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A two-sheet ice arena, indoor soccer fields and golf dome will now be built at the Canton Softball Center, which is now owned by the township. An earlier plan to built the sports park at Michigan and Haggerty was dropped.

BY SCOTT DANIEL

After more than a year of negotiating, a deal to bring a sports park to Canton is done.

Southfield-based Griffin Properties will help the township develop ice and soccer arenas as well as a golf dome at recently acquired Canton Softball Center on Michigan Avenue east of Beck

"I'm glad that we were able to come to this agreement," township trustee Melissa McLaughlin said. "It makes all kinds of sense to locate (multiple) recreational uses there. I think it's a better investment for the citizens of Canton.

The board of trustees unanimously approved an agreement between the

township and Griffin Properties at its ber Tuesday meeting.

The \$25-million project represents a much scaled back plan.

Developer Scott Griffin had hoped to build a \$100-million "Sportstown USA" concept at Michigan Avenue and Haggerty. It was to include the ice and soccer arenas, a seven-court basketball facility, the golf driving range, movie theaters, an indoor/outdoor recreational facility and restaurant - possibly ESPN Cafe.

While Griffin couldn't acquire enough land to include the movie theaters, he presented plans for the rest of the project to the township last Decem-

That's when Canton officials pitched Griffin on moving the development to the softball center.

"It's not nearly as good of a deal for us," said Griffin. "But for the community, it's a much better use of resources."

Canton Finance Director Tony Minghine said it's a better deal for township residents.

This new location is definitely in the best interests of the community and our residents," he said. "This allows us to get a much higher return on our investment in the Canton Softball Cen-

Please see SPORTS COMPLEX, A2

Cook's

choice:

Canton Firefight-

er Steve

Borgelt

Oven

prepares

Beef Bur-

gundy for dinner last

Wednesday at

Fire Sta-

tion No.

Home on the range

Firefighters clamor for Chef Steve

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER

In 25 years as a Canton firefighter, Claude Gersky has seen it all.

And we're not talking about fires. Fast food, carry out, leftovers from home, grilling, microwave dinners and plenty of sandwiches. In short, he had

run out of dining options.

That is until Steve Borgelt came along seven years ago. Ever since then, Gersky and the rest of the firefighters have been fighting it out to get on Borgelt's shift.

"He's the only guy that cooks," said Gersky, who joined the department in 1974. "That's why we don't let Steve go to other stations."

From Mexican and Italian to good old steak and



Taste test: Firefighters Tom Battistone (clockwise, from left), Ron Rattini, Russ Averill, Claude Gersky, Jeff Rogers and Steve Borgelt sit down to din ner.



orgelt is the Emril Lagasse of Fire Sta tion No. 1. Bam!

"I haven't found one thing he doesn't do well," Gersky said. But then, most of the guys aren't too

"My philosophy is if somebody else is cooking," Gersky added, "I'm eatin'." Before Borgelt, it was every firefight-

er for himself. It was a sometimes dangerous proposition, especially in the old firehouse where room was scarce and people were often walking through the kitchen area.

But things changed quickly when Borgelt hired on. He gladly took cooking duties.

That way I knew I'd get to eat what I like," said Steve. "I enjoy cooking.

He does it on a shoestring budget, however.

The general rule is \$3 per person for dinner. Borgelt cooks for anywhere

While trying to feed eight hungry guys for \$25 sounds rough, he has got it down to a science. But there's no great mystery in how he does it.
"I go shopping every day," Borgelt said. "I get

what's on sale." He has his own recipes. Borgelt isn't afraid to try

something new, though. "If someone has an idea," he said, "we'll do it."

A recent dinner featured Oven Beef Burgundy. Savory chunks of beef were combined with carrots, celery, potatoes and a rich gravy. The entree was served over noodles.

A salad and soft drinks rounded out the meal for eight. The firemen definitely have a favorite dessert to top off such a meal.

"We have an addiction to ice cream," Gersky said. Most aren't too picky about dinners. But that doesn't mean Borgelt hasn't had to learn the fire-

fighters' likes and dislikes. Take 11-year veteran Ron Battani. He doesn't do

mushrooms.

"I already picked 'em out," Battani told his com-

Little: 'Ton of opportunities' at new high school

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net

When a third high school is constructed in the Plymouth-Canton school district, Superintendent Chuck Little envisions a new principal as the only additional administrator to be added to the payroll.

"I am recommending an administra-

tive staffing increase of only one administrator," said Little. "I am proposing we have a principal to run each of the high schools

"I am also recommending that the current nine assistant principals be divided among the three schools," added Little. "They would have student management responsibilities as well as curriculum responsibilities.

"I will also recommend that we have an athletic director for each building. with one designated senior athletic director," said Little.

Little has also come up with integrated plans for scheduling the new high school, which he says "creates a ton of opportunities for the kids."

Little was charged by the Board of Education last year to come up with

various scheduling plans to prove the current curriculum can work among the three high schools when it's scheduled to open in the 2002-03 school year. While the plans are examples, none have been endorsed by Little or the school board, and are subject to

One of the alternatives is a staggered

Please see NEW SCHOOL, A4

Driver, 41, killed in I-275 crash

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oe.homecomm.net

A 41-year-old Allen Park man was killed early Wednesday morning on southbound I-275 after losing control of his vehicle and hitting a noise barrier

Police identified the victim as Richard Harold Shafer.

The collision occurred at about 7 a.m. just north of Palmer Road. No other vehicles were involved or injuries

According to Michigan State Police Sgt. David Robertson, Shafer was head-

Please see CRASH, A2

Chamber's home search continues

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oe.homecomm.net

In limbo

That's where the Canton Chamber of Commerce is in its search for a new home. According to President Tony Kwilos, the chamber has a spot picked out near Ford and Morton Taylor roads, but must get state approval before moving forward.

We have a bid on a parcel," he said, "but it's subject to review by the state because of wetlands

The parcel in question is a oneacre site on Morrison Avenue. If Michigan's Department of Natural Resources classifies the parcel as wetlands, Kwilos said the chamber will be back to square one in looking for a new home.

"That would put a kibosh to the deal," he commented.

We have a bid on a parcel. But it's subject to review by the state because of wetlands issues.'

Tony Kwilos chamber of commerce president

A ruling from the DNR is expected within 90 days, Kwilos added.

The chamber has been at the Canton-Ford Crossings office complex for nearly a decade. Efforts to find a new home began in earnest about

three years ago. The chamber has identified three or four parcels since then as possible sites, Kwilos said. But deals fell through on each for various reasons.

"Either it became too expensive or

they sold the land to someone else." said Kwilos. "It has been extremely frustrating If the Morrison Avenue site works

out, it'll give the chamber exactly what it's looking for.

We'd like our new home to be in the center of Canton," Kwilos said.

It wouldn't be the first new development in the area.

Office Max recently gained township approval to build a superstore on Morton Taylor just south of Ford. The chamber would be adjacent to the store if the DNR gives its approval.

The chamber wants to build a 2,000square-foot building. While some in the township wonder if the chamber might be better served in a larger office building development. Kwilos said that's not the plan.

"We'd prefer it to be just a home for

ourselves," he said.

Scott Griffin

that scene makes it, you'll defi-

Fittingly, the scenes that they

"The casting director said that

to be Boston and it was sup-

posed to be cold so we were to

bring two winter coats, a hat,

mittens and gloves. So, here I

am, going to California and I'm

not packing shorts and a

"We definitely had the right equipment to bring," added Fal-

grew up together and became

good friends in high school, had

one day to themselves during

"We walked along Rodeo Drive

and looked in the windows," said

thing, of course. And we went to

a place called the Ivy Restau-

rant. Gil Bellows (who plays

recommended it to us when we

"Ally McBeal" is on 9 p.m.

Mondays on Fox (Channel 2 in

DeGhetto and Falzon, who

worked on were to take place in

ders came prepared.

bathing suit.

of the opportunity.

Sports complex from page A1

According to Griffin, benefits for Canton residents include: M All recreational facilities

■ Cleats Restaurant becomes riable year-round. Potential traffic problems

in Haggerty are eliminated. Existing parking makes evelopment costs lower.

"The township has cooperated with us all the way through," Griffin said. "I think it'll be a tremendous facility." As part of the deal, Griffin will be allowed to purchase the driginal 19.5-acre Haggerty Road parcel. It'll likely be leveloped into a business office park, Griffin said.

the only way for us to make stands.

money on the deal," he added. Griffin may or may not be involved in carrying out devel-

to make money on the deal.'

be just a performance facility, "Developing the old site is but will also include spectator

company's exact role, he said. As for the ice arena, it will include two sheets of ice for hockey and skating. It will not

Griffin said the arena would be similar to ones built in Novi and Farmington Hills. Construction, he added, would opment of the arenas. It's up to likely begin late this year and the township to determine his conclude in the summer of

> Plans call for the soccer arena and indoor golf range to open by this fall, however. The soccer arena will have five regulation indoor fields

Developing the old site is the only way for us The golf dome will be constructed to allow for an additional soccer field as well. It will be about 100,000 square

> The next step will be for the township to pick operators for the arenas and negotiate ements, Griffin said. After that, formal plans will have to be approved by the township planning commission and poard of trustees.

Because the township owns the land, Griffin said the sports park should be developed much more quickly than if it had gone on Haggerty.

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BY DUNCAN E. WHITE Ann DeGhetto went from out the hard way that the glam-

as an extra on the "Ally McBeal"

nia and visited the Los Angeles

set in mid-January with long-

time friend Mary Falzon of

Winning the contest was the

And the kicker is that she did-

n't even buy anything that day

"It said 'no purchase neces-

sarv.' " she said. "I just mailed it

in. I love that store and I've

bought stuff there before. Just

What she won, exactly, was a

"walk-on, non-speaking role" on

to Los Angeles, hotel accommo-

not on that particular day."

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

financial woes.

become extinct.

Plymouth Manor Feb. 20.

Romulus' William Bedell noted

that tax limitation Proposal A

has thus far been good for tax-

payers, but may eventually

"Local control is the funda-

mental thread of the American

fabric that needs to be restored,"

said Little to the noontime gath-

ering. "The pinch is going to

want to know what to do.'

warns of the future.

(state funding)."

Did You Know?

Cross Month"?

easy part, though, as she simply

mailed in a card and was select-

ed in a random drawing.

Northville

at Best Buy.

show. She was flown to Califor- have."

working as records manager for our of Hollywood comes with a the winter, and these Michiganthe Plymouth Township Police price. Fatality: It took rescue workers more than two hours to Department to television star a few weeks ago ... (and then back in the morning to 12:30 at we would be shooting outside," lift the wall from the truck and remove the victim, who to records manager). died in Wednesday's crash. DeGhetto, a Westland resi- we really learned a lot though,

Crash from page A1

ing northbound on I-275 when than two hours to clear debris

he lost control, he added. The vehicle, described as a full-sized Ford truck, crossed the County Medical Examiner's median and southbound lanes office will determine Shafer's before hitting the wall. "He hit the wall at full speed,"

Robertson said. "There was no braking involved." The wall collapsed on the township police.

he lost control. It's unclear why enough to remove Shafer from Robertson said the Wayne

> medical status at the time of the It's the first fatal accident in Canton this year, according to

truck at impact. It took more

He now has two industrial-

beef burgundy.

But it didn't bother him to get sized ovens, a new microwave rid of the mushrooms. Battani and ample counter space. Heck, said he's grateful just to have all three shifts at the station Borgelt around.

"He has got us spoiled," he admitted. "We like home-cooked Making good, economical din- he worries about, however.

ners isn't the only challenge

Borgelt faces. It wouldn't be a normal week if his cooking time wasn't interrupted for a run. That's why many dishes are cooked in tin

foil pouches. If the horn sounds, Borgelt can simply turn the heat on low and let it cook or stay warm until they get back.

"You don't want to eat hockey pucks when you get in," he said. But Borgelt's cooking job has gotten easier from one standpoint: the firefighters' new digs

even have their own refrigerator. It means better meals. But also a larger space to get dirty as

"I'm a messy chef," Borgelt said. "They clean the kitchen after I'm done."

he cooks. That's not something

Dinner is the only meal he cooks during his weekly threeshift rotation. Firefighters still make their own breakfasts and

"We usually have leftovers for days at lunchtime," Borgelt said: There are days when he does-

n't cook, too. "I'll say it's pizza day," he added. "But it's very rare to have those days."

will damage local control Taxpayers have yet to see the full impact of Proposal A on school districts across the state. And, charter schools aren't the panacea to public education's That was the message presented by three area school superintendents during a forum on education sponsored by the Tonquish Economic Club at the Plymouth-Canton's Chuck Little, Livonia's Ken Watson and

Star power

Good friends win appearance

(maybe) on 'Ally McBeal'

the coast, the two women found

"We worked on the set from 9

how many orsw members they

about the long day.

back to the hotel."

Falzon wasn't quite as excited

"My workday ends at 5," she

said. "I was tired. I wanted to go

The work that the two did

while a part of the "Ally McBeal"

cast won't appear on a particular

during their day in the spotlight.

said DeGhetto. "I don't think

because (the cast) went through

Of the two, DeGhetto believes

Educators: Proposal A cuts

several wardrobe changes."

"They'll all be outdoor scenes,"

episode though. They said that

dent, won a contest through as far as how they operate and

Best Buy last summer to appear what goes into it. It's amazing

the show, two round-trip tickets stay off the editing room floor.

dations for two days and two in front of (the main character)

nights, a limousine ride to and Calista Flockhart," she said. "I

from the set of the show and cut right in front of her so, if Detroit).

Despite being whisked away to nitely be able to see me."

night," said DeGhetto. "I think said DeGhetto. "It was supposed

several different scenes were cut the trip and took full advantage

they'll all be from the same show DeGhetto. "We didn't buy any-

that she has a better chance to Billy Allen Thomas on the show)

"In one scene, I walked right met him on the set."

"The people who invented Proposal A ... stripped us of our resources, and more importantly took mom and dad (local property tax money) away from us," added Bedell. "If Lansing doesn't give it to us, we're not going to get it. Mom and dads will even-

come, and people are going to tually figure it out." The school administrators also

and current educators and school board members, easily understood the message. "Hardly a week goes by that I

eliminate a program."

"We can't reduce one cost

don't point out to someone how our funding has changed, and they're surprised," said Judy Mardigian, Plymouth-Canton school board trustee. "Someday when the state says we have to cut your foundation grant, and then we have to cut programs, people will ask why we can't raise funds locally like we did in Plymouth Township resident

Ted Bohlen believes many parents are sending their children to charter schools because public schools aren't doing the job.

"Why isn't everyone saying they want to go to Plymouth-Canton?" said Bohlen. "Because they aren't doing their job. They



in "Ally McBeal" after DeGhetto won a contest in connection with the TV show.

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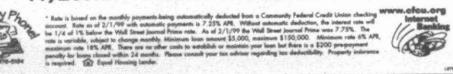
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Rescuer's recipes OVEN BEEF BURGUNDY

5 lbs chuck roast cubed 1 large onion 1 head garlic celery, carrots and mush-

rooms, as much as you

2 cups beef broth 2 cups burgundy wine

(optional) Brown meat, in another pan sauté the garlic and onions. When soft, add both to broth and wine. Drain the meat, add vegetables and meat in roaster Cover with garlic-onion mixture and cook uncovered at 350 degrees for approximately two Serve over rice or noodles.

CHICKEN ENCHILADAS 2 lbs chicken breasts (cubed small) 3 cups chicken broth

2 cups Monterey jack cheese 1 medium onion green chilies (optional) 1 cup sour cream

8 tortillas

1/4 cup flour

Cook chicken and onions until done, In a separate pot add chicken broth and bring to a boil. Add sour cream and cheese, thicken with flour after coming back to boil. Add half of the sauce to chicken and onions. Save the other half of the sauce for the top of the dish. Add mixture to tortillas. fold, place in pan and cover with remaining sauce. Bake in 325 degree oven for 45 minutes. Cover with more cheese

Players cited

the last 15 minutes of cooking.

The Plymouth Park Players production of "Moon Over Buffao." directed by Gloria Logan. took regional first place and honors on Feb. 13 at Plymouth Salem High School.

In addition, "Moon Over Buffalo" took superior awards for tech nical, makeup, costumes and ensemble with superior acting awards going to the entire cast listed: Sean Galvin, Annie Radcliffe, Liz Filios, Delanie Andrzejewski, Mike Kalis, Devin Burnstein, Pat Gray and Mike Mor-

the private, for-profit venture. "I find it abhorrent that charter schools don't have to take everybody," said Little. "They don't have to play by the same rules we do. They don't have to be accountable to a public board of education. because of that loss in enrollment," added Watson. "But the next year we would have less

Superintendent Chuck Little pecome a nightmare; because local money and control have

Watson did acknowledge that Livonia schools have done well discussed charter schools. And, with Proposal A in place, but as expected, none of the three favor the concept.

"The benefits of Proposal A An American Heritage Acadeappear to be the result of a suc- my charter school is scheduled cessful economy," said Watson. to open in Canton this fall. Little "If we hit some hard economic sees Plymouth-Canton schools times in the future, we're going losing a million dollars in state to see a decline in resources funding if 200 children attend

jeans with started a trend

■ "An American Tragedy" by Everyday Things" by Charles Theodore Dreiser "Death Comes for the Arch-

by Kenneth Grahame This Side of Paradise" by F.

Scott Fitzgerald - "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Saturday, Feb. 27, is "No Brainer Day"? It's a day to do

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March is designated as "Red

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Home" by Mark L. Warner

Top 20th-century novels Here are selections from the recently compiled list available at the Canton Public Library:

bishop" by Willa Cather The Wind in the Willows"

A: Blue jeans arrived in San Francisco with Levi Strauss in the 1850s. Strauss sold muchtailor. In the early 1860s, he my org replaced the canvas with denim. and by dying neutral colored denim pants indigo blue to mini- piled by Laura Dorogi of the mize soil stains greatly library staff. The library is at increased their popularity. Blue 1200 S. Canton Center. For more jeans first became a fashion item information about library proin 1935 when an advertisement grams and services, call 397appeared in Vogue featuring two 0999. society women in snug-fitting

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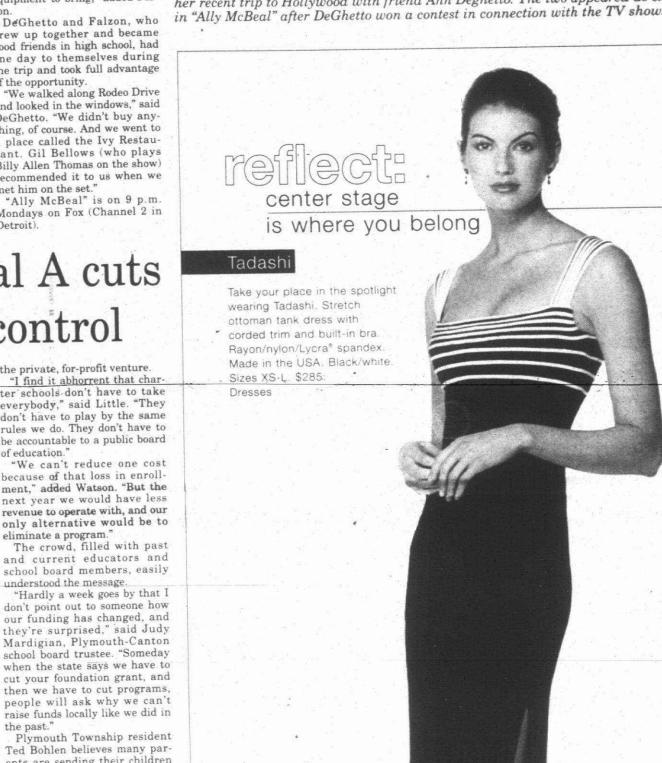
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Hot topic of the week Excited by last night's Gramneeded canvas to the gold min- my Awards ceremony? The ers for tents and covered wag- library has copies of many of the ons. As the miners were through nominated performances in its their trousers, Strauss stitched CD collection (plus a lot more!) some of his heavy-duty canvas For a list of all the winners. into overalls. Though coarse and check the official Web site of the stiff, the pants held up so well National Academy of Recording that Strauss was in demand as a Arts and Sciences: www.gram-

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New school from page A1

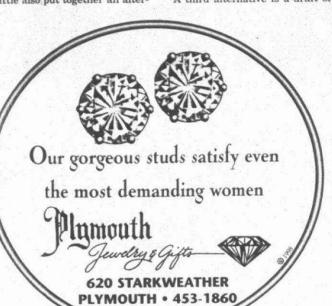
starting schedule for each of the three high schools, with Canton can be likened more to college pro-High School starting at 7:15 a.m., gram. Salem at 7:25 a.m. and the new

school at 7:35 a.m.. "This plan moves students very effectively from Canton to Salem to the new school on foot, without buses," said Little. "It spreads out schools: I think this has some pos-

Little also put together an alter-

class, and the next day maybe with a different class," said Little. "This schedule is not dependent on the traffic arrivals, and there any kind of transportation at the it for about \$8,000." would be less crowding at the park. However, a great deal of training.

A third alternative is a draft of





TREATING PMS

on of PMS sufferers can find relief by taking drugs approved for other disorder no drug has received FDA approval as a PMS treatment) or by using other available treatments. Dietary modification and physical activity are traditionally the first lines of PMS therapy, while first-line drug therapy involves the use of the roup of antidepressants known as selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors.

So many women suffered from conditions such as PMS, thyroid disorders, and the heart disease, without benefit of treatment, because their physician labeled. eir symptoms "psychosomatic." We'll never dismiss your concerns a important, or tell you that it's "all in your head." We'll take the time to listen

13-565-9510 for an appointment; evenings available. You'll find our office cated at 1711 Monroe. S. While exercise may alleviate PMS-related mood swings by raising the level of ndorphins, increasing carbohydrate intake helps by boosting the level of typtophan (a precursor to the brain chemical serotonin).

nating day/block schedule, which the current program with the

three high schools, which would include two-hour shuttles making "The biggest shift in thinking is six round-trips per hour between one day you may start off with one Salem and the new high school. "I put in \$30,000 a year for you'll start in another building transportation in our five-year projection to make this work," said Little. "However, I think we can do

Little said the big plus with this time would have to go into teacher plan is reducing the number of ninth- and 10th-graders moving

from building to building. "I'm going to give the high school principals a directive to do a curriculum study, and come up with a time schedule that works," said Little. "Maybe they can even have a pilot program in a year or two and improve upon it."

"I think the charge to the schools is clear, come up with a plan," said trustee Susan Davis. "All of the curriculum needs to be scrutinized to see if it's pertinent."

High school teacher Cyndi Burn stein, who has led a group of teachers who want to have more input in the development of curriculum, has some doubts about the proposals.

"There is a concern about the er preparation time and the quality of education.

Jazzercisers in March 7 event

In an effort to help find a cure for breast cancer, Jazzercisers from Canton will dance to raise money for breast cancer research work under way at nationally recognized Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center 1-4 p.m. Sunday, March 7, in Central Middle School's gym in Plymouth.

"Last year, this event raised over \$400,000 in Illinois, Wisconsin and San Diego," said Fran Mintz of Canton Jazzercise, site coordinator/district manager for the fund-raiser. "In the six-year life of this campaign, the event has raised

more than \$1.7 million for

Her job as director "is to orgaplay more successful."

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duction of "Alice in Wonderland" Uhl, Mickey Edell-Cotner, Edna

■ Directing is Kay Paupore, a Canton resident

and as "Happy," one of the seven dwarfs in a "Snow White" pro-Association of University Women who will produce their duction. 39th annual show. There will be

Carney Sherman said that the group of women who are educaaged children, will be produced tors, engineers and businesswomen ranging in age from 26 to Kay Paupore, a Canton resident who is a Garden City High rehearsals

She feels her duties will be fun wonderful opportunity for chilalthough rehearsals may resem- dren of all ages to experience ble "organized chaos" because we live drama at very inexpensive have "a lot of creative women in costs," she added. Among the cast members are

nize rehearsals and point out nia Public Schools' Randolph things that I think will make the Elementary School principal. and a former longtime Garden Paupore, 54, has been in the City teacher, and Becky Copenprivate, nonprofit organization haver; Plymouth Canton for eight years. When she joined, Schools' Sharon Belobraidich, she was cast as a card in a pro- Jane Palmer, Elaine Bain, Mary

Huddas, and Garden City Public Schools' Patricia Dunbeck, Lath-

Lori Hawkins, a technical pro gram administrator for the Society of Mechanical Engineers. who will be in the lead role of Alice; Wendy Harless, Forming and Fabricating Magazine art director; Carol Wallman, Trenton schools' human resources director; Melissa Uhl, Ford Motor Co. product design engineer; Mary Tiell, Wixom district AAUW spokeswoman Tricia teacher; Sylvia Rozian, retired teacher; Sherman, an optical manager; Jennifer Garvel, Troy social worker; Esther Nelson. Social Security Administration administrator; Sue Attee, a payroll administrator; and Angela

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On stage: Cast members in the AAUW production of "Alice in Wonderland" include: Lori Hawkins as Alice (clockwise, from center); Mary Tiell as the Dormouse; Shirley Zaetta as the Cheshire Cat; Karen Huddas as Jabberwock; Mickey Edell-Cotner as Duchess; Edna Fleming as King; Becky Copenhaver as Mad Hatter; Wendy Harless as White Rabbit; Mary Uhl as Tweedle Dee; and Elaine Bain as

lose some classes," said Burnstein. "And there are issues concerning the affect on team teaching, teach-"We want to know that if we are involved in the process if it will really account for anything," money for scholarships

who is a Garden City Local educators will take to

the stage next month to help **High School art** raise scholarship monies to enable students to get a college They are members of the Plymouth branch of the American

> Later she performed as a lost Paupore and her cast started rehearsals Jan. 4 and have working on the show twice a week since then.

88 average five hours a week in "These plays offer a rare and

Helene Lusa, principal at Livo-

ers School principal, and teachers Shirley Zaetta and Diana

Other cast members are:

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Travelers | House OKs 'safe schools' legislation

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER trichard@oe.homeo

required to expel assaultive students and inform local law enforcement authorities under a pair of hotly debated bills

passed by the state House of Representatives. The "safe schools" bills, as Republicans called them, were approved 84-22 on Feb. 17 and sent to the Senate, where pas-

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given a second chance," said

Clark Bisbee restores a safe learning environ ment. And troubled students are

I 'It isn't enough to write a law that expels kids from school, if the only alternative to school is the street cor-

> Michael Hanley —House Democratic leader

The lead measure, House Bill 4240, would amend the School House Speaker Chuck Perricone,

To implement a local law become law. enforcement agreement to report

have weapons in school.

chartering of strict discipline

would take effect unless both

"Studies indicate almost one in 10 students carried weapons in incidents that threaten school school during the last 30 days," said the sponsor, freshman Rep. ■ To implement an expulsion

policy for students who assault Clark Bisbee, R-Jackson. Critics, mostly Democrats, others at school. The expulsion policy would be similar to the said the bills would toss unruly existing policy for students who students onto the streets. Some feared there would be no remedy The companion measure, if a school acted wrongly against

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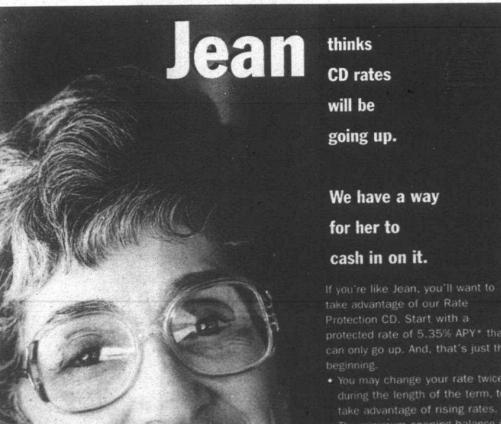
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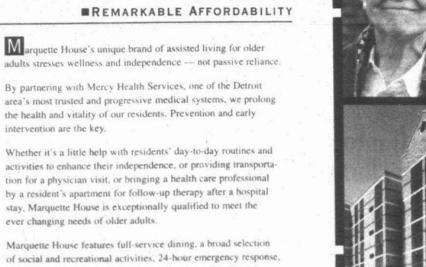


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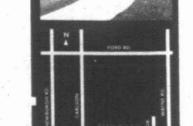
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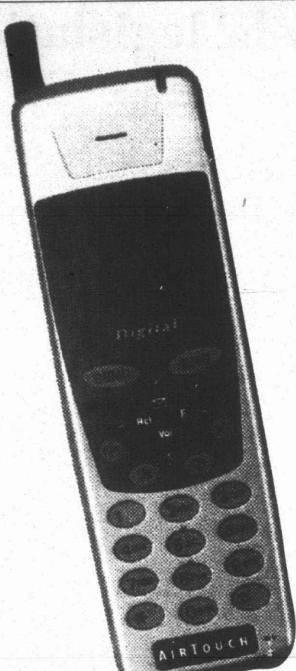








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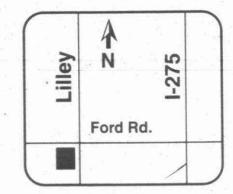
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McNamara vetoes money for auditor general, commission

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

County Executive Edward McNamara

transfer intended for Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy's office and county commission expenditures. Instead, McNamara wanted the money spent for the county prosecutor's

office to address what he called a "serious backlog" of homicide investigations. "Objectively, you must concede that the citizens of Wayne County will appreciate a greater benefit derived from the investigation, arrest and prosmara said in his veto letter to Commis-

sion Chair Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit.

taken from the general fund.

Commissioners said Dunleavy was to cern was one of "diminishing benefits

18 to override the veto. In a related the veto. matter, commissioners referred budget adjustments of \$315,000 for the prosevetoed on Feb. 15 a \$445,000 budget cuting attorney to the commission's actions of all county agencies once every for early March.

Solomon said the commission would not immediately take up the veto. Solomon said he and McNamara were general more auditing powers over discussing the fund transfer. "We have 45 days to override a veto," Solomon

approved a budget amendment to therefore could not comment on it, but increase Dunleavy's budget by \$320,000 said the \$445,000 was to be used for the ecution of suspected felons as opposed to and increase the commission expendiexternal audit. "The (1996) vote gave get and, at the end of 1995, you had to additional legislative oversight," McNa-tures by \$125,000. The money was him that responsibility."

The county charter requires the audinal audits of every county department,

two years, or as otherwise directed by the county commission. In 1996, Wayne County voters approved a charter announced a reorganization plan that amendment giving the county's auditor was to reduce commission spending by county departments.

On Feb. 4, county commissioners had Committee, did not see the veto, and In his letter McNamara said his con-

County commissioners did not act at use the money to hire an external audi- generated by redundant audits." McNa-

their last commission meeting on Feb. tor. Dunleavy would not comment on mara wanted the commission to recon-

tor general to audit the financial trans- program and agency every two years.

who also chairs the commission's Audit

sider its current requirement for inter-

He also criticized commission spend-\$900,603. In fact, this year's projected commission spending of \$9.3 million Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, will be \$3.3 million more than it was

> "The truth is that there was never a reduction in the commission's own budtransfer savings out of the auditor general's accounts to cover a \$107,000 overrun in your own budget."

expected to attend the fair, Counseling and Placement Ser-

which is co-sponsored by vices, 1001 Faculty Adminis-

before the commission approved the

Solomon said McNamara's letter was "full of distortions" and "inappropriate." McNamara said the commission staff would have increased from 69 to 94, while Dunleavy's would have went from 11 to 21, but Solomon said that money was to fund an external audit. The commission also only has 53 employees,

Solomon said. About \$1.6 or \$1.7 million are "chargebacks" such as the lease agreement the commission has for office space at the Wayne County Building, omon said.

"That \$350,000 is to pay for an exter nal audit," Solomon said. "Because of the charter amendment, we are respon sible for that now." Another \$100,000 was to go to staffers for pay increases

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received by Friday, March 19.

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from 10 a.m. to noon on Thurs- pants are encouraged to wear Parking is available off Hines The program is best suited for "Nature Tots" uses interactive children ages 3 and 4 and costs

days during the month of March, suitable clothing for outdoor Drive, and can be reached even if the road is barricaded for flood-

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Michael Hanley of Saginaw. He said the GOP bills "allow some kids to slip through the cracks and wind up on the streets" and fall short of being "a comprehensive solution."

beginning March 4 and ending activities, weather permitting.

techniques such as hands-on \$2 per session. Advance registra-

Here's how Observer area representatives voted: YES - Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, Andrew Raczkowski, provide education for all students." R-Farmington Hills, Laura Toy, R-Livonia.

NO - Tom Kelly, D-Wayne.

Stretch Out Stress

Rep. William Callahan, D-St. Clair Shores, objected, "This bill would take away local control from districts and school boards."

Rep. Julie Dennis, D-Muskegon, called HB 4240 expulsion until 150 days have passed from the the discretion of the school district. expulsion date. It removes liability from the school district in the case of an unjustly expelled student.

"It also does not provide for an adequate alternative for a student that needs 'special' attention for his/her violent behavior. Consequently, the bill will allow for the removal of violent students into

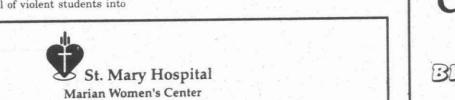
our communities without support and resources to aid such a community.'

Rep. Jack Minore, D-Flint, said, "It has enormous potential for abuse in that it allows expulsion much too easily and an appeals process amendment was defeated. It virtually closes out educational opportunity for many troubled youth, essentially abdicating the state's responsibility to

House Bill 4240 also would require a school board to implement a disciplinary policy for students who commit assaults at school. At a min mum, a school board would have to expel a pupil age 12 or older who commits an assault and bat-

But school districts are not required to create an "woefully inadequate. It does not provide for an alternative program to educate expelled students, appeal process for a student to challenge the according to a House staff analysis. That is left to Supporting the measures were the state Depart-

ment of Education, the Michigan Education Association and the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals, though principals expressed



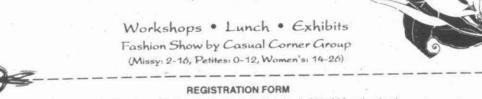
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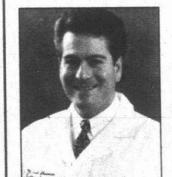


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Another shot

Schoolcraft still seeking funds from state for new tech center

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

Schoolcraft College may have another shot at securing some funding for a technology center

Schoolcraft recently vied for state Jobs Commission grant money to build the project but wasn't one of the eight finalists. The \$30 million from the commission was passed out Jan. 12 and went to schools including Oakland Community College's Auburn Hills campus and Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn. Each received \$5 million grants.

Richard McDowell, president of Schoolcraft College, said Schoolcraft will lobby state legislators for a chance to be included in the state's capital outlay budget. If Schoolcraft's bid is successful, then the state will put up half the funds and Schoolcraft the other half.

"We're not in the bill now, but we're working to get in the bill," McDowell said, referring to the capital outlay bill, which requires approval from both houses and a signature from Gov. John Engler.

"I think our chances are good to be included in the capital outlay budget.'

Richard McDowell -Schoolcraft College president

Schoolcraft has proposed an \$18 million project, which includes \$5 million for a technical training center, an expansion of the culinary arts department, the addition of two large meeting rooms in the Waterman Center and cafeteria renovations.

When the joint Senate/House capital outlay committee looks at the proposals, they typically look at state and regional benefits, McDowell said. Schoolcraft's proposal, especially the training center, will benefit the region in many ways.

"The biggest problem employers have is hiring people with good computer skills," McDowell said. With 3,000 businesses between Ann Arbor and Troy offering computer services, there is a real need for qualified

"There's just not enough people with those kind of computer skills to work in the (computer) business. There's a great need that's expanding faster than people can be trained."

This time, Schoolcraft might have a real shot, McDowell said. "I think our chances are good to be included in the capital out-

lay budget," he said. The state's fiscal year begins

Schoolcraft had proposed to the state Jobs Commission a \$6 million 32,000 square-foot technology center addition to the

Waterman Campus Center.

Other state Jobs Commission grant winners besides OCC and Henry Ford included Kalamazoo Valley Community College, \$5 million; Northwestern Michigan Community College near Traverse City, \$4.4 million; Lake Michigan College near Benton Harbor, \$4.1 million; Grand Rapids Community College, \$3 million; Bay de Noc in the Upper Peninsula, \$2.3 million; and Kellogg Community College in Battle Creek, \$683,000.

Senators work on package to ease purchase of homes

State Capitol capsules:

Bipartisan housing

State senators are working on a bipartisan package of bills making it easier for older city residents to buy and own their own homes. The 14 bills will shorten the time it takes to obtain quiet title to two-four years.

"Pontiac groups I've dealt with say their biggest problems are not volunteers and finance but that they can't get clean title," said Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, one of the co-spon-

"Without clean title, you can't get capital," said Peters, whose district includes Ponti-

"This is the Homestead Act of 1862 dusted off," said Sen. Bill Schuette, R-Midland, who will guide it through his Economic Development Committee. He calls it the Urban Homestead Act and said it's useful not only in Detroit, Pontiac and Flint but in Saginaw and Port Huron, too.

"Michigan led the way with welfare reform by injecting the ethic of work," said Schuette. "Now we will be a model for America in housing reform. Public housing of the 1960s failed to deliver on the promise of safe, secure housing for families.

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Ethics act

Freshman Rep. Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, said his panel will deliberate carefully Michigan's first governmental ethics act. Bishop chairs the House Constitutional Law and Ethics Com-

Bishop said the committee would spell out the duties of elected officials and the consequences if they fail at their

Appointments

Gov. John Engler has appointed:

Sam Hart of Livonia to the new nine-member Transportation Funding Study Committee. It will recommend new road funding distribution formulas for county and state road agencies when PA 51 of 1951 expires Sept. 30, 2000. Hart is business manager of Local 324 of the International Union of Operating Engineers.

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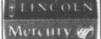
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LISTENING TO NATURE

Frog survey will keep volunteers a-hoppin'

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.

uring these wintry days of single-digit temperatures, it's hard to imagine that spring will arrive in just few short weeks.

But organizers of a frog and toad survey want western Wayne County residents to "think spring" and hope they volunteer to listen to the amphibians croak, a chorus that is a true harbinger of spring and a sign of males ready for breeding.

From the short, subtle chuckle of the wood frog to the loud, highpitched peep of the spring peeper, volunteers are needed to listen to amphibian calls for a few minutes each week in the city of Novi and the townships of Canton, Northville, Plymouth, Salem, Superior and Van Buren.

Depending on the species, volunteer monitors could be listening as early as March or as late as July.

"We really have very little information on locations of frog and toad species, particularly in urbanizing areas," said Lara Spears, an ecologist with Applied Science & Technology Inc. of Brighton.

ASTI was awarded a contract in 1997 with Friends of the Rouge to design and begin a survey as part of a long-term monitoring program using the volunteers to assess habitat and water quality, along with examining the wildlife populations within the Rouge River ecosystem in Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties.

Analyzing results

The survey will help track the health of the watershed, once a few surveys are completed and results can be analyzed over time.

The survey is funded through a \$25,000 federal grant from the Rouge Program Office, which is matched by the Friends of the Rouge through other grants and volunteers.

Spears and Richard Wolinski, as senior ecologist, completed the frog and toad survey last year with about 140 volunteers trained to listen for the sounds of four species over 52 square miles in the communities of Novi, Northville, Plymouth and Salem townships.

Canton, Superior and Van Buren surveys will begin this spring for the wood frog, western chorus frog, spring peeper and American toad. Novi, Northville, Plymouth and Salem vol unteers will listen for those species for a second consecutive year and the gray tree frog, northern leopard frog, green frog and bullfrog.

Monitors only need to listen to different calls in about a 1/4-quarter square mile area and do not necessarily need to identify the frog or toad, according to John Bingamon, director of public involvement projects for the Friends of the Rouge.

"The smaller area you do, the better," Bingamon said about the individual survey blocks.

This year's survey area represents the watershed that lies west of Haggerty Road. Last year's survey revealed a direct correlation between impervious surfaces – such as parking lots, streets and rooftops that empty directly into rivers and streams instead of infiltrating directly into the ground – and water quality. This year's study will examine the correlation between the amount of impervious surface and number of species.

The spring peeper was the most frequently observed frog in 172 of approximately 200 quarter mile survey blocks.

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Room to improve

"In general, the area surveyed provides good habitat quality, with 117 survey blocks having three or more species," Spears said. "That almost 30 square miles. However, at least 50 survey blocks had one or fewer species, which indicates that there is plenty of room for habitat improvement."

The state Department of Natural Resources conducts frog surveys, but Spears said volunteers for this year's survey will be covering a "much broader area." "It will identify habitats nobody knows about," Spears said.

"There are a lot of places where there is intermittent wetlands," Bingamon said. "It may be an area that is wet in the spring for a few weeks."

Volunteers do not need to live in the survey community to participate. Bingamon said the monitoring is an activity that can be enjoyed by people ranging from students in a college ecology class to families and Boy and Girl Scout troops.

"We're getting a few calls from Garden City, Redford, Livonia and Farmington," Bingamon said. "We're encouraging people to come on out."

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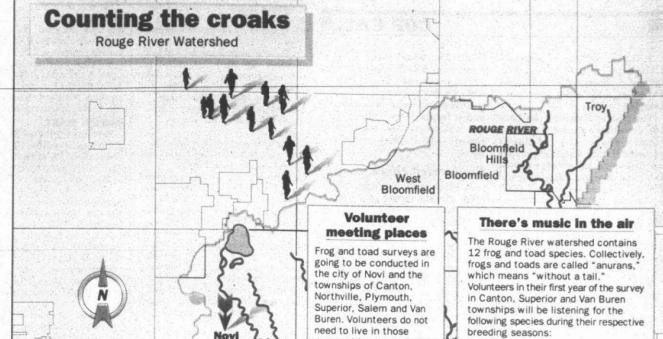
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going to be conducted in the city of Novi and the townships of Canton, Northville, Plymouth, Superior, Salem and Van Buren. Volunteers do not need to live in those communities to monitor the frogs there — only a willingness to drive to one of the following communities.

Volunteers can attend one of the following training

Saturday, Feb. 27
10 a.m. – noon
Van Buren Township
Municipal Center
46425 Tyler Road
Monday, March 1

7 – 9 p.m.
Novi Civic Center
45175 W. Ten Mile Road
Thursday, March 4

7 – 9 p.m.
Superior Township Hall
3040 N. Prospect

Saturday, March 6

10 a.m. – noon
Canton Public Library
1200 S. Canton Center
Road

Saturday, March 13
10 a.m. – noon
Salem Township Hall
9600 Six Mile Road
For information, contact
John Bingamon at
(313) 792-9627

■ Wood Frog: Common throughout the basin, but can only be heard for a short time early in the spring, generally between March and May, in forested swamps. Its call — a short, subtle chuckle, like ducks quacking in the distance — is often overpowered by the calls of other species.

■ Western Chorus Frog: This species has a short, ascending "cre-e-e," resembling a thumb drawn along a comb's teeth, repeated every couple of seconds. Its breeding season lasts between March and May.

■ Spring Peeper: Common and widespread throughout the basin. Its call is a short, loud, high-pitched peep, repeated every second. Breeding season generally lasts between early April and late June.

■ American toad: Also common in a variety of habitats in the Great Lakes basin. Its long, drawn out high pitched musical trill lasting up to 30 seconds, generally heard from mid-April to late June.

Volunteers in Novi, Northville, Plymouth and Salem townships will listen for these species for a second consecutive year along with the gray tree frog, northern leopard frog, green frog and bullfrog.

purce: Applied Science & Technology, Inc. of Brighto

Other Rouge activities need help

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

If walking outside and monitoring the sounds of frogs and toads isn't quite your forte, Friends of the Rouge has a slew of other activities that need volunteers.

Here is a brief description of some of the other volunteer programs:

Rouge RiverWatch: Friends of the Rouge's program helps a neighborhood or community group "adopt" its local stream, which can include conducting stream cleanups and monitoring, pollution education and prevention, enhancing habitat and other activities.

Stream monitoring: Volunteers gather data about their local stream's ecological health, which is expected to improve in areas where sanitary and storm sewers have been separated and retention basins built. Monitoring can include stream walks to track physical changes in the river, tests for water quality and studies of streambed life.

■ Habitat enhancements: Volunteers can improve the environment in or near water with construction of bird and bat houses, or beautify streambanks with trees, plants and trail improvements, and stabilize eroded banks with plants.

Storm drain stenciling: With volunteers placing stencils near storm drains to identify them, residents can learn about the effect of stormwater runoff. Information is left at nearby homes to explain the project and offer tips on reducing stormwater pollution.

■ River stewards: Volunteers donate time to educate the public on disposal options for household hazardous waste, use of pesticides and fertilizers, personal responsibility and stewardship in the Rouge watershed and other public outreach activities outlined in the city's general stormwater permit.

For more information, contact Friends of the Rouge at (313) 792-9900.

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ship, officiating. Burial was in

Redford, She died Feb. 14 in

graduated from Redford High

cheting, reading and playing

Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens

Chelsea Hospital. She was a cafe-

teria hostess for J.L. Hudson. She

School in 1931. She enjoyed cro-

She was preceded in death by

her husband, Alexander; and one

McGlinnen. Survivors include her

two sons, William A. (Beth) Bala-

(Donna) Balasia of Lansing; two

Canton, Patricia J. McGlinnen of

Jackson; one brother, Jack Whit-

ing of Grosse Pointe Woods: one

brother-in-law. Stanley Pylar of

Helen Culver of Detroit, Evelyn

Farmington Hills; two sisters,

field, MI 48076.

daughters, Margaret Crane of

grandson, Michael Patrick

sia of Munster, Ind., Steve

She was born June 18, 1913, in

Apartment visitor reports vandalism

White Tail Street was robbed of

Three doors, trim, cabinets

A Michigan Avenue party

store was the victim of a fraudu-

According to reports, a man

at the store on Feb. 4. It

appeared to be a Daimler

Chrysler paycheck, reports

The check was later returned

to the party store as being fraud-

ulent. Police have a suspect's

name, but no other identification

for the man was indicated in

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

early Friday morning.

Counterfeit check

lent check recently.

A 31-year-old Inkster man told Canton police that his car was more than \$3,000 worth of propdamaged shortly after midnight erty either late Thursday or Friday at a township apartment

and a furnace were removed by The man was visiting the Canton Crossings apartments off Joy an unknown person, police reports said. Police have no sus-Road when the incident occurred. Police reports said that an unknown person scratched the Inkster man's Pontiac Grand Am causing an estimated \$500 in damage.

Broken window

cashed a check for nearly \$500 A window near the entry to Yazaki North America was broken out either late Thursday or early Friday morning.

An employee spotted the damage when setting an alarm system. Police reports didn't indicate a dollar damage to the busi-

Construction larceny

A home under construction on

Notice is hereby given that the entire contents of the following storage units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of an open bid on MAR 25, 1999 at approximately 9:00 a.m. at Shurgard Storage Centers located at 2101 Haggerty, Canton, MI 48187. Unit #6244, Brenda Owens, 5 Misc. boxes, 2 paintings, 1 cane

Publish: February 18 and 25, 1999

ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Sealed bids will be accepted by the Office of the Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, MI 48188 until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 11, 1999, at which time the bids will be opened and PURCHASE OF ONE (1) COPIER WITH 20 BIN SORTER

Specifications are available in the Finance & Budget Department. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The Township does inate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of serv

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF HEARING ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Canton Township March Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times: Hearings are by appointment, call (734) 397-6831 between 8:30 a.m. and

5:00 p.m. for appointments from February 22, 1999 thru February 28, 1999. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ONLY March 2, 1999 HEARING DATES BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

March 8, 1999

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. HEARING DATES ON A FIRST COME BASIS (WALK INS)

Saturday March 13, 1999 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. You may call (743) 397-6831 for further information on the hearings, dates

Publish: February 11, 18 and 25, 1999

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PUBLIC HEARING

On Tuesday, March 9, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the First Floor Meeting Room inistration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan, the Board of Trustees will consider the following:

SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE (CMI) RECREATION BOND PROGRAM FOR PARTIAL FUNDING OF EXPANSION OF THE FITNESS CENTER LOCKER ROOMS AND MEETING/ACTIVITY ROOMS AT THE SUMMIT ON THE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER.

The Summit on the Park Community Center is located at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Public Act 286 of 1998 (Part 716 of the Natural Resource and Environmental Protection Act, P.A. 451, P.A. 1994 as amended) directs the Department of Natural Resources to establish this local recreation grant program. Requests for information should be directed to: Michael Gouin, Parks and Recreation Manager, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan 48188 (734) 397-5110

TERRY BENNETT Clerk

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1999 CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARINGS ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will convene in the City Commission Chambers, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, for an Organizational Meeting on Tuesday, March 2, 1999 at 12:00 p.m.

The regular Board of Review session will begin

♦ Tuesday, March 2, 1999 @ 12:15 to 6:00 P.M. Wednesday, March 3, 1999 @ 3:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

Hearings are by appointment only. Completed 1999 Board of Review ons are Necessary and must be submitted to the Front Office located on the First Floor of City Hall before an appointment can be made. The "Deadline" for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the Board of Review is Wednesday, March 3, 1999 by 9:00

A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative. An agent must have written authority to represent the owner. Written petitions must be submitted by Monday, March 15, 1999.

Copies of the notice stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted on the official public bulletin boards of the City and also in the local All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the

"Open Meetings Act". If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review, you may

call (734) 453-1234 ext. 225 MARK A. CHRISTIANSEN

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OBITUARIES

Services for Herbert A. Greifen Services for Genevieve Mae Balasia, 85, of Chelsea, formerly berg, 63, of Canton were Feb. 19 of Redford, were Feb. 17 in the in Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Burial was in Glen Eden Thayer-Rock Funeral Home with the Rev. Rich Pingilley of Temple Baptist Church, Plymouth Town-Cemetery.

He was born May 7, 1935, in Detroit. He died Feb. 16 in Garden City Hospital. He was a machine repairman for an automotive company.
Survivors include his wife,

Carol A.; one daughter, Heather A. (Kenneth) Findlay; two sons, Jason A., Clifford (Sandra); and one sister, Marilyn (Gene) Chylla BRUCE D. BERRY Services for Bruce D. Berry, 52

of Plymouth will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Salvation Army Community Center, 9451 S. Main. Plymouth. He was born March 27, 1947, i pringburn, Scotland. He died Feb. 10. He was a longtime employee of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. A lifelong wordsmith, he was a champion Scrabble player. He was an active

volunteer tutor at the Communi-

nember of Toastmasters Interna

ty Literacy Council as well as a

Robertson of Rochester; 10 grand children; and four great-grand-He was preceded in death by his mother, Jean. Survivors Memorials may be made to include his father, Tom of Ply-Alzheimer's Association, 17220 mouth; four sisters, Eileen of Ply W. 12 Mile, Suite, 100, Southmouth, Phyllis (Zana) Easton of Lansing, Sandra (Mark) LaPointe of Plymouth; Marcia (Steve) Col!

SHURGARD OF CANTON

lotice is hereby given that the entire contents of the following storage units will be sold to th ghest bidder by way of an open bid on MAR 25, 1999 at approximately 9:00 a.m. at Shurgar torage Centers located at 41889 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187. Unit #272, CHARLES BOBIER, 1 washing machine, 1 refrigerator, 1 microwave, 1 dresser, 1 bed

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS
The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley

ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton

Charter Township of Canton 1150 S. Canton Center Road Canton, MI 48188 (734) 397-5435

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 10:00 a.m., March 18, 1999 for the following:

NEW MAMMOTH ROOFTOP UNIT FOR CANTON TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION BUILDING Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. The

Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held a regular meeting Tuesday, February 16, 1999 at 1150 South Canton Center Road.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin Shefferly, Yack Members Absent: None

Machnik, Casari, Folsom, Wrublewski, Quinn, Zevalkink Neighborhood Improvement Committee: Dettling, Champagne, Jeziorowski ITEM 1 PROPOSED SIDEWALK ORDINANCE AND PROGRAM

Tom Casari, Township Engineer, gave a history of the sidewalk procedure in Canton and explained why sidewalk ordinance and program were being recommended. He said that Canton had paid out more than \$1,000,000 for sidewalks over the last 9-years, including attorney fees, sidewalk replacement, new sidewalk and injury claims. Mr. Casari said that a sidewalk ordinance and program were being recommended to reduce liability, increase the health, safety and welfare of its citizens, and improve the appearance of the community through a cooperative involvement with

Sue Folsom, Engineering Services gave a presentation on the proposed ordinance and program. Canton surveyed eleven (11) neighboring communities on their sidewalk programs. Most communities required the property owner to pay all or part of the replacement cost. Canton preposes the cost be billed or added to a resident's taxes.

The proposed Sidewalk Ordinance provides for the general regulation related to inspection and replacement of sidewalks. The Ordinance provides notification process for improvements, complaints, and claims for injury, An opportunity for appealing a determination of a decision to requir improvements was also provided in the ordinance. Penalties for violation of the ordinance are provided. Ms. Folsom noted that the proposed ordinance also addressed ice and snow removal within 72 hours of accumulation.

Ms. Folsom said that the proposed sidewalk program would cover 10-years. Canton would be divided into 10 sections. We would target one section per year for sidewalk maintenance. However, those side mmediate replacement would continue to take priority. A consultant would aspect and mark each sidewalk flag in need of replacement and determine the cause of damage to ascertain whether the homeowner or the Township pays. Notification would be sent to all property owners prior to the nspection process and a second notification would be sent to property wners with sidewalks needing replacement. The property owner would then have 90 days to replace the marked sidewalk flag. Property owners nay elect to replace the flags themselves, hire a certified contractor or have the Township replace it or appeal the determination. After 90-days, the Township would automatically replace the marked flags of a sidewalk and assess the property owner the cost.

Discussion occurred regarding division policies, staffing levels, invo responsibilities, hardship credits, snows removal on public sidewalks, a sible cost share program for homeowner associations with large amounts of sidewalks, the proposed public utility ordinance and duties of the sidewalk contractor. The Board directed Engineering Services to look into these discussion items and to bring this item back for a future study session. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adjourn at 8:50 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

The above is a synopsis of discussions taken at the Regular Board meeting held on Feb. 16, 1999. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of the Board on Feb. 23, 1999. THOMAS J. YACK, Supervis

TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

of Brighton; five brothers, Gordon (Diane) of Ann Arbor, Ron of Ply-

mouth, Stuart of Ann Arbor, Craig of Ann Arbor and Wallace of Plymouth. ROBERT V. DODD

> of Canton Township were Feb. 20 in the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. He was born Jan. 30, 1930, in Kansas City, Kansas. He died Feb. 18 in Canton. He was service manager at Goodyear Tire and Rubber in Southgate for 12

years. He came to the Canton

mmunity in 1978 from West-

Services for Robert V. Dodd, 69,

and. He served in the Air Force for three years. He loved archery and reading. He was an avid car collector and loved motorcycles. Survivors include his wife, Mary Lou Dodd of Canton; two sons Robert (Kimberly) of Florida. Martin of Canton; three daughters, Barbara (Ken) Pietruk of Canton, Kathryn (Greg) Jackson of Canton, Kelly (Steve) Bakonyi of Rochester Hills; two brothers. Dovle, Ron; two sisters,

MARION BATALUCCO Services for Marion Batalucco 91 of Saline, formerly of Canton, were Feb. 23 in Uht Funeral Home. Burial was in Sheldon Cemetery of Canton.

She was born Jan. 31, 1908, in Italy. She died Feb. 21 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Superior Township. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Saline for 65 years. She was a She was preceded in death by

June, Beverly; five grandchildren;

and three great-grandchildren.

her husband, Giuseppe, and one son. Baldwin: one sister, Mary Gallucci; two brothers, Gasper Galfano, Mickey Galfano. Survivors include three daughters, Virginia (Joe) Carlini, Roseann (Donald) Wood Sandra (Jim) Cotellesse: one son, Harold (Roseanne); one daughter in law

Janice; two sisters, Anna Giacalone, Joan Bradley; one brother, Leo Galfano; 16 grandchildren; and eight great-grand children.

ALFRED DOUGHTY SANDS Services for Alfred Doughty Sands, 86, Ann Arbor were Feb. 15 in the Shrine of the Little Flower, Royal Oak. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, South-He was born on June 30, 1912.

in St. Louis, Miss. He died Feb.

17 in Vencor Hospital Central l'ampa, Tampa, Fla. He lived in Huntington Woods from 1940-1995. He graduated from -Lawrence Technological University in Southfield with a degree in mechanical engineering. retired from Burroughs Corp. in 1972 in Plymouth. He was a member of engineering society of Detroit since 1936. He served as volunteer in preparing income tax for senior citizens in Royal Oak for 18 years. He volunteered for junior achievement. He attended Shrine of the Little Flower from 1940-95 and served as usher and adult server at Masses. He attended 6:30 a.m. Mass daily for many years and was a member of the ushers club.

He was preceded in death by his wife. Lucille; and one brother Harry Sands. Survivors include two daughters, Laurie (Joseph) Bernia of Ann Arbor, Charlaine Bohnet of Fairfield, Ohio; four sisters, Nettie Bull of Ypsilanti, Mary Jo Gaines of Bellflower, Calif., Jenny Fettig, Laura Bobier .: four grandchildren, Richard (Julie) Stapleton of Tampa, Fla., Michael (Bianca) Stapleton of Tampa, Fla., Christine (Jon) Stapleton-Pratt of Tampa, Fla.; Melissa Falsetta of Ann Arbor: three step granddaughters, and four step great-

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PUBLIC HEARING On Wednesday, March 3, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Ash Room, Summit on the

Park Community Center, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan, the Recreation Advisory Committee will hold a public hearing to: CONSIDER SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE (CMI) RECREATION BOND PROGRAM FOR PARTIAL FUNDING OF EXPANSION OF THE FITNESS CENTER. LOCKER ROOMS AND MEETING/ACTIVITY ROOMS AT THE SUMMIT ON THE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER. Public Act 286 of 1998 (Part 716 f the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, P.A. 451, P.A. 1994 as amended) directs the Department of Natural Resources to establish his local recreation grant program. Requests for information should be firected to: Michael Gouin, Parks and Recreation Manager, 46000 Summit

Parkway, Canton, Michigan 48188 (734) 397-5110.

TERRY BENNETT Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ESTABLISH AN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 1999

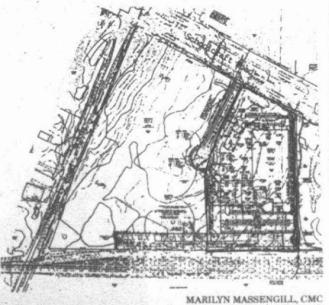
On February 8, 1999, a request from Master Automatic, Inc., a corporation owned by the partners of MCW Properties Limited Partnership, was received by the Charter Township of Plymouth Clerk's Office requesting under Act 198, Public Act of 1974, as amended, to establish an Industrial Development District under Section 4 of said act, with respect to the TAR cal & Research) District herein described. Act 198 requires that the Board of Trustees hold a Public Hearing on the establishment of an ndustrial Development District at which the owners of properties within the proposed district and residents and taxpayers of Plymouth Township shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments, submitted prior to March 9, will also be accepted.

TAKE NOTICE that the Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 9. 1999, commencing at 7:30 p.m., in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan 48170. Phone Number 313-453-3840 X 224

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

(MCW Properties Limited Partnership) PARCEL A PROPERTY DESCRIPTION (MASTER AUTOMATIC PARCEL)

PART OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 24, T.1S., R.8E, PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST 1/4 WHICH IS DUE NORTH 197.47 FEET FROM THE SOUTH % CORNER OF SAID SECTION 24: THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUING DUE NORTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE 07.46 FEET: THENCE N. 62°08'33"W. ALONG THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SCHOOLCRAFT ROAD (SO-CALLED) 360.00 FEET. THENCE S. 27°51"27"W. 370.10 FEET, THENCE 90.04 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 135.00 FEET A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 38°12'48" AND A LONG CHORD BEARING S.08°45'03"W. 88.38 FEET TO A POINT OF REVERSE CURVATURE: THENCE 107.92 FEET ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 75.00 FEET A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 82°26'44" AND A LONG CHORD BEARING S.30°52'01"W. 98.85 FEET; THENCE S.17°54'37"E. 50.00 FEET; THENCE DUE SOUTH 328 70 FEET THENCE DUE EAST 540 00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING: SAID PARCEL CONTAINING 9.11 GROSS AND NET ACRES.



Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

Scholarships now available for young cancer survivors

will be awarded based on need

A volunteer committee with

scholarships to students, the American Cancer

Society will be accepting scholarship applica-

College scholarships for Building on the success of last year's inauyoung cancer survivors are gural scholarship program, which awarded 40 now available for the fall 1999 school year.

As a special program of the American Cancer Society Foundation, Great Lakes Division, scholarships of \$1,000 will be awarded to a select and qualified group of young cancer survivors in Indiana and Michigan to help them achieve their goals of higher educa-

Building on the success of

last year's inaugural scholarship program, which awarded before the age of 21. Appli-40 scholarships to students, the American Cancer Society the time of application. will be accepting scholarship representatives from both ety, Great Lakes Division, at applications now through states will award the scholar-April 15. "Cancer should not stop any ships after review of the stuyoung adult from a chance to

dent's financial needs, acaoursue a college degree," said demic performance, communi-Robert Wood, foundation ty service and leadership qualchairman. "Through this proities. The grants are for one gram, we want to help young year only but may be renewed adults overcome the emotional annually based on achieveand financial burden of cancer and go on to live a full and productive life.'

Applications must be sub- (248) 557-5353.

tions now through April 15. The scholarships are for Society, Great Lakes Division undergraduate degrees at any accredited Michigan or Indi-Lansing, MI 48906, by April ana college or university. They 15, 1999. The application pro cess includes submission of to qualified Michigan and letters of recommendation; a Indiana residents who have 500-word essay; a copy of acahad a diagnosis of cancer demic grades nine-12; SAT and/or ACT scores and financants must also be under 21 at cial information. To request a scholarship application packet call the American Cancer Soci-

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(800) 723-0360.

Schoolcraft College is accept- ogy. Interested applicants must \$700 scholarship awarded by ing applications for a variety of submit a transcript of all comscholarships ranging from \$700 pleted college terms, letters from The Northville branch of the ty other than relatives attesting

den Association scholarships. scholarships were created to interest in their field of study and financial information assist the educational goals of women attending Schoolcraft College. Applicants must be women residents of Northville who have

completed a minimum of one semester of study in any field. They must have a minimum 3.0 grade point average and submit a copy of their college transcript and a 100-200 word statement on their career goals and how they are financing their educa-

The application deadline is Friday, April 2.

Schoolcraft College is also accepting applications for the Excalibur Foundation Scholar ship. The \$700 scholarship is for the 1999-2000 school year and is sponsored by Round Table International, a service organization. Applicants must have completed one semester of college at the time of application ad be studying special education,

occupational therapy or psychol-

three persons in their communi-Women's National Farm & Gar- to character, personal habits and merit, a 100-200 page These nonrenewable \$1,000 statement giving reasons for

S'craft students can apply

for a variety of scholarships

April 16. Applications for the Excalibur and Farm & Garden scholarships are available in the Office of Financial Aid in the McDowell Center and must be returned to that office. For information, call (734)462-4433. Schoolcraft students transfer-

Application deadline is Friday.

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Livonia is accepting scholar- Most awards stipulate that ship applications through the recipient be an admitted March 1 from admitted stu- full-time student who posdents for the 1999-2000 aca- sesses a minimum grade demic year. Scholarship point average of 3.2 on a 4.0 applications may be obtained scale, but there are some

Town hall meeting scheduled for Monday

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor, will host a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, March 1, in the Little Theater at Plymouth Canton High School, 8415 Canton Center Road, in Canton.

The meeting will be an open forum where attendees can discuss a wide range of issues with Rivers. Rivers represents the 13th District, which includes Canton, Garden City, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Westland and part of Livonia, and other Wayne County communities.

Rivers first will discuss recent actions of the 106th Congress, then open the floor to questions. The program is designed to provide participants with an opportunity to raise issues, offer concerns and inform themselves about current Congressional

For information, contact Carrie Auster in Rivers' district office at (734) 485-3741.

Government contracting highlighted

Schoolcraft College is holding a dinner seminar 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 4, that will explain changes in the government contracting process and how it will affect businesses. The speaker will be Col. Paul

Dronka, Army commander of Defense Contract Management Command. He will explain how partnerships, corporate contracting and electronic commerce mean an expanded government market. The seminar begins with appetizers and a networking session at 5:30 p.m. with Dron-

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Going to the dogs

Pet superstore owner markets for charity

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI

You could say that Jack Berry's life has gone to the dogs ... and the cats... and the birds . and the fish

And that's just fine with him. "I'm not one of those people who are obsessed with animals said Berry, president and founder of Pet Supplies "Plus."

But on any given day, you might find Berry in his office accompanied by his faithful golden retriever, Brandy. His dog certainly was at his side when he opened his first store in Redford Township in 1988.

While Berry is known for his pet supplies supermarket, his support of animals and animal groups, particularly the Michigan Humane Society and the Michigan Animal Adoption Net-

'Jack has been tremendous and he has helped so many homeless animals.'

Joanne Berry -assistant to the director of the Michigan Humane Society

work, shares the spotlight. "Once you are in business and you are relatively successful, you get hundreds of requests from people," Berry said. "So I decided as long as I am in the pet business, whatever effort and energy should be with pet related things.

Above and beyond

But Berry has done more than share his financial success with animal organizations. He's shown them how to market their

Heinz Foods bought a brand and marketing skills. named Nature's Recipe, company officials who had conducted are his, others are franchises pet telethons for a couple years went in search of their largest able. Also posters will be near pet customers for help. Pet Sup- entrances of the stores so conplies "Plus" was one of those

"They asked about the Michigan Humane Society in the Detroit area," Berry said. "They went to the humane society and aid everything out for them. But there is a cost to running a

Berry guaranteed those costs so no one would lose money. In the first year of the telethon, he ommitted \$100,000. In 1997, the telethon took in \$301,000 for the humane society.

With the third annual were up against the J.P. PETelethon for the Michigan McCarthy radio telethon and the Humane Society coming in March, Berry is gearing up -

needs. About four years ago once again with a financial com-when the pet food division of mitment, as well as a lot of effort

To bring in the stores - some donation canisters will be availtributors can stop by with a donation and sign the poster, Berry said.

Observerland Pet Supplies "Plus" stores are in Farmington Hills, Livonia and Canton. On the day of the telethon

noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 7 the stores will donate 10 percent of sales to the Michigan Humane Society. "So that could another \$17,000-20,000 donated," Berry added. "Last year we raised \$351,000 for the humane society. But we

NCAA tournament," Berry said.



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"I wanted a neat, organized store combined with premium foods with supermarket-type

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI

quarters are in Livonia.

Before his dive into the pet industry, Berry was a career When the first Pets Supplies man in supermarkets - of the "Plus" store opened on Telegraph human variety - including an in Redford, there had to be plenty of people saying it just makes egg distributor at one time. He also owned an advertising agen-

"I took my supermarket back-In his early 50s, Berry was ground and designed what I getting ready for a change. An thought was a retail concept. old friend, Harry Shallop, who said founder and president Jack Berry, a longtime Farmington owned another company, was out-of-state and came across a large pet store - and an idea was

"I then went out and visited

and a little of this, a little of

He wanted a supermarket for pet products that looked, smelled and acted like a supermarket. ket, Berry decided that his clientele - pets - should be allowed to walk the aisles.

"The volume of business we obtained didn't come out of these little pet stores I looked at. Part of it was the supermarket segment of business," Berry said adding he wanted his stores not only to offer the supermarket every pet store in Detroit. Most brands of pet supplies, but the

In fact, Berry said he is con-

vinced that his large stores have forced pet supplies manufacturers to develop more products and healthier products. While location, location, loca-

tion is important to any busi-

ness. Berry has his own criteria: Demographics. He's got to be in a location where people have pets and want to spend on their

The need to be on a major road. The Farmington Hills store

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Telethon from page A12

"My personal goal this year will be to achieve \$450,000."

Local presence

And if you happen to watch very creative marthe telethon on Channel 50 this keter. year, you will indeed see Berry. Last year, he made 10 appearances on the show.

"He took his principles to the charity groups," said Joe Fucini of Pet Public Relations in West Bloomfield. "He's a very creative marketer."

To be sure, Berry also knows how to hold others accountable For example, he contacted by letter his largest vendors asking them to make a donation for the telethon. "Most of them will participate," Berry said.

He also offering a helping hand and wallet to the humane societies in Livingston, Washtenaw and Monroe counties, as well as the Michigan Animal Adoption Network. For the adoption network, Pet Supplies "Plus" annually have daylong adoptions on a rotating basis. People who bring the dogs and cats for the adoption fair are actually the pets' foster parents so they are on hand to tell prospective owners all about the

pets and their foibles. "We've had more than 1,000 pets adopted," Berry added. "We keep the cages for the pets in our warehouses and when they are having the adoptions we

stores in the early '90s, he worked with the Michigan Humane Society to develop the

Berry convinced the humane society, which had to change its bylaw, to include adoptions at the fairs. Since Berry began the

been adopted.

director

Berry said.

his principles to the

charity groups. He's a

Animal Care Fairs at the South-

field Civic Center. Again, Berry

tapped into his vendors. Another

30,000 visitors came to the fair.

About \$500,000 has been raised

for the humane society, said

Joanne Berry, Michigan

Humane Society assistant to the

and he has helped so many

homeless animals." Joanne

And after some prodding, Jack

fairs in 1992, 800 animals have

The plaques from animal orga-

"Jack has been tremendous

ess. In the first year, 20,000-

izations offering their thanks are testament to Berry's participation in helping animals. "He is very generous. We are tremendously grateful to him. He underwrites our expenses. He is great. Whatever we might need, he comes through," said Joanne Berry. "Jack really

wants to make a difference for When Berry had only 20 animals in our communities. He wants to pass his success along

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House Republicans will honor tial. Employers are starting to Best on the Block for compation forms can be obtained by companies that help their employees creatively meet child affordable care." care needs in the ninth annual

Michigan Child Care Challenge. encouraging area businesses to enter the event by March 19. fast-rising necessity in worker

"We are seeing more families where both parents are working five categories: or a single parent is supporting the family," Toy said. "In these

in celebration of Black History

Month in the Take 5 Lounge

Storyteller Mary Reeder

from "Operation Get Down"

will entertain children of all

The event will include the

showing of the movie "African

5-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25.

ands-on participation.

recognize the need and are work- nies that have made special ing with families to provide

The awards recognize Michi-State Rep. Laura Toy is gan employers who provide child care benefit plans and other positive alternatives. More than 350 Toy, R-Livonia, said child care is organizations have been honored since the program began in Nominations are accepted in

situations, child care is essen-

Madonna University will Story Magic," storytelling and

hold African Story Kids Night traditional African snacks.

ages with costumes and welcome. For more informa-

Child Care Challenge seeks nominations

Helping Hands for business es that provide direct financial

New Kid on the Block for companies most recently offering child care benefits.

There will also be a martial

arts demonstration by young

people from the Alkebulan

There is no charge for

admission, but donations are

tion, call (734) 432-5425.

Youth Center.

efforts to design unique child

Grandparent award for firms that are pioneers in offering employee child care,

assistance to employees or subsidies for on-site centers, ■ Innovator for community organizations and individuals demonstrating extra effort in providing child care solutions.

There is no entry fee. Nomina-

calling Toy's office at (517) 373-

There is still quite a challenge out there to meet the needs of our working families," Toy said. "We must recognize and congratulate those who are leading the pack toward

increased child care benefits." Throughout the years, nume ous businesses have helped sponsor the child care challenge Businesses interested in contributing to this year's challenge can also contact Toy's office.

African stories told tonight

cat food they need.

on Orchard Lake, for example, is cess of what I was doing and on the side of the road that wanted to open stores. His best Berry considers people use to go friend opened one, his partner's home. And when they see they ex-wife, a nephew all jumped on store on their way home they the bandwagon. Another friend, will remember to get the dog or

Point position or free-standing, which creates visibility for his stores. includes 144 in 17 states. Not all

the franchise attorney. Thirty more stores will open this year. "I think the interest in pets has always been there. People actually love their pets and treat them the same as they do their

attorney Harvey Solway, became

children," Berry added. are owned by Berry, though.

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GUEST COLUMN

why there should be such a difference

unborn babies, many of them able to

I wonder if somebody could look me

survive, but killed in OUR holocaust.

in the eye and tell me that a partial

anybody ram a pair of scissors into

the neck of a partly born baby, which

is seconds away from drawing its first

breath, and insert a tube to suck out

the brain? Yet, these things are done

every day in our United States with

I remember that the Nazis were

hanged in Nuremberg for committing

permission of the Supreme Court.

atrocities like that. Hitler did not

want the Jews around - so he killed

birth abortion is not murder. How can

between the stacked bodies of inno-

cent Jews, murdered in the Holo-

caust, and the stacked bodies of

Canton Observer

Roads

Some improvements under way

hen Canton voters said no to a local road tax last August, it would have been easy to figure the traffic bottlenecks that plague the township on a daily basis would only get worse. Easy but not entirely accurate.

Despite the tax rejection, a number of road improvement projects are in the planning stages or already under way using local tax dollars, Wayne County, state and federal

■ Widening of Canton Center Road to five lanes from Ford to just south of Cherry Hill. The work by the Wayne County Roads Department began last summer and, after a seasonal delay, is scheduled for completion this spring.

■ Intersection improvements along Ford Road, paid for with \$1.5 million in bonds issued by Canton's Downtown Development Authority. Work to begin this year will smooth traffic flow at Lilley and Sheldon roads. Haggerty could be added to the list if the state and county look favorably on a township traffic

An extension of Morton Taylor Road between Warren and Ford. The county is in the process of finalizing plans and acquiring rights of way for the \$3.1 million project, which has been on the books for three years The Federal Highway Administration will

■ The question remains whether the current piecemeal list of projects will be enough to handle future congestion on Canton roads.

pick up 80 percent of the cost and construction could begin by July or August.

at the Cherry Hill-Beck intersection.

We note that the county has also made good on its commitment to road improvements in

But the question remains whether the current piecemeal list of projects will be enough to handle future congestion on Canton roads The growth spurt that has prompted a near 30-percent population increase this decade

Paying tribute to one cool cat

who has been a child or a parent since the tify the author as Dr. Seuss.

Theodor Seuss Geisel, that he was born in Springfield, Mass., in 1904, the son of a College and later attended Oxford in pursuit of a doctorate in literature, then drifted to Paris and hung out with the Lost Generation

They may not know that he worked in advertising for awhile, wrote for a couple of documentary films in Hollywood that won

But they can quote passages from "Horton simplistic meter of "One fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish."

They may recognize lines from and visualbe aware that that book, published in 1957 and using only 220 words, virtually revoluthe weary little world of Dick, Jane and Spot."

While educators greeted Dr. Seuss' fractured rhymes and made-up words skeptically at first, his popularity among children and million copies in 18 languages) has changed some thinking.

That's why next Tuesday, March 2, the National Education Association, in conjunction with its Read Across America program, is

A traffic signal and other improvements

Canton officials deserve credit for creativity in tackling the road issue on a limited budget. The temptation might have been to stand pat, let the situation deteriorate even further and go back to voters in another year or two.

has shown no real sign of slowing.

The failed ballot proposal would have given the township an additional \$3.5 million or so annually over the next eight years for road improvements. That's a lot of additional lanes that simply won't be built.

"I would not like them here or there. I would not like them anywhere. I do not like green eggs and ham. I do not like them, Sam-I-am."

It may not be great literature, but anyone late 1950s can recognize those lines and iden-

They may not know that his real name was zookeeper, that he graduated from Dartmouth

Academy Awards in the 1940s, or that, though twice-married, he had no children of his own.

Hatches the Egg," conjure up vivid images of The Grinch and tap their feet in rhythm to the

ize the image of "The Cat in the Hat," but not tionized the world of children's books, delivering, as one reviewer put it, "a karate chop on

parents (his 47 books have sold more than 100

urging "every child and every community in

America" to celebrate reading on the date that would have been Dr. Seuss' 95th birthday. (He died in 1991 at age 87 after a lengthy illness.)

NEA members are organizing events in

schools, libraries and bookstores across the country. They liken the activities to pep rallies for football games or student plays to promote the arts. They want to send the message that reading is important and can be fun. Why Dr. Seuss?

"People of all ages love him," according to an NEA release. "He epitomizes a love of children and learning. And the latest in reading research indicates Dr. Seuss' books, with their use of rhyme, are an effective tool for introducing children to reading."

We agree. Reading is important and it can, and should be, fun. On Tuesday, Madonna University faculty and staff will be reading Dr. Seuss books from 4-7 p.m. in the University's Take 5 Lounge and in Westland the Elliott and David Hicks Elementary schools also have activities scheduled. Redford Township District Library has a program planned for children in kindergarten through third

Check out your local schools, libraries and bookstores for any other activities. Or just pull some books out of your own bookshelves and read to, or along with, your children.

And join us in saying Happy Birthday to the man who revolutionized children's literature. Better still, let him do it in his own

"Today you are you! That is truer than true! There is no one alive who is you-er than you. Shout loud, 'I am lucky to be what I am! Thank goodness I'm not just a clam or a

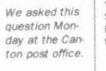
Or a dusty old jar of sour gooseberry jam! I am what I am! That's a great thing to be! If I say so myself, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

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impact on American history? We asked this question Mon-



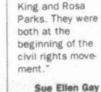




She changed a... where people were listening.



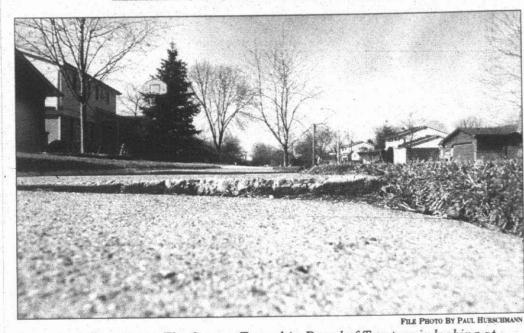
"Martin Luther Carey Morton



King. He's the Nina Luper

Martin Luther

Canton studies sidewalk 'crackdown'



Improvement program: The Canton Township Board of Trustees is looking at implementing a residential sidewalk improvement program to take care of problems like the one pictured here on Arlington Street. Under the plan, homeowners would be required to foot the bill for replacing damaged squares. The township is facing an increasing number of slip-and-fall lawsuits since a recent change in state law, officials say.

LETTERS

Work together

As the father of three school-age children, a Plymouth Township resident and the registrar for the CCJBSA/PCJBL, I am appalled by the stench of politics that has engulfed our youth summer baseball/softball program and caused such a rift between the Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township communities. I am also saddened by comments attributed to Canton Township Supervisor Thomas Yack, who apparently is insensitive to and unconcerned about the historic bonds that unite our communities. For decades, these communities have come together as one, built around the solid bedrock of our education system. Close friendships and family relationships have been forged which tie the community together much like the shared borders do. In this regard, I ask, was it really necessary

to eliminate the Plymouth name from the decades- old, highly successful and respected baseball program fondly known as the Plymouth Canton Junior Baseball League? Do our Canton neighbors know, or care, how this name change came about? Is anyone aware that Canton Township government leaders made this request of the governing board of the PCJBL? It was rumored that perhaps Canton would form its own baseball league and leave the PCJBL scrambling to find baseball fields if the request were not honored. As a result, the men and women who serve on the board of the CCJBSA/PCJBL have suffered a great deal of undeserved and unjustified criticism over the name change, and few recognize that they acquiesced to this request for the "plum" of additional playing surfaces that Canton Township leaders dangled in front of them. It is no secret that this community is starved for playing fields. Before the purchase of the Michigan Avenue complex, Plymouth Township provided a disproportionate number of playing surfaces compared to the number of Plymouth Township children participating in the league, but the inequity caused no concern. Do Canton voters, our friends and relatives, know about their leaders' backroom maneuvering? This is politics at its worst, and frankly, I find it disgusting!

Many of us parents have worked tirelessly to make this league a success. People like Harry Hill, Milt Thackaberry, Buck Horn, John Filios and countless others have devoted a significant portion of their lives to the league. None of the volunteers have ever questioned the community in which others resided. It did not, and should not matter! The sole

objective was, and is, to provide an opportunity for all the youth of this community to play baseball and softball just as we did when we

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1999

Mr. Yack, I am certain that you do not fairly represent your constituents when you make statements that serve to drive wedges between the communities, Coleman Young proceeded in this manner in the City of Detroit, and the divisiveness it caused with the suburbs was a cancer that Dennis Archer is still trying to cure. Take it somewhere else, because that brand of "leadership" does not work. We all must work together in a spirit of cooperation to maintain our youth recreation programs and the spirit of community that

> Robert M. Bilkie Jr. Plymouth Township

Paper used poor judgment

It was poor judgment on the part of a family newspaper like the Observer to give coverage to the perverted Triangle Foundation. Decent people do not approve of men having sex with each other. While your Feb. 4 article was good in alerting the citizenry of the noble police effort to "Bag a Fag" (your term) it should have given the front page coverage to local citizens outrage at this continu ness going on at the I-275 Canton rest stop. Please do not make the police officer's job any harder by reporting the opinions of a statistically insignificant number of sick individuals.

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POINTS OF VIEW

Abortion issue and the Holocaust have parallels

think your recent newspaper article on the Holocaust question was very interesting and thought-provoking. Please let me share some of my own thoughts on this subject with you. I only wish I had all the space to do so. Like (author) Ursula Hegi, I was

born in Germany too and lived through the Hitler years from the beginning to the end. The question was asked, how could a man like Adolf Hitler become the governing head of a nation that gave birth to great thinkers, scientists, poets and composers? Actually, the stage for his entry

was already set in 1919, after Germany's defeat in World War I. The nations of the Detente had imposed harsh economic sanctions on Germany, stripping the nation of the basic needs to survive. This situation created massive unemployment, political strife, inflation of unbelievable proportion, and utter despair. A hastily formed democratic government, known as the Weimar Republic, was unable to function as it should

ve been telling you so. Despite the glossy

Engler made about charter schools, the

The notion of charter schools, as devel-

tional Improvement of the Northeast in

oped by the Regional Laboratory for Educa-

1988, was to liberate good teachers and free

them from the rigid dogma of school boards

and educationists. There would be innova-

tions in curriculum, more parental choice,

improved learning for motivated students.

Two scholarly reports on Public School

ture, tell us that PSAs, or "charter schools,"

have fallen short, for the most part. Again, l

remind you that not all charter schools are

bad; about one-fourth have better MEAP test

scores than the traditional public schools in

But failures exceed successes. Engler was

address when he agreed with President Clin-

ton that "all states and school districts must

turn around their worst performing schools -

would start shutting down many of the 137

incompetently run, unimaginative, low-per-

Public Sector Consultants Inc. (PSC) of

reported back Feb. 18 on the first four years

Lansing and Western Michigan University

of the charter experiment. PSC's report

made a lot of excuses for the poor perfor-

mance - they had to struggle to survive -

but the patterns showed through in both

■ Test scores - "The percentage of stu-

dents scoring 'satisfactory' at charter schools

is lower than at a majority of local tradition-

al public schools," said PSC. It could have

bought this newspaper and saved the state

When public schools had declining test

scores, their enemies shouted this over the

group) flop, their alibi is that they are just

too new and somehow attracted the bottom

■ Parental involvement - "Parents had

- or exercised - less influence over (charter)

schools in the upper grades, and communica-

tion with the home was perceived to decline

■ Curriculum - Michigan got cheated.

Instead of getting charter schools that spe-

"there are limited innovations being devel-

oped and applied in the PSAs," said WMU.

ment firms and revert to "canned curricu-

Many charter schools hire business manage-

■ Dropouts - "On the whole, the PSAs

had higher dropout rates than did their host

communities." In short, PSAs dumped the

cialize in science or the performing arts,

in the upper grades," said WMU. So much

for the big fib of "parental choice."

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cheered twice in his State of the State

the surrounding community.

Academies, commissioned by the Legisla-

benefits haven't appeared. To correct the

governor's campaign slogan: "Promises

made, promises broken."

Rah, rah, rah.

promises Mackinac Center and Gov. John

because it lacked the needed

Hitler found fertile, political ground in this environment of hopelessness. He criss-crossed the country, gave fiery speeches, offering hope and delivery from misery and chaos. One Bible verse comes to my mind. It says .. no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an Angel of Light." (2 Cor. 11:14).

Hitler appeared to the people as an angel of light. Everybody was for him, with few exceptions. He came into power by promising work for everyone, and a swift return to prosperity by defying the economic sanctions, and he did. The people were happy; they paid little attention to the verbal attacks on the Jews. Thousands joined the party ranks. Few people suspected what Hitler's real agenda Soon, the government took control

of everything. The media became the official source of propaganda. Foreign news was jammed. Criticism of the government was counted as treason. The penalty was incarceration or secret execution. Germany was now totally in Hitler's grip.

TIM RICHARD

■ But failures exceed successes.

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he agreed with President Clinton

tricts must turn around their worst

performing schools - or shut them

down." An honest governor would

start shutting down many of the

tive, low-performing, low-paying

problems back into the traditional public

■ Personnel management – WMU

found "extensive nepotism in employment of

relatives" and "high rates of attrition among

teachers, students and even principals," said

■ Organization - Instead of motivated

teachers and concerned parents starting

charter schools, the biggest group of appli-

with only a "handful" from public schools.

cants came from the ranks of private schools,

■ Church and state - Charter schools

no "established" religion. Yet PSC noted that

ministers often were among organizers, and

Christian school," though leaders denied any

proselytizing. Many of us still suspect char-

ter schools are a subterfuge for fundamental-

■ Minorities - "Thus there is support for

those who argue that the charter schools are

there is a clear trend toward fewer and fewer

Finances - Charter schools moan than

Yet they get the same \$5,600 per pupil as do

expensive high school courses, school lunch-

enabling them to turn a \$1,000-per-pupil

Engler should keep his promise and shut

Tim Richard reports on the local implica-

tions of state and regional events. His voice

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they don't have capital and startup costs.

public schools, but they often don't offer

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Charter school promises

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schools should be closed

more permissive, perhaps ambiguous, in recent years.

They are no longer a true indicator of what is morally right or wrong. I remember the shock and bewilderment of people during the so-called

Cristal Night in 1936 when innocent

Jews were evicted from their homes

while Sturm troopers destroyed their

horrified that blind hate had reached

property. People were worried and

such proportion. There was no longer a recourse to change. Besides, it was the economy, stupid! Hitler was awfully successful with erritorial expansion prior to WW II. He felt strong enough to do anything, even his abominable actions that were carried out in secret. I know for a fact that about 95 percent of the people never heard of the Holocaust until the war was over. Those who knew kept their mouths shut to avoid

We may asked ourselves: "Could a man like Hitler come to power in our

becoming victims themselves.

he could. Our nation has powerful safeguards in the form of our Constitution, our governmental structure,

free speech and the media watchdog. I truly believe that the real threat to our freedom lies in steady decline of our moral values and in the forgetfulness of how richly our land has been blessed. We know that morality cannot be legislated. Nevertheless, moral values are of vital importance millions of our fellow citizens.

Morality is inseparable from a good onscience that guides our minds and our actions. If one's conscience ecomes seared for various reasons, his judgment of right and wrong may become blurred or indifferent. Statistics reveal that freedom is often equated with the right to conduct oneself without obligation or accountabil-

them. Babies are killed because they Certain laws have become more are not wanted either. permissive, perhaps ambiguous, in When a majority of Congress voted recent years. They are no longer a to abolish the partial birth abortion, true indicator of what is morally right our president vetoed that decision. or wrong. I am thinking specifically of the abortion issue, which has claimed Ernest Mehrl is a Plymouth Townsome 35 million victims so far.

I wonder if someone could tell me

Hillary for Senate?

One Clinton holding political office is one too many of socialist persuasion. Hillary of government medicine infamy showed the woman to be of hard core collectivist mentality. Her villageization and globalization diatribes outline a litany of socialist goals suggesting a one-world arrangement that Gore and fellow travelers only faintly allude to. Environmental fantasies are enough to keep Gore's less than facile brain occupied, but he does know that United States unilateral obedience to lowering gas emissions would help the liberals lead to a hellish Armageddon here on earth. No, Hillary as a socialist senator would not be any less one-world oriented than she is as a first lady.

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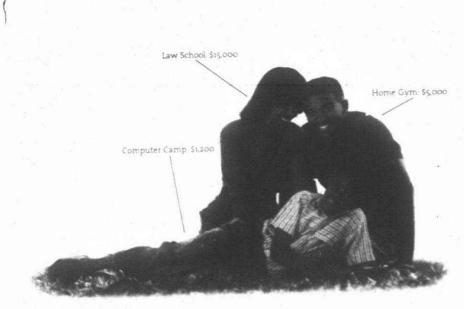
Farewell to the circus

It looks as though the circus in Washington is about over, the question is, what did it accomplish, if anything? Important government business has waited on the back burner while this fiasco dragged on, almost endlessly it seemed, and nothing was accomplished. The American people should be up in arms over this tremendous waste of public funds. How can we ever have faith in our public officials after this

We don't need to bring in the clowns, they're already there. This fiasco will remain in our his-

Ross A. Rhinehart

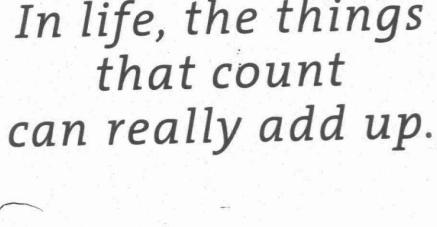
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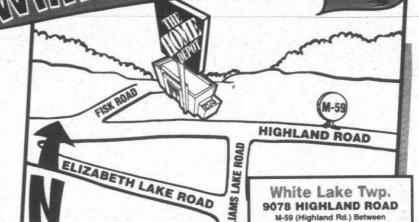
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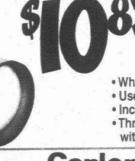
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JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

You can script your responses to 'child talk'

f you're a regular reader of this column, you've noticed that I've spent a lot of time talking about children and adolescents who act up and are disrespectful. This topic is dear to my heart because I have seen so many families suffer because one child is disrespectful and rude.

In hundreds of parenting workshops that I've given over the years, I've found that the most popular skit I introduce to parents is the one called SCRIPTS. The idea came to me when I realized that so many parents struggle with the words they should use when their child is belligerent, sarcastic or moody.

In fact, it has prompted me to start writing a book which I very well may title, "Scripts: What To Say When Your Child Pushes Your Buttons."

Children learn their "script" from peers, the media and sometimes even us. When responding to complaints that "The Simpsons," a '90s style television cartoon, is a bad role model, Matt Groening, the creator of the show, replied, "I now have a 7-yearold boy and a 9-year-old boy, so all I can say is I apologize. Now I know what you guys were talking about."

Folks in the media business don't care that you see their shows as disrespectful to adults. You haven't seen "The Simpsons" pulled from the lineup, have you? In fact, what children say on television is often highly respected, especially when it makes their parents look bad.

Over the years

In Ricker and Crowder's book, "Backtalk," they comment about what has taken place over the last 25 years. They note that children's status has changed because they now have economic and verbal power which they never had before.

"Children are now considered smarter, not to mention more amusing and appealing than adults. Or, to put it even more simply, suddenly to be young is to be powerful ... the mainstream media now shows children as adorable savants who are given the last word in most verbal exchanges."

You have no doubt heard these pearls of wisdom come out of your children's mouths? "You are sooooooo uncool." "You're a poopy. I hate you." "Get a life, Dad." "You can't make me." "Oh, give me a break." "Duh, mother." "You call this food?" "Whatever!" "You are so stupid.

I'm sure your list could go on and on. But these are fighting words and don't deserve to be tolerated by any-

My book will highlight situations that occur in most households. It will help parents with the words that convey. "Talking like that doesn't fly in this house."

Share your script

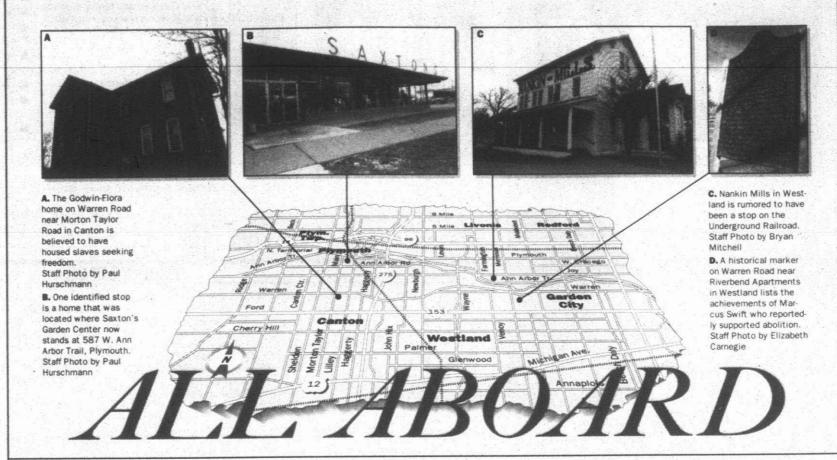
If you would like to share a script with me that is appropriate, controlled and respectful, e-mail me at downsj@mail.resa.net and I will consider using it in the book.

Please remember that scripts like, "I'll show you who's boss ... you say that one more time and I'll knock your head off" only convey to the child that I must exert my power and control by yelling, screaming and threatening.

The best scripts tell the child what you won't tolerate and what the consequences are for that behavior. They are said in a disengaged businesslike voice.

In the meantime, you may want to read the book, "Backtalk." It has many good recommendations in it.

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Underground Railroad stations remain shrouded in secrecy

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO STAFF WRITER

he Underground Railroad was kept a secret so there's very little documentation of it in this area. But rumors, research and even sto ries from area homeowners have led to speculation that the railroad passed through western Wayne Coun-

"There's a lot of rumors where the underground railway was. It was not legal, so it was a secret," said Jo Johnson, chairwoman of Westland Historical Commission. "There's nothing we can document. We work on it, but it's very hard to document because it was secret, it was not legal. They could get in trouble if they were

"We're sure there was some Underground Railroad station in this area which was then Nankin Township."

The Underground Railroad was a group of houses and churches that helped escaped slaves find freedom in the northern United States and Canada from 1830 to 1861.

One of the rumored sites is Nankin Mills on Ann Arbor Trail west of Merriman Road in Westland.

"Usually, if they had a station and it was in Westland, it was near the Rouge River," Johnson said. "They used to transport them down the river to the Detroit River and across te Canada.

"The other rumor was that Glode Chubb was a part of it. He lived originally around Warren and Hix and then he moved down to around Venoy and Michigan Avenue. Of course, down at that end of town, you have the Lower Rouge."

Chubb, a minister, and Marcus Swift were part of the Methodist Episcopal Church, an organization that supported the freedom of slaves. A historical marker honoring Swift's accomplishments sits on Warren Road east of Merriman Road near the Riverbend Apartments.

Their participation is hearsay, however, Johnson explained.

Sporadic documentation

Documentation of Underground Railroad activity in Livonia also is sporadic.

"I'm in the process of going through a Kingsley genealogy," said Suzanne Daniel, chair of the Livonia Historical Commission. "I know I've read in one spot there was one of the girls in the family who told of remembering as a child of waking up and discovering that the parents were part of the Underground Railroad."

The Joseph Kingsley family lived near Ann Arbor Trail east of Newburgh Road.

"That's the only one I've had any real positive (identification)," she said. "There have been things said about some of the other houses, but we've never had anything in writing that would come close to confirming

Greenmead Historical Village houses the Society of Friends Meeting House that may have been used to help slaves seek freedom in Canada.

"The Quakers probably were involved in the underground because that was one of the things they did all over the country," Daniel said. "They were very much in favor of the slaves being set free and I'm sure they did everything they could to help bring that about

A reddish brick home, known as the Godwin-Flora home, sits near the corner of Morton Taylor and Warren roads in Canton Township. It looks nondescript, but homeowner Jamie Flora found something that proved otherwise.

"When Jamie Flora, who owned it, did the renovation, they found a secret area in the basement; it definitely was something that was not real easy to see," said Melissa McLaughlin, Canton Township trustee, planning commissioner and vice chair of the Historic District Commission of Canton. "In it they found some small artifacts, some old newspapers and there was other bits and pieces of things that led them to believe that this house may have been a stop on the Underground Railroad because the little cubbyhole that they found would have been big enough for a couple of people to get in there and hide until they could get out again."

Sign of a 'station'

According to the book "Plymouth at the Time of Lincoln," two tall pine trees signified a "station." Local legend has it that the Brink farm on Ann Arbor Road near Ann Arbor Trail was a stop. Another identified stop is a home that once stood in the current location of Saxton's Garden Center at 587 W. Ann Arbor Trail.

McLaughlin explained that there were several signals that identified a safe house like, perhaps, a quilt hanging on the line, or a lamp in the win-

"There were even some old Negro spirituals, songs that they sang, that if you were actually decipher the code, knowing what we know now, were used to communicate directions to people to get to Canada," McLaughlin said. "Like crossing the big water or whatever, those were code words about going across to

Once the slaves reached a safe house, they were sheltered, fed and given warm clothing.

"People didn't have a lot of money and a lot extra to give, but they would probably give them something. They would rest up and things in a safe place and then they would be on their way at night," McLaughlin explained.

But still, information is sketchy. "Again, there's just not a lot known other than what's been passed down through oral history through the black families," she said. "There may have been more than one person who was housing people. They moved people around a little bit in order to keep nosy neighbors off track.

They were hunted down with a bounty on their heads in many cases. Back then, people didn't have a lot of money and if somebody was offering money, that was a pretty big incentive to turn somebody in.

Traveling on the Railroad

or the many African Americans who lived in the Slave States prior to and during the American Civil War, the Underground Railroad provided them the opportunity and assistance for escaping slavery and finding free-

No one knows exactly when it started, but there were isolated cases of help given to runaways as early as the 1700s. And by the early 19th century, there were organized flights to freedom, with much of the early help provided by Quaker abolitionists in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

One of the most curious characteristics of the Underground Railroad was its lack of formal organization. It was locally organized and had no real center. It existed rather openly in the North and just beneath the surface of daily life in

the upper South and certain South-

Where it existed, the Underground Railroad offered local service to runaway slaves, assisting them from one point to another. Operations generally relied heavily on secret codes as railroad jargon alerted "passengers" when travel was safe. Runaways usually commuted either alone or in small groups, and were frequently assisted by African American and white "conductors" who risked their lives and property to escort refugees to freedom.

Among the "conductors" was Harriet Tubman, who escaped from the eastern shore of Maryland in 1849 and became known as "Moses" to her people when she made 19 trips to the South and helped deliver at least 300 fellow captives and loved ones to freedom.

March is the month to celebrate parenting



BY OUTDA CASH GUEST COLUMNIST

While being a parent is the most challenging and important job you'll have in your life, it doesn't come with a neatly organized job description or field manual. Parents are "on call" 24 hours a day, attending to sniffling noses, fashion crises, scrapes, bruises and broken bones, transportation, teen angst and more.

While you carry out

your wildly varied job duties, you must also be flexible, loving, supportive, even-keeled, firm and patient, patient!

And for all this work and patience, a celebration

has been planned in your honor. Please join with me and thousands of other Michigan parents in commemorating Parenting Awareness Month

Seven years ago the state legislature declared March as Parenting Awareness Month to celebrate people who are raising children, to show the importance of good parenting to a child's well-being, to promote parenting education, and to encourage everyone to participate in the lives of all of our children.

With March just a few days away. I ask you to reflect on your role in a child's life, find a way to celebrate your parenting successes, and reward your good parenting by taking time to learn or teach a new parenting skill.

Here are some suggestions to help you celebrate Parenting Awareness Month:

Start a Family Fan Club - Each week, sit down with your family and have everyone write down three

things he or she likes about each family member For variety, select another task, such as making cards or posters together to give to a family friend or relative. End the Family Fan Club activity with

something fun, like eating pizza or going to the park.

■ Read about parenting - While many of your parenting skills are experience and by following your own solid instincts, parenting resources can provide you with tips and ideas you may not have thought of.

Read parenting books or magazines, check out a parenting Internet site, or talk to a friends about how they deal with parenting challenges.

During the month of March, professionals from Starfish Family Services will be writing each Thursday about various parenting topics in the Observer

Read their articles for insight into getting kids to cooperate, raising kind and courteous kids, being an effective advocate for your child, and keeping your cool with your kids

■ Treat your child and yourself - Playing with your children is just as important as teaching values or enforcing safety rules. Fun time with your child creates a warm and caring relationship. Whatever you

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Parenting from page B1

do together, make sure it's your child's choice - whether it's a favorite game or a trip to the

Also, make time for yourself and your own interests. Take care of yourself by reading a good novel, taking a long bath or joing out with friend. Self-pampering may feel indulgent, but in reality it makes you a better par-

As we celebrate Parenting Awareness Month, take time for vourself and your family and don't forget to celebrate your successes as a significant person in a child's life.

Ouida G. Cash has committed the past 29 years to improving the lives of children and families in Michigan. She is chief executive officer of Starfish Family Services, a private, nonprofi organization with 21 programs that serve 10.000 children, indi viduals and families each year in southeastern Michigan.

Internet sites for parents

There are a variety of Web sites on the Inter-

Parent Soup - www. parentsoup. com net that provide resources for parents and those who work with parents. Many provide links to other sites. Here's a few you can visit:

■ 50+ Great Sites for Kids and Parents www. ala. org/ parentspage/ greatsites/ 50.

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■ National Parent Information Network -

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Todd Bergk Otto Pedersen, the son of Raymond and Mary Ped-Parent's Place - www. parentsplace. com ersen, also of Livonia. Positive Parenting - www. positiveparenting. The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Livonia Churchill High

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should be submitted in writing call (734) 432-5603.

Kurt and Lori Cassidy of Canton announce the birth of Eric Scott Oct. 28 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He joins a sister, Alyssa Marie, and a brother, Kurt Wavne Jr.

Craig and Heather Mellas of Inkster announce the birth of Brendan Alexander Oct. 16 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Lawrence Henkel and Diane Henkel of Canton.

Kirk and Julie Albert of Canton announce the birth of Adam Michael Nov. 19 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. Grandparents are Barbara Gunther of Westland, Leo and Sandra Albert of Canton and Ed and Judy Hewrick of Livonia. Greatgrandmothers are Doris Lydy of Bear Lake, Mich., and Reba Phillips of Port Huron.

Kevin and Marybeth Naegel Connor Michael Nov. 18 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He joins four siblings - Cameron, Christopher, Zachary and Nichole. Grandpar-

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and Diamond savings** account with a new CD ents are Bruce and Judy Austin is Barbara Clark of Canton. of California and John and Betty

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Hagen of New Jersey. Franklin and Marsha Ray of Plymouth Township announce the birth of Nicholas Franklin Nov. 13 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti. Grandparents are Sylvia Szilagyi of Plymouth Township, Franklin D. Ray of Belleville and Ann Walker of Belleville. Great-grandparents are Leo and Mary Style of Taylor and George Steger of

John Korzek of Canton and Sheila Torres of Westland announce the birth of Selena Marie-Lynn Korzek Oct. 21 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a stepsister, Kayley Baumia, 3. Grandparents are Rick and Diana Torres of Westland and John and Sandy Korzek of Canton.

Renee Clark and Don Hac

no later than noon Friday for the

next Thursday's issue. For more

information, call (734) 953-

Sacred Heart Church will have a

March 6 at the church, 29125 W. Six Mile, east of Middlebelt,

Livonia. There also will be a

more information, or table

MADONNA UNIVERSITY

bake sale and light lunch. For

rental, call Jennifer at (248) 426-

Madonna University will hold its

14th annual spring arts and

crafts showcase 10 a.m. to 4:30

p.m. March 20 in the Activities

Center on campus, Schoolcraft

and Levan, Livonia. Admission

craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SACRED HEART

Mark and Linda Mitchell of Plymouth announce the birth of Elizabeth Rose Dec. 11 at University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. She joins a sister, Anna, 23 months. Grandparents are Dick and Eunice Mitchell of Livonia and Bob and Darlene Stevenson of Plymouth. Greatgrandmother is Ann Stevenson of Livonia. Michael and Carie Goodsell

of Canton announce the birth of Noah Michael Nov. 8 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Larry and Sharon Goodsell of Livonia and Irvin and Charlotte Armstrong of Garden City. David and Anne Ellis of Ply-

mouth announce the birth of Faith Elizabeth June 12 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. Grandparents are Jim and Jeanne Terski of Livonia, Sonja of Canton announce the birth of ney of Belleville announce the Ellis of Santa Rosa, Calif., and birth of Trevor Jacob Clark Rich and Joanne Ellis of Rancho Nov. 29 at Oakwood Hospital Santa Margarita, Calif. Greatannapolis Center-Wayne. He has grandparents are Al and Yvette Thumbiraj and Mabel Nathaniel a brother, Andrew. Grandmother Shepard of Redford and Arlie of Maryland.

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Schoolcraft College will have its

spring craft show 9:30 a.m. to

4:30 p.m. March 6 in the Physi-

cal Education Building on cam-

pus, 18600 Haggerty, between

Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livo-

nia. Admission will be \$1.50 for

older, and 50 cents for children

ages up to age 12 and free for

The Livonia Churchill High

School PTSA's 11th annual

the school, 8900 Newburgh, Livonia. Admission will be \$1.

Applications are still being

accepted and are available by

calling Diane at (734) 422-4507

spring arts and craft show will

be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 13 at

children under age 5.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

adults and children 12 years and

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

and Sarah Ellis of Grosse Pointe

John and Karen Clemmons of Westland announce the birth of Ryan Ashley Nov. 28 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Howard and Joyce Taylor of Canton, Maureen and David Jef fery of Westland and Donald and Reba Clemmons of Canton. Great-grandmother is Obeth Pack of Plymouth.

Lawrence and Christina Scheffer of Livonia announce the birth of Austin Mikhail Nov. 17 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins a brother, Nathan, 3. Grandpar ents are Larry and Susan Scheffer of Westland and Gary and Beverly Percy of Canton.

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CLARENCEVILLE

The Livonia Stevenson High

craft show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

March 27 at the high school,

33500 Six Mile, Livonia. A sin-

gle booth space costs \$50. A lim-

ited number of spaces with elec-

tricity are available at no extra

charge. For an application form,

call (248) 478-2395 or (734) 464-

The Clarenceville High School

"A Touch of Spring" craft bou-

Athletic Booster Club will have

tique 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 27

at the high school, 20155 Middle-

North of Ford Road

45674 Ford Road Canton 734-454-9880

734-981-3600

belt, Livonia. Baby-sitting will

be available. Admission will be

\$2; no strollers permitted.

School Booster Club is accepting

applications for its annual spring

David and Jennifer Nathaniel of Canton announce the birth of Alyssa Ann Dec. 12 at Oakwood Hospital/Annapolis Center-Wayne. She joins a sibling, Aaryn, 3. Grandparents are Nancy Drake of Canton, and

Lee-Bros

Holzerland-

Marilyn Crane of Livonia and

O. Mark Holzerland announce

the engagement of their daugh-

ter, Laura Ann Holzerland, to

School. She is employed at the

Comerica Operations Center in

Livonia in the research and

Her fiance is a 1985 graduate

of Livonia Stevenson High

School and a 1991 graduate of

Schoolcraft College with an asso-

ciate's degree in architecture. He

is employed at United Parcel

Carolyn Brown of Westland

announces the engagement of

her daughter, Lisa Christine, to

Richard B. Graham Jr., the son

of Richard Sr. and Sandra Gra-

The bride-to-be, the daughter

of the late James W. Brown Jr.,

is a 1986 graduate of Cherry Hill

High School. She also attended

Eastern Michigan University.

She is employed by Host-Mar-riott at Detroit Metropolitan Air-

Her fiance is a 1987 graduate

of Neshannock High School and

a graduate of Akron University

with a bachelor of science degree

manufacturer's representative.

adjustments department.

Brown-Graham

ham of New Castle, Pa.

Pedersen

Richard Lee and Aleta Lee of Evansville, Ind., announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Lee, to Robert Bros, the son of John Bros of Livonia and the late Mary Ann Bros.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Indiana University and the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. She is employed as an attorney by Teligent, a telecommunications company:

Her fiance is a graduate of the University of Michigan and Wayne State University's master's program. He is employed as an engineer by the Ford Motor



Service as a driver.

An October wedding is

planned at Rosedale Gardens

esbyterian Church in Livonia.

Tomes-Webb

East Lansing.

in Westland.

Anderson Consulting.

Dennis and Saundra Tomes of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Regina Sylvia, to Richard Paul Webb, the son of Paul Webb of Belleville and Barbara Cubberly of Brooklyn, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a 1995 gradate of Garden City High School She is working at the family

Her fiance is a 1995 graduate of Belleville High School. He also s working at the bride-to-be's family's business

An August wedding is planned at Laurel Chapel in Livonia.

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

A July wedding is planned at

the First United Methodist

Church in Birmingham.

Visser-Ammons Stephen Mark Visser and Amy Beth Ammons were married Feb. 6 at St. Michael Lutheran

Church by the Rev. David Wood-The bride is the daughter of Ed and Beth Ammons of Ply-

Arlene Visser of St. Louis. The bride is a graduate of Calvin College in Grand Rapids with a degree in elementary edu-

mouth. The groom is the son of

The groom also is a graduate of Calvin College with a double major in business and chemistry The bride asked Kristina Tilly, Katie Vanden Bosch, Kelly Visser and Leanne Henrichs to serve as her attendants.

The groom asked Michael Gintz and Jeffrey Ammons to on a wedding trip to Jamaica.

ment fund analyst.

of Michigan State University

Richard and Norma Piacentini

of Livonia announce the engage-

ment of their daughter, Cher

Jeanette Kozar, also of Livonia.

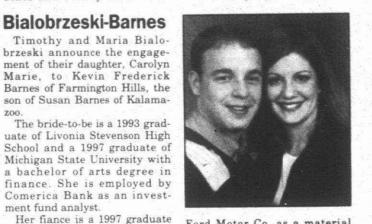
graphics. She is employed by

Michigan State University with

Piacentini-Kozar



serve as his attendants The couple received guests at a reception at the Meeting House Dam, Rusty Schulchter, Stephen Grand Ballroom before leaving



Ford Motor Co. as a material control supervisor

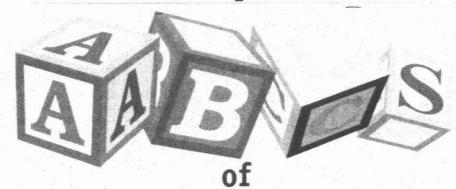
with a bachelor of arts degree in A June wedding is planned at materials and logistics management. He is employed by the St. Priscilla Catholic Church.



a bachelor of science degree in in Dearborn. mechanical engineering. He is A May wedding is planned at employed by the Ford Motor Co. St. Edith Church in Livonia

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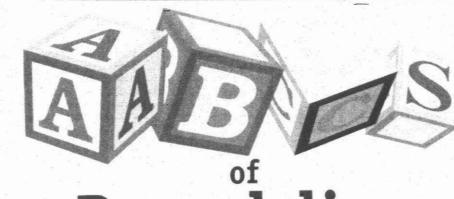
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WEEKEND

SINGLES' EVENTS Single Place holds a walk in the park 10 a.m. every Saturday at Heritage Park, Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile in

Farmington Hills. Single Place holds the ollowing social events very Sunday: worship 11 a.m. at First Presbyterian hurch Sanctuary; brunch 12:30 p.m. at Northville Crossing Restaurant, 18900 Northville Road, Northville; coffee and cards 6 p.m. at Tuscan Cafe, 150 . Center, Northville. Suburban Singles holds a single mingle dance 8 .m. every Wednesday in the Bonnie Brook Country Club; on Telegraph south of Eight Mile, Redford. Proper attire, no jeans.

s \$4, \$3 before 8:30 p.m. or more information, call 313) 842-0443. Suburban Singles holds an after-dinner dance 7-11 .m. every Sunday in the Bonnie Brook Country Club, on Telegraph, south of Eight Mile, Redford. Proper attire, no jeans. ages 21 and up. Admission is \$4, \$3 before 7:30 p.m. For more information, call (313) 842-7422. ■ West Side Singles holds

Ages 21 and up. Admission

singles dances 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., every Friday in Bur-ton Manor, Livonia located on Schoolcraft, west of Inkster. Admission before 8:30 p.m. is \$3 after 8:30 p.m., admission is \$5. Ages 21 and over, dressy attire no jeans). For more infornation, call (734) 981-

BREAST CANCER

■ The Jazzercise Fitness Center of Canton will be olding a Breast Cancer und-raiser 1-4 p.m., Sunlay, March 7, at the Cenral Middle School gym in Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 414-

CAMP FAIR The annual Camp Fair vill be 10:30 a m. to 3:30 o.m. Saturday, Feb. 27. in Carpenter Elementary School 4250 Central Coulevard Ann Arbor. Meet representatives of local, national and internaional summer programs in | always are needed. Donate and Canada who will help you choose the right experience for your children ages 5-18. Camps attending nclude day, resident, travel, sports, science, arts, computer and other summer programs, Sponsored v Washtenaw Camp

Placement Association. For more information, call 1734) 971-4537. SYMPHONY LEAGUE

The Plymouth Symphony League has started to collect items for its auction at the Plymouth Symphony Pops Concert, which will be Friday, March 12, in Laurel Manor. If you have items or know of a business that is willing to donate items, call Patty at (734) 416-5293. For more information about the concert,

HEALING SESSION

Bodyworks Healing Center will hold a complimentary healing session noon

to 5 pm. Saturday, Feb. 27, located at 819 N. Mill in Donations appreciated.

AROUND TOWN

TINY TOTS PROGRAM ■ The Tiny Tots Program offered by the Salvation Army of Plymouth is accepting applications for the 1999-2000 school year A child is eligible for the rogram if he/she will be 3 Sept. 1, 1999, or 4 years old by Dec. 1, 1999. Tiny Tots is a nonprofit, Chris tian preschool program. The Salvation Army is at 9451 S. Main, Plymouth. For more information and registration, call Peggy Blaisdell at 453-5464.

OPEN HOUSES

■ Dixboro Cooperative Preschool will hold an open nouse 10 a.m. to noon Sat urday, March 6, at 5221 Church. Children ages 2 1/2 to 5 years old (pottytrained) are accepted. Classes are half-day ses sions, Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. For more information, call (734) 572-0284.

■ Little Lambs Christian Preschool will hold a eschool registration 10 ı.m. to noon Saturday, March 13, at 45000 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon, Plymouth Township rollment fee is \$35

Monthly field trips and classroom visitors are ncluded. There is also an valuation and parent/ teacher conference twice vearly. For more information, call 414-7792.

PRESCHOOL OPENING

Garfield Co-op still has openings for preschool. Pro grams for children 18 months to 5 years old. Located in Livonia, at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road. For more informa tion, call (734) 462-0135.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ■ The League of Women Voters serving Canton, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Wayne, Westland, and Livonia is working to make this year's April book sale another successful fund-raising event. New batches of used books Esther Friedrichs at (734) 427-0222 or Marge Gade at (734) 261-3191. Hardcover and paperback books in different categories of nonfiction and fiction for all ages

are received. IRISH WRITER'S NIGHT ■ Irish Writer's Night will

be held 7:30 p.m. Thursday. March 11, in the Box Bar, next to Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth. Featured readers are Jerry Maloney, Tony Johnston. the Rev. Rod Reinhart and Ama Cary Barr. For more information, call (734) 459-

ART CLASSES D&M Studios in coopera-

tion with Canton Parks and Recreation and Plymouth Parks and Recreation (with classes at all call (734) 451-2112. three sites) offers fine art classes for the preschooler through adult to include preschool sessions, homeschoolers, student and teen

West landscape work earned Eagle honors

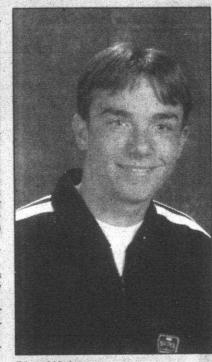
anton resident Edward Cain Lindow has earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

Lindow, 15, is a sophomore at Plymouth Canton High School and a member of Boy Scout Troop 1537 in

He has earned 30 merit badges and other awards to date. His community service project for the Eagle rank involved the beautification of an area adjacent to West Middle School in Plymouth, which Lindow attended. Lindow installed a berm near the school and planted two Sugar Maple Trees, a Cleveland Pear Tree, perennial and annual flowers, shrubs and other plantings. The site is marked by a decorative rock engraved with the school's name and bulldog logo.

During his years as a Scout, Lindow has held many leadership positions. Recently, he led a crew of seven Scouts on a 12-day backpacking trip in New

At school, Lindow is a two-year member of the varsity swim team, lettering as a freshman and sophomore He is the son of Diane and Ed Lin-



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ty Family YMCA is accept-

ing registrations for class-

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Edward Lindow

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LENTEN PROGRAMS

al Association's 1999 Ecumenical Lenten Program "The Cross: The Gift of of Plymouth, 701 W. Church, corner of Main. The program will take place on each Wednesday All the services will take tion will be leading the vided by another church. be sent to Habitat for

Plymouth area and persons employed in Plymouth are invited to attend. For more

vide the worship and the

Life," will take place in the First Presbyterian Church of Lent, through March 24. place at First Presbyterian Church, but various member churches of the associanoon service, followed by a bread-and-soup lunch pro-

information, call 453-0326. ■ The Plymouth Ministeri-

Date and Time:

Additional info.

Location:

Telephone:

to the Ecumenical Lenten Gatherings held every Wednesday through Lent at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth at 12:05 p.m. with a worship service followed at 12:30 p.m. lunch of soup and bread. The members of the following churches will pro-

■ The Plymouth Ministerilunch: March 3, worship by New Life Lutheran and lunch by Salvation Army; March 10, worship by First United Methodist Church and lunch by St. Kenneth Catholic Church; March 17 worship by St. Kenneth Catholic Church and lunch by First Baptist Church; and March 24, worship by First Baptist Church and lunch by First Methodist

PLYMOUTH YMCA ■ The Plymouth Community Family YMCA is offering Classes include: Active Humanity. Residents of the Older Adults (ages 55 and up) Water Exercise, Youth and Girls' Basketball Instructional League, Youth Instructional Floor Hockey League, Youth Instructional Indoor Soccer

CALENDAR

following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

The Canton Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups

below and mail your item to The Calendar, Canton Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth,

Use additional sheet if necessar

or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information

MI. 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the

active older adult water exercise, youth travel floor hockey for ages 9-12, and tion, call the Plymouth YMCA at (734) 453-2904. SCHOLARSHIPS Madonna University is accepting scholarship

applications through Monday, March 1, from admitted students for the 1999-2000 academic year. Scholarship applications may be obtained at the University Financial Aid Office or by calling (734) 432-5663. NURSING CENTER

■ The Medilodge Group Inc. has made available to local clubs and organizations a representative to discuss topics that include assisted living, long-term care, services available, eimbursement under Medicare only. If interest ed, call administrator or idmission director, West

Trail Nursing Center at

(734) 453-3983. HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Canton Historical Museum will open for the 1999 season on Tuesday March 2. Hours for the museum are 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays and 1-4 p.m. Saturdays. Guided tours are available. The museum is on Canton Center Road at Heritage Drive. Parking is at the rear of the building Displays include items from Canton's agricultural past, household items and clothing from earlier eras. and pictures of Canton's 10 country schools. Taped conversations with some longtime Canton residents are

available for listening. Books on Canton history adult, Driver's Education, are on sale; these include Cornerstones - A History for ages 4-5, Y Pucks and Y f Canton Township Fami lies," "Canton's Country Schools" and "Ghost Stories novice or advanced practi and other tales from Cantioner, Step & Sculpt Fitton." Sweet corn series ness Class, and Aquatics buildings are also on sale classes for ages 6 months For more information, call

through 12 years. The (734) 397-0088. YMCA is also offering a HISTORICAL SOCIETY Basketball Travel League for ages 8-9, 10-12, and 13-

■ The Canton Historical Society will meet 7 p.m. Thursday, March 11, in the Canton Historical Museum, on Canton Center Road at Heritage Drive. Guest speaker will be David Washburn speaking War. Guests welcome. Refreshments will be served.

SOFTBALL LEAGUES

■ The city of Plymouth Recreation Division will be unning the following adult softball leagues this spring/ ummer: Men's Slow Pitch. Women's Slow Pitch, Coed Slow Pitch and Men's Modfied. Registration for eturning teams will begin March 1. New teams swill be able to register starting March 15. Season starts April 26. For more informaion, call the city of Plymouth Recreation Division at (734) 455-6620.

COUNCIL ON AGING The Plymouth Communi ty Council on Aging will hold its monthly meeting

1:30 p.m. Monday, March

Northville Road. Speaker -

will be Dr. Manuel Man-

8 in Plymouth Indepen

dence Village, 14707

ogy Center. Topic will be How To Detect, Prevent or Cope With Depression." All seniors aged 55 and older are welcome. For more information, call (734) 453 1234, Ext. 236. KINDERMUSIK Kindermusik classes will

rique of Plymouth Psychol-

continue through May 8. No class will be held durng Plymouth-Canton Com nunity Schools' midwinter r break (March 29-April . Monday daytime classes are in the Canton Gymooree Center, 8016 Sheldon Center, between Sheldon and Canton Center, south of Joy and north of Warren All other classes, including Monday evening classes, are held in the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial, just west of Sheldon. For more information on classes or registration, call Lori Nelson at (734) 354-9109. HERBAL CLASS

Learn about herbs and their historical use. The class begins 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, at Healthwrap. Learn how American Indians relieved fevers, colic helped ease the pain of childbirth, and how herbs stopped heart attacks. The presentation includes a slide. The program will be presented by Cindy Klement, certified

There is a \$5 charge. For more information, call (734) 455-1440.

TECHNOLOGY CAMP ■ Techno Masters Technol ogy Camp '99 Creative Camp activities will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, through schools. The program is for students in grades one-five Cost is \$170 per student per week, or \$34 per day. Each day offers a different interactive experience. students per site. For more information, call Pat Van-

CAMP INVENTION Camp Invention is com-

ing to Isbister School 9 Aug. 2. Join the one-week 1999. Early registration rate of \$150 must be dents. For more informa-

(734) 416-4927. HEALTH FACILITIES

■ The Schoolcraft College Sunday Health Club charges \$4 a visit. Individual membership fee is \$32 Family membership is \$70 for 13 weeks of unstructured activity in a fully equipped physical education facility. Club members can use three gyms, six racquetball courts, weight machines, the pool and the sauna. An adult must accompany children under and nonswimmers must be 45 inches tall at the shoulder to use the pool. The Health Club continue until March 28. For more information, call Continuing Education Services Physical Fitness at (734) 462-4413.

Dinner-dances benefit hospice care, cancer research

and a chance to have the highor sports memorabilia?

Community Hospice and Home Care Service's St. Patrick's dinner-dance and auction, both slated for Saturday, March 6.

39000 Schoolcraft, west of Newraise \$75,000 at its 18th annu-

More than 1,000 guests are expected to fill Laurel Manor, burgh, Livonia, to help LRL

p.m. with cocktails and a silent est bid on fabulous get-aways sports memorabilia and travel available by calling Eileen ing group, it has raised more and entertainment packages It's not too late to get tickets that will be sold to the highest for Leukemia, Life, Research bidder. The sit-down dinner support pediatric cancer Inc.'s Evening of Hope "Around will be at 7:30 p.m., followed by the World" dinner-dance and the always-popular dessert table and dancing.

Serving as honorary chairman for the benefit is Detroit WKBD/UPN-50 co-anchor, Lila the masters of ceremony.

(tables of 10 only) are priced at study pediatric cancers. auction, featuring a selection of \$1,500 per table. Tickets are A totally volunteer fund-rais- 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Surma at (313) 581-5647.

Proceeds from the event will research at Children's Hospital of Michigan and benefit children with cancer "around the

Lions place kicker Jason Han- when 10 people got together son, with Rich Fisher of with the idea of making a difference. Now, the state-licensed Lazarus of WDIV-TV and Mark 501(c)3 nonprofit organization Hayes of WXYZ-TV serving as is the largest single contributor to cancer research at Children's Tickets for the dinner-dance Hospital and the only orgational Irish dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Evening of Hope dinner-dance. Wearing of the green isn't mandatory, but organizers are promising an evening of oldfashioned Irish fun at CHHCS's LRL got its start in 1981 seventh annual St. Patrick's dinner-dance at St. Mary's Cul-

tural Center, 18100 Merriman, The cocktail reception and auction preview will start at 6:30 p.m., followed by a tradi-

and silent auctions and dancing

Tickets cost \$50 for supportthan \$2 million for research ers, \$75 for sponsors, \$125 for through benefits like the benefactors and \$1,000 for cor-

tisement in the program 5647. For VIP tables of 10, call (313) 884-0931.

Home Care Services, with offices in Plymouth and Westland, provides services to terminally ill patients and their

Looking for an evening of The gala will start at 6:30 cost \$65 per person. VIP tickets nized group raising money to and the entertainment, live southern Oakland and eastern The dinner-dance is a major

fund-raiser for the agency. It Aidan's Catholic Church to honor their friend, Bill Nilan, who died in 1992. CHHCS provide care for Nilan, who died just 2 1/12 weeks after being diagnosed with brain tumors.

In past years, the benefit has raised close to \$50,000, earmarked for the agency's proposed Hospice Home, an eight-10-bed residence to care for incurably ill people who have nowhere to go or no one to care

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cookies yet? Scouts belonging to the Huron Oatmeal. Valley Girl Scout Council are The Huron Valley Girl Scout working at cookie booths now Council serves 15,000 girls and through Friday, March 12.

Cookies cost \$3 per box. This enaw, Livingston and Monroe year's varieties include Thin counties, and parts of Oakland Mint, Caramel DeLite, Peanut and Wayne counties.

beginning March 1.

The program will be held 7-9

ents, beginning next week.

School, 33800 Grand Traverse, (734) 595-2279. Westland. The cost is \$10 per person and \$15 per couple. Reg-

istration is required. he offered 9:15-11:15 a.m. land Community Schools.

Enrollment is limited to 24 Dusen at (734) 416-4927.

a.m. to 3 p.m. the week of science and creativity day camp for children entering grades two-six in the fall of received by Feb. 28. Enrollment is limited to 110 stution, call Pat VanDusen at

Butter Sandwich, Peanut Butter For more information, call the Pattie, Shortbread, Lemon Pas- Cookie Hotline at (800) 49-Resource center offers 2 programs for parents The Family Resource Center is Wednesdays, beginning March 3

offering two programs for par- at P.D. Graham Elementary School, 1255 S. Hix, Westland. "How To Talk So Kids Will The 6-week program is a net-Listen and How To Listen So working and education group for Kids Will Talk" will be offered on parents of school-aged children.

Monday evenings for four weeks, The cost is \$5 per person and registration is required. Child care will not be availp.m. at the Family Resource able for either program. To register, call the resource center at ...

The two programs are sponsored by the cities of Wayne and The second program, "Parent Westland, United Parcel Service Support for the ADD Child," will Foundation and Wayne-West-

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Scouts belonging to the Michimon and Upsidedown Frosted gan Metro Girl Scout Council are selling eight varieties of cookies Samoas, Thin Mints, Trefoils, 5 000 adult volunteers in Washt-Tagalongs and Do-Si-Dos, a reduced fat Apple Cinnamon emon Drop and Striped Chocolate Chip and Pecan -through March 28 at booths at area

> ocations throughout most of Wayne and Oakland counties. The cookies cost \$3 per box They can be ordered by calling the Cookie Hotline at (800) 326-

banks, grocery stores and other

0309, Ext. 297. Cookies also go on sale at the ouncil's Girl Scout Shop on the first floor of the Fisher Building 3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, or Friday, March 5, and members of the Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council's executive staff will sell Thin Mints, Samoas and Taga ongs as part of Corporate Cook Days 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays. March 5 and 26 and April 16.

the American Center in South field, Detroit Edison, St. John's Hospital, Children's Hospital the Penny Bailer, the council's exec-variety of programs for 41,000 Fisher Building, New Center utive director. The money raised helps in One Building, Buhl Building, Cadillac Tower and 211 W. Fort, all in Detroit, Brookfield I and III in Farmington Hills and





Speaking up: Selected as 1999 Girl Scout Cookie Sale spokesgirls of the Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council are Amy Witkowski (left) and Katie Hoff, both of of Livonia, and Bridget McCann of Redford. The girls have the job of giving radio, newspa per and television interviews and representing the council at Cookie Sale events.

Crown Pointe Building in Oak Scout troop leaders and funding Park (March 5 only).

Corporate Cookie Day sites are ties offered by Girl Scouting are are underserved. invaluable for all girls," said Cookie sale proceeds benefit a

membership extension to reach "The programs and opportuni- girls from societal groups that

girls in Wayne and Oakland counties. Proceeds from the Cormaintaining scout camps and porate Cookie Day booths benefit other program sites, providing the council's Financial Assisprofessional training to Girl tance Fund.



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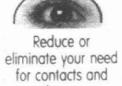
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DELAYED ENTRY PROGRAM

Thomas P. Nestor, son of Lola and Peter Nestor of Canton, enlisted in the Air Force Delayed Entry Program Feb. 1. Nestor, a 1998 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, schedrled for enlistment in the regular Air Force, Feb. 10. Upon graduation from the Air Force's six-week ty forces apprentice.

To submit your military announcement, send the | basic training course in San Antonio, Texas, he is | GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Ryan A. Cretens, son of Mary Glasgow and for enlistment for the regular Air Force on March 24. Upon graduation from the Air Force's six-week cheduled to receive technical training as a securi-

Marine Staff Sgt. Timothy S. Lindabury, a 1986 graduate of Salem High School of Canton recently received the Marine Corps Good Conduct Frank Cox of Canton, enlisted in the Air Force's Medal. The medal recognizes the service member's Delayed Entry Program, Feb. 1. Cretens, a 1995 | honest and faithful service during a three-year graduate of John Glenn High School, is scheduled | period. To earn it, Lindabury achieved and maintained a satisfactory level of performance and an unblemished conduct record for the entire period. basic training course in San Antonio, Texas, he is | Lindabury is currently assigned with Marine Wing Support Squadron 373, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing Marine Corps Air Station El Toro, Santa Ana Calif. He joined the Marine Corps in July 1986.

Marine Cpl. Ronald K. Cullen, whose wife, Tiffany, is the daughter of Mark and Roxanne Smith of Canton, recently re-enlisted for four years while serving with 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C. The 1994 graduate of Plymouth Salem High, joined the Marine Corps in December

Delegates to the 165th Epis- of 38 exhibitors. The steward- will take place at 11:45 a.m.

copal Diocese of Michigan ship theme will be presented Friday, followed by an organ

annual convention will be in skit form by The Friends of concert at 12:15 p.m. And

challenged to look at their per- the Groom, a Christian drama evening prayer will end the

Delegates will be asked to

sonal standard of giving. Since

prior conventions of the Dio-

cese of Michigan have also

highlight the convention. Two

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with

healing services are planned

convention delegates will elect for Friday and Saturday; ence in the Episcopal church

brance of those who have died)

prayers and necrology (remem-

A service to celebrate the gift

Four worship services will

supported the standard.

sonal giving as well as the and education group.

when they gather in Detroit affirm the tithe as their per-

The Right Rev. R. Stewart 1982, the national Episcopal

Wood Jr., who will preside at Church has affirmed the tithe

his last diocesan convention, is as the minimum standard of

leading the delegation, repre- giving for Christians, and

stewardship of the church

senting 97 churches. The con-

vention will be held at historic

St. John's Episcopal Church in

Detroit, which is celebrating

its 140th anniversary during

During business sessions,

diocesan officers, consider six

resolutions and view the wares

RELIGIOUS NEWS

Convention challenged by stewardship

convention at 5:15 p.m. Friday.

Wood, the ninth bishop of

Michigan, announced his

intention to retire at last

year's convention after 10

years as bishop and called for

the election of a bishop co-

adjutor. The bishop co-adjutor

will be elected in October and

will become the 10th bishop of

Wood was elected bishop co-

adjutor in 1988. He brought

more than 30 years of experi-

in the midwestern United

will minister in a program of

praise and worship, featuring

vocal, piano, saxophone, violin

and drama, 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb

28. at Calvary Baptist Church.

Bergen has been in concert

and church ministry for more

than 20 years. He blends con-

temporary worship song with

great hymns of faith to draw

participants closer to the Lord. A

free will offering will be accept-

ed. For more information, call

the church at (734) 455-0022.

Lola Park Lutheran Church

will have midweek Lenten ser-

vices 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Wednesdays at the church

14750 Kinloch, Redford. The

preach on the general theme of

be followed by a fellowship time

Warren Gilbert will discuss

Rev. Gregory Gibbons will

and light refreshments. For

more information, call the

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LENTEN SERVICES

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ed Methodist Church, 30900 W

nia. The program is for people

death of a loved one. There are

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need. For more information, call

6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (248)

380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at

Church Women United Subur-

oan Detroit-West will have their

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Livonia. Participants are asked

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St. Edith Parish will have

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Gardens Presbyterian Church,

or all sessions as they feel the

the church office at (734) 422-

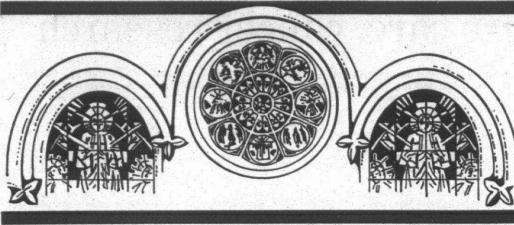
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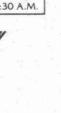
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mation, call (734) 953-2131.

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Feb. 26, at the church, 28680

Cherry Hill Road, Garden City.

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children 3-10 years of age. Pro-

church carillon. For more infor-

mation, call the church at (734)

ceeds will fund repair of the

St. James Presbyterian

Church will have a Lenten

study, following the novel, "A

Paul L. Maier, 11:30 a.m. Sun

days, following church services.

A series, called "Silent Witness

services 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays

in the chapel. St. Paul's is at

es," will be the theme for Lenten

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mation, call Sonja at (248) 474-

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LENTEN STUDY

THE GATHERING

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE Musician and singer Lynnelle Pierce will perform at the 9:30 a.m. worship service Sunday, Feb. 28, at the Church of the Savior, 38100 W. Five Mile, Livonia. Pierce will share portions of her "Go Light the World" concert. A voluntary collection will be taken to support her ministry. For more information, call

the church at (734) 464-1062.

St. Paul's launches new lecture series

of friendship will be presented

FRIEND SERVICE

Canton. Skate times will be 1:30-10 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 28, at Praise Chapel Church of God, 32747 Grand Traverse, Westland. "Friend Day" will include special music, a "human" video erformed by John Ascencio Tom Goins, Travis Goff and Cindy Goins, production director, and a message on friendship delivered by the senior pastor, the Rev. Ron Schubert. For more information, call the church at (734) 467-4818.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP Dan Bergen and his son and daughter, Nicholas and Alicia,

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church Paul's from 1961 to 1988. It is on a question and answer forin Livonia is launching a new designed to put Christians in mat. The Presbyterian church touch with Christianity's scholhad not authored a new catesent the best speakers in Chris- arly currents. chism since the 1600s when the "By doing this, the life of a Westminster Catechism was church at (313) 532-8655. congregation is significantly written. Because space is limited, inter-

enhanced," said the Rev. Thomas Eggebeen, pastor of St. Paul's. ested people should register the "Managing Memories" when Dr. Richard Osmer, the lecearly for the lecture. For a New Beginnings, a grief support ture series' inaugural speaker, brochure on the event, call St. group, meets 7 p.m. Thursday, will speak at the 8:30 and 11 Paul's Church at (734) 422-1470. March 4, at St. Matthew's Unita.m. services at St. Paul's on Sunday, March 7. He will also

Sunday and Monday, March 8. Osmer was raised in Greensboro, N.C., and attended the University of North Carolina, where he graduated magna cum laude. He also studied at the Harvard Divinity School and Yale Divinity School.

give two lecture and a workshop

The author of numerous articles and three popular books, Osmer, as chairman of the special general assembly committee. played a central role in authoring the New Presbyterian Cate-

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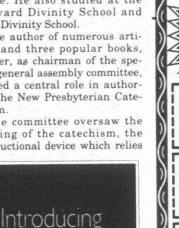
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■ Sacred Heart Church will have a Mom to Mom sale 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 20, at the church, 29125 W. Six Mile, east of Middlebelt, Livonia. Sec ond-hand children's clothes, haby furniture and maternity items will be sold. Admission will be \$1. For information and table rental, call Jennifer at (248) 426-6227.

LENTEN PROGRAMS

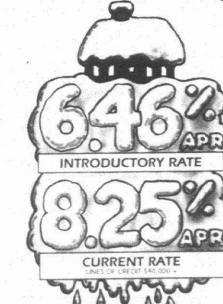
Newburg United Methodist Church will have a Lenten din ner and program Sunday, March 7, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. The potluck dinner (there is a small cost for meat, coffee and milk) will be at 6 p.m., followed by the Youth Choir cantata, "What Wondrous Love," at 7:15 p.m. For more information, call (734) 422-0149.

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church will have a potluck dinner and performance Sunday, March 7, at the church 30900 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Dinner will be at 6 p.m. and participants should bring their place settings and a dish to pass. The performance of "KJB and the Family Tree" by the High Hands Puppet Ministry will be at 7 p.m. Registration is required. For information, or to sign up, call the church office at (734) 422-

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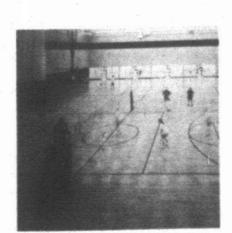
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OBSERVER **SPORTS**

All-WHAC selections

The Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference has made its picks in both men's and women's basketball, and Madonna University is represented in most of the categories.

In men's basketball, freshman guard Mike Massey - who has set a team record for points in a season (569 and counting) - has been selected to the 10-member all-WHAC team. Massey, a Walled Lake Western gradtrate, is averaging 19 points a game for the Crusaders. He also shared conference newcomer-of-the-year honors with Courtney Norman of Aquinas

Chad Putnam, a junior forward for Madonna from Redford Thurston, was named to the all-academic squad. Putnam has a 3.68 grade-point average, majoring in social studies. Also chosen to the all-academic team was Dan McKian, a senior forward at Siena Heights and a Plymouth Salem graduate who has a 3.25 GPA with a

On the WHAC women's team, both Kathy Panganis and Chris Dietrich were all-WHAC team selections. Panganis, a sophomore forward from Allen Park, is averaging 14.9 points and 6.4 rebounds a game; Dietrich, a junior guard from Newport, is averaging 15.8 points and 4.4 boards.

Two Crusaders were named to the all-WHAC academic squad: Katie Cushman, a junior guard from Flushing who has a 3.73 grade-point average with a major in criminal justice, and Jennifer Jacek, a junior forward from Livonia (Divine Child HS), carries a 3.28 GPA with a major in secondary education.

Tough inside

Sarah Warnke continues to shine for Wayne State University's women's basketball team, A junior forward for the Tartars, the Plymouth Canton graduate scored 16 points, snared 17 rebounds — seven of them offensive and blocked two shots in WSU's 84-42 victory over Westminster Sat-

Britta Anderson, a senior forward for WSU and another Canton grad, added seven points and eight boards to the victory. The Tartars are 7-19 overall, 5-14 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Westminster is 3-23 overall, 0-19 in the

Baseball clinic

The Plymouth Salem HS baseball team and coaching staff will sponsor their annual instructional clinics Saturday, March 27 and Saturday, April 3 in the Salem gym. Cost for each session is \$20, which includes a hot dog

The 11-15 year-old session will be 9 a.m.-noon each day; the 7-10 year-old session will be from 1-4 p.m. Lunch will be served from noon-1 p.m. Mail your check (made payable to the Plymouth Salem Dugout Club) to the Plymouth Salem Dugout Club, 10782 Red Maple Drive, Plymouth, 48170.

For more information, call Salem coach Dale Rumberger at (734) 453-

Schoolcraft fundraiser

Here's a way to get all the pizza and salad you can handle and help the Schoolcraft College Athletic Scholarship Fund at the same time.

An all-you-can-eat pizza and salad special is being sponsored on Monday by Buddy's Pizza, located on Plymouth Road west of Farmington Road in Livonia. Cost is \$10, with a portion going to the Schoolcraft Athletic Scholarship Fund.

The special meal-deal lasts all day.

Basketball leagues

Basketball leagues for adult women and adult men are now being formed by the Northville Parks and Recreation Department.

The women's league will play on Thursdays from April 22 through June 10. Cost is \$280 per team, with referees fees extra; non-residents are \$15 more per person.

The men's league will play on Tuesdays, starting April 20 through June 8. Cost is \$280 per team, with referee fees additional. Non-residents are \$15

more per person. Registration for both is March 15-31 at the Northville Parks and Recreation office, 303 W. Main in Northville. Call (248) 349-0203 for further information.

Salem powers past Canton

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.hom

The match was concluded, the players were slowly filtering out of the Plymouth Salem gym, some stopping to talk to their coaches, others talking to teammates, still others conversing with the opposition.

It didn't take too long for the Rocks to dispose of rival Plymouth Canton Monday - the minimum two games, during which Salem never trailed. The 15-4, 15-6 win was the eighth in 10 Western Lakes Activities Association matches for the Rocks, who are 38-9 overall; Canton finished at 4-7 in the WLAA.

And yet, despite the quick decision in this heated rivalry, Salem coach Tom Teeters called the opposing Chiefs "a better team than I thought. They have equal back row defense to ours, but (up front) they just don't have the athletic talent we do.'

Few teams do. After all, Salem has Angie Sillmon, who has already committed to play volleyball at Western Michigan, and Andrea Pruett, who will attend Miami University (Ohio) on a basketball scholarship, on their front row. They also have Amanda Suder, a junior with all-around ability that could land her a college scholarship, too.

Their overwhelming advantage at the net became apparent early. "We established ourselves in the first game, then we could sub more in the second game," explained Teeters.
Sillmon did a lot of that. With Laine

Sterling serving, Sillmon slammed three kills through the Canton defense as Salem ran off five-straight points, increasing their lead to 6-0. The Chiefs got to within three (twice) in the game, but could never overtake

Game two was a bit tighter, at leastfor a while, with Canton tying it at 2-2. But Sillmon again stepped to the forefront, serving five-straight points (including an ace) - two coming on kills by Suder. The Rocks eventually made it 10-2, on an ace by Erica Stein and a kill by Jill Dombrowski, before

the Chiefs could mount a comeback. They narrowed the gap to 11-6, two points coming on serving aces by Elizabeth Elsner, before Salem closed out the game and the match — three of their final four points coming on aces as well (by Liz Gizicki, Wendie Donica and Sterling).

"It's been our problem all year -our block," said Canton coach Cyathia Montgomery. "Everything else is in place. And there's only so much we can do with Sillmon up there."

Indeed, the Salem senior did make life miserable for the Chiefs with eight kills and a .583 kill percentage Sillmon also had two aces and two block assists. Other contributors for the Rocks were Suder, with four kills. and four digs; Stein, with two aces and eight digs; Pruett, with four kills in four attempts (a 1.000 average) and three block assists; and Sterling, with two aces, 17 assists to kills and six



Set-up: Back-court play was good for Canton, as Robin DeVos exhibited, but the Chiefs had trouble at the net_

McKelvey lifts Ocelots to semis

All-around standout: Laine Sterling did a bit of everything for

Salem against Canton, collecting 17 assists to kills, six digs

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and two service aces.

Derek McKelvey took a liking to his first appearance in the Concordia College gymnasium.

The 6-foot-3 sharpshooter nailed seven 3-pointers en route to a gamehigh 27 points to lead Schoolcraft College past Henry Ford, 95-84, in the quarterfinals of the Michigan Commu-

Schoolcraft College's women's bas-

ketball team, which set school records

by slicing through the Michigan Com-

munity College Athletic Association's

Eastern Conference season without a

defeat, a team that had won 20-

straight games, was trailing Oakland

CC 71-65 with 2:14 left in an MCCAA

State Tournament opening-round game

Things did not look good.

MEN'S HOOP

nity College Athletic Association men's lavoffs on Wednesday

SC. now 23-4 overall, meets Western Conference champion Grand Rapids JC, 20-2, in the MCCAA semifinals, 5:15 p.m. Friday at Kalamazoo Valley Community College.

Grand Rapids beat Glen Oaks, 63-55

SC, Madonna win playoff openers

mined. They battled back, overtaking

the Lady Raiders. With 1.4 seconds

remaining, Kim Washnock (from Farm-

ington HS) split her two free throws,

and that was good enough to supply SC

with a come-from-behind 73-72 tri-

WOMEN'S HOOP

McKelvey had plenty of help, too, as four other teammates scored in double figures as the Oceots beat the stingy

Hawks for the third time this season. Point-guard Dave McGlown added 15 points, Dashawn Williams finished with 14, Chris Colley chipped in with 13, and Lamar Bigby added 12 a 42-40 halftime deficit.

Henry Ford, which fell to 18-9 overall, was led by Tim Frye's 22 points.

ing CC-Lake Michigan winner at 5:15

p.m. Friday at Glen Oaks CC in Cen-

Samantha Theisen led the Ocelots,

now winners of a school-record 21-

straight games, with 21 points. Antone'

Watson and Jackie Kocis added 13

apiece, and Washnock scored 10.

treville. OCC falls to 17-11.

Regional-bound:

WRESTLING

5 for the Rocks, 2 for the Chiefs

In one weight group at least, Ply-mouth Salem will be well represented at the state individual wrestling regional Saturday at South Lyon.

The Rocks, it seems, have four talented 112-pounders. At last Sat-urday's individual district tournament at South Lyon, all four managed to wrestle their way to the state regional by finishing in the top four, giving them five qualifiers.

Plymouth Canton will have two representatives at Saturday's individual regional.

"We tried to move them out (of 112), gaining weight and everything, but we couldn't do it real well," said Salem co-coach Ron Krueger. "All four of them are really

Please see WRESTLING, C4

Madonna 76, Siena Heights 67: In an Wednesday at Concordia College. SC, now 25-3, advances to the Please see WOMEN'S HOOP, C4 But the Lady Ocelots proved deter-Switch pays for Hunter

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITORS cjrisak@oe.homecomm.net

Talk about making things right. Certainly Ron Hunter feels just that. When Hunter, a star in both football and basketball at Plymouth Canton HS, graduated in 1996, it seemed apparent his athletic abilities would carry him to the

He selected Michigan State, primarily to play foot-

ball. That proved unwise. "Coming out of high school, I was recruited as a wide receiver," recalled Hunter. "At Michigan State, they put me at safety and, in certain situations, I'd have to move up and play linebacker.

"I didn't want to play there. I wanted to play wide

Hunter quickly got the feeling he was just another number at MSU. His esthusiasm to play football, at least as a Spartan, was fading. "I was just going PROFILE

through the motions there," he said. "The coaches didn't even know my name.

Anyone who knows Hunter and what makes him such a special athlete knows that "going through the motions" is not his style.

"He loved to play every single day," Canton basket-ball coach Dan Young said. "Whether it was the offseason, in gym class or practice, he loved to com-

Since he felt he was not being afforded that opportunity at MSU, Hunter - who had considered walking-on to play basketball for the Spartans - opted to

He chose to transfer to Northwood University, an NCAA Division II school in Midland. That proved

Please see HUNTER, C4



Movin' on up: Ron Hunter averaged 18 points a game as a senior at Canton; now he's a two-sport star at Northwood.

Katie Cushman enjoyed her best offensive production in a month and Madonna Univer-

sity withstood a late Siena Heights charge to

ment last night at Siena Heights. The Saints

Madonna, making 6-of-11 three-pointers

54.5 percent) in the first half while limiting

Siena Heights to 11-of-29 shooting from the

floor (37.9 percent), had a 45-34 halftime

lead - thanks in part to Cushman's three-

pointer at the buzzer. The Saints kept bat-

ling back in the second half, closing to with-

n two on two free throws by Netarsha Napi-

But that, for all intents and purposes

were 16-14 overall, 9-5 in the WHAC.

ence regular-season finale for both teams.

Whalers harpoon OHL rivals



three teams have

pretty much dominated the Ontario single loss can be devastating.

Two weeks ago, they went into a weekend series against London and Oshawa with nine losses in 53 games. By the end of the weekend, however, they had 11 defeats and were in third place in the overall OHL points race.

But it's difficult to stay perfect. Ottawa, which had been atop the OHL points ladder since Christmas, has stumbled a bit; now the 67s are two points behind (having played one less game) Plymouth and Barrie, which

That must sound the Whalers for long. After crushing retty good to the the Toronto St. Michaels Majors 7-0 Plymouth Whalers, Thursday, they stopped Erie 5-1 Satspecially in a season urday in Erie and the London Knights like this, in which 4-2 Sunday at Compuware Arena.

The weekend wins boosted Plymouth's record to 44-11-3; Erie is 25-Hockey League - so much so that a 27-4 through the weekend, and London is 28-28-3.

The win over the Knights was particularly sweet, after they had blasted Plymouth 6-2 in London the previous Friday. David Legwand was the Whalers' catalyst, scoring two goals and assisting on the other two.

The game was tied at 2-2 through two periods, but Eric Gooldy scored 47 seconds into the final period to put Plymouth ahead. Jason Ward got the clincher at 9:54 of the period. Legwand had an unassisted goal in

the first period and scored with assists

second. Ward had two assists in the Batten faced 47 shots in the game,

Robert Holsinger turned away 22 shots to earn the win. Gene Chiarello made 37 saves for the Knights. Rico Fata and Jay Legault each had a goal and an assist for London.

In Saturday's game at Erie, Plymouth rode a 3-0 first period to victory. Jared Newman, Damian Surma and Ward all scored in less than a two-minute span as the Whalers pounded Otters' goalie Corey Batten with 22 shots, while Erie had just

The Otters' Paul Harvey narrowed the gap to 3-1 at 11:09 of the second period, but goals by Plymouth's James Ramsay and Harold Druken finished the period — and the Otters.

Druken and Newman both had a goal and an assist, and Adam Colagia-

from Ward and Gooldy at 17:48 of the como had two assists for the Whalers. making 42 saves; Rob Zepp made 18 saves for Plymouth This weekend, the Whalers have

home games against Kitchener at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and Windsor at 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

Ambassadors win twice

The Compuware Ambassadors remained atop the North American Hockey League with two road wins last weekend, 6-4 over Team USA Sunday and 3-2 over the Grand Rapids BearCats Saturday. The victories improved the Ambassadors' NAHL-leading record to 30-10-5.

J.J. Swistak and Phil Lewandowski scored two goals apiece in Sunday's win over Team USA (10-32-1). Rob Globke had two goals in Compuware's win Saturday over the BearCats (21-

East Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Ottawa 67s	43	11	3	89
Belleville Bulls	34	18	6	74
Peterborough Petes	35	21	1	71
Oshawa Generals	31	23	4	66
Kingston Frontenacs	17	-38	3	37
Central Division	w	L	T	Pts.
Barrie Colts	43	10	5	91
Sudbury Wolves	21	30	7	49
North Bay Centennials	19	33	6	44
Toronto St. M. Majors	17	34	5	39
Miss. Ice Dogs	2	49	3	7
West Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Plymouth Whalers	44	11	3	91
Sarnia Sting	31	21	5	67
SSM Greyhounds	30	22	- 5	65
London Knights	28	28	3	59
Windsor Spitfires	18	33	6	42
Midwest Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Guelph Storm	36	19	2	74
Owen Sound Platers	33	21	5	71
Erie Otters	25	27	4	54
Kitchener Rangers	18	34	5	41
Brampton Battalion	7	49	3	17

Coming through

Rocks edge Glenn; Canton tops Walled Lake

performance in the final routine of the night for Plymouth Salem to beat Westland John Glenn in a Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet Monday at

The Rocks got it, from senior Janine Schmedding - who has earned the title "Clutch" from her teammates after scoring a personal-best 8.85 on balance beam to finish second and assure Salem of a 134.7-134.15 victory.

The win gave Salem a 3-5 record in WLAA dual meets. "We put the pressure on Janine," said Salem coach Melissa Hopson, "and she came

Top all-around scorer for the Rocks was April Aquinto, who was first in the beam (9.0) and neven parallel bars (8.9), tied for third in the floor exercise (8.9) and took fourth in the vault (8.6). Her 35.4 all-around total

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Melissa Drake won the floor (9.35), took third on beam (8.8), tied for fourth on bars (8.6) and tied for fifth on vault (8.4); her all-around total of 35.15 was third in the meet.

Schmedding got a personal best all-around score, too: 34.25, which was sixth. Schmedding's other finishes were all fifths, in the vault (8.4), bars (8.15) and floor (8.65). Salem also got a good performance from Kelsey Ensor, who finished sixth in floor (8.15) and scored 7.75 on beam.
"They did well," said Hopson.

"They took on the pressure when they needed to. You've got to either want it, or you won't get

Monday, and the Chiefs won with far less drama, 134.2-

second in the beam (8.25).

(8.3) and finished tied for fourth tie for fourth on floor (8.4).

Hopson added, "There's still

Plymouth Canton hosted had a pair of fifths, in vault (8.1) Walled Lake at the same time and beam (7.55).

Canton had the top three allaround scores, led by Liz Fitzgerald's 35.05. Fitzgerald won the vault (8.5), bars (9.2) and floor (9.1), and she finished and beam (8.75)

Kristin Schilk took second for the Chiefs in the all-around with a personal-best 33.9. Schilk won the beam (8.7), was second on bars (8.5), took third on vault floor (8.4). Michelle Farnsworth's 32.75 all-around score, also a personal best, featured a third on beam (8.15), a tie for third on bars (8.2) and a

Maggie Bett was fifth in the all-around (32.4) with thirds in floor (8.6) and bars (8.2) and a fourth in beam (7.6). Bobbi Jones

ed its best score of the season. at Canton. Drake took top honors with a personal-best 35.8 in the all-around; she won the floor (9.35) and bars (9.15), and was second in both the vault (8.55

Other top-six scores for the

a tie for fifth in vault (7.85).

Last Thursday, Salem record-

Aquinto's 34.55 all-around was bars (8.25) and vault (8.8).

Rocks came from Mahshid

beating Walled Lake 136.00-96.8

second; she took first in vault (8.8), second in both bars (8.65) and floor (8.85), and finished third in beam (8.25). Schmedding was third in the all-around (34.15) with a first in beam (8.8) and thirds in the floor (8.65),

Pirzadeh, a third in beam (8.25); Ashley Heard, a fifth in floor (8.25); and Ann-Marie Zielinski, The WLAA Championship

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winner, 5:50 p.m.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Feb. 25

(CHSL Playoffs at Schoolcraft

Cabrini vs. Bendectine, 6 p.m.

Brother Rice vs. Notre Dame, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 26

Franklin at Farmington, 7 p.m.

Churchill at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Befleville 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, 8 p.m.

(Western Lakes Playoffs -1st Round)

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

(CHSL Finals at U-D's Calihan Hall)

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East-West final, 2 p.m.

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PREP HOCKEY

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CLASS A

at LIVONIA'S EDGAR ARENA

Thursday, Feb. 25: (A) Livonia Stevenson

Friday, Feb. 26: Livonia Churchill vs. Livo

ia Franklin, 3:30 p.m. Redford Unified vs. A-B

s. (B) Redford Catholic Central, 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3: Chempionship final. 7:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the Trenton egional final Saturday, March 6 at Kennedy rena vs. Trenton district champion.)

at PLYMOUTH'S COMPUWARE ARENA Friday, Feb. 26: (A) Bloomfield Hills Lahser s. (B) West Bloomfield, 5 p.m.; (C) Southfield Unified vs. (D) Birmingham Unified, 7:30

Saturday, Feb. 27: Farmington Unified vs. Birmingham Brother Rice, 11 a.m.; A-B winner

vs. C-D winner, 1:30 p.m. 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 ointe South district champion.)

> ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Saturday, Feb. 27

Ply. Whalers vs. Kitchene at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28

Ply Whalers vs. Windso at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m. GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

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, 9 a.m.

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COLLEGE SPORTS

Additions brighten Madonna's future

STAFF WRITER

RECRUITING

It wasn't going to be easy too, which means Bako can and Al-White knew it when he accepted the job as Madonna iversity softball coach. Jerry nally planned. Joining his cur Abraham resigned his position at the end of September in order to concentrate more fully on his Madonna volleyball

But, as will happen, recruiting broke down a bit with though White did a lot of recruiting as Abraham's assistant coach. But there were holes left in the lineup, including at a particularly key posi-

When White assumed command in early October, he knew the problem confronting him. They had one pitcher on the roster, and that was a freshman - Melissa Bako, of Garden City. Not a good situation, especially since Bako had been recruited mainly as an

"That's a lot of pressure to put on a freshman to begin with," said White. Fortunately, Madonna's for-

tunes changed. Three months ago, we didn't have any pitch-White said. "Now I think ing," White said. "we'll be all right." That's because White did

some first-rate recruiting on a player already in the fold: Janell Leschinger, a senior who was wavering on whether to play or not. An Alpena HS graduate now

living in Plymouth, Leschinger had her student teaching to be concerned with, plus she and Abraham had had a falling out last season, which led to her leaving the team. "She didn't think she could fit it into her schedule," said White of his initial conversations with Leschinger regarding her return to the team. "We talked about it, and she said, 'Maybe

"I told her we would be bringing in a lot of new players next year, and maybe we wouldn't need her as much. She told me she wanted to think about it - she wanted to come back, but she just wasn't sure about her schedule."

Leschinger worked it out, Leschinger worked it out, however, which was a great White is still searching for, is a relief for White. Although not Madonna's top pitcher, she performed ably over the last two years. Leschinger was 4-2 last season with a 2.61 earned a return trip to the NAIA run average in 45 2/3 innings Tournament, a first-rate pitchhits and 15 walks; as a sophomore, she finished 5-3 with a team-best 2.58 ERA in 62 1/3 innings, giving up 67 hits and 18 walks. "She keeps the ball low," said

White. "She's our No. 1 we're counting on her. She's a pitcher with experience." But White has some others,

play center field and get 5-10 starts on the mound, as origirent team are Tanya Liske, another Alpena HS grad who spent the last two years pitching at Alpena CC, and Janelle Schmidt, a freshman from Dunsville, Ont., who was originally recruited by Abraham.

Both should help, and both (together with Bako) should gain valuable experience backing up Leschinger.

Another late addition is

Macomb CC transfer Kelly Zurawski, a Roseville HS graduate who will fill a need at second base. "She's a good, sound ball player with excellent fundamentals," said White. "As an infielder, she knows where to be - and she's a pretty good

What White won't have on this team is depth. He has just 12 players on the roster.

Which explains why he's been busy signing players for the 2000 season. His 1999 compaign starts in two weeks: it would be a whole lot easier if next year's players were available to him now.

"They all have great potential," said White. "And as I said, if they hit they'll play

Three of the six recruits are catchers: Candice Little of Taylor Truman, Karmen Hatcher Dearborn Heights Robichaud and Pam Kowinski of Southgate Aquinas.

White figures one, perhaps two, will get playing time behind the plate for Madonna The others will probably play outfield or first base. One player that has great

potential is third baseman Meghan Quinn, from Hartland. Others signees are Erika Keys, an outfielder from Monroe St Mary's Catholic Central, and Jeanna Turcheck, a pitcher/second baseman from Taylor Truman.

"They all have all-around ball-playing skills," said White. "They've all played summer ball, and most of them have the ability to play other posi-

top-notch pitcher. The prospects he has coming in have potential, but need development. If Madonna is to make That could come later

through the junior college For now, developing the current team and seeing how far

they can go in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference is first and foremost. But the future is certainly

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post an 80-78 victory Saturday at Madonna ended their rally. Madonna got baskets by n the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Confer-Melissa Poma and Chris Dietrich and two free throws from Cushman to go back in The Lady Crusaders took a 16-13 overall front; a triple at the buzzer by Ehrika record and a 5-9 mark in the conference into Kaweck supplied Siena Heights with its final the opening round of the WHAC Tourna-

Crusaders hold off Saints

points for the Crusaders; she also had four assists and three steals. Dietrich added 15 points (11 in the first half) and four assists, and Kathy Panganis contributed 11 points, 12 boards, five assists and two steals The Saints were led by Bevin Malley's 20 points and eight boards. Napier added 14

scored 11 points and Kaweck scored 10. with 10:33 left and eventually going in ront 75-74 on a Leslie Keane basket with

SC 96, Wayne CCC 50: Samantha Theisen poured in 21 first-half points, including three

points and five assists, Jamie Hallenbeck

mance in Saturday's regular-season finale or Schoolcraft College at Wayne County CC. The Lady Ocelots entered the Michigan Community College Athletic Association state tournament as the No. 1 seed from the Eastern Conference, with a 20-game win streak and a perfect 16-0 conference mark (24-3 overall). Wayne CCC is 6-19 overall, 4-

2 in the conference. Cushman finished with a game-high 25 Theisen's point explosion helped SC put his game away early. The Ocelots led 49-28 halftime, then outscored the Wildcats 47-22 in the second half, with Stacy Cavin scoring 12 points, Theisen getting 11 and ntone' Watson 10 over the final 20 minutes.

Joining Theisen in double figures in scorig were watson with 16, Cavin with 14 and m Washnock (from Farmington HS) with 10. Jackie Kocis and Jenni Talbot added

Mike Massey, a freshman

guard who was named to the all-

WHAC team, led Madonna with

22 points; he also had seven

rebounds and two steals. Jason

Skoczylas added 14 points and

10 rebounds, and Mike Maryans-

ki netted 10 points and six.

For Wayne CCC, Nicolia Holston scored 14 points and Joanna Menzie netted 13

Ocelots rip Wayne CCC; Madonna stalls

When Schoolcraft College and Wayne County CC clashed at Schoolcraft Jan. 25, it was noth ing more than good fortune that saved the Ocelots from defeat as they pulled out a come-frombehind two-point triumph.

On Saturday, the two Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference rivals met again, this time at Wayne CCC. But there were no last-second heroics this time; none were needed

SC bolted to a 52-31 lead by nalftime and cruised past the utmanned Wildcats, 97-71. The win allowed the Ocelots to enter last night's MCCAA State Tournament game against Henry Ford CC with a 22-4 overall record, 12-4 in the Eastern Con-

erence. They were the second seeded team from the conference. Wayne did not go to the ournament, and finishes 9-18

MEN'S HOOP

overall, 8-8 in the conference. Accurate shooting was the key factor in SC's victory. The Ocelots converted 34-of-54 floor shots (63 percent), including 10of-18 three-pointers (56 percent) compared to Wayne's 29-of-68 shooting (42.6 percent) and 4-of-14 on threes (28 percent). SC also made 19-of-27 free throws (70.4 percent), compared to

Wayne's 9-of-21 (43 percent). Twelve players scored for the Ocelots, paced by Lamar Bigby's

19 points and Dashawn Williams game at second-seeded Sierra 18 (and eight rebounds). Derek Heights as the No. 7 seed; the McKelvey added 15. Mario Crusaders are 8-22 overall, 4-10 Montgomery contributed six in the conference. The Saints are 25-5 overall, 11-3 in the WHAC.

Wayne was led by Bennie Theriot, with 22 points and 12 rebounds. Donald Tinsley added 14 points and nine boards.

Siena Heights 99, Madonna 63: The final game of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference regular season was a forgettable one for Madonna University On Saturday at Siena Heights,

The Saints were led by senior forward Dan McKian (from Plymouth Salem) with 18 points. the Crusaders fell behind 52-29 five hoards and three blocked by halftime and never did get on shots. Mike Brown and Don any kind of track. The loss Marcero added 13 points apiece, means Madonna enters tonight's and Jeff Gullekson had 12 points 7:30 p.m. WHAC Tournament



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Stone placed fourth, beating

Robert Kast of Adrian 14-6

before losing to Mike Chandler of

South Lyon 14-5 in the semifi-

nals. In the consolations, Stone

defeated Josh Bagalay of West-

Sean Turner in the battle for

Demsick pinned Ryan Rubley

of Adrian in 1:04 in his first

match, then lost to Brighton's

Matt Stone 7-6 in the semifinals

In the consolations, Demsick

defeted Milford's Brian Smith 6-

Clark 4-2 to finish fourth.

, but lost to South Lyon's Brian

"We were hoping to do better

but nonetheless we had a grea

season," said Canton coach John

Chiefs - Kyle Pitt, Greg Muss-

er, John Pocock and Jim Shelton

- were one match win away

four assists; Kristi Fiorenzi

(from Plymouth Canton) added

assists and two steals; and Jen-

The Saints were led by Falke

No regrets? "None at all," he

Not that it's easy, particularly

playing two sports back-to-back.

"It gets challenging sometimes."

combination of classwork and

NCAA II Tournament," he said.

He's done that, in both basket-

freshman year. Who can tell

what lies ahead for both Hunter

team to help us win games.

and the Timberwolves?

answered, without hesitation.

with 23 points and Bevin Malley

I'm glad I switched.

third, 9-3.

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

Wrestling from page C1

"But all four of them quali-

Two of them - John Mervyn and Ron Thompson - actually wrestled at 112. Mervyn finished first, giving Salem its only district champion. He pinned Livonia Churchill's Tom Traub in :35 in his opening match, then Ash beat Kevin Arbuckle of pinned Mike Starinki of Adrian in 3:51 to advance to the semifi-

Kramer of Saline, 18-3, put then lost to Arbuckle in a Krueger. And which of them has Mervyn in the final opposite rematch - this one for third the best chance? Novi's Rvan Churella, Churella, who beat Thompson in the other semifinal 18-3, was no match for Mervyn, who won 10-4.

Before meeting Churella, Thompson beat Milford's Ben Lawrence 14-2, then pinned After losing to Churella, Thomp-

h the final 2:26 to pull away to mark.

Hunter from page C1

The sixth-seeded Lady Cru-

The 6-foot-3 speedster with

freshman eligibility is a star in

two sports with the Timber

to the all-Midwest Intercolle-

giate Football Conference's sec-ond team as a wide receiver after

hauling down 39 passes for 978

yards and 11 touchdowns. He

averaged 25.1 yards per catch,

and his yardage and touchdown

total, as well as his three-touch-

down performance against Sagi-

Sound impressive? Well wait

Hunter is one of the first play-

ers off the bench for Northwood's

basketball team, which is cur-

rently in Battle Creek for the

- there's more.

saders, now 17-13 overall,

the victory Wednesday

ern's Ryan Beech and won on a battle for third, Stump lost to pin in 2:02. That put him against South Lyon's Andy Golden 13-4. Saline's Kramer in a match for third place; Thompson lost, 14- heavyweight Charlie Hamblin,

112-pounders qualified for then lost to Brett Faulkner of ern 4-2 before losing to Milford's regionals as Rob Ash placed Novi 3-2. In the consolations. fourth. After an opening bye. Northville 5-3 before losing to McLoughlin of Adrian 3-2 in the Novi's Dan Jilg 9-2. In the consolation round. Ash defeated A technical fall over Kory Churchills Steve Vasiloff 11-2, qualify them for the show," said place - 4-2.

The fourth 112-pounder, Lucas Stump, wrestled at 125. He who would advance out of the pinned Ann Arbor Pioneer's Tim districts," Krueger replied, "I Innnettoni in 2:29, then lost to would have been totally off. So Demsick, noting that four other Western's Jacob Pattendaude 6- now I don't want to put the kiss 0. In the consolation round, of death on anybody." Northville's Matt Tarrow in 3:36. Stump did well, defeating Milford' sJordan Boudreau 7-4 and Stone at 145 and Rob Demsick at from qualifying.

opening-round Wolverine- Spring Arbor at 1 p.m. Saturday. point play with 2:26 remaining.

Dietrich spearheaded Madonna's

letic Conference Tournament. He

is averaging eight points and

three rebounds per game, which

lar. But remember: Hunter

joined the team just prior to the

first game, and in his words (and

those of his coach, Bob Taylor),

"It took a while to get my legs

Once Hunter got re-adjusted to

playing basketball, things start-

wasn't a team begging for help;

naw Valley State, were school Northwood took a 21-5 overall Northwood. Tabron accepted and

record into the GLIAC Tourna-

to the tournament, Hunter aver-

aged 14.4 points, making 29-of-

46 floor shots (63 percent), and

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sounds decent but not spectacu

Katie Cushman and Chris assists

Women's hoop from page C1

Hoosier Athletic Conference Siena Heights, the third-seeded

Tournament game, Madonna team in the WHAC Tournament,

outscored host Siena Heights 8-2 finishes with a 16-15 overall

advance to play top-seeded late surge. Nursing a three-point

Spring Arbor (27-4 overall) in lead, Dietrich converted a three-

Salem other qualifier was who finished third. Hamblin At 119, another of the true beat Ryan Jones of Brighton 6-3, Hamblin defeted Tony Henry of

> battle for third. "Now we've got to try and

> Western 8-2 and edged Will

"If you would have asked me

Canton's qualifiers were Kevin

Cushman followed with four-

victory. Cushman finished with

with 17 points, 15 rebounds and

floor real well, and he's just a

Taylor and Northwood football

coach Pat Riepma couldn't be

happier to have him, that's cer-

tain. It also makes it easy to pick

an MVP, when it comes to judg-

ing newcomers at Northwood -

Tabron is a friend of Hunter's.

recruited out of high school by

joined the Timberwolves: Hunter

"Coach (Riepma) always said if

I ever changed my mind to call

him, so I did," said Hunter.

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ed to fall into place. And this and he - like Hunter - was

great athlete.

straight free throws to ice the 14 points, six boards, three

Kathy Panganis led Madonna with 14 points and 11 boards.

game," said Taylor. "He sees the play in the Big Ten, I guess, but

rich had eight points and four 6-of-7 shooting).

STATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS DISTRICT NO. 8 Feb. 20 at South Lyon

(top 4 qualify for regional) Heavyweight: Ted Boxersox (Northville) cisioned Brett Faulkner (Novi), 6-1; consotion final: Charlie Hamblin (Plymouth Salem) dec. Will McLoughlin (Adrian), 3-2.

103 pounds: Tim Bragg (White Lake-Lakeand) dec. Dan Duncan (Adrian), 3-2; consolation: Elbert Sauls (South Lyon) dec. Chris Kilbane (Saline), 6-4.

112: John Mervyn (Salem) dec. Ryan Churella (Novi), 10-4; consolation: Kory 2:1. ramer (Saline) dec. Ron Thompson (Salem), 119: Dan Jilg (Novi) dec. Eric Jones (Adri-

an), 3-0; consolation: Kevin Arbuckle ton), 4-2. Northville) dec. Rob Ash (Salem), 4-2. 125: Reggie Torrence (Northville) won by najor dec. over Jacob Pattenaude (Walled Lake Western), 11-0; consolation: Andy Goldn (S. Lyon) won by major dec. over Lucas Stump (Salem), 13-4.

130: Anant Saran (Northville) dec. Leif rero (Adrian) p. Matt Firby (S. Lyon), 2:59. Ison (Brighton), 3-0; consolation; Ryan hamberlain (Lakeland) won by injury default Clisham (Saline), 8-5; consolation: Pat Quiney (Milford) p. Tim Zemaitis (S. Lyon), 4:30. 135: Paul Bordenkirc (Brighton) won b

neer), 12-4; consolation; Rick Stemm (Saline) dec. Tom Stanley (Highland-Milford), 11-5. 140: Kevin Neuendorf (Lakeland) won by (To submit items for considerainjury default over Keith Wood (Brighton); contion in the Observer & Eccentric's solation: Chad Neuman (Northville) won by Outdoor Calendar send informainjury default over Dan Scappaticci tion to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple,

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LaPointe (Churchill), 3-2; consolation: Justin Lambert (Milford) dec. Matt Barrett (Adrian), 160: Colin Krone (Pioneer) dec. Matt

152: Chris Schuyler (Saline) dec. Brandon

major dec. over Matt Quinn (Ann Arbor Pio-

Stone (Brighton), 6-4; consolation: Brian Clark (S. Lyon) dec. Robert Demsick (Can 171: Norm Wroblewski (W.L. Western) won by major dec. over Chris Kirby (Pioneer), 16-2-

consolation: Ryan McCracken (Northville)

dec. Adam Borashko (Novi), 4-1. 189: Ryan Giles (Northville) dec. Bob Everett (Saline), 7-5; consolation: Aron Guer-215: Nick Vanover (Adrian) dec. Chris

With the final WLAA match changes that have resulted in played last night at Farmington two straight wins over the

Canton figures to be in the middle of the 12 seeds, although exactly where was difficult to determine with WLAA matches still scheduled for last night. The Chiefs won't go into the tournament on a low, either; at last Saturday's Livonia Ladywood Invitational, they were second in shot at first: Central, the league ren Mott and splits with two formidable foes, Ladywood and Rocks but lost to Central and Monroe St. Mary's Catholic Cen-

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Volleyball from page C1

12 points and six assists; Diet- nifer Jacek scored 12 points (on Saturday at Northville. Salem Walled Lake Central and Livo-

> "We can't do much now with the lineup," said Teeters. "We'll just try to pump them up a bit and work on our skills in prac-

"We've done well in tourna ments this year - that should be an advantage for us. We've been able to make adjustments if Hunter admitted, referring to things weren't going well that the sometimes overwhelming

> The competition at the conferchamp; Franklin, which beat the Livonia Stevenson; Stevenson, with just three league losses

Since losing to Central in

make them formidable.

Franklin also has three strong (and sizable) front-line players which makes the Patriots diffi cult to block, while Stevenson has front-court standout Stephanie Dulz. Churchill, while lacking the potent attack of the other four contenders, never lacks hustle and serving

"It was not a mistake," said Montgomery. "It showed them they can win, that any team can be beaten.

Harrison, the Rocks can now look to the WLAA Tournament will go in probably as the No. 3 seed, behind league champ

ence tournament will be But his goals are set, and his formidable. Four teams other competitive fire is aflame again. than Salem have a legitimate "Right now, I'm just shooting to be on the first Northwood (basment, 14-5 in the conference. In did, too, but in a roundabout ketball) team ever to make the "I just want to do my part on the and Livonia Churchill, which beat the Spartans during the ball and football, and in his

league play and in a tourna- make Canton dangerous Saturment, the Rocks have made some

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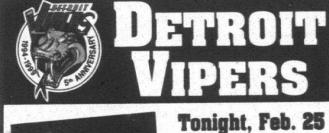
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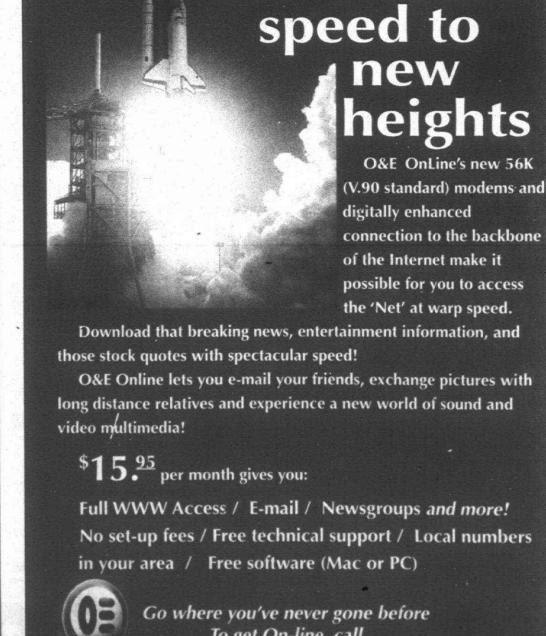
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the fourth quarter.

North secures title share

By Dan O'Meara Staff Writer

North Farmington earned a share of the Western Lakes Activities Association boys basketball championship Tuesday but not without a challenge from crosstown rival

The Raiders had to overcome a late charge by the host Falcons to claim a 45-35 victory in the WLAA round-robin finale for both

North finishes 10-1 and will share the regular-season title with Walled Lake Western. Farmington finishes in ninth place with a 3-

"I'm just really happy for the kids; they've really worked hard," North coach Tom Negoshian said, adding the Raiders also won Lakes Division and city championships. Farmington didn't roll over and die. They played us as tough as they could and did a

Negoshian shares credit with former coach Brian Swinehart, who became athletic director for Farmington Public Schools in September, for helping to shape this year's team, which is 14-3 overall.

"The work ethic has been tremendous, and I think it goes back to the summertime," Negoshian said. "They put in a lot of time with Brian Swinehart. This didn't just hapen in November. Brian did a great job working with them.

Farmington held North's leading scorer, junior center Emir Medunjanin, to seven points, but junior forward Phil Watha made our three-point shots and a pair of deuces

for a game-high 16 Senior guard Albert Deljosevic had one three, was 7-of-8 shooting free throws and scored 12 points. Junior post player Adrian

Bridges added six points. Farmington junior center Justin Milus was responsible for limiting Medunjanin with his post defense, causing the North star to shoot off balance and holding him to one shot most

"You're not going to stop Emir completely," Farmington coach Denny Mikel said. "We wanted to be playing up tight on him, keep a

BASKETBALL

hand in the face and not let him get any putbacks. Justin did a nice job trying to contain

Milus led the Falcons, who are 6-11 overall, with eight points - all of them in the first half. Juniors Chad Seaborn, C.J. Whitfield and Garlin Gilchrist scored seven

Farmington's lead scorer, sophomore guard Matt Mikel, had just two points, which is 11 below his average. Milus is second in scoring with 12 per game.

"I thought my kids played pretty hard," Mikel said. "We didn't have a whole lot to play for. We were playing for some pride, and I thought we gave them a little bit of a

"As good a team as North has, we were just hoping to keep it respectable. We didn't want to get blown out.

"That's a nice (North) ballclub. They have the inside-outside game, and they have good ball handling. Tom has done a nice job with that team."

After a sluggish start by both teams their first-quarter shooting percentages were in the low teens - Watha broke a 7-7 tie with back-to-back triples in the second peri od. His third three gave the Raiders a 19-15

halftime lead. "Of all the kids, fortunately, he was shooting well." Negoshian said, a reference to Watha's ability to turn a game around with his perimeter shooting. "Phil did a great job

"We wanted to play Watha and Albert pretty tough man-to-man," Mikel said. "We didn't want to sag and help, because Emir does a good job of kicking it out and those two can shoot the perimeter shot.

"That meant we guarded Bridges and Emir one-on-one down in the paint, which is kinda dangerous, but we had to give up something. "We did a pretty good job. But then Phil

got away from us a few times, and it was tough for us to recover from that." The Raiders scored the first 10 points of the third quarter and led 32-17 after Deljose

But the Falcons scored the last nine to get within six at the end, 32-26, and Gilchrist came off the bench to spark Farmington in

(state cut: 1:42.99)

Gilchrist scored seven straight points for the Falcons, including a three to cut North's lead to 36-33 with six minutes remaining. "They shut down our big scoring threats, but Garlin stepped up," Mikel said. "He kept us in it for a while, but we couldn't seem to

Seaborn's basket with four minutes left kept it a three-point difference, 38-35, but Farmington didn't score again. The Falcons failed to capitalize on a North turnover and missed shots on their next two

get anybody else on track from the perime

The Raiders, meanwhile, got two free throws from Deljosevic and another three from Watha to build their lead back to eight with a minute to play. Deljosevic added two free throws with nine seconds remaining.

"Give credit where it's due," Negoshian said. "(The Falcons) did a great job on Emír, but we hung in there, did some things and

North was 16-of-51 (31 percent) from the floor and 8-of-10 at the line; Farmington was 15-of-47 (32 percent) and 4-of-7, respectively. The Raiders will play host to Walled Lake

Central in a first-round WLAA playoff game Friday. The Falcons were one game and one place short of qualifying for the tournament. "I've been in this league since it started and I really believe this year's tournament. one through eight, is as tough as it's ever been." Negoshian said. "Anyone can win it."

LUTHERAN NORTH 56, CLARENCEVILLE 45: Poor shooting doomed the Trojans. Clarenceville made just 19 of 53 shots Tuesday while in falling to host Macomb Lutheran North.

Sophomore center Scott Wion scored 14 points to lead the Trojans, and junior forward Rick Burack contributed 10. David Schwark scored 23 points for the Mustangs

while teammate John Blanchard added 12. Lutheran North (9-8) upped its Metro Conference mark to 8-5 while Clarenceville (6-11) dropped to 5-8.

Following is a list of boys Observerland Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 56.59 nest swim times and diving scores, Coaches Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 57.45 can report updates to Dan O'Meara by faxing Mark Wachsberg (N. Farmington) 57.84 nformation to (734) 591-7279 or calling Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 59.10 Mike Malik (Stevenson) 59.25 (734) 953-2141.

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Matt Zald (N. Farmington) 48.17 A champion in the Class A Keith Falk (Stevenson) 48.92 hockey district No. 7 at Livonia's Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 48.97 Eddie Edgar Arena won't be Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 49.66 crowned until next Wednesday, Jim McPartlin (John Glenn) 49.81 but some might push to have the Andrew Locke (Salem) 49.95 ceremony after the final horn Don LeClair (Canton) 50.59 tonight Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 50.94 The district opens at 8:30 p.m. Mark Wachsberg (N. Farmington) 51.04 tonight with a marquee Bill Randall (Churchill) 51.36

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the "unofficial" champion or at least the overwhelming favorite to win the five-team district and advance to the regionals. But it might not be so cut and

BY STEVE KOWALSKI

Redford Unified, 19-3-2 overall and tied with Clarkston at No. 10 in Class A, will play the CC-Stevenson winner at 5:30 p.m. Friday in a district semifinal. Waiting on the other side of the bracket could be red-hot Livonia Churchill, which meets Livonia Franklin in the other district semifinal at 3:30 p.m. Friday.

The Chargers, 13-7-4 overall, ended the regular season on a five-game winning streak and have perhaps the state's top sophomore goaltender, Ryan

That's why nothing's conceded until the real championship at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. As they say, it's one game at a time.

"I think we're as ready as will win.

at Redford Arena.

Those variables make Stevenson and CC rivals of RU, according to St. John. Churchill, meanwhile, could be the wild card the way it's played lately in front of McBroom.

the pipes. That Churchill team is on fire.'

Stevenson coach Mike Harris said Monday he's glad the Spartans drew CC in the opener. because he "wants to see how good we are. They're the number one team and that's what we hope to have: quality competimatchup: the state's No. 1 tion. I know we're going to get that. (But) I think we're better.

The Spartans won the SHSPHL and finished the regular season 19-2-2 overall after Tuesday's 5-3 win over Birmingham Brother Rice.

CC has won two state titles in St. John's five years as coach but the Spartans have three of the top four point getters in the SHSPHL, led by John May with 21 goals and 21 assists in 14 games. Tim Allen (13-17) and Mark Nebus (12-18) have 30 points each.

David Moss (18-15) and Todd Bentley (15-18) lead CC in Metro play with 33 points each. Senior Keith Rowe has 29 (10-19).

against 5, and we're underdogs, over Trenton.

have nothing to lose. "It's going to come down to more. I don't have a top line, I have 20 guys that love the game

and are ready to play."

Each team has used a two sense of urgency than maybe goaltender rotation in recent weeks and hasn't decided on a ing the league schedule," starter as of Monday. The Spartans have used Kevin Marlowe and Chris McComb while the Shamrocks have gone with Andrew McCoy and Ben Dunne the last several weeks after using Dunne almost exclusively

RU coach Pete Mazzoni is happy with a first-round bye but knows Stevenson, which has beaten the Panthers twice already, and CC are huge tests. "I'm happy CC and Stevenson

have to play each other first,"

Dave Sellin and forwards Joel

Mazzoni said. "One will have to knock the other out." RU has a balanced lineup that includes senior defenseman

"This time of year, just drop the puck," Harris added. "It's Churchill is 4-1-3 in nontwo great teams playing, No. 1 league games, including a win

Franklin, 7-14-2, is a heavy underdog, especially with the goaltending and who wants it Chargers playing so well of late. "With the state playoffs on the

> horizon the Churchill team is starting to play with a greater what you've seen us playing dur-Churchill coach Jeff Hatley said. "We're playing our best hockey and they're having fun coming to the rink. We're starting to gel. Everybody is working hard. We use non-league games as a marker. I'm happy with what

I've seen in those games." Mazzoni is also leery of Churchill, which lost twice to

"Churchill has really been improving the last couple weeks, played a tough non-conference schedule and McBroom is an outstanding goaltender," Mazzoni said. "If they win their game (against Franklin) whoever they play (in the finals) I wouldn't be surprised if they won.

District opener could decide state title CC caps regular season by beating Forest Hills

Redford Catholic Central wrapped the its regular-season with a 6-2 win Monday over previously-undefeated Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central at Redford Arena.

The Shamrocks, 22-1-1 overall, outscored Central, 6-1 in the second period after a 1-1 tie brough the first 15 min played the first 2-1/2 periods in Andrew McCoy played the Senior Keith Rowe scored

two goals and Todd Bentley. Pat O'Dea, Brad Holland, David Moss, Joe Hillebrand and Joe Moreau scored one Nathan LeWarne, Ryan Yost,

Holland and Rick Buttery had two assists apiece. Brandon Kaleniecki, Moss, Jim piewak, Moreau, Rowe, Chris Morelli, Dunne and Erik Hawkins contributed one each. On Saturday, the Shamrocks beat Bloomfield Hills Cran-

IPREP HOCKEY

*brook, 2-1, in a non-league game at Redford Arena. CC scored two goals in the second period after a scoreles first period. Dunne gave up one goal in the third. Holland opened the scoring assisted by Bentley and Moss Kaleniecki scored the second

goal, assisted by Yost. Churchill 6, Troy 2: Livoni

Churchill capped the regular season with five straight win ncluding Saturday's triumpl against host Troy Unified. The Chargers enter Friday

Class A district clash with 13-7-4 overall record. Aaron Jakubowski, Adan Krug, Jason Turri, Chris Galatis, Dan Cook and Derek

Martin scored goals for Churchill. Ryan McBroom was in goal for the Chargers.

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we're going to be," said CC coach Gordie St. John, whose team won a Michigan Metro Hockey League championship and is 22-1-1 overall. "Stevenson is a very strong team, talented, and will give us all we can handle. It's got a rivalry to it. It's two schools out of the same area. The team that makes the fewest mistakes

St. John calls the district one of the best in the state. RU finished second behind Stevenson in the Suburban High School Prep Hockey League standings and also shares ice time with CC

"No matter who RU plays (CC or Stevenson) it will be a very intense game," St. John said "And McBroom can win it by himself. You never can discount a guy who is real good between



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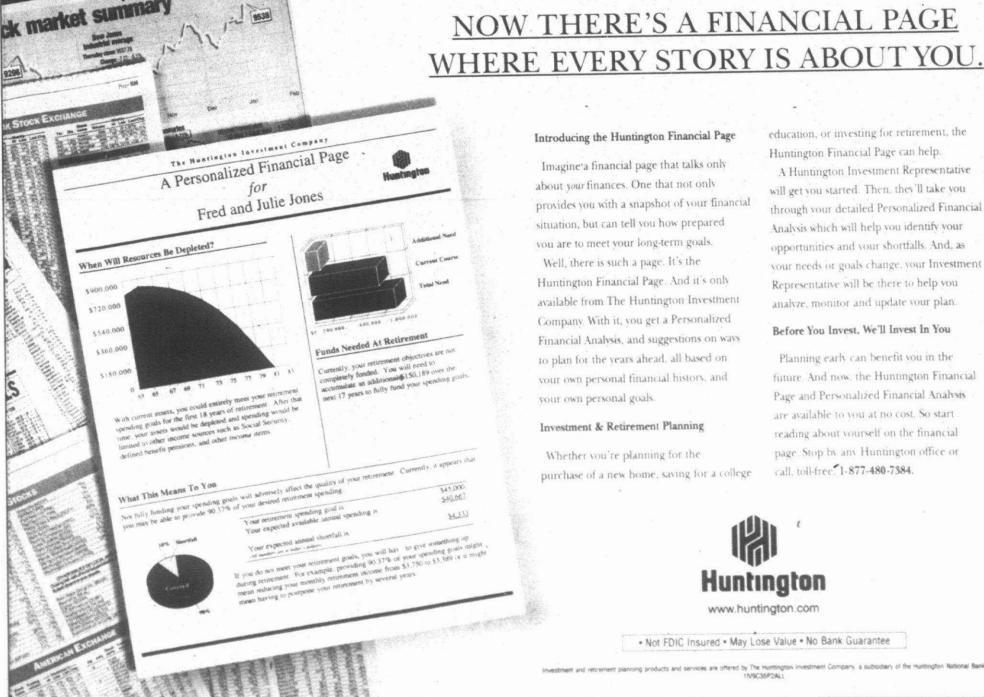
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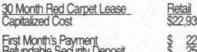
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Entertainment

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THE WEEKEND

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Diane Keaton (left) and Juliette Lewis star in "The Other Sister," opening today at metro Detroit movie theaters.

SATURDAY



Mosaic Youth Theatre presents "heartBEAT" 8 p.m. at the Anderson Theatre in the Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn. Tickets \$10 adults, \$7 students and senior citizens. Call (313) 982-6001.

SUNDAY



combination of humor and vocal impressions 7:30 p.m. at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak. Tickets \$6, call (248) 542-



Cirque Ingenuiex continues through Sunday, Feb. 28 at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Avenue, Detroit. Tickets \$25-\$38.50, eall (248) 645-6666 to charge tickets, or (313) 983-6611 for more information.

Petula Clark enjoys being on

Sunset Boulevard



On Sunset Boulevard: Petula Clark and Lewis Cleale as Norma Desmond and Joe Gillis in a scene from "Sunset Boulevard."

BY KEELY WYGONIK

t's a battle to stay healthy on tour, but Petula Clark is a soldier who hasn't missed a show

"We're having a great time, like everyone we've had the flu, coughs and colds. I had a little bout of it," said Clark who plays Norma Desmond in Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Sunset Boulevard," coming to the Detroit Opera House, March

It was a role she accepted reluctantly when asked by producer Trevor Nunn in London.

"I didn't think I was right for the part," said Clark in a telephone interview from the Cleveland Ritz-Carlton. "I got talked into it by Trevor. 'But of course, you're absolutely right for the part,' he said. The next thing I knew I was rehearsing for the damn thing."

"Sunset Boulevard" is based on Billy Wilder's 1950 film by the same name. It's a love story set in Hollywood and tells the story of a down and out young screenwriter Joe Gillis, played by Lewis Cleale, and his meeting with Norma Desmond, a legendary silent screen star.

"They didn't want me to see the movie, in a way I was rather pleased," said Clark. "They wanted me to do it my way, and I didn't know what my way was. They said I'd bring humor and vulnerability to the part. It helped a bit, just

"Sunset Boulevard"

p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday; and 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

WHERE: Detroit Opera House TICKETS: \$32.50-\$65, available

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doing it by instinct my way."

Her first performance as Norma Desmond was in September 1995. She staved with the London production until it closed on April 5,

"I disliked her intensely when I started playing her," said Clark about Norma Desmond. "When I got used to being her, I began to understand her, then I began to love her. When the show ended in London, I missed this friend I made.

Clark will be touring with the cast of "Sunset Boulevard," as part of a 47-city tour in the U.S. until December. "I'm from England you know, and I enjoy traveling around the States," she said.

A show biz veteran who started her career at the age of 10 when she appeared on the BBC and did shows for the troops during World War II at Army camps, Clark is a trooper. She admits that Webber's musicals can be challenging both as an actress and a singer. In

"Sunset Boulevard," the focus of the production is on Norma Desmond.

You just have to take care of yourself," she said. "It's a great role to play. It's a journey you have to take every night. As soon as I have my make-up on and hear the music, I'm ready for that long, difficult journey. I'm prepared for it."

She's enjoying playing opposite Lewis Cleale. "He's an amazing actor, and an amazingly clever singer," she said.

She compared working with Cleale to playing tennis with a good tennis player. "It keeps you on your toes," she said. "It helps you perform better."

Long before we started humming the words to "Downtown," the song that made her a household name, Clark was already an established actress and singer.

She made her first film at age 12, 'A Medal for the General," and appeared in more than two dozen films in the late 1940s and early

Her first big hit was "With All My Heart," in the 1950s. In the late 1960s she appeared in Francis Ford Coppola's screen version of "Finians Rainbow," opposite the late Fred Astaire, and starred with Peter O'Toole in "Goodbye Mr.

Stage credits include "The Sound of Music," "Candida" and "Blood Brothers." She composed the music and starred in "Someone

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STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGE

Looking for Aretha: Keith Richards met members of the media with a rousing "Yeah" after descending from a Northwest Airlines jet on Saturday at Oakland County International Airport. Singer Aretha Franklin was the first person for whom he asked.

'Stones' roll into Detroit

By CHRISTINA FUOCO STAFF WRITER cfuoco@oe.homecomm.net

As the Rolling Stones' luxury Northwest Airlines jet landed at Oakland County International Airport, guitarist Keith Richards had one request for Detroit-area media.

"Is Aretha (Franklin) here? I want some home cookin," he said after greeting the media with a rousing Yeah! Detroit, it's good to be back

Richards' flamboyant exit - with voodoo walking stick in hand and fishing lure-like

'Yeah! Detroit, it's good to be back here.'

- Keith Richards

was a way to divert attention from singer Mick Jagger who walked immediately

accessories dan-

gling from his

hair - from the

airplane at 7:20

p.m. Saturday

to a nearby limo. The band was in town to play The Palace of Auburn Hills on Monday. Richards and guitarist Ron Wood said they're happy to return to the "club"

"God's not in the band anymore. You don't have to worry about the weather. You don't have to worry about the

elements," Richards said of the nights spent playing outdoor stadiums 'It's great getting nearer to the fans and especially because of the smaller stage," Wood added as drummer Charlie Watts snuck up behind him grinning like a Cheshire cat. When asked if he misses having the freedom to roam around a large stage, Wood

explained, "It keeps us under control. The Stones didn't have any big plans for the two days leading up to its concert. Wood, mimicking a boxer, said he was happy just sitting in his hotel room and watching the Felix Trinidad and Pernell Whitaker fight

COMMUNITY THEATER

Actresses recall experiences for riveting drama

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER Ichomin@oe.homecomm.net

Tom Ziegler's play about two women struggling to unravel their own truths about life and death really hit home for Elizabeth Bradford. Tears glistening in her eyes, Bradford talked about the role she plays in "Grace & Glorie," the upcoming Trinity House Theatre production. Two weeks after rehearsals began, Bradford's mother was diagnosed with breast cancer.

Bradford plays Glorie, a 30-something woman who's left a career as a high-powered New York executive to become a hospice volunteer. She befriends Grace, a woman dying of cancer in the backwoods of Virginia.

"It's both hard and cathartic, as Glo-

"Grace & Glorie"

WHEN: Friday, March 5 through Sunday. March 28 with a special preview Wednes day, March 3. Curtain times 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sundas. WHERE: Trinity House Theatre, 38840

W. Six Mile, (west of I-275), Livonia. TICKETS: \$10, \$8 for groups of 10 or more. Call (734) 464-6302.

rie deals with Grace dying and the death of her own son, to see how someone else deals with it," said Bradford of Plymouth. "Grace ends up showing her there are joys in life, and loss is a part

Trudy Mason got a bonus when she double cast the roles of Glorie and

Grace because she didn't want to risk losing one of the play's two characters to a snow storm or sickness - four actresses with life experiences similar to the characters they're playing. Each bring their own interpretations to the

"It's a universal theme," said Mason. "We all have to deal with life and death. The characters are from different places and different lives. Glorie has a lot to learn from the older lady. Yet there's this thread they discover, they're all human."

Mason's 35 years in theater readied her to direct this play. From acting in "The Merry Wives of Windsor" at Meadow Brook Theatre to singing gospel in a

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Grace & Glorie: Elizabeth Lee (left) and Laura Gumina play two women from vastly different backgrounds who are struggling with life and death mat-

Music masters help out a friend

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The guest list is impressive guitar masters Chet Atkins, Earl Klugh and Larry Carlton, bluegrass sensation Alison Krauss, jazz saxman Kirk Whalum, trumpeter Marcus Belgrave and

vibes legend Gary Burton. Now Darryl Dybka just needs to find the right distributor for his "Curiosity Dance" CD. Darryl Dybka?

The composer-pianist may not be well known to the general public but his long years a sideman have earned the Redford native the respect of his fellow

A 1971 graduate of Redford Thurston High School, Dybka's for me to hear you play your guisoft jazz stylings belie his begin- tar so beautifully on your componings as a touring musician with Frank Zappa.

"It was a real short tour, but I learned a lot," the quiet-spoken term association. musician said. "It was exciting to

His next gig was closer in spirit to his musical tastes when he liked one and said I could use a joined Detroit jazz guitarist Earl guy like you in my band if you

honed her skills behind as well

as in front of the footlights. As a

director, she's managed to draw

thunderous applause for Jackson

Jugger's Rain" and "The Boys

Next Door." She expects "Grace

& Glorie" to do the same because

it deals with the topical issues of

"This play is well-written and

eautifully crafted," said Mason.

The dialogue weaves in and out.

This Appalachian lady is sur-

rounded by quilts in her cabin

and the play is like that patch-

work. It's a very truthful play

and it's very hopeful. It appears

Grace has nothing left. At the

are more than our apparent or life."

life support and right to die.

Productions' "The Fantasticks"

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CBS commercial, Mason has 'seeming wealth."

and Trinity House Theatre's acter like Grace, the 90-year-old

end, that's not the case. Our lives tance that Grace has with her

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performance at Carnegie Hall. "He came to hear me play at a club in Rochester and he told me to call him back in a couple weeks, so I did," Dybka said.

On the album notes, Dybka thanks Klugh for "all the fun times out on tour and in the studio. ... What a great pleasure it is sitions.

It was Klugh who helped Dybka move to his next long-

"Earl knew I wanted to write go into a sports arena and every- music," Dybka said. "Chet Atkins one screaming. I wasn't used to was looking for someone who wrote tunes. Chet heard some of my songs and said he really Klugh for six years, including a ever moved to Nashville.' So I

Preparing to die

Although Dorothy Dunne

enjoys doing light comedy, she

looks forward to playing a char-

woman is forced to sell her fami-

ly orchard to developers. Grace is

preparing to die. Dunne watched

her own mother go through the

"It is a part which connects me

to my mother who died in 1981."

said Dunne of Livonia. "She was

very strong-willed. Nothing-held

her back. She raised seven chil-

dren and at the end went

through a radical mastectomy.

can feel Grace's pain. My chal-

lenge is the serenity and accep-

Dybka toured with Atkins from 1992 to 1994 and co-pro- tle scatting, not jazz scatting but duced three of his records. In non-verbal singing to get across 1992 he won a Grammy certifi- an emotion," Dybka said. "I was cate for co-producing the Chet thrilled about her, she sings Atkins-Jerry Reed "Sneakin'

"The reason he wanted to use me as a composer was to give him a jazzier sound, he was looking to get into new music," Ovbka said. Atkins recorded several of

Dybka's compositions and cowrote several songs with him. Dybka obviously admires his mentors, Klugh and Atkins. "I think they're similar, not in

appreciation of the guitar and have strong love for their instru-

Dybka's own musical tastes are rooted in modern jazz. Miles Davis, I like Weather

Report," he said. Dybka said working with Gary Burton, who has recently reteamed with Chick Corea for several sold-out concerts, was as

if he were visiting the Beatles. Allison Krauss joined on career being a record guy," he through her brother Viktor, who

the exact opposite of Grace — an

unsophisticated, uneducated

shoot-from-the-hip woman with

a fighting spirit - the hardest

part of playing her was learning

how to knit. Gumina used her

more than 25 years of theatrical

experience to create the pain in

"You're given the words by the

playwright, but the actor has to

take those words and breathe

life into them," said Gumina, a

Redford resident who's taught

theater at Southfield Public

Schools, Cranbrook Middle

School and the Roeper Schools in

Bloomfield Hills, and Trinity

House's summer youth drama

program. "My parents have died.

I've suffered a lot of loss, so I felt

experienced. Everything Grace

stood for is in rubble so she has

to ask herself what was her life

Elizabeth Lee draws on the

grandmother was dying of pan-

creatic cancer. Lee plays the

"It's getting in touch with

tions that socially we repress. It

really makes me reflect on living

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have to let yourself revive emo- those."

Grace's voice and eyes.

He said beauty was a major focus of his music. "I enjoy more complex harmonies than just simple music,"

Dybka's music is multi-layered but soft, almost delicate. His work with Atkins on "Jimmy' shows some of the guitarist's country influence.

When asked for his favorite cuts, Dybka chooses his solo what they play but in their work on "Amber Sunshine" and the complex "Five Balloons" with music in general," he said. "They Larry Carlton and flute and sax playing by Denis Solee. The music is reminiscent of

CDs produced by the Windham Hill and Concord labels and "I love and listen to a lot of Dybka said those are two compa-Herbie Hancock, Keith Jarrett, nies he will be approaching, but he is more interested in his composing and performing.

He's working on another CD even as he tries to peddle "Curiosity Dance."

"I'm having to depend on other people, I don't want to spend a

relationships I have."

Technical challenges

"Grace & Glorie" did have its'

challenges though for set design-

er Gary Grace of Plymouth.

Technically, the play tested the

Hammell of Sound Ideas because

"It's beautifully written," Joe

House's "Sister Camille's Kalei

doscopic Cabaret" in November

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Even though Laura Gumina is life right now, cherishing the

emotions she felt when her tor, loves the play despite its

younger woman watching Grace Garreffa, who acted in Trinity

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"Sound was a big challenge because it's the third character,' said Mason. "The dynamite explosions and falling trees occur constantly and interrupt Grace's conversations with Glorie." Joe Garreffa, a graduate of the Detroit High School for the Performing Arts and assistant direc-

Like You," an original stage Maybe we are doing something

She's working on a one woman show with a team from Cirque Soleil. "It's a concert with attitudes and special effects," she said. "It's very special. There will be visual and sound effects." derful," she said. Hesitating a Still, it's hard to picture Clark

few seconds, she says, "I'd like to as anywhere but "Downtown,

of just raising money. I'd like to "I knew it was a good song," do something worthwhile. Some- she said. "But people are the times you think show business is ones who tell you what's a hit. not worthwhile, but then you'll It's like a recipe. You can have all get a letter from someone who the right ingredients, but there's

and Dean Martell of Livonia star in the Grosse Pointe Theatre (313) 531-0431 for ticket inforproduction of "The Rainmaker" by N. Richard Nash. Opening 8 p.m. Thursday, March 11 in the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Farms, the show continues 8 Seven women depict the true sto-Sunday, through Saturday, abilities of Grace to produce a pump with running water, a

of it along with Grace's bed onto recent film by the same title, the tiny Trinity House stage. Sound and special effects were a challenge for Mason and Mark Katherine Hepburn and Burt Grace's cabin is in the midst of a

It is the story of Lizzie, the only woman in her family, who believes she is plain and will become an old maid. In this and Linda Hammell of Lathrup romance, set against the backdrop of the drought-ridden Oak, Brigid Michael of Walled Southwest, the charismatic rain- Lake, and Tom Krell of Royal maker Starbuck helps Lizzie to Oak. Jay Kaplan of Lathrup Vilrealize that she has a beauty all

On Stage: Zachary Boose (left) of Royal Oak stars as File, Amanda Poland as Lizzie and Dean Martell of Livonia as Starbuck in "The Rainmaker."

Local thespians light up the stage

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Zachary Boose of Royal Oak March 27. Tickets are \$13, call

Sarah Hope Hedeen of Livonia is directing "Quilters" by Barbara Damashek and Molly Newman to be presented March 12-14, March 19-21 and March 26-27 at the North Rosedale Park

Community House, 18445 Scars-

Road, south of McNichols). Call Hedeen performed "Quilters" five six years ago at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia. A musical, "Quilters" celebrates life in pio

Stagecrafters is presenting the comedy "Light Up the Sky," by Moss Hart. March 12-28 at the historic Baldwin Theatre in downtown Royal Oak. Tickets "The Rainmaker" is the classic are \$10-\$12,c all (248) 541-6430. American play which also A special dinner package is became the 1956 film, starring available from Illusions Bar & Grill in downtown Royal Oak,

> call (248) 586-1313. The production features Ros mary Gass of Southfield, Maureen Cook of Beverly Hills, Mark Village, Tania Velinsky of Royal

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going through that loss," said "The interconnection of the char-Lee, a Hazel Park resident who acters. It's a study of life and musical set in the aftermath of the American Civil War. She also it that way at the time." grew up in Birmingham. "You death and acceptance of both of co-wrote the book with Fay Wel-

> Show business is the only business she knows, and if she had the opportunity to do anything else it "would be something wonwork with refugees. I've been out where all the lights are bright... with the U.N. and would like to go out there in the field instead hit? says they probably wouldn't be something that makes it work." alive if it wasn't for your music.

worthwhile, but we don't think of

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Upcoming Event: "A Gift of Glory" March 10 - April 4

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'The Sound of Music' will stir souls



Thriller: David Ellenstein and Denise Michelle Young in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of "Scotland

'Scotland Road' sinks with its cleverness

"Scotland Road," Tuesday-Saturday, through Sunday, March 7. Meadow Brook Theatre, Wilson Hall, Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills; (248) 377-3300.

BY FRANK PROVENZANO

From now on, any future discussions about the Titanic as a source of inspiration for a book, movie or play should be referred to "Scotland Road."

If ever a tale put to rest the notion that the sinking of the unsinkable ocean liner was a timeless story, "Scotland Road" is In the end, the play sinks from

an all-too-clever premise and the bloated promise of suspense. "Scotland Road," by the way, is a

Despite some fine moments of acting, the cast and Meadow Brook director Geoffrey Sherman do not pull off the difficult task of delving into the popular mythology of the Titanic.

Instead, audiences are presented with a neat plot idea that author Jeffrey Hatcher stretched into a one-act play, set in the pre-

Road" is torn from the tabloids. A woman, who is found floating in the Atlantic, claims to be a survivor of the Titanic. Discard reason and the obvious absurdity. At least that's the course of the supposed grandson of a victim of the Titanic, the tycoon John Jacob

In a sterile gas station turned private sanitarium along the dissected by the mass media. coast of Maine, Astor has condiscover whether she is telling insight as a mere afterthought. the truth. A grueling interrogation conducted by Astor and an iceberg ahead

accommodating psychologist is intended to reveal the woman's true identity and motivation. Along the way, Astor is slowly convinced that maybe the woman is who she says she is. The twist is that Astor isn't who

The success of this kind of dramatic sleight-of-hand, however, depends on whether audiences can empathize with the play's

he says he is.

But initially, the play fails to draw any deep emotional connection to the audience. The story is told through vignettes, flashes of the interrogation and audio nterludes of rushing water as the emotionally cool woman sits in an authentic early century deck chair. Fortunately, Astor played by

reference to the hallway passage David Ellenstein begins to thaw taken by third-class passengers as he reveals his need to discover to the top deck on the doomed how his supposed great-grandfather died

> becomes more vulnerable, and the audience learns of his character's bizarre obsession with the Titanic tale. Ironically, the woman who was discovered on an iceberg, played

thaws and offers the most chilling and convincing accounts of The premise of "Scotland the last moments afloat the Titanic. It's a tale of heroism, cowardice and injustice.

> tiable appetite. The strongest moments in Scotland Road" are the insightful examinations of how the Titanic story has been clinically

But ultimately, the play's "Scotland Road" never sees the When you visual- and Diego Rivera, one of the takes you on location to the is a rare combination," he says.

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Nonnberg Abbey to the ending

crescendo of "Climb Ev'ry Moun-

tain," the music in the Plymouth

Theatre Guild's production of

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your soul and warm your heart.

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"The Sound of Music" too many

times, the strong cast and Lisa

Andres' clever and skillful direc-

tion, infuse the delightful show

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Set in Austria in 1938, "The

Sound of Music" is the story of

its season's must see production.

by Denise Michelle Young, slowly

A Gift of Glory: Edsel Ford and the Diego Rivera Murals at the Detroit Institute of Arts, a drama from the theatre's playwright-in-residence Karim Alrawi, is based on the true life fined the lost woman in order to unsatisfying climax renders any relationship between Edsel Ford son of auto baron Henry Ford,

telegram delivery boy, delivered Jenni Clark of Royal Oak as a touch of innocence and magic. Maria, sang beautifully and was From Liesel's laughing entrance full of vibrant energy. Both the while perched on the handlebars atre on the grounds of the impetuosity and warmth she of Rolf's bike, to the shy, yet flirinvested in Maria, as well as her tatious chemistry of the romanti-(south of Seven Mile Road, west chemistry with the youngsters in cally choreographed and inneof I-275) in Northville. Call (248) the cast, created a heartwarming cently sung, "Sixteen Going on Seventeen," there is young love

> Nathan Kaufman as Captain for the balance of "I Have Confidence," caused her to miss a von Trapp sang well, and captured the Captain's military reserve without sacrificing his The von Trapp children are a warm affection for his children, talented troupe from their imp- and Maria. His voice, however, ish antics in "The Lonely faded out at times, and some of his lines were lost to the house. Goatherd" to the hauntingly Tani Mough as Baroness beautiful tones of the title song. Schrader, captured the upper-Each child developed their dis-

in the air.

tinct personality traits, from class mannerisms and vocal Caitlin Donovan's inquisitive inflections of her character. She's Brigitta to Brooke Andres' blos- also vocally talented. Mough soming Liesel. Donovan is a resi- lacked, however, the elegant visdent of Farmington Hills, and age and couture one associates with a wealthy and sophisticated The other cast members baroness of the 1930s, with her include Jeff Ott as Friedrich, evening gown being the single Emily Tar as Louisa, Paul exception.

Joe Donovan appeared as the

Plymouth Theatre Guild pre- She uses music to unlock their Brooke's scenes with Jeremy the Mother Abbess thrilled the sents Rodgers and Hammer- hearts and changes all of their Hargis as Rolf, the enamored house with her soaring rendition of "Climb Ev'ry Mountain." Corinne Fine made the most of the comic relief she provided as Frau Schmidt.

The set, an engineering marvel of versatility, was dominated by the majestic backdrop of the Austrian Alps. Scene changes were swift and seamless with the startlingly effective use of a huge, rapidly unfurled Nazi banner as the scene segued from the Villa von Trapp to the stage of the Salzburg Festival.

The von Trapp family costumes, especially those of the children, were exquisite, reach ing the epitome of elegance during the wedding scene, during which Maria carried lilies. The tuxedo clad men among the party guests though were illmatched by some of the Polyester-garbed ladies whose evening gowns seemed an afterthought.

Ursula, a von Trapp servant, would not have been so poorly sent to be a governess for Cap- Kurt, Sarah Wiercioch as Marta, clever and scheming Max dressed while serving elegant

Rivera mural is proud symbol of Detroit



Ellenstein hits the mark as he I-94 used as a snapshot when Ford Motor Co. built its legacy of

If asked to choose a single In an edition which premieres on Channel 56 at 7:30 p.m., Sunge that captures the story of day, February 28, Backstage Pass and moving way, I'd pick Diego Rivera's "Detroit Industry" murals at the Detroit Institute of Arts. That's why I'm eagerly FILM THEATRE

awaiting the world premiere of a new Meadow Brook Theatre production running March 10 through April 4, and a special Of course, it's a story of which March 21 benefit performance in audiences have shown an insasupport of Detroit Public Televi sion's Backstage Pass series.

ize the Detroit greatest muralists of the twentiarea, what icons eth century.

sance Center? to create the murals for the walls production. The Motown of the prestigious art museum Museum? The over the objections of his father. Spirit of Detroit Given the turbulence of the sculpture? Great Depression and the union Maybe you pic- movement of the 1930s, the ture something murals depicted autoworkers that's either struggling for dignity in an dead or dving - industrial environment. Imagine like The Hud- the lively discussions they trig-

I've seen such monuments as the around the Ford family dinner Joe Louis fist and forearm sculp- table. Ultimately, Edsel's gift is ture or (yikes) the big tire along a shining example of how the our city is in the national spot- outstanding contributions to the

the Detroit area in a beautiful

Detroit Institute of Arts to cele-

I hope you'll join me, Karim midnight. Alrawi, and the cast of A Gift of Glory for the benefit performance at Oakland University's Wilson Hall on March 21. Ticket information is available

by calling 248-377-3300. Still smitten by the Valentine's

Day performance by Maxim Vengerov in Ann Arbor is Madonna University's Dave Backstage Pass classical music

"Vengerov not only has great technique, but also the musician-ship to go with it and a wonderful, charming personality, which

The local visit by the 24-year brate Rivera's achievement, and old Siberian violinist was a highcome to mind? It was Edsel who commis- visits Meadow Brook Theatre for light of this year's classical offer The Renais- sioned the controversial Rivera a behind-the-scenes look at the ings, as you'll discover by seeing him perform in a Backstage Pass rebroadcast Friday, Feb. 26, at

> Speaking of highlights, how about the exciting announcement that The Three Tenors will perform at the soon to be obsolete Tiger Stadium this summer's Staging such a high-profile event surely will boost the area's reputation as a center for the performing arts. It's also another Wagner, who also serves as reminder that such things as a sports stadium, a record company, a retail store, and a hometown brewery can go the way of the Edsel motor car, but the arts,

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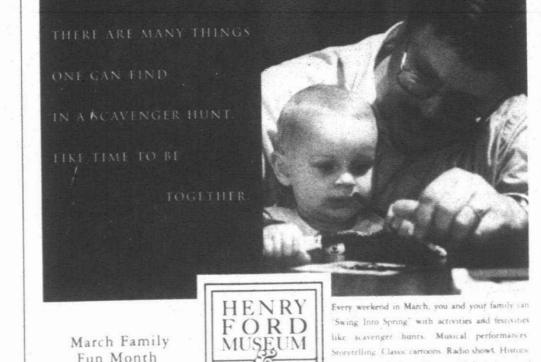
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"Camp Logan," Celeste Bedford Walker's play about the Houston riot and court martials of 1917, through Sunday, March 21, 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit, \$15. (313) 868-1347 FOX THEATRE

"Cats," 8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, March 2-4, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday Saturday, March 5-6, and 1 p.m. Sunday, March 7, at the theater, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at cketmaster. All ages. (248) 433-1515 JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

Never the Sinner." John Logan's dramatization of the Leopold and Loeb story of the 1924 thrill killing of 14year-old Bobby Franks, through March 7. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, ower level of the the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road at Drake, West Bloomfield. Community forums follow Thursday evening and Sunday matinee perfornances. Featured speakers include Mort Crim, George Canton, and lementine Barfield of So Sad. Call for details, \$13-\$23, discounts for seniors/students. (248) 788-2900 MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

Scotland Road," Jeffrey Hatcher's hriller about a woman found floating in the Atlantic in 1998 claiming to be a Titanic survivor, through March 7, at the theater on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester. (248) 377-

PLANET ANT THEATRE "Garage," a hilarious musical comedy written by and starring Detroit Second City mainstage alumni Joshua Funk and Nancy Hayden, chronicles three decades in the life of an ill-fated band formed in the 1970s in a Hamtramck garage, continues through February, 8 p.m. and midnight Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturday, and 7 p.m. Sundays at the theater, 2357 Caniff lamtramck. \$10. (313) 365-4948 or http://www.planetant.com

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WSU BONSTELLE "Our Country's Good," a hilarious and arrowing play illustrating how theater has the potential to change people's lives when a colony of convicts attempt to do comedy, opens March 5 and runs through March 14, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at 3424 Woodward, Detroit. \$8-10. (313) 577-

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THEATER **AVON PLAYERS**

The Children's Hour," Lillian Hellman's adult drama, March 5-7, 12-14 and 18-20, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2 o.m. Sundays, at the theater, 1185 Tienken Road, east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, \$13. (248) 608-9077 COMIC OPERA GUILD

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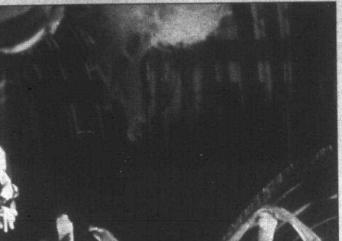
The Fantasticks" by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday Feb. 26-27, in the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills.

HARTLAND PLAYERS Faithful," the adult comic/thriller by Chazz Palminteri, Feb. 26-27 and March 67, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at the Hartland Music Hall, 3619 Avon, Hartland, \$8, \$7

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The Sound of Music," 8 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Feb. 26-28, and Friday-Saturday, March 5-6, and 6 p.m. Sunday Feb. 28, Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric tospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road,



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AUDITIONS

28 and 7 p.m. Monday, March 1, at the

JAZZHEAD Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 ncludes valet parking. (313) 833-1805

Hartland Music Hall, 3619 Avon. Hartland. Script available at Cromaine District Library. (810) 220-3521 HNERY FORD

MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE Auditions for 16 women, including 6 African-American women, and 21 men, including 4 African-Americans, for three different shows, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, March7 and 4-7 p.m. Monday, March 8, at the Anderson Center Theater, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, inside Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn. To schedule an

Auditions for modern and jazz dancers age 18 and up, 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, at the Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers, between Curtis and McNichols, Detroit. (313) 862-0966/(313) 342-1000

Auditions for Frederic Knott's "Wait Intil Dark" 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, March 8-9, readings will be done from the script, at the Water Tower Theatre 41001 W. Seven Mile, between Haggerty and Northville roads. For per formances May 7-9, 13-16. (248) 669 0436/(734) 525-1206/(248) 349-7110 or visit

waived with dinner order. (248) 474-M.A.S. (MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY)

8 p.m. Wednesday Saturday, March 3-6 Duet, 3663 Woodward Ave., at Mack/Martin Luther King Boulevard, Detroit Reservations recommended (313) 831-3838 SHAHIDA NURULLAH TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass) CECIL PAYNE Baritone sax player performs with

STRAIGHT AHEAD TRIO

iano/bass/drums

(248) 594-7300

BLACKTHORN

KODO

LUCIANO

203-0005

JIM PERKINS

9 p.m. Wednesdays in March

THE RENO BROTHERS

MICHAEL SMITH

ages. (734) 761-1800 or

http://www.a2ark.org

SONIA DADA

(734) 761-1451

WORLD MUSIC

Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350

8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, Power Center

St. Ann Arbor, \$26, \$30, \$32 and \$36

With Mikey General and Dean Fraser,

all backed by The Firehouse Crew, 9

4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15 in

8-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, Borders

Books and Music, 34300 Woodward

Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (248)

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water

St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older.

With The Special Consensus, 8 p.m.

Friday, March 5, The Ark. 316 S. Main

St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (734)

7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. The Ark.

316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$12.50. All

8 p.m. Thursday, March 4, The Ark, 316

S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$15. All ages.

POETRY

SPOKEN WORD

734) 650-5060 (acoustic folk)

advance. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700

nm Friday Feb. 26. The Majestic

tp://www.ums.org (Japanese drum)

for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher

All ages. (734) 764-2538 or

SUPER STEEL BAND

Southfield Road, \$8, (248) 424-9041

3 p.m. Sunday, March 7, at the

BUDSON

Continued from previous page PAUL KELLER/CARY KOCHER

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 26-27

Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., An

Paradise 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor

SHEILA LANDIS AND RICK MATLE

\$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

7-10 p.m. Wednesdays in March,

Woodruff's, 212 W. Sixth St., Royal

Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 586-1519

With Groop Dogdrill and 50 Tons of

Black Terror, 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26,

Magic Stick in the Majestic complex

4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8. 18

HAROLD MCKINNEY AND WENDELL

Tom's Oyster Bar, 29106 Franklin Road,

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 26-27, at

With Larry Nozero (sax) and Johnny

Trudell (trumpet) Thursday, Feb. 25, at

the Botsford Inn, Farmington, \$5 cover

Southfield. (248) 356-8881.

MATT MICHAELS

and older. (313) 833-9700 (avant

Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-

9 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, Bird of

QUARTET

KUZ

LARVAL

HARRISON

Marcus Belgrave, trumpet, Marcus Belgrave Jr., bass, George Davidson drums, and Gary Schunk, piano, 9 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 26-27 (\$20); The forementioned band along with Beans Bowles, Richard Lazon, Larry Nozero and Ben Pruitt also Sax Summit, 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. EL DORADO COUNTRY CLUB Sunday, Feb. 28 (\$20), both at SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward

Detroit. (313) 832-3010 CHARLES SCALES DUO THE GAYLORDS 8 p.m. Mondays in March, Duet, 3663 Woodward Ave., at Mack/Martin Luther King Boulevard, Detroit, Reservations River Ave., at Farmington Road, ended (313) 831-3838 Farmington. \$20. (248) 473-7777

GWEN AND CHARLES SCALES JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB 8 p.m. Tuesdays in March, Duet, 3663 Woodward Ave., at Mack/Martin Luther King Boulevard, Detroit. Reservations mmended. (313) 831-3838 8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Feb. 25.

Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward inner show package), and 7 p.m. show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn, Victoria

> deal. (313) 584-8885 MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE Blake Clark, 8:30 p.m. 25 (\$10), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday Feb. 26 (\$12), and 5:45 p.m., 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2 (\$12): Mike "Chainsaw" Hessman, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 4 (\$8), 8 p.m. and 10:30 n.m. Friday, March 5 (\$10 and 5:45 p.m., 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, March 6 (\$10), at the

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 25-28; Pau Sunday, March 3-7, and a special kids matinee at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 6 n.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 8:15 m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6)

27, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave. Detroit \$37.50 and \$45. All ages. 248 433 1515

MUSEUMS AND CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

"POETRY IN MOTION" Featuring J.C. Hyatt, 6-10 p.m. Sunday Feb. 28, at the Grand Cafe, 33316 Grand River, Farmington. No cover. STORYTELLING WEEKEND

Thursdays, \$5, \$3 students/children/seniors. (248) 645 http://www.cranbrook.edu/museum DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

and Wayne State University's Christopher T. Leland reading 12:30-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, room 3234 of the Wayne State University English Department Building, 51 W. Varren Avenue, Detroit. Free. (313) 577-7713/(313) 267-5300, ext. 338 DANCE

27, and 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb.

28. The Ark. 316 S. Main St., Ann

All ages. (734) 761-1800 or

http://www.a2ark.org

THE WRITER'S VOICE

Arbor, \$12.50 evenings, \$6 afternoon.

Featuring fiction writers Wendell Mayo

Qdays a week

CONTRA DANCE Experienced dancers, minimal walk-

roughs, Peter Baker calls to music by ontrapreneurs, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, at the Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, south of I-94, Ann Arbor, \$8. (734) 665-8863 "COUNTRY CLASS" intry Western dance 7:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Plymouth

Elks, 41700 E. Ann Arbor Road

outh. \$7, (734) 425-2207 POLKA DANCE sented by Polka Booster Club of America with music by Polka Towners Chapter II from Bay City, 3-7 p.m. nday, Feb. 28, at Pvt. Lyskawa Hall

6828 Waverly, Dearborn Hghts. \$9. (313) 561-8389/(248) 471-2963 SINGLE MINGLE DANCE Metropolitan Single Professionals and Farmington Single Professionals host a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26. in the Main Ballroom of the Doubletree jest Suites Hotel, Novi Road at I-96 \$7, \$4 members. (248) 851-9909 or

COMEDY

ttp://www.fsp.org

"COMEDY GUYS FOR KIDS" With WPLT-FM's Johnny in the Morning eff Dunham, John Caponera, Russ Ammagucci and Chris Zito, 7 p.m. inday, Feb. 28, Detroit Opera House 526 Broadway, Detroit. \$14.96, net venue benefits the Children's Center n Detroit. (248) 645-6666 or

e Dunkle, Friday-Saturday, Feb. 26at the club, 2869 N. Pontiac Trail merce Township. (248) 624-1050 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2

ington Civic Theatre, 33332 Grand

Darwin Hines, Kevin Zeoli and Rich ligginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, Feb 5-27 (\$12), at the club above Kicker's II American Grill, 36071 Plymouth load, Livonia, 8 p.m. Wednesdays nursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Third Leve mprov and new talent nights, 8 p.m indays (\$5). (734) 261-055

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S Vic DiBitetto, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m riday, Feb. 26 (\$12, \$24.95 dinner show package), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 (\$12, \$27.95) Sunday Feb 28 (\$12, \$24.95 dinner

Jackson's show Friday-Saturday, Feb. 26-28, has been cancelled due to movie

lub, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, (734 996-9080

Blair Shannon and Gary George. Kozak and Spike Rizzo, Wednesda at the club. 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak, 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 rices subject to change. (248) 542 9900 or http://www.comedycastle.com CHRIS ROCK 8 n.m. and 11:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb.

SECOND CITY

Daymiers are a Girl's Best Friend, a fifth anniversary celebration show ret spective, 8 p.m. Wednesdays Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. of Fridays-Saturdays through Feb. 7. at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays Saturdays. (313) 965-2222

Weird Science: A Conflation of Art and cience," featuring four artists' projects representing an ongoing explo ration of a specific area of science some incorporate specimens from tranbrook Institute of Science, an Fastern Box turtle, satellite broadcast ing prototypes, and a chicken coop,

others, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 26- | through April 3, lectures by the artists advance. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or Feb. 25. March 11, at the museum, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills GORE GORE GIRLS Museum hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays, until 9 p.m.

Alvin's, 5756 Cass Aye., Detroit. \$5. 18

9 p.m. Thursday, March 4, Gameworks inside Great Lakes Crossing, 4316 Church Tour Monday, March 1 (313) Baldwin Road, Auburn Hills. Free. 21 833-1405: "Frontiers to Factories: and older, (248) 745-9675 (rock) Detroiters at Work 1701-1901," forme ly known as "Furs to Factories," with a HARBINGER'S MILE 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Borders Books new Land Office, a "Wheel of Fortune" and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, style land acquisition interactive, three Rochester Hills. Free. 21 and older. new video screen interactives, a documentary video, a new Heavy Industry (248) 652-0558 or http://www.harbir gersmile.com (acoustic roots rock) section and a display explaining ALVIN YOUNGBLOOD HART Detroit's move from "Stove Capital of the World" to the Motor City, automo-With Rollie Tussing, 8 p.m. Sunday bile capital of the world; "Remembering Feb. 28, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostal-Ave., Ferndale, \$10 in advance, 18 and gic look at what made the Hudson's older, (248) 544-3030 or

downtown Detroit store an icon of the http://www.themagicbag.com (blues city's prosperous era, at the museum, AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby) 9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, Arbor Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 Brewing Company, 116 E. Washington n m Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m St., Ann Arbor, Free, 21 and olde 734) 213-1393 (blues) Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 THE HOPE ORCHESTRA eniors and children aged 12-18, free 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Borders Books, or children ages 11 and younger 17141 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe. Free. hursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805 o

Rising: Exploring America's Musical

Roots" celebrates the contributions of

African-Americans to world music week

ends in February, Will Davidson (spiritu

als) noon and 2 p.m. Feb. 27-28, and

Perfect Blend (freedom songs) 1 p.m.

exhibit, and hands-on activities to cre-

ate traditional African kufi hats, paper

ads, quilt squares, at the museum

during regular hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

daily, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn

\$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-

12 members and children under 5 free

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN

n celebration of Black History Month

he museum presents a historical film

on Saturday, Feb. 27, "Hear Our

Voice" lecture 1-3 p.m. Saturday Feb

(The Hero with an African Face:

thic Wisdom of Traditional Africa

with Dr. Clyde W. Ford), at the Charles

tory, 315 E. Warren, at Brush,

Detroit. Activities free with museum

admission \$5, \$3 ages 17 and under

POPULAR

MUSIC

9 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, Fox and

unds, 1560 Woodward Ave.,

Bloomfield Hills. Free, All ages. (248

With Thornetta Davis, 9 p.m. Friday,

Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge. 21

uesday, March 2, Blind Pig. 206-208

S. First St., Ann Arbor, Free, 19 and

(734) 996-8555 (variety)

With Ken Murphy, 9 p.m. Friday, March

5. Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward

Ave., Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages.

p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, Ford Road

Westland, Free, 21 and older, (734)

With The Prime Ministers, formerly

known as Sensitive Clown, 9 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 27, Alvin's, 5756 Cass

Ave., Detroit. \$5, 18 and older. (313)

With Baked Potato, 9 p.m. Friday, Feb.

26. Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave.

Ferndale, Cover charge, 18 and older

ttp://www.themagicbag.com/jam

10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, Amer's First

Street Grill, 102 S. First St., Ann Arbor.

\$8 in advance, \$10 at the door, 21 and

208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$5, 19 and

With Baked Potato and John Norman

9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Jimmy's, 123

Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Free

21 and older. (313) 886-8101 (pop.

9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Muldoon's

3982 Auburn Road, Rochester Hill

Free, 21 and older (248) 852 2707

n.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, Jimmy's, 123

Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Free

21 and older (313) 886-8101 (blues

With Grinspoon and Pushmonkey, 7:30

p.m. Wednesday, March 3, St. Andrew's

der. (734) 996-8555 (funk)

PETE "BIG DOG" FETTERS

Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road

and older (734) 451-1213 (rockabilly)

Feb. 26, Lower Town Grill, 195 W.

olecat and The Kind, 9:30 p.m.

"BLIND PIG SHOWCASE"

248) 644-4800 (blues)

I. Wright Museum of African American

(313) 271-1620

HISTORY

AHADA

644-4800 (blues

BLUE CAT

BLUE SUIT

CALAMITY JANE

DEEP SPACE SIX

(248) 544-3030 or

JIMMY DILLON

ELIZA

ELECTRIC BOOGALOO

BLACK BEAUTY

and 3 p.m. Feb. 28-March 1, also cook

ing demonstrations, dramatic presenta-

ons of an African tale, historical photo

All ages. (313) 885-1188 or http://www.detroithistorical.org http://www.concentric.net/~hopeorch HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE **HOWLING DIABLOS** With Fathers of the ld, 9:30 p.m braham Lincoln's assassination chair is back on view after a week of conser Saturday, Feb. 27, Blind Pig. 206-208 vation efforts, also a life mask made 60 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$6, 19 and days before his assassination; "Rhythm

> CHUCK HUGHES Ebeling Hughes member performs 10 Sunday, Feb. 28, Garden Bowl in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Free, 18 and older, (313) 833-9700 (rock) JILL JACK

older, (734) 996-8555 (funk/rock)

h Thornetta Davis and Harbinger's Mile 8 n.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, Magic Bag. 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale Cover charge, 18 and older, (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com JUMPCATS

9 p.m. Friday, March-5, CK Diggs, 2010 uburn Road, Rochester Hills. Free. 21 nd older. (248) 853-6600 (blues) BILL KAHLER 7 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Feb. 25, Boulders, 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, lymouth, Free, All ages, (734) 459

MIKE KING BAND O p.m. Thursday, March 4 Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water Rochester, Free, 21 and older (248) 650-5060 (rock) KUNG FU DIESEL 9:30 p.m. Thursday, March 4, Karl's Cabin, 9779 Old N. Territorial Road.

Plymouth, Free, 21 and older, (734) 455-8450 (rockabilly LADY SUNSHINE AND THE X BAND 9 p.m. Friday, March 5, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak.

333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com

9 r.m. Friday Saturday, Feb. 26-27.

Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages, (248)

overnment Alpha, 9 p.m. Thursday

etroit \$5, 18 and older, (313) 832

9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Blind Pig

206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$12

advance, 19 and older, (734) 996-8555

or http://www.99music.com/alterna-

Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water

Nith Khaleel, 7:30 p.m. Monday, March

The Ark. 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor.

\$11 All ages (734) 761-1451 (pop)

9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Ford Road Bar

and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westland

Free: 21 and older: (734) 721-8609, 9

m. Friday, March 5, Lower Town Gril

charge, 21 and older (734) 451 1213

9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, Lower Town

Cover charge, 21 and older, (734) 451

ith Velour 100 and Morella's Forest

9:30 n.m. Thursday, March 4, Blind Pig

206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$4, 19

Srill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth,

195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth, Cove.

MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM

Rochester Free 21 and older

eb. 25, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave.

and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave

With Princess Dragon Mom and

2355 (experimental rock)

10:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2

alternative rock

WESTSIDERS

644-4800 (blues)

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SHAWN MULLINS

STEVE NARDELLA

PEDRO THE LION

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STONEY MAZAR AND THE

ree. 21 and older. (248) 543-0917 JOHN D. LAMB With Sal D'Agnillo, 9:30 p.m. Thursday March 4, Library Pub. 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi, Free, 21 and older (248) 349-9110 (rock)

JONNY LANG With Chris Whitley, 7:30 p.m. Thursday March 4, State Theatre, 2115 SUMMER RAIN Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$23.50 in advance, \$25 at the door. All ages.

LOVE AND ROCKETS 459-4190 (blues With Orgy, 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 2. SUN MESSENGERS Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac \$18.50 in advance. All ages. (248)

SUN 209

TANGERINE TROUSERS Cooper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern Highway, Southfield Free. 21 and older. (248) 223-1700

Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St 650-5060 (rock) UNIQUE

9 p.m. Friday Saturday, Feb. 26-27, D.I ages (248) 852-0550 (top 40) RANDY VOLIN AND THE SONIC

9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, at the Bad Frog Tayern, 555 Woodward Ave. Birmingham, Free, 21 and older, (248) The Alley, 215 S. Main St., Rochester, Cover charge, 21 and older, (248) 652

WILD WOODYS

With Taproot and Powerface, 9:30 p.m. hursday, Feb. 25, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$4, 19 and ter (734) 996-8555 (rock

Melvin Hill and Cent. 10 p.m. Mondays:

and Club Color, featuring funk and discor 8 p.m. Wednesdays (free before 10 p.m.), at the club, 5756 Cass Ave. troit. \$5. 18 and older. (313) 832-2355 or http://www.alvins.xtcom.com BLIND PIG

"Swing-a-billy" night with dance lessons from 8-9 p.m. Sundays with DJ Del St., Ann Arbor, \$5, \$3 after 9 p.m.; "Solar" night featuring Gary Chandler, Disco D and Craig Gonzalez, 10 p.m. 734) 996-8555

Rochester, Free, 21 and older, (248) 650-5060 (blues) ROCKELL 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, La Boom Teen Nightclub, 1172 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. \$10. All ages. (248) 926-1000 ROXANNE 9 p.m. Friday, March 5. Jimmy's, 123

Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (313) 886-8101 (acoustic SAX APPEAL 8 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 25 and March 4 Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave.

and older, (734) 996-8555 (rock)

9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Memphis

Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak

Free, 21 and older, (248) 543-0917

9 p.m. Friday, March 5, Alvin's, 5756

10:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Rochester

Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St.,

Cass Ave., Detroit, \$5, 18 and older.

(313) 832-2355 (rock)

ROBERT PENN

OUEEN BEE

REEFERMEN

Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages, (248) 644-4800 (blues) KRISTIN SAYER 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, C.K. Diggs, 2010 Auburn Road, Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 853-6600; 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 27, 5 Hole in Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 471-**SEPULTURA**

With Spine Shank and One Minute Silence, 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 3 Harpo's, 14238 Harper Road, Detroit lickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 824-1700 (rock) BRAD SHEPIK AND THE COM-MUTERS

With Immigrant Suns, 9 p.m. Saturday

Feb. 27, Magic Stick in the Majestic plex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit \$8, 18 and older, (313) 833-9700 "SNOCORE TOUR" With Everclear, Soul Coughing, Black Eyed Peas and DJ Spooky, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3, State Theatre. 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$27, All ages. (313) 961-5451 (rock/rap STEVE SOMERS BAND WITH VALERIE BARRYMORE 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, Lower Town

Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge, 21 and older, (734) 451 1213; 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages, (248) 644-4800 (blues) RINGO STARR AND HIS ALL-STARR

Featuring Todd Rundgren, Gary Brooker ack Bruce, Simon Kirke and Timmy Cappello, 8 p.m. Monday, March 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship

.. Auburn Hills. \$32.50 and \$22.50 served, and \$10 general admission. II ages. (248) 377-0100 or p://www.palacenet.com (rock STEWIN BONE

LO p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28, Memphis Smoke 100 S Main St. Royal Oak Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300 SUGAR RAY

With Everlast and 2 Skinny J's, 7:30 .m. Friday, Feb. 26, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20. A ages. (313) 961-5451 (alternative

9:30 n.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Plymouth, Free, 21 and older, (734)

9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, Karl's, 9779 Old N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, Free 21 and older. (734) 455-8450 (R&B) 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, C.K.

liggs, 2010 Auburn Road, Rochester Free. 21 and older. (248) 853-6600 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2

9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, Rochester Rochester, Free. 21 and older. (248)

Harrington's Chop House, 2086 Crooks Road at M-59, Rochester Hills, Free, All BLUES

10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, Shark Club 3650 Highland Road, Waterford, Free 21 and older (248) 656-7700 (rock) WORKHORSE

NIGHTS

Villarreal, at the club, 206-208 S. First Wednesday, March 3, \$6, 19 and older

CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET "Flashback" night with "The Planet" WPLT on level two (Clutch Cargo's), old school funk on level three, and techno and house on level four, 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, at the club, 65 E. Huron Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older: Alternative dance night, 8 p.m Wednesdays in Clutch Cargo's. 18 and older. (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com

THE GROOVE ROOM

Funk, hip-hop and top 40 with DJ Mac Thursdays. Women admitted free; Love Factory" alternative dance night Fridays; Alternative dance with DJ Mat Saturdays; Alternative dance Tuesdays: gothic, industrial and retro with DJ Paul Wednesdays. Free, at the club, 1815 N Main St. (at 12 Mile Road), Royal Oak Free before 10 p.m. nightly, 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or http://www.thegrooveroom.com HAYLOFT LIQUOR STAND

Club Excess with live music, dancing and contests sponsored by WXDG-FM (105.1) 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays. at the club, 410 N. Main St., Mount Clemens, Cover charge, 18 and older (810) 468-1010 KARMA Dueling piano bar and restaurant, 7

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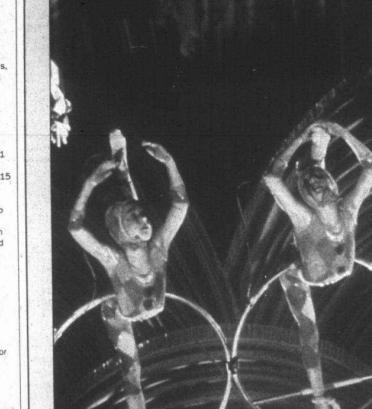
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"CELEBRATING LIFE" featuring Petula Clark and other cast members of "Sunset Boulevard," 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 15, at Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake Road, Wes loomfield, \$72, \$36, proceeds to ben efit the Michigan Jewish AIDS Coalition, Broadway Cares: Equity Fights AIDS. and Steppin' Out, (248) 594-6522

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With Roslyn Bresnick-Perry, Namu Lwanga, David Holt, Jerry Fearst and Take "Pleasantville" and turn

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Blast From the Past." And that's

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"Blast From the Past" gives us

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(Brendan Fraser). Born in a

bomb shelter and raised on

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'Blast from the Past' offers time-warped laughs

— the length of time dad figures ed a subspecies of mutants," well

Love and Rockets seeks out grass roots

operation" is a phrase generally associated with up and coming bands. But that is exactly what Love and Rockets' bassist/colyricist David J. is dubbing his

In order to promote "Lift," Love and Rockets' 1998 album released on Red Ant

"They didn't put any money up guerrilla operation.

through necessity." Love and Rockets is paying the

That applies to "Lift," an album that taps more into elec-

comes out. It comes from a deep place. We've listened to electronic music since the early '70s, really. It's always been a really big

influence right back to Bauhaus," he said about the band of which he, Ash and Hask-

The release of "Lift" came on

Leaving Bauhaus lead singer Peter Murphy behind to concen-

"I found myself looking around for Mr. Murphy on a number of occasions. I missed his presence there, on-stage and off. It was a different focus but the music was strong enough for it to pull through and for it to work. It's

STREET SCENE

Veterans vs. newcomers Opening for Love and Rockets

is Orgy, which has found success with a cover of "Blue Monday" "We met them in the studio in by Bauhaus peers New Order Orgy is one of the few bands in just gave them a call and they music that was signed to a deal before playing a live show. Orgy recorded a demo tape

which quickly made its way to

the rock band Korn. Within six

months of forming, Orgy was the first band signed to Korn's Elementree Records, a Reprise Records-distributed label. "The whole Korn thing came into the picture, the offer was so good I thought, 'screw it. Why should we bother going out and playing LA when we can go in

right nov and start making the record?" said guitarist/keyboardist Amir Derakh. "None of us wanted to play in L.A. It's hot really all that proluctive, honestly. All of us had

been in bands, all of us had played, all of us had done that So the live aspect wasn't something that was foreign to us."

The music industry isn't foreign to members of Orgy either. Derakh is an engineer who worked on eels' "Beautiful Freak" and Spineshank's "Strictly Diesel" albums, Singer Jay Gordon produced and Derakh We always have done it but it's engineered Coal Chamber's self-

> It was all the studio work that influenced the recording of its "We sort of have an odd way of

recording and writing. We're so used to being in the studio that

man is happy with the result. "It's something fresh and new

Jonathan Davis.

ets are \$18.50 in advance. For Observer & Eccentric Newspa-

the record, Love and Rockets teams up with members of the electronic pop band Luscious Jackson, a pairing conceived by producer Doug Deangelis. that session. It was his idea. He came straight down and did the session. It's quite interesting, the process. What we did, it was all recorded as far as our parts are concerned. We mixed down all the vocals so what they heard was the instrumental. So they didn't have any idea of where our vocals came in," he explained. "Then we just said you come up with your own vocal idea and ist lay it down. Jill (Cunniff of

(uscious Jackson) just came up with that refrain instantly. She went in and recorded it and we out up all of our vocals and it ust worked so well. Where she sang her bit it fell in the right spaces by chance." "That's pretty typical of the way we work. We like to employ

chance because chance creates magic. As for live shows, spontaneity

creates the magic. Spontaneous events do occur.

We allow ourselves passages that aren't planned, improvised passages to allow that spirit in. against a very worked-out backlrop. We work on the structure of the songs. You've got to have that anchor in order to take debut album "Candyass."

the heels of a sold-out Bauhaus union tour which hit Detroit's State Theatre in August. The Bauhaus and Love and Rockets ours are contradictions. Bauhaus hasn't released new material in years, while Love and Rockets is promoting a new

trate on Love and Rockets was "very strange."

Harbinger's Mile also plays

Friday, March 19, at Borders Books and Music, 45290 Utica Huron St., Pontiac. Doors open at Park Boulevard, Utica, (810)

most of our work is done in the studio. We write anywhere and use just about anything to come up with a song," Derakh

> "Candyass" was recorded in a cabin in Tahoe and Orgy's A&R

that's what turns me on. I think they'll appeal to a lot of kids, a lot of different people. They're fashionable prettydudes, so all the chicks will dig em. And they're real heavy, so hopefully a lot of our friends will like them too," said Korn singer

> nusic reporter for The Observer 2130, or write to her at The pers. 36251 Schoolcraft Road,

So alive: Love and Rockets - from left, drummer/percussionist Kevin Haskins, lead singer | guitarist | co-lyricist Daniel Ash and bassist | co-lyricist David J. - perform Tuesday, March 2, with special guests Orgy at Clutch Cargo's in Pontiac.

Love and Rockets will play older geous to do that. It's kind of in don't really contrive it. It's what material at Clutch Cargo's. Love the spirit of the group to push and Rockets made a conscious the envelope a bit," he said. decision to skip hits like "So Alive" and "No New Tale to Tell"

"We didn't want to be per-

relationships ended Rut and believed we could put this explanation. Our lyrics tend to be Francis moved in together and together in a band environment that way too," he said. started writing music. Both of and make something happen. He Billy Sunday and Francis as the ize that," Rut explained.

this place, a house on 16 Mile, and it was \$400 a month includng utilities. It had broken windows, plumbing problems. It was a hell hole. That's where we began writing together," said rancis, who like Rut is now

road manager/guitar tech for

Red C, Susan Calloway's former

appily married. Weaving smartly written lyrics with acoustic guitars, the duo formed the base for Harbinger's Mile. Although the desire to form a band was there, Rut and Francis set out as a duo.

"The only thing that ever realtook off for us was the acoustic hing. It was the easiest thing for us to do. We could do lots of shows. We didn't have to teach people the songs we were writing. We could write a song together and later that night go perform it. It was pretty low tenance," Francis explained. When Francis and Rut headed

into Mocombo Media studio in Grosse Pointe Park, owner/pro ducer Ron Pangborn, drummer for the Chisel Bros., changed that. Pangborn recruited area musicians to help with "Hallowed Boulevard."

"The only thing he ever knew about us was the songs that we performed acoustically. He

From the director of "Pretty Woman" A love story for the romantic The Other Sister

band's tour. Entertainment, the English alternative rock legends are funding their own 30-city tour.

at all," David J. said about Red Ant, "We're just on a bus. This is the first time we're gonna be on a bus with a crew since the early 80s. We usually fly. It's a real

"We actually have field representatives recruited through the internet who are fans going out promoting the gigs. It's a real grassroots operation which is a very cool thing in a way. It's

reps with tickets and backstage passes for the shows. David J along with drummer/ percussionist Kevin Haskins and lead singer/guitarist/co-lyricist Daniel Ash is playing Clutch Cargo's in Pontiac on Tuesday, March 2.

Unlike the band's set during "Ignition" dance night at the State Theatre in early December,

By CHRISTINA FUOCO

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"Hallowed Boulevard," the

debut album from Harbinger's

Mile, could rival any major label

release. With stellar production,

immaculately written lyrics.

melodies that would make Toad

field Christian High School

finds it necessary to make excus-

es for the record. "Peace Pipe," an

acoustic number that closes out

"It's not my favorite recorded

song. The instrumentation on it

isn't right. When we were going

to record that song, we wanted to

put on an accordion and pedal

steel guitar. But the drums and

the guitar didn't seem to sync up

very well. In order to salvage

what we had, and to stay within

the time constraints of being in

the studio, we ended up making

sounds a whole lot better," he

Rut, who grew up in Plymouth,

Farmington Hills and Canton,

and Francis, a 1990 Troy High

School graduate, duo met

through now-former girlfriends

on a camping trip. When the

"When we play it

Defunct relationships

it semi-acoustic.

said reassuringly.

the album, makes him wince.

STAFF WRITER

to avoid the "retro" tag. tronica than guitars. "We always just make the ceived as being an old act. And music that we really feel. We

Harbinger's Mile makes fine debut album

Harbinger's Mile, in a band them had previous musical expe- worked alongside of us in the format, opens for Jill Jack and rience - Rut as a member of capacity of producer to fully real- Thornetta Davis at 9 p.m. Satur day, Feb. 27, at the Magic Bag, To do that, Pangborn hit the 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. skins, Jim Rawlings played man- Cover charge is \$6 for the 18 and dolin and slide guitar, Alex Dun- older show. For more informa-"The two of us were living in can played organ and John Dunn tion, call (248) 544-3030 o

http://www.themagicbag.com. Rawlings is still with Rut and Francis, joining bassist Raquel Salasay and drummer Dave Masen for live shows.

Although Rut is uneasy about aspects of "Hallowed Boulevard," he said that the album deftly shows his and Francis' songwriting abilities. Like the name, Harbinger's Mile, their lyrics are thought provoking.

"Lyrically, we try and be rovocative in thought and try and give images. We were sort of mulling over a couple different ideas and we thought Harbinger's Mile (offered) pictures without

For more information, visit http://www.harbingersmile 2362 .com or e-mail the band at http://www.961melt.com or co@oe.homecomm.net. harbingersmile@ juno.com.

acoustic shows at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, at Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, (248) 652-0558; at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 7, at Borders Book Shop, 31150 just putting on a different hat." Love and Rockets and special Southfield Road, Birmingham guest Orgy perform Tuesday. (248) 644-1515; and at 8 p.m.

March 2, at Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. 8 p.m. for the all-ages show. Tickmore information, call (248) 333-

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hey, we knew that about L.A. already. Walken and Spacek are a riot. Oscar winners for their dramatic roles ("The Deer Hunter" and "Coal Miner's Daughter," respectively), they seem grateful for the chance to do shtick. As Calvin Webber, Walken's not a

mad scientist; he's a Cal Tech professor who knows the end is near and wants no part of it. He builds his own Garden of Eden and is perfectly content to wait it out down there. Not so his obedient wife Helen. Spacek grows weary of being Harriet to his Ozzie. Around the 10th year, she begins to get into the cooking

Fraser ("George of the Jungle") is the perfect innocent. He sees nothing wrong with wearing the acket his mom knitted from the bedspread. And he's more than willing to barter his dad's priceless Rogers Hornsby baseball card for a ride to the nearest Holiday Inn. There are lots of bits like that; no big classic moments, but plenty of timewarped laughs from screenwriters Bill Kelly and Hugh Wilson, who also directed.

Scheduled to open Friday Feb. 26

A tragic love story set in the world of

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Eve 1981, about various couples and

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"ANOTHER DAY IN PARADISE"

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Troy, Dave Foley (TV's "NewsRadio") steals his few scenes; watch the appliances are in, the radiafor him in future works. And tion sensors are calibrated and Alicia Silverstone is miscast as there are some wonderful indi- it's stocked with more food than a street-wise Eve - that's right, Eve She's certainly cute enough to take back down to the shelter to meet the folks, but she still looks like the "Clueless" Califor

vidual reactions by the actors a Farmer Jack, but they leave playing a bus driver, a bellboy, a the only radio behind? Kinda outcher and especially a black contaminates the whole thing. lady mail person. COMING ATTRACTIONS Scheduled to open Friday, March 5

THE 24 HOUR WOMAN"

nia teenager, not someone who's

been around the freeway a few

times. As her gay confidante

Oklahoma in the 1970s. Stars James personal and professional lives during her pregnancy and the subsequent birth of her daughter. Stars Rosie Perez. "ANALYZE THIS" Bittersweet comedy about a retarded A psychiatrist helps a domineering mob woman who struggles to find love and boss overcome his various psychological independence by moving into an aparttroubles, not the least of which is order-

Contemporary comedy about a

television producer balancing her

Scheduled to open Friday, March 12 "WING COMMANDER" Science fiction adventure based on the

ing a hit. Stars Robert De Niro, Billy

bearing King of Siam. Stars the voices

Romantic comedy: Ryan Sparks (left to right), Sissy

Spacek and Christopher Walken in "Blast From the

of Miranda Richardson, Ian Richardson and Daryl Hammond. solated with eight others in a snowound fort in the Sierra Nevadas, circa

best-selling computer game series of

Scheduled to open Friday, March 19

Animated musical telling of the story of

the patient school teacher and the over

"KING AND I"

the same name. Stars Freddie Prinze Jr.

The problem with "Blast" is

we're supposed to believe that

Calvin spent years getting his

shelter ready. The pipes are laid,

1847, an army captain must fight the Wet Sprocket jealous, and a hunger within himself, as well as killer potential hit (the melancholy "13 who dines on men. Cigarettes), "Hallowed Boule vard" is a winner. Sounding like an eternal perfectionist, singer/guitarist Mike Rut, a 1983 graduate of South-

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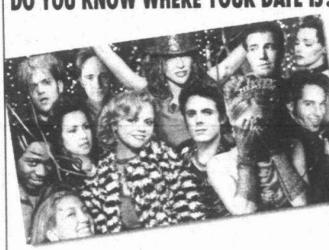
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Cozy La Bistecca Italian Grille captures bygone era

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Piedmontese Beef is the star at La Bistecca Italian Grille in Plymouth. Endorsed by the American Heart Association, this low-fat beef is lean and ten-

Piedmontese Beef is a breed of cattle that was originally raised in the foothills of the Alps in the Piedmont region of Italy. It is now available in the United States and called "Better Beef." because it is naturally lower in fat and cholesterol than traditional cuts of beef. La Bistecca offers it exclusively.

But beef isn't the only thing to love at La Bistecca, which is owned and operated by the Costanza family, who also own Station 885 in Plymouth and Portofino on the River in Wyan-

Cozy La Bistecca captures an era gone by with heavy emphasis on comfort. It's a place you can dress up to go to and enjoy a night out. It's elegant, but not stuffy. A coat and tie are not required.

The interior is beige with soft grays, dark wood, soft lighting and Italian imported accents. You can hear Frank Sinatra singing in the background, and there's even a portrait of "Old Blue Eyes" hanging over the piano bar. The portrait and two colorful paintings in the dining room were painted by Joyce's sister Cheryl Mann.

"We wanted it to have a retro feel like a post-war supper club," said Joyce Costanza about the restaurant. "When my wife and I dined out we had to travel to find a similar atmosphere,' added her husband Jerry. "We wanted to bring something to

La Bistecca Italian Grille

Where: 39405 Plymouth Road (at Eckles Road) Plymouth, (734) 254-0400

Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (lunch), 4-10 p.m. (dinner) Monday-Friday; 5-10 p.m. (dinner) Saturday; lounge open until midnight. Reservations: Recommended, but not necessary.

Menu: Italian steakhouse with chicken, pasta and seafood dish-

Cost: Lunches range from \$6.95 to \$16.95; dinners \$18.95 to

\$31.95. Carry-out: Available for all menu items

Entertainment: Piano bar, 7-11 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. Private parties: La Bistecca is available for private parties on Sundays. Call restaurant for information.

this area where people can go and get pampered.'

Seats: 100

Credit cards: All majors accepted.

The Costanzas raised their family in Livonia and later moved to Canton Township. Sons Jerry Jr. and Robert work at the restaurant.

"We figured that if we're getting into a steakhouse it should be a healthy experience," said Jerry. "This will be the meat of the future, because of the quality, nutrients, and value," added

Beef is a highlight, but the menu is diverse. Lukasik tries to accommodate special requests. If someone comes in and wants grilled chicken with vegetables we can do it," said Lukasik. "At lunch we cater to customer time needs, and combine elegant dining with an efficient manner," said Jerry Jr.

Chef Eriq Lukasik takes pride in details such as roasting his own peppers, and using fresh herbs. "I have a great respect for the food," he said. The bread is

Start with Gamberi con Asparago — Scampi and asparagus in a lemon-garlic sauté finished with fresh herbs and capers, or the traditional Antipasto Assortito — Proscuitto di Parma, Oldani Salami and classic Italian cheeses, paired with an array of Italian appetiz-

The lunch menu offers homemade Minestrone, a variety of salads and sandwiches in addition to the house special -Filetto di Manzo alla Padella, grilled premium filet mignon finished with a vintage sauce, Italian sausage, chicken and pasta dishes.

For dinner, choose from the filet, Rib Eye, New York Strip or Porterhouse. Other choices include Grilled Provimi Veal Chop, lamb chops, pork chops, fresh fish, chicken and pasta. Entrees are beautifully garnished with flavor enhancing sauces and vegetables such as caramelized onions and served with vegetable and potato. Sal-



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

At your service: Jerry Costanza (bottom left), general manager Ray Borden (left to right, back row), Jerry Jr., Chef Eriq Lukasik, Robert, and Joyce at La Bistecca Italian Grille in Plymouth. Lukasik presents the house specialty, Piedmontese beef.

You won't find too many pasta dishes on the menu, this is a steakhouse after all. Pasta choices include Ziti Pomodoro - Ziti pasta with classic San Marzano tomatoes and fresh herbs, and Linguini con Vongole, pasta topped with herbs in a white wine clam sauce with fresh Cherrystone clams.

La Bistecca has over 80 wines on its list, some picked to highlight the beef, and an in house wine cellar. Wines are available by the bottle or glass. They also have a full bar menu of premium liquors with emphasis on "We figured that if we're getting into a steakhouse it should be a healthy experience.'

> Jerry Costanza Restaurant owner

Smoking is only allowed in the lounge. Ask to see the cigar menu. Premium whiskies, cognac, martinis and coffee drinks are also available.

One of the keys to our success is having a family member here at all times, and putting an emphasis on family dining," said Jerry Jr. "We feel the dining experience should be an evening of enjoyment, like sitting in someone's home. We're here to serve the public in any way we

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