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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

Study session: *Westland City Council meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday for a study session on the second floor of Westland City Hall, Ford Road west of Wayne Road. Topics include: the major and local road funds and the status of the general stormwater permit.*

TUESDAY

Democratic club: *"Welfare Reform: Good News / Bad News" will be the topic of a talk by Marguerite Kowaleski, volunteer advocate with a welfare rights office, to the Westland Democratic Club Tuesday. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey Road.*

Kowaleski

THURSDAY

Info meeting: *A parents' information meeting for the Westland All-Stars Drama Club as they get ready to start their next production is 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday at the Bailey Center behind City Hall in Westland.*

SATURDAY

Museum open: *The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturday at 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. Call (734) 326-1110.*

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Man charged in Internet sex case

For the first time in Westland, a sex crime investigator has encountered a case involving allegations that a minor was lured for sex on the Internet. A Westland man has been charged.

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A Westland man is accused of getting a 13-year-old girl drunk and having sex with her after the two met on the Internet, police said.

Brian Joseph Rose, 21, faces possible trial for first-degree criminal sexual conduct after the girl alleged he enticed her into meeting him, Westland police Sgt. Michael Terry said.

Rose, charged Feb. 11 in Westland 18th District Court, faces a March 25 hearing that will determine whether he should stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court. Rose's case marks the first that Terry, a sex crime investigator, has encountered in Westland involving allegations that a minor was lured for sex on the Internet.

The suspect could face a maximum sentence of life in prison if convicted as charged. Rose is accused of having sex with the girl during the early morning hours of Nov. 26 at his place of work in Westland, Terry said.

Terry identified the girl's residency only as a western Wayne County community to help protect her. Rose couldn't be reached for comment , nor could his defense attorney, Michael Rex.

Terry provided this account of allegations in the case:

"A girl met a guy on the Internet, and he enticed her into meeting him. They went out, and there are allegations that he got her drunk and had sex with her," Terry said.

"They met in a chat room on the Internet. He picked her up one evening near her home," the sergeant said. "She said he supplied her with alcohol and she became intoxicated. He was later charged with a sex act involving an incapacitated person – which is first-degree CSC (criminal sexual conduct.)"

The girl apparently sneaked out of her parents' house but was confronted when she returned about 6 a.m., and Terry said the girl told them about the incident.

Rose is free on a personal bond as he awaits his March 25 hearing on felony sex charges.

Kids prove they can bee good spellers

BY DARRELL CLEM
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Amanda Dewyer's home turf proved lucky for her Thursday as she claimed victory over 22 other students in the Wayne-Westland school district spelling bee.

Competing at Adams Middle School, where she is an eighth-grader, Dewyer won top honors in the 19th annual, districtwide contest.

"I'm so happy. I studied a lot," Dewyer, 13, said, winning her title after correctly spelling "contortion."

Adams Principal Celestine Sanders wasted no time making a school announcement, and Dewyer became a hallway celebrity as friends crowded around to congratulate her.

Dewyer competed in the school library against top spellers from each of Wayne-Westland's 17 elementaries, four middle schools and two private schools, St. John's Lutheran and St. Mary Catholic.

As a crowd of 200 parents and educators watched, students one by one suffered elimination from the spelling bee [illegible] "malignancy" and "benign."

Runner-up Jennifer Zhao gave Dewyer a good challenge until she misspelled "benign."

Some students shed tears and had to be consoled by parents and educators.

"You feel bad for these little kids. You can see them sweating bullets," Dee Martin, spelling bee pronouncer and longtime district learning consultant, said.

About 40 minutes into the contest, only six students remained in competition, including Dewyer, Zhao and top spellers from Edison, Hamilton, Kettering and Roosevelt elementaries. Then spelling bee officials called a recess.

"It's scary. I'm really nervous," Dewyer said during the break, not realizing she would win. "When I'm up there, I feel like, am I going to get the word right or not? Then I look over at the judges to see what they're going to say."

She said she worked hard to prepare for the contest and had help from her parents, Debbie and Darryl Dewyer.

"I studied a lot, and my mom and dad helped me by giving me the words and letting me spell them," she said.

"I'm very proud of her," Debbie Dewyer said, hugging her daughter after the spelling bee ended. "She's a 4.0 student. She studies a lot."

Amanda Dewyer said her favorite

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STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

Taking a spell: *Spelling bee winner Amanda Dewyer takes her turn at the Wayne-Westland district's annual bee, while runner-up Jennifer Zhao looks on.*

The winner: *Amanda Dewyer reacts as she wins the bee.*

Sharing: *Debbie Dewyer and her daughter Amanda are emotional after Amanda's win.*

2nd look at Anthony's Pond condo case sought

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Allegations that two businessmen cheated Westland condominium buyers out of tens of thousands of dollars may resurface in 18th District Court.

Judge Gail McKnight last July dismissed criminal charges against businessmen Alvin Berton Bright Jr. and Michael Edward Morche. The men had been accused of wrongdoing at Anthony's Pond condominium development on Hix Road between Warren and Joy.

McKnight ruled that prosecutors didn't provide evidence to support charges that Bright and Morche obtained money under false pretenses.

But Karen Woodside, assistant Wayne County prosecutor, said McKnight will be asked to reconsider her decision in the wake of new evidence.

Charges against the businessmen surfaced after Renee and Larry Panther claimed they lost $65,000 on a partially built condominium that remains unfinished, more than two years after construction began.

Another couple, Marilyn and Amir Kashat, said they spent more than $100,000 for a condominium that another family occupied for 15 months. The Kashats finally got to move into their home last fall after a Wayne County judge ordered the other occupants out.

In October, Woodside announced there would be an appeal in Wayne County Circuit Court of McKnight's decision to drop criminal charges, which Woodside contended shouldn't have been dismissed.

However, Woodside said Friday that the appeal will now be dropped as long as the allegations are considered along with new evidence in Westland 18th District Court.

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Toarmina's poised for bigger bite of pizza market

BUSINESS

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
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Toarmina's Pizza, based in Westland, is looking for a bigger slice of the area pizza market.

The franchise has plans to expand this year in its biggest expansion ever, according to Lou Toarmina, president of Toarmina's.

Toarmina, 36, and founder of Toarmina's, has hopes to sell franchises to open nine more locations in 1999. The company is looking at Troy, Rochester Hills, Rochester and Auburn Hills. Another ideal expansion area would be Farmington, Toarmina said.

Oakland County is the targeted area for the company which has 19 stores, mostly in Wayne County.

Toarmina's already has a small presence in Oakland County with one store in Waterford and the most recently opened location in Sylvan Lake. It opened this year.

The stores are typically 1,000 square feet and employ seven to 20 workers per store.

Opening 10 locations in one year is the most the company has ever done, Toarmina said.

The 12-year-old company went from 13 to 18 in one year, but that was the result of people coming in and asking to buy franchises, he said.

"This is the first time we've aggressively gone out to do that," he said.

Toarmina said he has been working on lower volume stores in recent years to increase business and now feels ready for expansion.

He has also been studying the market and talking to people he considers to be experts such as former Dino's and Domino's executives.

In the pizza business, people are always selling something – making it easy to get into conversations.

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STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

In community: *Lou Toarmina and the Westland Rotary sell pizza at WinterFest.*

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Toarmina said.

His goal is 50 stores in southeast Michigan, earning $300,000 per year, 20 percent for the franchise owners.

Toarmina's is trying to get a bigger bite despite a market of heavy hitters such as Domino's, Little Caesars and Pizza Hut.

But in the whole pizza industry regional chains are gaining market, Toarmina said.

Toarmina said he can compete by keeping a community feeling about his chain.

He's done that by being active at many community events.

In Westland, Toarmina has been active with the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, Westland Rotary and many city events such as Westland Summer Festival and the city garage sale. He is also involved with the Make A Wish Foundation.

Chainwide, the goal is to be "almost like a mom and pop operation" and at the same time offer what the others offer, including good food and clean restaurants, Toarmina said.

Toarmina says his company is more franchisee-friendly than its competitors, who sell supplies from their own units to franchisees.

"We go out and get the best prices we can find," Toarmina said.

The company also promotes the three Cs: consistent quality, cleanliness and customer service as part of the company's philosophy, he said.

■ The 24-inch pizza continues to be a Toarmina's mainstay, and the company plans to come up with a deep dish pizza to be introduced during this summer.

Toarmina's is also making its way with the technology of today – a Web site at www.toarminaspizza.com where visitors can learn about the history of the company such as that the company still uses Grandma Santa Toarmina's dough recipe and that the company's first location opened in June 1987 in Westland across the street from the very first Little Caesar's Pizza. Also, Toarmina's Ypsilanti location is in the site of the very first Domino's Pizza.

"VR Metro Malls did that for us," Toarmina said of the Web site. "We're going to use that a lot this year."

Also, this year retired Red Wing Gordie Howe has started as a spokesperson, which attaches a big name to Toarmina's. The company recently introduced the "Howe #9 Pizza" which comes in a box featuring the image of Howe's famous #9 jersey.

The 24-inch pizza continues to be a Toarmina's mainstay, and the company plans to come up with a deep dish pizza to be introduced this summer, Toarmina said.

People are looking for a better product, Toarmina said. "That's our niche – we can offer a better product."

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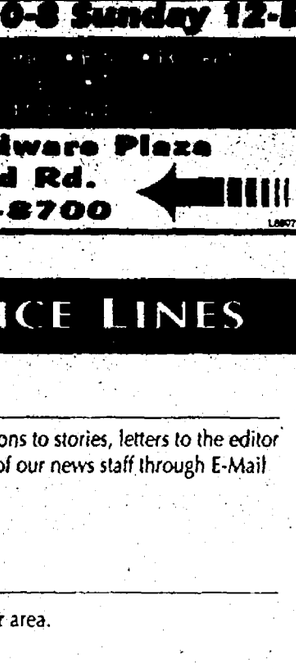

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OBITUARIES

NANCY A. TALBOT

A memorial service for Nancy Talbot, 67, of Westland will begin 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 27, in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, 7707 Middlebelt Road, Westland. Officiating will be the Rev. Jerry Yarnell.

Mrs. Talbot, who died Feb. 12 in Garden City, was born July 29, 1931, in Detroit. She was a receptionist for a dental office.

WILLIAM F. THORE

Funeral services for William Thore, 88, of Westland were Feb. 17 in Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland with burial at Washtenong Memorial Park in Ann Arbor. Officiating was the Rev. David G. Mulder.

Mr. Thore, who died Feb. 13 in Ypsilanti, was born Sept. 27, 1910, in Mount Airy, N.C. He was a repairman.

Surviving are his wife, Erma; sons, James Thore of Florida and Jack (Geneva) Brewer of Garden City; daughters, Shirley (Lee) Looper of Tennessee, Patche Wilkinson of Tennessee, Alice Applegate of Garden City, Sharon Ladd of Garden City and JoAnn (Robert) Keenan of Garden City; sister, Lennes Smithers of Mount Airy, N.C.; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the family fund.

ROBERT E. BIEL

Funeral services for Robert Biel, 69, of Westland were Feb. 12 in R.G. & G. R. Harris Funeral Home in Garden City. Officiating was the Rev. Marc Gawronski from St. Stephen-Mary Mother of the Church Catholic Church.

Mr. Biel, who died Feb. 9 in Garden City, was born Nov. 26, 1929, in Detroit. He lived in Westland the past three years. He was a former Detroit resident. He was a store manager for Perry Drugs.

Surviving are his wife, Phyllis; son, Ken (Reema); daughters, Cindy (Joe) Maiorana, Debbie Hunt and Lisa (Augie) Martinez; brother, John (Kay); sister, Jean Ross; and eight grandchildren.

ANNA M. THOMPSON

Funeral services for Anna Thompson, 77, of Westland were Feb. 17 in Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth with burial at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Officiating was the Rev. Dean Klump.

Mrs. Thompson, who died Feb. 14 in Superior Township, was born Sept. 9, 1921, in Flint. She was a member of First United Methodist Church. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her sons, David (Candy) of Plymouth and Allan (Kathy) of Chelsea; brother, David Short of DeWitt, Mich.; sisters, Lucille Crough, Phyllis Reynolds and Ruth Daly all of Lansing; two granddaughters.

Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth, MI 48170.

GARY R. BENARD

Funeral services for Gary Benard, 46, of Westland were Feb. 16 in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. Edward Prus from St. Raphael Church.

Mr. Benard, who died Feb. 11 in Garden City, was born Oct. 11, 1952, in Detroit. He was a property manager for apartments and condominiums.

Surviving are his wife, Thelma; son, Arthur; daughters, Noreen (Dennis) Teneyek and Margaret; parents, Robert and Virginia Benard; brothers, Avryl Snyder, Richard, Robert and James; sister, Sandra Gillig; and three grandchildren.

IRWIN S. PERRIE

Funeral services for Irwin Perrie, 71, of Westland were Feb. 19 in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home of Westland with burial at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi. Officiating was the Rev. John F. Quigley.

Mr. Perrie, who died Feb. 16 in his Westland residence, was born Sept. 9, 1927, in Detroit. He was a computer programmer analyst.

Surviving are his wife, Kathryn; sons, Steve (Stephanie) and Don (Stacey); daughter, Lynn (Rick) Stout; and 11 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice or Ward Presbyterian Church.

JOSEPH R. THIBODEAU

Funeral services for Joseph Thibodeau, 99, of Westland were Feb. 20 in Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Farmington with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. Officiating was the Rev. Scott Thibodeau. Arrangements were made by John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home.

Mr. Thibodeau, who died Feb. 17 in Southfield, was born Feb. 7, 1900, in Stoneham, Mass. He was an analyst.

Surviving are his sons, Thomas (Jan), William (Virginia), Dennis (Donna) and Robert; brother, Joseph; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Thibodeau was preceded in death by his wife, Jean.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice.

DAVID S. KOLOD

Funeral services for David Kolod, 48, of Westland were Feb. 18 in Uht Funeral Home.

Mr. Kolod, who died Feb. 16 in Wayne, was born Sept. 17, 1950, in Dearborn. He was a deputy director in the printing industry.

Surviving are his wife, Sandra; sons, Kevin Kolod, Gregory Dines and Jeffery Dines; daughters, Jill Kolod and Mary Dines; brother, Alan Kolod; sister, Jackie Firavich; and four grandchildren.

FRANCIS A. KOSLOW

Funeral services for Francis Koslow, 77, of Westland were Feb. 20 in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Westland with burial at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Dave Brown.

Mr. Koslow, who died Feb. 17 in Garden City, was born July 12, 1921, in New Kensington, Pa. He was a pharmacist.

Surviving are his wife, Marion; sons, Mark and Scott (Patricia); daughters, Vicki (Ken) Oliver and Sharon (Greg) Urbanski; and seven grandchildren.

Town hall March 11

Mayor Robert Thomas has announced that his first Westland Town Hall meeting of 1999 will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 11, at Presbyterian Village, 32001 Cherry Hill between Merriman and Venoy roads.

Thomas and his directors attend town hall meetings to hear citizens' comments and concerns.

STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

On the floor: *Grandmother Jenny Bostwick of Westland square dances with her grandson Shane Miller, 4, of Wayne at the mother-son dance.*

Dance-hall days: *Dads and daughters participate in the opening dance of the daddy-daughter dance. Below, Tyler Simpson, 4 of Westland got into the music at the mother-son dance.*

Special couples feel like dancing

Different generations took to the dance floor this week at Westland's Bailey Center.

Daddy-daughter and mommy-son dances were sponsored by the Westland Parks and Recreation Department at the Bailey Center.

Each couple received a souvenir balloon and each son or daughter received a souvenir balloon.

Square dance caller Mike Brennan provided the music as couples could do mixers, traditional squares and other special dances.

Flower girl: *Kurt Johnson of Northville pins on a flower onto his daughter, Gen, 4.*

Westland man arrested after macaroni theft

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Two Livonia police officers escaped injury early Feb. 13 when they dodged a car driven by a man they were pursuing over the shoplifting of a macaroni and cheese dinner.

At the end of a dead-end street, the man pulled into a driveway, backed up and headed at officers, according to a Livonia Police Department report. One leaped out of the way, while the other, who was half out of his car, jumped back in and closed the door, police said.

"He was very intent on getting away, it looks like," said Lt. Ben McDermott, department spokesman.

Police eventually arrested Nathan Douglas Monthei, 29, after a chase through residential areas. There was a box of Kraft family-size macaroni and cheese, priced at $4.49, in the car, police said.

Monthei, of Westland, faces two charges of felonious assault and one misdemeanor charge of retail fraud. He is being charged as a habitual offender, which could increase the length of any prison sentence if he is convicted.

Monthei scheduled for a Tuesday preliminary hearing in 16th District Court.

The incident began shortly after midnight Feb. 13 when police got a call about a suspicious vehicle outside the Farmer Jack at Five Mile and Middlebelt.

A plainclothes officer, Jeffrey Weiss, responded and watched the 1988 Oldsmobile Cutlass for about 10 minutes before a man who had been sitting in it entered the store, Weiss' report said. A plainclothes sergeant, Dariusz Nisenbaum, followed him in.

A short time later, the man walked through the only open checkout line. As he brushed past a customer paying for her purchases, a box of macaroni and cheese fell out of the front of his jacket, police said. He picked it up and ran, a store employee yelling and following him.

The man ran to the Oldsmobile, where there was a woman in the passenger seat, and drove west on Five Mile, with Weiss following. The man turned north on Hidden Lane, now pursued by the Weiss and Nisenbaum.

The man appeared to be stopping when he pulled into the driveway, police said, but then backed up and turned sharply toward them, heading south on Hidden Lane, then west on Five Mile. Weiss' report said the Oldsmobile missed him by inches.

Uniformed officers eventually arrested the suspect near Middlebelt and Schoolcraft Road.

Condo *from page A1*

"This case remains under investigation by Westland police, and they have direction on what they need to do," Woodside said. "There are a number of things that need to be put on the (court) record to see if the judge will change her mind."

In her earlier decision, McKnight noted that Bright and Morche had a complex and troubled business arrangement at Anthony's Pond. But, she ruled that, based on evidence presented in her court, the two men didn't appear to have set out to cheat condominium buyers.

Woodside said she believes there is other evidence that can be presented during a new hearing to show otherwise.

When given the opportunity, Bright and Morche have declined to comment on the case. However, defense attorney Thomas Meconi has called the prosecution's case "mental gymnastics of an extreme sort."

PWP chapter plans 2 events

The Wayne-Westland chapter of Parents Without Partners has announced a new address in time for two upcoming events.

The group is moving to Warren Valley Country Club, 26116 Warren, between Inkster and Beech Daly in Dearborn Heights, member Tom Jackson said.

The chapter is sponsoring a "President's Dance" and open house from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26, at the new location. Cost is $5 for members and $7 for nonmembers. The group also is sponsoring "The Bunny Hop" from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, March 26 - at the new location. Cost is $5 for members and $7 for nonmembers.

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Practice makes perfect: *Lauren Senia of Wildwood Elementary takes her turn at Thursday's Wayne-Westland school district spelling bee as some of her competitors look on.*

Tension mounts: *David Benson of Hamilton Elementary makes it to the finals in the district spelling bee, as Edward St. Antoine of Roosevelt waits his turn.*

Bee *from page A1*

subjects are English and history, and her hobbies are reading and listening to music by artists such as Monica and 'N Sync.

Now that she is district spelling champion, she gets to compete in regional competition in March, amid hopes of also advancing to state and national finals.

Wayne-Westland's Earle Chorbagian Spelling Bee is named after a former district educator.

Other participants, starting with Wayne-Westland elementary spellers, included Bryan Anderson of Edison; Crystal Beaver of Elliott; Kristin Queen of P.D. Graham; David Benson of Hamilton; Drake Yharbrough of Hicks; Justin Collop of Hoover; Nicole Szyszkowski of Jefferson-Barns; Karissa Bolton of Kettering; Cecilia Bright of Lincoln; Whitney Michelle Sonak of Patchin; Edward St. Antoine of Roosevelt; Elek Earl Hutchinson of Schweitzer; Bradley Barron of Taft-Galloway, Megan Shirshun of Vandenberg; Jennifer Swartz of Walker-Winter, and Lauren Senia of Wildwood.

Other spellers from Wayne-Westland middle schools included Shawna Neumann of Franklin, Brooke Houck of Marshall and Frank Asher of Stevenson. Participants from private schools included Abby Pitt from St. John's Lutheran and Bridget Chalupka of St. Mary Catholic.

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*SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
February 1, 1999

*The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of February 1, 1999; the full text of the minutes is on file in the Office of the Superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Nay convened the meeting at 7:03 p.m., in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. **Present:** Frank Kokenakes, Daniel Lessard, Patrick Nalley, Dianne Nay, Kenneth Timmons, James Watters. **Absent:** Joanne Morgan.

Golden Apple Award: Trustee Frank Kokenakes presented the Golden Apple Award to **Robert King**, special education teacher at Churchill High School.

Outstanding American High School Recognition: President Dianne Nay presented a resolution to **Principal Rod Hosman** for Churchill High School being recognized as one of 96 Outstanding American High Schools by the **U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT.** The Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District unanimously adopted a resolution recognizing Churchill High School as one of 96 *Outstanding American High Schools* throughout the nation.

All-State Athlete Recognition: Trustee Kenneth Timmons presented a resolution to **Stephen Polanski,** a senior at Stevenson High School. The Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District unanimously adopted a resolution recognizing **Stephen Polanski,** a senior at Stevenson High School, for being named the Division I medalist in golf in the state of Michigan in 1998, a title generally accorded to the best individual junior golfer in the state.

Recess: President Nay recessed the meeting at 7:35 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Watters and Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the following consent agenda items as recommended by the superintendent: **IV.A** Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of January 18, 1999. **IV.B** Minutes of the Closed Session of January 11, 1999. **IV.C** Minutes of the Closed Session of January 18, 1999. **IV.D** Minutes of the Closed Session of January 25, 1999. **VI.** Move that general fund check nos. 310349 through 310975 in the amount of $3,052,467.66 be approved for payment. Also move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of $1,979,563.91 be approved. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

Presentation-High School Student Activities Programs: Students from CHS, **Kristin Derwich;** FHS, **Kristi Kalousek;** and SHS, **Leanne Schraufnagle;** presented the student activities programs available to students in the three high schools. They described a wide-ranging schedule of events including several community service projects, contests, dances, talent shows, and club activities.

30-Year Resolution: Motion by Lessard and Timmons that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the proposed resolutions of appreciation for 30 years of service with the district for the following employees: **Sharon Bernath, Dan Burk, Karen Copeland, Robert Dennis, Larry Dove, Candace Greene, David Watson, Phyllis Weeks,** and **Irwin Weisberg.** Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

Teachers for Approval: Motion by Watters and Kokenakes that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 1998-99 school year to: **Kerrie Adams, Charlene Baringhaus, Arthur Enderle, Matthew Fournier, Lisa Friedman,** and **Matthew Grodzicki.** Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

Retirements: Motion by Nalley and Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt resolutions of appreciation for the services rendered by: **Beverly Rowley** and **Betty Tatigian.** Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

Reports from the Superintendent: Dr. Watson displayed the **"MEAP, MEAP"** shirt to be worn by staff during the MEAP testing of students at Garfield Elementary School; announced that **Paul Serri,** science teacher at CHS, wrote an article for *The Science Teacher* regarding realistic assessment strategies; reported that the Education Alliance Committee of the Livonia Chamber met with CHS, FHS, and SHS representatives of the class of '94 to share their experience in career decision making, both in high school and during the last five post-graduate years; reported a partnership with Farmington Public Schools through the AIESEC (U of M) organization which will organize and facilitate first-hand, real life international and business experiences directly for students and as an enhancement of classroom curriculums in the Livonia Public Schools and Farmington Public Schools; congratulated Nankin Mills Elementary School for being awarded a $600 grant from the Michigan Humanities Council; announced the winners of the DECA state conference: **Erin Ennis, Ryan O'Connor, Shanna Bergin, Kristen Ostrander, Adrienne Salcau, Mike Mercer, Will Katz, Bryan Budd, Dan DiPonio, Casi Pasciak,** and **Adam Guyot;** and introduced the video that highlighted the spring break presentation held at Dickinson Center titled, *Kids in the Sun, Parents in the Dark.*

Hearing from Board Members: The Board discussed the following topics: Transportation Department's annual Blood Drive in the Board Room on Friday, February 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; the spring break seminar titled, *Kids in the Sun, Parents in the Dark* at Dickinson; Donuts for Dad at Marshall Elementary School; DARE graduations; Ms. Morgan attending a national legislative conference in Washington D.C.; and the Student Activities Programs.

Adjournment: Motion by Timmons and Watters that the Regular meeting of February 1, 1999 be adjourned. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

President Nay adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY
1999 BOARD OF REVIEW DATES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO all property owners of the City of Garden City that the Board of Review will meet in session on the following date and time to examine the assessment roll for the current year:

Tuesday	March 2, 1999	9:00 a.m.

The Board of Review will meet in session on the following days and times to hear appeals on the 1999 Assessment Roll:

Monday	March 8, 1999	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	March 9, 1999	1:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Wednesday	March 10, 1999	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Thursday	March 11, 1999	1:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Friday	March 12, 1999	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

APPEALS BY APPOINTMENT OR WRITE-IN. Write-ins must be received by Monday, March 8, 1999.

Tentative ratios and factors for the 1999 tax year are:

Commercial Ratio	46.52%	1.0305
Industrial Ratio	49.77%	1.0000
Residential Ratio	45.67%	1.0948
Personal Property	50.00%	1.0000

Taxes are paid on taxable value, which is the lower of assessed value or capped value, unless there is a property transfer. The capped value is based on the CPI (Consumer Price Index) which will increase 1.6% for 1999. As a result, residential taxed values will increase only 1.6% unless there has been a transfer of ownership or an addition to the property.

The 1999 Assessment Roll will be open for public inspection from March 3, 1999 through March 5, 1999 in the assessment office from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ALLYSON BETTIS,
City Clerk-Treasurer

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY
MICHIGAN
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, in the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135 (Telephone: 734-525-8814) on or before March 5, 1999, at 2:00 p.m. for the following items:

CITY WIDE COPIER LEASE
WORKERS COMPENSATION SERVICE PROVIDER

Proposals must be submitted on forms furnished by the City Clerk, in a sealed envelope endorsed with the name(s) of item(s).

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals in whole or in part and to waive any informalities when deemed in the best interest of the City.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS
City Clerk Treasurer

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 1999

The Mayor and Council of the City of Garden City met in Public Hearings and Regular Session on Monday, February 8, 1999, at 7:25 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan.

PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:25 P.M.

Present were Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Wiacek, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick. Absent none.

Also present were City Manager Bayless, City Clerk-Treasurer Bettis, and City Attorney Salomone

✦ Ordinance Amendment - Parking Standards.

There being no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:28 P.M.

Present were Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Wiacek, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick. Absent none.

Also present were City Manager Bayless, City Clerk-Treasurer Bettis, and City Attorney Salomone.

✦ Ordinance Amendment - Floor Area - Usable Nonresidential.

There being no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Present were Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynh, Wiacek, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick. Absent none.

Also present were City Manager Bayless, City Clerk-Treasurer Bettis, City Attorney Salomone, Department of Public Services Director Barnes, and Community Center Supervisor McKarge.

The Mayor announced it was time for Public Discussion for items not on the agenda.

✦ Matthew Hahn, of Garden City, discussed removing debris from the DDA project, congested parking on John Hauk, and invoice payments.

✦ Herman Bersano, of Garden City, discussed contacting our Congresswoman regarding senior citizen housing grants, restricting parking to one side of the street, and, for re-addressing the closing of Pierce Street.

✦ **Item 02-99-043** It was moved by Councilmember Lynch; supported by Councilmember Briscoe:

Council was advised by the City Attorney that whenever Council meets minutes should be taken and approved.

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes from the special workshop of January 30, 1999.

AYES: Unanimous

✦ **Item 02-99-044** It was moved by Councilmember Dodge; supported by Councilmember Wiacek

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes from the meeting of February 1, 1999.

AYES: Unanimous

The Mayor with the approval of Council, added an item regarding the Corrective Action Plan.

The Mayor with the concurrence of Council, suspended the rules to allow discussion without a substantive motion on the floor. After discussion the Council resumed normal rules of order and offered the following motion.

✦ **Item 02-99-045**

It was moved by Councilmember Waynick; supported by Councilmember Dodge:

Mr. Kane, of Garden City, discussed the MDEQ schedule and questioned what the other communities are doing, and if they are acquiescing the State.

RESOLVED: To approve the City Engineer's requested proposal to approve the revised Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Corrective Plan Schedule, Revised as of February 8, 1999, "Current Request for Approval" with the understanding that if it is not accepted by MDEQ then we would adopt the "MDEQ Current Schedule".

✦ **Item 02-99-046** It was moved by Councilmember Kaledas; supported by Councilmember Dodge:

RESOLVED: To table motion 02-99-045.

AYES: Mayor Barker, Concilmembers Dodge and Kaledas.

NAYS: Councilmembers Lynch, Wiacek, Briscoe, and Waynick.

Motion to table fails.

Note: A friendly amendment was offered by Councilmember Briscoe to approve only the "Current Request For Approval" not the "MDEQ Current Schedule". Councilmember Dodge withdrew support on motion 02-99-045 and the motion was then supported by Councilmember Kaledas. This friendly amendment was accepted by Councilmembers Waynick and Kaledas, the maker and supporter of the motion.

✦ **Item 02-99-045** It was moved by Councilmember Waynick; supported by Councilmember Kaledas:

RESOLVED: To approve the City Engineer's requested proposal to approve the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Corrective Plan Schedule, Revised as of February 8, 1999, column, "Current Request for Approval".

AYES: Councilmembers Lynch, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick.

NAYS: Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge and Wiacek.

Motion passed.

✦ **Item 02-99-047** It was moved by Councilmember Kaledas; supported by Councilmember Waynick;

Council discussed the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals reviewing McKenna & Associates invoices. Mr. Ed Kane, Chairperson, Planning Commission stated they have only seen one set of invoices.

A friendly amendment to delete the McKenna bills from the accounts payable list was made.

RESOLVED: To approve the Accounts Payable, minus McKenna & Associates invoices totaling $8,137.50.

AYES: Unanimous

✦ **Item 02-99-048** It was moved by Councilmember Briscoe; supported by Councilmember Waynick:

RESOLVED: To appoint Mary Ann D'Angelo to the Commission on Aging, term to expire on December 31, 2002.

AYES: Unanimous

✦ **Item 02-99-049** It was moved by Councilmember Briscoe; supported by Councilmember Wiacek:

RESOLVED: To appoint Pete L. Tavormina to the Commission on Aging term to expire on December 31, 2002.

AYES: Unanimous

✦ **Item 02-99-050** It was moved by Councilmember Briscoe; supported by Councilmember Lynch:

RESOLVED: To appoint Doris Wilcox to the Commission on Aging term to expire on December 31, 2002.

AYES: Unanimous

Mayor Barker at this time apprised Council that he had appointed Councilmember Lynch as the liaison to the Cable Commission.

✦ **Item 02-99-051** It was moved by Councilmember Waynick; supported by Councilmember Lynch:

RESOLVED: To accept Ordinance #99-002 to amend Article 4.00, Subsection 161.048 (C) (10) Schedule of Off-Street Parking of the Code of the City of Garden City to read as follows:

Land Use	Required No. of Per Each Unit Parking Spaces	Measure as Follows
Professional Offices, Clinics of Doctors, Dentists, and Similar Professions	1.0	150 sq. ft. of usable floor area

AYES: Unanimous

✦ **Item 02-99-052** It was moved by Councilmember Waynick; supported by Councilmember Lynch:

RESOLVED: To accept Ordinance #99-003 to amend Article 1.00, Subsection 161.003, Definitions of Chapter 161 of Title XV of the Code of the City of Garden City to read as follows: FLOOR AREA, USABLE NONRESIDENTIAL: Eighty (80%) percent of the gross floor area.

AYES: Unanimous

✦ **Item 02-99-053** It was moved by Councilmember Waynick; supported by Councilmember Kaledas:

RESOLVED: To set a public hearing on the CDBG Program for February 22, 1999, at 7:20 p.m., in the City Council Chambers.

AYES: Unanimous

✦ **Item 02-99-054** It was moved by Councilmember Lynch; supported by councilmember Wiacek:

RESOLVED: To award the bid for Premium Unleaded Gasoline and #2 Diesel Fuel, Tanker & Tank wagon deliveries Option 1 (1 yr. contract) to Atlas Oil, as recommended by the City Manager, in the amount of $49,000.00, to be charged to Account #101-292-740.100.

AYES: Unanimous

The Council as a Whole discussed the following items:

1. Credit Card Policy.
2. Maplewood Center - Digital Duplicator (copier).

✦ **Item 02-99-055** It was moved by Councilmember Dodge; supported by Councilmember Kaledas:

RESOLVED: To award the bid for the duplicator, accessories, and warranty to Savin, the lowest bidder to meet bid specifications, for the amount of $10,528.20, charged to Account #401-401-332.021.

AYES: Unanimous

The meeting was then adjourned.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS
Treasurer/City Clerk

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Reports offer different views on charter schools

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The public got two different reports on the troubles of Michigan's 183 public school academies, alias "charter schools."

Public Sector Consultants Inc. pictured metro area schools as struggling with startup costs, disadvantaged by inability to sell bonds, closing the gap with traditional schools on MEAP tests, and "having considerable trouble" with federal-state special education rules.

PSC's study was authored in part by Nick Khouri, a former Engler administration Treasury official who called his picture of charter schools as "essentially positive."

Western Michigan University pictured outstate charter schools as "skimming" good students, giving parents little influence, attracting for-profit companies that run "cookie-cutter" operations, failing to offer lunch and special education programs, and suffering "high rate of attrition among teachers, students and even principals."

The WMU report was leaked Feb. 15 to wire services and widely reported. The PSC report wasn't unveiled until the Feb. 18 afternoon meeting of the State Board of Education with few reporters present.

'Disturbed'

"Frankly, I am disturbed by the management company approach," said Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, president of the eight-member State Board. "It circumvents the intent of the Legislature – power to principals, power to teachers, power to parents."

Beardmore also was unimpressed by charter school complaints about startup costs because they had had state, federal and private help.

"Their (charter schools') statements of philosophy were used as marketing tools," added member Herb Moyer, D-Temperance, indicating he was unhappy with their lack of educational innovation.

The two studies were ordered by the Legislature in its 1996 school aid act. PSC's covered nine counties, including Wayne, Oakland and Livingston. WMU's covered the rest of the state.

PSAs are organized outside the operating limits of the state's 560 public school districts with charters from universities (109), community colleges (one), intermediate school districts (15) and local school districts (12). Nationally, charter schools are seen as alternative methods of schooling providing educational innovations.

Little innovation

But not in Michigan.

"We've been disappointed when we look at the dictionary definition of innovation," said Jerry Horn, co-author of the WMU study. "They've come up with cooperative learning and uniforms. But a lot of us would say, 'I've seen this before.' "

WMU's study added, "Many revert to 'canned curriculums.' "

PSC's study agreed: "There have been few pedagogical inventions – e.g., practices found in at least one traditional public school in Michigan – in the study-area charter schools."

The two studies agreed charter school students are performing below traditional public school students on standard MEAP tests in math, science, reading and writing.

PSC admitted: "The percentage of students scoring 'satisfactory' at charter schools is lower than at a majority of local traditional public schools." But it softened the blow by saying, "The rate of improvement in MEAP scores is greater among charter school students ..."

The studies agreed charter schools had many management and startup problems. WMU's found four kinds of groups forming charter schools: converted private schools (most), converted public schools ("a handful"), "Mom & Pop" operations (short-lived) and franchise or "cookie-cutter" schools.

WMU found "extensive nepotism in employment of relatives," teacher salaries as low as one-third of those in traditional public schools, and "poorly prepared" leaders dissatisfied with their lot.

Church influence?

Moyer, a former public school

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MHS fund-raiser

Adoptable pets, training tips featured at March 7 event

The Michigan Humane Society will be celebrating the special relationship between metro Detroiters and dogs, cats and other pets with a "Pets of the Century" tribute that will air during the group's Third Annual PETelethon fund-raiser Sunday, March 7.

The PETelethon will feature celebrity hosts and special guests, veterinarian and training tips, and adoptable pets. Donations can be pledged during the PETelethon to the Michigan Humane Society.

In conjunction with the telethon, the MHS is holding a My Pet Is a Hero contest. Your pet doesn't have to be Rin Tin Tin or Lassie to qualify; just being there every time you needed a friend will suffice.

Just write and inform the MHS in 200 words or less why your pet (or the pet of someone you know) is a hero. Include a photo of your pet, along with your address and phone number with the entry and drop it off at any metro Detroit Pet Supplies "Plus" store or mail your entry to the MHS Community Relations Department, 37255 Marquette, Westland, MI 48185.

The top three entrants in the My Pet Is a Hero contest will be invited to appear with their human companions on the telethon. Broadcast on WKBD-TV UPN 50 between noon and 5 p.m., the PETelethon is the largest television fund-raiser for pets in the country and the first devoted to animals in Michigan.

The top three finishers will receive Pet Supplies "Plus" gift certificates valued at $500, $200 and $100. The fourth- through 10th-place finishers in the contest will receive a one year's supply of dog or cat food.

All entries must be received by 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22. Everyone who drops an entry at Pet Supplies "Plus" will receive a gift pack.

Looking back on the special role that pets have played in people's lives during the 20th century, the "Pets of the Century" tribute will feature fascinating photos of pets throughout the 1900s. Local pet lovers are invited to contribute to this fascinating tribute.

Copies can also be dropped off at any Pet Supplies Plus store. Pet owners are urged to provide copies rather than the originals, since the MHS cannot assume responsibility for the return of photos. Everyone who drops off a photo at Pet Supplies "Plus" will receive a gift bag to make up for the cost of the copies.

Anyone with an interesting historic photo of a dog, cat or other animal is invited to contact the Michigan Humane Society's Community Relations Department at (734) 721-2109.

S'craft hosts open house March 21

Learn how to apply for college, choose classes, get financial aid and what program fits your career plans at Schoolcraft College's open house noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 21.

Visitors may take guided tours of the campus and talk with current Schoolcraft students. Prospective students can learn about admissions, financial aid, career planning, tutoring, student activities and athletics, weekend college and distance learning and Continuing Education Services.

The event includes free information materials and faculty members will answer questions and give hands-on demonstrations to acquaint visitors with degree programs. Computer-assisted drafting and electronics will demonstrate software, computer graphics will conduct a hands-on workshop, biology will demonstrate techniques used in DNA fingerprinting and CES will offer materials on the Talented and Gifted Program for children.

Schoolcraft offers classes of fewer than 30 students, tuition is half that of four-year colleges and universities and a wide range of class times during days, evenings and weekends so students can work while taking classes.

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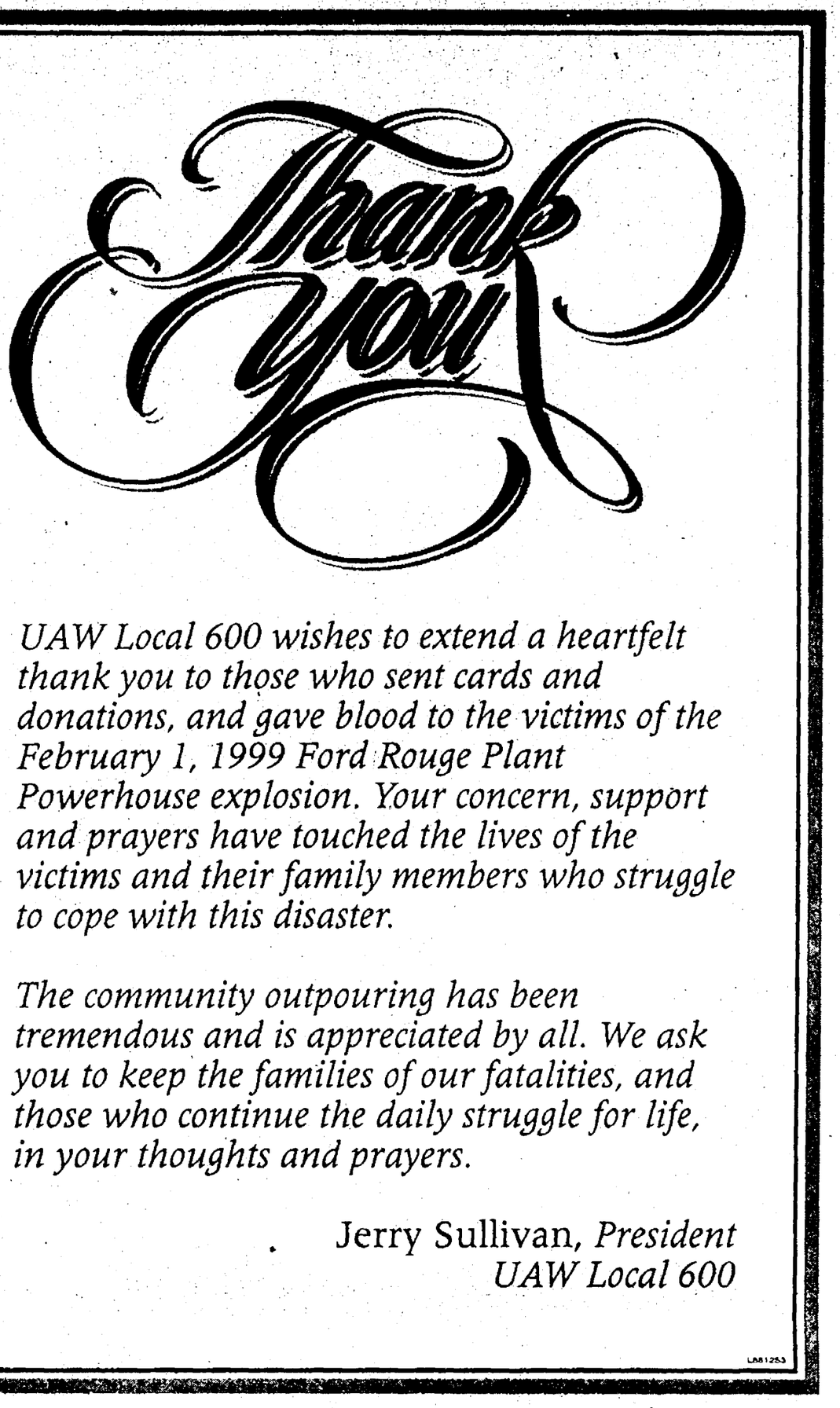

UAW Local 600 wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to those who sent cards and donations, and gave blood to the victims of the February 1, 1999 Ford Rouge Plant Powerhouse explosion. Your concern, support and prayers have touched the lives of the victims and their family members who struggle to cope with this disaster.

The community outpouring has been tremendous and is appreciated by all. We ask you to keep the families of our fatalities, and those who continue the daily struggle for life, in your thoughts and prayers.

Jerry Sullivan, *President*
UAW Local 600

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I-275 construction

MDOT says expect delays as project gets April startup

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If you are one of the nearly 200,000 motorists who travel on I-275 between Five Mile Road and the interchange with I-96, I-696 and M-5, you should expect traffic congestion and allow yourself more time this spring and summer to get to your destination.

In April, the Michigan Department of Transportation and its prime contractor, John Carlo Inc., will begin the $49 million freeway reconstruction, calling for the reconstruction of the freeway and entrance and exit ramps, and the repair of bridges over the freeway. The project's completion date is set for October.

"It will be congested, but we have done everything in our power to minimize the impact," said Mike Eustice, MDOT resident engineer, to an audience at the Livonia Civic Center auditorium Thursday during a public information meeting.

The freeway will not be widened from its four lanes in Wayne County in each direction, but auxiliary lanes for entering and exiting the freeway will be lengthened to allow for easier access, MDOT officials said.

State Transportation Director James DeSana said a "great effort will be made" to minimize motorist inconvenience." I-275 is the second-busiest freeway in the state, behind I-75.

"Our contractor will be maintaining three lanes of traffic in each direction in daytime hours, working 24 hours a day, and will maintain access to at least two major interchanges at a time during the reconstruction process."

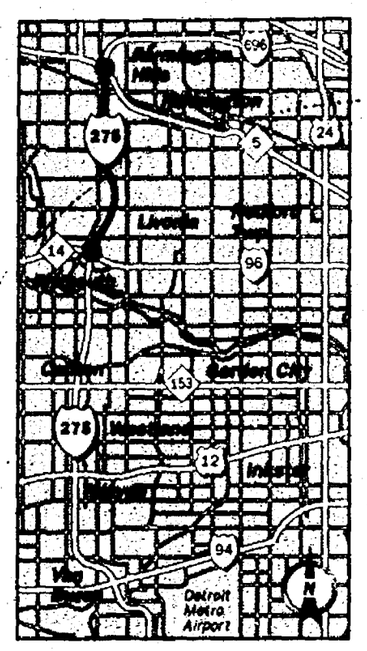
State officials were pleased that the construction bid came in at $49 million, less than the earlier estimate of $80 million. Originally the project was to last two years, but it was compressed into one.

Smooth ride

I-275 will be resurfaced this year between I-696 in Farmington Hills and Five Mile in Livonia.

Motorists and nearby residents can expect to see the following:

- In April, crews will add temporary lanes and pave crossover lanes just north of Five Mile Road in Livonia and just south of Grand River in Farmington Hills. Similar to construction completed last year on I-275 between M-14 and I-94, traffic from the southbound side will cross over to the northbound side with temporary lanes allowing for three lanes of traffic in both directions, separated by a concrete barrier.
- Contractors will remove old pavement and replace it with 12-inch thick concrete. That work will be completed on the freeway itself, the southbound ramp to I-275 from westbound I-696 in Oakland County, and entrance and exit ramps at Six, Seven and Eight Mile roads.
- The "loop" entrance and exit ramps at Six, Seven and Eight Mile roads will be closed for the 180-day duration of the project, but temporary crossover ramps will be built for I-275 traffic to travel through the construction area and directed to exit onto these mile roads.
- The long, "sweeping" entrance and exit ramps on the southbound side for each of these roads will be closed only during their reconstruction. Access is expected on the northbound side of the freeway – the side open to traffic – during the ramp construction.
- No two interchanges will be closed simultaneously; that is when the Six Mile interchange on the southbound side is closed for repairs. Seven and Eight Mile interchanges will be open.
- Repairs of 12 bridges over the freeway are expected to last through October. Motorists can expect traffic to be narrowed from two lanes to one in each direction. The time frame varies for the completion of bridge repairs, said Robin Pannecouk, MDOT spokesperson.
- The southbound side is expected to be completed in July. Then the freeway traffic will be switched to that side, also with three lanes in both directions, so the northbound side can then be completed. The bridgework will continue, while the ramps on that side of the freeway will be repaved.
- The construction is expectrd to be finished in October.



Eustice said the design concept helped reduce the costs to taxpayers. "By buying into the design concept, we're able to bring in more ideas from contractors, Eustice said.

Concern about noise

Not everyone at the hearing was happy with the concrete design. Three area residents complained that the freeway should have an asphalt surface to minimize the traffic noise.

David Sharpe from Farmington Hills told MDOT he was concerned about the noise. Eustice told him he didn't expect the traffic to increase. Sharpe also asked whether there would be increases once the M-5 connector was completed between 12 Mile and Pontiac Trail in the upcoming years, to which Eustice also was uncertain.

Eustice said a sound study would be completed once the

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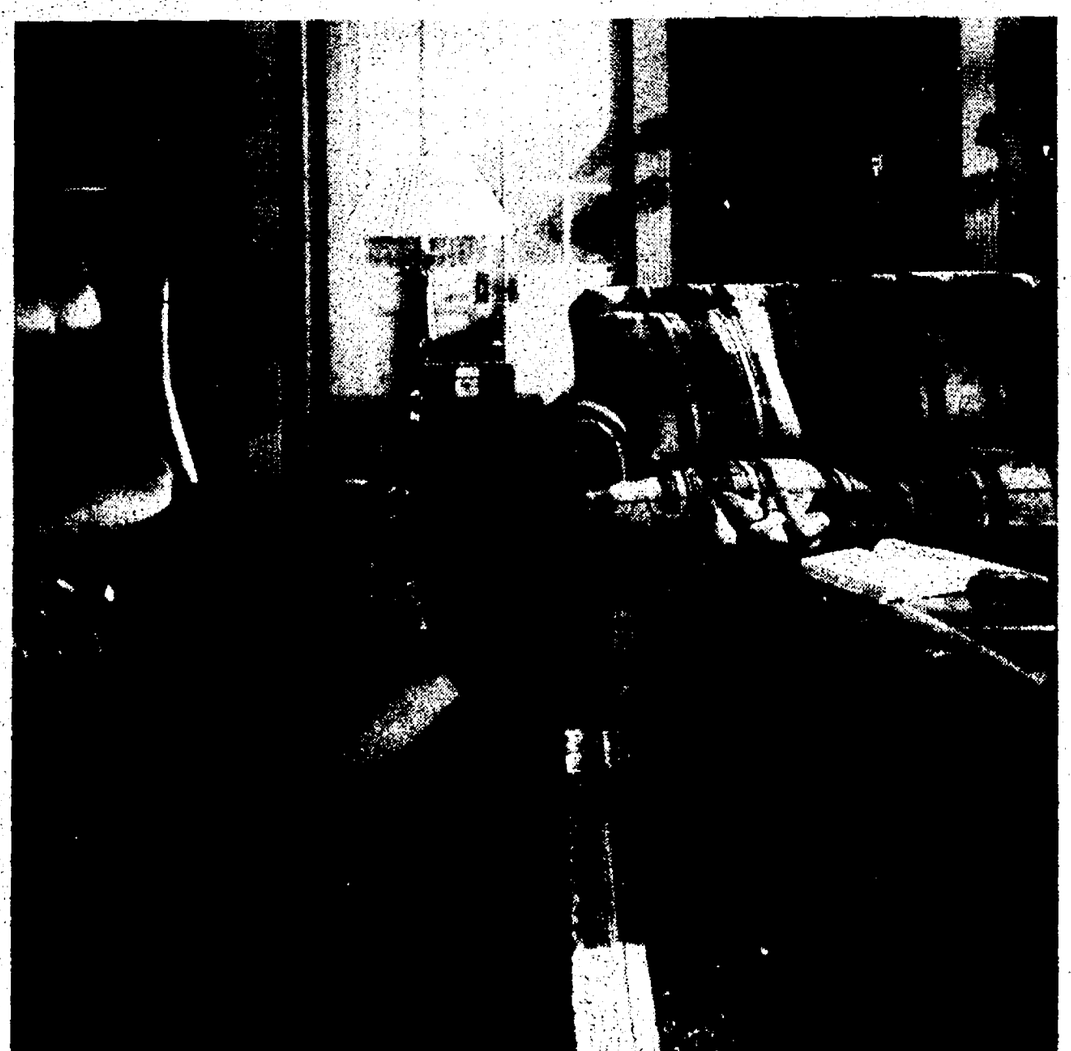

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construction was completed. MDOT officials said a study completed now would not give an accurate depiction of the noise when the road is full of potholes and in disrepair.

But Sharpe disagreed.

"Concrete is louder than asphalt," Sharpe said. "You ought to consider using asphalt, not concrete."

"The city has presented a request (to MDOT) that this be looked at further, " Eustice responded.

Larry Shoup of Farmington Hills complained that an environmental impact study was not completed to check on decibel levels of the traffic. MDOT officials responded that one was not required since it was a reconstruction project, not a new road.

MDOT officials did not give any indication the plans would be revised to include an asphalt surface during this year's construction, but they said they would take into consideration the public comments.

"I'm not going to leave here and forget about this conversation," Eustice said.

Livonia City Council President Jack Engebretson said the Livonia council had not received complaints about noise problems. "The city has granted a waiver of noise abatements to facilitate a completion of the job," Engebretson said. That abatement allowed the nighttime construction.

Engebretson said the freeway was in need of the repairs. "As (Wayne County Executive) Ed McNamara likes to say, 'it's a short-term inconvenience for long-term relief,'" Engebretson said.

MDOT officials expect to complete a map and brochure of the construction project in March for the public. If residents have any questions about the project, they can call Robin Pannecouk at (517) 373-1036.

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superintendent, raised the question of church influence in some charter schools.

"I asked," replied Gary Miron of WMU. "Many students said it was a Christian school. The leaders didn't." Later he said, "There was no evidence of it in the curriculum."

Added Khouri: "In many cases, a pastor was an organizer. That in itself isn't illegal."

Board member Kathleen Straus, D-Detroit, was concerned about racial diversity within individual charter schools, but the studies didn't help her much.

WMU's study said, "There is support for those who argue that the charter schools are skimming and increasing segregation ... (T)here is a clear trend toward fewer and fewer minorities in the PSAs."

President Beardmore was concerned that many companies view charter schools as chances to make money. WMU's study said some viewed the $5,600 per pupil in state aid as a chance to clear a profit of $1,000 per child, particularly since charter schools are weighted toward the lower grades that are cheaper to operate.

Families needed for exchange students

Lynne and Gideon Levenbach of Plymouth Township are coordinating a search for 15 local families who would like to host a teenager from a foreign country for the 1999-2000 school year.

Two students seeking homes include Paulina, 16, from Poland and Fabian, 17, of Sweden.

Both students are sponsored by the Program for Academic Exchange (PAX) which will provide medical insurance and money for personal expenses.

Paulina has studied English for four years. She wants to study international politics and become a diplomat. She is studying many languages and loves watching the news and reading newspapers.

"She has a wonderful sense of humor, enjoys music from classical to grunge," says Gideon Levenbach, adding "she swims, plays volleyball and plans to learn to play tennis this summer.

"She is eager to share her Polish culture with her host family and school. She even promises to cook some Polish food," he said.

Fabian enjoys chemistry and physics and plans to become an engineer. He has many sports interests which include soccer, tennis, swimming, skiing and sailing. He has been playing soccer for 10 years. Fabian describes himself as "quite talkative," and is eager to share his Swedish culture. His French teacher describes him as "friendly, polite, always cooperative and helpful." He is described as "honest, trustworthy and responsible."

Fabian has studied French for three years and English for six years.

The Levenbachs have placed and supervised more than 175 students in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties for the last 11 years.

"Students and families have formed bonds of love that have transcended cultural barriers," says Lynne Levenbach.

This spring, the Levenbachs and their two sons will travel to Paris to attend the wedding of the boy they hosted in 1988-1989.

Couples or singles, with or without children, who have an interest in hosting Paulina, Fabian or any other students, are encouraged to call the Levenbachs at (734) 453-8562 or (734) 453-6851 or e-mail to LLevenbach@juno.com

Senate bills get tough with Internet predators

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Another "get tough" package of bills has been passed by the state Senate, this time covering sexual predators who use the Internet to target children.

The votes were 33-0 and 34-0 during the Senate's half-hour session Feb. 17. The bills go to the House.

Senators didn't discuss the $24,000 per inmate cost of adding two years to a convict's sentence if he used Internet to solicit a minor for sex.

"If you are a sexual predator using the Internet, we are going to find you, we are going to get you, and we are going to put you in jail," said Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, sponsor of SB 7 defining the crime.

"More than 16 million children use the Internet every day, and this technology gives pedophiles and other predators unfettered access to minors," said Rogers. "These bills say that we are not going to let these reprehensible people turn the Internet into a weapon to use against innocent children," said Sen. George Z. Hart, D-Dearborn, sponsor of SB 217 setting a two-year prison sentence for use of the Internet. The penalty would be on top of any sentence imposed for the sexual assault.

Repeat offenders would serve an additional five years.

A third bill, SB 117, is aimed at curbing pornography on the Internet.

All area senators voted yes except the absent John Cherry, D-Clio, and Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion. Bill Bullard, R-Milford, missed one vote.

A week earlier, lawmakers decried Gov. John Engler's proposed 8.6 percent increase in the Department of Corrections prison budget while schools were getting half that increase or less.

But Mary Lannoye, Engler's budget chief, pointed out that the Legislature itself is defining more crimes and mandating longer sentences.

The Senate Fiscal Agency said the package would have an "indeterminate" cost. About 2,400 cases a year involve child abusive commercial activity, kidnapping, stalking or criminal sexual conduct. About half the offenders get prison sentences or jail time.

The number of convicts who used the Internet is unknown.

It costs the state an average of $18,000 a year to house an inmate. SFA said that, assuming a prisoner with a two-year sentence actually serves about 16 months, the cost per person is about $24,000. Assuming 5 percent of the cases involved Internet and minors, prison costs could increase by $2.3 million.

Under Hart's bill, convicts also could be fined up to $2,000 for a first offense and $5,000 for a subsequent offense.

Sunday fund-raiser will aid girl in battle against leukemia

A fund-raiser for the Leukemia Society of America Team in Training Marathon is set for 6-8 p.m. in Hidden Cove Estates Clubhouse, 15311 Five MIle Road, just west of Haggerty Road (north side of Five Mile).

Cost is $25 per person and includes a light supper, refreshments, desserts and entertainment.

Contributions are tax-deductible.

Gisele St. Louis-Woolsey and Diane Miller, employees at Parisian in Laurel Park Place, are participating in a 26.2 mile run/walk in San Diego in May. Their fund-raising goal is $3,600 each for the Leukemia Society. St. Louis-Woolsey's daughter, Abby, has leukemia. When St. Louis-Woolsey decided to enter the May event in San Diego, her colleagues at Parisian rallied to help out. Miller decided to join the run/walk fund-raising effort.

Parisian colleague Martin Bell is hosting the fund-raiser along with Reuben Scheldon Lambert.

"I know this marathon will probably be the most physically challenging event of my lifetime and yet it seems so small a feat in comparison to the challenges that Abby has faced," writes St. Louis-Woolsey in a fund-raising letter to family and friends.

Tickets for the event "Abby's Road to Success" are available at the door.

SC students eligible for scholarships

Schoolcraft College students transferring to the University of Michigan are eligible for a scholarship worth a minimum $700, awarded by the University of Michigan Northville Alumni Club.

To qualify, a current Schoolcraft student must have a 3.0 grade-point average, be accepted by the U-M at either the Ann Arbor, Dearborn or Flint campus, and submit a statement of no more than 250 words explaining career goals and how a U-M degree will help meet those goals.

Applicants also must include a copy of all college transcripts with the application.

Applications are available at Schoolcraft's Counseling Office in the McDowell Center and must be submitted to the Marketing & Development Office by Friday, April 16. Marketing & Development is located in the Administration Building. For more information, call (734) 462-4417.

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

Madonna will honor alumni

Madonna University is seeking nominations for outstanding alumni who have made significant contributions to their profession, the community and the university.

To qualify, nominees must have earned a degree from Madonna University and have contributed to Madonna while a student and alumnus. The award winner will be honored at commencement Saturday, May 8.

"We have many supportive alumni who have remained true to their alma mater and have accomplished a great deal," said Sister Mary Lauriana, vice president for university advancement. "They excel in their careers and in their service to the community, which is an extension of the mission of Madonna University - education for truth, goodness and service."

A brief, written statement of the accomplishment of the alumni should be mailed to Sister Lauriana at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mich. 48150. Deadline for nominations is Saturday, March 20. Nominations may be e-mailed to: nodge@smtp.munet.edu

For more information, call the Advancement Office at (734) 432-5603.

Casino training classes planned

Wayne County Community College District officials and employers from the Greektown Casinos are inviting residents to attend an orientation for casino training classes beginning at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Downtown Campus, 801 W. Fort in Detroit.

Anyone interested in becoming a casino dealer, slot attendant, casino security officer or a casino cashier should attend the orientation meetings, which are offered Feb. 24, March 3, March 10 and March 17. Those attending will be invited to a job fair 3-10 p.m. Tuesday, March 30.

For more information, contact Ken Harris at (313) 496-2606.

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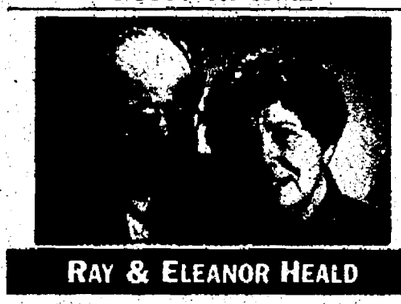
FOCUS ON WINE



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Fine wines from Chile reasonably priced

Maipo Valley is Chile's most recognized winegrowing region. Located southwest of Santiago, with the Andes Mountains to the east and coastal mountain ranges to the west, its soils, climate and elevation are well-suited to grapegrowing. Vina Tarapaca's wines showcase these advantages with a New Age twist at very reasonable prices.

The history of Vina Tarapaca dates to 1874, but it was only in 1996 that Beringer Wine Estates began importing these wines into the U.S. for the first time. They've been in our market since mid-1997, but it was only recently that we were able to meet with winemaker Sergio Correa and learn the full story.

Winemaker

Correa, a 27-year-veteran of the wine industry, has been a major force in the development of the modern wine era in Chile. He spent several harvests studying in Bordeaux and his regular visits to both France and California keep him up-to-date on the vast wine improvements made in both wine regions.

There are many comparisons to be made between Chile and California, both in climate and experimenting with new grape varieties such as viognier and syrah. Correa's extensive knowledge of Chile's growing regions and high-tech use of satellites, providing soil profiles, allowed him to plant varieties in the places they will grow best.

Rocky soils with round river stones became home to cabernet sauvignon,

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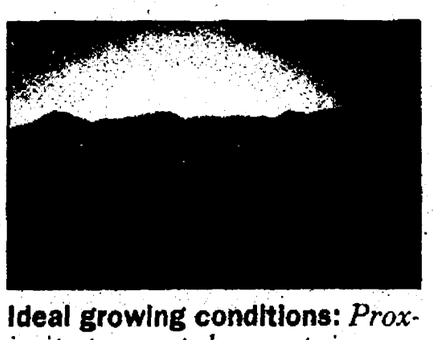

Ideal growing conditions: *Proximity to coastal mountain ranges brings multiple benefits to grapevines of Vina Tarapaca in Chile.*

Wine Picks

Picks of the Pack: **1995 Quintessa $90.** Yes, it's up there in price, but give it a blind taste challenge against a first growth Bordeaux at twice the price and you'll be amazed! Hands down, the best Bordeaux-blend from California we've tasted from the 1995 vintage.

If you're opting for red wines only, you may be missing some very tasty and versatile whites. Try: **1997 Murphy-Goode Pinot Blanc $14**; **1996 Morgan Reserve Chardonnay $25** (dynamite!); and **1997 Murphy-Goode Fume II $25** (wow!).

Cabernets and cabernet blends pair with the hearty and more savory foods of winter. Among the best: **1996 Estancia Duo $25**; **1996 Murphy-Goode Cabernet Sauvignon $20**; **1996 Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon, Rutherford**; and **1995 Mount Veeder Cabernet Sauvignon $30.**

Best buys at $10 and under: **1997 Deise Cotes du Ventoux (red) $7**; **1997 Hogue Semillon $7**; **1997 Forest Glen Merlot $10**; and **1997 Veramonte Merlot $10.**

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Cheers for Beer
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Maple Syrup Festival

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 27-28.
WHERE: Cranbrook Institute of Science, 1221 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills.
ADMISSION: Included with admission to the Cranbrook Institute of Science, $7 adults, $4 children (ages 3-17) and senior citizens (age 60 and over), children age 3 and under, and members, free. Call (877) GO-CRANBrook for more information.
HIGHLIGHT: All-you-can-eat pancake breakfast Sunday, Feb. 28. Seatings at 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. followed by a 90-minute program. The cost is adults $10, children (age 12 and younger), $8. Preregistration required, call (248) 645-3230.

Tree Tapping Tromp

WHEN: 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27
WHERE: Meet at the Pony Barn on Fairlane Dr., University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, off Evergreen between Michigan Ave. and Ford Road.
WHAT: Learn how maple trees are tapped for sap.

Maple Sugaring Demonstration

WHEN: 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 6.
WHERE: Walks leave on the hour from the terrace of the Henry Ford Estate on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus. Learn how maple syrup is made from maple sap. Call (313) 593-5338 for more information about the Tree Tapping Tromp or Maple Sugaring Demonstration.

It's a fact

- Michigan ranks 7th in maple syrup production in the United States behind Vermont, New York, Maine, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, and Ohio.
- The production of maple syrup is the oldest agricultural enterprise in the United States.
- Only about 1 percent of Michigan's maple forest resource is used in maple syrup production.
- In an average year, each taphole will produce 10 gallons of maple sap, enough for about a quart of syrup.
- Maple syrup is the first farm crop to be harvested in Michigan each year.
- A maple tree needs to be about 40 years old before it will be large enough to tap for syrup.
- While the sugaring season may last 6 to 10 weeks, most of the sap will be collected in 10 or fewer days.
- Maple sap is boiled to remove the water and concentrate the sugars in a process called evaporation.
- Pure Michigan maple syrup has 40 calories per tablespoon and is fat-free. It has no additives, no added coloring and no preservatives.

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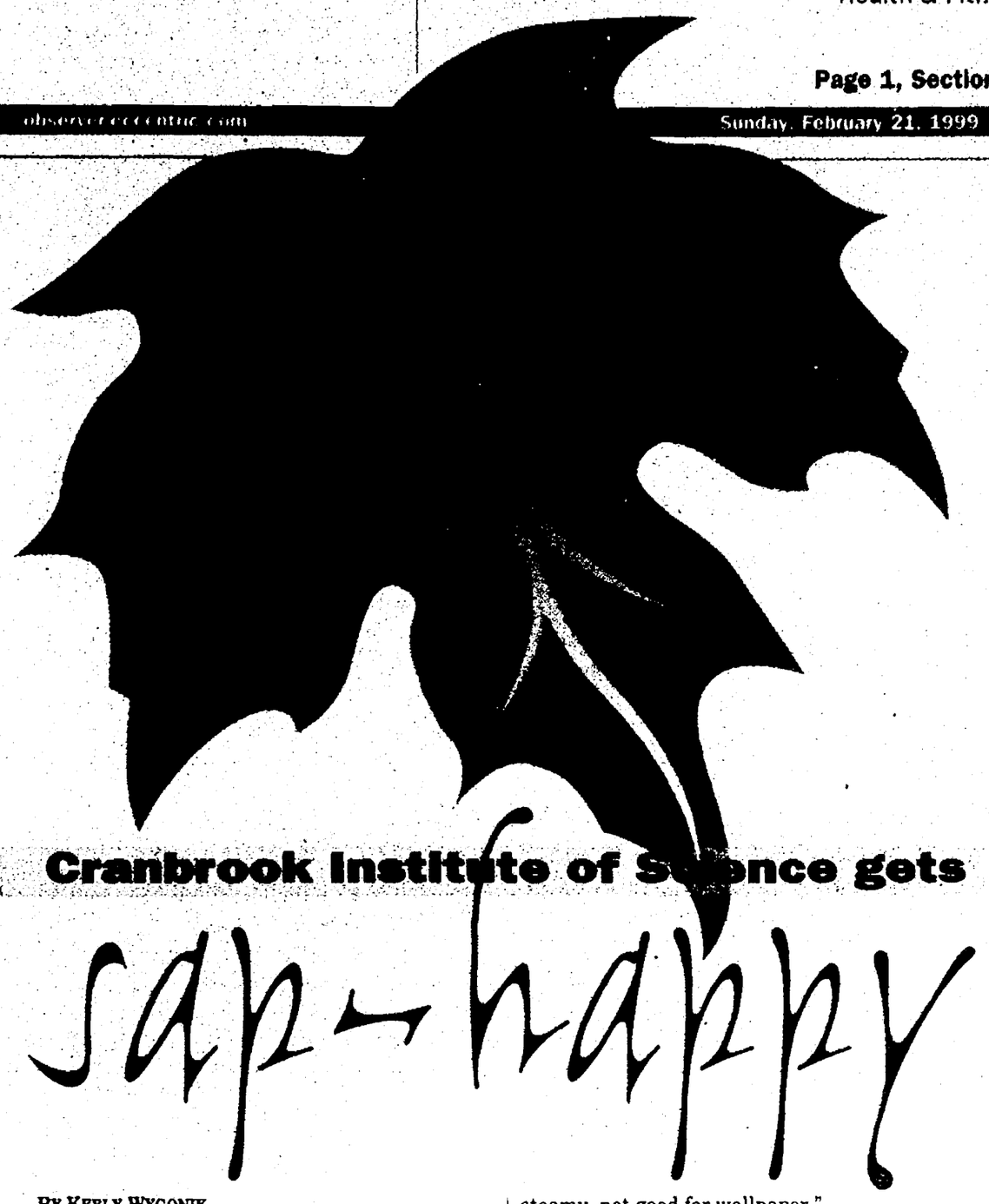

Cranbrook Institute of Science gets *sap-happy*

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Warm days, cold nights, believe it or not, spring is just around the corner. Michelle Goyette and her staff are getting a little sappy at the Cranbrook Institute of Science where they're planning the 25th annual Maple Syrup Festival Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 27-28.

"As soon as the sap starts running the trees will start budding, unless we cool off," said Goyette. "The sap is a sure sign of spring."

Like berries in a berry patch, you can't predict when the sap will start running. "You need warm days 40°F or above, and cool nights 25°F or lower," said Goyette who is head naturalist at the Cranbrook Institute of Science.

If you've ever wondered how maple syrup is made, you'll want to attend the festival.

A maple tree is ready to tap when it is at least 10 inches in diameter. You can add a second collection spout to trees over 18 inches in diameter. According to the Michigan Maple Syrup Association, a single taphole produces a quart to a gallon of sap per flow period (from a few hours to a day or more) with a seasonal accumulation of 10 to 12 gallons per taphole.

"It takes about 40 gallons of sap to produce one gallon of syrup," said Goyette. "Sap is 98 percent water and tastes like water."

Because sap is mostly water, you have to boil it until the water evaporates leaving only syrup. "You have to boil the sap until it reaches seven degrees above the boiling point of water, about 219°F.," said Goyette. "It takes a couple of hours to make syrup and the kitchen gets very steamy, not good for wallpaper."

They don't tap maple trees at Cranbrook Institute of Science for the maple syrup but to show visitors how it's done. "It's a nice family activity," said Goyette. "It gives you a lot of information."

At the festival you will learn about the history and science of making maple syrup, and observe tree tapping along Cranbrook's Nature Trail. There will be maple candy demonstrations, and you'll even get to sample some. Maple syrup will also be offered for sale.

After seeing how maple syrup is made, you might decide to give it a try. You can buy supplies at the Cranbrook Nature Center, or call The Sugar Bush, (517) 349-5185.

The Michigan Maple Syrup Association provides a lot of information about making maple syrup at their web site, www.mi-maplesyrup.com

The University of Michigan-Dearborn is also hosting some sappy events.

If you want to see how maple trees are tapped for sap, stop by the Pony Barn, just past the Henry Ford Estate on Fairlane Dr., on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 for a Tree Tapping Tromp through the woods at the nature preserve on campus.

Maple Sugaring Demonstrations will be offered 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 6. Groups will leave the terrace of the Henry Ford Estate on the U-M Dearborn campus every hour for a walk to the meadow where sap is collected, to the evaporator where sap is made into maple syrup.

See recipes inside.

For quick pot roast try heat and serve beef

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DINNERS IN A HURRY

Imagine, beef pot roast in 30 minutes, or 10 minutes if you cook it in a microwave. Sounds too easy to be true, but it's not.

"Heat-and-serve" fully-cooked beef products are what's new at your grocery store. "We're letting people know what's out there. You'll be seeing more of it," explained Monica Feeser, director of promotions for the Michigan Beef Industry Commission.

Heat N' Serve Beef Pot Roast with Gravy, produced by Illinois-based RMH Foods, is one of the new crop of fully cooked, heat-and-serve beef products being offered at Sam's Club, Meijer and Kroger.

"The manufacturer does all the work," said Feeser. "They're real easy, and they taste really good."

RMH Foods' products are made with Certified Angus Beef. They were among the top five finalists for "Best New Beef Product in America," an award sponsored by the National Cattlemen's Association.

Other products on the market, or soon to be, include Burnett & Son Beef Pot Roast, Mallard's Cooking Made Easy Beef Tips and Beef Pot Roast, Mosey's Time for Dinner Beef Pot Roast, and Lloyd's BBQ Beef. The cost ranges from $4.99 to $6.99 a pound. Look for these products in the meat department of your favorite grocery store.

"People are working longer hours than they were 20 years ago and don't have time to cook," said Feeser. "Today, 70 percent of consumers spend 30 minutes or less preparing a meal at home, compared to 2-1/2 hours in 1960. Nearly two-thirds of dinner decisions are made the same day and the majority of consumers wait until 4:30 p.m. to decide what to have for dinner because of their busy schedules."

With little time to cook, convenience has become more important than ever. One-third of all Americans have eaten some type of ground beef in the past 24 hours, and burgers are the most popular use of ground beef. Steaks account for 17 percent of all beef meals served at home, but Americans are buying fewer cuts from the chuck and round, because they take longer to prepare. Thirty-six percent of consumers surveyed said pot roasts take too much time to prepare.

Fully-cooked, heat-and-serve beef products offer an alternative to people who crave mom's pot roast but don't have the time to prepare it themselves.

Consumers said they would probably serve pot roast once a month if it was fully cooked and only needed to be popped in a microwave for 15 minutes, according to a survey by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

I kitchen tested the boneless Heat N' Serve Beef Pot Roast with Gravy by RMI Foods with good results. Consumers have the option of reheating the meat in the microwave, which takes 10 minutes, or in the oven at 350°F for approximately 30 minutes. I chose the oven.

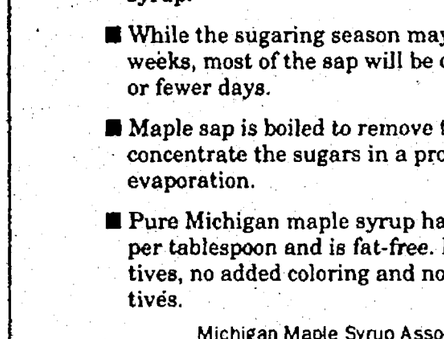
The meat was juicy and tender and didn't taste salty. While the meat is cooking, you can quickly prepare a potato, vegetable and salad. Start to finish, this dinner is ready in 30 minutes. That includes time for reheating and thickening the gravy with cornstarch and water.

If you're counting calories and fat grams, or concerned about the amount of sodium in your diet, be sure to read the label. These products might not be for you.

A 3 oz. serving of pot roast, but let's be realistic, have you ever eaten a 3 oz. serving of anything? is 190 calories. Total fat is 14g, saturated fat 6g, cholesterol 50mg, sodium 400mg. Total calories from fat 130.

For taste and convenience, heat-and-serve beef products are worth a try. Just be sure to eat lots of veggies.

See recipe inside.



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Quick roast: *When you don't have time to cook, but crave comfort food, try a fully-cooked, heat-and-serve beef pot roast.*

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Hurry up dinner: *Quick Beef Burgundy, made with fully-cooked, heat-and-serve boneless beef pot roast, is ready in 30 minutes.*

Pure maple syrup makes everything special

See related story on Taste front.

VERMONT MAPLE SAUSAGE PATTIES

- 2 slices whole-wheat bread
- 1/3 cup low-fat milk
- 1 pound pork tenderloin, trimmed of fat
- 1 cup peeled, grated apple (about 1 large apple)
- 2 tablespoons pure maple syrup
- 1 teaspoon dried rubbed sage
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon ground mace
- Pinch of ground red pepper (cayenne)

Finely crumble bread into a mixing bowl, stir in milk, and set aside to soak.

Finely chop the pork with a large knife. Add the chopped pork to the soaked bread along with apples, maple syrup, sage, thyme, salt, black pepper, ginger, mace and red pepper.

Mix together thoroughly with clean hands (the mixture will be fairly soft.) Form the sausage mixture into 16 patties, using about 3 tablespoons per patty. (Wash hands and everything touched by raw pork thoroughly.)

Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium-low heat. Brown half of the patties until no longer pink in the center, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Transfer to a serving plate and cover to keep warm. Repeat with remaining patties.

Patties can also be baked in the oven at 400°F for 5 to 8 minutes. This keeps more of the flavor in the sausage. Makes 16 patties.

Recipe from the Inn at the Round Barn Farm/Waitsfield, Vt. featured in "Innkeepers' Best Low-Fat Breakfasts: 60 Delicious Recipes Shared by Bed & Breakfast Innkeepers Across the Country," by Laura Zahn, Down to Earth Publications, St. Paul, Minn.

MAPLE-MUSTARD DRUMSTICKS

- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 1/4 cup bottled chili sauce
- 1/4 cup cider vinegar
- 2 tablespoons prepared white horseradish
- 2 teaspoons dry mustard
- 2 1/2 to 3 pounds chicken drumsticks

Prepare a medium-hot fire in a barbecue grill. Meanwhile, in a small non-reactive saucepan, combine maple syrup, chili sauce, vinegar, horseradish, and mustard.

Cook over medium-low heat, stirring to dissolve mustard, until sauce is hot, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat.

Grill chicken, turning once, 15 minutes. Brush with some of the sauce and continue to grill, turning and brushing occasionally with sauce, until chicken juices run clear when pricked with a knife tip, 20 to 25 minutes longer. Stop basting about 5 minutes before chicken is done. Serves 6.

Recipe from "365 More Ways to Cook Chicken," by Melanie Barnard, HarperCollins Publishers.

MAPLE-BAKED CHICKEN

- 1 (3 pound) broiler-fryer chicken, cut into 10 serving pieces or 3 pounds drumsticks, thighs or wings
- 1/2 teaspoon fried-chicken seasoning or poultry seasoning
- 1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 1/4 cup prepared mustard
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons margarine or butter, cut into small pieces
- Optional garnishes: parsley sprigs

Heat oven to 350°F. Remove any visible fat from chicken pieces.

Rinse chicken under cold water; blot dry with paper towels. Rub with seasoning blend, salt (if desired), and pepper.

In large baking dish, arrange chicken pieces in single layer. In medium-size bowl, blend syrup, mustard, and lemon juice; pour mixture over chicken. Dot with margarine.

Cover with foil; bake 30 minutes. Uncover dish; bake basting occasionally with pan juices, until browned and glazed, about 20 additional minutes. Transfer to serving platter; garnish with parsley. Serves 5.

Recipe from "Essence Brings You Great Cooking," by Jonell Nash, Amistad Press, New York.

ORANGE-MAPLE SYRUP

- 3/4 cup pure maple syrup
- 1/4 cup orange juice

In a small saucepan, bring maple syrup and orange juice to a boil over high heat, stirring frequently. Serve warm. Makes 1 cup.

Make a double batch of this syrup and store in the refrigerator for French toast, pancakes or waffles.

Recipe from "365 Delicious Low-Fat Recipes," by Phyllis Kohn, HarperCollins Publishers, New York.

Wine *from page B1*

merlot and syrah. Some merlot was also planted in sandy soil while chardonnay and sauvignon blanc were planted in deep, fertile soils.

"There are numerous advantages to grape growing for fine wines in Chile," Correa said. "Among them are low disease pressures because of isolation between the Andes and the ocean. Soils are very acidic, therefore Chile has not experienced the ravages of phylloxera and may never. We are still planting grape vines on their own roots and are not using rootstock."

Most Vina Tarapaca wines range in price between $7 and $10. While Correa is introducing new grape varieties to Chile, wines principally available now are sauvignon blanc, chardonnay, merlot and cabernet sauvignon. Since these are the top four most-requested varietal wines in the U.S., we're all in luck.

■ The 1998 La Isla Sauvignon Blanc $10, from a special vineyard parcel, is reminiscent of a French Sancerre. No wonder, 90 percent French clone! It has a fuller mouthfeel, is rich, balanced and really delicious with broiled fish that shows off its coconut notes in the finish.

Vina Tarapaca tasting notes

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Among the chardonnays are 1998 Estate $7 and 1997 Reserva $10. The Estate is a fruit-driven wine with fresh, fruity finish. The Reserva has very complex aromas and flavors. At this price it has an amazing finish with loads of finesse.

Merlots are 1996 Estate $7 and 1996 Reserva $10. The estate is fruit laden and easy drinking, but the Reserva has more guts in a medium-bodied wine with complex, generous layers of fruit.

In cabernet sauvignon, Vina Tarapaca offers 1996 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon $7 and 1994 Reserva $10. Again the Estate is fruit driven and with a medium body, it is a great value at this price. The excellent structure of the Reserva, with its depthful fruit and distinct spicy notes, is well worth the added price.

New-age Chilean red

The knockout wine, however, is 1996 Vina Tarapaca Zavala $35, a New Age proprietary blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot and syrah made from grapes grown on the Vina Tarapaca Estate. Zavala is a tribute to the former owner of Vina Tarapaca, Signora Arturo Zavala, the guiding force at the winery for a half century. Interesting to note: Vina Tarapaca has the largest planting of syrah in Chile.

In Zavala, bright red fruit accents are enhanced by two periods of aging in French oak, eight months as individual wine components, then another 13 months as the blend. "I put my personality in this wine," Correa concluded.

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Quick Beef dishes

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QUICK BEEF BURGUNDY

Total preparation & cooking time: 30 minutes

- 1 package fully-cooked, heat-and-serve boneless beef pot roast (1 3/4 to 2 1/2 pounds)
- 10 ounces uncooked egg noodles
- 1 pound small mushrooms
- 2 small onions, cut into thin wedges, separated
- 2/3 cup Burgundy or dry red wine
- 3/4 teaspoon dried marjoram leaves, crushed
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch dissolved in 3 tablespoons water
- Chopped fresh parsley (optional)

Cook noodles according to package directions; drain and keep warm.

Meanwhile, remove pot roast from package; transfer liquid to Dutch oven. Cut pot roast into 1-inch pieces; set aside.

Add mushrooms, onions, water and marjoram to liquid. Bring to a boil; reduce heat to medium-low. Simmer, uncovered 7 to 8 minutes or until vegetables are almost tender; stir occasionally.

Add beef. Bring to a boil. Cook 2 to 3 minutes or until beef is heated through; stir occasionally. Stir in cornstarch mixture. Bring to a boil; cook and stir 1 minute or until thickened. Serve over noodles; sprinkle with parsley if desired. Makes 4 servings.

STEAK, PEAR & WALNUT SALAD

- 3 cups cooked tender beef steak strips
- 1 package (10 ounces) mixed salad greens
- 1 firm ripe pear, cut into 12 wedges
- 1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped toasted walnuts
- 1/4 cup prepared balsamic vinaigrette

In large bowl combine steak, greens, pear, cheese and walnuts. Drizzle with dressing; toss to gently coat. Makes 4 servings.

Cook's tip: Strips of ready-to-serve deli roast beef or slices of heat-and-serve beef tri-tip roast can be substituted for the beef steak strips.

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Main dish salad: *Steak, Pear & Walnut Salad made with strips of cooked beef, packaged salad greens and prepared salad dressing can be on the table in 15 minutes.*

Fashionable, indispensable garlic more than a nutrition accessory

AP – Guess what this one's about: "Garlic, Garlic, Garlic" (Houghton Mifflin, $16) by Linda and Fred Griffith.

It does indeed offer more than 200 recipes for what its authors enthusiastically dub "the indispensable ingredient, nearly as vital as salt."

They sadly acknowledge a certain resistance or, even worse, indifference on the part of Americans to this pungent vegetable. But they suggest that times are changing and that the clove is coming into its own.

"Today garlic is fashionable, almost everyone likes it," they say, quoting authorities who champion its flavor and its health benefits, and citing the growing cachet of exotic garlic varieties at specialty food stores.

The authors' previous cookbook, "Onions, Onions, Onions," won a James Beard award. In their new book they offer recipes that range from starters such as Roasted Garlic Pate to Honey-Poached Garlic Sauce for Ice Cream, a provocative idea for dessert. The Creamy Roasted Garlic Soup with Leeks and Potatoes (recipe follows) would be a heartwarming item on a cold day. It really is creamy although it does not have a drop of cream or milk, and it has sautéed, thinly sliced garlic as a crunchy, toasty garnish.

CREAMY ROASTED GARLIC SOUP WITH LEEKS AND POTATOES

- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 5 plump heads of garlic, roasted (see note), plus 3 plump garlic cloves, thinly sliced
- 4 cups well-washed, thinly sliced leeks, including tender green
- 3 pounds large Yukon gold potatoes, peeled and cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 10 cups vegetable stock
- Kosher salt and freshly ground white pepper to taste
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh chives

Heat olive oil in a small saucepan or skillet over medium heat. Add sliced garlic and sauté just until crisp and golden brown, 2 to 3 minutes. Do not let garlic get too dark or it will be bitter. Using a slotted spoon, transfer garlic to paper towels to drain. Reserve.

Combine hot olive oil and leeks in a large, heavy soup pot. Cover tightly and cook over very low heat until leeks are quite wilted, 15 to 20 minutes, stirring from time to time. Add potatoes, thyme and stock. Cover and cook over medium heat until stock is bubbling, about 5 minutes. Reduce heat to low and simmer until potatoes are very tender, 30 to 40 minutes. Remove soup from heat. Pour 2 cups of the stock into a measuring cup and reserve.

Working in batches, puree soup and roasted garlic together. Return puree to pot, season with salt and pepper, and stir over medium-high heat until bubbling. If soup is too thick, thin with as much reserved stock as needed to give the soup a pleasing thickness. Adjust seasonings, adding more salt and pepper to taste.

Ladle into heated soup plates and sprinkle with crisped sliced garlic and fresh chives. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Note: To roast garlic heads, preheat oven to 325°F. Slice off top of each head; gently remove outer papery skin from sides of head. Place heads in ovenproof dish.

Spoon 1 tablespoon of oil over each head, then drizzle 1 teaspoon of water over it. Cover tightly with foil. Bake garlic for 1 1/4 hours. Uncover, baste with any remaining pan juices, and bake uncovered until golden, about 15 minutes more. Roasted garlic may be stored in the refrigerator up to 10 days.

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Here's a laid-back, but fun DB mom, 34, 5', who's waiting to hear from you, a SBM, 32-42, who loves children and going to church. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, long conversations and dining. Ad#.1234

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Everybody knows that honey and lemon is good for a chest cold and gargling with salt water soothes a sore throat.

The Observer Health & Fitness staff is planning an issue on folk remedies, those tried-and-true Rxs straight out of your grandma's kitchen. We'd like to know how your folks and grand folks cured what ailed them when the doctor wasn't around. What do you do for your sniffles, bee bites, worts and tummy aches?

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Red Cross volunteers

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross needs volunteers to assist with blood collection and disaster services. The Red Cross meets nearly 100 percent of the blood needs in our community, providing life-saving blood supplies to hospitals throughout Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Volunteers assist with registering donors, labeling blood collection containers and serving refreshments to donors. Volunteers never come in direct contact with blood. Training is provided, and no experience is necessary.

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For more information, call the Dearborn Service Center at (313) 274-5450 or the Livonia Service Center at (734) 422-2787.

Prostate screening

If you think prostate cancer is a man's disease, you're half right. Prostate cancer not only affects the grandfather, father, husband or son, but the whole family – emotionally, financially and physically.

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will conduct free prostate screenings 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 6, in the St. Mary Hospital Pavilion, 14555 Levan. The screening provides a prostate exam by a physician and a blood test to measure the Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) level, as well as educational material.

Preregistration is requested by calling (734) 655-8940 or toll-free 1-800-494-1650.

Memory quiz

Does memory decrease with age? Read over this list for one minute, then try to recall as many words as you can:

- pickle
- artist
- button
- table
- balloon
- mailbox
- lipstick
- shovel
- engine
- nickel

The average score for each age-group:

■ up to age 30 – eight or nine right
■ 30-40 – seven or eight right
■ 40-60 – six or seven right
■ 60-70 – five or six right
■ 70+ – four or five

If you did better than your age-group, great! If not, don't panic – there's great variability in how people perform on memory tests. However, if you found it difficult to remember more than one or two words with serious effort, see your doctor.

Source: "25 Tips to Recharge Your Memory," by Rick Gallot, as printed in Prevention magazine, February 1999

We want your health news

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

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TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER

Center brings care to heart patients

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

After more than a year of denying she had heart trouble, Sandy Garbarino realized she either had to seek help or die.

"I had trouble accepting it and I didn't go for treatment the first year," Garbarino said.

"It's a very scary feeling. You're listening to what they're saying, but it doesn't hit you right away. Then it got so bad, I went to emergency at Botsford and met Dr. Levine."

That decision marked the beginning of a new life with a new heart for the Redford Township woman, one of the first patients at the Michigan Institute for Heart Failure and Transplant Care at Botsford Hospital.

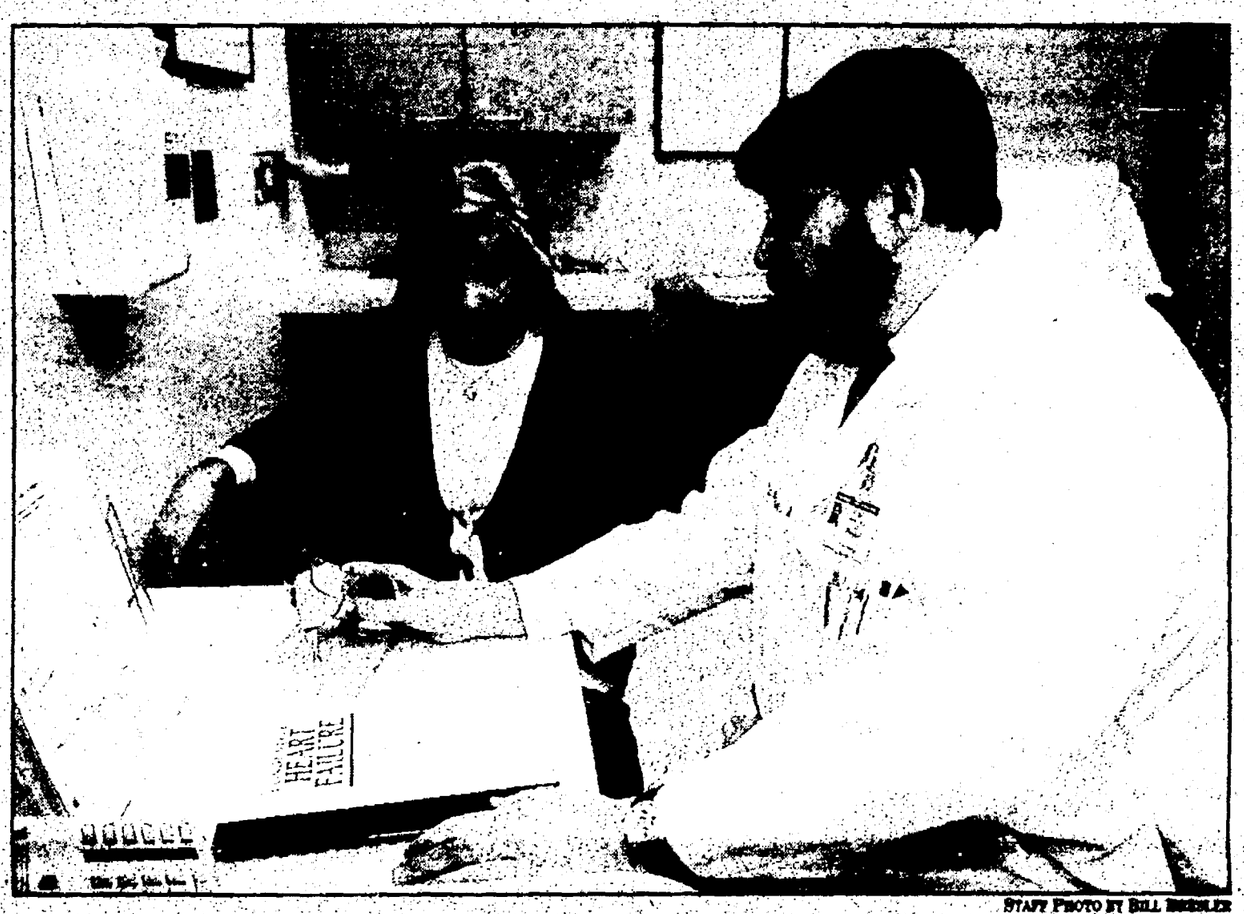
Dr. T. Barry Levine is director of the institute, which represents a new medium for medicine that brings the experts and facilities out of their ivory towers and big cities to the communities where sick people live.

The institute is the only free-standing heart failure and transplant center in the United States.

Garbarino was able to receive all her preparatory and post-operation care a few miles from her house. The actual heart transplant was June 29, 1998, at the Cleveland Clinic.

"The institute is a dream and a vision in the next step in health care," Levine said.

"It's based on taking centers of expertise and moving them from isolated academic environments and tertiary care facilities and bringing them to the people and doctors."



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Consultation: *Dr. Barry T. Levine of the Michigan Institute of Heart Failure and Transplant Care at Botsford Hospital discusses follow-up care with Sandy Garbarino of Redford Township.*

Symptoms of disease

In 1996, at 49 years old, Garbarino knew something had gone terribly wrong.

She had trouble breathing and couldn't finish the smallest tasks. After a visit to an emergency room, Garbarino was told she had a bleeding ulcer and congestive heart failure. A heart monitor told doctors that her heart was weak and regularly stopped beating. A transplant was her only hope.

She was immediately admitted to Botsford Hospital and began a series of blood tests, chest X-rays and psychological reviews to make sure she could emotionally handle the trauma of a new heart. Then she was taken by ambulance to the Cleveland Clinic where she waited for one month for the next available heart.

The only information Garbarino has regarding the donor is that her heart came from a woman who lived and died in Chicago.

In Michigan last year, there were 60 heart transplants, compared to 120 transplants at the Cleveland Clinic during that same time.

"It took me awhile to accept the fact that that was the way I had to get a heart," Garbarino said.

"I'm very grateful to the donor. I don't think I want to know the age of the patient, I think it would bother me if it was a young donor, but I couldn't be more grateful for what she and her family did for me and my family."

A real estate appraiser, Garbarino returned home and received the remaining of her extensive followup care at the Institute. At first, she had a biopsy done weekly, then every two weeks, then once a month and finally after six months she now needs followup care every two or three months.

Off of work on medical leave, Garbarino plans to return once she gains more strength, especially in her legs, which are weak and hinder her from going up and down stairs. While she gets stronger, and in fact, for the rest of her life, Garbarino plans to continue going to the institute, which opened in a hospital wing, previously used for the emergency room, in September 1997.

About the institute

That date marked a dream come true for Levine and Dr. Robert Stomel, Botsford chief of cardiology and director of the Institute of Cardiovascular Health, who wanted to build a bridge between the academic world of studies to the doctors treating patients.

"It is meant to bring our clinical program for heart failure treatment and education facility to the community where the people are," said Levine, a professor of medicine at the University of Michigan who worked for 10 years at Henry Ford Hospital and 10 years at the University of Minnesota.

"New insights develop and never germinate, because of an inherent bias, between academic medicine where you think scholarly thoughts and physicians on the front line," he said. "There can be a lack of communication between these two environments, because of barriers between the town and the gown. We've taken the best of the academic world and taken it to the best of the clinical world and pushed forward with this concept."

The institute has 500 some patients. Last year, six institute patients had heart transplants.

"Seven out of eight people referred to us for heart transplants don't need transplants," explained Levine, who stresses the importance of exhausting all other treatments first.

In the last seven years, the number of people donating their organs has remained constant, he said. Rather than look to increase the supply, he is working to limit the demand by making his patients' hearts healthier.

"Surgery is one aspect of the solution," Levine said. "There are other ways of dealing with the problem and we're exploring the full gamut."

Consider that some 80 percent of patients who visit emergency rooms with heart failure are admitted for hospital stays, Levine said, adding that last year, $40 billion was spent on heart patient treatments in the United States and 60 percent of that represented hospital stays. Limiting hospital stays not only saves money, but keeps his patients happier.

Treatment options

Referring to a patient who came to his office experiencing heart failure earlier in the morning, Levine said, he was able to adjust her treatment and send her home.

"I said: 'Here's what you can do at home and I'll see you tomorrow.'"

Other members of the institute have launched a home visit program with patients who have a hard time getting around, but still want the comfort of living at home. The institute also conducts research on new treatments with willing patients. In fact, last year 16 papers on research conducted at the Institute were published in medical journals.

"A lot of what we're doing today is based on work that was done 10 years ago," Levine said.

The institute not only offers residents educational programs, like "Heart to Heart" and "Mended Heart," monthly support groups, but last year also provided more than a dozen seminars and lectures for doctors to keep them current about new developments.

"What makes us so unique is the fact that if you talk to transplant centers around the country, they make money doing transplants," Levine said. "We can act as true advocates for the patient offering them the best and most appropriate care without subtle implications of finding people for transplants."

Meanwhile, the institute saved Garbarino long trips seeking treatment in other communities.

"At Botsford, with Dr. Levine, I had excellent treatment," she said. "They knew the ups and downs of it and saw me through it along with my family and friends. I never felt like just a number there, they were very caring. It made me live. The support and the knowledge that the people have, I felt very secure with it."

MATTERS OF THE HEART

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States. There are some 4.6 million people in the country who have congestive heart failure, according to the American Heart Association. In fact, every year there are 400,000 new cases.

And the older you are the more likely you will have heart failure. People 70 and older have a higher incidence of heart problems, according Dr. T. Barry Levine, Michigan Institute for Heart Failure and Transplant Care.

"It used to be that patients would have heart failure and die and now patients are living," Levine said.

Heart failure doesn't mean that the heart suddenly fails or stops, but that the muscle is weakened and works less efficiently, according to Action HF, an advisory council to improve outcomes nationwide in heart failure.

It usually develops after damage to the heart, from causes like a heart attack and high blood pressure.

The number of deaths from heart failure in the United States has more than doubled since 1979, according to Action HF. In fact, each year 4,000 to 7,000 new heart failure cases are diagnosed.

Every 29 seconds someone suffers from a coronary heart problem in the U.S.

And every minute someone dies from a heart attack. The American Heart Association reported in 1995, the last available statistics, that $3.4 billion was paid to Medicare beneficiaries to treat congestive heart failure.

Web is a treasure trove of medical data

PC TALK

MIKE WENDLAND

I spent much of last week in St. Petersburg, Fla., at a place called the Poynter Institute for Journalism Studies. It's a sort of journalism "think tank," if you will, a place where reporters and editors come for intense training on how to do their jobs better.

I'm lucky to go down there several times a year as one of the institute's visiting faculty members, specializing in new media. And last week I was helping teach a group of health and medical reporters how to use the Internet.

As I went through my presentations, a key point I kept making was that the Internet has made reporters more accountable to their readers because the information journalists used to have first and best access to, is now widely available on the Internet.

Indeed, thanks to the Internet, many consumers have become experts at what I call "do-it-yourself medicine," using the Internet to research health, fitness and disease information.

At the end of my teaching session, one of the participants, a journalist who works in Washington, D.C., came up to share with me his own story. Last year, he said, he was suddenly called home to the Midwest to be with his elderly mother, who was scheduled for emergency surgery.

As he sat in his mother's hospital room, he surfed the Internet, laptop computer attached to her telephone, desperately seeking information about the medical condition that had put her in the hospital.

What he found greatly alarmed him. "The type of surgery she was going to have had a great risk," he told me last week. "It required very delicate work around her facial nerves. One slip and her appearance would forever be affected."

The doctor planned to get a tissue sample from his mother, freeze it and send it in for analysis. What the journalist found was that such a test in his mother's case was far from reliable.

"The medical Web site I visited said, in fact, that freezing that particular type of tissue brought dubious results. So I printed the Web page out and faxed it to her doctor and, in fact, the surgery was canceled."

The journalist's story illustrated my teaching point perfectly. For what he experienced has been shared by millions and is one of the Internet's most amazing success stories. Indeed, just last week, a new Harris poll reported that 60 million people searched the World Wide Web for health care information in the last 12 months.

That works out to 68 percent of the estimated 88 million people now online, making health and medical news the Internet's most eagerly sought information.

And here's the most amazing part: Nine out of 10 people surveyed said they found the health information they were looking for on the Internet.

To be sure, there is a lot of quackery on the Internet. People pushing dubious cures, alternative "medicine" that sometimes does more harm than help, dangerous drugs and dietary supplements. In fact, one place everyone should bookmark and use to check out online health and medical information is a place called "Quackwatch" (www.quackwatch.com), run by a real doctor and devoted to exposing the dumb and dangerous.

But there are also a whole bunch of terrific medical sites. Here are four favorites we shared at Poynter last week:

- Medscape (www.medscape.com) – Geared for consumers and searchable.
- Pubmed (www.ncib.nim.nih.gov/PubMed) – This is a huge database of medical sites and Internet resources maintained by the National Library of Medicine.
- Healthweb (http://healthweb.org) – My favorite. Easy to navigate, created by librarians at university medical centers, it offers current and reliable information.
- Find a doctor (www.ama-assn.org) – This is the American Medical Association's searchable data base that lets you find every licensed doctor in the U.S., by name, specialty or location.

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Rehabilitation nurses

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the Association of Rehabilitation Nurses recently elected the following nurses to its 1999 board of directors: **Debra Dzenko** of Livonia (Health Care Professionals) as president-elect; **Pamela Thomson** of Dearborn (Garden City Hospital) as president-elect; **Kathleen Urban** of Westland (Garden City Hospital); and **Luana Rohlin** of Redford (Garden City Hospital) as director.

Doc welcomed

Doctor **Wilbur L. Smith** has joined Henry Ford Hospital as chair of Diagnostic Radiology. Smith is an expert in filmless radiology and is known for his innovative research into residency training programs. He previously served as associate professor of radiology and pediatrics at the University of Iowa College of Medicine.

Guv reappointed

Doctor **Thomas C. Royer** has been appointed to a second five-year term as chairman of the Henry Ford Medical Group Board of Governors. The 24-member board monitors and establishes policies related to the 1,000-member Henry Ford Medical Group, which staffs Henry Ford Hospital and the Henry Ford medical centers throughout southeast Michigan.

Tongue twister

Doctor **Kathleen Yaremchuk**, director of the Smell and Taste Clinic at Henry Ford Health System, has been named president of the Michigan Otolaryngological Society. Yaremchuk joined Henry Ford in 1984 and was appointed director of the Smell and Taste Clinic in 1994. She got her medical degree in 1978 from the University of Michigan.

Promotions

MEDHEALTH Systems has announced the promotion of **Connie Scaparo** to corporate director of wellness activity programs for the Plymouth and Riverview wellness centers and **Dustin Duryea** to assistant head athletic trainer at the Plymouth facility.

Scaparo joined MEDHEALTH Systems in 1993 as an aerobics instructor. She is working on an associate's degree in fitness leadership at Henry Ford Community College.

Duryea joined MEDHEALTH Systems in 1998 as an athletic trainer. He has a bachelor's degree in sports medicine from Eastern Michigan University.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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SUN, FEB. 21

OPEN HOUSE
Garden City Hospital's Cardiology Services and Women's and Children's Services host an open house 2-5 p.m. at the hospital. Visitors may participate in cholesterol testing, lectures, massages, blood pressure screening and the American Heart Association's risk assessment. Demonstrations of CPR, kick boxing, yoga and the hospital's Web page will occur. The hospital is on Inkster Road between Ford and Warren. Call (734) 458-4267.

WED, FEB. 24

POSITIVE LIVING
"The Magic of Humor" is the last session in a four-part series about living a happy, healthy life through both physical and mental well-being. Starts 7 p.m. Cost is $15. Registration required. Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call (248) 477-6100.

HEART-SAVER CPR COURSE
Livonia Fire and Rescue will conduct an "American Heart Adult Heart-Saver CPR Course" at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Conference Room A, 6:30-10 p.m. Contact Jim Egged at (734) 466-2444.

THURS, FEB. 25

HORMONES
Botsford's Prime Time for Women features "Hormone Replacement Therapy and its Alternatives" at 7 p.m. in Botsford General Hospital's 3 West Conference Room, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Call (248) 477-6100.

ALTERNATIVE HEALTH
Cindy Klement, an Ann Arbor iridologist, herbalist and nutritional consultant, will discuss "Herbs for Healing" 7-9 p.m. at Healthways in Plymouth Township. Call (734) 975-2444.

FRI, FEB. 26 AND MARCH 5

PARENT-DAUGHTER CLASSES
Attention, parents of girls age 5-11. Learn strategies to help counter cultural stereotypes. Saint Joseph Mercy Health System is sponsoring "Raising Strong and Confident Daughters," a six-hour, two-part class from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the SJM Canton Health Building, 1600 Canton Center, Canton. The cost is $65. Class fills quickly. Call (734) 712-5400 or (800) 321-2211 to register.

WED, MARCH 10

AGELESS NUTRITION
St. Mary Hospital in Livonia presents a lecture called "Nutrition is Ageless" 1-3 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. No cost. Registration required. Call (800) 494-1650.

SAT, MARCH 6

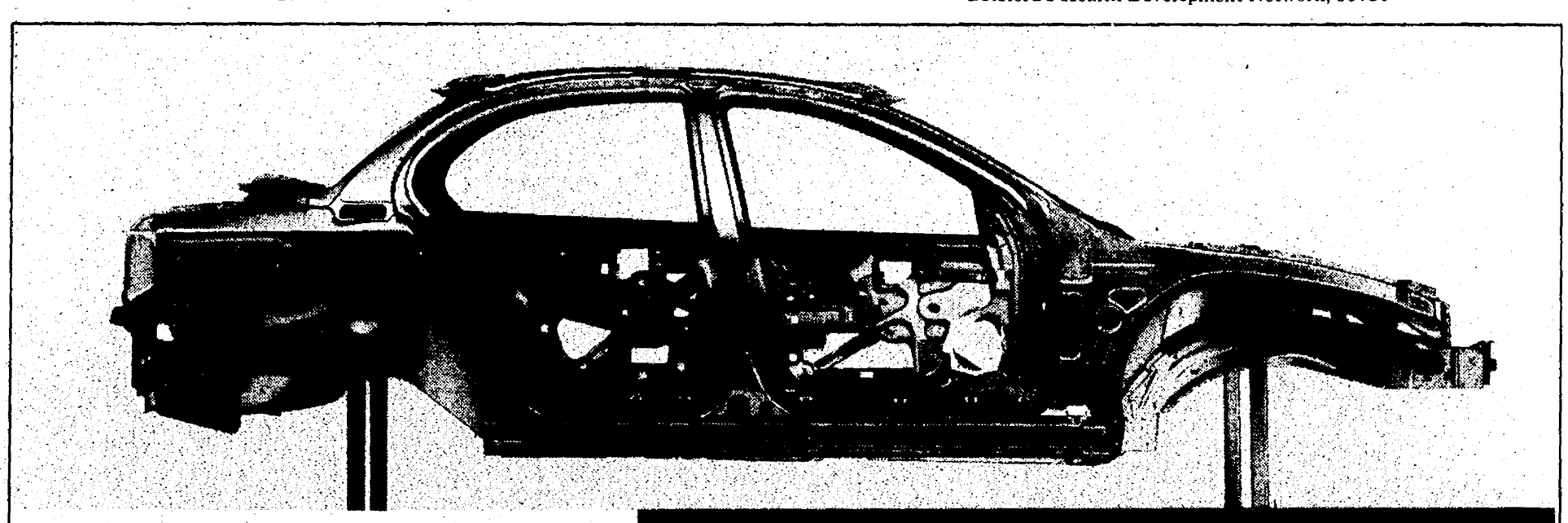
PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING
St. Mary Hospital in Livonia offers prostate cancer screening 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Pavilion, 14555 Levan. Screening is free and provides a prostate exam, blood test to measure the prostate specific antigen level and educational materials. Call (800) 494-1650.

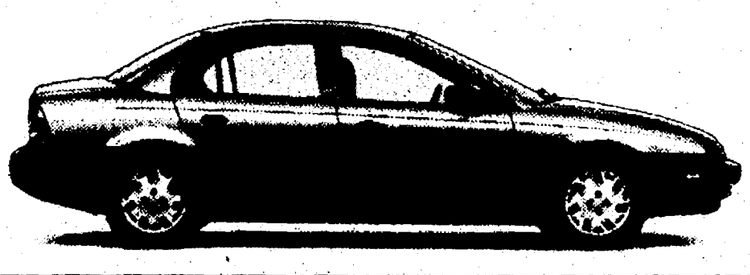
TUES, MARCH 16

LYME DISEASE
Support group meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at First United Methodist Church, 3 Towne Square, Wayne. Call Connie at (734) 326-3502.

HEALTH-O-RAMA
Oakwood Healthcare System presents "Project Health-O-Rama" 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, March 16-17, at Laurel Park Place Mall. Many health screening tests will be performed: Blood panel testing is $24. Prostate specific antigen testing is $25. Colo-rectal cancer screening test is $8. Bone density screening is $25. Body composition testing is $5. Other tests are free. Call (800) 543-9355.

LUPUS MEETING
The Northwest Suburban Lupus Chapter meets 7:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Farmington Library, 23500 Liberty. Randy Schad, a registered pharmacist from Beaumont Hospital, is the guest speaker. Topic: "Help Me Make Sense Out of All the Medicines I Take for Lupus." Call Andrea Gray, (734) 261-6714.





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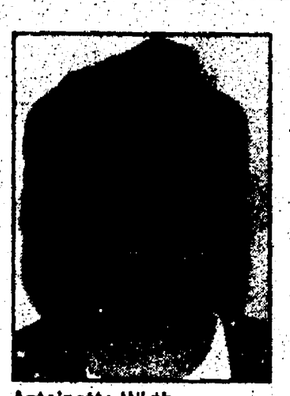
BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS

Kathleen George

Event coordinator

The Talent Network, Inc. of Canton announced that **Kathleen George** has joined the company as event coordinator and director of corporate development. She will be a liaison between the company and meeting planners, entertainment agencies and party planners.


Antoinette Wirth

Appointed

Antoinette Wirth, co-owner of Livonia's ETD Temporary Service, has been named to the Catholic Social Services of Wayne County board of directors. CSSWC is a nonprofit, social service organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals and families.

Valassis promotion

Valassis Communications Inc. in Livonia announced the recent promotion of **Lori Pepper** to manager of its insert publishing department. Pepper began her career at Valassis in March 1987 as a proofreader in the customer service department and progressed steadily. She lives in Detroit and is the external vice president of the Dearborn Heights Jaycees.

New LSSM director

Laura M. Pollaccia

Laura M. Pollaccia of Livonia is the new director of the Division of Services for Persons with Disabilities at Lutheran Social Services of Michigan. The division serves more than 260 individuals in 39 homes in the Lower Peninsula and provides community support to people living in their own homes and apartments in Wayne and Gladwin Counties.

She has 22 years experience in her profession and was previously executive director of Alternative Services, Inc.

New financial analyst

Daniel Hawn of Livonia recently joined First of Michigan's Investment Banking Department as a senior financial analyst at its Detroit headquarters. Hawn, a CPA, formerly was a senior associate at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. He is a member of the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Shaw goes Long

Livonia resident Rick Shaw has joined Long Term Preferred Care, an independent, long-term care insurance marketing company. Shaw will be responsible for marketing long-term care insurance in the Livonia area. Shaw graduated from Spring Arbor College in 1988 with a bachelor's degree in management of human resources.

Andrew W. Zeisser

Zeisser tapped

Plymouth resident **Andrew W. Zeisser** has been named vice president for original equipment technology by the Hankook Tire Co. Zeisser will concentrate on coordinating activities aimed at augmenting the number of Hankook's original equipment relationships in North America.

Zeisser brings 18 years of technical experience to Hankook with a progression of original equipment positions and responsibilities based on accumulated successes in the industry.

He graduated from Cleveland State University in 1981 with a degree in chemistry.

Jobs commission touts Web site

(PRNewswire) – A wealth of Michigan labor market information that can be a helpful resource to business people, local government officials, the news media and the general public is now available at the Michigan Jobs Commission Web site.

The information includes comprehensive, up-to-date statistics for Michigan and regional areas regarding labor force size, unemployment rates and wages. Also available are employment forecasts by industry and occupation.

"What is especially helpful about this information is that it can be targeted to a specific region or community," said jobs commission director Doug Rothwell in a press release. "If you're a business person considering locating in a particular city and want to know the size of the labor force there, you can find out easily. Or, if you want to know the amount of money you can expect to earn in a certain occupation, you can learn that too."

The information is compiled by the Michigan Jobs Commission – Employment Service Agency's Office of Labor Market Information. It can be accessed at http://www.state.mi.us/mjc/ceo under the Michigan: Stats & Facts section.

BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

Government contracting

Schoolcraft College will host a dinner seminar on changes in the government contracting process Thursday, March 4. Col. Paul Dronka, Army Commander of the Defense Contract Management Command, will discuss how partnerships, corporate contracting and electronic commerce mean an expanded government market.

Dronka is responsible for administrating more than $10.5 billion in government contracts among 500 companies in Michigan and northern Ohio.

The seminar begins with appetizers and a networking session at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be prepared by Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts department. The seminar will end with a question-and-answer period.

Tickets are $45. Reservations required. For additional information, call (734) 462-4438. The event is sponsored by the Schoolcraft College Business Development Center.

New Plymouth bank

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Bodycote acquisition

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

WORD OF MOUTH

Anyone who views gum disease as an isolated infection that is unrelated to the rest of the body should view the problem within the context of the body's entire skeletal system. Teeth are rooted in bone, and there is a close link between the health of the jawbones and general bone strength. This is of particular importance to older people (especially post menopausal women) who experience weakened bones due to the bone-thinning disease osteoporosis. According to a recent study, women with osteoporosis of the hip were nearly twice as likely to have loose teeth, and were more likely to have lost teeth, than women with healthy bones. Thus, systemic bone loss increases susceptibility to tooth loss due to gum disease.

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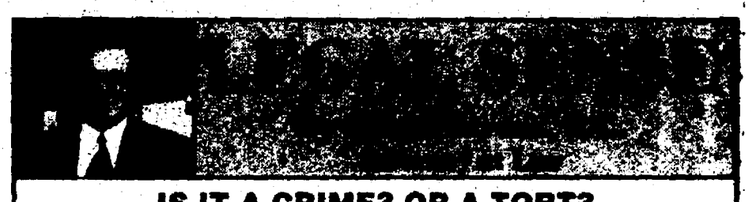

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And, even if the defendant has been found not guilty of a criminal charge (which requires that a jury establish guilt beyond a reasonable doubt) the victim may still file a civil suit (in which to establish responsibility for an action requires a much lower burden of proof - a preponderance of the evidence) and win monetary damages.

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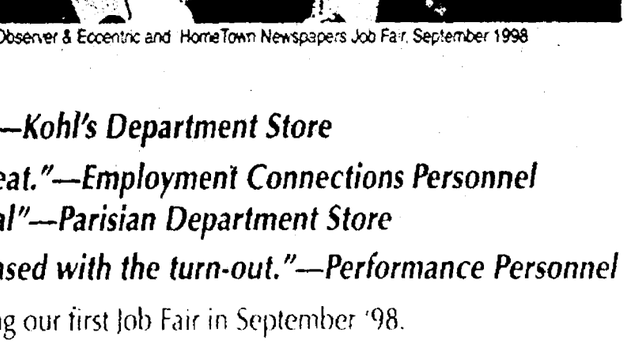

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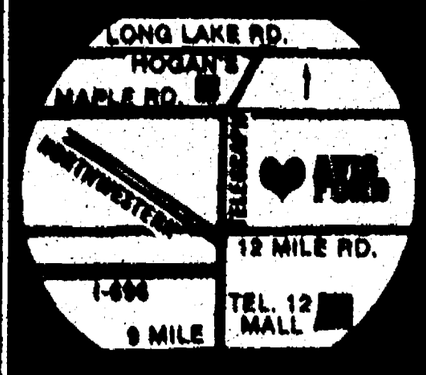

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS

LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Student tunes in to career in music

Jenine Lawson was barely walking when she knew music would be in her future. Lawson's mom, Linda, taught her the first notes on the violin at age 4. Now a sophomore at Hope College in Holland, Lawson hopes one day to compose classical and new age music for a living.

She's well on her way to that music career. Of Hungarian heritage, Lawson recently won the Hungarian Arts Club scholarship, which she received at the White Rose Ball in early February, and the Endowed Scholarship and Distinguished Artist's Award scholarship at Hope College.

"Music is the way I can express myself," said Lawson, a multi-talented student who received top honors in the Math, Science and Computer program at Churchill High School in Livonia. "It's a way of life for me. I enjoy the gratification of preparing a piece and performing it and seeing how the audience enjoys it."

Accomplished musician

Lawson honed her orchestral skills while playing with the Livonia Youth Philharmonic in the late 1980s until 1994. She has attended most of the summer music camps including those at Interlochen Center for the Arts, Cranbrook, Wayne State University, the University of Michigan, and Blue Lake.

Although still in her teens, Lawson has already performed with the Oakland Suzuki Chamber Ensemble and the Symphonia Ensemble. In May, she will spend two weeks touring Europe with Hope College's symphonette. Along the way, she will stay with host families in Hungary, Vienna and Romania. One of the highlights for her is meeting relatives in Romania and staying 40 miles away from where her grandmother was born. Unfortunately over the years, her family's connection to distant relatives in Hungary has been lost.

"I'm interested in finding out about the cultures, how they react to the music," said Lawson.

This is not Lawson's first musical experience out of the country. Lawson studied piano with Donald Morelock at Schoolcraft College and in 1997 took part in the annual trip Morelock takes his students on to the St. Petersburg Conservatory of Music in Russia.

"It was a really great experience," said Lawson. "The professor there showed me a lot of great ways to touch the keys and the different expressions that Russians have on music."

Family affair

As she was growing up, Lawson and her family frequently played together for their own pleasure. Linda and husband Bill both play violin. In fact, they met while playing in the orchestra at Wayne State University where Jenine's grandfather Robert Lawson formerly was chairman of the music department. Lawson alternates between playing violin and piano.

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Young artist: *Jenine Lawson won the Hungarian Arts Club scholarship.*

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Keeping heritage alive: *Jane and Edward Wojton, on behalf of the Friends of Polish Art, recently presented Michael Deller (seated), Livonia's head librarian, with a trilogy of historical novels by Polish author Henryk Sienkiewicz.*

Friends keep Polish arts, culture alive

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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When Edward Wojtan's father fled Poland to avoid being drafted into the Russian army in 1912, there was little time or money to enjoy the performing and visual arts or read historical novels such as Henryk Sienkiewicz's "Trilogy." He worked seven days a week in his butcher shop in the Warrendale area of Detroit to make a life for his family.

Still, immigrants like him sought to keep their culture and the music of Frederic Chopin, Ignace Paderewski and Arthur Rubinstein alive by forming the Friends of Polish Art. Many years later Wojtan and his wife, Jane, also of Polish heritage, joined the group that sponsors annual visual art competitions in the Galeria of Orchard Lake Schools, a bi-annual short story competition, scholarships and performances by groups such as the Krakow Chamber Orchestra to perpetuate Polish culture. As representatives of the Friends of Polish Art, the Wojtans recently donated Sienkiewicz's "Trilogy" and a companion volume to the Livonia Public Library. The Polish novelist, short story writer and journalist was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1905.

"We want to foster Polish art and culture and preserve it for generations to come," said Edward Wojtan, a Livonia resident who writes

MAINTAIN YOUR HERITAGE

the Friends newsletter. "You should be an American first, but you should know about your heritage and be proud of it."

Halina Ujda, of Birmingham, joined the Friends 40 years ago. Born in Poland, Ujda believes the arts are vital to the human spirit.

"More than anything the arts, whether it's high art or folk art, music or writing, make life worth living," said Ujda, second vice president of the Friends of Polish Art. "It bothers me that when the schools start cutting their budget, the arts are the first to go."

Friends of the arts

The Friends of Polish Art, by hosting the Youth Art Competition in June and the Richard Kubinski Art Competition in October, is not only keeping the arts alive but encouraging the development of artists of Polish descent. Founded in 1937, the group, an affiliate of the American Council for Polish Culture, has co-sponsored concerts by pianist Leszek Bartkiewicz, and the Warsaw Winds with the Detroit Institute of Arts. They also presented a bust of Frederic Chopin, created by Orchard Lake artist Marian Owczarski, to the American Center of Polish Culture in Washington, D. C. Owczarski will speak about Polish arts, before and after Solidarity, at the next Friends of Polish Art meeting 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 19, at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple in Troy. For more information, call (810) 778-8035.

A professor and artist-in-residence at St. Mary's College, Owczarski is a 1961 graduate of the Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw. He creates stainless steel sculpture, most recently featured in the exhibit "The Pride of Poland" at the Grand Rapids VanAndel Public Museum.

"The arts are very important because this was part of the information about the culture," said Owczarski, who judges the Friends of Polish Art competitions. "From 1980 to after Solidarity, I will show what's different about art after the Communist influence and before when artists had to hide to do certain work because it was not legal. The art shows the life that was then. The art became more free and the look is different, lighter."

Preserving culture

To fund the arts competitions, concerts and scholarships, the Friends hold Swieconka, a celebration of Easter and Spring with traditional foods and customs, and Wigilia, an evening featuring the breaking of the bread (oplatek), a meatless supper, and sing-a-long of Polish and English carols just before Christmas.

"To maintain your heritage, it's important to know where you've been to know where you're going" said Henry Pawlowski, a Farmington Hills resident born in Poland.

Expanding knowledge

Livonia's head librarian Michael Deller is grateful for the Friends' gift of Sienkiewicz's novels because it allows readers to learn about the nation occupied by Russia, Germany and Austria between 1795 and 1918. Although fiction, Sienkiewicz (1846-1916) based his events on historical fact. Originally written in Polish, the modern translation is by W.S. Kuniczak with foreword by James Michener.

"Our budget never allows us to buy everything we'd like especially when you're dealing with authors from other countries," said Deller.

Trip to Poland

For those who'd like to learn more about Poland, the Wojtans will give a slide show, "Our Vision of Poland," 10 a.m. Monday, April 12, at the Noble Library in Livonia.

The Wojtans have returned to Poland every year since 1993 taking tour groups with them. Aug. 16-30 they will savor the beautiful garden surrounding Chopin's home, hear a piano recital of his music at Ostrogski Palace in Warsaw, and visit the 600-year-old Monastery of Jasna Gora to see the Black Madonna icon and priceless jewels. For more information about the trip, call (734) 425-2727.

"We try to spread the idea that Poland is a cultural country," said Wojtan.

ART EXHIBITS

Arts organizations encourage local talent

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Rick Wedel thinks one painting is worth more than the hundreds of video images he used to create for Ford Motor Co.'s corporate communications department. The "big still," as he likes to refer to the computer graphics he first studied at Eastern Michigan University, is similar to the large-scale abstracts he creates these days. Unlike the medium of video, computer graphics and paintings are capable of holding the viewer's attention for more than just a half a second.

Wedel's paintings, which in most instances hide the identity of figures and environments, are on exhibit at the Plymouth Community Arts Council through Friday, Feb. 26. Wedel is one of two painters being showcased by the Plymouth arts council and the Livonia Arts Commission in February. The realistic landscape paintings of Angie Nagle Miller are on display at the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery.

Anonymity by Rick Wedel

Torch Lake
by Angie Nagle

"Computer graphics was like a 'big still' when I first began my studies at Eastern Michigan University," said Wedel. "Then I took drawing and painting classes and fell in love with traditional media. In my paintings, I have more of an interest in overall patterning. My 'Stance' series continues

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"Figure This"

WHAT: Abstract oil paintings by Rick Wedel, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

WHEN: Through Friday, Feb. 26. Call (734) 416-4278 for show hours.

WHERE: Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon (at Junction), Plymouth.

Landscapes by Angie Nagle Miller

WHAT: An exhibit of casein paintings presented by the Livonia Arts Commission.

WHEN: Through Feb. 28. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

WHERE: Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington.

Gallery offers Y2K art that's flashy, fun, contemporary

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
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And now, the long-awaited sequel to the optically drippy 1960s extravaganza "pop art."

No new school of art or official "art movement" is required, just an acronym – VIA, a short-cut reference to Viewer Interactive Art.

With its distinctively Information-Age name, "VIA – Y2K" is making its word-of-mouth debut at the Uzelac Gallery in downtown Pontiac.

While most exhibits appear for three to four weeks, "VIA – Y2K: The Paintings of Paul Lowis" will receive a three-month opportunity to catch on.

Since gallery owner Chuck Uzelac hasn't found an effective way to advertise the exhibit because of the difficulty of fitting Lowis' stylized VIA on a printed announcement card, he's betting that word-of-mouth might turn "VIA – Y2K" into the major surprise exhibit of the winter gallery season.

The word-of-mouth might go something like this:

Long after Andy Warhol and Roy Liechtenstein transformed celebrities and cartoonish logic into the equivalent of tabloid art comes VIA – the next phase in day-glo and inflated sensibilities. Bell bottoms, lava lamps and incense are optional.

Black lights and a remote control dimmer switch, by the way, are included in the price of the paintings.

STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGIELLO

Feeling gritty: The Uzelac Gallery mixes cutting-edge and traditional exhibits. The staff includes Chuck Uzelac, (left), Larissa Funyak and Lisa Konikow.

What: "VIA – Y2K: The Paintings of Paul Lowis"; and, "The Paintings of Allen Berke"
When: "VIA – Y2K," through Friday, April 30; Berke exhibit through Saturday, Feb. 27
Where: Uzelac Gallery, 7 N. Saginaw, downtown Pontiac, (248) 332-5257
Hours: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday & Saturday; 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday

From light to black

"It's totally different, totally new," said Uzelac. "In the art world, those are the qualities that make a difference, especially to trendsetters. Of course, (VIA) isn't for everybody, but what kind of art is?"

Yet, inarguably, VIA is strikingly contemporary.

In a world where consumers want more and more choices, VIA gives control to viewers by running an electrical current through their sensibilities.

Right before your eyes, Lowis' acrylic and phosphorescent paintings are transformed with morphic-like illusion with a simple turn of a dimmer switch.

Moving from light to black and vice versa is similar to watching the transformation of an image from a negative to a print. Or in some of the paintings, it's like watching a hologram expand and shrink.

Lowis' vibrant colors and easily accessible pop art style evoke a sense of high-energy and ease. There's nothing to "get" about these paintings. They're immediate and engaging.

Several of the paintings depict familiar faces, including an early portrait of Picasso, Michangelo's David, a replica of Rembrant's self-portrait, a magazine-like close-up of Gloria Estafan, and Marilyn Monroe's famous flirtatious pose as she playfully tries to keep her skirt from rising.

Other works are abstract drippings of phosphorescent, acrylic and latex paint combined to have the maximum transformative effect and optical illusion.

Timeless expression

While watching visitors to his gallery marvel as colors rise and fade in response to a dimmer switch, Uzelac said a common VIA experience typically elicits a timeless expression.

"People just stand there and say, 'That's cool.'"

But there's more beyond Lowis' optical trickery, said Uzelac.

"This isn't a gimmick or about bringing the 60s back," he said. "The fact that Paul (Lowis) is a fine artist, and has the ability to literally replicate just about any painting style makes quite a difference."

In the near future, Uzelac expects Lowis to complete a Monet-like landscape painting. By slowly dimming the light to black, the painting will become transformed through the four seasons.

"Can you imagine this show in New York," said Uzelac, who is currently setting up exhibits for Lowis in Florida, and trying to push the work into the cutting-edge circles in New York.

Ironically, Uzelac didn't have to look far to discover Lowis, who's studio was about 100 feet from Uzelac's back door. But Uzelac is cautious about referring to Lowis as a "local artist."

"The connotation of 'local' is that if an artist is from here, then he can't be a significant artist."

That could change through word of mouth.

Expressionism of Allen Berke

In the front space at Uzelac Gallery, the expressionistic paintings of Allen Berke offer a stark contrast from Lowis' neon-like vibrations, hung in the darkened back space.

Whereas Lowis' work elicits an immediate response, Berke's subtle brushstrokes and compositions require in-depth study.

The 15-piece exhibit reveals a painter who searches to stretch his emotionally-infused canvasses in a range of subject-matter, but who's most proficient when painting human forms assembled in a fluid puzzle.

Nearly 20 years ago, Lisa Konikow, director at the Uzelac Gallery, began to represent Berke, who teaches at Wayne State and the Center for Creative Studies. At the time, Konikow was co-director of the now closed Xochipilli Gallery.

"He's been working in the same tradition, but he's continued to get stronger," said Konikow, who also directs the fine art competition in the annual "Arts, Beats & Eats" festival in downtown Pontiac.

Considered together, "VIA – Y2K" and Berke's paintings represent the type of cutting-edge and traditional mix unseen at most other galleries, said Konikow.

"In Pontiac, we have this grittiness," said Uzelac. "There's a feeling that we can take more chances."

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with multiple scenes expressed on a single image, fleeting figures, some more focused, a time lapse. These were the things I was interested in video, a statement about a period of time."

In his first non-university solo exhibit, Wedel handles his subject matter, the figure, in a variety of ways. In some of the works, Wedel's figures are little more than a shadowy outline. In others, the figures are vibrant and obvious. His palette varies as well from lightness to darkness.

Wedel never thought about drawing or painting while growing up in Kansas. Now, he can't get it out of his mind. After graduating in April, Wedel painted full time all last summer to "see if he could work unsupervised." Encouraged by the amount of paintings he sold at the fine art and craft show held as part of Canton Township's Liberty Fest last June, Wedel would like to paint full time, but his financial situation makes that impossible. By day, he works as an assistant to the director of 16 Hands Gallery in Ann Arbor but at night he layers oil media on canvas, masonite and paper. View more of Wedel's works at his Web site: www. geocities. com/ soho/ museum/3555

Landscapes

In an era when artists are struggling to find venues to display their work, the nonprofit arts organizations are doing a fine job of introducing visual artists such as Wedel and Nagle Miller to the community.

Nagle Miller, who began painting full time since 1979, has little trouble selling her work because she's built a reputation over the years by exhibiting and winning awards in shows such as Our Town in Birmingham; Michigan Women Artists at Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn; and the Scarab Club's Silver Medal exhibit in Detroit.

"I paint for the enjoyment and to be able to share it with other people," said Nagle Miller, "not really for the money."

A member of the Ann Arbor Women Painters and formerly on the board of the Michigan Water Color Society, Nagle Miller leans toward Impressionism in some of the paintings. Many are patch-like which is quite understandable because the Ann Arbor artist is a quilter.

Since most of the painting is done in her studio, Nagle Miller takes photographs of landscapes on trips to northern Michigan, and the western and southern U.S. For one week every summer, she paints with a group of artists at Torch Lake.

"I sometimes paint the same photo like "Torch Sunset III" which I painted 10 years ago," said Nagle Miller. "The more recent work is a little more detail oriented."

Unfortunately, Nagle Miller's series on Egyptian mummies is not represented in the show. She painted the first works on the unusual subject eight years ago. The wrapped pieces, darker in color, related to the illnesses of friends.

"I was always fascinated by mummies, said Nagle Miller. "As a child the mummies were always the first thing I wanted to see on visits to the Toledo Museum. "Some are actually unwrapped and there's a hint of a figure."

Nagle Miller has been asked to exhibit her mummy paintings in Germany in August.

"The more I studied the mummies the more I became fascinated," she said. "Some of the paintings are spooky and I wouldn't hang it in my own home."

Mosaic Youth Theatre presents original production

PRNewswire – In celebration of Black History Month, Henry Ford Museum will host the Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit's original production, "heartBEAT," at the museum's Anderson Theater for two performances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 26-27.

Tickets are $10 for adults and $7 for students/seniors, call (313) 982-6001.

Through the vibrant languages of theater, dance, rhythm, and song, "heartBEAT" creates a moving account of the battles of love and hate faced daily by our youth. The result is a roller-coaster retelling of stories from the teens own lives — powerful, funny, and relevant for theatergoers young and old.

The Mosaic Youth Theatre's participation in Black History Month at Henry Ford Museum continues with a scheduled performance by the Mosaic Singers on Saturday, Feb. 27, at noon and 2 p.m. The performance is free with admission to the museum.

"We are excited to host the Mosaic Youth Theatre at Henry Ford Museum," said Steven K. Hamp, president. "Henry Ford Museum and the Mosaic Youth Theatre share a common goal of inspiring youth through creative outlets."

Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit is an internationally-acclaimed, multicultural youth theater which won the 1998 Governors' Award for Arts and Culture for its "outstanding contributions regionally and statewide." For more information on Black History Month events at Henry Ford Museum, call (313) 271-1620.

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Brother Tim, who plays trumpet with the jazz band and symphony at Livonia's Stevenson High School, also plays piano.

"We're a musical family and enjoy playing music together," said Linda, who taught in the Livonia Public Schools until the early '90s when strings were cut from the budget of elementaries in the district.

Preserving heritage

Lawson thrives on winning. From playing varsity soccer in high school and being named Most Valuable Junior Varsity Player two years in a row, to competing with 26 other applicants for the Hungarian Arts Club scholarship of $1,000, Lawson works hard to achieve her goals. She is exactly the type of student the arts club wants to encourage. From the first scholarship awarded 40 years ago, the Hungarian Arts Club has sought students like Lawson– dedicated, disciplined and involved with the fine arts.

The winner is presented with the scholarship at the annual White Rose Ball, held to introduce young women of Hungarian descent to society. The club has also presented folk ensembles from Hungary at the Hungarian American Cultural Center in Taylor, and exhibits of Hungarian needlework and pottery.

"The club was founded to perpetuate Hungarian culture and art," said Violet Misangy, club president. "The White Rose Ball used to be a tradition in Europe where young women were introduced to society and marriages were arranged. The ball introduces young people to their heritage."

If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin, (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

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ART FAIRS

ANTIQUE & CONTEMPORARY TILE FAIR
Sponsored by Pewabic Pottery. Artists, dealers and collectors display and sell ceramic art tiles, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, March 7. St. George Cultural Center, 1515 Woodward (1/4 mile north of Square Lake), Bloomfield Hills; (313) 822-0954.

BEAD BONANZA
Sponsored by the Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild. Featuring 41 vendors from throughout the country. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. Van Dyke Park Hotel, 31800 Van Dyke, Warren; (810) 977-7043.

AUDITIONS/ CALL FOR ARTISTS

ART & APPLES CALL FOR ENTRIES
Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks applications from artists interested in exhibiting fine arts or fine crafts at the juried "Art & Apples Festival," to be held Sept. 11-12. Slides must be received by March 1. Entry fee: $25. Also seeking dance, music and theater ensembles to perform at the event. Performance artists' applications must be received by April 9. To receive an application, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Art & Apples Festival, Paint Creek Center for the Arts, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, MI 48307; (248) 651-7418 or (248) 651-4110.

BOHEMIAN MUSIC COMPETITION
Second annual Solo Concerto Competition, open for orchestral instruments. High school and college students (between 16-22 years old), must submit performance tape by April 1, 1999. For application: Herbert Couf, c/o The Bohemians, 37685 Russett Drive, Farmington Hills; (248) 737-6936.

CANTON CALL FOR ARTISTS
Open invitation to all artists for the 1999 Fine Art and Fine Craft Show at Liberty Fest '99, June 19-20. Deadline: April 15; (734) 453-3710.

CALL FOR ENTRIES
Arts League of Michigan with DTE Energy Detroit and U-M's Matthaei Botanical Gardens is sponsoring, "People, Plants and Cultures," a juried arts exhibit, April 8-11. Submitted work must be created within past three years. Selected artists will be invited to participate in educational programs. Non-refundable entry fee of $15 per artists permits up to three entries. Deadline: 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, 1999. Applications available from The Arts League, 1528 Woodward Avenue, Ste. 600, Detroit, MI 48226. For information, (313) 964-1670.

CALL FOR ENTRIES
Michigan Watercolor Society's 52nd annual exhibition, to be held May 16-June 25. Slide deadline: March 15, 1999. For information, call Janet Hamrick, (248) 398-4089.

CALL FOR GLASS ARTISTS
The Art Museum Project at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, in cooperation with the Alfred Berkowitz Gallery and the Fine Art Associates support group, is sponsoring an exhibit titled "Glass: Its Substance and Attributes," to be held May 15-June 27. Slide deadline: March 6. For information, call (313) 593-5058 or (313) 593-5087.

HARBOR SPRINGS SUMMER SHOW
Applications are being accepted for the 24th annual 4th of July Art Show in Harbor Springs. Deadline: April 10. For an application, call the Harbor Springs Community School office and leave your name, address and phone number: (616) 526-5385.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION SCHOLARSHIPS
Scholarships to Livonia residents who are currently high school seniors or college students. Deadline: March 1, 1999. Call Livonia Community Resources Dept. (734) 466-2540.

METROPOLITAN SINGERS OF SOUTHFIELD
An adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially men, to sing blues, pops, hit tunes and folk tunes. Choir meets Monday, 7:30 p.m., Birney Middle School vocal room, 27000 Evergreen Rd., Southfield.

OCC'S WOMEN IN ART EXHIBIT
Call for entries for the 13th annual "Our Visions: Women in Art." Deadline for entries in visual arts and poetry is April 1, 1999. Exhibit runs May 10-28 at the Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus. For information, (248) 471-7602.

PAINT CREEK CENTER SCHOLARSHIPS
Two $1,000 merit scholarships offered to graduating high school seniors in Macomb, Oakland or Wayne counties who plan to major in visual arts. Application deadline: April 17. To obtain an application, or for more information, call (248) 651-4110.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

ART & CALLIGRAPHY STUDIO
Calligraphy, bookbinding and beading classes through March. 8156 Cooley Lake Rd, White Lake. Call (248) 360-6429 for more information.

ART MUSEUM PROJECT/U-M DEARBORN
Non-credit studio art classes and workshops through March. Programs led by instructors from the area, including Bill Girard, Grace Serra, Mary Stephenson, Donna Vogelheim. For information, (734) 593-5058.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER
Offers a range of art classes. 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. Call (248) 644-0866 for more information.

BBAC SPRING BREAK ART CAMP
All-day art activities for children April 5-9. 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. Call for more information, (248) 644-0866.

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Classes for adults, educators and youth. Call for details, (313) 833-4249. 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

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KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES
Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; intermediate level Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays at 11:30 a.m. 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield. (248) 932-8699.

METRO DANCE
Preschool and adult classes. 541 S. Mill, Plymouth. (734) 207-8970.

PAINT CREEK CENTER
Registration for winter classes, through March 29. Classes for preschoolers to adults. New program, Winter Wonderart Day Camp, will be offered for students ages 6-11 during Feb. 15-19. 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

PEWABIC POTTERY
Winter classes, including tile making, basic ceramics, wheel throwing for ages 13 and up. Call for fees. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Winter classes & workshops for all ages, including sculpture, watercolor, dance, decorative painting, pottery, film, drawing, children's theater, creative writing and more. 774 N. Sheldon Road. For schedule, call (734) 416-4278.

SWANN GALLERY
Free life drawing art classes, open to anyone. Other classes on oil and acrylic painting, pencil, watercolor, pastels and sculpture 1-4 p.m. Sundays. 1250 Library Street, Detroit. (313) 965-4826.

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS
Classes for students grades 1-12 in scene study, Broadway dance, hip hop improvisation, Saturdays, through May 15, Cathedral Theatre, Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit; (313) 535-8962.

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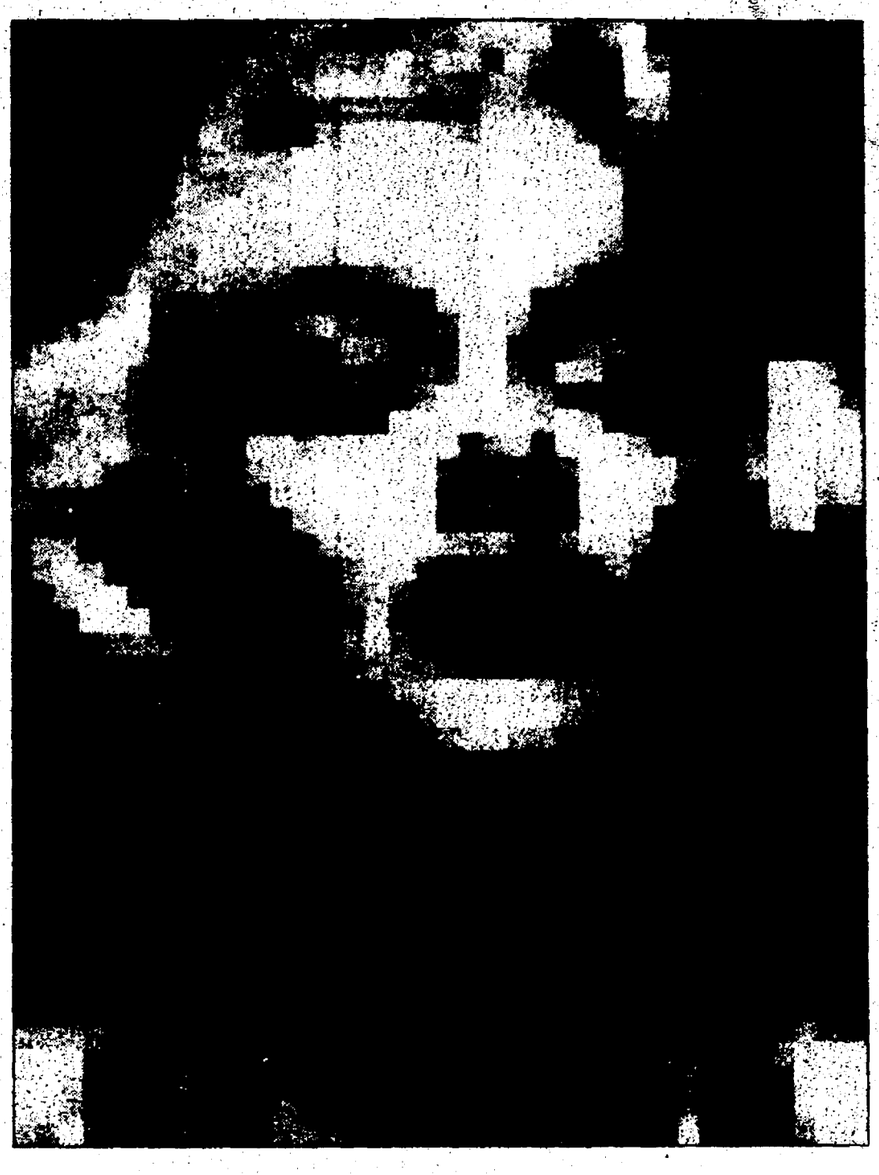
"Set Building Workshop," presented by Larry Kaushansky of Wayne State's design program. Classes: Feb. 21& 25. Call (248) 644-2075.



That look: *The art of Yvaral is on exhibit through March 31 at Masterpiece Gallery, 137 W. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 594-9470.*

CONCERTS

B'JAZZ VESPERS
Singer Susan Chastain and pianist James Dapogny, 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. First Baptist Church, 300 Willits Street, Birmingham; (248) 644-0550.

CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK
Harpsichord musician and University of Michigan faculty member Penelope Crawford with organist Charles Raines. 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 644-5210.

DETROIT CHAMBER STRINGS
"Around the World in 80 Minutes," 3 p.m. Sunday, March 7. Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 Woodward Ave., at the corner of Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 362-9329.

DETROIT ORATORIO SOCIETY
"An Evening with Bach and Stravinsky," 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Kirk in the Hills church, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 650-2655.

DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC ORCHESTRA
8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit; (313) 576-5111.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"Broadway Today," 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. Jazz diva Dee Dee Bridgewater and Detroit's own Geri Allen, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Yan Pascal Tortelier leads the DSO, 10:45 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27; 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28; 8 p.m. Thursday, March 4; 8 p.m. Friday, March 5 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 6. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit; (313) 576-5111.

FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH
Dean Rutledge of Focus Hope in concert at "Acts" coffee house, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. 32473 Normandy Rd., Franklin; (248) 626-6606.

GREATER ORION PERFORMING ARTS COUNCIL
International award-winning duo pianists Yuki and Tomoko Mack, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Lake Orion High School Performing Arts Center, (248) 693-5436.

JAZZ NETWORK FOUNDATION
Generation to Generation Jazz Series presents Baritone saxaphonist Cecil Payne, 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 832-3010.

LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
MUSE Ensemble and Spencer Barefield Jazz Trio in celebration of Black History Month, 10:15 a.m. breakfast, 11 a.m. concert Sunday, Feb. 21. GEM Theatre 333 Madison, Detroit; (248) 357-1111.

MACOMB SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"Broadway All the Way," 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, at M-59 and Garfield Road, Clinton Township. (810) 286-2222.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY
Classic guitarist Jason Vieaux in concert, Saturday, March 6. Kresge Hall, 36600 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia; (248) 975-8797.

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND
3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

OAKLAND SINGERS
Combined concert with Oakland Singers Prelude and Oakland Singers Encore, 3 p.m. Sunday Feb. 21. Varner Hall, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester; (248) 471-7281.

SOUTHFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS
"A Musical Collage of Choral Music," featuring the Metropolitan Singers of Southfield, the St. Genevieve Parish Choir and the Intergenerational Choir. 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY
Countertenor David Daniels and pianist Martin Katz. 4 p.m. Sunday, March 7. Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, 911 N. University Ave., Ann Arbor; (734) 764-2538.

DANCE

MUSIC HALL
The Dance Theatre of Harlem, Feb. 21. Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Avenue, Detroit; (313) 963-2366, (248) 645-6666.

LECTURE

BBAC
Lecture series on the work and life of Picasso: March 12 - "A Portrait of the Artist," 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

LAWRENCE TECH
Landscape architect and artist Marth Schwartz, adjunct professor of landscape architecture at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25. Lawrence Tech's Architecture & Design Auditorium, 21000 W. 10 Mile Rd., Southfield; (248) 204-2878.

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
Saturdays in February, a four part seminar on the directing process, "The Director's Notebook," coordinated by the Plowshares Theatre Company. For information, (313) 872-0279.

PALETTE AND BRUSH CLUB
Guest speakers will present a condensed version of their creative process workshop based on the book, "The Artist's Way." Southfield Cultural Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Rd., Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

VOLUNTEERS

ANIMATION NETWORK CLUB
Looking for artists such as animators or comedians who would like to be featured on cable. For more information, contact Jane Dabish, president, P.O. Box 251651, West Bloomfield, MI 48325-1651, (248) 626-2285.

DIA
Volunteers for Art to the Schools program. Volunteers use slides from collection to help students explore art. Also volunteers to greet and assist visitors in museum galleries. Training session, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27. Call the Detroit Institute of Arts, (313) 833-9178.

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LIVONIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Greenmead Historic Village seeks volunteers to assist in school tours, Sunday tours, special events, special projects and gardening. Open May-October & December. Eight Mile Road at Newburgh, Livonia; (734) 477-7375.

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND
Seeks volunteers to help with non-performing activities. Web site: mcbb.org, or contact MCBB, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road; (248) 349-0376.

MUSEUMS

DIA
Through Feb. 22 - "A Passion for Glass: the Aviva and Jack A. Robinson Collection," work by 57 artists in the studio-glass movement. 5200 Woodward Ave, Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUMS
Through Feb. 28 - "African American Portraits of Courage." 5401 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-1726.

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
Through March 14 - "Wade in the Water: African American Sacred Music Traditions." 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit; (313) 494-5800.

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM
Through April 3 - "Weird Science: A Conflation of Art and Science," featuring four artists' projects representing an ongoing exploration of a specific area of science. 1221 North Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. $5, $3 students/ children/seniors; (248) 645-3323.

DIA
Through April 25 - "Half Past Autumn: The Art of Gordon Parks." More than 220 photographs from the legendary photographer. 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (3130 833-7900.

GALLERY OPENINGS

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY
Feb. 26 - "MFA Thesis Exhibition," the art of Jennifer Rosenfeld, Meekyung Shim and Linda Soberman, through April 2. Opening reception 5 - 8 p.m. Wayne State University, 150 Community Arts Building, Detroit; (313) 577-2423.

CARY GALLERY
Feb. 27 - "New Works - Recent Paintings," art by Marcia Freedman, through March 27. Reception 6 - 8 p.m. 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-3656.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

CREATIVE RESOURCE GALLERY
Through Feb. 21 - "Effects of Light and Colour," new paintings by Neily, Sobran, Compton-Pappas. N. Old Woodward, one block north of Maple, downtown Birmingham; (248) 647-3688.

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY
Through Feb. 21 - "Picturing Paris: 1850 to the Present," photographs from the Detroit Institute of Arts. 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills; (248) 370-3005.

U-M RACKHAM GALLERIES
Through Feb. 24 - "Fourth Annual Exhibit of Art by Michigan Prisoners." 915 E. Washington, Ann Arbor; (734) 913-4849.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY
Through Feb. 25 - "Extraordinary Stitches: The art of fiber & thread," featuring works of 23 artists. Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS
Through Feb. 26 - Photography by Linda Joy Solomon. 24350 Southfield Road; (248) 424-9022.

CENTER GALLERIES
Through Feb. 27 - "Eat Right & Think Clean." Center for Creative Studies, College of Art and Design, Detroit; (313) 664-7806.

GALERIE BLU
Through Feb. 27 - "Best Buddies," featuring works of Britto, Haring, Scharf and others. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 454-7297.

NETWORK
Through Feb. 27 - Manuel Antonio Baez's "Phenomenological Garden." 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

N'NAMANDI GALLERY
Through Feb. 27 - "Master Painter Norman Lewis: 1909-1979." 161 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 642-2700.

UZELAC GALLERY
Through Feb. 27 - Oil paintings of Allen Beeke. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY
Through Feb. 27 - Paintings by Joel Shapiro, Oscar Lakeman and Rikue Sato. 107 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

C-POP ART GALLERY
Through Feb. 28 - "Art from Concentrate." David Whitney Building, 1553 Woodward, Suite 313, Detroit; (313) 964-0911.

MOORE'S GALLERY
Through Feb. 28 - "Images e-x-p-o-s-e-d," a collection of work by Gigi Boldon, 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 647-4662.

ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY
Through Feb. 28 - "Here is My Heart - Love Poems," the art of Jane Dyer. 536 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-7040.

HABATAT GALLERIES
Through Feb. 28 - Leah Wingfield; also new work by Stephen Clements and John Healey. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-2060.

LIVONIA CITY FINE ARTS GALLERY
Through Feb. 28 - Acrylic landscapes of artist Angie Nagle Miller of Ann Arbor. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road; (734) 466-2490.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY
Through March 2 - "Wendy Ewald: Photographs from the Dreams Series." 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

PARK WEST GALLERY
Through March 4 - The paintings of Itzchak Tarkay. 29469 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield; (248) 354-2343.

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY
Through March 6 - "Luke Gray: Recent Paintings." 163 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 433-3700.

SYBARIS GALLERY
Through March 6 - Teapots. 202 E. Third Street, Royal Oak; (248) 544-3388.

PRESTON BURKE GALLERY
Through March 7 - "Historic Photos of Detroit," a look at downtown Detroit, 1888-1920. 30448 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak; (248) 549-5171.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA
Through March 11 - Michigan Water Color Society's 51st Annual Traveling Exhibit, second floor of the Executive Office Bldg., 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac; (248) 858-0415.

DETROIT ARTIST MARKET
Through March 12 - "Wacky Painters," the work of six artists. 300 River Place, Ste. 1650, Detroit; (313) 393-1770.

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Through March 12 - "Michigan Women Artists." 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn; (734) 845-9629.

ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY
Through March 13 - "30 Prints From The 30s." 32782 Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak; (248) 647-7709.

SWANN GALLERY
Through March 13 - "The Mardi Gras Show," featuring a tribute to the J.L. Hudson Building. 1250 Library St., Detroit; (313) 965-4826.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Through March 14 - "Pushing the Envelope: New Developments in Photography," featuring the work of Marge Pacer, Lisa Steichmann and John Harnois. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004.

BIRMINGHAM UNITARIAN CHURCH GALLERY
Through March 15 - Landscape paintings and digital collages by Ken Graning. Bloomfield Hills; (248) 299-0677.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
Through March 15 - "Memory and Vision," A Celebration of Jewish Community, 1899-1999. Museum-quality exhibition of artifacts and photos chronicles 100 years of the organized Jewish community of Detroit. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Docents available for guided tours, call (248) 642-4260, Ext. 271.

ARTSPACE II
Through March 20 - Nick Blosser's egg tempera paintings. 303 E. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 258-1540.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
Through March 20 - The art of Ivan Stewart. 47 Williams, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS
Through March 26 - Exhibition of paper weights from the Alfred Berkowitz collection. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART
Through March 26 - "Blimey!" the London Artworld from Bacon to Hirst. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

MASTERPIECE GALLERY
Through March 31 - Artwork by Yvaral. 137 W. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 594-9470.

ELAINE JACOB GALLERY
Through March 31 - "Looking Forward, Looking Black," a group show. 480 W. Hancock, Detroit; (313) 993-7813.

GALLERY: FUNCTION ART
Through March 31 - "Vessels, Boxes and Baskets," featuring more than 100 works. 21 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-0333.

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY
Through April 3 - "With Hand and Hammer" showcases hand raised metal vessels. 1719 West 14 Mile, Royal Oak; (248) 549-3016.

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

National Amusements
Showcase Cinemas

Showcase Auburn Hills 1-14
2150 N. Opdyke Rd.
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THRU THURSDAY

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AFFLICTION (R)
1:40, 4:15, 7:15, 9:50
NP JAWBREAKER (R)
1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:35, 9:40
NP OCTOBER SKY (PG)
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SHE'S ALL THAT (PG13)
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@NP THE PRINCE OF EGYPT (PG)
12:15, 2:10
@SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (R)
1:30, 4:10, 6:40, 9:00
@PATCH ADAMS (PG13)
4:05, 6:10

Showcase Dearborn 1-8
Michigan & Telegraph
313-561-3449
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Showcase Pontiac 1-5
Telegraph-Sq. Lake Rd. W Side of Telegraph
248-332-0241
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• All Shows Until 6 pm
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Late Shows Thurs, Fri. & Sat.
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Showcase Pontiac 6-12
2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of Telegraph
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• All Shows Until 6 pm
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Late Shows Thurs. Fri. & Sat.
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SHE'S ALL THAT (PG13)
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Quo Vadis
Warren & Wayne Rds
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LATE SHOWS FRIDAY & SATURDAY
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Showcase Westland 1-8
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@SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (R)
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@BUG'S LIFE (G)
12:30, 3:20

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NO 7:20 TUES 2/23 & THUR. 2/25
NO VIP TICKETS
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NO VIP TICKETS
NP GODS AND MONSTERS (NR)
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NO VIP TICKETS
PAYBACK (R)
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LITTLE VOICE (R)
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SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
1:30, 5:20, 9:00
A SIMPLE PLAN (R)
1:00, 4:10, 7:40, 10:10
NO 7:40 WED. 2/24
THE THIN RED LINE (R)
12:50, 4:20, 8:00
A CIVIL ACTION (PG13)
7:00 AND 10:30 PM ONLY
STEPMOM (PG13)
11:30, 6:30
PATCH ADAMS (PG13)
11:50, 3:50, 6:40, 9:20
SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (R)
12:20, 3:20, 6:10, 8:50
PRINCE OF EGYPT (PG)
10:50, 1:10, 3:30
YOU'VE GOT MAIL (PG)
3:00, 9:10

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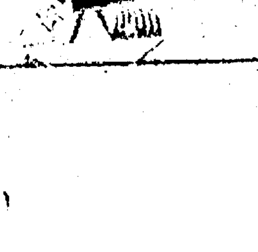

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SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
12:15, 4:10, 8:45
THE THIN RED LINE (R)
2:00, 9:00
SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (R)
10:45, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:50
A SIMPLE PLAN (R)
12:20, 3:20, 6:20, 9:20
PATCH ADAMS (PG13)
11:00, 6:00
CIVIL ACTION (R)
10:35 PM ONLY
PRINCE OF EGYPT (PG)
10:30, 12:30, 2:50, 5:15

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VARSITY BLUES (R)
11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30
PRINCE OF EGYPT (PG)
12:30, 2:30, 4:40
STEP MOM (PG13)
11:00, 4:00, 9:10
CIVIL ACTION (PG13)
1:30,6:40
WAKING NED DEVINE (PG)
11:10, 5:50
PATCH ADAMS (PG13)
7:00, 9:40
A THIN RED LINE (R)
1:40, 8:10 PM ONLY

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OFFICE SPACE (R) NV
12:40, 2:50, 5:00, 7:20, 9:50
THE GENERAL (R)
1:10, 4:00, 6:40, 9:20
VARSITY BLUES (R) NV
12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:50
HILARY AND JACKIE (R)
1:00, 6:50
STAR TREK: INSURRECTION (PG) NV
3:30, 9:30

United Artists 12 Oaks
Inside Twelve Oaks Mall
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ALL TIMES SUN-THURS.

A SIMPLE PLAN (R) NV
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BLAST FROM THE PAST (PG13) NV
1:25, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30
MY FAVORITE MARTIAN (PG) NV
12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:50
SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (R)
1:00, 4:10, 7:20, 10:00
PAYBACK (R) NV
12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:10, 9:40

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ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

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OCTOBER SKY (PG) NV
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OFFICE SPACE (R) NV
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MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE (PG13) NV
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MY FAVORITE MARTIAN (PG) NV
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SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (R)
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PAYBACK (R) NV
1:05, 3:15, 5:25, 7:45, 10:00
SHE'S ALL THAT (PG13) NV
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THE THIN RED LINE (R)
8:55

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MON-THURS 11:30, 1:15, 3:15
WATERBOY (PG13)
SUN. 11:45, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
MON-THURS. 11:45, 1:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
ENEMY OF THE STATE (R)
9:30 ONLY

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MIGHTY JOE YOUNG (PG)
11:15, 1:20

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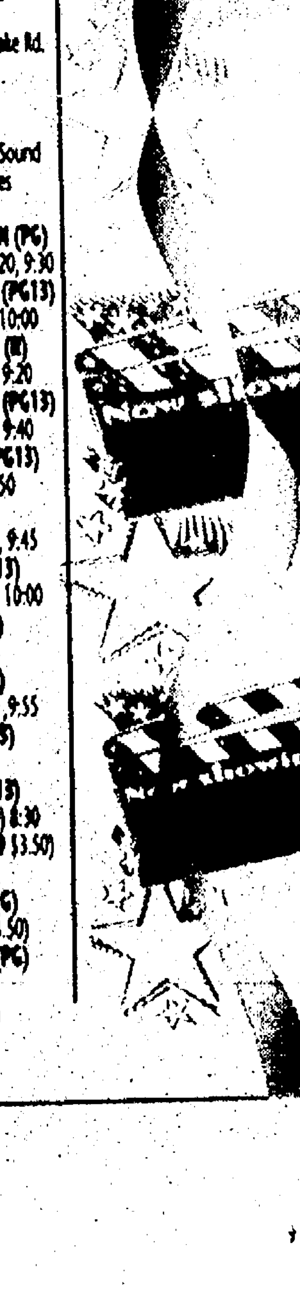

Leonard brings Chili back, but music detour is deadly

Be Cool
Elmore Leonard
Delacorte Press, $24.95

ESTHER LITTMANN

Conventional wisdom holds that an author must distill personal experience before he can interpret it. Writing requires perspective, which, in turn, requires the passage of time.

But the recent hit film "Shakespeare in Love" and Elmore Leonard's latest crime fiction novel "Be Cool" suggest otherwise. Both stories feature protagonists who construct a plot, one episode at a time, by simply recording the events that take place in their own lives as they occur. Accordingly, all an author needs at the outset are believable characters with "an edge, an attitude," and the plot will write itself.

It's a good gimmick in a comic film or novel, if not a very convincing one. But the idea of the spontaneous write-as-it-happens script certainly gives Leonard's sequel to "Get Shorty" a jump start. Insouciant hero Chili Palmer, one-time loan shark turned successful movie producer, returns for a repeat performance in "Be Cool." He's earned a name and a legitimate bank account with two films ("Get Leo" and "Get Lost") and wants to keep the momentum going.

Creative juices are temporarily on hold, however, so Chili remains open to movie pitches, regardless of their source. One comes from Tommy Athens, former street buddy, one-time racketeer, now in the recording business. Tommy wants Chili to make a movie of his life: "See, I think you're the guy to do it, Chil, 'cause you and I have shared some of the same experiences, you might say. I tell you something, you know what I'm talking about."

Problem is, while they're eating lunch at a hip L.A. restaurant, Tommy gets shot. Chili catches sight of the killer, and the killer gets a good look at him.

Bingo! A plot is born. Chili Palmer has the beginnings of a movie, that is, if he can stay alive long enough to write the script.

New characters enter the protagonist's life and the plot thickens. There's the beautiful Linda Moon, frustrated country-rock singer who wants to make it big but on her own terms. To make Chili her manager, Linda leaves a group called "Chicks International," breaking her 5-year contract with Raji, an ex-pimp who once warned her of "serious trouble" should she ever walk out. Sure enough, Raji doesn't waste time in court; for justice, he turns to Hollywood's "fringe people," including Elliot Wilhelm, his own 260 pound Samoan bodyguard. (E.W. is the name of the Detroit Film Theater curator who, like others, paid big money to charity to get his name in the book.)

So now our hero has two parties determined to take him out. When a dead body is found propped up behind his home-office desk, it's clear that the hoodlums know where to find him.

But Chili doesn't flinch. He's too busy garnering experiences for his film plot – or trying to manipulate people and shape events to fit the storyline. Besides, he's learning the music business so he can make Linda a big star.

And that's where Leonard, the author of 36 novels, gets sidetracked. "Be Cool" is packed with detail about the music industry – from how recordings are "hustled" by "promo guys," to the practice of dubbing in instrumentation and voice-overs, to discussions of terms like "alternative" and "metal." That's great for music buffs, but whatever tension Leonard builds – and it is considerable – is dissipated by mega-doses of information. Right after Leonard puts you on the edge of your seat, he invites you to lean back and enjoy bits of movie trivia and instruction in Music Media 101. At the end, the plot has shifted focus and the resolution is anticlimactic.

Perhaps, allowing the characters to lead the plot only works for fictional authors. But then, Leonard admits that's the way he usually writes, and there's no arguing with success. Only, this time the characters led the author astray. "Be Cool" turns out leaving some readers lukewarm.

"Be Cool" can be purchased at local bookstores.

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BORDERS (BIRMINGHAM, WOODWARD)
Books with Cook discusses "The Hidden Book of the Bible," 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21; Claire Levine reads from "The Bud That Stays," a collection of her husbands poems and essays, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25; Richard Goree signs his book "Goree Island," 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at the store, 34300 Woodward, (248)203-0005.

BARNES & NOBLE (BLOOMFIELD HILLS)
The Cinema-Lit Group discusses "A Simple Plan," 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26; Sister and Brother Berenstain for children 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28 at the store, 6575 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, (248)540-4209.

BORDERS (ROCHESTER HILLS)
Parent Magazine Story Hour features "Hey Look! The Happy Book!," 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21; Winter Romance Group discusses Kathleen Eagle's "The Night Remembers," 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22; Michael Womack and John Sacco discuss finances 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22; Isis Reading Group discusses Marya Hornbacher's "Wasted," 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, at the store 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills (248)652-0558.

BORDERS (FARMINGTON HILLS)
Peggy Malnati presents a program on garden catalogs for the Gardening Discussion Group, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22; Robert de Valle leads Jewish Authors Book Group discussion of Victor Klemperer's "I Will Bear Witness," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23; Anna Murray signs her book "Sarah's Page," 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 at the store 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, (248)737-3980.

SHAMAN DRUM (ANN ARBOR)
David Frye reads from his translation of Abilio Estevez's "Thine is the Kingdom," 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24; Frederick Reuss reads from "Horace Afoot," 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, at the store State Street, Ann Arbor.

BORDERS (DEARBORN)
Caldecott Award winner Faith Ringgold signs and discusses "The Invisible Princess," 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23; Harriet Cole signs "How to Be," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23; John Leone performs from his "Seasons of Time" CD 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25; Dr. Ben Carson signs and discusses "The Big Picture," 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, at the store, 5601 Mercury Drive, Dearborn, (313)271-4441.

SOUTHFIELD LIBRARY
Angela Patrick Wynn signs her debut novel "Everything She Wants," 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at the library, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield.

Critic tells how to watch a movie

BY JULIE BROWN
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To Lawrence Jeziak, the unexamined movie isn't worth watching.

"Sometimes, people get a little exasperated," said Jeziak, a writer, editor and media analyst who teaches film at Oakland Community College. "They say 'Can't you just enjoy it?'"

Knowing the ingredients of a tasty dish doesn't detract from eating, said Jeziak, who spoke recently to the Plymouth branch, American Association of University Women, at Hoben Elementary School in Canton.

He talked about ways to have more fun at the movies. Members and guests peppered Jeziak with questions, asking him about favorites. Jeziak disliked both "Patch Adams" and "Saving Private Ryan," although he liked Tom Hanks' performance in "Private Ryan." "Pleasantville" was his favorite for the last year.

"All theaters aren't equal," he said. The AMC 20 in Livonia's great: "It's just a wonderful place to see a movie." The Star theaters are good, too. He urged avoiding places with too-small screens, poor seating and sticky floors.

"It's just not as pleasant."

Some movies, such as "2001: A Space Odyssey," deserve to be seen on the big screen, he said. Jeziak's not a fan of the Birmingham Theatre for movies. "I'm convinced that the architects never saw a movie in their life."

Seating at the theater is a problem, he said, with two-thirds of the seats poorly placed in relation to the screen. The theater does look attractive, he said.

"If you can, go with friends. You've got somebody to talk about the film with." Different people get different impressions of the same movie, he said, explaining he liked "Fargo" but not "The English Patient."

"I found it long and boring." He's also not a fan of most musicals.

Movies bring out gender differences among viewers as well. He mentioned couples going to video stores and having difficulty making a choice. The big hits are often gone, and customers are at the mercy of jackets and their descriptions. "They all look good until you get the thing home."

At home, good electronic equipment makes movies more enjoyable.

Jeziak, who grew up in northwest Detroit, isn't all that concerned about the decline of neighborhood theaters. "A lot of them deserve to be torn down. They just didn't keep up."

He encouraged members and guests to see shows at off times or to look for free-admission radio promotions and press screenings to save money. "You can save it to buy that $4 bag of popcorn."

A good reference book is useful for picking many movies, he said. He encourages those with cable to consider pay per view movies. "You can tape it, you don't have to watch it when it's being shown."

Some AAUW members and guests said a good story's what makes a movie, but the speaker disagreed, adding that there are relatively few stories. "It's the way that they tell the story. That's where the director comes in."

He mentioned the distinctive work of directors Woody Allen and Alfred Hitchcock. Those at the meeting watched a suspense-filled clip from Hitchcock's "North By Northwest," in which Cary Grant's character is terrorized by a pilot in a crop dusting plane.

"It's all a charade by one of the greatest masters of the art," Jeziak said of the scene. Hitchcock had total control over his movie productions, and once said actors should be treated as cattle. Elements such as acting, directing and editing are essential for a good movie.

"Cinema if it's anything is a collaborative art." Long credits show that, he said.

Great cast, set, costumes in 'Never the Sinner'

Jewish Ensemble Theatre presents "Never the Sinner," through Sunday March 7. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level of the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road at Drake, West Bloomfield. Community forums follow Thursday evening and Sunday matinee performances. Featured speakers include Mort Crim, George Canton, and Clementine Barfield of So Sad. Call for details. $13-$23, discounts for seniors/students. (248) 788-2900.

BY HELEN ZUCKER
SPECIAL WRITER

The Jewish Ensemble Theatre has staged a great looking production of John Logan's "Never the Sinner." Innovatively directed by John M. Manfredi, the production is sometimes absorbing, sometimes tract-like. The trouble lies in Logan's script. Perhaps it's impossible to take a fresh look at young men who think they're superior enough to murder a child, commit the perfect murder, are accountable to no one, etc. We've all heard these Wagnerian, Nietscheian philosophies somewhere, and their shadow floats over the play like the image of the hawk Nathan Leopold opens Act 1 with.

David Wolber shines as 18-year-old Nathan Leopold who drives the car while his best friend, 19-year-old Richard Loeb, murders 14-year-old Bobby Frank. John Hawkinson as Loeb gives us a nervous, laughing playboy, a ladies man who feels for no one except his best friend.

Leopold agrees to share in criminal acts for sex and the two seal their pact with a ferocious kiss. It doesn't startle anyone; the two seem to have had this pact since early childhood. They both have too much money, no sense of what to do with it, and all the time and freedom in the world. This doesn't have to be grounds for the growth of little murderers, but Logan's script leaves us uncertain about what he thinks of these circumstances.

Hal Youngblood brings a sense of mercy, brains, and world-weariness to the role of Clarence Darrow. The trouble is, we've heard these splendid speeches about great intellectuals who are really 10 year old boys at heart. It all sounds like Germany in the 1930s, rather than Chicago in 1924. Darrow gets Loeb and Leopold 99 years and life, and it gives the author a chance to speculate that these two would grow up to be, as Leopold says, "Comfortable, quite ordinary." It's Hannah Arendt on the banality of evil.

Greg Trzaskoma is strong as Robert Crowe, the State's Attorney who wants the death penalty. Trzaskoma makes quoting the Bible seem naive; he's a perfect foil for Darrow's sophistication, and he knows it.

Carey Crim is very strong as Dicky Loeb's main girlfriend, Germaine, and as Reporter #2. Crim strides across the stage with great confidence and seems to be in every pressroom in Chicago.

Lewis Bowen is very fine as Reporter #1; he walks like a brash, cocky man. When Bowen thanks Loeb for an interview, his eyes shine at the story he's gotten.

Jim Shanley is quietly terrific as Reporter #3, and as Dr. White who understands why the killing took place, but isn't interested in the sanity of either Leopold or Loeb.

Evelyn Orbach's artistic direction was superb. The set by West End Studios was inventive, so were scenes and props by Monika Essen, lights by Rita Girardi, and sound by Brett Rominger.

Mary Anne Davis was a fine production stage manager and Ernest McDaniel deserves kudos for tech director. But Edith Leavis Bookstein deserves a round of applause for costume design. I loved the clothes. I could almost imagine Dick Loeb "being worried about his suit."

ART BEAT

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AUDITIONS

Singers/dancers and actors needed for productions of "Medea" and "The Birds" which will be rehearsed and presented in Greece from mid-June to mid-July.

Auditions will be held 8-10 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Feb. 21-22 in the ballroom of the Student Union on the Livernois campus of the University of Detroit Mercy. For more information, call (810) 264-2611.

MUSICAL AFTERNOON FOR KIDS

The Music Lady presents a unique and exciting blend of music and songs, combining charming arrangements of old favorites, on her guitar 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28 to the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington.

The Music Lady also brings her dog puppet Zambonie and all the rhythm instruments she can find for an afternoon of fun and laughter.

Admission is $4. Tickets are available at the City of Livonia Parks and Recreation office 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, or at the door. For more details, call (734) 466-2410.

ART MEETING

Three Cities Art Club holds its monthly meeting 7 p.m. Monday, March 1, in the Plymouth Township Clerk's office at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

Please bring a sample of your work. A ribbon is awarded at each meeting to the most popular painting as determined by a vote. You need not be a member to win.

March's program features award winning Canton artist Connie Lucas who will demonstrate watercolor and explain her vibrant techniques. For more information, call Annalee Davis at (734) 427-6524.

VOICE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Plymouth Community Chorus will award scholarships to students pursuing studies in vocal music, an applied vocational career in vocal music, or voice for the purpose of organized recreational or community singing. Three scholarships will be awarded to deserving high school students– $800 to a graduating senior, and $400 each to first and second year students.

Deadline for application is March 8. For an application form or more information, call Sherrie Northway at (313) 533-4796 or write to the Plymouth Community Chorus, P.O. Box 77027, Plymouth, 48170.

In the last 14 years, recipients have gone on to study at music schools such as the Academy of Popular Vocal Arts, Interlochen and Blue Lake Fine Arts Camps.

ART CLASSES

The Art Gallery/Studio is offering classes with Lin Baum beginning 1-4 p.m. Thursday, March 18 at 29948 Ford Road, in Sheridan Square Shopping Center, Garden City.

The fee is $50 for four weeks. Members of the Garden City Fine Art Association receive a 10 percent discount.

Deadline for registration is March 15. For information, call (734) 261-0379 or (734) 513-4044.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Canton township is looking for artists to exhibit in the Fine Art and Craft Show Saturday-Sunday, June 19-20 at Liberty Fest '99 in Heritage Park.

Deadline for entry is April 15. For more information, call Sharon Dillenbeck at (734) 453-3710.

Exhibit hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Categories include painting, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel, and selected fine crafts. No commercially produced merchandise allowed. Artists can choose to display their work under the big tents or bring their own tent.

Any art student in middle or high school in the Plymouth-Canton School District can display and sell their art in the student booth. There is no entry fee for students.

PHOTO SEMINAR

The Photographic Guild, based in metropolitan Detroit, holds its 36th annual photographic seminar March 19-21 at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn.

Well-known photographers, including Gordon Brown and Herb Jones, present programs on subjects ranging from digital photography to video imaging, black and white printing, glassware, color slide "sandwiches," and landscape, night and nature close-up photography. Workshops will be held on video, live models, black light, bird and flower photography.

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Sunday, February 21, 1999

Lipstick hues less than pretty

Is it just me or have you noticed that the latest style in lipstick borders on the necrophiliac? Pretty young girls wearing blue, brown and even green lipstick. This is 1999. If we went back to plague-ruined years, we would not hesitate to either make a donation, or start a telethon for them.

William Shakespeare wrote of Juliet: "Beauty's ensign yet is crimson in thy lips and in thy cheeks and death's pale flag is not advanced there," How could he have known that he was predicting cosmetic colors for the millennium? And he was in the 16th century? Talk about foresight!

BEAUTY AND THE BEST

JEFFREY BRUCE

So what's up? Hero-in chic? Dead-girl chic? Just plain ugly chic?

Or could it be another desperate attempt by the cosmetic companies to resuscitate their youth market? I thought that young girls today were happier with their faces than when I was a kid. They certainly seem to be happier with their bodies.

Remember when we were teenagers "they" used to tell women "be sure to sleep with your lipstick and a mirror under your pillow. Be sure to rise before your husband so he will never see you bare faced."

Yikes! Where could a woman be kissed (don't answer that!)? I learned in the 1950s that lipstick was the true motif of the decade. All women would wear their wonderful red lips with pride and some daring. Was the red of the 50s the death mask of the 90s? The term "teenage " was yet to acquire its own stature and culture.

My grandmother and mother both considered lipstick to be as vital as clean underwear. My sister picked up on that (no, I definitely did NOT!) And she is always "with her lips."

It's interesting that as a makeup artist, when I see a woman without lipstick, she looks dead. Is that her intent? Her anti-cosmetic statement? Lack of knowledge?

I personally believe that it is impossible for the average mother to give advice to their daughters here; experience is wear-dated and, by the time a new generation achieves adulthood, the conditions of their lives have been altered so much that one's experience is no longer applicable.

Remember what you wore? Falsies (on your eyelids and other areas). Pale, pale lipstick. White foundation. No blusher. My God, our mothers were Dusty Springfield!

Back then, women were warned they would never find a husband if they didn't wear lipstick...at least. How nice that women can now say "so what" and not be ostracized.

Our current female generation has been told they will find companionship by the weight of their personality, sense of humor, intellect, sexual versatility, and even income. Isn't it amazing that women were at one time conditioned to connect finding a mate with a single swipe of lipstick?

Even then, they needed me since women only did their upper lips and blotted to transfer lipstick color. Double yikes!

As for guys, what an interesting quandary, both then and now. The "good girls" wore subtle pastels shades of lipstick. The "bad" girls wore red. Guys always wanted to marry good women, but have sex with bad girls. What a hoot to think that the wives would rush into the bathroom when the lights went out, single swipe that upper lip and become the floozies about which their mates always fantasized. Those, my dear, were the good old days! The millennium is 10 months away. Will anyone besides the eternal Joan Collins or Monica Lewinsky be left with that "waxy buildup" look on their lips? Let's hope that women have more sense and realize that you wear the makeup. The makeup doesn't wear you!

In re-reading this, I muse that it might seem odd that a man who has made his living for the past 35 years as a makeup artist would write about such things. I guess that I must be in a philosophic frame of mind. I just returned from a seven-day cruise to the Caribbean where I reflected on my life, my industry, and some of the passengers on the ship. But that's another story!

Jeffrey Bruce will be giving a free lecture/demonstration on Sunday, March 28 in Rochester. For more information about this event, as well as appointments for private makeovers in Novi in April (February and March are sold out), please call 1-800-944-6588. Also, you may e-mail Jeffrey at jwbb@worldnet.att.net or visit his web site: jeffreybrucecosmetics.com.

The power of jewelry

Designer channels energy into tailor-made pieces

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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If jewelry designer Sandra Xenakis' philosophy on beads, stones, metals and other matter of ornamentation comes into vogue, jewelry is about to get heavy.

"Wars have been won and lost over jewelry," said Xenakis, a Chelsea-based designer who assigns more significance to jewelry than mere adornment.

She sells her handmade, one-of-a-kind pieces at Just For Her, a small woman's clothing boutique in Troy, but also crafts custom jewelry, including some which aim to channel energy forces in the body.

Xenakis will also be available to speak with jewelry lovers and potential customers at a trunk show slated for March 11 from 4:30- 8 p.m. at the store.

The self-taught jewelry designer and psychic of 12 years calls these pieces – made of natural stones that some claim have healing and spiritual powers – "channel jewelry."

"I think stones have energy," said Xenakis, who only recently combined her talent for creating jewelry with what she calls her intuitive capabilities.

"Any natural object has energy," she said.

Skepticism about the healing power of stones is beside the point since, said Xenakis, all jewelry works in mysterious ways.

Jewelry is symbolic – consider the power turned over to rosaries and good luck charms.

Jewelry also becomes a part of the person who wears it.

"It's a part of you," said Xenakis. "It really becomes a part of you and has your energy. Whether or not people believe this, (jewelry) has your energy."

Just like a favorite comfort sweater, jewelry can affect mood, state of mind and behavior.

So, mused Xenakis, "it's important for people to think about what they put on their bodies, rather than just grabbing something and going. They should pay attention to how jewelry makes them feel."

That bulky, itchy sweater in the back of the closet doesn't get worn. Why should a piece of jewelry that evokes discomfort?

Likewise, one ought not fret about the loss of a piece of jewelry, said Xenakis.

"People lose jewelry when they're supposed to," she said. "Jewelry knows when it's *not* supposed to be with its owner anymore. So, don't despair. Some people find it again. But, if you don't, you weren't meant to."

To create her psychic, stone pieces, Xenakis meets with her customers, discusses their current life circumstances, mulls over their appearance and taste, and "channels" – through meditation – an end product.

The process, as well as other custom jewelry orders, takes two to three weeks. Xenakis' pieces range in price from $18 for pre-made earrings to $200 for necklaces and larger pieces. "Channel jewelry" starts at $50 and spirit bundles, bags of gemstones to carry or wear, start at $80.

A client who, for example, has a broken bone might consider tourmaline beads to aid the healing process. Young hearts in search of love might wish to incorporate rose quartz – the stone of universal love – into their necklace, bracelet or earrings.

Xenakis recommends lapis, clear-crystal quartz, jasper and hematite to clients seeking to reduce stress, confusion

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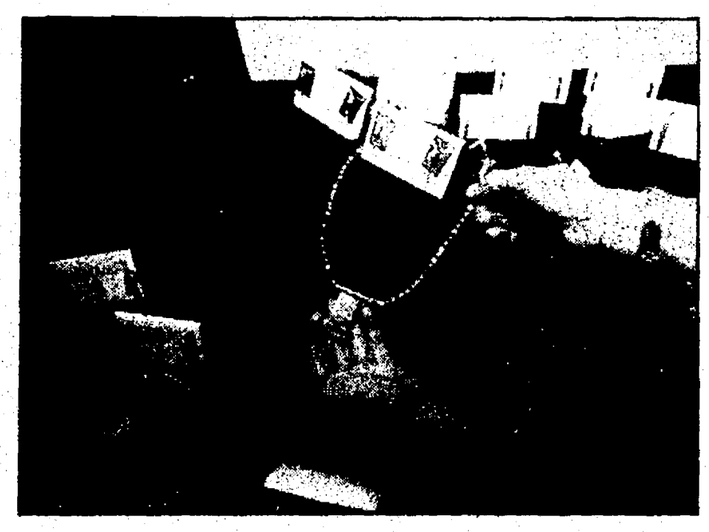

Handsome work: *Jewelry artist and psychic Sandra Xenakis creates objects that harmonize with the person who wears them. She says her bracelets, necklaces and other handmade pieces of jewelry can impart healing and healthful energy to the wearer. Xenakis crafts her works after carefully consulting with her clients to discuss their life and understand their circumstances.*

STAFF PHOTOS BY JOHN STORMZAND

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

MASTER GARDENER

Borders Books & Music in Farmington Hills hosts master gardener Peggy Malnati who will present a short program about shopping from garden catalogs. Participants are encouraged to bring their own gardening catalogs for exchange. 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

SPRING LAUREN SHOW

Hudson's Twelve Oaks presents a spring fashion show featuring looks from Lauren by Ralph Lauren. Reception begins at 6:30 p.m.

TRUNK SHOW

The Apple Tree Room, 32749 Franklin Road in Franklin, hosts a Spring trunk show featuring Brighton Leather handbags and the art clothing of Jennifer Sly Kirk, who will attend the event. Light refreshments will be served. Noon-8 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

A BETTER HOME OFFICE

Tips for creating an in-home office and enhancing current office environments will be given by professionals from COMP USA and Art Van Furniture. Those attending the event can register to win $599 of home office merchandise or one of four COMP USA training classes. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Art Van's Royal Oak location at 32301 Woodward Ave.

BASEBALL COLLECTIBLES

Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts a Baseball Card and Collectibles Show through Feb. 28. Cards, coins, stamps, assorted memorabilia and autographs will be available. During regular mall hours.

SPRING REFRESHER

Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection in Troy, offers Estee Lauder facials with a company representative through Feb. 27. Cosmetics department, first floor. Call (248) 614-3363 for an appointment.

ST. JOHN'S COLLECTION

Laurel Park Place in Livonia presents St. John spring-summer collection. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in Jacobson's Designer Salon.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

NO MAN IS AN ISLAND

Borders Books & Music in Birmingham pays tribute to island life. Author Richard Goree will read from and discuss his book "Goree Island." A fashion show of island attire with live music from the Super Steel Band follows. 7-10 p.m.

LOOK-A-LIKES

If your child looks or dresses like a child star, such as Annie or Cindy Brady, bring your little star to the Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn for the Child Star Look-A-Like contest. Register between 1 and 3 p.m. at the Fountain Court Stage. Contest begins at 4 p.m. For information, call (313) 593-1370.

MEET MADELINE

Meet the popular character Madeline and enjoy a reading of one of her adventures at Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection in Troy. 1-4 p.m. in Children's World, second floor.

POLO MODEL

Polo Sport super model Tyson Beckford makes a public appearance in the Cosmetic departments of Hudson's, Northland Center in Southfield, 12-1 p.m. and at Hudson's, Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

SISTER WALK

Celebrate Black History Month by participating in Sister Walk-Sister Talk at Northland Center in Southfield. The event includes a walk and a discussion about black women's daily experiences. 9 a.m. in front of Truth Bookstore.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

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 a few weeks. Due to the overwhelming response to this column, we only publish the requested item two or three times. If you have not seen a response or heard from us, we were unable to locate the item. Thank You.

WHAT WE FOUND:

Northridge Pharmacy: (800) 350-7002 or www.northridgegifts.com:

Cologne Guy, www.cologneguy.com: Colonial Drug, Boston (617) 864-2222.

For the **J.L. Hudson demolition video**, you might try any of the television stations, they might sell you one.

A reader called from Florida to say the **original aluminum Christmas tree** with color wheel in its original box was seen at the Great Midwestern Antique Emporium in Drayton Plains on Dixie Hwy.

Magic Lady underwear made by Exquisite can be found in the Lane Bryant catalog (800) 248-2000.

A **Jet Stream Convention oven** can be found at Kitchen Glamour stores.

Ginger Bread cologne by Demeter's can be bought at Shine on Washington in Royal Oak, (248) 414-5277.

A reader called to say for the **Tec cleaner** use Lysol Extra Strength Toilet bowl cleaner. It whitens the porcelain very well.

The **heating element** that defrosts freezers can be found in the Harriet Carter catalog (800) 377-7878.

Annie called to say **Lenox Golden Winslow** silverware is a current pattern. Lenox bought out the Kirk Steiff Company. It can be found at Heslop's and Jacobson's. And Nat Schwartz, (800) 223-3003, has it reasonably priced.

Underarm **dress shields** can be found in the Lingerie department at Jacobson's in Birmingham and also at any Joanne Fabrics. And through Kleinert's catalog (334) 897-5764 and also in the Vermont Country Store catalog (800) 362-8440.

Found a copy of the J.L. Hudson demolition, macrame plant holders, 1994 & 1995 Holiday Barbie and the count down clock.

WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR:

Darlene is looking for **High Karate** men's cologne by Canoe from the 1970's.

Willie is looking for **Dole Pineapple frozen concentrate.**

Sheila wants the 1993 Service Merchandise Collectible Silver **Christmas bell.**

Chuck is looking for the 1979 glass **Hummel** ornament.

Penny wants **Zena or Britannica jeans.**

Jan wants **Lip Chic** (a liquid that is brushed over lipstick to seal).

Linda from Troy is looking for **"Focus Art Form, Splash"** hair products and Focus hair shiner.

Mary is looking for Tulip Town Village. It has hand painted rabbit figurines and pewter buildings by Anesco from about 10 years ago.

Mike is looking for a **1950 Grosse Pointe High yearbook.**

Elaine wants white fingertip **terry cloth towels.**

Mary Lou is looking for leather square or round **decorative mat** (used on the top of desks and end tables to prevent scratches). Hudson's carried them, as did a store in Plymouth.

Mary is looking for the book **"The Treasure Chest"** from Harper & Rowe from the 1960's. It is a poetry book. She also wants Almay's **Time Off Makeup Re-texturing Foundation** in Almond Beige and needs an antique dealer to price her antique street lamps.

Daphene is looking for **Yardley Lavender Powder.**

Mrs. Stroh wants the Jan. 1943 **yearbook** from Northern High school.

David is looking for a **PC interface** from Texas Instrument (64K) organizer from about 6 years ago.

Joe is looking for **top fitted sheets.** Sears sold them in their catalog.

Yvonne wants **cake eyeliner** by Avon or Mabeline.

Betty would like someone who teaches **how to string beads.**

Pat is looking for a sheets and comforter set with the **Toy Story** theme.

Gloria wants the **Mr. Peanut ornament.**

Melissa wants the 1987 and 1988 **Farmington High school yearbooks.**

Diane is looking for **wallpaper** or **wall border** of monkeys, chimps or gorillas, and a **coordinating bedspread and sheets.**

Annette is looking for someone to repair a 1956 Wurlitzer **jukebox.**

Karen wants a battery operated **hair dryer.**

John is looking for **Old Tavern Steak Sauce** and **Philadelphia Scrapple** or Scrapple.

Joanne is looking for a figurine of **Johnny Pfeiffer,** who was the emblem for Pfeiffer beer.

Mary Lou wants the moisturizing body lotion **Once Upon a Moment** and an electric curling brush less than a half-inch.

Compiled by Sandi Jarackas.

RETAIL DETAILS

BREAD IS LIFE

Panera Bread, a neighborhood bakery-cafe opened Jan. 31 at Lakeside shopping center in Sterling Heights.

The bakery and gathering spot features more than a dozen varieties of its signature hard-crust, European-style bread and 10 types of fresh-baked bagels, as well as fruit-filled croissants, cinnamon rolls, muffins and dessert bars.

Fresh salads, made-to-order sandwiches, soup in sourdough bread bowls and espresso drinks are also available.

Lakeside's Panera Bread is located on the mall's lower level near JC Penny and is one of more than 100 locations across the nation operated by Saint Louis Bread Co.

FADE TO WHITE

Call it the new optimism, the new millennium or just call it spring. Everything about the new fashion season looks lighter and brighter, says Gina Tovar, a fashion director with Nordstrom.

"White, shades of white and a new palette of whitened colors are a refreshing counterpoint to last season's dark shades, and a beautiful way to celebrate spring," she said.

This spring, Nordstrom will carry a spectrum of white, which is not only a mood-booster but also makes for a fresh, modern fashion statement.

An easy complement to darker shades of clothing already in the closet, white is good buy, as well. Combining "shades" of white will also be current this spring. Stone, ecru, cement and ivory complement each other and coordinate well with darker colors. Most importantly, such variety means that there's a shade of white out there for every skin tone.

Generally speaking, brunettes with olive skin look best in true, bright white. Fair skin and light-colored hair are drawn out by warmer whites, like ivory.

White's simplicity and versatility is a perennial classic. And, forecasts indicate fashion will continue to fall towards the light and white side over the next several seasons.

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and distraction in their lives.

"The colors coming in for spring are very soothing," said Xenakis of current trends in clothing and jewelry. "And, to me, that makes a lot of sense because of the times we're in now. We're in a very chaotic time.

"What I'm saying is, there is an inward component to the way you dress," she said. "And, that is important and figures into buying jewelry, as well."

While Xenakis' offering of psychic jewelry is certainly unique, the rest of her pieces don't slack in the unconventional category.

A recent trunk show of her work at Just For Her – the Space Collection – showed off Xenakis' talent for making use of unusual jewelry ingredients. In this case, she incorporated small, metal parts formerly used in the aerospace industry as components of satellites and rockets.

Another collection melds fragile, Victorian buttons with contemporary beads, metal and stone. Her best-selling necklace centers around the I-Ching, a chinese good luck coin.

"I think people are looking for permanence and tradition – I take some of that and make it contemporary, make it new" she said.

Best of all, Xenakis' philosophy even figures into her return policy; if the ring doesn't fit – emotionally – just return it.

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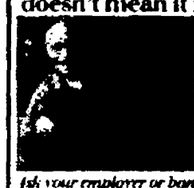
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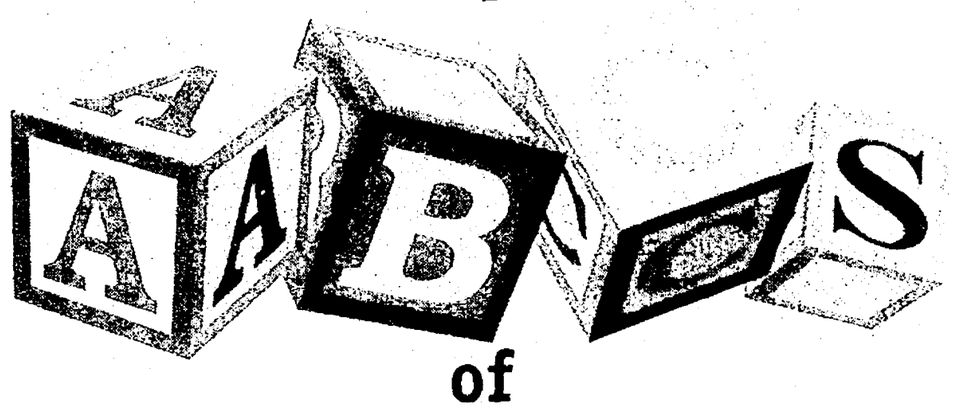

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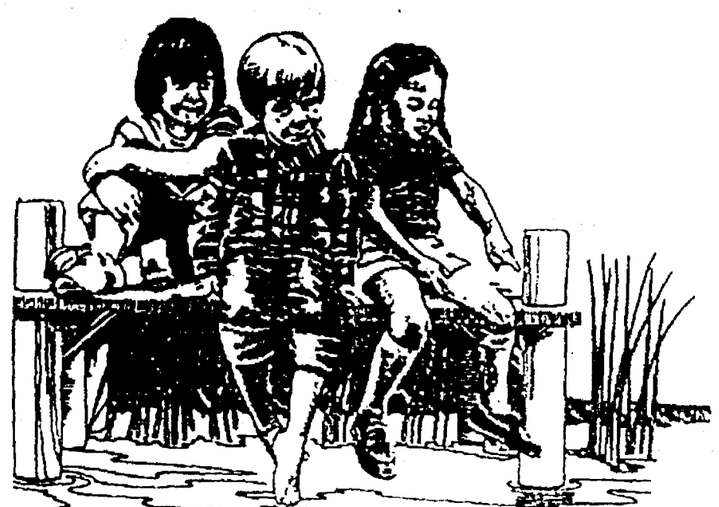
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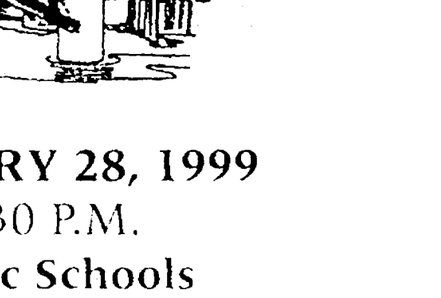

Stout-hearted men: *The Lumberjack Spectacular at Outdoorama is March 5-7. From left to right, Dan McDonough, nine-time world champion log roller, Curt Hiser, Pat Ogle and John Hughes, two-time cross-cut saw world champion.*

New travel books fit in a purse

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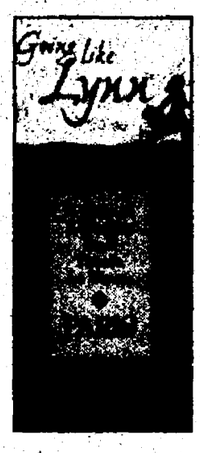

Tiny Lynn Portnoy moved about her small, stylish store at the Claymoor Apartment building in Southfield fixing tea and talking about her love of far-away places.

"My passion is traveling," she said with an enthusiasm that left no doubts. "When I say passion, I don't golf, tennis or go to sports events, but I'm a compulsive traveler. I was born with a curiosity I haven't outgrown."

She said her passion is so great she had to drop her subscription to the National Geographic because she was driven to visit every place they covered.

More than 30 years in the clothing business has given her an opportunity to see many places. As a single women, she developed strategies for traveling in comfort and safety that she is now passing along to others in what she hopes will become a series of purse-sized guides, "Going Like Lynn." The first is on traveling to Paris.

The books began with a program she did on "traveling with one bag."

"Conversation always developed that they wanted details about my trip," Portnoy said. "And these were secure women, independent women. When it came to vacation travel, they were intimidated to go. So I started planning people's trips. It's a regular part of what I do."

Portnoy's store, which specializes in dressing professional women, opened in downtown Detroit in 1980 where it remained until 1991 when she moved to Southfield. The University of Michigan graduate began her fashion career with Joseph Magnin in San Francisco. She then joined the Claire Pearone store at Somerset Mall.

Portnoy, who lives in Bloomfield, began working on the travel book by sending out a questionnaire asking for ideas on destinations and concerns. She said Paris was the No. 1 choice for destination, followed by New York and Italy. She said her series will follow that order.

"The No. 1 concern, which surprised me, was safety. I've never felt unsafe," she said.

That doesn't mean she takes the issue of safety lightly or hasn't developed some strong ideas about it, especially her conviction that small hotels offer the safest havens.

"Everyone says it doesn't matter where you stay, and it does. I only stay in small hotels where there's a human there," she said.

The small hotels don't handle the convention trade and they don't provide indifferent one-size-fits-all service.

"I feel more secure in a small hotel, someone knows who I am, and you don't have drunk people," she said.

Her book lists a handful of small hotels in Paris, all within walking distance of museums and shops.

"I'm a workaholic and when I get out on a trip, I want service," she said. "My time is valuable to me. A good concierge is like having a nanny. They make reservations and they tell you where to walk and where not to walk."

Portnoy advises women, and men, too, not to advertise themselves as American tourists.

"Never wear running shoes," she said. "They mark you as a tourist. Wear dark walking shoes."

She also advises that travelers keep a notebook with all their numbers written down such as your Visa or MasterCard number and expiration date, medical numbers, phone numbers, etc. She also advises making a copy of your passport.

"I keep telling people, if you feel unsafe, get off the street, to into a tobacco shop or cafe and they'll call you a cab," she said.

A sense of humor and an expectation that you're bound to make mistakes are also helpful. Portnoy tells some funny stories about herself in her book. For instance, there was the time some smoked fish almost got her arrested as a terrorist in Jordan.

As Portnoy says, these embarrassing moments are later treasured memories.

A tea break: *Lynn Portnoy (left) and her friend Linda Talbot enjoy tea and coffee at the Glaces de la Maison Berthillon in Paris.*

Another concern of women traveling alone is about where to dine and how to cope with dining alone.

"They want to know about dining out in restaurants and how they will be treated," Portnoy said.

She lists her favorite restaurants in a range of prices.

A special feature of Portnoy's book is devoted to shopping in the city that made shopping famous. But Portnoy doesn't send travelers to Dior's. She said a women is more likely to want to buy some lingerie or French chocolate or "overspend for some lipstick."

Of course, if you go Portnoy's way, you'll only have one bag and won't have room to carry back a lot of souvenirs.

"I only do carry-on. If I can't carry it on the plane, it doesn't go with me," she said.

She went to the back of the store and brought out a blue men's travel bag. On a rack of dresses, she separated a small grouping that she uses in her seminars to show just how little you need to carry.

This kind of light traveling might be harder for a man, Portnoy said men pack more than women.

Her book tells women what to bring that will provide them with enough clothes, accessories and toiletries for a week.

The tiny book includes itineraries for a two-day trip and a weeklong trip.

"I'm a frustrated painter, I'm a visual person," she said. "I'm eccentric and highly visual. Paris is one of the most visual places. The street markets as much as the museums. Wherever you walk, the whole city, there is something to see. New York is the most interesting city but Paris is the most beautiful."

Her store features displays of the compact book which she has been promoting. A man from Howell came in to buy a copy for his Paris-bound daughter. His wife had heard Portnoy on the radio.

"This is so exciting," she said as she enthusiastically signed the book, obviously eager to share her passion with a young women off on an adventure.

"The strongest education I've had is what I've learned from traveling," she said. "I've been with descendants of kings and descendants of slaves. I'm richer than people with money in the bank. I'm trying to give women the courage to go."

"Going Like Lynn" can be ordered for $12.95 plus $2.75 per book for shipping and handling by writing Lynn Portnoy, 29260 Franklin Road, Suite 123, Southfield, MI 48034 or by calling (248)353-2900. You can also contact Portnoy by e-mail at goinglikelynn@womenbiz.net

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OUTDOORAMA

The Outdoorama sport and travel show, produced annually by the Michigan United Conservation Club, will open Feb. 26 and continue for 10 days through March 7 at the Novi Expo Center, Novi Road and I-96, with product exhibits, entertainment, seminars and information for outdoor lovers of all ages. Featured entertainment includes ventriloquist Steve Hall and his sidekick Shotgun Red; the Lumberjack Spectacular; Danger Action Theater; dog trainer Len Jenkins; archery demonstrations; fishing contests and Big Buck Night with hunting tips from Dave Richey and Byron Ferguson.

Hours are 4-9:30 p.m. Feb. 26; 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Feb. 27 and March 6; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 28; 4-9:30 p.m. March 1-2; noon to 9:30 p.m. March 3; 4-9:30 p.m. March 4-5 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. March 7.

Admission is $6.50 for adults, $3 for children 6-12 and free for age five and younger.

For information, call (800)777-6720.

DESTINATION IRELAND

The Community House Travel Department is offering an Irish adventure for May 13-21.

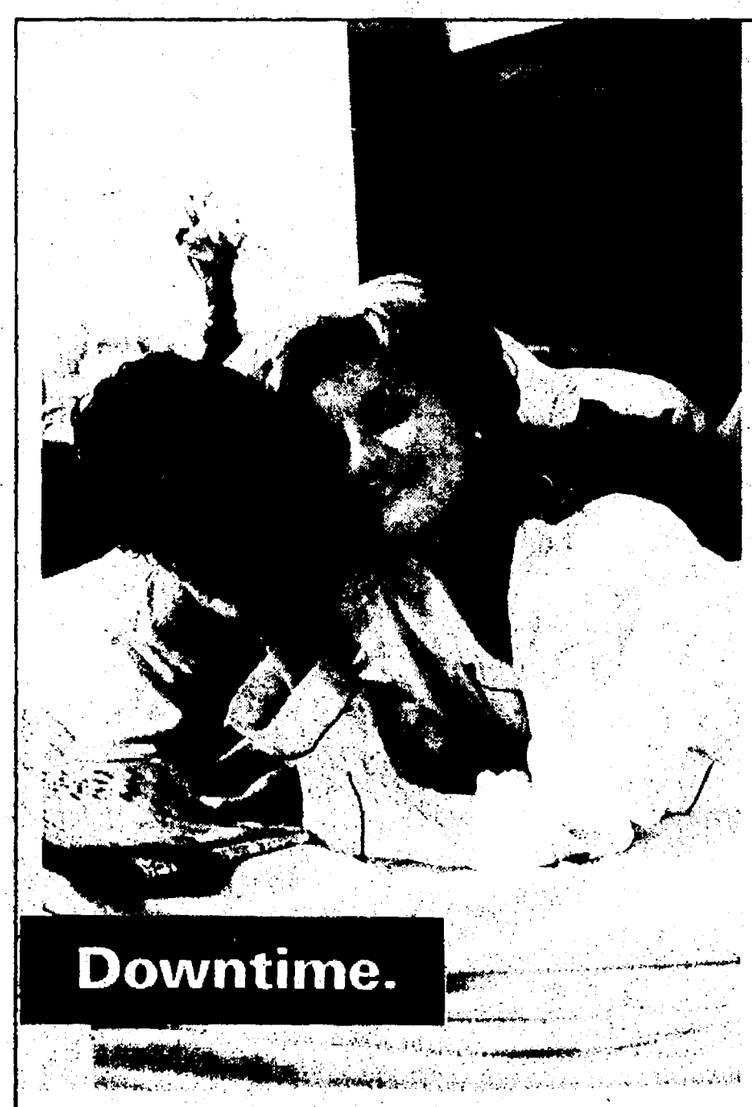
With a tour beginning in Dublin, a luxury coach winds along the west coastline with an Irish guide pointing out the island's scenery. Travelers will enjoy touring historical sites such as St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin Castle, Blarney Woolen Mills and Glendalough. Other hot spots on the trip include tea and scones at an Irish farmhouse and shopping at the Waterford Crystal Factory.

First-class accommodations for seven nights will be provided and a full Irish breakfast served daily. The tour includes roundtrip air between the United States and Dublin, passage on the Shannon Ferry Service and all hotel service charges and baggage handling.

To register for this Irish Adventure or to receive information about other trips through The Community House in Birmingham, call (248)594-6419.

BIKE MAINTENANCE

Get your bike ready for spring with this instructional clinic at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at REI, 17559 Haggerty Road in Northville. The class teaches the basics of chain, brake and derailleur adjustment and how to fix a flat. Staff will go over the techniques and tools needed for basic bike maintenance. For more information, call (248)347-2100.



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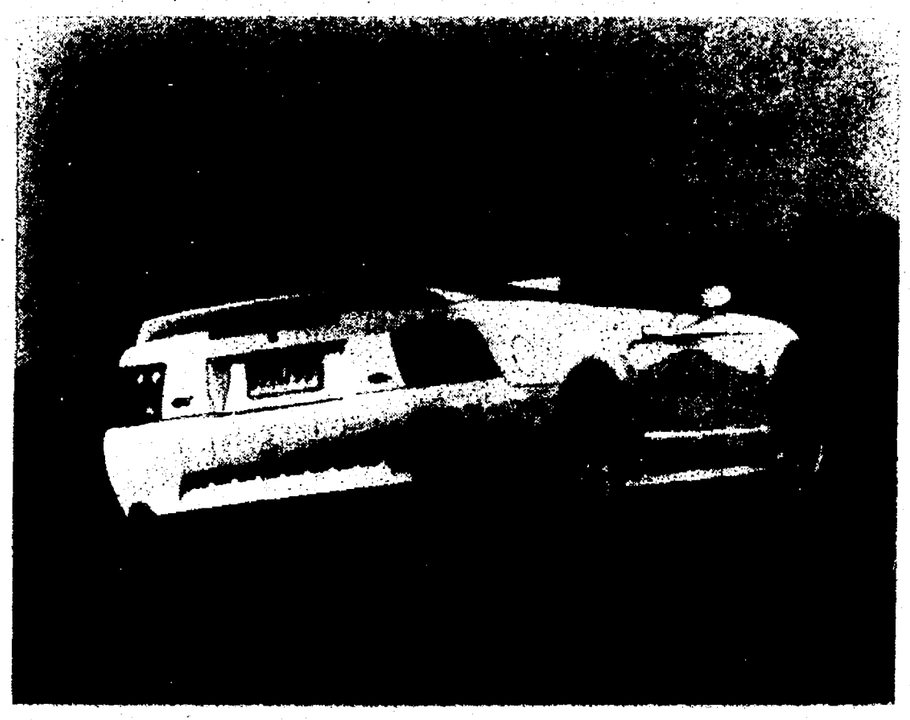

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Westland Panthers 1st

The Westland Panthers Squirt B team (ages 9-11) captured the district title by beating the Detroit Dragons, two games to one, including a 5-1 victory Wednesday at Trenton Ice Box II.

The Panthers advance to the Michigan Amateur Hockey Associatoin state tournament, March 3-7, at the Wayne Civic Arena.

Members of the Panthers, who finished 19-1-2 in Little Caesars play, include: Chris Allen, John Ballarin, Jeff Cox, John Dean, Matthew Haskell, Paul Litwinczuk, Tommy Lorenz, Johnathon Lysko, Joseph Rawson, Ryan Rawson, Jacob Renner, Korey Strauss, D.J. Tracy, Ricky Wynierko, Daniel Setser and Matthew Byle.

The coaching staff includes Pat Rawson, Mike Rawson, John Ballarin and Matthew Byle. The team manager is John Dean.

Midget B Devils crowned

The Livonia Midget B Devils captured four straight game en route to the Dearborn Hockey Association winter tournament title (Jan. 28-31) capped by a 3-1 victory in the finals over the Livonia Leafs.

Devil goals were scored by tournament MVP Mark Tice, Scott Hines and Clint Cezon. Assists went to Justin Torcolacci, Nathan Zuziak and Josh Moyer.

Goalie Aaron Schientz posted a 2-0 shutout in a third-round Devils win with Bill Hanley and Aaron Swintek scoring goals. Assists went to Cezon, Hanley and Hines.

In the second round, the Devils edged the Leafs, 2-1, as Hines had a goal and assist. He assisted on the game-winner by Moyer with just 12 seconds left. Tice also drew an assist.

In the opener, goaltender Jeff Perkins notched the shutout in a 2-0 victory over the Woodhaven Leafs. Brandon Wallace scored the Devils' first goal from Swintek and Hanley, while Hines added an unassisted goal.

WYAA spring registration

Baseball and softball registration (1999 season) for the Westland Youth Athletic Association will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays and 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, through April 17, at the WYAA Compound, 6050 Farmington Road.

The cost for baseball is $65 for Pony (ages 13-14) and Colt (15-16); $40 for Mustang (9-10) and Bronco (11-12) with fundraiser (or $90 without fundraiser). No fundraiser is required for Pony or Colt (20-game Pony schedule).

Tryouts for Mustang is at noon for for Bronco at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 17 at Central City Baseball Park.

Softball signup fees are $65 for Appaloosa (15-18), no fundraiser required; $40 for Shetland (8-11) and Filly (12-14), or $90 (without fundraiser).

The youth baseball signup fee is $30 for Coach-Pitch (7-8) and T-Ball (4-6), or $80 (without fundraiser).

Opening day is at noon Saturday, May 1 at Central City Baseball Park. The third annual WYAA picnic is Saturday, June 5. (All participants will receive a Major League replica uniform to keep.)

For more information on registration, call (734) 421-0640. To sponsor a team, call Bud Somerville at (734) 729-9657.

CC mat correction

Redford Catholic Central sophomore Tom Buddenborg should have been listed as a third-place finisher in the Catholic League wrestling tournament, Feb. 13 at Birmingham Brother Rice.

Buddenborg won three of his four matches by pin at 112 pounds.

Youth soccer champions

The Livonia Y Meteors, an under-10 boys soccer team, sported a 7-0-1 indoor record en route to a first-place finish at the Soccer Zone's final session.

Members of the Meteors, coached by Dave Burton, include Kyle Bogenschutz, Ben Burton, Evan Chapman, Bret Driscoll, Andrew Esshaki, Alex Grimes, David Herbeck, Steve Hart, Matt Loney, Kevin Murphy, Bryon Niemczak, Matt Rzepka, Ben Schroeder and David St. Amant.

Assistant coaches include Dave Schroeder and Gary Niemczak.

Going airborne

STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Balance beam: *Westland John Glenn's Jessica Beach was the top point producer in Thursday's dual meet victory against Trenton. For more details on the girls gymnastics meet, see page D4.*

Wooden bat league coming to Livonia

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There is a new baseball team in town, and if all goes as planned, it will make a name for itself out of town as well.

The Michigan Panthers are expansion members of the Great Lakes Summer Collegiate League and intend on making their home this summer at Livonia's Ford Field and Bicentennial Park.

Former Redford Catholic Central and University of Detroit-Mercy pitcher Steve Ross, 25, is the team's president and minority owner. Ross, a Garden City native, owns the Sports Academy, an indoor baseball and softball facility in Novi.

The majority owner is Bill Clark, who owns Quandrants Construction Co.

What makes the Panthers unique from others that have played out of Livonia is they will truly travel out of town, making overnight visits, when playing away from home.

Eight of the 10 teams in the Great Lakes are based in Ohio. The wooden bat league is one of eight sanctioned nationally by the NCAA and partially funded by Major League Baseball.

The 13-year-old league has a long list of alumni in the Major Leagues, including current Tigers pitchers A.J. Sager and Brian Moehler. There are no age limits but players must have completed their freshman year in college but still have college eligibility remaining.

Michigan Panthers

Most of the Panthers' 25-man roster will be made up of NCAA Division I players. At least 15, according to Ross, will come from outside the Detroit area or out of state. Players from as far away as West Virginia University and University of Cincinnati dot the roster.

Housing for summer

Some will stay with area residents or be put up in corporate housing and have day jobs, Ross said.

Admission to games is free this year, according to Ross.

Ross' goal is to "bring quality baseball to the Detroit area. When you get 25 Division I of II players on one team it's inherent that the ball is going to be better. It's a pro organization from top to bottom."

Except for the fact that the players aren't paid. According to NCAA rules, the clubs can only pay for the players' meals and their motel room on trips.

The franchise fee cost $3,000 and Ross estimates expenses for the first year to approach $25,000.

The team is seeking sponsorships.

Ford and Bicentennial fields could be temporary homes for the team, which is hoping to build its own facility for the year 2000 in Livonia, according to Ross.

An expanding league

The league was formed in 1986 with Columbus, Ohio, and Lima, Ohio remaining charter members. Sandusky and Salina, both also from Ohio, have been members since 1990. Delaware, Ohio, has been in the league since 1992.

Also joining as expansion teams are the Michigan Monarchs, out of Monroe, and three teams from Ohio: Youngstown, Canton and Strongsville.

Jim DeSana, who had an unlimited age team in the Livonia-based Adray Metro Baseball Association last year, is running the Michigan Monarchs.

"Everyone is ecstatic," league commissioner Brian Sullivan said. "The new teams all seem very solid, are recruiting players from quality Division I programs. It's just going to enhance our reputation nationally. This is the highest level of amateur baseball. You'll see some in the pros."

The rental of both Ford Field and Bicentennial was met with approval by Lyle Trudell, administrative assistant for the Livonia Parks and Recreation, as long as scheduling wasn't

Please see **EXPANSION**, D4

Upset win puts Pats in title matchup

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Livonia Franklin pulled off a stunning 9-15, 17-15, 15-9 girls volleyball victory Wednesday over host Plymouth Salem, the No. 7 ranked team in Class A.

Unranked Franklin, now 29-10-1, will take a 9-1 record into Monday night's showdown with No. 5 Walled Lake Central, the only unbeaten team left in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Game time is 7 p.m. at Franklin.

"Monday's match will be very interesting, pitting two teams capable of winning against each other," Franklin coach Mary Helen Diegel said. "The team that is most focused with the least amount of mistakes will win."

With the loss, Salem falls to 32-7 and 7-2.

Nicole Boyd and Tera Morrill led the Patriots with 13 kills each, while Andrea Kmet had 10 and Kerstin Marshall eight. Lyndsay Sopko had 15 assists. Alexis Bowman had 10 digs and eight aces. Lindsay Duprey added eight digs and Boyd had four aces.

"I'm proud of our girls," Diegel said. "They stepped up to the challenge and it feels good to be able to beat a team on that level. Salem is a quality team and the match itself exemplified excellent volleyball on both sides."

Spartans whip John Glenn

Livonia Stevenson rolled to a 15-3, 15-5 WLAA victory Wednesday over host Westland John Glenn as sophomore setter Kelley Hutchins had 12 assists and three aces.

Stephanie Dulz was 11-for-11 hitting with six kills. She also went seven-for-seven serving with three aces.

Other contributions came from Kate LeBlanc, Cassie Ehlendt and Carly Wadsworth, two kills apiece. Brenda Pedersen and Megan Urbats also served without an error.

Stevenson is 28-13-2 overall and 7-3 in the WLAA.

Chargers stop Canton

Livonia Churchill improved to 24-10-2 overall and 7-3 in the Western Lakes with a 15-8, 15-8 win over visiting Walled Lake Western on Senior Night.

It was the last home match Thursday for seniors Courtney Lim, Becky Weber, Brazilian exchange student Fernanda Leite, Luba Steca, Jessica MacKay, Lauren Ruprecht and manager Stephanie Graber, an exchange student from Germany.

The national anthems of three countries were played.

Churchill coach Mike Hughes singled out the defensive play of Lim, Weber, Ruprecht and Sarah Hennessey.The Chargers also received strongplay from Marsi Phillips.

Huron Valley prevails

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, behind Jessica Whitaker's five kills and two aces, earned a 15-12, 15-11 victory Thursday at Taylor Baptist Park.

With the win, the Hawks improved to 9-9 overall and 7-3 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Taylor Baptist is 5-15 overall.

Senior Anya Day, who had two kills and two aces, served nine points in the secnd game. Junior Stacie Graves added three kills.

Franklin notches 1st win of season

BOYS BASKETBALL WRAP

Put one in for the win column — finally — for the Livonia Franklin boys basketball team.

The Patriots, starting three sophomores and two juniors, earned their first victory of the season Thursday at home against Livonia Churchill, 84-67.

Franklin is now 1-15 and 1-10 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Churchill drops to 4-13 and 1-10.

Junior guard Derek Schema played a strong all-around game for the Patriots with 21 points and seven rebounds. He made eight of 10 free throws and hit a pair of three-pointers.

Junior forward Jason Micallef added 17 points and six rebounds, while sophomore center Mike Copeland snared 15 rebounds to go along with six points.

Jamie Kuras, playing in only his second varsity game, added 11 points, while Ian Reid had 10.

"We did things more fundamentally sound on a consistent basis and made good decisions attacking their press when we needed to," Franklin coach Dan Robinson said. "And we knew when to pull it out. We talked bout about having intensity and not having mental lapses."

Churchill, which couldn't overcome a 39-25 hal time deficit, was led by junior forward John Bennett's team-high 18 points.

Juniors Randall Boboige and Brandon Garlacz contributed 12 and 11, respectively.

"I want to congratulate Franklin' — they deserved to win," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "They played hard in every aspect. They beat us to loose balls, rebounded and did everything need to win. Robinson and his team controlled the tempo."

•**LUTHERAN WESTLAND 61, CLARENCEVILLE 42:** Junior guard Charlie Hoeft poured in 26 points Friday, including 14 in the third quarter, lifting host Lutheran High Westland (11-5, 10-3) to a Metro Conference victory over Livonia Clarenceville (8-10, 5-7).

Hoeft had eight to spark an 18-5 Warriors' run in the second period.

"We were kind of sluggish, then in the last two minutes of the first half we got it going," said Lutheran Westland coach Dan Ramthun, whose team avenged an earlier loss to the Trojans. "Our defensive kind of kept us in it."

Senior forward Tom Habitz added 12 points for the winners. Ryan Ollinger, a senior forward, contributed 11. Freshman forward Brent Habitz blocked four shots.

Clarenceville, which trailed 27-14 at intermission, got 12 points from junior guard Scott Carr and 11 from senior forward Rick Murphy.

•**JOHN GLENN 62, SALEM 59:** Westland John Glenn (10-6, 8-3) pulled off a mild upset Friday against Plymouth Salem (14-3, 8-3) in a battle of WLAA. Glenn led 31-25 at halftime.

Junior center Ben Harris led a balanced Glenn attack with a team-high 18 points. Three other Rockets scored in double figures — Bill Foder (13), Ty Haygood (12) and Eric Jones (11).

Salem also had four players score in double figures — Aaron Rypkowsk 19), Matt McCaffrey (12) Mike Korduba (10) and Tony Jancevski (10).

•**HURON VALLEY 53, MT. CARMEL 46:** Junior guard Rene Arnal scored a game-high 21 points Friday, leading Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (2-13) to the non-league victory over Wyandotte Mount Carmel (1-15).

Alan Kleinke, a 6-2 junior forward, added 14 points. Brian Johnson, out the past month with a bruised knee, played in his second game. The 6-4 senior contributed 10 points.

Huron Valley led by only one, 24-23, at halftime but outscored Mount Carmel 18-4 in the third quarter to take command.

"We stuffed them defensively," Huron Valley coach Bill Ohlsson said. "Brian got us going. He can jump and block shots. He played tough inside along with Alan.

"It was nice to have balance finally again."

Mike Russo scored 15 for the Comets, all on three-point shots.

•**WAYNE 68, INKSTER 47:** Senior Jamar Davis scored 21 and senior forward Nathan Wade added 16 Friday as host Wayne Memorial (6-11, 4-6) turned back the Vikings (3-12, 2-7) in a Mega Conference-Red Division encounter.

Michael Williams led Inkster with 15.

Wayne made 15 of 22 free throws, while Inkster was nine of 20.

•**N. FARMINGTON 77, STEVENSON 51:** Emir Medunjanin, a 6-6 junior, scored 20 points and grabbed six rebounds Friday to power North Farmington (13-3, 9-1) to the WLAA victory over visiting Livonia Stevenson (5-12, 2-9).

Brian Shulman added 13 for the victorious Raiders, who jumped out to a 20-2 first-quarter advantage.

Marty Kennedy led Stevenson with 15 points. John Van Buren added eight.

STAFF PHOTO BY LIZ CARNEGIE

Good Habitz: *Freshman forward Brent Habitz of Lutheran Westland makes the pass in front of C'ville's Scott Hall.*

sity in Oxford, Ohio.

The Icettes won the Teen Division, while Iceline took second in the Senior Youth division. Both teams skate out of Edgar Arena in Livonia.

The teams are coached by Laura Edney and Carol Juodawlkis.

Both the Icettes and Iceline will compete Feb. 26 in Southgate before returning home March 26-28, to Edgar.

BANTAM B HAWKS TAKE 3RD

The Livonia Hockey Association Bantam B Hawks took thirfd out of 10 teams in the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association District IV playoffs held recently at Arctic Pond in Plymouth.

The Hawks scored wins over Redford (3-2), Howell (5-4), Plymouth (3-1) and Farmington Hills (4-3).

Alex Villarruel tallied the game-winner in the fourth overtime against Howell.

The Hawks lost in four OTs to Southfield, 3-2, and were eliminated by Novi, 5-3.

The Jaguars defeated Southfield in two subsequent games to advance to next month's MAHA state tourney.

Other members of the Hawks, sponsored by Coverall of Detroit, include Kris Bechamp, Pat Boucher, Mike Clarey (team captain), George Georvassilis, Dru Girard, Bill Kane, Nathan Krzyaniak, Jeff Martell, Kyle O'Neil (assistant captain), Eric Sabuda (assistant captain), Nick Staffend, Mark Walczyk

at Livonia Ladywood High School.

One session will be from 9 a.m. to noon and followed by the second session from 1:30-4:30 p.m.

The cost for each session is $30. Parents and coaches can attend free.

Registration closes Feb. 24. The clinic will be limited to the first 40 per session.

For more information, call (734) 591-2323.

WAYNE SOFTBALL SIGNUP

The City of Wayne Parks and Recreation Department is accepting registration for men's, women's, co-ed and men's over-40 softball teams from 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily at the Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe Road.

League play will be Monday (women's); Tuesday (men's C-D), Wednesday (co-ed and men's over-40); Thursday (men's C-D); Friday (men's D-E and over-40).

The cost is $425 per team with no residency requirements. The schedule is 14-15 games with one umpire per game, along with an official scorekeeper. The cost also includes All-Star game, playoffs and awards.

For more info, call Keith Alexander at (734) 721-7400.

Young leads Blazers to 8th title in row

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GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Livonia Ladywood senior Jenny Young tried to rub the soreness out of her right hand at the conclusion of the Catholic League volleyball championship match Thursday night.

That was understandable given Young's monster kills that powered the Blazers to an easy 15-6, 15-5 victory over rival Farmington Hills Mercy in front of a packed crowd at Madonna University.

"Actually, I dove on the floor and hurt it a little bit," said Young, who had 15 kills and served three aces. "It's nothing major; I'll be fine."

The inconvenience of a little pain wasn't about to keep Young from savoring the moment as Ladywood (26-15-1) captured its eighth consecutive league title.

"This is awesome," Young said, adding the thrill of victory would make it difficult to sleep that night. "Today everyone was into it. Everything came together, and the defense was better than it's ever been."

Indeed, the Blazers were near flawless and had their best effort of the season, according to Ladywood coach Larry Wyatt. Mercy coach Ed Moeller said he hadn't seen the Blazers play better.

"We had a lots of blocks; we touched everything (defensively) and had a lot of movement," Wyatt said. "When we do all those things, we play really well. We definitely played well."

The Marlins had the momentum early in the match, taking a 4-2 lead in the first game on a pair of kills by junior Carrie Brankiewicz and junior Amy Miller's ace.

But it gradually shifted to the Blazers, who scored the next 13 points on four service rotations. Junior Kelly Carey served the last seven in a row, during which senior Tracey DeWitt had two of her four match kills.

After senior Mary Gignac served two points for Mercy, there were three sideouts before Young finished the first game on the service line.

The Blazers, who were minus DeWitt when they lost the first dual match between the teams, again were helped by her presence, as they were when they defeated Mercy in the Feb. 4 rematch, 15-12, 15-5.

Besides being Ladywood's primary serve receiver, DeWitt also combined with junior Jessica Tilson to present a formidable blocking duo on the defensive right side. Junior Jenni Gregor also contributed in that regard.

"Their two outside hitters are their most dominant hitters; so we had to get good blocks on them, and everything else worked out," Wyatt said.

Unlike the first Mercy match, the Blazers were solid on defense, which allowed them to set up their offense and get the momentum rolling in their favor.

In the second game, Ladywood raced to an 11-0 lead and all but decided the issue before it was five minutes old.

Sophomore Desiree Betts served the first three points and DeWitt the next eight. Young had five mighty kills during the run of points.

"That was our defense again," said Young, who vowed she wouldn't be shut down again after Ladywood lost the first match. "If the defense can't get it to the setter, I can't hit it."

"We just never got our offense going," Moeller said. "When you don't, you give the other team too many easy balls, and that's when someone like Jenny Young can hurt you. And the rest of their team hurt us as well."

The Blazers extended their lead to 13-2 before the Marlins scored the next three. Betts served the last two points, with Young getting one more kill to punctuate the victory.

Sophomore Erin Bartee had 29 assists and junior Patty Horal four kills for Ladywood, which plays the Detroit Public School League champion in the annual Operation Friendship match 6:30 p.m. Monday at Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher.

Lady Ocelot cagers post record 23rd win

It's school-record time for Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team, which defeated host Alpena on on Wednesday, 58-53.

The Lady Ocelots, in Karen Lafata's first year as their head coach, collected their school-record 19th-straight win and their 23rd victory of the season, also a school record (against three losses), Wednesday at Alpena CC. They are 15-0 and winners of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference.

SC gets a first-round bye in the MCCAA state tournament, which begins Monday; the Ocelots host the Oakland CC-vs.-St. Clair CCC winner Wednesday in a quarterfinal game.

The winner of Wednesday's quarterfinal advances to the state semifinals, hosted by Glen Oaks CC in Centreville Friday.

The state championship is Saturday at Glen Oaks.

Samantha Theisen led the Ocelots against Alpena with 18 points. Belinda Reid added 10 points, six rebounds, five assists and four steals, and Jackie Kocis had 10 points and eight boards.

•SPRING ARBOR 82, MADONNA 53: Madonna University came up flat Thursday at Spring Arbor, as the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference leaders put a hurt on the Lady Crusaders, 82-53. The loss left Madonna with a 15-13 overall record, 4-9 in the WHAC; Spring Arbor is 26-3 overall, 12-1 in the conference.

The Crusaders had a whopping 31 turnovers to Spring Arbor's 18, while the Cougars enjoyed a 38-33 advantage on the boards. They also limited Madonna's Kathy Panganls, the league's leading scorer averaging better than 19 points in WHAC games, to six on 3-of-8 shooting.

Andrea VanderHorst led the Cougars with 30 points; Courtney Thompson added 20 and 10 rebounds.

For Madonna, Chris Dietrich led with 15 points and five rebounds. Michelle Miela added 10 points and six boards.

SC road trip a success at Alpena

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

It's never easy going 3½ hours north to play at Alpena CC, and this season's Lumberjacks' team made such a trip even more ominous for Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team.

After leading 41-32 by halftime, the Ocelots came away a 91-82 triumph.

The win clinched second place in the conference for SC, 21-4 overall and 11-4 in the conference. Flint Mott has clinched first with a 13-2 record; Alpena slipped to fourth in the conference with an 8-7 record (14-12 overall).

The Ocelots have a first-round bye in the MCCAA Tournament, which begins Monday. On Wednesday, they host the winner of the Delta-vs.-Henry Ford CC game at 7:30 p.m.

The winner of that game advances to the MCCAA Semifinals at Kalamazoo Valley CC. The championship game is Saturday at KVCC.

Derek McKelvey, who has struggled a bit offensively the last few games for SC, discovered his three-point scoring touch against Alpena, nailing six of them in a 30-point performance. Lamar Bigby added 17 points, Dashawn Williams had 15 and David McGlown scored 10.

Jeremy DeLaughter's 28 points topped Alpena. Jamal Edwards added 19.

•SPRING ARBOR 73, MADONNA 68: It was a game Madonna University wanted very badly, but couldn't get.

Spring Arbor moved into a tie for sixth in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference by edging the Fighting Crusaders Wednesday at Madonna. Both teams were 4-9 going into yesterday's WHAC finales; Madonna slipped to 8-21 overall, while Spring Arbor improved to 7-24.

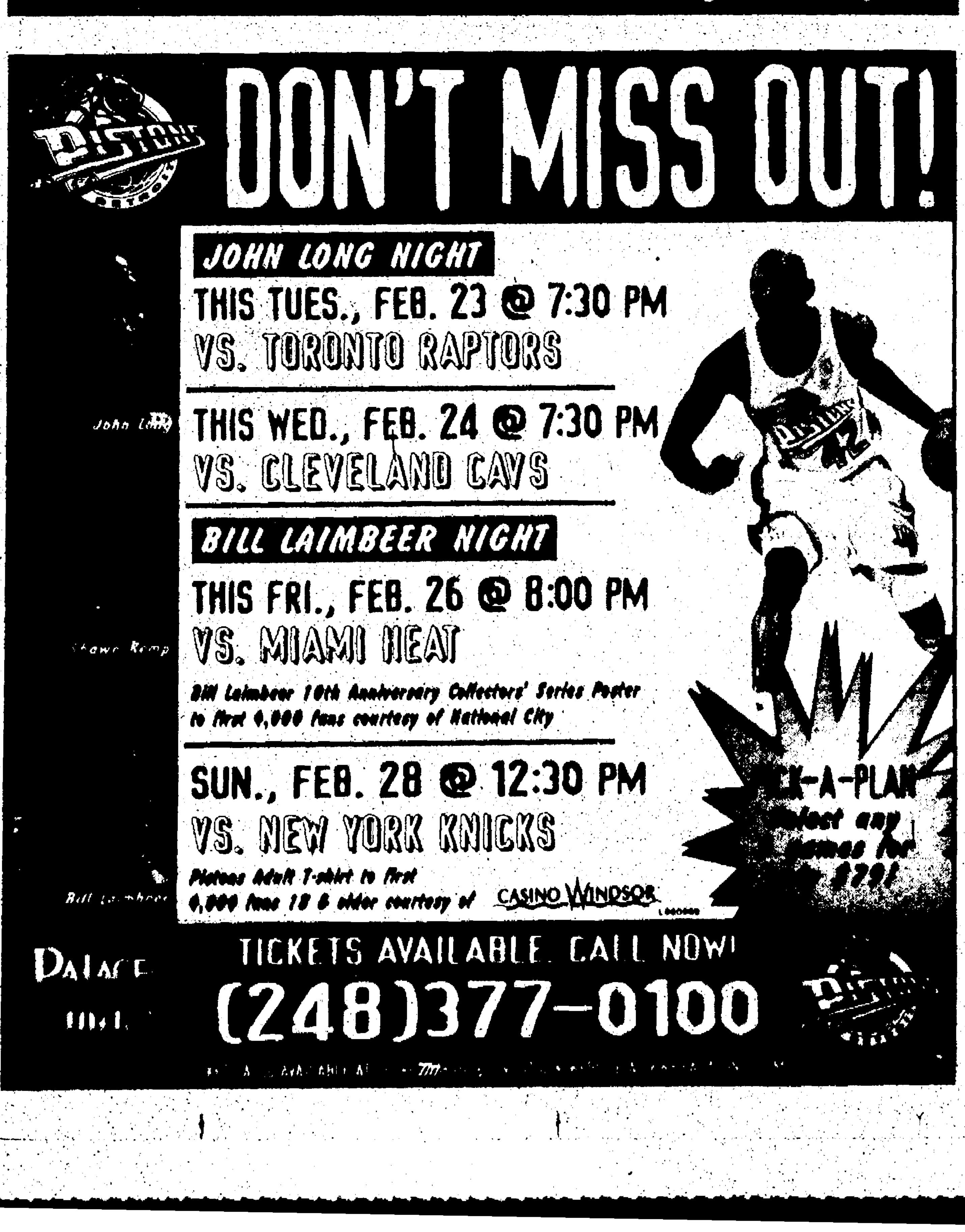
A three-pointer by Madonna's Chad Putnam (from Redford Thurston) knotted the score at 57-all with 7:15 left.

The Cougars, however, scored five-straight points — including one of seven triples by Bryan Gordon — to open up a 62-57 lead, an advantage that was threatened but never eliminated by the Crusaders.

Mike Massey's 30 points and five assists paced Madonna.

Putnam added 17 points, and Mike Maryanski had 12 points and 12 rebounds.

Gordon's 31 points, seven rebounds and three steals topped the Cougars. Shawn Brown contributed 20 points, seven assists and four steals.



BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES

Following is a list of boys Observer-area best swim times and diving scores. Deadline can report updates to Dan O'Meara by faxing information to (734) 591-7279 or calling (734) 953-2141.

200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY
(state cut: 1:43.99)
North Farmington 1:42.19
Plymouth Salem 1:44.28
Livonia Stevenson 1:44.30
Plymouth Canton 1:45.80
Redford Catholic Central 1:47.35

200 FREESTYLE
(state cut: 1:49.39)
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:45.36
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 1:48.51
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:50.61
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 1:50.75
Matt Casillas (Salem) 1:51.97
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 1:52.49
Don LeClair (Canton) 1:53.11
Brendon Digia (N. Farmington) 1:53.63
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 1:53.78
Bill Randall (Churchill) 1:53.94

200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY
(state cut: 2:08.99)
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 2:00.50
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 2:00.95
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 2:07.30
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 2:07.36
Paul Perez (Salem) 2:09.59
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 2:09.82
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 2:11.06
Aaron Reeder (Canton) 2:11.63
Eric Lynn (Salem) 2:11.63
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 2:12.05

50 FREESTYLE
(state cut: 23.69)
Matt Zaid (N. Farmington) 21.68
Andrew Locke (Salem) 22.19
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 22.65
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 22.73
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 22.80
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 22.81
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 22.88
Don LeClair (Canton) 23.09
Mark Wachsberg (N. Farmington) 23.18
Bill Randall (Churchill) 23.55

DIVING
Joe Lebovic (N. Farmington) 261.75
Chris McFarland (John Glenn) 257.20
Greg Braziunas (Redford CC) 256.30
Mike Mattis (Redford CC) 230.50
Justin Goodwin (N. Farmington) 197.65
Greg Kubitski (Salem) 180.95
Blake Brunner (Canton) 177.00
Mike Baskin (Stevenson) 173.90
Kory Stevens (Redford CC) 172.10
John Chase (Salem) 168.95

100 BUTTERFLY
(state cut: 55.59)
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 54.00
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 54.55
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 55.45
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 55.68
Paul Perez (Salem) 56.13
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 56.90
Kelvin Harnist (Canton) 57.48
Mark Wachsberg (N. Farmington) 57.94
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 58.19
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 58.28

100 FREESTYLE
(state cut: 49.49)
Matt Zaid (N. Farmington) 48.17
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 48.92
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 48.97
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 49.66
Jim McPartlin (John Glenn) 49.81
Andrew Locke (Salem) 49.85
Don LeClair (Canton) 50.59
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 50.94
Mark Wachsberg (N. Farmington) 51.04
Bill Randall (Churchill) 51.36

500 FREESTYLE
(state cut: 4:57.39)
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 4:51.40
Brian Mertens (Salem) 5:00.24
Paul Perez (Salem) 5:07.47
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 5:07.81
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 5:08.46
Justin Ketterer (Stevenson) 5:09.06
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 5:10.60
Ed Lesnau (Redford CC) 5:12.90
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 5:19.05
Loch Rycroft (N. Farmington) 5:19.23

200 FREESTYLE RELAY
(state cut: 1:31.99)
North Farmington 1:29.69
Plymouth Salem 1:31.93
Plymouth Canton 1:33.38
Livonia Stevenson 1:33.78
Redford Catholic Central 1:35.35

100 BACKSTROKE
(state cut: 58.39)
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 55.66
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 57.15
Devin Hopper (Farmington) 57.39
Aaron Reeder (Canton) 58.06
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 58.42
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 58.77
Matt Casillas (Salem) 59.46
Justin Allen (Canton) 59.62
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 59.69
Eric Lynn (Salem) 1:00.05

100 BREASTSTROKE
(state cut: 1:03.19)
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 1:02.68
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:03.78
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 1:04.97
Kevin VanTiem (Stevenson) 1:05.13
David Hartmann (Farmington) 1:05.58
Josh Markou (Redford CC) 1:06.01
Sonny Webber (Wayne) 1:06.91
Jon Zaid (N. Farmington) 1:07.27
Mike Kruszewski (Redford CC) 1:07.30
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 1:07.90

400 FREESTYLE RELAY
(state cut: 3:23.09)
North Farmington 3:21.17
Livonia Stevenson 3:22.30
Plymouth Salem 3:24.04
Redford Catholic Central 3:24.16
Plymouth Canton 3:29.29

Spartans dunk rival Salem

BOYS SWIMMING

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The cat-and-mouse game continued Thursday night between two favorites for the Western Lakes Activities Association boys swim championship.

Livonia Stevenson, ranked No. 7 in Class A, came away with a 97-89 dual-meet victory at Plymouth Salem, the WLAA Relays champion.

Salem ended its dual-meet campaign at 7-3, while Stevenson finished 8-3.

Both teams now set their sights on Thursday's preliminary round of the WLAA meet Thursday at Salem.

Among the other favorites is Lakes Division dual-meet champion North Farmington and Plymouth Canton.

"It's always good competition against Salem," Stevenson coach Doug Buckler said. "This is the fourth time we've seen each other and it's great. We just pound each other up.

"But the two teams get along so well that it's hard to stay on edge. It's like a chess match between both of us and North for the league meet. And you can't forget Canton. They have a fine swim team if anybody falters."

Stevenson captured eight of 12 events and got a state qualifying time in the 400-yard freestyle relay as Justin Ketterer, Mike Malik, Joe Bublitz and Keith Falk posted a time of 3:22.3.

Both Bublitz and Falk were individual double winners.

Bublitz finished firs tin the 100 butterfly (55.79) and 100 backstroke (56.71), while Falk took the 100- and 200 freestyles in 50.72 and 1:50.35, respectively.

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Spartan flyer: *Stevenson's Keith Falk, shown here swimming the butterfly in an earlier meet, captured both the 100- and 200-yard freestyle events against Salem.*

Other Stevenson individual winners included Malik in the 200 IM (2:07.3); Kevin Van Tiem in the 100 breaststroke (1:04.97); and surprise win by diver Mike Baskin (173.10 points).

Salem, meanwhile, made a state cut in the 200 freestyle relay as Andrew Locke, Aaron Shelton, Mark Witthoff and Matt Casillas finished in 1:31.93. The Rocks edged Stevenson in that event for second also with a time 1:35.2.

The Rocks also won the 200 freestyle relay as Shelton, Locke, Paul Perez and Witthoff finished in 1:44.28.

Locke won the 50 freestyle in 22.19, while Mertens took the 500 freestyle in 5:00.24.

"We're trying to get all our relays qualified and our medley was a little disappointing," Salem coach Chuck Olson said. "We had one good swim out of four.

"We had several good swims, but there were more not so good.

"Mertens had a good swim in the 500 and Perez did a good job in the 100 butterfly (second place)."

Olson and his team can now turn its attention to the WLAA meet.

"Thursday's prelims are important," Olson said. "We've got to be ready and I think they understand what they have to do. Our guys got to step up, but if we're tired and don't step up, we don't win. It's going to take a little more to get over the top."

Salem honored its six seniors — Locke, Casillas, Kevin Crabill, Jim Peace, Fred Klein, German exchange student Stephan Gammel and the late Mike Kilgore, a member of last year's Salem team who died of a heart attack last March.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 97
PLYMOUTH SALEM 89
Feb. 21 at Salem

200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Aaron Sheldon, Andrew Locke, Paul Perez, Mark Witthoff), 1:44.28; 2. Stevenson, 1:46.37; 3. Salem, 1:48.61.

200 freestyle: 1. Keith Falk (LS), 1:50.35; 2. Matt Casillas, 1:53.44; 3. Brian Mertens (PS), 1:55.63.

200 individual medley: 1. Mike Malik (LS), 2:07.3; 2. Michael Nemer (LS), 2:09.82; 3. Eric Lynn (PS), 2:11.63.

50 freestyle: 1. Locke (PS), 22.19; 2. Brad Buckler (LS), 23.93; 3. Mike Johnson (PS), 24.15.

Diving: 1. Mike Baskin (LS), 173.90 points; 2. Greg Kubitski (PS), 168.35; 3. Jason Zykowski (LS), 164.30.

100 butterfly: 1. Joe Bublitz (LS), 55.79; 2. Perez (PS), 56.13; 3. Brandon Truscott (LS), 59.6.

100 freestyle: 1. Falk (LS), 50.72; 2. Casillas (PS), 51.96; 3. Witthoff (PS), 52.33.

500 freestyle: 1. Mertens (PS), 5:00.24; 2. Malik (LS), 5:11.64; 3. Justin Ketterer (LS), 5:16.93.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Locke, Shelton, Witthoff, Casillas), 1:31.93; 2. Salem, 1:35.2; 3. Stevenson, 1:35.55.

100 backstroke: 1. Bublitz (LS), 56.71; 2. Shelton (PS), 58.93; 3. Lynn (PS), 1:00.05.

100 breaststroke: 1. Nemer (LS), 1:04.97; 2. Kevin Van Tiem, 1:05.13; 3. Jason Rebarchick (PS), 1:10.17.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Ketterer, Malik, Bublitz, Falk), 3:22.3; 2. Salem, 3:24.04; 3. Salem, 3:33.11.

Correction Notice

In our February 21st ad, we advertised a Sprint PCS phone (model QCP2700) and promotion which included a $30 mail-in rebate, 500 bonus minutes and free long distance.

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Beam: 1. Simonian (WJG), 8.55; 2. Beach (WJG) [illegible]; 3. Mason (T), 7.95; 4. Costantino (WJG), 7.6.

Floor exercise: 1. Beach (WJG), 9.05; 2. Costantino (JG), 8.8; 3. Simonian (JG), 8.6; 4. Pamela Bean (WJG), 8.42.

Glenn's dual-meet record: 3-5 overall.

Glenn coach Debbie [illegible]'s comment: "Overall, they did exactly what was expected of them. They've all been real consistent the whole year. We just want to finish strong (with three meets to go).

"This is Beach's best year. She won the Plymouth Canton and Ann Arbor Pioneer invitationals. She had an all around high of 36.1 (at Pioneer).

"If she remains consistent for the rest of the season I honestly believe she'll be in the top 10 in the state."

Trojans advance to Capac regional

CC pins Stevenson at Bedford

Two area teams are moving on in the state team dual wrestling tournament.

As expected, Livonia Clarenceville scored lopsided wins Wednesday over host Inkster (60-21) and Lutheran Westland (55-21) in garnering its first district crown since 1977.

"We'd seen both those teams and placed ahead of them at every tournament we met in," Clarenceville coach Todd Skinner said.

Meanwhile, in matchup of the top two finishers at this year's Observerland Invitational, Redford Catholic Central scored a convincing 54-17 triumph over Livonia Stevenson in the Division I district finals at Temperance Bedford.

Clarenceville advances to the Division III team regional Wednesday at Capac.

The Trojans (17-6 overall) will face the host Chiefs at 6:30 p.m. Metro Conference co-champion Harper Woods meeets Memphis in the other semifinal.

"It will mean even more if we can win the regional title," Skinner said. "And we'll be looking to get some revenge on Capac."

Clarenceville lost to host Capac in the Class CC football playoffs, 48-28, last November.

The Trojans' top records heading into the tournament include 130-pounder Dave Lemmon, 45-3; 189-pounder Walter Ragland, 41-8; 145-pounder Matt Weihl, 36-15; 103-pounder Danny Tondreau, 39-8; 215-pounder Kalan McPherson, 15-4; and 171-pounder Adam Marcum, 33-14.

CC, which edged Stevenson by three points at Observerland, lost three of its first four matches before coming on strong.

In the 119-pound match, CC's Chris Peterson was trailing Zack Yaffai, but came through with a hip throw to score a pin in 4:31.

Freshman Jason Abshire then won at 130.

The Spartans would win just one more match — Imah Kharbush at 140.

"We're starting to come around," CC coach Mike Rodriguez said. "Abshire got us on fire. Ryan Rogowski (152) won a big match and we moved (Mitch) Hancock up to 160 and he got a major decision.

"We feel we can win just about any match if we're close coming down to the last three weights."

Despite a 9-9 record, the Shamrocks appear to be peaking at tournament time.

They will meet WLAA champion Northville in one semifinal, 7 p.m. Wednesday at South Lyon. The other semifinal pits Plymouth Salem and Dearborn.

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103 pounds: [illegible] decisioned Chris O'Hara, [illegible] (LS) dec. [illegible]; **119:** Chris Peterson (CC) p. Zack Yaffai, 4:31; **125:** Dustin Obeid (LS) [illegible]; **130:** Jason Abshire (CC) [illegible] Cooprider, [illegible]; **135:** [illegible] (CC) p. Matt Radley, [illegible]; **140:** Imad Kharbush (LS) dec. [illegible]; **145:** Ryan Yaffai (CC) p. Joe Jamieson, [illegible]; **152:** Ryan Rogowski (CC) dec. Mike Falzon, [illegible]; **160:** Mitch Hancock (CC) won by tech. fall over Brian Barker, 23-8; **171:** Ryan Macdonald (CC) p. Mike Radley, 4:47; **189:** John Abshire (CC) p. Tim McCarthy, [illegible]; **215:** Brocc Naysmith (CC) p. Eric Puninske, 0:34; **heavyweight:** Casey Rogowski (CC) p. Mark Costella, 0:58.

Dual meet records: CC, 9-9; Stevenson, 11-12.

(SEMIFINALS)
LIVONIA STEVENSON 78
SOUTHFIELD 0

103 pounds: Joe Moreau (LS) won by void; **112:** Josh Gunterman (LS) won by void; **119:** Zack Yaffai (LS) won by void; **125:** Dustin Obeid (LS) pinned Marvin Glass, 3:34; **130:** Chris Cooprider (LS) decisioned J. McCowin, 7-4; **135:** Matt Radley (LS) won by major dec. D. Dalton, 12-4; **140:** Imad Kharbush (LS) p. L. Green, 2:30; **145:** Joe Jamieson (LS) won by void; **152:** Mike Falzon (LS) dec. D. Anderson, [illegible]; **160:** Francis Kashat (LS) won by void; **171:** Brian Barker (LS) p. D. Ubokudom, 3:34; **189:** Mike Radley (LS) p. C. Carson, 3:50; **215:** Eric Puninske (LS) p. A. Johnson, 3:19; **heavyweight:** Mark Costella (LS) won by void.

DISTRICT NO. 115
Feb. 21 at PLYMOUTH SALEM
(CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL)
PLYMOUTH SALEM 62
PLYMOUTH CANTON 15

103 pounds: Jeff Bennett (PS) pinned Dustin Armor, 3:35; **112:** Ron Thompson (PS) p. Doy Demsick, 5:25; **119:** Rob Ash (PS) p. Steve Bernacki, 1:10; **125:** John Mervyn (PS) p. Renee Allen, 1:42; **130:** Greg Musser (PC) decisioned Steve Dendri-[illegible]

[illegible]

(SEMIFINALS)
[illegible]

103 pounds: [illegible]; **112:** [illegible] (PC) won by void; **119:** Lee Warren (LF) decisioned [illegible], 8-0; **125:** Greg Moeller (PC) pinned Ari Wickoetta, [illegible]; **130:** [illegible] (PC) won by void; **135:** John Pocock (PC) p. [illegible]; **140:** [illegible] (PC) p. [illegible]; **145:** Scott McKee (PC) won by void; **152:** [illegible] (PC) won by void; **160:** [illegible] (PC) p. [illegible]; **171:** [illegible] (PC) won by void; **189:** [illegible] (LF) p. Matt [illegible], 1:09; **215:** Derek Miller (PC) won by void; **heavyweight:** Derek McWatt (PC) won by void.

DISTRICT NO. 110
Feb. 21 at WAYNE MEMORIAL
(SEMIFINAL)
ROMULUS 52
WAYNE MEMORIAL 24

103: Robin Ochalek (WM) won by void; [illegible]

(SEMIFINALS)
DISTRICT NO. 316
[illegible]
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 60
INKSTER 21

103 pounds: Dan Tondreau (C'ville) pinned Mike [illegible], 0:40; **112:** Eric Burr (C'ville) won by void; **119:** Nick Elam (C'ville) won by void; **125:** Robert Hudson (I) p. [illegible], 0:35; **130:** Dave Lemmon (C'ville) p. Taryil Murphy, 0:16; **135:** George Gosline (C'ville) won by void; **140:** Dan LeClerc (C'ville) won by void; **145:** Matt Weihl (C'ville) won by void; **152:** Martin Frederick (I) p. Robbie Simpson, 1:15; **160:** [illegible] (C'ville) won by void; **171:** [illegible] (I) decisioned Tony Rachoza, [illegible]; **189:** Walter Ragland (C'ville) p. [illegible], 2:53; **215:** Steve Rotenhaber (C'ville) p. Matt King, 1:46; **heavyweight:** Robert Jackson (I) p. Justin Green, 1:30.

(SEMIFINALS)
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 55
LUTHERAN WESTLAND 21

103: Dan Tondreau (C'ville) won by void; **112:** Matt [illegible] (LW) pinned Eric Burr, 0:56; **119:** Brian Richards (LW) p. Nick Elam, 3:24; **125:** Tim Murphy (LW) p. Matt Combs, 1:00; **130:** Dave Lemmon (C'ville) won by void; **135:** Dan LeClerc (C'ville) p. Andrew Macfarlane, 1:38; **140:** George Gosline (C'ville) won by technical fall over Dan Under, 16-1; **145:** Matt Weihl (C'ville) dec. Brian Sosa, 15-4; **152:** Robbie Simpson (C'ville) dec. Jon Kiesinger, 10-1; **160:** Tony Rachoza (C'ville) p. James Molnar, 1:25; **171:** Scott Archer (LW) dec. Adam Marcum, 7-6; **189:** Walter Ragland (C'ville) won by injury default; **215:** Kalan McPherson (C'ville) p. Kevin Packard, 1:37; **heavyweight:** Justin Green (C'ville) won on void.

Expansion *from page D1*

made at the expense of other leagues.

Great Lakes games will be scheduled on Tuesday and Thursday nights as well as Saturday afternoons and evenings. The Adray Metro Baseball Association, down to four teams from eight last year, plays games at Ford Field on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. DeSana's team, along with unlimited age teams from Warren and two from Canada chose not to return to the Adray circuit.

High school aged teams and over 30 leagues also use Ford Field and Bicentennial Park.

"We don't want to displace anyone that's been a good customer," Trudell said. "(The Panthers) are considered a renter, anyone can apply to use the fields."

Opposing teams will stay at area hotels when playing the Panthers.

Trudell said the league is "absolutely a good thing for the city. It's something good for residents to see."

Talent for everyone

Trudell isn't worried the new team will stockpile players also courted by the Adray Metro Baseball Association, which includes 20-under teams Hines Park, Decision Consultants Inc., Michigan Lake Area Rams and Adray.

Ross, who played in the Livonia league, said the Panthers won't target that talent pool. He may be interested in players who have graduated from the Adray league, however.

Ron Blackmore, a Panthers' acquisition who graduated from Livonia Churchill and now plays at the University of Detroit-Mercy, is a good example.

He played for DCI in the Adray loop last year.

"I spent three years in that league, went to Johnstown (Pa.) for the national tournament with Walter's Appliance and to Altoona (Pa.) for the regionals with Hines Park," Ross said. "I don't want to do anything to that league."

The recent renovation of Bicentennial Park's No. 1 diamond helped the Panthers' chances of calling Livonia home. Lights, a sodded infield, home run fence, scoreboard and new bathrooms were added in the last couple years, according to Trudeau.

"It's become quite the quality field," Trudeau said, "arguably as good as Ford Field's.

"There aren't a lot of bleachers at Bicentennial but that can be fixed."

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State-ranked Spartans, CC win twice

PREP HOCKEY

Riding the hot goaltending of sophomore Kevin Marlowe, Livonia Stevenson earned its eighth shutout of the season Wednesday with a 2-0 victory over Clarkston in a battle of state-ranked teams at Edgar Arena.

Stevenson, rated No. 5, is now 18-2-2 overall after Friday's 7-1 win over Livonia Franklin at Edgar.

The Spartans finished 15-0 in the Suburban High School Hockey League.

Meanwhile, No. 10 Clarkston, which dropped its fourth straight, is 16-6-1.

The Spartans have a goals-against average of 1.58, allowing just 31 goals in 22 games.

Marlowe, who made 18 saves, notched his fifth shutout of the year.

He made a key save in the opening period on Clarkston's D.J. Vogt which set the tone.

"Kevin played with a lot of intensity and you could see it rubbed off," Stevenson coach Mike Harris said. "Right now we're committed to solid team defense."

Dan Cieslak notched hits 25th goal of the year at 8:36 of the opening period from Keyan Tait and Alex Piotrowski.

John May, who leads the Spartans with 48 points, addd his 22nd goal of the season in the third from Chris Williams and Ryan Sinks.

"It was two quality teams playing hard, just a great high school hockey game," said Harris, whose Spartans are 42-2 in Suburban High School Hockey League play over the last three seasons.

May and Tim Allen each had two goals in the Franklin win.

Mark Nebus, Keyan Tait and Willie Wilson notched the other goals for the Spartans, who led 2-0 after one period and 5-0 after 30 minutes.

Williams had three assists, while Mike Zientarski and Nebus had two apiece. Piotrowski, Mike Nebus, Dennis Queener, Sinks and Cieslak had one each.

Franklin, which slipped to 7-14-2 overall and 3-12-1 in the SHSHL, ruined netminder Chris McComb's shutout bid in the final period on Trevor Skocen's goal from Corey Garbutt and Tony Saia.

Stevenson outshot the Patriots, 34-12.

"I'm proud we closed out league play undefeated and I compliment Franklin and their efforts," Harris said. "I wish them well in the state tournament."

•**REDFORD CC 13, A.A. HURON 1:** Redford Catholic Central wrapped up the Michigan Metro Hockey League championship and now it can can concentrate on a bigger prize: The Class A state championship.

The Shamrocks finished the regular season league schedule Friday with a 13-1 whipping of Ann Arbor Huron at Redford Arena. The win came two days after CC beat Allen Park Cabrini, 5-1.

CC, which begins post-season play on Thursday against Livonia Stevenson in the first round of the districts at Eddie Edgar Arena, finished the Metro with a 14-1-1 record.

The Shamrocks are 20-1-1 overall.

Brad Holland, David Moss and Brandon Kaleniecki scored two goals each for the Shamrocks. Todd Bentley, Chris Morelli, Matt Van Heest, Joe Moreau, Rick Buttery, Derek Genrich and Pat O'Dea scored one goal apiece.

Keith Rowe and Ryan Yost had four assists each. Shawn McGowan and Jeff Good contributed three assists apiece.

Chipping in two assists apiece were Brandon Kaleniecki, Bentley, Holland and Nathan LeWarpe.

Ben Dunne played the first two periods in net and Andrew McCoy finished the third.

The Shamrocks had a 75-9 shots on goal advantage.

Against Cabrini, the Shamrocks jumped to a 5-0 lead before Cabrini scored with three seconds remaining in the game.

Rowe scored two goals and Bentley, David Moss and Pat O'Dea had one goal each.

Moss and Moss also had three assists each. Derek Genrich, Holland and Erik Hawkins assisted on one goal apiece.

•**FRANKLIN 3, LAPEER WEST 0:** Livonia Franklin (7-13-2 overall) gained its first shutout in four seasons Wednesday as goaltender Chris Garbutt made 18 saves in a non-league victory over Lapeer West (10-7-2) at Edgar Arena.

"The team played exceptionally well on the offensive and defensive end," Franklin coach Terry Jobbitt said. "We put three solid periods together rather than having a breakdown somewhere in between."

Franklin scored once in each period — Frank Geluso from Tony Saia at 9:52 of the first; Saia, his 50th career goal from Brandon McCullough and Adam Sexton at 5:49 of the second; and Saia, his 28th of the season from Corey Garbutt, a power-play at 9:12 of the third.

Saia also has 19 assists this year.

"He's just had a fabulous year," Jobbitt said.

Smith's hat trick sooths Whalers' ills, 7-0

OHL REPORT

The Plymouth Whalers' defense was offensive Thursday against the Toronto St. Michael's Majors in Toronto.

Defensemen Troy Smith and Shaun Fisher accounted for five Whaler goals in Plymouth's 7-0 trouncing of the Majors.

Smith recorded a hat trick, scoring twice in the third period, and Fisher had two goals and an assist.

The three goals doubled Smith's season total, bring it to six; Fisher, who scored twice in the first period, brought his total to nine goals this season.

Fisher's two first-period scores, both on the power play, were sandwiched around Smith's first goal.

Randy Fitzgerald got his 11th marker of the season, assisted by Fisher and Paul Mara, on a power play in the second period.

Adam Colagiacomo netted his 31st goal of the season, on another Whalers' power-play conversion (their fourth of the game), at 12:13 of the third period.

Smith scored his second goal of the game 21 seconds later; he completed his hattrick with 1:14 left in the game.

David Legwand finished with three assists for Plymouth. Mara had two, and Fitzgerald had an assist to go with his goal.

Robert Holsinger turned away 22 shots in picking up the shutout victory, his fourth of the season — tying him for top honors in the Ontario Hockey League with Ottawa's Lavente Szuper.

The Whalers improved to 42-11-3 overall, still best in the OHL's West Division.

Toronto is 17-32-5 and fourth in the Central Division.

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Belleville at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Southgate at Garden City, 7 p.m.
Annapolis at Thurston, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Crestwood, 7 p.m.
Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 7 p.m.
Luth. W'sld at Harper Wds., 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at Roeper, 5 p.m.
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Northville at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
Harrison at Ply. Salem, 7 p.m.
Canton at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 27
Borgess at Muskegon Hts., 6 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 28
(OHSL Finals at U-D's Calihan Hall)
C-D Division final, noon.
East-West final, 2 p.m.
Central-AA final, 4 p.m.

PREP HOCKEY
Tuesday, Feb. 23
Stevenson vs. Brother Rice
at Compuware Arena, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 24
Franklin vs. Lahser
at Edgar Arena, 8 p.m.
DISTRICT TOURNEY PAIRINGS
CLASS A
at LIVONIA'S EDGAR ARENA
Thursday, Feb. 25: (A) Livonia Stevenson vs. (B) Redford Catholic Central, 8:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 26: Livonia Churchill vs. Livonia Franklin, 3:30 p.m. Redford Unified vs. A-B winner, 5:50 p.m.
Wednesday, March 3: Championship final, 7:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the Trenton regional final Saturday, March 6 at Kennedy Arena vs. Trenton district champion.)
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(C) Southfield Unified vs. (D) Birmingham [illegible], 7:30 p.m.
[illegible]
Tuesday, March 2: Championship final, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the University of Detroit-Jesuit regional final Saturday March 6 at City Sports Arena in Detroit vs. Grosse Pointe South district champion.)

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Sunday, Feb. 21
Ply. Whalers vs. London Knights
at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 24
Ply. Whalers vs. Owen Sound
at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 27
Ply. Whalers vs. Kitchener
at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 28
Ply. Whalers vs. Windsor
at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Monday, Feb. 22
Operation-Friendship Finals
at Bishop Gallagher, 5:30 & 6:30 p.m.
Luth. W'sld at Inter-City, 6:30 p.m.
Churchill at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Farmington at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
Canton at Salem, 7 p.m.
Northville at Harrison, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Thurston, 7 p.m.
Ypsilanti at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 23
Clarenceville at Luth. W'sld, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 22
Wayne at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Fordson, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Allen Park, 7 p.m.
Salem at Harrison, 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Farmington, 7 p.m.
N. Farmington at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 25
Huron Valley at Det. Urban, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 27
Ypsilanti invitational, 8 a.m.
UM-Dearborn Tourney, 8:30 a.m.
WLAA Tourney at Northville, 9 a.m.
Metro Tourney at Luth. North, TBA.
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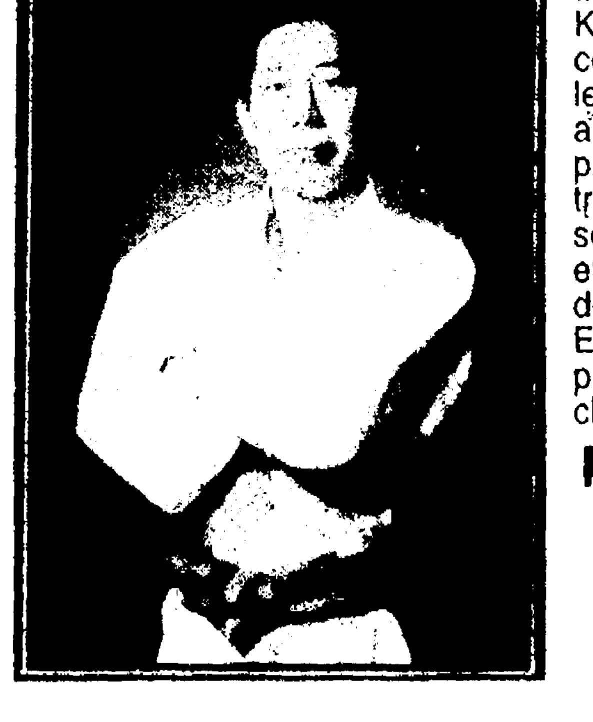

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BOWLING & RECREATION

Youth prevails against seniors

In Mayflower challenge event

TEN-PIN ALLEY

AL HARRISON

Almost five years ago, Eleanor Hill, the youth league director and coach at Mayflower Lanes approached Ron Lancaster, then president of the Senior Men's Classic League with the notion that her kids were always trash talking that they could beat the seniors classic league bowlers in a head-to-head match.

The idea soon became reality as committees were formed and the owner pledged full support of such a plan.

In the fourth annual Senior-Youth Challenge Feb. 6 at Mayflower Lanes in Redford, and to nobody's surprise, the kids again beat the seniors in a really nicely run event.

It was again emceed by Michael Barr of WJR.

Opening ceremonies included introductions of Kevin Kelly, Redford Township Supervisor; Henry Mistele, proprietor of Mayflower and Beech Lanes; American Bowling Congress and Greater Detroit Bowling Association Hall of Famer Tony Lindemann; GDBA President Richard Reading.

Also introduced was Lou Saad, the oldest entrant at 95, and Colby Gill, the youngest at the age of six.

Tammy Plofchan sang the National Anthem and Barr then rolled the traditional first ball, a strike to launch the tourney.

The tourney committee and bowlers wish to thank the following donors who contributed door prizes: DiLaura Bros., Township Hardware, Pro-Am Bowling Supply, Redford Coin & Jewelry, John Laffrey's Steak House, Murray's Auto Supplies, Red Robin Restaurants, Performance Tool Co, Linda's Hair Salon, The Looney Baker, Quick Stop Oil Change, Family Video, Redford Bowling & Trophy, D.B. T. Awards & Graphics, Sports Mania, The Outback, AMC Wonderland Theaters and Bread Basket Deli.

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The event also raises several thousand dollars each year for various charities and a youth scholarship fund in which the youth participants are able to win money for their higher education.

Mike Lucas was the highest scoring senior with games of 243-203-257 and a 703 actual.

Bud Kraemer finishied second with 195-267-221 and 683 followed by Ed Patrick with 205-248-223/676.

The 95 year old Lou Saad finished with 144-186-146/476,something some 20-year-olds couldn't do.

Jean Cobane was the top scoring lady senior with 148-175-153/476.

Gina Devlin, averaging 88, became the top scorer among kids with 157-102-131 (plus a handicap of per game giving her a top total of 717). Bryan Foley was second with 201-156-221/578 (plus 46 per game giving him a 416 total). Robert Lawrence took third with 78-117-164/359 (plus 113 per game handicap for a total of 698).

Others in the top ten include Dave Bockelman, 694; Tim Rambert, Nicole Stevens and Robert Farris, 683 each; Lloyd Praedel, 681; Kourtney Hannan, 672 and Rickey Vaughn, 668.

In doubles, the team of Bockelman and Lucas took first with a 1,439 total.

The bowling was followed by pizza, along with free cosmic bowling.

•As we close out this century, one that has become well founded is that many organizations and civic groups have taken to bowling as an outlet for friendly competition among their members.

A perfect example if the B'Nai Brith Bowling Association, which will host its national championship with the first phase March 13-14 at Century Bowl in Waterford and Super Bowl Lanes in Canton. It is a six-game format with optional doubles.

Teams from out of town will compete on March 20-21 at the same two houses. There will be over 100 teams from all over the U.S. and Canada.

The banquet will beat the Novi Hilton, where most the out of state bowlers will be housed.

There will be over 100 teams from all over the United States and Canada.

Co-sponsoring this year's event are Pepsi Cola, Hebrew National Meats and Big Daddy's Restaurant.

This is a tournament with both cash and trophies, but the little jackpot action can add up to a lot of smiling faces among the winners.

One of the chapters which will be well represented is the Downtown Fox. Among it's members are both the presidents of the U.S. and the Canadian I.B.B.B.A.

They also have the only female member of B'Nai Brith Bowling Association, Nancie Rakotz, who along with her father, Sheldon, make up the nation's only father-daughter combination.

•Livonia Parents of the Visually Impaired will stage their second annual Bowlathon, Saturday March 6 at Woodland Lanes in Livonia.

All money the raised will provide programs and technological equipment for children in Western Wayne County.

Local businesses, families and friends are invited to contribute $100 to sponsor a lane or provide gift certificates.

Last year, the group raised over $4,000 and provided a summer day camp that taught living and social skills that children must learn to lead an independent life.

For more information, call Lucy Fritz at (248) 471-3940 or Bonnie Sheridan at (734) 459-3439.

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[illegible] 244/575; Jack [illegible], 242/571; George Kembolitowicz, 248/660; Tony Gelchuk, 279/653.

Good Neighbors: Gail Geltz, 202/564; Yvonne McCarthy, 190; Dot Haggard, 180; Gloria Mertz, 215/582.

Wednesday Men's Senior Classic: Rich Zecharenk, 290-203-222/715; Bob Sherwood, 203-208-258/669; Howard Davis, 211-244-234/689; Mike Lucas, 243-203-277/723; Tom Pawlowski, 219-223/634.

TOWN 'N COUNTRY (Westland)

Thursday Morning Men: Lloyd Koswik, 300.

Friday Men: Gary Duerard, 300; Don Parks, 300; Arnie Goldman, 300/815.

First Baptist: John McKinney, 300.

Sunday Youth-Adult: Bev Bugeja, 226/609 (her first 600).

Western Wayne Youth Traveling Classic: Roy Mixson, 226-219-257/702; C.J. Blevins, 247-268/697; Steve Bates, 258-203-237/698; Scott Barnak, 257-237/676; Tony Vitale, 233-244/652.

WESTLAND BOWL

Sunday Sleepers: Don Parks, 280/759; Craig McCain, 267/740; Mike Chapman, 278/737; Charlie Riffle, 255/705; Terry Tesarz, 256/738; Ken Fistler, 300/711.

St. Mel's Men: Rob McAllister, 239/610; Mike Kelem, 233/616; Al Barter, 257/691; Mike Cavicchio, 257/683; Rex Kosinski, 258/646.

Monday Morning Men: James Green, 263/730; Bill Eggenberger, 289; Mike Wrobel, 268/687; Mickey Herrick, 718 (166 over* average); Tom Disney, 257/706.

Monday 6:30 Men: Tony Shackelford, 247/633; Gregory Tacholr, 247/608; Carl Kuehnel, 243/627; Dan Cybulski, 226/637; Jim Graves, 240.

Fearsome Foursome Ladies: Toni Smith, 214/595; Kathy Bates, 205/566.

Monday 6:30 Ladies: Bev Bugeja, 232/570; Karen Brown, 253/613.

CLOVERLANES (Livonia)

St Aidan's Men: Dave Weber, 236; Chris Skaggs, 225/609; Mark Wagner, 225; Forrest Ault, 219; Conrad Sobenia, 235.

FoMoCo Thursday Night: Steve Gutetskey, 277/791; Bob ASshcraft, 259/685; Steve Sester, 256; Dave Diomedi, 662; Cal Collins, 650.

All-Star Bowlerettes: Virginia Austin, 278/762; Michelle Anger, 277/702; Kim Kopf, 254/664; Patsy Wray, 252/659; Deb Blalock, 244; Gwen Finley, 244.

Suburban Propeller Travel (men): Lou Ivancik, 279/683; Bill Jacobs, 256; Bob Chube, 253; Dave Richardson, 250/669; Darryl Wilson, 246/633.

Suburban Propeller Travel (ladies): Pat Gerry, 223/561; Bernice Anthony, 213/563; Pauline Jacobs, 212/602; Debra Johnson, 203.

WONDERLAND LANES (Livonia)

Saturday Nite Live: Keith Rys, 300-290/787.

Classic: Larry Franz, 278-257/777; Scott Webber, 279/737; Mike Kuspa, 300/735; Eric Kuspa, 257-258/736; Barry Schluesel, 290/733; John Hurley Jr, 279/732.

Westside Senior Men's: Cliff Usher, 278 (106 pins o/a)/705; Floyd Morris, 280/677.

All Bowlerettes: Judie Maynard, 582; Patty Mullins, 262; Sally Wolfe, 208.

MERRI BOWL (Livonia)

Seeres: Doug Lobbs, 300/782; Frank Hoffman, 743; Rick Olsen, 737; Dave Miscevich, 300/692; Wayne Lanning, 279/672.

Nite on Time: Bill Fife, 253; Bill Ferguson, 259/719; Jack Osborne, 28[illegible] 758; Phil Szonye, 278/760; Scott Moore, 256.

Senior Merry Bowlers: Evelyn Villerot, 201/530; Dory Priebe, 215/531; Ben Krupp, 212/559; Andy Sawulski, 214/546; Ray McMahan, 210/528.

Men's Senior House: Steve Klein, 199-226-297/722; Dennis Archer, 299-279-23/800; Steve Haeger, 211-278-258/747; Stan Mardosz, 205-276-196/737.

[illegible], 300.

[illegible] John Rumney, 2[illegible].

Wednesday Tread & Collins: Shellie Dubois, 217/654; [illegible], 204/534; Karen Milligan, [illegible]; Gloria Cartie, [illegible].

St. Aidan's Mixed: Jim [illegible], 256-211-212/681; Charles Williams, 233; Gary Steel, 224; Susan [illegible], 204; [illegible], 204.

[illegible]

[illegible] 300.

Midnight [illegible]: [illegible], 289/737.

Midnighters: [illegible]; 221/647; [illegible]; Evans Brown, 2[illegible].

[illegible]

232/[illegible]; [illegible]

Men's Trio: [illegible], 750; [illegible] Gadomski, 269; [illegible], 727; Scott Linsner, 267/723; Steve [illegible], 267/746; Mike Travis, 713; [illegible], 714.

Guys & Dolls (seniors): Lil Brown, 225; Edith Poclask, 202.

Senior House (Precision Steel Products): Dennis Seeman, 279/678; Mike Larocca, 275/667; Scott Linsner, 300/756; Art Chojnacki, 298/684; Parrush Capel, 268/671.

London Meadows: Gwan Fedrigo, 200.

Local 182 Retirees: Frank Bertoni, 244-216/637; Bob Monte, 226; Bill Kappen, 212.

Ford Parts: Rob Krause, [illegible], Chuck Sprosek, 682; Scott Begin, 678; Cliff Cavender, 676; Vitas Bagdonas, 672.

PLAZA LANES (Plymouth)

St. Colette's Men: Clem Diglio Sr, 266; Clem Diglio Jr, 258/704; Mike Kalazek, 245/713; Ron Hurley Jr, 248/719; Paul Davis, 267.

Sheldon Road Men: Dave Kowalski, 269; Charlie Riffle, 257; Daryl Alexander, 255; Fred Leach, 266; Sandy Cook, 268.

Plaza Men: Dave Jones, 279/760; Dave Jacek, 246/718; Mark Johnson, 257; Brian Snapke, 279/729; John Gurughian, 289.

Guys & Dolls: Bobby Thompson, 277; Kevin Peplka, 257.

SUPER BOWL (Canton)

Saturday 9 a.m. [illegible]: Tony Vitale, 233/629; Pat [illegible]; Justin Horvath, [illegible]; [illegible], 235/644; Brian Decaynie, 238/630.

Saturday 9 a.m. Juniors: Steve Jacobs, 226.

Friday Juniors: Matt Horvath, 197; Matt Hipford, 220.

Thursday Junior Majors: Jason Bonkowski, 230/537.

COUNTRY LANES (Farmington)

Sunday Goodtimers: Stu Taub, 234; Bill Vida, 228; Lou Konopka, 211-203; Mike D'Angelo, 2; Tony Aiuto, 210.

University Men's: John Wilamowski, 279; Butch Cook, 268/726.

Greenfield Mixed: Vern Goodling, 267/629; Steve Myers, 258-20-645; Tom Cadeau, 233-237/649; Sandy Wood, 213-586; Lynne Wagner, 224/589.

Wednesday Knights: Rich Grossman, 279/721; Dave Fehrenbach, 256/707.

B'Nai Brith Brotherhood (Eddie Jacobson):

Tuesday Mixed Trio: Joe Steknis III, 258/718; Craig Williams, 257; Kevin Landacre, 203/564.

Sunday Combo: Jim Bainbridge, 246; Frank Patrick, 223/568; Jeri Steffen, 226/536.

Loon Lake: robert Stadler, 278; Doug Hess, 254/665.

Monday Nite Men: Bill McPhail, Jr., 279; Mark Gladden, 277/735; Dave Tome, 737.

B'Nai Brith Pisgah: Jeff Cassberg, 213-221-211/645; Rob Greenfield, 244/638; Jerry Rose, 227-226/614; David Littman, 221/601.

All Over Mixed: Jim Maria, Sr., 258; Ron Wells, 224; Maggie Ciechanski, 204.

Monday Midnight Men: Jerry Kasse, 249; Rollie Yelda, 247.

Ever-7: Dave Spitza, 300/718; John Berling, 253; Ron Stewart, 282/672; Craig Montie, 244/[illegible]; Jim Ruszkowski, 244.

Wednesday Knights: Rip Gagnon, 278/[illegible]; Steve Ligenza, 267/678.

[illegible]

Kevin [illegible]; Tim Collins, [illegible].

Trumpeter swams move into new surroundings

NATURE NOTES

TIM NOWICKI

When Konrad Lorenz alerted the world to the process of imprinting, I'm sure he would never have imagined that this basic behavioral action would be so beneficial.

Imprinting is the process where birds identify the first thing they see as their "parents" and follow it.

In the case of Konrad Lorenz, he was the first thing the young goslings saw, so they proceeded to follow him. When he walked down the trail they followed, he swam in the lake they followed and even rode on his back.

In a natural situation, the first living thing a young bird would typically see, would be their parents.

Following them is very beneficial to their survival. Researchers have capitalized on this natural behavior.

Scientists have arranged it so sandhill crane adults hatched and raised endangered whooping crane young.

When the sandhill cranes were ready to migrate to their winter site, the young whooping cranes followed. The purpose behind this kind of program is to establish a new wintering and breeding population of whooping cranes.

Modest success has resulted.

A modification of this imprinting process was used this past fall to take three trumpeter swans from southern Canada to southern Indiana.

Young trumpeter swans were raised with other swans so they did not become dependent on humans. But as part of their training, they were taught to follow a small ultra-light plane, like that used in the movie "Fly Away Home."

Four trumpeter swans were raised near Sudbury, Ontario for this pilot project.

On Dec. 4, 1998, all four started to follow the ultra-light on their way to Indiana.

One decided to turn back after less than ten miles into the journey. The three remaining birds flew 48 miles the first day and close to 80 miles the nest two days.

Flight for swans is helped by their 6½-foot wingspan. Such a large wingspan is necessary because they can weigh up to 30 pounds.

They flew from Sudbury, Ontario south past Detroit and continued toward Cincinnati. Just north of Cincinnati they moved into southern Indiana behind the ultra-light plane.

They will spend the winter in ideal conditions at the Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge. Researchers are hoping they will fly north in spring to the march in which they were raised.

Michigan has a population of about 150 trumpeter swans that have been introduced through several releases within the state. Swans can survive the cold temperatures as long as they have some open water in which to feed.

Some trumpeter swans have been seen on the Huron River during the winter.

As more and more trumpeter swans make the Great Lakes area their new home, chances are good that we will see this once native species.

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

SHOWS

CAMPER AND RV

The annual Detroit Camper and RV Show will be through Feb. 23 at the Novi Expo Center. The show features all types of 1999 recreational vehicles including folding campers, motor homes, travel trailers, truck campers, fifth wheels. Over 300 models will be on display ranging in price from $3,000 to over $200,000. There will also be RV and campground information, family entertainment, family entertainment and more. Show hours are 2-9 p.m. weekdays. Admission is $6.50 for adults and children under 12 will be admitted free. Two-for-one coupons are available at participating RV dealers. Call (517) 349-8881 for more information.

SPORTFISHING EXPO

The 10th annual Greater Detroit Sportfishing and Travel Expo will be March 4-7 at the Palace of Auburn Hills. The show will feature a special appearance by national walleye angling champion Ted Takasaki on Friday, March 5.

Other speakers of national renown scheduled to speak at the show include walleye pros Mike McClelland and Keith Kavajecz, bowhunting expert Chuck Adams, In-Fisherman Magazine editors Dave Csanda and Matt Straw, and Michigan's own Tom Huggler.

OUTDOORAMA

Outdoorama '99 Sport and Travel Show will be Feb. 26-March 7 at the Novi Expo Center, (800) 777-6720.

The show includes nearly 450 exhibits featuring the latest in fishing, hunting and camping equipment; recreational vehicles; boats; conservation clubs; and travel and outfitting destinations throughout North America. There will also be a reptile and amphibian display, live animals, a trout fishing pond, musical and variety acts, an archery range, hunting and fishing seminars, and much more.

Show hours are 4-9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Monday and Tuesday, March 1-2, and Thursday and Friday, March 4-5; 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 and March 6; 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28; noon-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, march 3; and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, March 7.

Admission is $6.50 adult, $3 for children ages 6-12 and children five and under will be admitted free.

SEASON/DATES

CROW

The late crow season runs through March 31 in the Lower Peninsula.

COYOTE

Coyote season runs through April 15 statewide.

FOX

Gray and red fox season runs through March 1 statewide.

RABBIT/HARE

Rabbit/hare season run through March 31 statewide.

STURGEON

Sturgeon spearing season runs through Feb. 28.

CLUBS

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 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refreshments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for more information.

METROPARKS

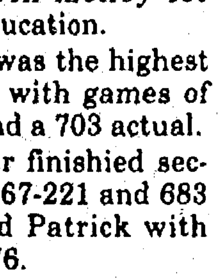
METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

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.

1999 PERMITS

The 1999 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 perm its are $18 ($9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information

PRO TIP OF THE WEEK



Mike Samardzija
K&S Bowling

Mike Samardzija, owner of the K & S Bowling & Trophies on Eight Mile Road in Livonia, has quite a track record of his own in bowling, having competed on the Pro Bowlers Tour with three regional titles and one national title on the senior tour.

He has had four sanctioned 300s and his best series was 803.

He is in the GDBA Hall of Fame and the Michigan Majors Hall of Fame.

Mike tells us: "For most of the people who come in for lessons, it is most often a lack of the fundamentals. A simple matter of timing. Where in the approach steps do you start the arm swing?

"I always ask people how many steps do you take? It is amazing that some people do not know.

"Timing is essential in that the arm and the foot must arrive at the line at the same time.

"In a four-step approach, start the swing with the first step. with a five step delivery, start it on the second step. Without proper timing, you lose directional control.

"To correct the timing, push away with the start of the first step. Try not to grip the ball too hard, this makes it more work and less accurate.

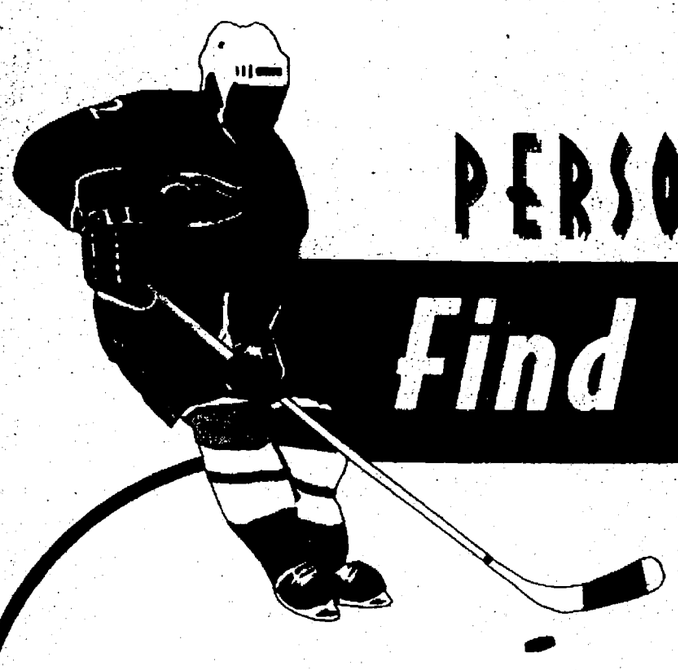
"Most of the time other bowlers will give advice to someone who is struggling, but more likely it is the wrong advice. Even a very good bowler who is in a slump should take a look at their timing.

"Keep it simple. Let the weight and swing of the ball provide the speed and the timing will take care of the accuracy. The fundamentals are easy, it's just a matter of learning the correct timing on the approach.

"A common error, is for some people who hold the ball for the first couple of steps, they are always late with the ball at the line.

"The best thing to do is find out where you can get proper coaching so you can enjoy the better scores you will get when you do it right."

For more information, call Samardzija at (248) 476-5525



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Women Seeking Men

Ad of The Week

MISSING INGREDIENT
DWF, 29, 5'4", H/W proportionate, blonde/green, likes animals, snowmobiling and keeping active. Seeking handsome, fit S/DWM, 27-33, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. ☎2537

To place your own free ad, call 1-800-518-5445

BROWN-EYED GIRL
Attractive SWF, 28, brown/brown, enjoys skydiving, camping, casinos. Seeking attractive SWM, 25-33, who knows what they want and is willing to try anything once. ☎2777

A STEP AHEAD
Cute, fit, honest SWF, 30, 5'2", N/S, rarely drinks, enjoys animals, sports, outdoors, humor, the zoo and romance. Seeking similar qualities in a SWM, 28-40, for LTR. No present/future kids. ☎1193

DOCTOR WANTED
Very pretty SWF, mental heath care technician, youthful 48, 5'6", slightly overweight, blonde/blue, seeks attractive SW medical doctor, 40-60, for companionship. Troy area. ☎2720

NO COUCH POTATOES
DWF, 33, 5'10", blonde/blue, slim, mother of three, smoker, social drinker, enjoys dancing, hockey, darts, star gazing and travel. Seeking SWM, 32-42, with similar interests, H/W proportionate, honest, faithful, trustworthy. ☎2410

SILLY HEART SEEKS SILLY HEART
Happiness makes life better. Funny, free-spirited, successful SWF, 30, 5'7", blonde/blue, two sons, seeks humorous, truthful, free-spirited SWM, 35-50, for eternal happiness and LTR. ☎2084

LETS PLOW TOGETHER
This flirtatious blue-eyed blonde would love to take a ride in your truck. There is something about a man in a truck, 30-43, who loves kids, and is attractive and easygoing. ☎2455

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT
DBCF, 44, looks 28, green eyes, enjoys walking, reading, going to plays, dancing and basketball. Seeking financially secure S/DBM, under 50, 6+. Must have God first. Children ok. ☎2724

ALLURING BRUNETTE
Attractive, very fit, feisty fun-to-be-with professional, 35, 5'5", 110lbs, seeks caring confident, stable, open-minded, honest and humorous man, 35-50. Hoping for mutually satisfying relationship. ☎2536

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT
Easygoing SWF, 31, 5'7", medium build, dark/hazel, never married, two daughters (4 and 9). Seeking clean SWM, 25-35, for friendship, possible more. Must enjoy being around children and animals. ☎2456

A NEW BEGINNING
Widowed lady, young 63, blonde/blue, enjoys movies, theater, dining in/out, animals, walking, swimming. Free to spend time with loving, caring white gentleman, 60s. ☎1657

STOP LOOKING
Cute SWF, 28, 5'5", brown/blue. Seeking active SWM, 28-36, who enjoys music, animals, for possible LTR. No games, no ties or N/drugs ☎2268

FLY ME TO THE MOON
Attractive SWPF, 30, social drinker, enjoys snowmobiling, sports, boating, travel. Seeking attractive, fit SWM, 28-35, for LTR. ☎2262

VERY EXOTIC
Very romantic, sincere, caring, fit, attractive, small SBF, 150lbs, college graduate, enjoys working, outdoor activities, reading, going on outings. Seeking tall, very intelligent, marriage-minded SM, 28+, race unimportant, no games. ☎2174

ROMANCE, PASSION, ...
Honesty and laughs are what I have to offer. Smart, beautiful, successful, well educated female, 30s. If you are a successful, kind, sincere doctor. You should call me. ☎2081

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER
Attractive SWF, 35, 5'4", black/brown, thin to medium build, seeks attractive, tall, physically fit SWM, 30-40, enjoys the arts, movies, bookstores, road trips, working out, outdoor activities, friends first. LTR. ☎2052

TEACH ME SOMETHING NEW
Attractive SWF, 27, N/S, social drinker, a little heavy, enjoys travel, movies, theater, more, seeks attractive financially/emotionally secure SWM, 28-38, N/S, with similar interests. ☎1967

EASY ON THE EYES
Keep me laughing and I'm yours. Blue-eyed blonde, 30, 5'6", 118lbs, attractive with a sharp mind and quick wit. Looking for the same. ☎2638

BEST FRIEND AND MORE
College-educated, financially secure SAPF, 32, 5'4", 115lbs, N/S, never married, no kids, seeks sincere, marriage-minded, intelligent, college-educated, financially/emotionally secure gentleman for serious LTR. N/S, no kids preferred. ☎2452

READ THIS AD
SWF, 32, 5'2", brown/brown, full-figured, likes movies, reading, dancing, birds and writing letters. Seeking a SWM, 32-44, under 5'10" and 250lbs, N/S. ☎2358

5'7" AND PRETTY
Pretty, fun loving, easygoing, brown-haired, green-eyed girl, 34, medium build, full-figured, would like to start exercising, enjoys many things in life. Seeking attractive SWM, financially/emotionally secure, H/W proportionate. Dexter Pinckney Area. ☎2171

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Attractive, fit, fun-loving, outgoing SWPF, 27, enjoys traveling, working out, movies, Red Wings, quiet nights, much more. Seeking confident, average/attractive SWPM, 25-35, with sense of humor. ☎2086

SEEKING TALL MAN
SWF, 5'6", 126lbs, blonde/blue, nice figure, seeks funny, down-to-earth man, 36-42, strong physique, who can handle life's little ups and downs. ☎2600

I HATE PICKLES!
SWF, 24, 5'3", blonde/blue, enjoys music, movies, just having fun. Seeking honest, smart male, 23-30, for casual dating, possibly more. Must possess nice smile and friendly eyes. ☎2690

RN SEEKS HEALTHY RELATIONS
Classy, slender, youthful, playful, intelligent, professional SWF, 5'4", blonde/brown, homeowner, no dependents, N/S, social drinker, seeks educated PM, 45+, emotionally/financially secure. Let's meet for coffee and see what happens. ☎1469

LET'S START WITH COFFEE
Widowed WF, 60, 5'1", blonde/blue, N/S, social drinker, financially/emotionally secure, enjoys dining in/out, theater, golf, playing cards. Seeking honest man, 58-64, with good sense of humor, to share the golden years with. ☎2500

MAKE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC
DWF, 44, financially secure, professional musician, sexy, classy, blonde/blue, romantic. Seeking an outgoing, secure, college-educated S/DWM, 35-50, passion for life, for a possible LTR. ☎1660

HUGGABLE & LOVABLE
Attractive SFI, 44, 5'3", blonde/blue, medium build, with passion for life, seeks kind-hearted SWPM, 40-55, with good sense of humor, who is ready to enjoys life. ☎2412

VINTAGE WINE
Visionary dreamer, optimist, music is sweeter shared, slim, blue-eyed, blonde, with distinctive qualities, 5'7", educated, nifty 50s and financially secure. Seeking active, gentleman who is sweet and warm, 40-60. ☎2089

FIRST TIME AD
DWF, 39, 5'2", 105lbs, blonde/blue, mother of one, enjoys movies, dining in/out, loves to laugh. Seeking attractive, humorous, loving, honest DWM, 38-42, with children/full head of hair, friendship first, LTR. ☎1897

HELLO, FRIEND
I'm pretty, slender, tall, very intelligent, refined, fun, smoker, 52. Seeking intelligent, tall, articulate, classy, confident, gentleman, 52-65, wanting someone for cozy dinner dates laced with good conversation. ☎2320

IN SYNCH
Pretty, slender, warm-hearted, humorous sales professional, 117lbs, auburn/brown, seeks educated, tall, sincere, secure guy, 45-57, H/W proportionate, with varied interests, who believes in honest communication. No baggage. ☎2639

FROM THE HEART
Attractive, kind, affectionate, down-to-earth DWF, 36, 5'7", 128lbs, blonde/green, N/S, one child, enjoys running, warm weather, music, biking. Seeking nice, financially secure SWM, 40-55, N/S, to enjoy life together. ☎2629

BEST FRIEND
Attractive, easygoing, slender SWF, 42, 5'7", 135lbs, seeks educated, secure, humorous WM, 38-45, N/S, for life's adventures. North Oakland county. ☎2504

LEGGY, SLENDER, & STYLISH
Blue-eyed, honey blonde, 40s, 5'8", active, independent, Birmingham resident, looks 30s, intelligent, attractive, seeks professional, witty, fit, handsome, unencumbered, male counterpart, 6'+, for romance, adventure. ☎2538

YOU'VE GOT MAIL
Chemistry-seeking, attractive, family-oriented, emotionally/financially secure, blonde SPF, 40, 5'6", with traditional values, good moral, enjoys nights out, quiet evenings at home. Seeking SM for friendship, possible LTR. ☎2414

BLUE EYED BLONDE
Fun-loving, DWF,44, blonde/blue, curvey size 14, enjoys movies, dining, dancing, music. Seeking, DWM, 40-55, financially stable, with similar interest. Friendship first, possible LTR. ☎2267

BEST FRIENDS
Attractive, easygoing, humorous DWF, 52, 5'5", medium build, auburn/green, enjoys nature, walks, movies, dinner, travel, cooking. Seeking handsome, sincere, caring, financially secure, compassionate SWM, 45-55, for friendship, leading to LTR. ☎2415

INTERESTED IN ART?
Pretty SWF, early 40s, seeks sincere, sensitive, art-inclined SWM, 40-50, for possible relationship. ☎2632

IRRESISTIBLE
Intriguing, pretty, passionate DWF, 44, seeks handsome, smart, funny, romantic SWM, 38+, N/S, for great, one-on-one relationship. Are you ready? This could be it! No games, please. ☎2633

52 YEAR-OLD ENTREPRENEUR
Pretty, successful, humorous, charming, interesting, giving female, 52, enjoys movies, plays, concerts, fine dining, cooking, boating, loves people. Seeking soulmate in a successful, sincere WM, 45-75. Please reply. ☎1162

FABULOUS, FIT AND FIFTY
Creative, attractive female, sophisticated, yet down-to-earth, engaging personality. Seeking degreed professional male, N/S, sense of humor, who's interested in cultural events, dining, travel, home projects, sports, conversation, and quiet moments. ☎2630

BEAUTIFUL NATURE LOVER
SWF, 44, 5'7", 134lbs, studying alternative medicine, into self growth, woods walking, singing, natural health, laughing, speaking truth, life. I'm spunky, unique, loving. Seeking N/S, soul connection SWM, 38-48. ☎9723

UNCHAINED MELODY
Slim, attractive DWPF, 51, N/S, seeks professional S/DWM, 50-60, 5'10"+, for C&W dancing, rollerblading, hanging out, Livonia area. ☎2534

STARTING OVER
Rubenesque SWF a young 50, 5'5", auburn/green, N/S, N/D, seeks SWM, 40-60, N/S, for companionship. LTR. No games. ☎2533

BLUE-EYED BLONDE
Young, attractive WF, 50, 5'7", medium build, seeks down-to-earth, romantic, commitment-minded WM, 45-60, for LTR. ☎2444

WAITING FOR LIGHTNING...
to strike! An appealing DWF, 50ish, seeks a gentleman, 50-61, to enjoy dancing, dining out, casinos, and a good friendship leading to possible relationship. ☎2445

DRAWN TO WIDOWERS
Real, pretty, smart, attractive female, 51, red/blue, educated, values family, honesty, morals, dignity. Interests: sports, dining, gardening, reading, walks. Seeking family-oriented male. ☎2446

DELIGHTFUL AND DOWN-TO-EARTH
SWCatholicF, 38, 5'7", brown/brown, smoker, social drinker, mother of three, enjoys camping, fireplaces, dancing and dining. Seeking a SWCatholicM, 38-46, with a love for family lifestyle and partnership. All calls answered. ☎2448

ANSWER MY AD
You'll be glad you did. Looking for educated, fun-loving, happening, N/S gent, 53-68, for wonderful times together. I'm adventurous, attractive, wordy, considerate, fit, smart, sincere. Please call. ☎2443

CLASSY LADY
Blonde-haired, blue-eyed, petite SWF, 43, honest, sincere, enjoys dancing, traveling, dining, walks, romantic evenings at home, seeks gentleman, 30-50. ☎2322

LITTLE RED
Spontaneous SF, 5'3", 130lbs, red/green, smoker, looking for honest relationship with SM who doesn't want to play games. Dark eyes and long hair a plus. ☎2323

ARE YOU? I AM...
healthy, happy, spiritually fit and emotionally available. Very attractive, petite SWF, 40ish, N/S, N/D, loves nature, the arts, reading, writing, laughing, hiking, travel, and having good conversations about it. ☎2269

LOOKING FOR YOU
Easygoing, overweight DWF, 43, 5'10", N/S, N/Drugs, enjoys swimming, walking, [illegible] cards, pets, travel, [illegible], honest, loyal, [illegible] N/S, N/Drugs, S[illegible]tion ☎1713

INCURABLE ROMANTIC
Energetic, perky, kind-hearted DWCF, 43, 5'7", 125lbs, brown/brown, financially/ emotionally secure, enjoys walking, tennis, cooking, dining out, movies, seeks SWPM, late 30s to 40s, for best friend first, LTR. ☎2265

PRETTY BLONDE LADY
Refined, giving, loving, educated, European-born, young 60ish, 5'5", good figured, N/S, many interests, seeks gentleman, 65-72, with sense of humor, caring, intelligent, secure, N/S, for lasting relationship. ☎1297

THRILL SEEKER WANTED
Adventurous nurse, DWF, 46, 5'4", brown/brown. Seeking adventurous fireman, 40-50, for fun times. N/S preferred. ☎2170

LOVE IN THE NEW YEAR
Attractive, financially/emotionally secure DWF, young 50, 5'4", brown/blue, N/S, enjoys movies, dining, sports, travel and romance. Seeking handsome, sincere, caring, financially secure, compassionate SWM, 45-55, for friendship, leading to LTR. ☎2083

COWBOY WANTED
DWF wants a financially secure cowboy, over 50, over 5'9", weight unimportant, smoker, social drinker. Must be a two-stepper. ☎2053

SEEKING SENSE OF HUMOR
DWF, 43, medium build, N/S, seeks a S/DWM, 43-50, N/S, employed, who likes children, outdoors, sports, for a possible LTR. ☎1998

GOOD THINGS/ SMALL PACKAGES
Well-packaged, emotionally, spiritually and intellectually, petite DPF, charismatic, adventurous, passionate about life, likes the sublime to outrageous. Seeking a SM, for a monogamous relationship. ☎1997

TALL, ATTRACTIVE
DBF, 39, 5'8", enjoys dancing, jazz, affection. Seeking SBM, 40+, 6'+, who wants more than just the physical, for LTR. Serious repyes only please! ☎1995

GENTLY USED
Blonde lady, late 50s, 5'3", 125lbs, enjoys life. Seeking gentleman, mid-50s-60s, to enjoy life with, friends first. ☎1906

SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT
SF, 36, loves animals, gardening, spectator sports, laughing, seeks SM, N/S, no kids, for new start, possible LTR. ☎1865

PASSION FOR LIFE
Classy, spirited, poised DWF, 59, 5'2", seeks man of integrity, 58-65, N/S, romantic and trim, to share interests which include dancing, traveling, movies, dining out. For friendship leading to LTR. ☎1908

HONOR AND CHERISH
Never married attractive, fat, sensitive, committed Christian SWPM, enjoys hiking, travel, skiing, adventure, fun. Seeking attractive, slender, committed, never-married SWCF, 30-40, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. ☎2539

SEEKS CONFIDENT, SECURE MAN
Pretty, classy, slim, secure, open, hip gal, 5'7", no children, seeks SWPM, average/attractive, trustworthy, emotionally/financially stable, fun, hip guy, 48-52, 5'8"-5'11". No games. You won't be disappointed. ☎2457

ITALIAN PRINCESS
Fun-loving SWF, 32, 5'8", brown/amber, seeks romantic, energetic, athletic, professional man, 25-35, 5'10"+, for possible serious relationship. ☎2451

OUTGOING FEMALE
Sensitive, social, sincere, humorous, loving, positive, upbeat SWF, 46, medium height/weight, seeks same in man. Call soon. ☎2139

Men Seeking Women

LOOKING FOR BRIGHT EYES
Very caring, attractive, outgoing, giving SWM, 46, with a variety of interests, loves to be romantic and cook. Seeking same in petite SWF, for friendship, maybe more. ☎9363

CANTON WESTLAND AREA
Cute, educated DWM, 46, 6'3", 190lbs, fit, enjoys travel, art fun, adventure, family. Seeking cute, sincere SWF, 35-45, for friendship, possible LTR. ☎2693

LONELY IN [illegible]
DWM, 26, 5'10", 170lbs, brown/green, works full time, loves children, enjoys bowling, movies, dancing, travel. Seeking honest, caring, sincere, romantic S/DWF, 18-30, who likes cuddling, children ok, for LTR. ☎2721

A DUALITY GUY
Sincere, romantic DWM, 52, 5'10", seeks honest women with sense of humor, for dining out, fall concerts, dancing, plays, weekend getaways, travel. Seeking special friend to share quality times with. ☎2260

CHRISTIAN MALE
Down-to-earth, secure, widowed BCM, 47, 6'4", 220lbs, father of twins, enjoys movies, martial arts, walking. Seeking attractive young woman, 30-49. Must have God first in your life. ☎2718

ROMANTIC OUTDOORSMAN
Adventurous, humorous, [illegible] DWM, 45, [illegible] dining out, theater, [illegible] evenings on the town, [illegible], age 50-45, for possible LTR. ☎2717

GEMINIS ONLY
Aquarius DWM, 37 (looks 27), 5'10", 165lbs, hazel eyes, seeks beautiful Gemini lady for dating, possible monogamous relationship with right person. ☎2686

CARING+SINCERE
SWPM, 36, average build, N/S, enjoys dining-out, movies, outdoors, seeks petite SWF, 30-40, N/S, for serious LTR. ☎2631

LOOKING FOR LOVE
SWPM, 37, 5'9", 165lbs, N/S, enjoys tennis, dining out, movies, trips. Seeking SWF, under 40, medium to full-figured, proportionate, N/S, for friendship, fun and LTR. ☎2627

PART-TIME GROWNUP
Sincere SWM, 35, 5'9", 180lbs, fit, MBA, fun, positive, attractive, active, seeks fit SWF, mission beaches, travels, friends and fireplaces. All replies answered. ☎2543

WORKING MAN SEEKS Mrs. RIGHT
Handsome, rugged, athletic, financially secure, trustworthy, shy SWM, 38, 6'1", 220lbs, has Herpes (wants to be honest), seeks old-fashioned, attractive girl. Children ok. Let's talk. ☎2454

VERY ATTRACTIVE
SWM, 28, 5'11", 175lbs, brown/blue, very outgoing, professionally employed, seeks attractive SWF, 18-35, H/W proportionate. Must be outgoing and enjoy sports. ☎1904

HAPPY NEW YEAR
Attractive SWM, 36, 6', 190lbs, brown/blue, professionally employed, enjoys dining out, movies, seeks an attractive SWF for dating, friendship, possible LTR. Garden City. ☎1534

HAPPY-GO-LUCKY
Sensitive, honest, 35 year old SWM, who's athletic and outgoing, likes all outdoor and indoor activities. Seeking S/DWF, who is also sensitive and honest, with similar qualities for LTR. No baggage. ☎2441

TALL, HANDSOME KNIGHT
40, 6'3", 190lbs, caring, sensitive, affectionate, sensual, athletic, very intelligent, seeks princess, 30-45, for romance/relationship. You, like myself, love communication, sharing, affection, and are physically fit. Let's talk soon! ☎2723

WANTED: BEST FRIEND
DWPM, 37, 5'10", 170lbs, enjoys outdoors, and being active. Seeking, affectionate, fit, loving sweetheart, to share music, travel, dining, and romantic, quiet times. Wixom area. ☎1665

SINGLE IN DETROIT
Honest, down-to-earth SBM, mid-30s, would like to meet special SBF, 25-45, for friendship, possible relationship. I like movies, concerts, special times together. ☎1286

NEW TO REDFORD
Tall, affectionate, attractive SWM, 28, 6'5", 240lbs, brown/blue, nice physique, enjoys working out, cooking, outdoors, sports, movies, music. Seeking SWF, 21-35, looks unimportant, for companionship and fun times together. ☎2266

SOMEONE SPECIAL
SWM, 28, 5'11", 200lbs, dark blond/blue, likes long walks, cuddling with someone special. Seeking SWF, 23-30, who likes the same and more, for relationship. ☎2502

SINCERE, EASYGOING
Handsome, degreed, humorous, reliable SWM, 40, 5'8", seeks slim, attractive SWF who enjoys theater, foreign films, symphony, cultural events, week end getaways, dining out, long walks, opera, romance. ☎1710

VERY PERSISTENT
Attractive, intelligent, financially/emotionally secure SWM, 37, 6'2", 215lbs, [illegible] attractive, emotionally secure, open-minded, and confident SWF, 25+, 5'5"+, for LTR. ☎2455

YOUR SMILE WILL...
start my days, and fill my nights. SWM, father of one, 30ish, to share laughter with. [illegible] honest, [illegible] children.

RED [illegible]
[illegible] executive [illegible] wants [illegible] and loving [illegible] to a cute, trim, happy lady with no [illegible] degree, and lots of values. ☎2722

CAN I MAKE THIS DANCE...
for the rest of my life? Attractive SWM, 41, never married, no kids, seeks cute S/DWF, 32-39, for friendship first, then hopefully a lifetime. ☎2719

LOOKING FOR FUN
Financially secure SWPM, 33, 5'8", 160lbs, enjoys jetskiing, snowmobiling, and beaches. Seeking thin, fun SWF, 23-29, with whom to share fun times and travel. ☎2536

NEW ON THE SCENE
Handsome, spiritual, humorous, athletic, loving, gentle SWM, 36, 6', 180lbs, never married, seeks attractive women, with good values, for dating, friendship, possible LTR. Pierce call. ☎2478

SEEKING AN ANGEL
Attractive SWPM, 36, 5'6", N/S, N/D, fit, financially stable, never married, no dependents, enjoys a variety of activities. Seeking SWF, similar qualities, for friendship, possible LTR. ☎2173

FUN GUY
SWM, 27, 5'10", average weight, light brown/hazel, enjoys music, tv, skiing, boating, bowling. Seeking SF for fun conversation, dating, possible relationship. Race unimportant. ☎2599

COWBOY HIPPIE
Honest, easygoing, nice-looking DWM, 6', 170lbs, seeks honest, sweet, kind, slender female, 25-40, for LTR. ☎2688

HANDSOME, KIND TEACHER
DWM, 46, 6', 200lbs, long hair with full-time, wonderful 10 year-old daughter. Plays guitar and loves Northern Michigan. Seeking SF. ☎2635

A LOT TO OFFER
Humorous, yet intellectual, outgoing, active SWM, 40, 5'10", 190lbs, enjoys outdoor activities, reading, writing, theater and movies. Seeking N/S, friendly, outgoing S/DWF, 35-45, petite to medium build, for possible relationship. ☎9538

RELATE THAT IT'S A DATE
Slim, sensual, spiritual, successful SWM, 46, 5'9", 162lbs, seeks relationship-oriented SF, 30-45, who enjoys Borders, Royal Oak, art films, dance clubs, delis to Middle Eastern cuisine, jazz, classical, contemporary music. ☎2177

NO CLEVER AD
Outgoing, DWM, mid-50s, seeks kind-hearted lady for LTR. Will answer all. ☎2628

NEW TO THIS
Active, self-employed, athletic, funny SWM, 34, seeks relationship with outgoing, attractive SWF, 27-33, for LTR. ☎2540

DOES DEMURE APPEARANCE...
mask your kind, sensual soul? SWPM, 40, 6'1", 190lbs, athletic, sincere, romantic, thoughtful. Seeking very slim, trim Spice Girl type who enjoys romantic weekend getaways, theater, family/friends, for possible LTR. ☎2501

RARE FIND
Trim, handsome SWPM, 39, 5'10", 170lbs, great shape, custodial dad of 12-year-old son, enjoys volleyball, outdoors, rock music, dancing, biking. Seeking slender, attractive, independent female, with similar interests. ☎9618

TREASURE UNCLAIMED!!!
Caring, playful, exceptional, practical, tall, handsome SWPM, 40-ish, dark blonde/large blue, seeks attractive, slim SWF, under 46, N/S, with similar qualities, who's seriously interested in a relationship. See you soon. ☎9554

NORTH OAKLAND AREA
Caring, personable, blonde, widowed WF, 55, 5'8", sense of humor, nice smile, seeks SM. As for looks, trust your instincts. Call me. First time ad. ☎2595

PEACEFUL WARRIOR
Handsome spiritually evolved, intelligent, creative, adventurous, sensual SWM, passionate about life, energized by love, kindness, awareness. Seeking woman of substance, beautiful inside and out, for romantic relationship. ☎2596

DAD SEEKS MOM
Active, fit, financially secure, clean-cut DWM, 51, 5'7", 150lbs, father, loves kids, has two, wants to be part of a family. Seeking mom. ☎2597

HONEST AND SINCERE
Attractive, financially/emotionally secure, degreed, physically fit SWM, 58, 5'9", 150lbs, N/S, social drinker, enjoys movies, concerts, theater, spectator sports. Seeking physically fit SWF, 45-52, N/S, social drinker, for friendship, LTR. ☎2541

ALWAYS AND FOREVER
Caring, [illegible], loving DWM, [illegible], loves [illegible] activities, skiing, movies, and quality times together. Seeking petite-medium SF, 40-50, for friendship, possible long-term monogamous relationship. Race unimportant. ☎1549

SEEKING TRUE LOVE
Down-to-earth, intelligent, passionate [illegible] SWM, 39, [illegible] treat a lady, loves [illegible] wife, sweetness [illegible] companionship. For [illegible] LTR. ☎1714

FIRST TIME AD
Good-looking, [illegible] fit, Italian male [illegible], 40, seeks pretty, slender, secure Caucasian hispanic partner, 30-40, for friendship, intimacy, and fun. ☎2535

SEEKING [illegible]
Sincere, caring DWM, 49, 5'9", 175lbs. Seeking medium-built, loyal, [illegible], understanding S/DWF, 35+. N/D, sense of humor, who likes to take nice walks at night, sunsets, the outdoors, movies, cooking. ☎1993

FIRST TIME AD
Degreed, fit, caring, sensitive, sincere, handy SWPM, 43, 5'11", 180lbs, likes the outdoors, dancing, sports, seeks degreed, slender SWPF, 38-43, with similar interests/qualities. ☎2354

ROY ROGERS SEEKS DALE EVANS
Horseman seeks horsewoman. SWM, 42, 6', 230lbs, beard vegetarian, N/S, loves horses and mails, canoeing, nature, poetry. Looking for fun, romance, adventure. I'm open, humorous, sincere, down-to-earth. ☎2265

ONE-WOMAN MAN
Good-looking, professional DWM, N/S, enjoys golf, movies and cruising. Seeking female, 35-47, N/S, for possible relationship. ☎2175

AFFECTIONATE GENTLEMAN
Kind, caring, loving, easygoing SWM, 31, 5'8", medium build, dark brown/blue, N/S, social drinker, whose interests include bowling, boating, cooking, camping, snowmobiling, seeks female, 18-35. Kids ok. ☎2261

MAN FOR ALL SEASONS
Open-minded, warm-hearted full-time father of gorgeous little girl, seeks warm-hearted female, 30ish, with a smile to fill our day, to share lakes, travel, snowmobiling, and workouts. Now! ☎2360

SMOKER WANTING TO QUIT
Warm, attractive, attentive, clean-cut self-employed SWM, 25, 5'8", 155lbs, medium build, brown/blue, seeks playful, warm, attractive petite SWF, 23-30, with career goals, for LTR. ☎2507

IN YOUR EYES..
I find someone special! DWM, 41, 190lbs, fit, short brown/brown, nice guy, enjoys bike riding, ice skating, humor, music, movies, art. Seeking fit SWF, to share experiences. ☎2508

PLAY WITH ME
Fun to play with you might become attached, lovable, affectionate, DWM, 47, 5'11", you can take me for walks or show to your friends, college degree, papers available upon request. ☎1107

SINGLE IN LIVONIA
Attractive, financially secure DWM, 46, 6'1", 185lbs, brown/blue, moustache, N/S, light drinker, enjoys dancing, movies, music of 60s. Seeking attractive, slender, honest SWF, 38-50, who's emotionally ready for LTR. ☎9724

SINGLE MOM WANTED
SWM, 29, 6', N/S, Drug-free, brown/green, medium build enjoys bowling, horseback riding. Seeking SF, 20-35, N/S, for LTR, must like children. ☎2447

WHERE ARE YOU?
Bright, easygoing, good-looking, well-established SWM, 44, 5'9", 150lbs, with many interests including music, exercise, old movies, outdoors, dancing, seeks intelligent, good-hearted, relatively slim and attractive SWF. Children ok. ☎2450

MOVIE BUFF
SWPM, 39, 5'11", N/S, with no children, enjoys the arts, tennis, travel, walking and bookstores. Seeking SWF, 32-45, with similar interests. ☎1592

OLD-FASHIONED...
down-to-earth, secure, widowed BCM, 47, 6'4", 220lbs, father of twins, likes movies, walking, martial arts, cooking. Seeking an attractive, young female, 36-49, for possible LTR. Must have God first. ☎2442

HANDSOME & OUTGOING
Outgoing, charming, funny, very attractive SWM, 24, 5'10", 160lbs, seeks fun-loving female in Canton area. ☎2417

SEARCHING FOR THE ONE
Good-looking, honest, intelligent SWCM, 44, 5'10", 165lbs, blond/blue, N/S, never married, with good sense of humor. Appreciates: classic style, walks, fire sides, music, and small towns. For LTR. No games. ☎2357

[illegible] MR. RIGHT
[illegible] fit, fun, emotionally/financially secure DWM, 44, seeks attractive, fit S/DF, 35-50, for friendship first and hopefully more. Belief in God a must. ☎2353

SINCERE
Tall, honest, humorous, financially stable, slim DWM, 54, 6'4", N/S, in good physical condition. Would like to meet a slender lady, 42-50 for companionship possible LTR. ☎9541

IT'S IN HIS KISS
Nice-looking, intelligent, passionate, very financially secure DWM, 40+, 5'9", 165lbs seeks smart, sensuous woman who enjoys spirited conversation, casinos, ocean sunrises. Smoker ok. ☎2352

CAUTION: DON'T MISS OUT!
WM, 51, secure, honest, 6', gray/blue, fit, seeks an honest female, 38-50, for a LTR. ☎1163

TALK TO MY DAD
Warm, kind, sensitive down-to-earth DWPM, 40, 5'9", brown/hazel, custodial parent of two, social drinker, enjoys cooking, Cedar Point, camping, socializing. Seeking DWF, with kids for companionship, serious relationship. West Bloomfield. ☎2272

SEEKING SOULMATE
SM, 63, seeks kindred soul with SF person attached. Me spanish-speaking, intelligent, cultured, sensitive, imperfect, attractive, healthy, sensual, agnostic, loves music, the arts, hiking, dancing, poetry and romance. ☎2264

LOVE IS REAL
SWM, 43, 5'8", 170, no kids, creative, passionate, likes art and nature. Seeking a pretty or cute SWF, 29-39, with no kids, for true love, romance and friendship. ☎2176

WANTED ...BEST FRIEND/LOVER
Nice-looking SWM, 46, 5'11", 180lbs, enjoys most things just lacking that special someone. She's attractive, warm-hearted, honest and loyal, age open, smoker ok. Wayne/Westland area. ☎2172

READY TO GO
Sweet, sensitive SWM, 30ish, looking for a lovely female friend to ice skate with and to seek out new adventures to share. ☎2634

SMILE WITH ME
Caring, attentive, friendly, handsome, SWPM, dark blonde/large, gorgeous, blue, tall, fit, N/S, seeks attractive, slim, monogamous SWF, under 46, for possible LTR. No porno, drooids, please. Talk to you soon. ☎2626

HOT COMMODITY
Affectionate, spontaneous, outgoing, faithful SWM, 40, 6'1", enjoys concerts, movies, long walks, cozy fires. Seeking down-to-earth, honest S/DF, 30-40, with similar interests, for possible LTR. ☎2544

GREAT HUGGER/KISSER
Spiritual, tall, dark, handsome DWM, 50, looks younger, 5'11", 185lbs, hair, mustache, plays tennis, works out, homeowner, seeks honest, fit WF under 50. ☎2593

HUMOROUS
Fun-loving SWM, 42, 6'2", 195lbs, blond/hazel, good listener, likes kids, travel, water sports, rock music. Seeks WF, 30-45, for relationship. ☎2637

FIRST TIME AD
SM, 42, 5'11", 245lbs+, blonde/blue, moustache, seeks a woman, 28-42, 100-160lbs, who looks good in jeans or a dress and is honest. Meet me halfway! ☎2359

COMPANION NEEDED
Kind-hearted DWPM, 42, 5'9", 145lbs, dad, likes hockey, running, race cars, music, family, yard sales, looking for active lady who need tender, loving care. ☎2355

SJM TEACHER, 43
Caring, fun, intelligent guy, searching for a long-term relationship with a bright, warm, attractive woman. I enjoy music, dancing, reading, friends, walks, and festivals. ☎2350

FIRST TIME AD
SM, 45, 6'3.5", wishes to meet lady for friendship, late night dinners, quiet evenings, long walks, movies, special moments and relationship. ☎2351

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SWM, 30, seeks someone to lose weight with. I play tennis, racquetball and use Nautilus equipment. All calls answered. ☎2143

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LONELY SENIOR
DWM, 68, seeks widowed or divorced WF, for companionship. Enjoy dining out, movies, plays, concerts. Prefer Oakland County. ☎2542

ENJOYS LIFE
SWF, 64, 5'2", blonde, semi-retired, loves to dance, travel, movies, dining, theater, cards. Seeking SWM, 60-70. Must dance, have variety of interests, sense of humor, be N/S. ☎2505

GOOD-LOOKING
SF, 67, 5'4", 115lbs, social drinker, would like to meet SM for dining out, movies, some gambling, and quiet times at home. ☎2356

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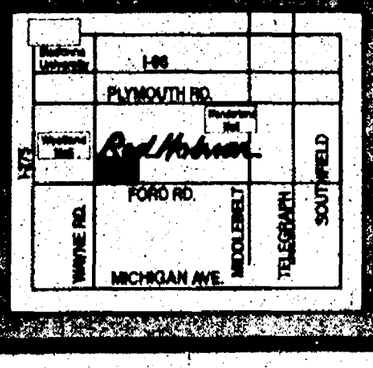

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