventing discoloration in fruits such as peaches and pears begins with the use of high quality produce, free of bruises. Sec-

ond, minimize the exposure of fruit to air. There are also products such as Fresh Fruit Color Protector that help reduce the discoloration of fruits.

**Root vegetables** - Carrots and beets tend to be very dense and are sometimes woody or fibrous. They require considerable cooking time to heat uniformly. This is why processing times for these vegetables, even when pickled, are longer than other products.

**Storing home canned products** - Home canned goods keep best when stored in a dark, dry, cool area. Exposure to light can cause preserves to darken. High temperatures can also affect quality and lead to spoilage. Storage in a dry area protects against corrosion of lids.

*Chef Kelli L. Lewton is owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Event Planners in Bloomfield Hills. A graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts program, Kelli is a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month.*

## Pasta from page B1

2.5g fat, 0 saturated fat, 475mg sodium, 31mg cholesterol. Food exchanges: 3 servings bread group, 2 1/2 lean meats

### PREPARED SUN-DRIED TOMATOES

- 2 ounces sun-dried tomatoes
- 1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 cloves garlic, chopped

Reconstitute tomatoes by washing and then soaking in hot water for 1/2 hour. Drain. Place on paper towels. Layer tomatoes and garlic in a small glass dish in which 1 1/2 tablespoons of olive oil has been placed. Marinate overnight in refrigerator.

### SPECIAL ITALIAN DRESSING

- 1/2 cup ready prepared nonfat

- Italian Salad Dressing
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano or 3 teaspoons fresh oregano leaves, chopped
- Shake well to blend

*Look for Main Dish Miracle on the second Sunday of the month in Taste. Muriel G. Wagner is a registered dietitian and nutrition therapist with an office in Southfield.*

*She publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter with recipes and nutrition tips. To subscribe, send a check for \$13.50 to "Eating Younger," P.O. Box 69021, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069.*

## Well from page B1

either. Some soda pop has artificial coloring, artificial flavoring and caffeine. Yuck! What kid needs that? Plus, if your child is drinking pop that means they're probably not drinking milk

which contains important nutrients their growing body needs. Artificially sweetened pop is even worse. These sweeteners have not been in use long enough that their long-term safety can be proven.

Get creative and offer other beverages. Buy bottled water in 8 to 12 ounce sizes. Refill the containers if the cost gets out of hand. Mix fruit juice and carbonated water for a refreshing change. Other sources of sugar such as sugar sweetened cereals, cookies, cake, pie and other baked goods, in moderation, can probably fit into a healthy diet, but not soda pop.

Choose a diet moderate in salt and sodium - It's not that you see kids using the salt shaker, it's just all the processed and convenience foods they eat. Encourage your child to eat a variety of foods and balance these with exercise. All of your efforts will be wasted, however, if you, and the rest of your family do not "walk the talk." You must be committed to eating healthy to enable your child to make good choices.

*Peggy Martinelli-Everts of Clarkston, is a registered dietitian and director of clinical operations for HDS Services, a Farmington Hills-based food service and hospitality management company. Look for her story on the second Sunday of the month in Taste.*

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# Refreshing melons are the perfect summer food

Cantaloupe, watermelon, and honeydew — their eye-pleasing hues and cool, juicy sweetness make them a perfect summer food. What's more, melons are low in calories, high in fiber, and offer a variety of the vitamins, minerals and phytochemicals that health experts, such as the American Institute for Cancer Research, recommend to lower cancer and other chronic diseases.

To choose the best melon, know what to look for when you go to the grocery store or farmer's market. In general, a melon should feel heavier than it looks, smell sweet and fruity, and yield to gentle pressure at the stem end. Tapping a watermelon gently with your knuckles also works, since ripe ones sound hollow. For the best flavor, store and serve melons at room temperature. Wait to remove the seeds until right before eating because they keep the fruit moist.

In hot weather, melon is the most refreshing with little or no preparation, perhaps a spritz of lime or a sprinkling of ground ginger. For occasions that require a more elaborate presentation, dress a colorful salad of cantaloupe, honeydew and watermelon balls with a lively ginger-lime syrup. Simply simmer together the juice of fresh limes, water, sugar and minced fresh ginger for about 5 minutes.

**For the best flavor, store and serve melons at room temperature. Wait to remove the seeds until right before eating because they keep the fruit moist.**

Cool the syrup before gently tossing it with the melon balls. Chill the fruit a few hours before serving.

Small chunks of cantaloupe coated with lemon juice, honey and plain yogurt are the foundation of a savory summer chef salad. Fold in toasted sesame seeds, and several cubes of cooked chicken breast and lean ham. Serve the salad on a bed of red-leaf lettuce.

Melon salsa makes a plain grilled chicken breast something to celebrate. Toss together diced ripe honeydew and cantaloupe, grated fresh ginger, minced scallion, seeded and minced jalapeno, fresh lime juice and salt and pepper to taste. Chill before serving.

What's more refreshing, exciting and nutritious than a cold soda on a sultry summer day? A watermelon spritzer, of course. Mix chopped, seeded watermelon, sugar, lime juice and citrus-flavored seltzer or tonic water in a blender or food processor and puree until smooth. Serve over ice cubes and garnish each glass with mini watermelon wedges.

The best warm-weather meals offer bold flavors that won't weight you down or add to the heat. Cold Melon Soup is a sprightly concoction combining snappy mint, tangy lime and spicy cinnamon tones.

### COLD MELON SOUP

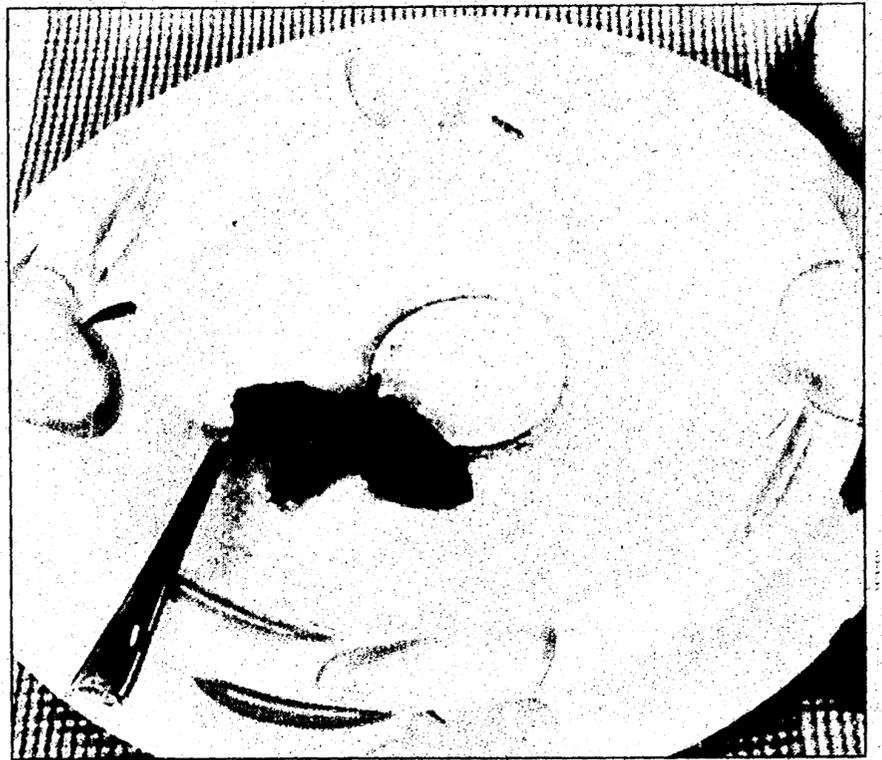
- 1 ripe cantaloupe or honeydew
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2 1/2 cups orange juice
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh mint

In a food processor or blender, combine the cantaloupe, cinnamon, orange juice, lime juice and honey. Puree until smooth.

Pour the soup into a bowl. Stir in the mint, cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.

Each of the four servings contains 135 calories and less than 1 gram of fat.

Recipe and information provided by the American Institute for Cancer Research.



Refreshing: Try eye-catching Cold Melon Soup as a first course for a warm-weather luncheon or even as a light dessert.

# Savor summer memories with flavorful preserves

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Kelli Lewton, 2 Unique Catering.

### CRANBERRY SPREAD

- 3 1/2 cups cranberries
- 1 1/4 cups red wine vinegar
- 1 1/2 cups cider vinegar
- 4 whole allspice berries
- 8 whole cloves
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 2 cups brown sugar

**Step one:** Combine cranberries, vinegar and water in a large non-reactive saucepan. Tie allspice,

cloves and cinnamon sticks in a piece of cheese cloth. Bring to a boil and reduce. Heat to medium low, stirring often. Simmer until cranberries are cooked through and tender.

**Step two:** Remove spice bag and press cranberries with metal spoon through strainer. Discard cranberry skins from strainer. Return pulp to saucepan. Add sugar and simmer approximately 8-12 minutes until sugar is dissolved and sauce has thickened.

**Step three:** Spoon into hot sterilized jars, wipe rims clean with

damp towel and seal tight with clean new metal rims. Process 10 minutes in hot water bath. Remove and cool. Double check seals before storage. Makes 2 pint jars.

This recipe is a favorite of Chef Mike's and makes about 5-6 cups.

### JALAPENO JELLY

- 3/4 pound whole jalapeno peppers
- 6 cups sugar
- 2 cups cider vinegar (5 percent acidity)

- 3 ounces liquid pectin
- 10 drops green food coloring, if desired

Wash and halve jalapeno peppers lengthwise. Remove stems and seeds

In a food processor, blend peppers and one half of the vinegar until smooth.

In an eight quart saucepan, combine sugar, pepper mixture and remaining vinegar. Bring mixture to a full rolling boil and boil hard for 10 minutes, stirring constantly.

Remove from heat, stir in liquid pectin. Return to heat and bring to a full rolling boil for one minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat, stir in food coloring and skim foam.

Immediately fill hot sterilized half-pint jars leaving 1/4-inch headspace. Wipe jar tops and threads clean. Place hot lids on jars and screw bands on firmly. Process in boiling water canner for 5 minutes.

### PINE NUT AND HONEY NUT SPREAD

- 6 1/2 ounces pine nuts
- 15 ounces honey
- 2 1/2 teaspoons finely grated orange zest
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Sterilize jars and lids. Combine pine nuts, honey, orange zest and cinnamon. Stir to mix well. Pour honey spread into jars. Store at room temperature up to 2 months. Mix well before using. Makes about 2 cups.

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## MEDICAL BRIEFS

### Coffee cup crud

A study from the University of Arizona cites your coffee cup as a potential hiding place for coliform bacteria. "Hippocrates" magazine's February 1998 issue reports on the efforts of food specialist Ralph Meer and his colleagues, who collected 53 coffee mugs from office kitchens around campus and discovered 22 hosted the bacteria.

How to avoid coffee cup crud? Meer suggests staying away from the office sponge. Commonly shared sponges or dish cloths provide a good environment for germs from all over the office. The study noted that mugs cleaned with these items often were more contaminated than before they were washed.

If you must use the sponge, run it through a dishwasher regularly or dampen it and throw it in the microwave for a few minutes to kill any bacteria.

Source: M-Care "HouseCall"

### Viagra

Is Viagra the newest wonder drug, or are there some important issues being overlooked in all the media hype? That's the topic Botsford General Hospital's HIM (Help for Impotent Men) Support Group in August.

The nation's No. 1 prescription treatment for impotency - reportedly used by over 100,000 men - Viagra will be examined by a panel of experts, including Botsford urologist Steven Roth and Ed Czarnecki, a therapist and psychologist who specializes in sexual dysfunction. A representative from the pharmaceutical firm Pfizer Inc., the drug's manufacturer, also will be at the meeting.

This free HIM Support Group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, at Vladimir's Banquet Hall, 28125 Grand River in Farmington Hills. For more information on HIM, which meets the second Tuesday of every month, call (248) 477-6100.

### Elderly worriers

"What? Me worry?" is the inexhaustible topic of discussion for Botsford General Hospital's ElderMed luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11. Botsford Chaplain Kurt Stutz and ElderMed Director Sandy Baumann team up to talk about the effect of worry and anxiety on health. They will offer coping strategies that include positive self-talk, prayer and meditation, relaxation, physical activity and journal writing. Cost: \$8 members and \$9 others. Vladimir's Banquet Hall, 28125 Grand River in Farmington Hills. Registration and payment required by Aug. 11. Call (248) 471-8020.

### Caring for the caregiver

The Angela Hospice bereavement department will offer a support group for caregivers beginning in September. Bereavement Coordinator Ruth Favor said it is common for people involved in the physical care of another to have feelings of frustration, anger and guilt. Day sessions of the caregivers' support group will be from 1-2 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Evening sessions will meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Call (734) 953-6012.

### We want your health news

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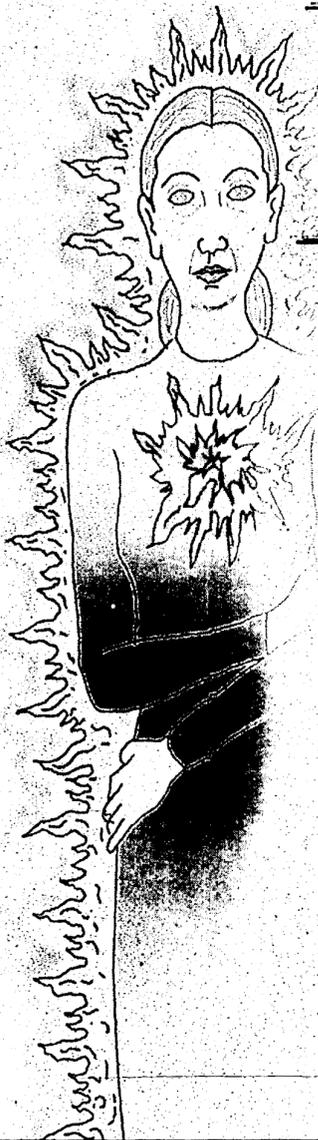
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# MENOPAUSE

## WSU seeks area women for study

Women in the Detroit area who suffer from frequent hot flashes are being sought to participate in a nationwide study of an investigational treatment for this common symptom of menopause.

Women may be eligible to participate in the study if they experience multiple daily hot flashes, are between the ages of 45 and 65, have not had a menstrual period in six months and have not had a hysterectomy.

Wayne State University is one of 36 sites across the U.S. participating in a study to assess the effectiveness and safety of a hormone replacement skin patch to treat hot flashes associated with menopause. The study will involve 400 subjects nationwide and test the effectiveness of the patch on the frequency and severity of hot flashes. The patch is a type of hormone replacement therapy that releases a combination of estrogen and progesterin, a synthetic version of progesterone.

"The best treatment for hot flashes is estrogen, but many people have concerns about risks associated with this hormone," said Dr. Wulf Utian, lead investigator and director, department of obstetrics and gynecology, University Macdonald Women's Hospital, Case Western Reserve University.

"This study looks at the benefits of combining estrogen with synthetic progesterone to alleviate hot flashes and reduce the risks that may come with using estrogen alone," Utian added.

Menopause is the end of menstruation and fertility and results when the ovaries decrease their production of the sex hormones estrogen and progesterone. A woman is considered to have reached menopause when she has not had a menstrual period for 12 consecutive months and there is no other biological or physiological cause.

The average age of menopause for U.S. women is 51, in the U.S. and Canada, approximately 4,000 women reach menopause every day.

The hot flash is the most common symptom of menopause and perimenopause, the three years before and after menopause. A hot flash is a sudden feeling of heat that spreads over the body, resulting from a change in the body's circulation caused by increased blood flow, a rise in temperature and an accelerated heart rate - all precipitated

by falling estrogen.

Hot flashes may be triggered by a hot environment, spicy or hot foods, hot drinks, alcohol, caffeine or stress. They can last from 30 seconds to several minutes and can occur any time, day or night. As many as 75 percent of menopausal women in the U.S. will experience hot flashes, and 35 percent of these women describe them as "severe."

"Some women experience an occasional hot flash as they go through menopause and they consider it no big deal," Utian said. "But hot flashes are a very big deal for many women who suffer from several a day, perhaps as many as 55 or 60 a week. With this investigational study, we hope to show the

effectiveness and safety of the patch in treating hot flashes so these women can get on with their lives."

Other menopause-related changes might include irregular menstrual patterns, fatigue, mood swings, vaginal dryness, fluctuations in sexual desire or response, forgetfulness and difficulty sleeping.

Participants in the study will receive free investigational medication, study-related medical treatment and financial compensation. Half of the participants will receive placebo (no active medication) patches.

For more information on the study, call 493-6580.

### Hot flash facts:

- Menopause is the end of menstruation and fertility, which results when the ovaries decrease production of the sex hormones estrogen and progesterone.
- Normal menopause-related changes such as irregular periods and hot flashes are caused by fluctuations in hormone levels produced by aging ovaries.
- Menopause itself is only one day in a woman's life - the day she has ceased having menstrual periods for one year - but a woman may experience menopause-related changes in the three years before and after menopause, or perimenopause.
- Approximately 4,000 women reach menopause every day in the U.S. and Canada.
- The average age of menopause in the U.S. is 51, but women can reach menopause at any time between age 30 and 60. Age at menopause is not influenced by race, height, age at first menstrual period, number of children or whether oral contraceptives were taken.
- Nearly 75 percent of menopausal women in the U.S. will experience hot flashes, the most common symptom of menopause, resulting from a change in the body's circulation caused by increased blood flow, a rise in temperature and an accelerated heart rate - all precipitated by falling estrogen.
- Hot flashes can last 30 seconds to several minutes, happen any time day or night and be triggered by a hot environment, spicy or hot foods, hot drinks, alcohol, caffeine or stress.
- Menopause-related changes also might include fatigue, mood swings, vaginal dryness, fluctuations in sexual desire or response, forgetfulness or difficulty sleeping.
- Lifestyle modification, nonprescription remedies and prescription therapies are among the options women can discuss with their health care providers when deciding how to manage short- and long-term effects of menopause.
- Prescription estrogen replacement therapy has been widely studied and used for more than 50 years to treat menopause-related disturbances. It is available in oral tablets, skin patches or by injection.
- Some estrogen replacement therapy products may prevent osteoporosis, a long-term consequence of lowered estrogen levels, and evidence shows that estrogen replacement therapy may reduce the risk of heart disease in menopausal women by up to 50 percent.
- For women who have experienced menopause and still have their uterus, estrogen replacement therapy alone has been associated with an increased risk of endometrial cancer. But, by combining estrogen with progesterin, a synthetic version of progesterone, the risk of endometrial cancer is greatly reduced, almost to the level of taking no hormones at all.
- Combining progesterin and estrogen is called hormone replacement therapy.

### Study facts

- The clinical research study will test the effectiveness and safety of an estrogen/progesterin (hormone replacement therapy) skin patch on the frequency and severity of moderate to severe hot flashes in menopausal women.
  - The study will be conducted at 36 medical center sites in the United States with approximately 400 women who experience multiple, daily hot flashes.
  - Women must be between the ages of 45 and 65, have not had a period in six months, and have not had a hysterectomy.
  - Over a three-month course of treatment, study participants will have periodic office visits and tests designed to monitor their hot flashes at no charge.
  - Half the participants will receive placebo (no active medication) patches.
  - Participants will be paid.
- For more information, call (313) 493-6580.

## How many infections are too many?



Steven V. Stryk, M.D.

**As a board-certified allergy and immunology specialist, I am frequently asked by concerned parents how many infections are too many infections. Most people with young children can attest to the fact that their infants and toddlers seem to be sick as much of the time as they are well. Colds, ear infections and sinus infections force parents to visit their pediatricians regularly. Antibiotics like amoxicillin are used often, and parents wonder if something can be done to reduce the number of infections their children get.**

The typical healthy child will have between six and 10 upper respiratory infections per year. Each upper respiratory infection can last between seven and 10 days. Frequent ear infections, which can occur five to seven times a year, may follow the upper respiratory infection. The average child will run the risk of gastrointestinal viral infection one to two times a year, causing vomiting and diarrhea.

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—Steven V. Stryk, M.D.

If you add up the days a typical child with a healthy immune system may be ill, it seems like a fair proportion of the year simply because ... it IS a fair proportion of the year.

Given these statistics, when should a parent become concerned at the frequency of infections his child has? The following information is a general guideline I use, but any parent who is concerned should see a board-certified allergy and immunology specialist. Some of the information is based on the absolute number of infections and some is based on what kind of infection the child has and how well the child responds to antibiotics:

- Greater than eight individual ear infections within one year or repeated ear infections with complications such as perforated tympanic membrane (ear drum) or mastoiditis (infection of the bone around the ear).
- More than two sinus infections

that fail to respond to appropriate antibiotic courses of up to three to six weeks.

- Two or more bacterial pneumonias per year.
- Recurrent abscesses of any organ or deep skin infection.

Two or more infections such as meningitis, sepsis or bone infection and the need for intravenous antibiotics to clear infections should all raise suspicion.

The frequency of non HIV immune deficiency can be as high as one in 400; however, most children with frequent infections have normal immune systems.

Often the cause of the increased rate of infection is allergic in nature. Nasal allergies can cause inflammation (swelling) and increased mucus production in the nasal passages, blocking the sinus drainage points and interfering with the function of the eustachian tube going to the ear. The blockage of these pathways can increase sinus and ear infections.

If allergies are found to be a contributing factor, then avoidance measures and treatment of the allergies with medication, allergy shots, or both can reduce the number of infections.

Keeping small children at home or enrolling them in small-group day care reduces exposure to other ill children. Second-hand smoke exposure has been shown to increase the risk of colds, bronchitis, asthma and, in a study I conducted, sinus infections. All children should avoid tobacco smoke.

If a parent is concerned, regardless of the type and frequency of infections, a consultation with a physician will help alleviate concerns. Treatment recommendations may provide relief from the health problem.

Steven V. Stryk, M.D. of Canton Asthma and Allergy is a board-certified allergy and immunology specialist who takes care of both adults and children with allergic disorders and asthma. For more information, call (734) 394-2661.

### Skin-deep exams

Skin self-exams could save 4,500 lives each year. The Michigan State Medical Society suggests checking yourself after your shower in a well-lit area with full-length and hand-held mirror. Check for moles and birthmarks you've had since birth. Look for changes in color, size, shape and texture. Next, look at the front of your body in the mirror, checking for any new bumps or marks. Also check your arms, elbows, palms and fingernails. Check behind the backs of your knees and between the toes. Your head also should be checked, not only your face, but your scalp. Comb through your hair and neck for any new marks or bumps. If you find anything discolored or suspicious, call your dermatologist and request a full-body exam.

**MEDICAL DATEBOOK**

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, Livonia 48150 or faxed to (313) 691-7279.

**TUES, AUG. 11, 18 & 25**

**COMMUNITY FIRST AID & SAFETY**

Standard First Aid (identifying and caring for life-threatening bleeding, sudden illness and injuries) and Adult and Infant/Child CPR (recognizing and caring for breathing and cardiac emergencies for adults, infants and children). Three certificates issued for successful completion. Ten-hour course includes materials. Cost: \$46. From 6-10 p.m. Aug. 11 and from 6-9 p.m. Aug. 18 and 25. Livonia Red Cross Service Center, 29691 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Call (313) 542-2787.

**CPR REVIEW**

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**TUES, AUG. 11**

**ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT**

Meetings provide mutual aid and support and an opportunity to share problems/concerns. Meet at 7 p.m. in Classroom #1 of Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building. Call 458-4330 for information

**VISUALLY-IMPAIRED**

Lecture Series: "Technology for the Visually Impaired." Nancy Simmons from Low Vision Solutions talks about aids for daily activities, including magnifiers, electronic equipment, and closed-circuit TV. Free. Meets 2-2:30 p.m. in Botsford General Hospital's Zieger Center, Community Room. Reservations necessary. Call (248) 471-8020.

**MOTHER POSTPARTUM SUPPORT**

The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital will offer a mother-baby support group from 10-11 a.m. Mothers and their babies are invited to attend this free support group that provides information and emotional support for new moms. Call (734) 655-1100.

**BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

St. Mary Hospital's Marian Women's Center offers a free breast cancer support group that provides

women the opportunity to share experiences and discuss subjects of mutual concern relating to breast cancer. Meets 7-8:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month in West Addition B. Registration is required. Call (734) 655-1100.

**BASIC LIFE SUPPORT**

St. Mary Hospital will offer a course on Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers from 7-10 p.m. on Saturday in the auditorium. Fee, \$25. Register at (734) 655-8940.

**WED, AUG 12**

**DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP**

Join other adults with diabetes and family members to ask questions and share problems at the St. Mary Hospital diabetes support group meeting from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Hospital Auditorium near the Five Mile entrance. Free. No registration.

**OSTEOPOROSIS SCREENING**

Bone-density screening identifies individuals at risk for developing osteoporosis. Within minutes, bone-density results are reported and interpreted. Cost: \$10 (OHA \$5). Free to authorized Head Start and Oakwood Healthcare Plan members. Oakwood Healthcare Center, 37650 Professional Center Drive. Call 800-543-WELL.

**THUR, AUG 13**

**CANCER SUPPORT**

A self-help group designed to bring together persons living with cancer. A nurse facilitator provides opportunities for all to share their mutual concerns. Group meets in the Medical Office Building and is free of charge. Call 458-3311.

**TOPS CLUB**

TOPS Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets from 9:15-10:30 a.m. every Thursday at Church of the Holy Spirit, Newburgh north of Joy in Livonia. For more information please call Elsie at (734) 622-5444.

**PRE MARITAL COUNSELING CLASS**

The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a premarital counseling class from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Pavilion Conference Room A. Those who wish to marry in Michigan are required to receive information about sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV/AIDS before applying for a marriage license. Upon completion of the class, each person will receive the certificate necessary to obtain a marriage license. Certificates are valid for 60 days. Call (734) 655-1100.

**BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS**



Ross

**Loan Officer**

Lynn Ross has been appointed loan officer at the Livonia branch of Ross Mortgage Corporation. She will concentrate on loan origination in the Wayne County area for new home purchases, refinances, investment properties, new construction and home equity loans.

**Governor's Award**

Michael Wojcik of Livonia, owner of Wayne Bolt & Nut Co., was recently honored for his company's 40-year history of exemplary commitment to the Detroit community and for outstanding contributions to the state's economic strength and vitality. Wayne Bolt & Nut distributes fastener products in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

**Tennysen Chevrolet**

Mark Roberts of Westland has joined Tennysen Chevrolet in Livonia as the new sales consultant. His responsibilities include accounting, management and customer service. He enjoys golfing, softball and horse racing.



McDaniel

Bill McDaniel joins the dealership as a salesman. He has many years of dealership experience. He enjoys auto racing, driving jet funny cars, and is the past president of Fighting Irish Racing.

**Certified Planner**

Bruce Thompson of Westland recently passed his professional certification examination and is now a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. He is currently employed in the department of planning for the city of Westland.

**Highway builder**

Larry A. Cooper recently joined Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc., a consulting engineering firm in Livonia, as transportation group manager. He will direct the resources of a 16-person staff of highway and bridge engineers and technicians.

Cooper has worked for the Michigan Department of Transportation and is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the National and Michigan Societies of Profession-

al Engineers.

**Child-care award**

Karen Egan of Livonia recently received a Governor's Quality Care Award for her home-based children's daycare center "Early Adventures."

Egan was one of 37 winners announced at a gala event in East Lansing to honor Michigan's outstanding care providers. The winners were chosen from nearly 1,000 nominees in five categories: adult foster-care homes, child-care centers, day-care homes, nursing homes and homes for the aged.

The event was sponsored in conjunction with the Department of Consumer & Industry Services, which licenses and regulates more than 22,000 such facilities.

**The Big Idea**

Suzanne Gosset of Westland has joined The Big Idea, an advertising trade publication, as an account manager. Her experience includes working as an independent contractor to Chrysler Corp. and as an account representative for Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center.

**Law firm shareholder**

Howard and Howard Attorneys, P.C. announced that Patrick M. McCarthy is a shareholder in the firm. McCarthy specializes in complex commercial litigation and intellectual property litigation in the firm's Bloomfield Hills office.

McCarthy received a B.A. degree with honors from Michigan State University and a J.D. degree, magna cum laude, from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.

McCarthy lives Plymouth and is chairman of the Plymouth Township Zoning Board of Appeals.

**Branch manager**

Robin Koelbel will oversee a full range of financial services as the new Livonia branch manager for the Dearborn Federal Credit Union. She was previously branch manager at the credit union's Oakwood/Southfield location in Dearborn.

**WSU Awards**

Two Wayne State University faculty members, Gregory Auner of Livonia and Patrick Woster of Canton, recently were awarded Career Development Chair Awards by the university. Auner, an associate professor in the electrical and computer

engineering department, helped establish a "smart sensors" research center at WSU, which resulted in a \$1 million research grant from the U.S. Department of Energy and support from the National Science Foundation.

Woster, an associate professor in the mechanical engineering department, is known for his research into acoustics and noise control. His research has resulted in support from government agencies and major corporations.

**Young president**

Mark Lichtman, president and CEO of Livonia-based Zena-Comp Inc., recently was accepted in the Michigan East Chapter of the Young Presidents Organization. The YPO is a privately organized, not-for-

profit executive education organization with more than 8,000 members worldwide. Members must be under age 44 and exhibit leadership qualities and a high degree of integrity in personal and business affairs.

**Outstanding engineer**

Albert (Chun-Yen) Hsu of Canton has been selected by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers as a Dell K. Allen Outstanding Young Manufacturing Engineer of 1998.

Hsu is a manufacturing systems engineer and project leader at AJILON, Inc. in Troy and a developer of a CAD/CAM manufacturing information documentation system. He is currently on assignment at Visteon Automotive Systems.

Hsu received his bachelor's degree from Taiwan National Tsing Hua University, his master's degree from Pennsylvania State University, and his doctorate from Iowa State University.

The SME names the Outstanding Young Manufacturing Engineers Awards in honor of an SME member who is considered a role model for young engineers.

**Account executive**

Darlene Westfall of Livonia recently joined Monitor Sugar Company in Bay City as an account executive. She will be responsible for sales to retail, food service and industrial food companies in eastern

Michigan and Ohio. She graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor of science degree in retailing business.



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Friday, August 28  
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Wednesday, August 19  
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# Couple finds fine investment data online



MIKE WENDLAND

**T**ed and his wife, Lynne, have a New Year's Day tradition. After breakfast, while their two kids watch the Rose Bowl parade on television, the couple sit down at the kitchen table over coffee and make a list of goals for the new year.

"You could call them resolutions," says the 34-year-old engineer, "we prefer goals. We've been married 10 years now and we are both very busy. People laugh at us because we both carry around these Franklin Planners, but we've learned that if you don't write something down, it gets lost. So we discuss and write down our goals every year. Then we prioritize them and do our best to reach them during the year."

In 1988, when the Bartons started the tradition, their top goal was a new house. It was the same goal in 1989, 1990 and 1992. In 1993, they moved into a new colonial in a nice suburb in Western Wayne County (they don't want their city publicized). In 1994, their No. 1 goal was furniture for the new house. In 1995, the Bartons set a goal to become financially independent

by the time Ted turned 45. "That meant we had to learn to save and invest wisely," he said. "But neither one of us knew beans about the stock market or investing. I had a 401(k) at work, Lynne contributed to an IRA at her job, but all our energies up to then had been concentrated in getting out of debt, paying bills and buying the house."

Ted earns about \$65,000 a year from his job. Lynne gets about \$32,000 as a buyer for a large retail chain. They had about \$6,000 in a savings account that they decided to invest and they budgeted \$800 a month as a continuing investment. But where to learn?

"We met with a couple of brokers and financial planners, but they basically talked in circles," Barton recounts. "We figured, 'Why pay them to take care of our money when we should be taking care of it ourselves?' So I turned to the computer and did a search one night on personal investing. That led me to a site on the Internet called Motley Fool."

Motley Fool (www.fool.com) bills itself as an online financial forum for the individual investor and it is an immensely popular site that attracts both novice investors and Wall Street veterans. "I think it's better than a college economics class," says Barton.

"There are all sorts of tips and sug-

gestions about money and the economy and how to use them both when investing. When I first got online, I probably spent two weeks reading everything I could find on the site and then I started going through the message boards where individual people write in tips and stuff. I asked a few questions, got answers and started to understand things. It was all very laid back."

The first thing Barton learned was to increase his contributions to his company's 401(k), up to the maximum rate. "They have this little guide on Motley Fool for getting ready to invest and it showed how investing tax-deferred in a 401(k) is the best single way to accumulate a big nest egg. Lynne did the same with her IRA."

Next, the Bartons went shopping for a discount broker, following advice from other people online to stay clear of the full service brokers if they wanted to save money. They used e-mail to request information from a dozen or so discount brokers they found online, made a few phone calls and used more e-mail to sort out the field before finally settling on the company who, for low fees, would execute the trades the Bartons wanted.

"The big factor in choosing the broker we eventually went with was that they let me do my trades right over my com-

puter," Barton explains. "They sent me special software and because I was doing all the work, they even discounted their regular discount fee."

Barton studied several investment strategies before settling on a plan called the Dow Dividend Approach, in which he took the initial \$6,000 investment stake and divided it into four stocks carefully chosen from information found on Motley Fool and other Internet financial sites.

"In about a year and a half, our initial \$6,000 has increased in value to over \$20,000," Barton says. "The monthly amounts we've budgeted has given us close to another \$20,000. I think that's pretty impressive after about 18 months. I'm learning more and more every time I go online. I can't tell you how many great sites there are out there."

One site Barton particularly recommends is the Trader's Financial Resource Guide (www.stocks.com), a Web site maintained by a Pennsylvania investor named Jack Beausang, a veteran institutional broker and a stock trader who maintains an extremely detailed list of links to various online sites geared towards personal investing.

"Our family is more secure financially because of the information I've found from the Internet," says Barton. "I can't

think of any better testimonial than that."

I have collected several dozen excellent online sites devoted to growing your savings ... too many to list here. The easiest way to find them is to visit to a special bookmark page set-up by my book publisher, the Zondervan Publishing House.

Go to <http://www.zondervan.com/guide/index.htm> and look under Financial Investing and you'll get a page full of excellent links.

Meantime, from 4-6 p.m. next Sunday, Aug. 9, I'll be doing the PC Talk Radio show for WXYT from the Inca Computer Builder store on Michigan Avenue in Dearborn.

On Aug. 22, I'll be broadcasting live from the Café Domain, the next generation Internet coffee house and business center at the corner of Washington and Fourth in Royal Oak.

I'd love to meet you in person ... so stop by and join the fun.

Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations across the country and can be seen locally on WDIV-TV4, Detroit. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday and Sunday afternoons on WXYT-Radio AM1270 and he is the author of a series of Internet books.

## BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

### Employees get ownership

Ferrellgas employees across the country will soon become owners of the company, Michael LaBuda, district manager, announced recently.

Dan Sheldon, president and chief executive office of the Canton-based company, told employees they will acquire majority ownership of the company from Ferrellgas Chairman James E. Ferrell through a federally qualified employee stock ownership plan.

The remaining equity of the company is owned by public unit holders and will continue to trade on the New York Stock Exchange.

### FCI Automotive

FCI Automotive has received QS-9000 compliance certification for all the company's North American manufacturing facilities, which are located in Boyne City and Westland, Mich; Brecksville, Ohio; and Markham, Ontario, Canada.

### Framatome Connectors International

International, headquartered in Paris, La Defense, France, is the world's third largest producer of connectors and interconnection systems with total 1997 sales of \$1 billion.

FCI Automotive supplies terminals, connector systems and insert-molded products for nearly any application to the global automotive market, with 14 manufacturing locations and close to 2,000 employees around the world.

Developed by the Big Three, QS-9000 is a supplement to the ISO 9001 quality standard enacted by the International Organization of Standardization. FCI Automotive began work on QS-9000 compliance two years ago and is currently seeking TS-9000 compliance.

### Employment market

Although the U.S. unemployment rate edged up in June, chiefly due to the General Motors strike and Asia's economic woes, "the employment market

remains extremely tight and job growth continued with 205,000 new jobs created nationally last month," said Loraine Stover, branch manager of Snelling Personnel Services in Livonia.

Stover said the unemployment rate in June was well below the 5 percent rate (seasonally adjusted) of a year ago. "There are more jobs available here than qualified individuals to fill them."

### Happy anniversary

Gage Marketing in Plymouth celebrated 40 years of being a major community-based business Friday, Aug. 7.

William C. Scott opened Distribution Services Inc. in 1958 to manage Ford's massive marketing program to more than 5,600 dealers. The company moved into the then-vacated Daisy Air Rifle building in 1964. In 1967, the company name was changed to Adistra Corp. Adistra became part of Gage Marketing Group out of Minneapolis in 1991.

## BUSINESS CALENDAR

### WED, AUG. 12

#### BUSINESS NETWORK INTERNATIONAL

The Laurel Park Chapter will hold its regular meeting 7-8:30 a.m. at Richards Restaurant,

Plymouth Road and Newburgh. Call (734) 397-9939.

### THURS, AUG. 13

#### WOMEN'S GOLF OUTING

The National Association of Career Women-Metro Detroit

Chapter will sponsor a golf outing at Copper Creek Golf Course in Farmington Hills beginning with a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. The nine-hole golf scramble begins at 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$40 for lunch and golf; \$15 for just lunch. For reservations or information call (248) 851-8130.

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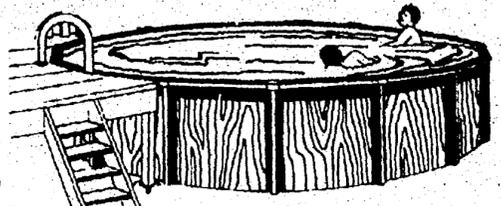
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Love and revenge: Raymond G. Roberts sings the lead tenor role in "Carmen" Aug. 28 at the Henry Ford Centennial Library in Dearborn.

## Friends bring love and passion to stage, audience

Raymond G. Roberts finds language the most challenging part of singing the lead tenor part in "Carmen." The 37-year old Redford resident struggles not with portraying an obsessive love for Carmen that eventually leads him to kill her, but with the French in Bizet's romantic, but tragic opera.

Roberts sings the role of Don Jose, the soldier brought to ruin by his passion for the gypsy girl, in a concert version presented by the Friends of the Opera of Michigan Aug. 28 at the Henry Ford Centennial Library in Dearborn. Roberts began rehearsing with Dorothy Duensing, (Carmen) and the rest of the cast members in June.

"It's more the language than anything else," said Roberts. "I prefer to sing in English."

Language is never a barrier in opera because the drama of the music tells the tale.

### Good music

"Opera is good music, nice to listen to," said Roberts. "Opera plots aren't that heavy. It's the music you listen to. You listen to the music and then you feel what they're feeling."

Roberts, who began singing at age 4, tries to instill a love of music in his students at Grant and Hoover Elementary Schools in Livonia. He started two choirs at Grant Elementary and one at Nankin Mills "to get students interested in singing."

To encourage an appreciation for opera, Roberts played a portion of a cassette recording in his students' earlier this year. "I think if they're exposed to opera, they like it," said Roberts, "and 'Les Miserables' and 'Phantom of the Opera' have done a lot for opera. But even more important to exposing them to opera, we need to give them the chance to perform it. Also musicals are a good step toward opera."

Roberts grew up in Livonia listening to country music so it wasn't as if he'd heard opera from an early age. Even after performing opera for the first time while a student at Albion College, Roberts never thought seriously about singing the role of The Duke in "Rigoletto." It wasn't until after he received a bachelor of music degree and was teaching school in Nebraska that Roberts apprenticed with the Dea Moines Opera Company.

Roberts performs 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Verdi Opera Theatre Company of Michigan at the Italian American Club in Livonia. Tickets are \$15. The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's 1998-99 season begins Saturday, Oct. 17, call (734) 451-2112 for information.

Also note: Raymond G. Roberts performs 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Verdi Opera Theatre Company of Michigan at the Italian American Club in Livonia. Tickets are \$15. The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's 1998-99 season begins Saturday, Oct. 17, call (734) 451-2112 for information.

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# TILING

A WAY TO BRING US TOGETHER

Rodney and Lisa Cooper love making ceramic tile. This time-honored craft gives them a chance to spend time together. During the day Rodney sets up web sites for Chrysler at Ross Roy Communication in Bloomfield Hills, and Lisa consults on projects at EDS in Southfield.

Married five years ago in October, they became interested in architectural tiles after buying a 1939 bungalow in Livonia's Old Rosedale Gardens. An appreciation for Pewabic tiles and the Arts and Crafts movement led them to take classes at Pewabic Pottery to learn more about crafting tiles for their home. The Coopers, along with more than 60 artists from Seattle to Boston, will sell their tiles at Pewabic Pottery's Antique and Contemporary Art Tile Fair Aug. 16.

"Tile making is really important because our jobs keep us separate," said Lisa, 31. "We really enjoy it. It keeps us happy all around."

"It's a good way to be together and share," added Rodney, 35.

The Coopers exhibited in the first Pewabic tile fair three years ago. The show was in conjunction with a symposium held by the Tile Heritage Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting an awareness and appreciation for the history and preservation of ceramic surfaces in the United States.

Among the items the Coopers will sell Aug. 16 are iris and sea shell tiles, a cafe-style table for indoors or outdoors, and ceramic flowers which were best sellers at Art in the Park in Plymouth in July.

Rodney grew up in Toledo and has bachelor and master degrees in visual communications from Bowling Green State University in Ohio. He's always had an interest in art and design and worked in the graphic arts field in Ohio before moving to Michigan. Both he and Lisa are inspired by the wooded setting of Old Rosedale Gardens.

He's currently making preliminary sketches for a bear who's just caught lunch out of a river. Lisa is carving clay for a mold featuring a porcupine. They're also working on a ceramic sign to be placed on the brick pillars leading into their subdivision.

"The thing with ceramics is the options are endless," said Lisa, who graduated with a business degree from the University of Florida. "The difficult part is settling on one particular idea at a time."

Rodney and Lisa have yet to find time to handcraft ceramic surfaces for their kitchen since starting KOP (pronounced cope), a custom handcrafted tile business, in 1994. In addition to selling tiles at Architectural Artifacts

in Toledo, the Coopers accept commissions for custom work and currently are creating tiles in an acorn and oak leaf design for a kitchen in an 1890 Toledo home, and a Scandinavian design of a deer for a backsplash in a Livonia kitchen. "Tile is coming back but in no particular style," said Lisa. "I think people have an appreciation for that type of surface, and there are a lot of do-it-yourselfers who can create something unique for their home with our help."

Spending weekends together at romantic Bed 'n' Breakfasts in Michigan, and antiquing are also favorite pastimes. They recently returned from a vacation in Allen near the Irish Hills area where they visited several antique shops.

"We look for antiques we can incorporate with our tile," said Lisa. "Our interest really lies in combining tile with iron work and furniture."

### Kathy Rae

Kathy Rae, an antique dealer from Bloomfield Hills who will sell vintage tiles from the 1880s to 1950s at the fair, says tiles have grown in popularity in the last few years, not only as framed art, but decorative surfaces for furniture. She retrieves antique tiles from Victorian homes about to be demolished. Tiles were at the peak of their popularity during the Victorian period in America. Tile stoves, friezes, and surrounds for fireplaces decorated many homes built in Grosse Pointe and Indian Village earlier this century.

"Arts and Crafts is very popular but Victorian was the height of tiles," said Rae. "In England, they tiled everything. In hospitals, it was the walls, the floors, for sanitary reasons because it can be washed down so easily."

According to Rae, Art Nouveau tiles are gaining respect for their floral themes. But tiles of all designs can be found in homes and businesses today including the 55 tiles above the food court at Somerset Mall in Troy.

"A lot of people install them in contemporary homes," said Rae. "We're having a big revival of tiles. A lot of architects and builders are using them. Tiles are as big now as during the Arts and Crafts movement."

Livonia tile makers Nancy Guido and Diane Dunn will join the Coopers and Rae for the Aug. 16 fair presented by Pewabic Pottery. Other artists include Deborah Hecht and Sarah Frank of Bloomfield Hills; Elaine Goldman and Debbie Liberman, Southfield; Dianne Stewart, Troy; and numer-

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### Antique and Contemporary Art Tile Fair

**WHAT:** Pewabic Pottery presents its third annual sale of handcrafted art tiles by more than 60 artists from across the country. In addition to the tiles, tables, trivets, frames, and a variety of items will be on hand along with free antique tile appraisals, installation demonstrations for the setting of tile tables, back splashes and floors, and a silent auction to benefit Pewabic's education and historic programs.

**WHEN:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16.

**WHERE:** Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms. For information, call Pewabic Pottery, (313) 822-0954.

**COST:** Admission \$5.



Sharing time: Rodney and Lisa Cooper created this tile table for a show sponsored by Pewabic Pottery.

## AT THE GALLERY

# It may be endearingly loony, but collectors simply call it "Art"

At any moment, you expect the sound of carrot-chomping, and a lovable, cocky white-tail rabbit to pop up from beneath the polished hardwood floors at the austere Park West Gallery.

With a casual disdain of James Dean and the cool appeal of a perturbed rock star, you expect that wascally wabbit to look around at the paintings of Renoir, Monet and Miro and pronounce the three most recognizable words in the Looney Tune lexicon: "What's up, doc?"

But even Bugs Bunny's cool defiance would melt just thinking about the emergence of animation as a collectible, perhaps the definitive American fine art.

The recently opened exhibit of animated art at Park West in Southfield offers a compelling case that Bugs and his loony colleagues Daffy, Porky, Wile E. Coyote, Road Runner, Pepe LePew, Sylvester and Tweedy aren't just satirical products of their smart-aleck creators.

Rather, perhaps the wacky world of these all-too-human cartoons reflects a universe of symbolic truths about our own wacky world.

If pop art raised awareness of the relationship between advertising images and art, then animation art slam dunks any vestiges between amusement and "serious art."

### American art form

Like many of his colleagues, Park West Gallery owner Albert Scaglione wasn't convinced that the artistry of

**WHAT:** "Animation Art Exhibit," featuring Academy Award-winning artist Chuck Jones  
**WHEN:** Through Thursday, Sept. 3  
**WHERE:** Park West Gallery, 29469 Northwestern Highway, Southfield  
**HOURS:** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. For information, call (248) 354-2343 or (800) 521-9654.

Characters Chuck Jones helped to create:  
■ Bugs Bunny  
■ Daffy Duck  
■ Elmer Fudd  
■ Porky Pig

Characters created by Chuck Jones:  
■ Road Runner & Wile E. Coyote  
■ Marvin the Martian  
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■ Nibbles & Bertie



Wascally wabbit: A confused Elmer Fudd, center, struggles to figure out who's who in Chuck Jones' hand-painted limited edition cel, "Identity Crisis." By the way, that's Bugs Bunny on the left and Daffy Duck on the right.

animation was on the level of collectible paintings and sculptures.

"I did my research," said Scaglione, who noted that he conducted an informal survey of collectors at auctions around the country and aboard cruise ships where Park West coordinates the bidding on pieces of fine art.

With the prodding of his son, Marc Scaglione, merchandise manager at Park West, the elder Scaglione became a believer.

"Not only is there a market for animated art, but I place this (art) on the level with jazz and the Broadway musical as a purely American art form," said the elder Scaglione.

Today, outside of Disney and Warner merchandise stores, Park West is the largest animator art-seller in the world. Last year, they reported sales of about \$10 million.

Park West's exhibit, curated by the younger Scaglione, features the work of Chuck Jones, one of the most distinguished and influential animators from what is considered the Golden Age of Animation, the mid 1940s to the early 1960s.

Jones' animation and directing work on Looney Tunes cartoons, and MGM classics such as "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" and "Horton Hears a Who," earned him two Academy Awards, and

honorary degrees from the American Film Institute and the Directors Guild of America Life Membership Award.

Filmmakers Steven Spielberg and George Lucas have claimed that Jones has been a major influence on their filmmaking.

At 85, Jones continues to draw and paint from his home in southern California. He sends autographed drawings to children who have written to him in search of a word from Bugs or the other Looney Tunes.

The wit behind that sharp-tongued hare has hardly diminished.

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Shortly thereafter, he decided to study for a master of music degree in vocal performance at the University of Michigan.

Roberts has performed with the Detroit Symphony Chorale, Midland Symphony, Ft. Wayne Philharmonic and the Michigan Opera Theatre's community program. His first Friends of the Opera of Michigan production was nearly three years ago. Various productions around town keep him busy singing.

On Sept. 20, Roberts will join the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Verdi Opera Theatre Company of Michigan for a concert at the Italian American Club in Livonia.

## Opera's Italian roots

Enrica Piccirilli founded Friends of the Opera of Michigan 10 years ago, in honor of her father Fausto Di Vico to give talent, like Roberts, the opportunity to perform. Di Vico belonged to a similar opera organization in Italy.

"My father was always the one who was behind me to sing opera," said Piccirilli. "When he died, I wanted to keep a part of what he loved alive."

Born and raised in Italy, Piccirilli became familiar with the music of Puccini at an early age. She studied voice at the G. Rossini Conservatory of Music in Pesaro and sang opera in Italy

before marrying and moving to Michigan 30 years ago. On a two week trip to visit her mother in Italy in late July, there were people who still remembered hearing her sing.

"I think, it's just Italy that attracted me to opera," said Piccirilli, a Dearborn resident. "I grew up hearing women singing while they're doing their chores. We always sing in Italy. It's like getting up in the morning and saying your prayers. You get up in the morning, say your prayers and start singing."

The Friends of the Opera of Michigan produce seven to eight operas a year primarily in the Dearborn area but also in Detroit and Warren. Piccirilli selected "Carmen" for the Friends of the Opera's summer concert because of the story line and the fact that the weather is warm.

"It's an appropriate piece, a story of the passion and love this woman has, and summer is a time for this," said Piccirilli. "Carmen is all about love, passion and revenge."

Quinto Milito sings the part of Escamillo, the toreador who takes the place of Don Jose in Carmen's heart. Milito made his singing debut at the Spoleto Festival in Italy after graduating from G. Rossini Conservatory of Music in Pesaro. He's appeared as Tonio and Silvio with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in

Leoncavallo's "I Pagliacci." He also performed in "The Three Baritones" with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra at Orchestra Hall in November, and with Kessler and the Redford Civic Symphony in June. He is artistic director of the Friends of the Opera of Michigan.

"We mainly produce new work by unknown composers to give local people the chance to perform and the audience the chance to hear little known music," said Milito.

Soprano Dina Kessler will sing the role of Micaela, Don Jose's childhood sweetheart, in "Carmen." She sang music from "Showboat" with the Redford Civic Symphony at a music in the park series June 30. Kessler also sang the role of Violetta in "La Traviata" with the Friends of the Opera in March. She earned a master of music degree from Bowling Green State University in Ohio and a bachelor of music from Western Michigan University. Kessler sang the lead role in "Little Red Riding Hood" with the Michigan Opera Theatre's touring program and Papagena in Toledo Opera's Mainstage production of "The Magic Flute."

If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the performing or visual arts, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145.



Serious cartooning: Marc Scaglione (left) convinced his father, Albert Scaglione, to exhibit the works of legendary animators, including Chuck Jones, creator of some of the most endearing cartoon characters in American pop culture.

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ous exhibitors from Royal Oak.

## Historic beginnings

Founded in 1903 at the height of the Arts and Crafts movement by Mary Chase Perry Stratton and Horace Caulkins, Pewabic Pottery offers classes, lectures, workshops, tours, exhibits, and the production of handcrafted vessels and architectural tile for public and private installations. Located on East Jefferson across from Waterworks Park east of

downtown Detroit, Pewabic has created installations for Christ Church at Cranbrook, Holy Redeemer, Detroit's Guardian Building, Scott Fountain on Belle Isle, the People Mover stations, the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., Nebraska State Capitol and the New York Metro Transit Authority's Herald Square.

"There was a period during the

Depression when people couldn't afford handmade tile," said Pewabic development director Sandra Koukoulis, "but today, nationally, tile has grown; it's huge. The fair is a great way for people to see as much tile as possible. It's endless what you can do with tile, the styles and the subject matter. It's collectible, functional, and can be used for murals, back splashes, tables. It's not only something you put on the floor."

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## 'Chicago' coming to Fisher

The national touring company of the Broadway hit "Chicago - the Musical" arrives at Detroit's Fisher Theatre on Tuesday, Sept. 22, for a three-week limited engagement. Tickets are now on sale at the Fisher Theater Box Office and all Ticketmaster outlets.

Under the direction of Walter

Bobbie and with choreography by Ann Reinking in the style of Bob Fosse, "Chicago" won six 1997 Tony Awards including Best Musical Revival, Best Direction of a Musical and Best Choreography.

"Chicago - the Musical," performances begin Sept. 22 and run through Oct. 11 at the Fisher. Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday evenings and Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$62-\$35. To charge by phone call (248) 6450666

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**OPENS NATIONWIDE FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 11**

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"We like to say, 'French Impression started as an art and became a business, and animation started as a business and became an art,'" said Jones.

## The bottom line: Humor

In exhibits adjacent to Jones' series of oil paintings, hand-painted cels, and drawings, hang the work of notable animators Friz Freleng and Robert McKimson.

Jones, Freleng, McKimson along with Tex Avery and Bob Clampett - working in the Warner Brothers Studios - collaborated in inventing Looney Tunes, a stable of some of the most familiar cartoon characters in American movie history. The creative team oversaw the stories, animation, production and editing of hundreds of classic cartoons.

In the early years of animation, Disney Studios focused on full-length animated features, such as "Steamboat Willie," "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," "Pinocchio," and "Fantasia."

Whereas Disney pushed the medium, the artists at Warner Brothers were pushing their own humor, creating cartoons shorts, said Jones, where the only standard was that they had to be funny to the creators.

Because of tight budgets, the animators at Warner Brothers ground out an assembly line of characters and short-films,



Animation art: "Iced Tease" is one of the hand-painted limited edition cels signed by Chuck Jones on display at Park West Gallery.

which ran prior to the main attraction in movie theaters.

"We made cartoons for ourselves," said Jones. "All of us grew up during the Depression. We were just trying to make people laugh."

Along the way, however, they - with animators at Disney and Hanna-Barbera - created an art form that as much as any incorporates distinctive American values of technology and pure escapism.

## Not so loony

Like all animators, Jones pays homage to Disney for pushing an art form that goes to the other side of make-believe to create reality from the Celluloid stardust of human emotion.

With the international success of Disney's "The Lion King," prime-time acceptance of "The Simpsons" and the appeal of the Cartoon Network, even Walt Disney might be surprised at how pervasive animation has become.

Perhaps it all seems a little

loony. But who's to say? We live in an age where people believe "if it's on TV, it must be true."

In animation art, reality is not only suspended, it's obliterated. Yet the world of Bugs Bunny and his wacky friends isn't all slapstick.

"We found it much easier to humanize animals than to humanize humans," said Jones.

Who else but Bugs Bunny and his puppeteer Jones could break the elitist barriers of the art world? Remember: this was the same team, along with Elmer Fudd who made Wagner's "Der Ring Des Nibelungen" accessible in their breakthrough, "What's Opera, Doc?"

That 1957 film was the first animated short subject inducted into the National Film Registry.

Maybe animation art isn't so loony, after all. "What's up, doc?" just might be more of a rhetorical reminder that adults take the world much too seriously.

And that just might be a bit of wisdom worth collecting.

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# Noteworthy

## Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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### ARTS & CRAFTS, CULTURAL FESTIVAL

**AFRICAN WORLD FESTIVAL**  
Celebration of history, food and music at 16th Annual African World Festival. This year's theme, "Africa In You." Opening ceremony, 5-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 14. Hours: 12:30-11 p.m. Saturday & Sunday, Aug. 15-16. Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave., and Hart Plaza, downtown, Detroit; (313) 494-5800.

**NOVI ART FESTIVAL**  
4th annual show features international and Michigan artists, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday & Sunday, August 15-16, Novi Town Center, I-275 and I-96. Admission free; (248) 347-3830.

**FRANKLIN ART FAIR**  
"Art on the Green," featuring 80 artists with work in various mediums. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 7, in downtown Franklin.

### AUDITIONS /CALL FOR ARTISTS

**BERKLEY ART/ANTIQUES**  
Artists for Aug. 29-30 show. Call (248) 584-0253 or (248) 548-8881.

**CALL FOR ARTISTS**  
"100 Creative Hands: Festival of Arts," presented by the Ladies of Gold and the Search for Life, a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating and recruiting potential bone marrow donors. Festival held Oct. 24-25 at Focus: HOPE Conference Center, 1400 Oakman Blvd., Detroit. Interested artists send a self-addressed stamped business envelope to: "100 Creative Hands," Festival of Arts, P.O. Box 37890 Oak Park, MI 48237. Deadline: Sept. 1, 1998.

**CANTON FINE ARTS EXHIBIT**  
Fine art works of all mediums for Canton Fine Arts Exhibit, Oct. 30-Nov. 6. Submission deadline: Sept. 10. Cash prizes awarded. For information, (734) 397-6450.

**CRAFTERS WANTED**  
Artisans and crafters for the Third Annual Craft Show sponsored by St. Stephen Parent's Guild, held Oct. 3-4, St. Stephen Church, 18800 Huron River Drive, New Boston. For information, (734) 654-8817 or (734) 753-5876.

**EXHIBITORS FOR OCT. ART FAIR**  
Fine artists and crafters needed for show on Saturday & Sunday, Oct. 3-4 at St. George Cultural Hall, Maple Rd. at John R. Troy. For information; (248) 932-5636.

**LONG MEADOW CRAFT SHOW**  
New crafters needed for 16th anniversary "Long Meadow School Country Craft Show." Saturday, Oct. 17. For application (248) 651-6964 or (248) 375-0652.

**MICHIGAN THEATRE & DANCE TROUPE**  
Open auditions through August. Dancers 16 years old and older. Auditions by appointment on Saturdays beginning at 2 p.m.; (248) 552-5001.

**TROY COMMUNITY CHORUS**  
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### CAMPS

**CREATIVE ARTS CENTER**  
"Confetti Camp," a multicultural camp based on learning about the arts and traditions of various cultures. varied ethnic backgrounds. Camp runs through Aug. 14. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

**JINGLE BEL, INC.**  
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**Featured artist: Kathy Phillips of West Bloomfield is among the artists from Michigan, 40 states and 10 foreign countries, exhibiting works 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 15-16 at the Fourth Annual Novi Art Festival in the parking fields of the Novi Town Center, I-275 at I-96. The festival features live music daily, admission is free. Call (248) 347-3830 for more information.**

### CHOIR

**POLISH UNIVERSITY CHOIR**  
Choir of the Catholic University of Lublin, Poland performs at Orchard Lake Schools 1 & 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 6. 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake; (248) 682-1885.

### CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**ANN ARBOR ART CENTER**  
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Summer classes include drawing, painting, floral still life. Formerly known as the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

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Summer classes, including drawing, sculpture and painting. Children's classes included drawing and cartooning, painting, mask-making, arts and crafts and printmaking. Teen and adult classes include beaded jewelry, ceramics, photography, Chinese brush painting and blues guitar. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

**D & M STUDIO'S SUMMER ART CAMP**  
This year's theme, "North to Alaska." Explore Alaskan Territory through drawings, paintings, paper mache, ceramics and more. Camp runs through Aug. 14. All classes at Once Upon an Easel, 8691 N. Lilley Road, Canton; (734) 453-3710.

**GETTY MUSEUM TOUR**  
The Community House in Birmingham is offering a tour of the Getty Museum, located in the foothills of the Santa Monica Mountains. Tour will be held Nov. 12-16, 1998. Limited space. For information, call (248) 644-5832.

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"The Pleasure of Painting," demonstration and instruction by Sandra Levin, 12:30 & 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Sept. 8. Second session begins Nov. 3. Must register by Aug. 31. Fee for five-week class: \$50. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

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**PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
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**PAINTING IN THE PARK**  
Drawing and painting every Saturday beginning at noon. Meet at Heritage Park, Spicer House Visitor Center, on Farmington Road, just north of 10 Mile Road; Farmington Hills; (248) 661-5291.

**PEWABIC POTTERY**  
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**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL**  
"Summer Stuff for Kids" ages 4-14, through August - workshops in drawing, ceramics, cartooning, crafts, photography, tie-dye. Adult classes in batik, drawing, garden stepping stones, yoga, Tai Chi. 774 N. Sheldon Road Plymouth; (734) 416-4ART.

**U-M DEARBORN**  
Non-credit studio art classes and workshops over 14 weeks through July. Instructors include Susan Kell, Electra Stamelos, Donna Vogelheim, Grace Serra, Kitti Green, Mary Stephenson. For more information, (734) 593-5058. 4901 Evergreen Road., 1165 AB, Dearborn.

**CLASSICAL/POPS/ WORLD MUSIC**

**DSO AT MEADOW BROOK**  
"Giants of Broadway," 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9. Tickets: \$13-\$45. Meadow Brook Outdoor Theatre, Oakland University campus, Rochester; (313) 576-5111 or (248) 645-6666.

**AFRICAN RHYTHMS FESTIVAL**  
The Ensemble Kalinda, 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13. Tickets: \$15-\$40. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit; (313) 576-5111.

**FUNDRAISER**

**FANCLUB FOUNDATION**  
Featuring live music from the Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band. Sponsored by Gallery Function Art of Pontiac. 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Deck of the Roostertail Restaurant, 1 1/2 miles east of Belle Isle Bridge off Jefferson

Ave., Detroit. General admission: \$35; (248) 559-1645.

### LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

**SOUTHFIELD CITY CENTRE PLAZA**  
11:10 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursdays through Aug. 27, a variety of musical bands perform at plaza one block west of the Southfield Civic Center. For information, (248) 424-9022.

### MUSEUMS

**U-M MUSEUM OF ART**  
Through Aug. 9 - "Traditions in Clay: Chinese Ceramics from the Permanent Collection"; through Aug. 31 - "African Arts: Objects of Power, Knowledge and Mediation"; through Aug. 31 - "American Visions: 19th-century American Paintings"; through Sept. 2 - "Jim Dow: The National League Stadiums," a photography exhibit. 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.

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

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**  
Through October 18 - "Detroit's Black Bottom & Paradise Valley," and "Juke Joint," 315 E. Warren Avenue; Detroit; (313) 494-5800.

**MUSIC UNDER THE STARS**  
Livonia Parks & Rec. & Livonia Arts Commission present summer concerts every Thursday through August - 7:30 p.m., Aug. 13, "Panchito and the Mexican Flesta Dancers," Civic Center

Park, Five Mile Rd., east of Farmington Rd.; 7:30 p.m., Aug. 20, "Livonia Symphony Orchestra," Greenmead, Newburgh at 8 Mile Rd. (734) 464-2741.

**PARADISE VALLEY**  
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# GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

### National Amusements Showcase Cinemas

**Shakespeare**  
Admission \$10-14  
2150 N. Opdyke Rd.  
Between University & Walton Blvd  
248-373-2660

**Bargain Matinees Daily**  
All Shows until 6 pm  
Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

### SHAKE EYES (R)

11:40, 12:10, 1:50, 2:20, 4:15, 4:45, 7:15, 7:45, 9:45, 10:15  
**HALLOWEEN H2O (R)**  
11:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:30, 3:10, 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:10, 9:30, 10:10  
**EVER AFTER (PG-13)**  
11:20, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15  
**BASKETBALL (R)**  
10:30 & 6:05

### PARENT TRAP (PG)

10:50, 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00  
**THE NEGOTIATOR (R)**  
12:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55  
**SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)**  
10:30, 11:30, 1:45, 3:00, 5:00, 6:20, 8:20, 9:00, 9:40  
**DISTURBING BEHAVIOR (R)**  
6:05 P.M.

### JANE AUSTEN'S MARIA (PG-13)

10:50 A.M.  
**MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)**  
10:30, 1:15, 4:05, 6:50, 9:40  
**SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)**  
10:45, 1:30, 4:10, 6:45, 7:50, 9:25  
**LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)**  
12:50, 3:30, 7:50, 10:20  
**ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)**  
12:00, 3:10, 6:20, 9:20  
**DR. DOOLITTLE (PG-13)**  
11:20 & 1:20

### Shakespeare Dearborn 1-8

Michigan & Telegraph  
313-561-3449  
Bargain Matinees Daily  
All Shows until 6 pm  
Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

### HALLOWEEN H2O (R)

11:00, 11:30, 1:00, 1:30, 3:10, 3:40, 5:15, 5:45, 7:30, 8:00, 9:40, 10:10  
**BASKETBALL (R)**  
11:10, 4:50  
**PARENT TRAP (PG)**  
11:15, 1:55, 4:35, 7:15, 10:00  
**THE NEGOTIATOR (R)**  
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55  
**SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)**  
11:00, 1:15, 2:20, 5:40, 6:55, 9:00, 10:10 P.M.

### LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)

11:10, 1:50, 4:30, 7:05, 9:40  
**ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)**  
11:30, 3:00, 6:30, 9:25

### Shakespeare Pontiac 1-8

Telegraph Sq. Lake Rd. W. Side of  
Telegraph  
248-332-9241  
Bargain Matinees Daily  
All Shows until 6 pm  
Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Thurs. Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

### HALLOWEEN H2O (R)

11:00, 12:15, 1:00, 2:00, 3:10, 4:00, 5:15, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:10  
**BASKETBALL (R)**  
10:45 & 6:10  
**SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)**  
11:10, 12:00, 2:45, 3:45, 6:40, 7:45, 9:55  
**MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)**  
10:50, 1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 9:50

### Shakespeare Pontiac 6-12

2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of  
Telegraph  
248-334-6777  
Bargain Matinees Daily  
All Shows until 6 pm  
Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Thurs. Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

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11:40, 12:10, 1:50, 2:20, 4:20, 4:50, 7:15, 7:45, 9:40, 10:15  
**EVER AFTER (PG-13)**  
11:30, 1:55, 4:25, 7:20, 9:50  
**PARENT TRAP (PG)**  
11:00, 1:40, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45  
**THE NEGOTIATOR (R)**  
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55  
**JANE AUSTEN'S MARIA (PG-13)**  
10:30 A.M.

### SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)

11:20, 2:05, 4:40, 7:25, 10:10  
**LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)**  
4:10, 6:50, 9:30  
**SMALL SOLDIERS (PG-13)**  
11:10 & 1:30

### Star Southfield

12 Mile between Telegraph and Northwestern off I-696  
248-353-STAR  
No one under age 6 admitted for PG-13 & R rated films after 6 pm  
FOR SHOWTIMES AND TO PURCHASE TICKETS BY PHONE  
CALL 248-372-2222  
www.STAR-SOUTHFIELD.COM

### NP SHAKE EYES (R)

10:30, 11:30, 12:45, 1:45, 3:20, 4:10, 5:40, 6:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:20  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP HALLOWEEN H2O (R)**  
10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:15  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP EVER AFTER (PG-13)**  
SUN: 11:00, 4:50, 10:15  
MON-THURS: 11:00, 1:30, 4:50, 7:00, 10:15  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP EVER AFTER (PG-13)**  
10:50, 1:45, 4:35, 7:15, 10:00  
NO VIP TICKETS

### Star Winchester

11365 Rochester Rd.  
Winchester Mall  
248-656-1160  
No one under age 6 admitted for PG-13 & R rated films after 6 pm

### NP BASKETBALL (R)

11:20, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:20  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP PARENT TRAP (PG)**  
12:00, 2:40, 5:20, 8:00  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP DISTURBING BEHAVIOR (R)**  
9:30 P.M. ONLY  
**JANE AUSTEN'S MARIA (PG-13)**  
8:50, 10:00  
**SMALL SOLDIERS (PG-13)**  
11:00, 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00  
**MADAME (PG)**  
11:15, 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15  
**DR. DOOLITTLE (PG-13)**  
11:30, 1:45, 3:40, 5:40, 7:40, 9:40  
**MULAN (G)**  
11:50, 2:10, 4:30, 6:45  
**ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)**  
12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30  
**LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)**  
9:30 P.M. ONLY

### DISTURBING BEHAVIOR (R)

11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:10, 9:10  
**SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)**  
11:05, 1:40, 4:15, 6:55, 9:30  
**DR. DOOLITTLE (PG-13)**  
11:20 & 1:20  
**LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)**  
3:30, 7:05, 9:40  
**MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)**  
11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00

### Shakespeare Westland 1-8

6800 Wayne Rd.  
One blk S. of Warren Rd.  
313-725-1060  
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11:00, 12:00, 2:45, 3:45, 5:10, 6:45, 7:30, 8:30, 10:00  
**ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)**  
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**MULAN (G)**  
10:30 A.M.  
**SMALL SOLDIERS (PG-13)**  
12:30, 2:50

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248-583-2070  
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No one under age 6 admitted for PG-13 & R rated films after 6 pm

### NP SHAKE EYES (R)

11:40, 12:40, 1:50, 3:10, 4:10, 5:20, 6:20, 7:30, 8:30, 9:40, 10:40  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP HALLOWEEN H2O (R)**  
11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP BASKETBALL (R)**  
11:50, 5:40, 10:45  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**THE NEGOTIATOR (R)**  
11:30, 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:40, 5:30, 6:30, 7:20, 8:20, 9:30  
**SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)**  
11:10, 12:20, 2:40, 3:50, 6:10, 7:40, 8:40, 9:50

### Star Rochester Hills

200 Barclay Circle  
248-853-2260  
SUNDAY THRU THURSDAY  
No one under age 6 admitted for PG-13 & R rated films after 6 pm

### NP SHAKE EYES (R)

10:45, 12:00, 1:00, 2:15, 3:30, 4:30, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:20  
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**NP HALLOWEEN H2O (R)**  
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NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP EVER AFTER (PG-13)**  
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NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP THE NEGOTIATOR (R)**  
10:55, 12:15, 2:00, 3:15, 5:10, 10:20, 8:15, 9:30  
NO VIP TICKETS  
**NP SAYING PRIVATE RYAN (R)**  
11:30, 1:15, 3:00, 4:45, 6:30, 8:30, 10:00  
**THE MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)**  
11:40, 2:45, 6:00, 9:00  
**THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)**  
11:15, 1:45, 4:15, 7:45, 10:30

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12 Oaks  
Inside Twelve Oaks Mall  
248-349-4311  
ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

### SHAKE EYE (R) NY

12:00, 2:35, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05  
**HALLOWEEN H2O (R) NY**  
12:10, 2:10, 4:00, 6:00, 7:55, 10:15  
**EVER AFTER (PG-13) NY**  
1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40  
**BASKETBALL (R) NY**  
2:15, 7:20  
**THE NEGOTIATOR (R) NY**  
12:35, 3:45, 7:10, 10:00  
**MARIA (PG-13) NY**  
12:15, 4:45, 9:45  
**MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)**  
1:00, 4:05, 7:15, 9:55  
**THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)**  
1:15, 4:15, 7:25, 10:10  
**LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)**  
5:00, 7:35, 10:10  
**ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)**  
12:30, 3:40, 6:45, 9:50  
**DISTURBING BEHAVIOR (R) NY**  
12:05, 2:35

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12:00, 1:45, 3:30, 5:15, 7:00, 8:45, 10:30  
**SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)**  
12:00, 3:15, 5:50, 6:30, 8:30, 9:45  
**THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)**  
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**NP THE PARENT TRAP (PG)**  
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**THE MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)**  
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**LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)**  
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**OUT OF SIGHT (PG-13)**  
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**DEEP IMPACT (PG-13)**  
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**NP BASKETBALL (R)**  
9:30 P.M.  
**NP THE NEGOTIATOR (R)**  
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**NP SAYING PRIVATE RYAN (R)**  
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**NP DISTURBING BEHAVIOR (R)**  
9:15

### MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)

4:10 @ 11:50, 6:50  
**THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)**  
11:45, 2:15, 4:50 @ 11:50, 7:20, 9:45  
**SMALL SOLDIER (PG-13)**  
11:30, 1:45  
**LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)**  
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**ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)**  
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(2:45) 7:30  
**WHATEVER (R)**  
(2:30, 4:50) 7:20, 9:40

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# Sanjay Mody: Plays with a 'presence' beyond his years

The ringing acoustics from the Steinway & Sons piano dissolve into the recital hall at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

Sanjay Mody rises from the piano bench and holds out his hand. It's the same right hand that moments before had coaxed the rousing melody from Mendelssohn's concerto in G minor.

He offers a polite greeting, and doesn't appear to realize how he makes such a difficult task of playing piano sound like flowing water through shifting currents.

As pianists go, Mody's hands are appropriately thin and agile. Anyone who listens to him perform will appreciate his proficient technique that defies his 12 years of age.

But anyone who watches him hover over the keys like a precocious Vladimir Horowitz will wonder how a child can interpret a series of notes into an emotionally mature landscape.

Recently, Mody of Birmingham who is a student at Roeper School, traveled to Russia for an intensive piano-studies program. His Russian hosts had an appropriate word to describe Mody's playing.

They simply called it "presence."

## From love

In just two days, Mody

learned the Mendelssohn piece that he'll perform this Wednesday in a recital at Schoolcraft.

"I see in Sanjay a tremendous curiosity and ability to concentrate deeply," said Donald Morelock, director of the piano department at Schoolcraft.

From the early teaching sessions three years ago, Mody had an uncanny ability to memorize and interpret increasingly difficult pieces, said Morelock.

"Sanjay thinks like a professional," he said. "He relates to the structure of a piece, adds his own interpretations and brings his own emotional variety."

Morelock has developed an "imaginative connection" with Mody, said Sanjay's father, Parimal Mody.

Rather than dissect and memorize music, Morelock's approach is to encourage his students to create a personal narrative, or vivid imagery to associate with the various passages of a piece.

Typically, Mody practices, rigorously keeping time with a metronome. The last time through a piece he sets aside the metronome and "just has fun with it."

"You have to put together a piece because you love it," said Mody.

The nuances in his playing style, he said, come from inter-

pretations of the composer's life and milieu.

Beethoven is his favorite.

"I love the emotion and loud chords," he said. "I also love that Beethoven had to write music as a way to overcome his deafness."

Like his sense of rhythm, perspective comes easily to Mody.

He asks: Why do anything for any other reason than out of love.

## A balanced view

From an early age, the Mody knew that their son was endowed with a sophisticated sense of rhythm. While other kids were pounding on toys, he was keeping time by drumming with the nearest available sticks.

While other kids gave up on their Legos, Mody persisted until he completed building what he set out to build.

The persistence, said Mody, comes from his father, an engineering manager with Robert Bosch, who immigrated from India 14 years ago.

The ability to create visual metaphors to go along with music, he said, was inherited from his mother, Julie, a writing teacher at Oakland University.

Then, the young Mody goes on to list all the traits he's inherited from his ancestors and how they all figure into his musicianship.

Apparently, the tributary of

generational talent coalesce every time he pulls up a seat and runs his fingers across the ivory keys.

"He has a wide repertoire," said Morelock. "Sanjay is a natural performer and communicator."

As a teacher, Morelock's intent is not to throw too much at the young pianist. That's more difficult than it sounds.

In just three months, Mody learned, memorized and performed the complete 15 two-part inventions of Bach.

"We're still laying the foundation," said Morelock.

The musical foundation will be built, Mody hopes, that will lead him to Julliard School of Performing Arts in six years.

By then, Mody will be a little more filled in, taller and probably walking with the swagger of a teenager.

But his steady hands and nimble fingers will never really change.

"I don't want to sound like some of the people I meet who say, 'I used to play piano. I wish I still were playing.' That doesn't make any sense to me."

Only a 12-year-old could imagine a life without regrets.

To be young, gifted. And so wise.



Flowing: Sanjay Mody rehearses for an upcoming recital.

## ART BEAT

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.

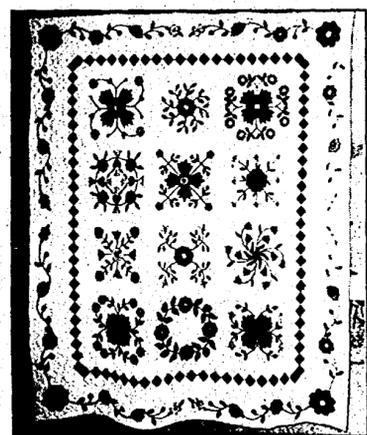
### PARK CONCERTS

Free concerts continue in the area among them the Plymouth Community Arts Council's Music in the Park series. Chautauqua Express performs noon Wednesday, Aug. 12 and Marc Thomas and Max the Moose Aug. 19 in Kellogg Park, Main Street, between Ann Arbor Trail and Penniman, Plymouth.

Robert Noll/Blues Mission comes to Ann Arbor Trail and Forest courtesy of Plymouth's Downtown Development Authority 7-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 14. The Ursula Walker/Buddy Budson Trio, and Pamela Ransford and the Plymouth Guitar Band closes the "Entertainment on Us" series 6:45-9:45 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21 in Kellogg Park.

### BATIK WORKSHOPS

If you like color, you'll love the Plymouth Community Arts Council's batik workshops 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12 or 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20 at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 North Shel-



**Hand quilted:** Beth Colton of Livonia is one of the Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild members who worked on this queen size quilt for a raffle to benefit Safehouse, a shelter for victims of domestic violence.

don at Junction.

The cost is \$20 per session. Examples of works produced by this ancient Javanese wax-resist method are on display at the arts council. For more information or to register, call (734) 416-4ART.

Also of note:

Figure drawings and paintings by Maureen, Shawn and Kit Carson remain on exhibit through Aug. 28 at the arts council.

### QUILT RAFFLE TO BENEFIT SAFEHOUSE

Livonia quilter Beth Colton is one of the members of the Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild who worked on queen size quilt donated for a raffle to benefit Safehouse 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18.

The cost is \$1 per ticket. Call Colton at (248) 478-2812.

The raffle will be held in the Morris Lawrence building at Washtenaw Community College,

4800 East Huron River Drive, Ypsilanti. The first prize is hand quilted. Second prize is a machine quilted bed quilt, and third prize a hand quilted wall hanging.

### CALL FOR ARTISTS

Canton Project Arts is looking for artists for its fifth annual Fine Arts Exhibition Oct. 31 to Nov. 6 at Summit on the Park in Canton. Fine art works in all mediums are being sought. Cash prizes totaling \$1,500 will be awarded to Best of Show, Second, Third Place, and Merit Award winners.

Deadline for entry is Sept. 10. For more information, call (734) 397-6450.

Juror for the show is Marjorie Hogan Chellstorp, a Madonna

University assistant professor of art and humanities. For more than 25 years Hogan Chellstorp, a Farmington Hills resident, has exhibited in invitationals such as the Michigan Water Color Society's 50th anniversary show at the Detroit Institute of Arts and the 1996 Our Town exhibit at The Community House in Birmingham. Her work has been shown in more than 20 museums and galleries. She has been commissioned to paint murals or has work in the collections of Comerica Bank, Consolidated Gas Co., and Ford Aerospace.

Canton Project Arts is also seeking volunteers to help coordinate the exhibit. Art lovers, artists, business owners, and residents are invited to volun-

teer a few hours to staff the show during the week, or hang art works and install sculptures. Call number listed above.

### NEW EXHIBIT SEASON

Schoolcraft College is looking for artists to show their work in the Harvest Room restaurant.

"We're looking for themes or subjects such as nature, scenery, something bright and beautiful, and pleasing to the eye while people are eating," said Ellen Hochberg, who's coordinating the exhibits.

Art works should be ready to hang. The space can accommodate about 35 to 45 pieces depending on size.

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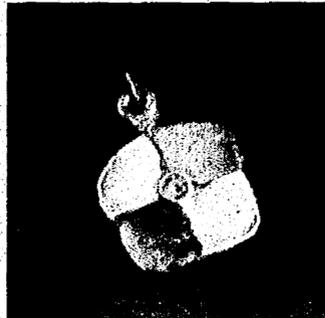
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# Malls & Mainstreets



**Fired up:** Create your own silver jewelry at You're Fired in West Bloomfield.

## Naked pots await your artistic flair

If you liked art class as a child, then you'd have a great time at any of the contemporary ceramics studios that have popped up in the area over the last few years.

What is a contemporary ceramics studio? It's a place where people of all ages can buy and paint ceramic items, just for fun.

### SHOPPING CENTERED



**DONNA MULCAHY**

Walk into one of these studios and you'll see shelves filled with bisque ware — "naked" ceramic items that have been fired once in a kiln and are ready to be painted. Dinner plates, bowls, mugs, statues and seasonal decorations are just some of the many things to choose from.

You pick out the item you want and then decorate it with stencils, paints and glazes. When you're done, you leave the item at the studio, so that staff members can apply a final glaze and fire the item once more. The finished item is usually ready to be picked up in about a week to 10 days. You pay for the ceramic item (\$5 or less for a small tile or kiddie statue to \$60 or more for a large vase or lamp), plus a per-hour fee for the amount of time you spent painting the item in the studio (usually about \$6-\$8 an hour, depending on the place). In-store party packages are available for birthdays, bridal showers, corporate team-building exercises, etc.

The difference between "contemporary" and "regular" ceramics studios is that at contemporary studios, all of the hard work — shaping, smoothing and cleaning the pre-fired clay item ("greenware") — has been done. All you have to do is paint. Local contemporary ceramics studios include: **Kaput Kapot** at 151 S. Bates in Birmingham, **The Painted Pot** at 421 Walnut in Rochester, and **You're Fired** at 6925 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield.

**You're Fired** recently was chosen to participate in a pilot project by Mitsubishi Material Corp. in Japan. As a result, customers now can make silver jewelry at the studio in addition to painting ceramic pieces. The project involves a new material that Mitsubishi developed, called **Precious Metal Clay (PMC)**. The material consists of precious metal particles (in this case, silver) that are suspended in a clay-like binder. PMC can be shaped any which way. Afterwards, it is fired in a kiln. The clay binder burns away, leaving a precious metal object that is the same shape and about half the size of the original clay piece. The cost is \$40 per ounce, plus \$8 an hour for studio time or about \$4 per object if a customer works on the PMC at home and then brings it back to be fired.

In the Livonia-Plymouth area, **Wayne Plastercraft and Bisque**, located at 2379 Venoy in Westland, sells bisque and plaster items for customers to paint at home. Customers can bring the painted piece back to have it glazed and fired for a small fee. Party packages are available. One-on-one painting lessons are also available. Phone (313) 729-9282.

"It's a good creative outlet," said **Stacey Laker**, owner of **You're Fired**, explaining the studios' popularity. "It's something anybody can do. A good mother-daughter project. A good place to bring the monthly book club. It's the perfect thing to do on a date. You're not eating, you're not going out for coffee. You can just sit and have a conversation and be creative, all at the same time."

## STREET SEEN



## Of bowlers & 'brollies'

At this year's **Fash Bash**, **British Isles Style** filled the runway with modern pinstripe suiting, mod-rocker outerwear, romantic velvets, Gaelic tweeds, tartan plaids and opulent furs. But the sidewalks outside the **Fox Theatre** teemed with Detroit's *fashionista* who turned heads in original creations. While hardly fit for the Queen, the innovative street wear was astoundingly outrageous and refreshingly improper.



**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.**

### SUNDAY, AUG. 9

**CUTS FOR A CAUSE**  
Figaro Salon and Center Street Salon team up with City of Hope to host the third annual **HopeCuts** to benefit HIV/AIDS research. The hair-cutting extravaganza takes place today from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Figaro Salon, 265 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham. Haircuts are \$20 and manicures are \$10. Enjoy music, entertainment and refreshments.

### THURSDAY, AUG. 13

**COOL KIDS**  
Jacobson's Laurel Park Place store hosts a back-to-school fashion show in the Children's Department at 7 p.m. Receive a tri-fold silver-plated picture frame with a \$25 purchase of children's merchandise. Jacobson's, 37600 Six Mile Road, Livonia.

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

### FRIDAY, AUG. 14

**8 O'CLOCK ROCK**  
Shake, rattle and roll with **Fred Wolfe**, this region's foremost Elvis impressionist, as he sings your favorite Elvis songs. It's the next best thing to the King. 8-10 p.m. Borders Books & Music, 34300 Woodward, Birmingham.

### SATURDAY, AUG. 15

**ROAD RULES**  
**Jim Wangers**, the author of *Glory Days: When Horsepower & Passion Ruled Detroit*, remembers when Detroit's car scene rumbled with V-8 power. In his book, Wangers uses his experience as the basis for explaining successful brand marketing for automobiles. His design savvy created the image for the Pontiac GTO. 3 p.m. Borders Books & Music, 34300 Woodward, Birmingham.

### POSITIVE PRINT

Art Van Furniture sponsors child I.D. fingerprinting at all of its stores, with materials provided by AAA. Personal identification cards will be completed for each child in case of an emergency. There is no charge. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

### MADLINE PARTY

Borders Book Shop celebrates **Madeline's** big-screen debut with a fun-filled **Madeline Party**. A large **Madeline doll** will be raffled to one lucky child. 11 a.m. Borders Book Shop, 31150 Southfield Road, Birmingham.

### GET PSYCHED

Rev. **Eva M. Blair** and **Arlene Lane** host the **Joy Inspirational Summer Psychic Festival** at **Summit Place** today from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. and tomorrow from noon - 6 p.m. Included are psychics, astrologers, spiritual readings and palm readings. Summit Place, 315 N. Telegraph, Waterford.

# 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:

Rohde German-made sandals can be found at Petschkes in Kitchener, Ontario, Canada N2H1A7, (519) 745-7442, 147 King Street W. They also carry the Worisch Ofer sandal shoe.

A 1975 Crestwood High yearbook for Cheryl and a portable oven and an Epilady shaver, and a Day Runner 1996 calendar.

Boyfriend-In-A-Box can be found at Canterbury Village in Lake Orion.

Scratch Guard is no longer made by Turtle Wax. It has been discontinued.

Charles Curtis in Oxford repairs cane chairs and does other upholstery.

Ross and Eleanore are Sasco cosmetics distributors in Oscoda, (517) 739-1696. Call and they might be able to help with a distributor closer to Detroit.

Vinyl leather purses can be found at 1-800-967-3346, ask for Katherine Sherlock.

## We're Still Looking For:

Karen is looking for someone who makes Crystal pins (they are about three millimeters in size, and letters and initials are made into these pins.)

Ann is looking for a 1956 Lowry High School yearbook. The school was on Jonathon Street in Dearborn.

Marilyn wants an acrylic/plastic picture frame made by DAX (it is thin edged).

Ann is still looking for Coconut Crunch to coat her marshmallows.

Betty wants a small ironing sleeve board (it sits on a table top).

Kathy has old 45 records to sell.

Judy is looking for a stuffed animal from 1976-78 from Sears or Penny's called Henry (a dog). It has black ears, nose, black eyes, red tongue and the body is beige/yellow.

John is looking for BUB's Daddy Bubble Gum. It used to be seen on the Awrey's bread truck when he was a child.

Betty is still looking for a Poor Pitiful Pearl doll.

Barbara is looking for Diamond Bright paint sealant. Murray's used to carry it.

Joyce is still looking for 100 plastic rain bonnets for senior citizens. We found 35 for her.

Joyce wants a copy of the April, 1998 Bon Appetit magazine.

Grace needs a Tupperware distributor who has the small pillboxes, and she also wants a General Action Scrub pad (white/pink, two in a pkg.), made by Rubbermaid.

Nancy wants CIARA Mineral Water Spray Cologne by Revlon; it's a summer fragrance.

Pamela wants to find button bracelets from the 40s and 50s.

Judy is looking for the game

of TRYCE; it is a card/word game.

Ruth from Oxford wants Zim Zam, an outdoor game, was out about 10 years ago. (New or used)

For Sue we still want Melmac dinnerware or something comparable.

Denise is looking for a game called Battling Tops.

Alberta wants a 1979 yearbook from Wayne Memorial High.

Joyce is looking for house numbers that are written out, and less than three inches.

Colleen is looking for the lilac color Fiesta Ware; it's been discontinued.

Dale wants men's Code Bleu walking shorts and jeans, used to find at Kohl's.

Emily is looking for a Light Up display pedestal made of whitewash oak or whitewash oak laminate.

Patrick is looking for a tape measure in inches and centimeters (metric and English).

Cathy is still looking for size 12/13 Jet Ski shoes by Kawasaki.

Joyce wants the board game Dark Tower.

Norma and Judy are looking for Park & Shop game.

Stan is looking for a mechanic to repair his 1967 Volkswagen engine.

Kim is looking for the gimmick gift Boyfriend-In-A-Box.

Jackie wants Nabisco Crown Pilot crackers.

Brenda wants a copy of instructions for her Pit game and the Uno Madness game.

Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

## RETAIL DETAILS

### RAGS

Mr. Rags, a national retailer featuring skateboarding/surfing/urban attire and accessories for teens and young adults, opened its first two Detroit-area stores in July at Lakeside shopping center in Sterling Heights and Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn. The Seattle-based Mr. Rags opened just in time for kids seeking back-to-school casual cool.

### TYKE ATTIRE

MeadowBrook Village Mall welcomes Just Kids Outfitters, a store specializing in boys and girls clothing, sizes newborn to 14. The store moved from Romeo where it has been located for five years. Just Kids labels include Heart Strings, Zoodles, Sweet Potatoes and Flapdoodles. MeadowBrook Village Mall, 82 N. Adams Road, Rochester Hills.

### ART TO GO

Objects of Art is closing its doors and all jewelry, artwork, clothes and fixtures are on sale for 25-75 percent off the regular prices. Objects of Art, 6243 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

### CROWN JEWELS

Cartier will open its 23rd boutique at the Somerset Collection in Troy in November. The House

of Cartier features jewelry and watches, sterling silver hollowware designs, crystal, porcelain, leather goods, pens, stationery, scarves and fragrances. Founded in 1947, it has served as crown jeweler to 19 royal houses.

### BE A STAR

Elizabeth Green, top talent scout for international modeling agency IMG Models located in New York, Paris and London, will be looking for fresh faces at Tel-Twelve Mall Saturday, Aug. 15. IMG represents such supermodels as Liv Tyler, Niki Taylor, Tyra Banks and Vendela. Men, women, teens and kids can participate. Bring a snapshot. At 1 p.m., Tel-Twelve merchants host a back-to-school fashion show in center court. For more information and audition times, contact the model search hotline at Aero Model Management, (248) 855-5660.

### PLATINUM PRIZE

The Platinum Guild International USA recently offered jewelry designers the opportunity to demonstrate their visions of platinum design. PGI urged designers to create new, extraordinary pieces featuring platinum as the focal point. More than 400 designs were entered and a first place award went to Adra Designs Inc., a division of Mod-

ern Art Jewelers in downtown Rochester. Haig Istamboulian accepted the award at The Millennium Hotel in New York City. The winning design is a platinum ring with diamond solitaire and diamond melee.

### BY JEEPERS

In response to the sudden closing of Sparky's at Livonia Mall, Jeepers! in Wonderland Mall has offered to accommodate those who have birthday party reservations at Sparky's. The indoor family theme park will honor any Sparky's party reservations. It features amusement park rides, skills games and the Tiny Rhino Diner, all geared to families with children ages 2-12. Many party options are available. Call 1-800-JEEPERS.

### BELLISSIMA

Italy's premier line of skin care products debut at Florence, opening Monday at Laurel Park Place in Livonia. Florence is the national distributor of products by Jean Klebert Company of Ferrara, Italy. The makeup line is designed by Italian master Gil Cagne. Skin care lines include mud-based treatments and unique eye creams. In the Jacobson's court, next to Jos. A. Banks. Laurel Park Place, Six Mile and Newburgh roads, Livonia.

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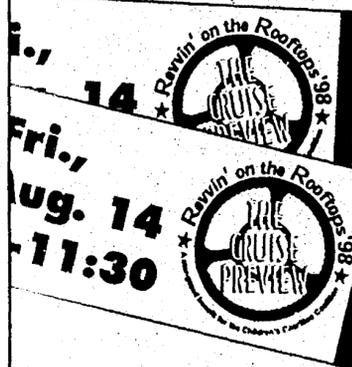
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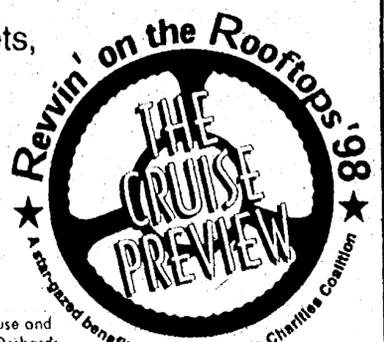
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TRAVEL

# Frequent flyer shares strategies in travel class

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

**Be Kind to Gate Agents!**  
After logging numerous flight hours on Northwest Airlines, hovering for several hours over airports and playing air fare roulette, Bob Cowen has learned that the agent at the gate can be a time saver and a money saver.  
Cowen of Farmington Hills is sharing this and other travel knowledge in three-hour classes for the Southfield and Farmington community education programs.  
As a salesman for a communications software company, Cowen does a lot of traveling and he's taken notes on his experiences from "Halifax to Mexico and the southern Caribbean to Vancouver."  
"I feel sick when I see people paying what they are paying for air fares and hotels and know they don't have to if they know what they're doing," he said.  
Two years ago, he decided to do something about it.  
"I like selling and I like teaching, so I developed a class. I went to Southfield schools and they said OK, so I taught there for a year and then went to Farmington," he said.  
His original plan was to help businesses save money on their necessary travel expenses. Though he originally designed the class for business, 80 percent of the students were leisure travelers.  
Using an overhead projector, Cowen has carefully planned his class to combine the humor borne of traveller frustration with a planned attack that as

one student phrased it in a survey card "Puts me on a level field with the airlines."  
And Cowen finds that he often learns as much as teaches.  
"The class is three hours but it often runs 3-1/2 hours and more. There is a real interchange of ideas in each class," he said.  
Cowen outlines his class on two of his transparencies under "Travel Secrets": Save up to 50 percent on air fares, more frequent flyer mileage, first class seating, best seat on the airplane, eliminate connecting flights, get to the front of any line, find the best travel agent, preview resort/cruise, get lower hotel rates, reduce rental car charges, travel smarter, avoid delays and cancellations and change a "no change" ticket.  
Cowen said there is no one way to get the best air deal, but offers several strategies that he has found to be helpful.  
"I have a top dozen ways to get the best fares," he said.  
Among his suggestions is to drive a little and fly out of Lansing or Toledo, where fares are cheaper; split your ticket and fly to a midway city on one airline and complete your flight on another airline, carefully planned it could save you hundreds of dollars; fly into a nearby city that is less fashionable, for instance fly to San Jose rather than nearby San Francisco.  
"On trusting airlines, my advice is never trust airlines," Cowen said, only half facetiously.  
"If you call Northwest directly, each time you will get a different price. They don't have time to

work with you. A travel agent will work with you," Cowen said.  
Another Cowen rule is use a travel agent.  
"I talk about how to find the best agent for you and for your type of travel," Cowen said.  
He said recent cutbacks in agent fees paid by airlines have forced travel agents to charge for their services, but he said the work they do is worth the fee.  
Cowen also teaches how to "survive and thrive" at airports, a subject that has become especially important in light of recent labor problems at Northwest, Detroit's hub airline.  
"I have a Plan B if a flight is delayed," he said. "Who is the most powerful person at the airport and who can help you the most."  
Cowen said he has been bumped twice from Northwest flights but has received credits and meal vouchers while others got nothing.  
"Keep asking, keep asking, keep asking," Cowen said. He calls it his Mommy-Daddy strategy. If Mommy says "No," go ask Daddy.  
Another bit of advice Cowen offers is to avoid E or electronic tickets. He says get a paper ticket so that if you have to change airlines you can do it at the gate rather than waiting in a line at a ticket counter. Airlines aren't required to exchange E tickets until late 1999.  
As a software salesman, he is also a promoter of using the computer as a travel tool.  
"On the first day of class, one of the things I ask is what kind of travel do you do and do you

have internet access. I talk about what sites are good and which aren't," Cowen said.  
The internet can be used to preview trips, find special travel agents, track down the latest changes in air fares and check the Department of State for travel advisories.  
Cowen also shares some tips on hotel accommodations and car rentals. He advised taking advantage of every available discount such as AAA and AARP, sending for city brochures that often contain discount coupons and calling a hotel directly rather than calling a central 800 number.  
On car rentals, Cowen advises walking the counters after you've called to get a price quote. He said rental companies will often have cheaper rates later in the day.  
Several Cowen slides approach travel with humor to break the ice as the class begins. He advises you are traveling too much if: You go to a movie and reach for the seatbelts when you sit down; you don't mind coach to Europe because it's a short flight; the flight attendant recognizes you and knows your name.  
But despite the humor, Cowen sees the traveler as a warrior who has to be properly armed.  
"Beat them at their own game when it's coming out of your pocket," he said.  
And, of course, once at the airport be nice to gate agents.  
"They have to turn a plane around, unload and turn around in 30 minutes. You have to know when to leave them alone and when to hit them up for first



Experienced traveler: Bob Cowen, at Detroit Metro Airport, uses his experience as a business traveler to pass along his secrets of traveling less expensively.

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ation's Visitor Information Center at 1253 Front Ave. NW, just off U.S. 131 at exit 87. Or order at the Web site at [www.wmta.org](http://www.wmta.org) or by calling toll free (800) 442-2984.

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Jobbitt nominated

Terry Jobbitt, hockey coach of Livonia Franklin High, is one of five finalists for the 1998 Special Olympics-National High School Athletic Coaches Association Coach of the Year.

Jobbitt has been involved with Special Olympics since 1977.

The list of his Special Olympics activities is a long one from competition director for Area 23 to golf outing chairman.

Jobbitt also stepped into the role of co-tournament director for the state's Summer Sports Classic for the past seven years.

### Tompkins 3rd in Classic

Chris Tompkins, a senior at Westland John Glenn, shot a 73 Friday to finish third in the Power-Bilt Junior Classic at Bedford Valley Country Club in Battle Creek.

The top two finishers were Jone Kalmink of Kalamazoo, 71, and Hartland's Derek Arnett, the Golf Association of Michigan Junior champ, 72.

On Aug. 3-5, Tompkins finished tied for 12th in the Boys 15-17 age group at the PGA Junior Series at Izaty's Golf & Yacht Club in Onama, Minn.

Over 150 golfers from 28 states, Japan and Canada competed in division.

Tompkins shot three-round total of 234 with scores of 82-76-76.

Californian Alistar Hay won the event with a 79-75-74/228.

### Women's Suburban golf

Joey Kraithoff of Novi shot a 79 to earn first flight low gross honors Friday in the Women's Suburban Golf Association stop at Hartland Glen.

Sandy Rivers of Rochester Hills was second with an 84.

Mary Allen (Wayne) and Jo Anne McVicar (Livonia) tied for low net with 63 each. Dolley Vettese (Northville) was second with a 69.

In the second flight, Penny Irwin (Westland) won low gross with a 91. Mary Ann Kraft (Dearborn Heights) was second with 100.

Mary Cunningham (Westland) took low net with a 67, one stroke ahead of Peggy Osip (Dearborn Heights) and Jinny Valentine (Dearborn).

### Glenn cross country

The Westland John Glenn cross country team is looking for interested runners, particularly freshmen and sophomores who will be attending John Glenn High in the fall.

There will be a meeting at 9 a.m. Monday Aug. 10, at the school.

For more information, contact Jess Shough at (734) 729-4720.

### GCYAA football signup

The Garden City Youth Athletic Association will be taking registrations for fall football. Freshmen (ages 8-10), junior varsity (10-12) and varsity (11-14) are eligible.

The registration fee is \$125.

Practice starts 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 10 at Moeller Field, directly behind Gordon Chevrolet.

Late signups will be at the practice field.

An eight-game schedule is played with all home games slated for Saturday or Sunday.

Call Tim Graham at 721-3826 for more information.

### Fall softball leagues

Canton Softball Center is now taking registrations for the fall softball league.

The six-week doubleheader league is offered for men's, women's and coed leagues with your choice of Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday playing days.

Team cost for the 12-game session is \$395 plus a refundable \$50 forfeit fee. The season begins the week of Sept. 8. For more information, call (734) 483-5600, Ext. 2.

Canton Softball Center continues its tournament schedule with the USSSA men's C state championship, Aug. 15-16, the USSSA last chance men's E qualifier, Aug. 22-23, and the USSA coed state championship, Aug. 29-30. These tournaments are open to all teams. For more information, call (734) 483-5600, Ext. 2.

## Barrett bids adieu to Stevenson

### Coach resigns to take EMU assistant's job

#### BOYS SOCCER

Livonia Stevenson's Walt Barrett, one of the nation's winningest high school boys soccer coaches, is headed to the collegiate ranks.

Barrett, who compiled an impressive 125-15-23 record in eight seasons with the Spartans, will join Eastern Michigan University's staff as an assistant coach under Brian Tinnion.

The move, rumored to be in the works for several months, was finalized early last week.

Stevenson athletic director Roger Frayer announced that Barrett will be replaced by former Stevenson great and Detroit Rockers indoor professional Lars Richters, who has served as an assistant and co-coach the past four coach years. See related story.

Barrett leaves Stevenson with two state championships (1991 and '96) and one runner-up finish (1993).

"It was slow torture for three months," Barrett said. "I couldn't take it because it was the toughest decision I've ever made in my life."

"I enjoyed Stevenson and being part of the program. That's why it was so hard. It was a huge decision which took until the last moment."

"But this was a wonderful opportunity I couldn't pass up."

Barrett hopes to bolster EMU's recruiting efforts.

The Eagles finished 4-13-4 in Tinnion's fourth season.

"I'm excited to have him on board," Tinnion said of 37-year-old Barrett. "He will definitely help recruiting. He's been an Olympic Development Program coach at the regional level and obviously he's been a successful high school coach."

"I've known Walt for years and he's a good fit."

Barrett, a former player at Schoolcraft College and club player at Wayne State University, will pay strict attention to defense.

"I was disappointed last year because we gave too many goals away," Tinnion said. "I've watched him (Barrett) play, and although he was not the most gifted of talents, he was smart and had the physical attributes which compensated against more talented players."

"We plan to step it up defensively."



New direction: Walt Barrett leaves Livonia Stevenson High after compiling an impressive 125-15-23 overall record in eight years.

In 1997, Barrett took the Birmingham Blazers, an under-16 boys team, to the U.S. Youth Soccer Association championship game. His ODP under-17 regional teams have won national titles three of the past four years.

"I thought my soccer appetite had been satisfied with youth. Maybe I got too comfortable and I needed to be challenged. I had pretty much achieved all my goals in club and in high school."

"I was looking for something else. But I realize this (EMU) is going to be an uphill battle."

Barrett, who led unheralded Southfield High to an upset of Stevenson in the 1987 regional final, spent two seasons as a JV and assistant coach under the legendary Pete Scerri.

Scerri, who won four state titles and had two runner-up finishes, won his last state title in 1998, Barrett's first year as an assistant.

"I will always be grateful for Walt — who was a successful coach at Southfield — for coming over and being JV coach until Pete Scerri left," Stevenson athletic director Roger Frayer said. "Not a lot of coaches would be willing to take a step back before taking a step forward."

"He took us to the same heights that Pete Scerri took us and hopefully Lars can continue at the same level."

The EMU assistant's position is not full-time. Barrett will continue to work for Telephone Support Systems of Farmington Hills, commuting back and forth to Ypsilanti.

Barrett told the Stevenson players last spring that the EMU position had been offered.

"I set the table early and I didn't want it to be a shock to them," Barrett said. "I just hope they keep tradition going."

## Richters new varsity coach for Spartans

Livonia Stevenson High will fill its boys varsity soccer coaching position from within.

Lars Richters, one of the school's all-time greats, will begin his first practice Monday as head coach for the Spartans.

The announcement was made Wednesday by Stevenson athletic director Roger Frayer.

He replaces Walt Barrett, who resigned last week to take an assistant coaching position at Eastern Michigan University. See related story.

"I wasn't sure until the last minute that Wally would be leaving, but this is certainly a dream come true," said Richters, who led Stevenson to state championships in 1985 and '86, and played at Yale University. "I've been in coaching awhile, but some day I thought it would be really great to coach back at Stevenson. It's really exciting."

Richters spent the past seven years playing professional indoor soccer for the Detroit Rockers where the defender was among the NPSL leaders in blocks.

Richters, 29, has also coached for the Livonia YMCA Premier Soccer Club's Hawks and Wolves programs, and worked the Rockers summer camps.

Richters takes over for Barrett, who won a pair of state championships with a career record of 125-15-23 in eight seasons. He also played under Pete Scerri, who won four state titles and finished runner-up twice.

"Stevenson has a great tradition and my job is to build on that tradition," Richters said. "Both Wally and Pete had good ideas on how to be successful at the high school level. They've been doing a lot of things right for a lot of years."

"I have some ideas to add to what they've done. And I know it's not going to be easy."

Richters, who will do his student teaching this year, will likely retire from the professional ranks.

"My plan is to wrap up my

Please see RICHTERS, D2

## Turkish archer gobbles up field

Elif Altinkaynak overcame a lot of hurdles to win the U.S. Open at the National Archery Championships in Canton on Friday.

Oppressive heat and humidity. Nerves. And her own teammate, who went into the tournament ranked No. 1 in the world.

But Altinkaynak, a native of Antalya, Turkey, rose to the occasion. She overcame a two-point deficit in the final two rounds to defeat fellow countryman Natalia Nasaridze 114-109 for the gold medal.

"I'm very happy," said Altinkaynak, who spoke through an interpreter. "But I was expecting to win."

If that sounds like cockiness, it isn't.

Altinkaynak, 23, took a bronze medal in the 1996 Atlanta Olympics using a recurve bow. She came into this week's action ranked No. 5 in the world.

Nasaridze bested Altinkaynak by 50 points in qualifying competition to earn the top seed for Friday's Open.

Nasaridze looked unbeatable as she mowed through four opponents to make it to the final. She then jumped out to a 57-55 lead after the first two rounds against Altinkaynak.

Both competitors shot three arrows, worth a maximum of 10 points each, from 70 meters for a total of four rounds. Altinkaynak made her move in round three by launching three perfect shots.

She, in fact, scored 59 out of a possible 60 points in the final two rounds to edge Nasaridze.

"It was not so easy," Altinkaynak said of shooting against her friend and teammate. "But we expect to have many more good competitions."

The U.S. Open culminated a week's worth of competition at the 114th U.S. National Archery Championships at Canton's Heritage Park.

More than 500 archers from all over



She's No. 1: Recurve shooter Elif Altinkaynak of Turkey captured the gold medal in the Ladies U.S. Open Friday at Heritage Park in Canton Township.

the world and America took part. The U.S. Nationals, which featured competition in six classes with both recurve and compound bows, went from Monday through Friday morning.

National champions were supposed to be crowned Thursday, but rain canceled shooting that day.

The top 64 point getters in recurve and compound, regardless of age or class, earned tickets into Friday afternoon's U.S. Open. Archers then went head-to-head until only one was left standing.

While the two Turks took gold and silver in recurve, Norway's Wenche-Lin Hess garnered the bronze. She beat Connecticut-native Karen Scavotto 109-102.

In ladies compound, Sally Wunderle of Illinois won the gold. Ashley Kamuf got the silver and Tara Swanney earned a bronze.

On the men's side, Victor Wunderle defeated Barry Weiperl for the recurve gold. Butch Johnson, who was ranked No. 1 in the world going into the tournament, won the bronze.

Roger Hoyle was the men's compound gold medalist. Matt Kleelan got the silver and Chris Hansen the bronze.

While taking home hardware was the ultimate goal for every competitor at the Open, many archers were pleased to simply make it that far.

### U.S. TARGET MEET

Cleveland, Ohio shooter Kim Armitage was one. She made the field of 64 by scoring 2,280 points in Nationals competition.

"I shot pretty well today," said Armitage, despite dropping her first round Open match.

She began shooting just four years. A college roommate got her to try the sport and she has been hooked ever since.

Even though she distinguished herself as one of the top 64 female archers in the U.S., Armitage doesn't take it too seriously. The idea, she said, is to have a good time.

"I have to keep in mind to have fun," Armitage explained, "because it's only a game."

Canadian archer Jacquie Saito takes the same attitude. But she also has some serious goals.

"I'm trying to make our world championship and Pan Am teams for next year," the 20-year-old said. "I'm hoping to be on the Olympic team in 2000."

Saito is a good bet to do just that. She won two straight Canadian junior championships. Saito also has two Canadian indoor titles to her credit.

The Edmonton, Alberta-native said she enjoyed the one-on-one format of the U.S. Open. She said she still has to focus on her shooting and not her opponent in such competitions.

"It's a mind-game for yourself," she added. "You can psych yourself out if you're thinking about the other person too much."

The left-hander made it to the final 32, but was then eliminated. She was proud to have won a match at the Open.

"I was definitely the underdog," she said.

See complete final results on page D3.

# Briggs pulls off recruiting coup, signs Bauman

Carlos Briggs is still hot on the recruiting trail.



Matt Bauman Schoolcraft signee

The Schoolcraft College men's basketball coach landed perhaps his biggest recruit when he convinced University of Detroit Mercy transfer Matt Bauman, a 6-foot-8 center from Livonia Franklin High School, to play for the Ocelots this winter.

The signing occurred early Friday evening.

Briggs, who led SC to an astounding 24-7 record in his first season as head coach, now has seven players in the fold.

"What Matt gives us is a guy who can play the No. 5 spot (center), a position that we were lacking in last season," the second-year coach said. "He's an experienced player coming over from U-D, a local guy and a good student. And he'll bring in a lot of Division I schools to watch him, which should also be a plus and give our other players some exposure."

Bauman, who left U-D Mercy earlier this summer after completing his freshman year, originally had planned to enroll at Schoolcraft and sit out the season. The 1996-97 first-team All-Observer pick then planned to transfer during the second semester to Wayne State.

But Briggs apparently had other ideas.

## COLLEGE HOOPS

"Matt can come in and play here one year and then go to the college of his choice, probably a mid-major Division I school for two years," the Schoolcraft coach said.

Bauman played in 17 games last year as a backup center, averaging 1.8 points and 1.2 rebounds per game as the Titans finished 25-6 overall and earned their first NCAA Tournament berth since 1979.

Before suffering a mid-season ankle injury, the 222-pound center saw valuable action against Michigan and Michigan State, while scoring a career-high eight points against Georgia State.

But his playing time diminished during the final stretch of the season as coach Perry Watson went with an eight-man rotation.

When he announced he was leaving U-D Mercy, Bauman said he "didn't buy into the coach's philosophy" and needed a year off to decide if and where he would play again.

"In a program like U-D's there's a lot of pressure on that level and some kids aren't ready for it," Briggs said. "I believe Matt will come here and improve as a player. He's a big guy who can score, and we haven't had that."

"For 6-8, he can shoot the basketball. He has good post moves and he can rebound. He's a good player."

Bauman was a four-year varsity player at Franklin, averaging 19.7 and 7.3 rebounds as a junior and 17.6 points and 8.4 rebounds as a senior.

He will try and offset the loss of four talented starters who graduated from last year's SC squad, including 6-6 JUCO All-American Kevin Melson, the nation's second leading scorer who will play this season at Wright State, a Division I school in Midwestern Collegiate Conference.

Three-point sharpshooter Derek McKelvey, however, returns, as do key backups David Jarrett (Westland John Glenn) and Mario Montgomery.

Briggs also recently announced the signing of Dave McGlow, a 5-9 guard from Pon-

tiac Notre Dame Prep.

Other significant signings include 6-2 guard Michael Murray of Detroit Rogers Academy, the Public School League's leading scorer at 28 points per game, and Reggie Kirkland, a 6-2 guard-forward from state-ranked Romulus.

Others in the fold include Chris Colley, a 6-7 forward from Hazel Park; Quentin Turner, a 6-7 center from Wayne Memorial; Dwayne Holmes, a 6-6 forward from Taylor Truman; Lamar Bigby, a 6-5 guard from Detroit Northern; 6-5 Jim Rebeck of Clinton; and guard Ryan Males of Garden City.

Another transfer who could contribute is 6-5 Dashawn Williams (Detroit City) from Division II Mercyhurst (Pa.).

# Soccer camp emphasizes positive

Lord knows it takes a number of different skills to play soccer well - at any level.

But according to Mario Scicluna, physical skill alone isn't enough. A solid mental approach is necessary for peak performance.

"We help the kids stay balanced," said Scicluna, Vice President of Redford-based Soccer Waza. "We teach them techniques in how to control their breathing. Some of the things we teach go beyond soccer."

The company conducts camps and clinics through out the metropolitan area using high trained, often professional, coaches and players.

Soccer Waza wrapped up the last of three camps Friday at Schoolcraft College.

"We had about 115 kids at each camp," Scicluna said. "We were trying to teach them the power of positive thinking. We don't let the kids think negatively."

Started a year ago, Soccer Waza has seen "400 percent" growth since opening, Scicluna said. The

company has since expanded to the east coast.

"Teams come to us for professional training," he added.

And that's exactly what they receive.

The Schoolcraft camp featured instructor John-Bob Oyugi. Scicluna said he has trained in Brazil and Germany and is FIFA certified.

"He's our head technical advisor," said Scicluna.

So while others are teaching positive thinking, Oyugi is schooling youngsters in the finer points of soccer.

The improvement of campers, which ranged in age from 6 to 18-years-old, was "vast," said Scicluna.

About a dozen coaches worked with campers, which allowed for more individual attention. Campers came from as far away as Mason and Grosse Ile, said Scicluna.

For more information about the company, check the world wide web: [www.soccerwaza.com](http://www.soccerwaza.com).

# Richters from page D1

requirements for a teaching degree and right now I won't plan on playing," he said. "Last year I went to school full-time, and when you throw in the coaching responsibility, that's going to have to due me in as a player."

Richters takes over a team that finished 10-3-4 a year ago.

"This year's team is a good group with some good senior leaders and some juniors who will be impact players," he said. "I think it's a good mix and I look

forward to working with them.

"If you're there for a number of years, there will continue to be great players come through the system."

Frayer also announced that Chuck Backus will move in as junior varsity coach and assist Richters.

"Just as we had Walt come over from Southfield, we believe Lars coming in will be a great acquisition for us," Frayer said.

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**MALE MASTER COMPOUND GUEST:** 1. Greg Durward, CAN, 2,514.  
**MALE SENIOR RECURVE RESIDENT:** 1. Victor Wunderle, IL, 2,634; 2. Jason McKittrick, IN, 2,632; 3. Shane Parker, CA, 2,625.  
**MALE SENIOR RECURVE GUEST:** 1. Magnus Petersson, SWE, 2,593; 2. Simon-Stewart Needham, GBR, 2,559; 3. Shawi Riggs, CAN, 2,555.  
**MALE SENIOR COMPOUND RESIDENT:** 1. Matt Cleland, OH, 2,760; 2. Roger Hoyle, UT, 2,757; 3. Pete Swanney, MA, 2,723.  
**MALE SENIOR COMPOUND GUEST:** 1. Pierre Turnbull, CAN, 2,692; 2. Phil Prowse, CAN, 2,671; 3. Benny Parenteau, CAN, 2,620.  
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**MALE FITA COMPETITIVE RECURVE GUEST:** 1. Octavio Rodriguez, MEX, 2,439; 2. Kevin Rojas, MEX, 2,386; 3. Wei-Jung Wu, TPE, 2,354.  
**MALE FITA COMPETITIVE COMPOUND RESIDENT:** 1. Walter Ruschniewski, PA, 2,734; 2. Bruce Ramsey, PA, 2,722; 3. Caleb Heller, NH, 2,712.  
**MALE FITA COMPETITIVE COMPOUND GUEST:** 1. Jason Hoskin, CAN, 2,410.  
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Christopher McConathy, TX, 1,807; 3. Glenn Watkins, MA, 1,732.  
**MALE INTERMEDIATE COMPOUND RESIDENT:** 1. Matthew McNicholas, OH, 2,664; 2. William Thomas Hartzel, PA, 2,071; 3. Cory Crites, FL, 1,921.  
**MALE JUNIOR RECURVE RESIDENT:** 1. Kevin Ikegami, AZ, 2,002; 2. John Burkett, PA, 1,990; 3. Patrick Melivier, MA, 1,930.  
**MALE JUNIOR RECURVE GUEST:** 1. Yin-Hsiang Chang, TPE, 1,987; 2. Chia-Ti Lee, TPE, 1,919; 3. Hsu-Chih Cheng, TPE, 1,873.  
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**MALE CADET RECURVE GUEST:** 1. Tsung-Han Lin, TPE, 1,981; 2. Hua-Ching Tseng, TPE, 1,969; 3. Hua-Yin Tseng, TPE, 1,915.  
**MALE CADET COMPOUND RESIDENT:** 1. Kyle Belles, PA, 2,126; 2. Jedd Greshock, PA, 2,082; 3. Anthony Raffa, MI, 2,045.  
**MALE DISABLED AR2 RECURVE RESIDENT:** 1. Joe Grejdu, PA, 2,090.  
**FEMALE MASTER RECURVE RESIDENT:** 1. Maxine Bots, MO, 2,328; 2. Julia Body, PA, 2,250; 3. Ann Hoyt, MO, 2,129.  
**FEMALE MASTER COMPOUND RESIDENT:** 1. Bobbie Metzler, IN, 2,605; 2. Carol Bitner; 3. Ruby Wooten, NC, 2,024.  
**FEMALE SENIOR RECURVE RESIDENT:** 1. Janet Dykman, CA, 2,615; 2. Denise Parker, UT, 2,581; 3. Ruth Rowe, VA, 2,548.  
**FEMALE SENIOR RECURVE GUEST:** 1. Natalia Nasaridze, TRK, 2,690; 2. Eilif Altinkaynak, TRK, 2,640; 3. Deniz Gunay, TRK, 2,610.  
**FEMALE SENIOR COMPOUND RESIDENT:** 1. Sally Wunderle, IN, 2,733; 2. Tara Swanney, MA, 2,703; 3. Jaime Lee Van Natta, MI, 2,692.  
**FEMALE SENIOR COMPOUND GUEST:** 1. Claire Trenaman, GBR, 2,687; 2. Heather

Whittier, CAN, 2,587; 3. Marty Cusson, CAN, 2,404.  
**FEMALE SENIOR BAREBOW RESIDENT:** 1. Rita Torres, AZ, 405.  
**FEMALE FITA COMPETITIVE RECURVE RESIDENT:** 1. Lorinda Cohen, NY, 2,486; 2. Leah Clawson, PA, 2,472; 3. Cherie Jones, GA, 2,423.  
**FEMALE FITA COMPETITIVE RECURVE GUEST:** 1. Ching-Wen Tsai, TPE, 2,464; 2. Tsun-Yu Chen, TPE, 2,378; 3. Rachael Savage, CAN, 2,237.  
**FEMALE FITA COMPETITIVE COMPOUND RESIDENT:** 1. Ashley Kamuf, IN, 2,711; 2. Mary Zorn, IL, 2,706; 3. Christie Bisco, ME, 2,689.  
**FEMALE FITA COMPETITIVE COMPOUND GUEST:** 1. Dawn Smale, CAN, 2,471.  
**FEMALE INTERMEDIATE RECURVE RESIDENT:** 1. Michelle Marco, CA, 2,143; 2. Margaret Burns, VA, 1,612.  
**FEMALE INTERMEDIATE RECURVE GUEST:** 1. Adelinda Figueroa, PHI, 1,669; 2. Claire

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**FEMALE CADET RECURVE GUEST:** 1. Li Chia Lin, TPE, 2,042; 2. Chia-Ling Lin, TPE, 2,031; 3. Shin-Yi Sun, TPE, 2,008.  
**FEMALE CADET COMPOUND RESIDENT:** 1. Amy Raffa, MI, 1,985; 2. Brandi Kamin, MI, 1,913.  
**FEMALE DISABLED AR1 RECURVE RESIDENT:** 1. Brigitte Kurkowski, MN, 709.



Women's champ: Janet Dykman of California captured the recurve championship.

Silver medalist: Jason McKittrick of Indiana (right) finished second behind Victor Wunderle of Illinois in the men's senior recurve division in Friday's 114th U.S. Target Championships held at Heritage Park in Canton Township.



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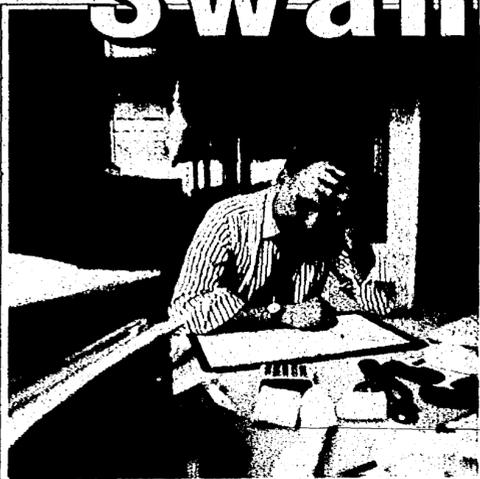
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**Grand Masters champions**



Once again: The Livonia Stevenson pom pon squad was named Grand Champions at Grand Valley State University's camp. Sponsored by Mid-American Pom Pon, the camp was held July 8-11. To earn the title of Grand Champions, the Spartans had to take first place in three categories: speed learning, kickline and original routine. Not only did Stevenson show excellence in its ability, it also took the Squad Unity Award. The Spartans also had five squad members named to the Mid-American All Star Team: Katie Serge, Beth Guenzel, Jackie DiPonio, Jodie Perrin and Joanne DuMont. Other squad members include: Michelle Baiocco, Steffanie Dalian, Laura DiPonio, Erin Ennis, Whitney Girard, Amy Hartunian, Jessica Kurzeja, Jessica Lwrenchuk, Deana Lynch, Amy Markowski, Emily Marolla, Ashlee Miller, Marla Patlow, Katie Porath, Stephanie Rothenberg Liz Tyndell, Barb Wolfe and dedicated coaches Bridget Regan and Teresa Brooks.

# Blue Jeans celebrate 20-year anniversary

**GIRLS SOFTBALL**

The 20th anniversary of the Livonia Blue Jean girls softball team, celebrating their qualification to play in the National ASA Slow-pitch Softball Tournament in Tifton, Ga. was held Aug. 1-2 during a banquet at Memorial Church of Christ in Livonia.

Players from Florida, Tennessee, Ohio, Missouri, Texas and Michigan attended the reunion.

The Blue Jeans were a successful team during the 1970s, starting out in 1972 in the 13-and-under Livonia Parks and Recreation League and finishing together in the 18-and-under league.

The Blue Jeans captured league titles in 1976-76-77-78.

They also captured the Michigan Parks and Recreation state championship tournament in 1976-77-78.

In 1978, they also won the Farmington League and finished among the top teams in the Sterling Heights Travel League.

To qualify for the ASA Nationals, the Blue Jeans took second in the ASA regional in Sterling Heights.



Back together: Members of the Livonia Blue Jeans include: (front row left to right) Kathy Gravino, Jill Berry, Vickie Vermeesch, Laura Burke, KelliAnne Nagy, Marie Wolfe, Kellie Schenck; (second row, l-r) Marilyn Runyan, Stephanie Salyer, Linda Potter, Noreen Kelley, Patti Nemith; (third row, l-r) Maureen Thompson, Debbie Dernay, Gail Oljace, Julie Lyall, Pat Dotson, coach Sue Trisch; (back row, l-r) coach Gary Salyer, coach Denise Petrocella, Jeanne Pelli, Lynn Peithman, Vickie Johnson and manager Guy Runyan.

## Apap to bow out after grid season

The Chuck Apap-era at Walled Lake Western is coming to an end. Heading into his 22nd season, Apap has decided to make 1998 his last year as head coach of the Western football program.

"It's time to let some of the new guys step in," Apap said. "We've got some great coaches on this staff, not good coaches, great coaches. I don't want to lose them, because they don't have a chance to be the head coach. Right now, this is the best thing for the Walled Lake Western football program."

Apap has compiled a 96-93-1 career record in his 21 seasons. After a slow start, the program appears to be peaking. Over the past three years, the varsity team has gone 25-8 with back-to-back playoff appearances the last two years. The JV was 21-6 and the freshman team 24-2.

In 1992, Apap guided Western to division and conference (Western Lakes Activities Association) championships, a Class A regional championship and the state runner-up trophy.

The Warriors again won divisional and regional titles in 1996 and returned to the state finals. This time Apap coached the Warriors to a thrilling, 34-18 victory over top-ranked Sterling Heights Stevenson in the AA championship game.

The Warriors went 8-1 in the 1997 regular season and knocked off No. 3 Brighton (29-28) in the first round of the playoffs before falling to eventual state runner-up Ann Arbor Huron (21-0) in a regional championship game.

**SPORTS SHORTS**

**STUDENT-ATHLETE HAILED**

Adrian College's Jeffrey Allan of Redford was recently named to the 1997-98 Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Academic Honor Roll.

The honor roll recognizes scholar-athletes who receive a minimum 3.5 grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale) for the entire 1997-98 academic year while also earning a varsity letter in a sport.

Allan, a Dearborn Divine

Child product, earned his letter in baseball.

**ROLLER HOCKEY LEAGUES**

Skatin' II Station is taking registrations for senior men's fall hockey. The league will be run on Tuesday nights (Sept. 8 through Nov. 10) for 10 weeks.

Deadline for registration is Sept. 1. The league fee is \$110 per person. Players 17-years-old and up are eligible.

Skatin' II Station has a number of other leagues, too. Play-

ers of all ages can take part.

For more information, call 459-6401.

**WAYNE-WESTLAND YMCA**

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RECREATION

# Osprey making return from Upper Peninsula

The Metroparks have some new residents.

In a combined effort between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the Huron-Clinton Metroparks, the Huron-Clinton Zoological Institute Authority, four osprey chicks were recently relocated from the Upper Peninsula to a hacking box overlooking Wildwing Lake at Kensington Metropark.

These majestic fish-eating raptors will be cared for and monitored until they can fly and feed on their own. The hope is that they will return to Kensington to nest in future years.

Osprey were once abundant in Michigan but the use of DDT and other harmful pesticides as well as habitat destruction reduced their numbers so much that Osprey were placed on the endangered species list in the mid 1960's.

Adult osprey weigh approximately four pounds and have massive wing spans that reach six-feet. Bullhead and carp are their main staple food and the new residents of Wildwing Lake should have little trouble finding food once they learn to fly and feed on their own.

The birds will be hacked (or raised) in these hacking boxes for several weeks until they fledge (fly). Biologists and volunteers will monitor the birds daily and feed each bird up to two pounds of fish per day. As the birds mature and begin to fly the "free hand outs" will be cut back to encourage the birds to feed on their own.

Osprey migrate to South America for the winter and return north when the weather warms. Traditionally, the male birds return to the area they were raised when they are sexually mature to nest. The hope is that these birds will return to Kensington and make it their permanent summer home.

## OUTDOOR INSIGHTS

### Early goose season

An early September Canada goose season will once again be held throughout most of the state in an effort to control the growing population of resident Giant Canada geese. This fall the early season will run Sept. 1-15 in the Lower Peninsula and Sept. 1-10 in the Upper Peninsula. The daily bag limit is five. The counties of Tuscola, Saginaw and Huron will be closed to early September goose hunting to avoid harvest of early arriving migrant geese from James Bay, Ontario.

Last year hunters harvested over 91,000 geese during the September hunt and this year should produce similar results with an estimated population of 440,000 locally produced giant Canada geese.

"Hunters that get out now and scout areas that birds use and secure permission to hunt on private land should do very well," said Greg Soulliere, waterfowl specialist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

### Grouse limits increased

Ruffed grouse hunters in the Upper Peninsula will have an increased bag limit this fall, but a proposal to restore the December season in the U.P. failed to gain support of the Natural Resource Commission.

In a 4-3 vote the Commission agreed with the DNR's recommendation to increase the daily bag limit in the U.P. from three birds to five. DNR research shows that liberal grouse hunting regulations are not detrimental to grouse populations in northern Michigan during times of moderate or high grouse abundance. Wildlife biologists feel the

increased bag limits in the U.P. will not adversely affect grouse numbers.

A review of the ruffed grouse regulations was prompted by the fact that grouse populations in the U.P. and northern Lower have recovered substantially over the past few years. Grouse hunters in the northern Lower have enjoyed a five-bird daily limit and a split season (Sept. 15-Nov. 14 and Dec. 1-Jan. 1) for several years while Upper Peninsula hunters have been restricted to three birds per day and no December season.

### St. Clair fishing maps

Fishing Hot Spots Inc. has introduced a new detailed map of Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair River.

The new maps were produced using the latest computer drafting and imagery technology for optimum accuracy and clarity. The maps are printed on waterproof paper and include GPS waypoints and a latitude and longitude grid that allows anglers to plot their own fishing and navigation coordinates.

The maps also show depth contours, boat landings and structure such as reefs, points, humps and holes. Weed beds, navigation buoys and shipping channels are also shown on the maps.

Detailed information about the different fisheries is also included.

For more information or to order a map for yourself call 1-800-ALL-MAPS.

*(Anglers and hunters are urged to report your success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (248) 644-1314, send e-mail to bparker@oe.homecomm.net or call Bill Parker evenings at (248) 901-2573.)*

## Outdoor Calendar

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#### DOWNHILL SHOOT

Detroit Archers will hold a bow hunter 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, on its walk-through range in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 for more information.

#### MORE 3D

Royal Oak Archers will hold a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, August 16, on its walk-through range in Lake Orion. Call (248) 693-9799 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/CLINICS

#### 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.

#### 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 \$10.50 and includes lunch both days. To pre-register call (313) 941-9688.

#### WINGSHOOTING SCHOOL

Hunters Ridge Hunt Club in Oxford will host the Fieldsport Wingshooting School on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12-13. Master gunfitter and certified instructor Bryan Bilinski, who is credited with bringing sporting clays to the United States, will lead the school, which will cover all aspects of proficient shooting. Call (616) 933-0767 (daytime) or (248) 637-2446 (evenings) for more information.

### 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.

#### 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.

#### FISHING BUDDYS

Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. The meetings are open to all anglers. Call (248) 656-0556 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.

### FISHING TOURNAMENTS

#### OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold a 50-boat open tournament on Sunday, Aug. 30, on Pontiac Lake in Oakland County. Registration is \$80, \$85 after Aug. 26. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

### MEETINGS

#### NRC

The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 12-13, at the Holiday Inn-Petoskey, 1444 US 131 S., Petoskey. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 one week in advance.

### SEASON/DATES

#### GOOSE

The September Canada goose season will be Sept. 1-15 in the Lower Peninsula and Sept. 1-10 in the Upper Peninsula. (The counties of Huron, Tuscola and Saginaw will be closed for the early season.) The daily bag limit is five.

#### WATERFOWL

Waterfowl hunters have until Aug. 28 to apply for a reserved hunt permit.

### 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) 330-7067.

#### FISHING IN THE PARKS

Learn the basics of fishing including how to bait a hook, basic knots, casting and fish ecology during this weekly program, which is offered Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. through Aug. 11 at Metamora-Hadley, Pontiac Lake and Island Lake.

#### INSECT SAFARI

Discover the good and bad about insects during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, at Proud Lake.

#### ANIMAL SIGNS

Learn to locate and identify some common animal signs during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, at Highland.

### 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 at the following numbers: 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.

#### THE UNDERSTORY

Find out who lives in the shadows of Kensington's woods during a naturalist-led walk, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9, at Kensington.

#### CHICKEN LITTLE'S NIGHT OUT

View the annual periscope meteor showers and other astronomical sights while roasting marshmallows around a campfire during this program, which begins at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12, at Indian Springs.

### OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

#### COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

#### FREE WOOD CHIPS

Free wood chips from the Oakland County Parks Christmas tree recycling program will be available on Saturday, Aug. 29, at Orion-Oaks at the Clarkston Road entrance. Individuals are asked to provide their own shovels and to load the chips by hand. No motorized equipment is allowed and no commercial haulers. Additional wood chip dates are scheduled for Sept. 26 and Oct. 31.

*(To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; fax information to (248) 644-1314 or send e-mail to bparker@oe.homecomm.net)*

# Blue chicory's roots deep, history tells of wildflower

You don't have to look up to see the blue of the sky these days. Just look at an uncut roadside for chicory.



NATURE NOTES

TIM NOWICKI

Evidently the blue color reminded people of a sailor's uniform and the ragged edge of each petal an old uniform.

Ralph Waldo Emerson was impressed with its sky blue color when he wrote "succory to match the sky."

Another common name for chicory is succory. Succory comes from the latin succurre, "to run under," which refers to its deep roots.

Like many plants that live well in disturbed areas, chicory is an alien. It was brought to North America by Europeans during colonial times. Europeans used the dried roots as a coffee substitute or as a coffee.

A chicory drink was also thought to be good for liver and gall bladder ailments. The same chicory growing along the roadside is the same chicory cultivated and shipped to the U.S. as a coffee supplement.

A curious feature of chicory is that its blue flowers act like a

litmus paper. Acid will turn the flower a light pink.

I tried this over an ant hill that I disturbed. Formic acid released by the disturbed ants started to turn the petals a faint pink.

Now that chicory is blooming, it can be very noticeable. But uncut plants persist long into winter. Their long stems with small scattered clusters of leaves are characteristic even during the winter. Seeds produced from the flowers are used by small animals like mice and birds.

Next time you drive to work in the morning look along the roadside for chicory. In fact the German name for this plant means "watcher of the road."

Germans give it their name because according to a German legend, a beautiful girl waited so long along the roadside for her lover to return, she died of a broken heart. The blue chicory flowers grew in the place where she died.

# Canton's Kossick selected to Greater Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame

This year's voting for the new inductees in the Greater Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame was a tough one for the electors to decide.



TEN-PIN ALLEY

AL HARRISON

Larry Paladino who now writes for the Birmingham Eccentric gets the Judge D. Watts Award, which I took home last year.

The Meritorious Service award goes to Doug Bradford, formerly the bowling writer for the Detroit News.

It was Bradford who carried the torch of information on bowling in the earlier years, setting a standard for those of us who came along later. It's nice to see that the electors recognize the value of the press when it comes to promoting the sport of bowling.

The winning nominees will receive their awards at the Hall of Fame Banquet, which will take place at the Stephenson Club on Nov. 1. For information on attending the banquet, call the D.W.B.A. office at (810) 773-3050.

•Many local bowling centers

are getting a face-lift during the off season.

For some places, it may be a new paint job or bathroom fixtures, but for others major renovations are taking place. According to proprietor Henry Mistelet of Mayflower and Beech Lanes in Redford.

"Mayflower Lanes is a WOW in remodeling and re-equipping," said Mayflower and Beech Lanes proprietor Henry Mistelet.

In addition to adding Brunswick "Anvilane" (performs like wood) on the lane beds, new gutters and cupping, new ball returns, totally new seating, cosmic bowling and new reversing masking units have been added.

Beech Lanes has a new exterior paint job that's the talk of the town. Country Lanes in Farmington has taken out the quickie Bar and relocated the pro shop to that space. They've also upgrad-

ed some of the wash rooms, which is very important and often neglected. A new table for better seating behind the lanes and expanded locker facilities have also been added.

Wow! One Lanes in Troy is installing new pin decks and doing a bit of repainting here and there. Classic Lanes in Rochester has a new outside paint job and installed an automatic triggering system for the ball returns.

Silver Lanes in Garden City has some new paint and realigned the lanes where necessary. Wonderland Lanes in Livonia has a new air conditioning and heating system and is leveling the floor of the seating to the level of the lanes, eliminating the step.

Redford Lanes didn't have to make any improvements this year because they sold the place to the Aldi's food chain. Now,

lane six becomes aisle three, fresh veggies and such.

There are leagues and teams all over the country looking for a few good men, ladies, seniors and kids who would like to join a team or bring a team into the league.

At Country Lanes, the Sunday Goodtimers has room for more with a 9:30 a.m. start time. Bagels with coffee are served in this sanctioned league, which features a nice bunch of guys.

The Greenfield Mixed on Fridays at 6:30 p.m. has a few openings, one of which is on my team for a lady bowler with a fairly good average. This league is both social and competitive (248) 348-2096.

Beech Lanes in Redford has picked up some bowlers from the now defunct Redford Lanes, still has room for more such as the Friday Nite men at 7 p.m. need-

ing teams or individuals of medium averages.

The Tuesday I.H.M. Men's League at 6:30 p.m. and Our Lady of Loretto women's league on Mondays at 9 p.m. Call Beech at (313) 531-3800.

There are job openings for part timers at bowling centers everywhere. It's nice work for college kids who want to earn some money after school hours and weekends. Most bowling centers will accommodate the person's needs as to the kind of hours they are able to schedule and the pay is usually better than at the fast foods or other service industries.

It is also an opportunity for a person to learn a good trade if they want to work into the bowling scene.

Call or stop in at the local bowling center and ask for a job application if interested.

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