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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

Teachers report: It's the first day of school for teachers in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

Open House: Parents of Isbister Elementary students are invited to attend an open house from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

School bells ring: It's the first day (a half day) of school for K-12 students at Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

THURSDAY

Coffee klatch: Members of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce are invited to a membership coffee and business card exchange from 8-9 a.m. Meet at the fountain in Kellogg Park or in case of inclement weather meet under The Gathering.

Open Houses: Parents of students attending East or Pioneer middle schools are invited to attend an open house at their respective schools from 7-9 p.m.

CPR: A CPR seminar will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Friendship Station, 42375 Schoolcraft. This seminar will be conducted by the Plymouth Township Fire Department. Doors open at 6 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

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Nice plays



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMAN

Actress: Rachel Jeffrey of Plymouth, 11, portrays an alien in the OLGK sixth-grade girls performance of "What A World," a short play featuring a girl who is bored with her daily existence until she meets an extraterrestrial visitor. It was one of three plays put on by the group. More pictures/A4

Ann Arbor firm relocates to township

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Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center, an Ann Arbor-based company that strives to level the playing field for smaller manufacturers, is constructing a new building in the Metro West Technology Park in Plymouth Township that will open next June.

"There are more than 16,500 small to mid-size companies in Michigan; the highest concentration, 10,000, are right here in southeastern Michigan," said Dwight Carlson, MMTC chairman of the board. "We serve 800 companies and want to reach more. We want to help them compete globally."

More than 50 percent of manufacturers have fewer than 500 employees yet provide 65 percent of the employment, said Carlson, who in 1991, founded Perceptron, a Plymouth Township business.

The MMTC, a not-for profit company has regional offices in Marquette, Traverse City, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, and Flint. The Ann Arbor office will move all 80 employees.

"We needed a geographically-friendly spot," said Michael Coast, vice-president of sales and marketing and executive director. "Most of our market is out in that area."

The industrial park boundaries are Beck Road on the east, M-14 on the south, the CSX railroad to the north, and Ridge Road on the west.

The MMTC sold its 120,000 square foot Ann Arbor building to the University of Michigan for \$13.5 million on June 2, according to Michele Everard, of the university's treasurer's office. "It will be used for administrative support functions for the university's health system," Everard said.

U-M owns the land on which the building is located, she said.

MMTC's new building is 45,000-square feet. Formerly called Industrial Technology Institute, MMTC refers to itself as Michigan's one-stop resource for manufacturers. It provides training and assistance to help companies meet international requirements for industry standards. That in turn helps to increase profits, improve quality, and lower costs, company officials said.

The MMTC receives federal, state, and private funds. Federal funds come from the National Institute of Standards and Technology, a division of the U.S. Department of Commerce. State funding is received from the Michigan Jobs Commission. Private funds are made up of client fees for services.

MMTC delivers services through one-on-one consulting, training, and seminars.

The move will place the company near "added partners" like Lear, Simpson Industries, and Johnson Controls, Coast said.

All of these companies are in Plymouth Township. "This is a reasonably mature development established in 1996," said Gary Roberts of the DeMattia firm that developed the industrial park. "There's space for five more companies."

High school site selection draws criticism

BY SCOTT NEINAS
STAFF WRITER

Students might have to live with being bussed from one class to another when the Plymouth-Canton school system opens a new high school at Joy and Beck Roads.

But they don't have to like it. "I don't think it's a very good idea," said Meaghan Moran, a sophomore at Plymouth-Salem. "More people would just miss the bus going from one school to another ... It would just take up more time."

"The day would be longer," said Tara Gavioli, also a sophomore.

Kristen Dillenbeck, a senior, said she thinks all three schools should be separate.

"I think it's ridiculous. They'll have to shuttle us back and forth ... what happens if you miss the bus?" she said.

Luanne DeBeliso, whose daughter, Marlena, will attend Salem, said the school should either be "with in a stone's throw" of the two existing high schools or in a location across town as a separate school alto-

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gether.

"I don't like it. It's going to create more confusion for teachers and students," DeBeliso said. "The traffic is also going to be a problem."

Tuesday night the Plymouth-Canton School Board voted 4-3 to build a new high school at the west site.

School administration officials and teachers wanted a third facility built on the same site as the other high schools, citing cheaper operating, maintenance and transportation costs.

Board members who favored the west site said they were only keeping their promise to voters in a 1997 millage election.

The school board at that time asked for and received \$79.8 million. Voters were told the money was needed to build a new high school at Joy and Beck, the west site.

Chuck Portelli, president of the Plymouth-Canton

Education Association, said his organization took no position on the issue, but he offered his personal opinion as a parent.

"I'm not sure all the implications of putting the park at the west site are in the open," Portelli said. "They ignored everyone's advice but kept the promise."

Ken Walcott, interim superintendent for the district, said he didn't think the system would have enough money to run the new school properly.

"I would like to be proved wrong. It's not a matter of who's right and who's wrong. It's about what will work for the students."

Walcott, who came to Plymouth-Canton from the Muskegon area, was in favor of the east site.

"I've not been involved emotionally; I'm involved objectively," Walcott said. "Being new to the community, I'm only in the last two weeks becoming aware of the high-charged emotions people have about the location of the new high school."

Calls to high school principals Gerald Ostom and Patricia Patton weren't returned.

Patrons can save with card



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If you live in Plymouth, now's the time to save on garden tools with 10 percent off at Saxton's Garden Center. And if your house needs new pipes, Horton Plumbing will give you a free laundry tub and faucet with a repiping. These are just a few of the offerings in your community. "We intend to increase our directory of participants so this card can be used in many more places," said Mark Warren, circulation

director. "We hope to add new subscribers, and we hope to create a new traffic-builder for participating businesses."

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The HomeTown Savings Card directory of participants will be published in the Plymouth Observer on a regular basis. It also will appear on the Internet at www.oeonline.com 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Please see CARD, A4

Alternative program helps teens avoid court

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Plymouth Township Police Officer David Hayes believes there's alternatives to the court system when dealing with first-time juvenile offenders.

There's a time-worn phrase that it takes a whole village to raise a child and Hayes may have proved it.

A school resource officer for the Plymouth-Canton Community School District, Hayes hadn't previously encountered any of six juveniles ages 15-16 arrested and believed involved in destroying 18-20 mailboxes at the end of July in the Trailwood subdivision.

The subdivision is located in the southwest area of the township.

"I talked to all the parties involved and decided to try an alternative to sending the case to court," Hayes said.

With the cooperation of both the victimized mailbox owners and supportive and concerned parents, Hayes extracted an agreement whereby the youths, Plymouth and Northville area residents, would pay for the damage they caused.

"These were a group of parents who were extremely concerned about what their kids were doing," Hayes said.

There was no good explanation as to why the kids targeted this subdivision, the officer added.

He believes that consequences should soon follow misdeeds. So did some of the parents who also took away driving privileges and car usage, he added.

"I'm not shunning the court," Hayes said.

He went a step further, requiring the teens to write a 500-word essay delineating "alternatives to going out and destroying people's property."

In the essays, teens cited boredom, a lack of activities, and a place to go as reasons for the mischief, according to Hayes. He said they also made suggestions on how future incidents could be avoided.

Some of the teens said they would appreciate a skateboarding park. A few wrote that they had been hustled out of downtown Plymouth and other places for skateboarding, Hayes said.

Arts conservatory sued by Canton

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Canton is suing the Southeast Michigan Arts Conservatory and its president, Jeffrey Myers, to collect the \$42,000 in back rent he owes the township for subleasing the former Arnoldt Williams Music Store as the SMAC site.

Also named in the suit is Michigan Music Studios Inc., of which Myers also is president. Both SMAC and the studios are located in the facility at 5701 N. Canton Center Road, near Ford Road.

Township attorney Ted Hemming earlier issued a demand for possession of the facility and notice to SMAC to vacate the premises.

Township officials said other firms doing business with SMAC and Myers will be watching the Canton suit closely.

The amount owed the township is equal to "roughly five months" of rent on the one-year, \$75,000 sub-lease Myers had, according to Dan Durack, township administrative and community services director who is overseeing the court action.

Township trustees, acting at their regular Tuesday night meeting, unanimously authorized the legal action.

The township's lease of the

property from its owners, the Williams family, which ran concurrently with Myers' - Aug. 1, 1998, to July 31, 1999 - has been paid in full, Durack said.

Myers told the Observer on Wednesday he was not surprised by the township's move, although he was "not sure why it has to go through the courts."

"All we want to do is make sure it gets paid," he said. "This will just force an agreement."

"We have offered many times to sit down and offer some payment structure," he said, but letters to the township "have gone unanswered."

The lawsuit "will have no effect on anything," Myers said. "This is just business. We want to pay our bill and that's it."

He said the conservatory plans to mail out its fall brochure later this week, noting that SMAC has added about 40 classes for fall, for a total of about 250.

Myers also said he plans to go ahead with a fund-raising concert Sept. 12 at the conservatory. It will feature the brass section of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and be followed by a dinner at the Outback Steak House in Canton.

"Part of our problem was, we grew too fast," Myers said, noting the school went from 88 students when it opened to 700 by January 1999.



Harmony: Playing classical music is a matter of ethics for Plymouth residents Steven and Abha Dearing.

Couple focuses on classical tunes

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

One way to get your fill of classical music now that WQRS is defunct is to find an itinerary of The Dearing Concert Duo or tune into their recently released CD, "Take One."

The serene, peaceful and relaxed music that Steven and Abha Dearing create draws a limited audience. They know that if they played popular music their following would be much larger, but they refuse to compromise the integrity of their work.

"There's so many vocalists who don't sing in tune and instrumentalists who aren't that good," Abha said. "Playing this music is a matter of ethics. We know it's of a higher context and substance. We find it more challenging and we want to be able to bring that to people."

With Abha on the flute and Steve playing the guitar, the couple specializes in classic, Latin, chamber, modern and folk music and they tend to draw a middle aged audience.

"It's usually a forties and up kind of crowd and young parents who are trying to expose their kids to classical music," she added. "It's exciting for some parents to see young people doing music of a higher quality. We want people to try something new and see if they like it."

Sitting at the kitchen table of their Plymouth apartment, Steven, 33 and Abha, 24, seem to be performing a duet as they take turns filling in the story of how they met at

Wayne State University.

He was working on his master's degree in music and she was completing her bachelor's degree in music. Both were there on full scholarships.

That was five years ago and three weeks ago they hit the biggest milestone of their careers when their first CD was released earlier this month with a spattering of Latin music and a repertoire of Ravel and Bizet, as well as an original piece by Wayne State University professor James Lentini.

It is the first time Lentini's "Fantasy for Flute and Guitar" was recorded. "The CD is really an introduction to us," Abha said. "It shows snippets of what we can do. Our next CD will explore more deeply." Looking at Steve and smiling broadly, Abha explains that their career was born out of a crush.

"I always thought he was really cute," Abha explained. "Steve was in the music lab and I pretended to need to listen to a dreadful piece. He asked if I'd like to do a duet."

Married for a year, Abha is choir director at Mercy High School and directs the Mercyaires, a prestigious vocal group. In fact, Abha grew up in Farmington Hills and was a Mercyaire herself. She graduated high school in 1992. Steve, who was born and raised in Windsor, is guitar instructor at the University of Windsor and teaches guitar at Macomb County Community College.

While many of their interests and talents dovetail neatly, their music backgrounds couldn't be more different. Steve began play-

ing classical music when he was 21. Abha has been at it since she was a toddler. She started playing the flute when she was in the fourth grade. "I loved it, but I was horrible," she said. "My parents sent me to Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp when I was 12 and it was a wonderful experience."

Ever since then she knew she wanted music to be her life's work. But she credits her comfortable stage presence to her father, Ramesh Mangrulkar, a musician. When she was 3 years old, he'd put her on stage at Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit during the East Indian festival.

"I got confident on stage, because my parents would be at parties and people would say: 'She can sing.'"

In fact, her first duets were at family parties with her brother Aashish. "Oh yeah, she's a ham," Steve added.

This symbiotic relationship between Steve and Abha brings warmth and comfort to their performances that range from wedding ceremonies and parties to concerts. Most recently they played at Nardin Park Methodist Church in Farmington Hills "Wednesdays at Eight" series; the Ann Arbor Art Fairs; for the Plymouth Community Arts Council; for the Birmingham-Bloomfield Arts Council and at a church series in Stratford, Ontario.

"It's more exciting to see us live," Steve said.

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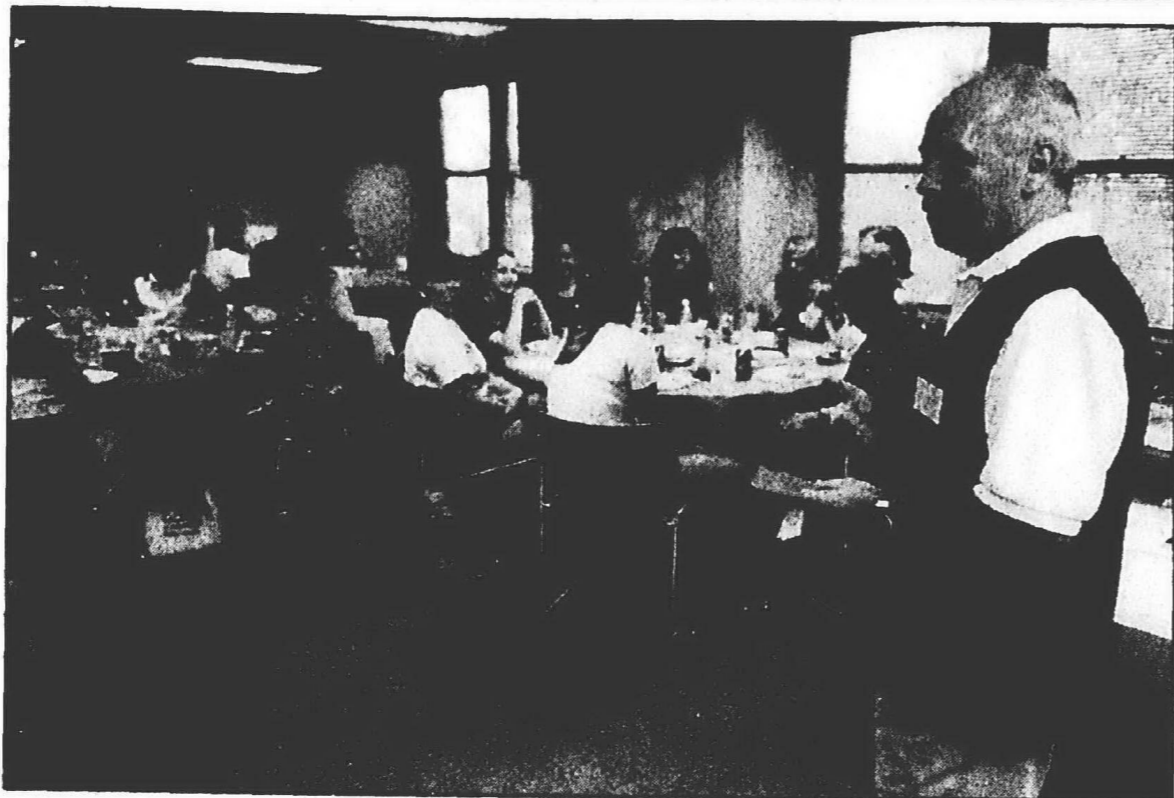
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Introduction: Rachel Plymouth Canton Education Association president Chuck Portelli, right, discusses the benefits of union membership with the new teachers during lunch Monday.

In session

Schools plan for safe first day

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Plymouth-Canton school officials and Canton Township police believe that precautions taken in previous years make Plymouth-Canton Educational Park (PCEP) a safe place to attend school.

And with that in mind, school and police officials aren't expecting any problems when school begins Tuesday, Aug. 31.

After the school massacre at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., and talk by students in Port Huron to produce a similar incident, the 1998-99 school year ended tenuously for many districts, including Plymouth-Canton.

Most school districts nationwide couldn't wait for summer vacation to arrive, and begin a new school year in August under calmer conditions.

"Most of the school days are pretty typical, but you still have to plan for the worst," admits Gerald Ostoin, Plymouth Salem High School principal.

"Since 1991, we've met with Canton police officials, and six years ago came up with internal and external safety plans. The Canton police department has architectural plans for both high schools, as well as phone numbers for every room," Ostoin said.

"The park is already safe. We just need to keep it that way," said Bruce Siegel, assistant principal of major discipline at the high school complex. "The best hope we have to improve on security is to encourage parents, students, faculty and the community to be vigilant in letting us know what they hear."

Siegel said the anonymous tip line developed by the school used to be called the "snitch" line. However, during the Columbine and Port Huron incidents the rumors were flying fast and furious, and the tip line was taken more seriously.

Starting times

Here are starting times for the first day of classes at area schools:

■ All Saints Catholic School
8/31/99 8 a.m.

■ New Morning School
8/31/99 8:30 a.m.

■ Our Lady of Good Council
8/31/99 8 a.m.

■ Our Lady of Victory
8/30/99 9:10 a.m.

■ Plymouth Christian Academy
8/31/99 8 a.m.

■ St. Michael Christian School
8/31/99 8:25 a.m.

■ St. Paul Lutheran School
8/30/99 8:50 a.m.

■ St. Peter's Lutheran Day School
8/30/99 9 a.m.

said high visibility will be the key at all schools in Canton to ensure a safe first day of classes.

"We'll have the special enforcement unit with bike and motorcycle patrols, maybe an extra car or two, at the high schools. We don't want to create a situation that doesn't exist there," he said. "We'll also have car and bike patrols checking on all elementary and middle schools in Canton."

In Plymouth Township, Police Chief Lawrence Carey said Det. Dave Hayes, the township's liaison officer at the high school, will be at the complex. Officer Bill Groff, the township D.A.R.E. officer, will be spending time at the middle schools the first day of classes, according to Carey.

In Plymouth, Police Chief Bob Scoggins said he'll step up the traffic patrol to remind people classes are back in session, and officers will be visible to enforce speed laws, especially around schools.

Siegel said new state laws will put more bite into those who report bomb threats or other acts of violence.

"New state law mandates certain types of violent behavior in school must be reported to law enforcement," he said. "Calling in a bomb threat could mean expulsion from school for up to six months."

Officials at PCEP like to point to a seven-member full-time security force that helps keep peace at the park.

"Our security staff is out with the kids. They get a lot of information from talking with them and check it out," Siegel said. "With staff and faculty, we have hundreds of eyes and ears in the park. We want them to report what's going on. You never know when you're witnessing the tip of the iceberg."

"The school environment is still one of the safest places to be. We want to keep it that way."

"We investigated every rumor," said Siegel. "We were pleased there were no bomb threats and no incidents of violence."

Canton Township police believe measures introduced at the complex have made the high schools a safe environment, and are now being copied by other schools across the country.

"We introduced peer mediation, conflict resolution, liaison officers at the schools, and developed a crisis plan long ago," said Mike Steckel, Canton Township police officer who spends much of his day talking to students at the complex. "Because of that, we'll have a few more officers at the park the first day of school, but not much more than is customary. We're not anticipating anything unusual."

Canton Township Public Safety Director John Santomauro

City continues paving projects along Wing, Junction streets

The City of Plymouth is currently conducting several street paving projects.

On Wing Street, crews are working on final preparations to complete paving on the easterly half of the intersection of Wing and Deer. Final paving of the intersection was scheduled for Friday. Traffic will not be allowed on the new section of pavement for one week, according to City officials.

On Junction, water main construction is moving toward the east and pipe is now being placed under the roadway. The section of new pipe that has already been placed between Sheldon Road and Irvin is currently being flushed in preparation for testing. The State of Michigan Department of Public Health is scheduled to test this

■ **At Goldsmith and North Evergreen, pavement removal will take place on Sept. 7. Parking will be restricted during the milling and paving processes on these streets.**

new section of water main Aug. 30-31 and Sept. 7.

The paving of Junction is expected to take place in early October. In order to provide for a smooth road and to take out all of the existing "bumps" it will be necessary to close the entire

road. Paving is expected to be full width paving. The road closure will be in effect for approximately seven days and will affect homes and businesses north of Junction.

At Goldsmith and North Evergreen, pavement removal will take place on Sept. 7. Parking will be restricted during the milling and paving processes on these streets. Some right-of-way area restoration is anticipated to start late next week on North Evergreen. It would include grass seed and mulch.

In the Starkweather area, grass seed and mulch will be placed in the Old Village paving areas late next week.

Questions regarding any of the projects can be directed to Plymouth Municipal Services at 453-7737.

Salem battles traffic woes

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It's horsepower versus horses on some Salem Township roads.

Some Brookville Road residents complained at a recent township board meeting about speeders along roads traversed by walkers and horseback riders.

They were concerned with Brookville Road, an unpaved road that runs east and west between the north end of Gotfredson Road and Pontiac Trail.

"We have a hazard and a tragedy waiting to happen," said Rod Cannon, a Brookville resident. He suggested that the Washtenaw Road Commission do an in-depth traffic study on Brookville Road.

"There's a lot of through traffic on Brookville Road," said Treasurer Richard Reinhart. "They are going 60-70 mph. It's just not common sense that you can drive down this road, that is hilly and curvy with all this foliage growing out, at 65 m.p.h."

Meroe Kaericher, said that she had no choice but to pull off the road when, after turning from Curtis Road south onto Brookville Road, she encountered two cars abreast, with one passing the other. One of her neighbors was on a riding mower in the area at the time. "Not everywhere can you pull off Brookville Road and avoid an accident," she said.

Reinhart said he drives 35 mph and gets passed all the time.

North Territorial and Pontiac Trail and North Territorial and Curtis were also noted as problem intersections.

During the meeting Township Supervisor Michael Penn questioned Steve Puuri, director of engineering for the Washtenaw County Road Commission.

"We're getting tremendous more road complaints," Penn said. "We want to refresh our minds as to what authority this township has over its roads rather than just giving the money to

improve them. I've been plagued with traffic control, weight limits, maintenance, signs... You're hearing the township cry out for help. What advice can you give us?"

Puuri listened to the comments.

"Pass a board resolution and tell us where you want those signs, and we will go ahead and put them up," Puuri suggested.

The commission publishes a truck map with a set of primary routes to keep wider and longer trucks on those roads, he said. "You could designate those roads to be 'no through truck' routes," Puuri suggested.

Some communities have passed a truck ordinance and have designated routes in their townships, he said.

The commission will hear the request and review whether it is appropriate, he continued. "Speed limits are bound by state law, a joint decision between the road commission and State Police to approve a traffic control order," Puuri said. "The sign is recorded at the county courthouse so that the sign is enforceable."

Trustee Joseph Dunlap asked if the local Michigan State Police trooper could make suggestions of lower speed limits at certain township areas to the road commission. "The trooper doesn't handle this," Puuri said. "This is handled by the traffic services division in Northville."

Township Clerk Marcia Van Fossen asked about installation of "Slow, Children at Play" signs. Such signs are acceptable at parks and playgrounds, Puuri said. "Along everybody's front yards it's not reasonable to have 'Children at Play' signs although there may be children playing in that yard," he said.

An over-abundance of signs littering the countryside isn't reasonable and won't catch drivers' attention, Puuri said.

He stressed that it's not true that traffic engineers react only after there is a fatal accident.

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OLGC puts on summer plays



Just watching: Above, Jenny Fucile, 11, braids the hair of Olivia Switila, 7, while watching the plays. Angela Napolitano, 11, does the same for Paige Verderbar, 6, at right. All are from Plymouth.

The Shows must go on

A group of 30 sixth grade girls from Our Lady of Good Counsel school met for card games and short plays at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Monday. The group has been meeting regularly during the summer, and Monday's event signaled the close of a summer-long camaraderie. The girls took turns acting in and watching three short plays.



Fun: Sarah Bills of Plymouth, 10, from left, as "Dr. Brockett," Lisa Clinton of Plymouth, 10 1/2, as detective "J.T. Maloney," Amanda Sitko of Plymouth, 10, as "Carlotta," and Lisa Storch of Plymouth, 11, as "Jane Crumb," look down on Allison Greene of Canton, 11, as "Miss Peabody," who has fainted in the play, "Check Under the Bed."

Photos and text by staff photographer Paul Hurschmann

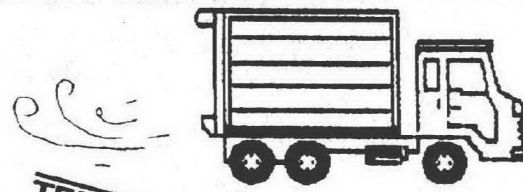
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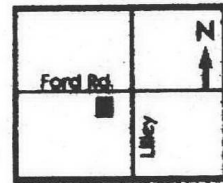
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The Council's office located in Plymouth City Hall serves as an information and referral center for senior citizens. Monthly meetings are held where information and entertaining programs are presented.

Several get-acquainted luncheons and a picnic are held annually. The Council provides information on, and referrals for, such things as: Home medical equipment for loan, senior transportation service, low cost light repairs, food for the elderly, caregivers and companions, senior social clubs, low cost legal assistance, senior housing, stores with senior discounts, and tax assistance.

If the information desired is not on hand the Council representative will usually be able to obtain it and advise the interested party. The Council publishes "The Senior Sentinel" newsletter each month (except for July and August) which is distributed to the membership of the Council on Aging.



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Representative proposes making legislature part time

BY MIKE MALOTT
HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE
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Mike Bishop wants to cut his own job from full time down to part time. Along with that would go reductions in pay, staffing and office budget.

The Republican representative from Rochester is proposing an amendment to the Michigan Constitution limiting the state Legislature to 90 days of meeting time each year. Introduced in January, House Joint Resolution D was Bishop's first proposal.

He's pushing for approval by the Legislature this fall to place the amendment on the ballot for a decision by voters in November 2000.

"A lot of them (his legislative colleagues) are shaking their

heads at me. But I'm also getting a lot of positive response. For Republicans, this really goes along with their core values, among which is limited government," he said.

Most, however, aren't willing to sign on as supporters or come out in direct opposition to it, he said.

Critics question the timing of the proposal. With term limits just beginning to take effect, a proposal to limit meeting days might further hamper lawmakers' ability to watchdog the state administration and bureaucracy.

"That is the most valid concern," Bishop said. "I see some instances of the tail wagging the dog right now, but I think that is a matter of getting our sea legs

and understanding how the process works." Sixty-four representatives are new to the legislature this year, due to the turnover caused by term limits.

Making the Legislature part time would force it to be more efficient, to "more finely tune the agenda," Bishop argued. It would also put senators and representatives back in their districts more often and put them in closer contact with their own constituents.

"You can really get trapped in the Capitol," he said.

So his part-time legislature proposal would complete the job that term limits only started, he contended.

The amendment is written very simply. It would add only

the 90-day meeting limitation to the wording of the Constitution. While the governor already has the power to call emergency sessions, Bishop explained he plans to alter his proposal to also allow the House Speaker and Senate Leader to jointly call emergency sessions.

"Texas meets every other year, and they get done just as much as we do," he said. In fact, some 30 states have part-time legislatures, he said, including Texas, Florida, Arizona and Indiana.

"This is not something radical like the unicameral legislature they have in Nebraska. It is just an attempt to really bring back the concept of a citizen legislature," he said.

Bishop anticipates that pay,

staffing and office budgets would be reviewed and reduced commensurate with the trimmed time in session, although the wording of the proposed amendment does not specifically mention them.

"I tell people from other states what we make, and they are

astounded," Bishop said. "Lawmakers in Texas make only \$12,000 a year."

Senators and representatives in Michigan's current full-time legislature will earn \$55,000 this year, a number that goes up to \$57,000 in the year 2000.

Race in the Park Sept. 18 will benefit the Arc

Residents can race this month to benefit programs for people with developmental disabilities.

The Race in the Park for the Arc begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, at Heritage Park near the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, in Canton. Money raised from the 5-Mile Run, 5-K Walk and 1/2 Mile Fun Run for children will help the Arc of Northwest Wayne County,

a nonprofit organization that has been serving people who have developmental disabilities and their families.

The half-mile fun run begins at 8 a.m., the 5-K starts at 8:15 a.m. and the 5-Mile Run begins at 9 a.m. Fees are \$12 for the 5-Mile Run and 5-K Walk and \$15 for on-site registration for those races. The fee for the children's race is \$2.


Free T-shirts will be distributed to the 500 entrants. Ribbons will be given to the top three male and female runners in the 5-Mile race. Door prizes will be awarded.

The run is sponsored by CBS Radio, Glenn Haegge the Handy-

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The Arc of Northwest Wayne County is at 26049 Five Mile Road in Redford. For more information, call The Arc NW at (313) 532-7915.

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A letter from your doctor to your employer explaining your needs may be more helpful to your arthritis than a new medication or another joint injection.

However, the physician must be careful in such correspondence. Current Federal Law prohibits a doctor from discussing your medical diagnosis to anyone but a company's physician Medical Director. The reality is that most concerns do not have such a person. In addition, a doctor feels obligated to give an employer some explanation when requesting that the employee receive special consideration. What most physicians do is to try to write a letter that strikes a compromise between government regulation and a supervisor's need to know.

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Wrongful death suits are always difficult for survivors because we must place a monetary value on a human life; to a loved one, no amount of money can adequately compensate for the loss. Since the court can not impose sentences on those found responsible in civil suits, all one can gain is monetary compensation. Being practical, however, a family that has lost its source of income very like needs that compensation desperately.

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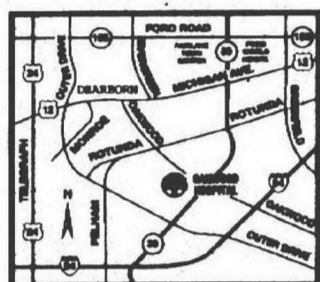
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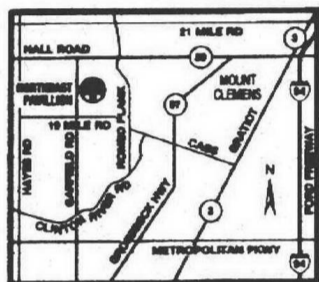


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OBITUARIES

NAGEL DAVID POST

Services for Nagel David Post, 74, of Canton will be at 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, in the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth.

He was born Feb. 16, 1925, in Hamtramck. He died Aug. 22 in Ann Arbor. He was an electrician. He was a veteran of World War II in the U.S. Army Air Force. He was honorably discharged after flying 29 missions over Europe.

His hobbies included hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by Walter A. and Marie Post. Survivors include his wife, Wilma Ann Post of Canton; five daughters, Sally Hamel of Walled Lake, Ellen J. Eckler of Traverse City, Janeen Slider of Dayton, Ohio, Beth Ann Gibson of Milford, Stacy Tanski of Plymouth; one son, David N. Post; one sister, Sally P. Eckles of Canton; one uncle, Ted Post; 10 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and many cousins, nephews, and nieces.

Memorials may be made to Heartland Health Care Center, 4701 East Huron River, Ann Arbor 48105.

JERRY STEELE

Services for Jerry Steele will be Sept. 18 at his home in Plymouth.

He was born Dec. 16, 1938, in Detroit. He died Aug. 21 in Plymouth. He attended Plymouth High School and later graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a degree in engineering. He then spent two years in the Navy. He joined the Ford Motor Co. in 1964 and served there in various human resources positions prior to taking an early retirement in 1994 to become the second president of the Michigan Information Technology Network, an Ann Arbor-based organization developed to extend training and education initiatives from Michigan's educational and training institutions primarily to the adult workforce. While at Ford, he acquired his Ph.D. in instructional technology at Wayne

State University.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Verne and Roberta of Plymouth. Survivors include his former wife, Suzanne of Traverse City; one son, Grant Steele of Boston; one daughter Shawn (Mike) Galliers of Plymouth; grandchildren, Brittany and Courtney.

Memorials may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute, 485 S. Main St., Plymouth 48170.

CLARENCE CLAUD BARNES

Services for Clarence Claude Barnes, 80, of Plymouth will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. Brian F. Heidt officiating. Burial will be in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

He was born Feb. 9, 1919, in Nankin Mills. He died Aug. 26 in Superior Township. He was a farmer in Superior Township. all of his life.

He was preceded in death by his brother Albert Barnes; and one sister, Georgia Logan. Survivors include his two sisters, Jennie Morgan of Ann Arbor, and Mary Collinsworth of Bronson; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

MILDRED "MIKI" BELL

Services for Mildred "Miki" Bell, 92, of Farmington were Aug. 26 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. John Shinn officiating. Burial was in Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley.

She was born Dec. 29, 1906, in Ishpeming, Mich. She died Aug. 23 in Livonia. She was a homemaker. She and her late husband Michael were international travelers. Their destinations included the Soviet Union and People's Republic of China in the 1960s and 1970s. As a young girl she worked for Florence Ziegfeld. In 1948 she met Mike Bell and they were married. She was an accomplished violinist and vocalist.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Michael. Survivors include his brother, Theodore

"Cowboy" Donnithorne of Plymouth; one niece, Theo (James) Donnithorne/Igrisan of Plymouth; two step granddaughters; and several cousins.

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VERA EVELYN HEIDT

Services Vera Evelyn Heidt, 82, of Superior Township were Aug. 28 in the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. Brian F. Heidt officiating. Burial will be in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

She was born June 8, 1917, in Detroit. She died Aug. 24 in Superior Township. She had been a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church for 62 years. She was active in the Ladies Societies for many years. She graduated from Ypsilanti High School in 1935 and Cleary Business College in 1936. She spent more than 50 years with the Extension (Michigan Association for Family and Community Education). She was a Girl Scout leader and a member of the Auxiliary at St. Paul's. She was a homemaker and a partner in the Farm at Frains Lake since 1944. She also was assistant treasurer for Superior Township for 15 years. She worked for Dekoning Construction Co. in Ann Arbor for 16 years. Her hobbies included gardening, flowers and traveling.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frederick; one daughter, Evelyn; one son, Frederick W.; and parents Walter W. and Lillie W. (Schultz) Wilkie. Survivors include his son, Larry (Pamela) Heidt of Seabrook, Texas; daughter-in-law, Pat Heidt of Fenton; one sister, Phyllis Hewer of Plymouth; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS AND ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH AND TO USERS OF SAID CITY'S WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS AND THE RIGHT OF REFERENDUM RELATING THERETO

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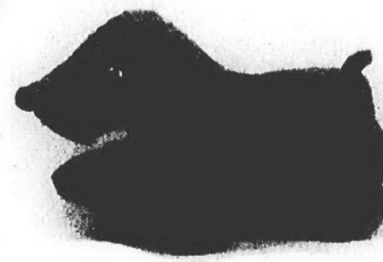
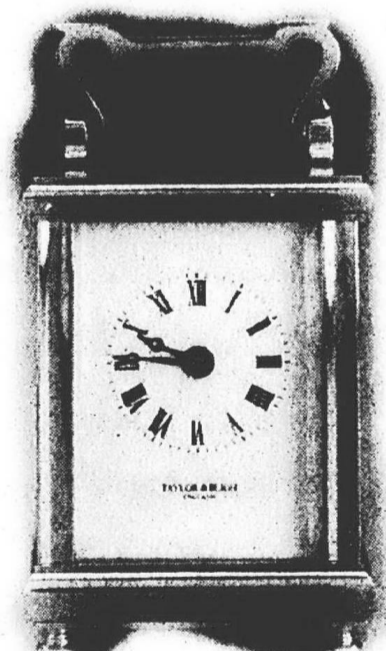
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Firefighter testing program wins award

The Conference of Western Wayne's firefighter testing program was recognized as a first-place recipient of the Joint Public Services Award in the category of Outstanding Joint Public Service Project.

The award is sponsored by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments/Metropolitan Affairs Coalition Center for Joint Public Services. The CWW firefighter training program and other winners will be honored Oct. 28 at SEMCOG's general assembly meeting.

The CWW is an organization of 18 communities whose objective is to improve local government through cooperative effort. CWW member communities are Belleville, Canton Township, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Huron Township, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Redford Township, Romulus, Sumpter Township, Van Buren Township, Wayne and Westland.

The firefighter testing program created a single test to pre-qualify firefighters for service in any of the CWW communities. The uniform test avoids costly and time-consuming duplication of services and provides communities with a pool of applicants who have already met basic standards.

Testing takes place at Schoolcraft 11 times a year. Several communities outside of the CWW are considering participation in the program.

The Joint Public Services Awards were created to recognize local governments, school districts and private or non-profit organizations which are working together in providing services or programs more economically. The Center for Joint Public Services is a cooperative effort of SEMCOG and the Metropolitan Affairs Coalition. It encourages implementation of cooperative efforts in the region by providing ideas and methods for offering more and improved services within the framework of shrinking budgets and increased demands. Arrangements between counties, school districts and local units of government serve to make cost reduction and service improvement go hand-in-hand.

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Budget proposals go to commission

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COUNTY NEWS

Wayne County commissioners may add five prosecutors to help with homicide investigations, increase jurors pay and add funds for a study of rail transportation between Detroit and Detroit Metro Airport.

Those were some of the \$18.5 million in recommendations from the commission's Committee on Ways and Means released to the full commission Thursday. The general fund budget for 1999-2000 totals \$507 million, while the total of all funds in the budget is estimated at \$2.7 billion.

Commissioners will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Wayne County Building in Detroit to vote on the budget and any adjustments.

The commission's Ways and Means Committee will meet Monday to discuss the possibility of rolling back the county millage, currently proposed at 7.9067 mills. The cut originally proposed from Ways and Means is equivalent to about \$3.8 million in the county's budget, but that was referred back to Ways and Means for discussion. That millage reduction and the budget increases would mean vacant positions in the current budget would be eliminated in the new budget.

Another change calls for \$2.7 million more to pay for an increase in jurors pay from \$15 to \$30 a day. That item also was referred back to Ways and Means.

"That's a big chunk," said

Commissioner George Cushingberry, who chairs Ways and Means. "It is not required by the state (to increase jurors pay), but we feel we are woefully behind with \$15 per day, and someday, we will have to bite the bullet."

Here is a summary of the proposed changes yet to be acted on by the full commission:

■ \$288,750 more to Prosecutor John O'Hair for five assistant prosecuting attorneys.

■ \$272,000 more for County Clerk Teola Hunter for an assistant deputy clerk, court clerks, benefits and services and an increase in administrative budget. That funding includes legal training.

■ \$2.9 million for a salary adjustment for court employees, part of a Michigan Supreme Court ruling, in which justices found the state did not have to fund the reorganization of Wayne County Circuit Court and Detroit Recorders Court. That was referred to Ways and Means.

■ \$150,000 for attorneys for indigent clients to fund legal research and investigations.

■ \$50,000 for a drug court program to match available state money.

■ \$347,000 for Probate Court,

including a guardianship review under a judge's discretion and three security officers.

■ \$469,000 to the Sheriff's Department for an Internet unit, juvenile "reality tours" and drug interdiction programs.

■ Decrease the county health fund by \$10 million and put that money into a contingency account.

■ The Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority would receive an additional \$70,000, while Neighborhood Legal Services would get \$250,000 more.

O'Hair was pleased with the additional prosecutors. He pushed for the additional money from commissioners during recent budget hearings.

The prosecutors would be set up in a "vertical" homicide unit in which a single assistant prosecuting attorney will process, a case through the dispositions and trials. "It will be very significant for case preparation," O'Hair said.

Commission Chair Ricardo Solomon called the budget "a living, breathing document that can be changed at any time."

A recent state Supreme Court ruling meant Wayne County would receive \$3 million less in revenue for the court.

Detroit and Wayne County had argued that the reorganization law requiring Detroit to pay for 36th District Court and Wayne County to pay for the newly reconstituted Third Circuit Court violated the Headlee

Amendment because it placed financial obligations on them that they were not previously required to shoulder.

In the majority opinion that rejected that argument, Justice Clifford Taylor wrote that the reorganization law neither imposes new activities nor increases the levels of activities on local units.

Commissioners on the Committee on Ways and Means expected to discuss the need for \$2.9 million on Monday.

Cushingberry wanted the \$10 million contingency county health fund to pay for "one-stop shopping" and help merge health services with Detroit to provide services in low-income areas.

Commissioner Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, discouraged commissioners from spending more general fund money for that item. Instead they should call in Family Independence Agency workers and social workers to find out what the problems are with the welfare reform system, particularly with computer use.

"There's no reason to duplicate this system. What we need to do is ensure the system is working properly, the law is being upheld, and that won't cost us anything," Bankes said.

Commissioner Edna Bell, D-Detroit, wanted to discuss any changes with the city of Detroit.

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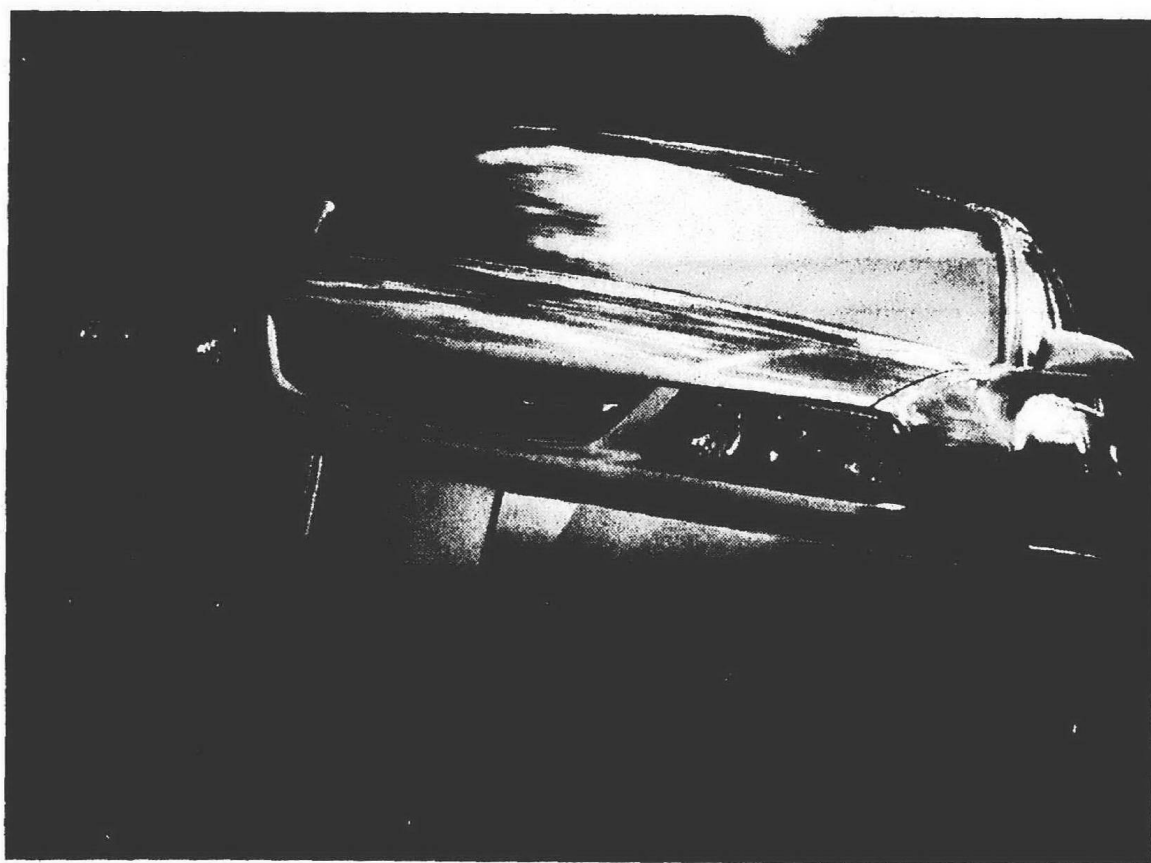
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HOME SENSE



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Store food properly to stay well

Do you know that home kitchens are the source of more food-related illnesses than restaurants? How many times have you or someone in your family said, "I don't feel good. It must have been something I ate?"

Improper storage increases the risk of food poisoning and can result in loss of nutrients and flavor. Here are some do's and don'ts to remember:

Don't refrigerate tomatoes; they'll lose their flavor. Let them ripen at room temperature. They will be more juicy and flavorful. Keep tomatoes out of the sun when you're trying to ripen them. The sun will destroy some of the vitamins, and they will ripen unevenly.

If tomatoes are not ripe, they can be ripened by putting them in a paper bag with an apple or banana. The natural ethylene gas given off by those fruits ripens the tomato. After they are ripened, tomatoes can be refrigerated for a couple of days, but store them in the warmest part of the refrigerator. The refrigerator door is the best place.

Keep regular or sweet potatoes in a cool, dry, dark, well-ventilated location, not in the refrigerator. The starch in potatoes will turn to sugar faster in the refrigerator. Once they start to sprout, throw them out.

Storing onions

Don't store onions with potatoes. The onions produce a gas that causes potatoes to rot faster. Store onions in a cool, dry, ventilated place away from the potatoes.

In the refrigerator bread will lose moisture and go stale faster. It's a better idea to keep the bread in the freezer and use as needed. This is particularly important for whole wheat bread or breads made without preservatives.

Banana skins turn black in the refrigerator. Bananas are still edible but may lose some of their flavor and texture.

To keep vegetables green and fresh, line the bottom of the storage compartment in the refrigerator with paper towels. This absorbs excess moisture, keeping vegetables fresh and crisp.

Ripen pears at room temperature, then refrigerate before eating or keep them cold; it slows the ripening process. Oranges yield more juice if left at room temperature.

Leaving apples at room temperature hastens the ripeness and mushiness of the fruit. Keep them in the refrigerator - they'll be good for several weeks.

Under the sink storage

Storing food under the sink is potentially dangerous. Leaking or sweating pipes can rust cans and damage boxes. Food stored under the sink can attract rodents and insects. There are drain pipes and heating pipes under the sink that can also cause food spoilage.

When refrigerating cottage cheese, turn the container upside-down on a plate. This creates a better seal against air. Remember that soft cheeses are more perishable than hard ones. Cottage cheese should be used within two to three days after opening.

Nuts

Nuts are best refrigerated or frozen for longer storage. Because they're high in fat, they can turn rancid. The same goes for peanut butter that is stored for a long time. Refrigerate peanut butter even though it's less spreadable when cold. Syrup and honey are better protected from mold if kept in the refrigerator. If crystals form, simply place container in hot water before using.

Please see **SENSE, B2**

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Michigan apple season begins
- Delicious Rosh Hashana ideas

"Aspects of African American Foodways" is part of Howard Paige's continuing journey to find and explain the truth about the foods of his motherland - Africa



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African American Foodways: Howard Paige, author of "Aspects of African American Foodways," and his wife, Mamie, present hominy and tomatoes (from left and clockwise), banana fritters, mango ice drink and creamed turkey over toast. These are some of the dishes featured in his cookbook.

OUT OF AFRICA

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"There are no soul people and no soul land," said cookbook author Howard Paige of Southfield, explaining why "Soul Food" is a poor term to describe African American cooking.

"It completely ignores history," said Paige, who has been researching African American food traditions for the past 20 years. He's already published two cookbooks - "Aspects of Afro-American Cookery" and "African American Family Cookery," but his third book, "Aspects of African American Foodways," published in August, is the one he wanted to write all along. "I felt the first two books weren't as comprehensive as they ought to be," said Paige.

His quest began as he was looking for information about African American cooking and discovered there wasn't much to be found.

"Aspects of African American Foodways" is part of his continuing journey to find and explain the truth about the foods of his motherland - Africa. He'd like his book to be in every library so that people understand African American cookery isn't something that was invented in the 1960s and 1970s when people started talking about "Soul Food." It's a tradition rooted in West Africa, whose history in America can be traced to Colonial times.

Paige's book is one part history les-

son, one part cookbook, blended and presented to the reader in an easy-to-understand format with nearly 200 recipes and more than 30 illustrations. It begins in early Africa, with emphasis on West Africa during the 16th-18th centuries, and continues through the American Civil War.

When he uses the term "foodways," Paige is referring to the culture, history, traditions, anecdotes, happiness, pain and suffering that African Americans associate with their foods.

In "Aspects of African American Foodways," Paige tells a story, offering ingredients from the past to put the present in perspective. Okra, yams and black-eyed peas are not indigenous to the South, but were some of the foods cooked in 16th-18th century West African kitchens.

In the chapter "What is African American Cooking?" Paige takes the reader on a culinary trip beginning in 16th-18th century West Africa. He chose this time period because "it was when most West Africans were seized, brought here and commonly used as cooks in early colonial homes."

You'll learn about the cooking utensils West African cooks used and how they cooked their foods. As an exam-

ple, Paige offers a banana fritter recipe.

From there it's off to the West Indies, where Africans were brought in bondage to work. They also brought their culinary traditions, and as examples, Paige offers recipes for Mango Ice Drink and Sweet and Sour Pork, with equal helpings of history.

Next he visits Colonial America and the kitchens of George Washington and the plantation where Frederick Douglass grew up.

You'll be introduced to "The Fieldhand Cooks" and their recipes for beaten biscuits and sweet potato pie. Learn how to make hoe cakes as cited by a "slave in his own words" and the history of "Tallahassee Hush Puppies."

"Aspects of African American Foodways" is a cookbook you can use to prepare delicious meals for your family and also learn a little history.

Paige did his homework, both in and out of the kitchen, with help from his wife, Mamie. There are kitchen-tested recipes for the familiar macaroni and cheese, old-fashioned rice pudding, Chicken Creole Gumbo and chicken hash, and some that are interesting from a historical perspective, such as fried squirrel.

Among the people you'll meet is

Robert Roberts, a free African American who, in 1827, wrote the "House Servant's Directory," which also included cooking information. While doing his research, Paige discovered that Roberts' book was the first book by an African American published by a commercial publisher.

Paige is at work on the next volume of "Aspects of African American Foodways" that will pick up after the Civil War.

He recently retired from Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn where he worked as a medical technologist. Paige has lectured extensively throughout metro Detroit about "African American Foodways" and has taught cooking classes.

You can order "Aspects of African American Foodways" directly from Paige. To order the book by mail, make check for \$29.95 (includes postage and handling) payable to Howard Paige, Aspects Publishing Co., 23905 Plumbrooke Dr., Southfield, MI 48075.

The book is also available for purchase at Truth Bookstore in Northland Mall and at Book Beat in Oak Park. Paige will be signing copies of his book 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25 at the Shrine of the Black Madonna, 13535 Livernois, Detroit.

See recipes inside.

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Whether your child carries a superhero lunch box, a colorful insulated tote or a functional brown bag, it's what's inside that really makes the difference when it comes to good nutrition. Now that kids are going back to school, here are some ideas for healthy lunches they'll devour.

Start with some whole grains, which provide complex carbohydrates and are also an important source of B vitamins, fiber, iron and zinc. Branch out from white bread to include whole grain breads, bagels, crackers and muffins.

Vegetables and fruits are major sources of vitamins and minerals in a child's lunch, and the American Institute for Cancer Research recommends at least five servings of these important foods each day.

Try to pack two servings when possible. Kids love crunchy baby carrots with a low-fat dip. If your child tends to shy away from veggies, it's OK to camouflage them by chopping them up and mixing them in sandwich fillings. Sweet seasonal fruits can serve as a nutritious dessert. Remember that pure fruit juices

and dried fruit like raisins are also healthy options.

Growing kids need protein, so include a two-ounce serving of meat, poultry, fish, cheese, yogurt, peanut butter, nuts or beans. Calcium-rich dairy products are important, while meat and eggs are rich in dietary zinc and iron that youngsters need in good supply.

For kids, sweets and fats are especially appealing additions to lunches, but remember to include them in moderation. As much as possible, try to offset the empty calories by sending fruit-filled cookies, granola bars or even sweetened cereals. As an alternative to potato chips, try pretzels or baked tortilla chips with salsa.

Packing a wholesome lunch each day is a great way to teach your children healthy eating habits while you provide proper nutrition for their growing bodies. Poor eating habits, particularly diets heavy in sweets and fats, can cause childhood obesity, which is likely to continue into adulthood.

Please see **NUTRITION, B2**

As much as possible, try to offset the empty calories by sending fruit-filled cookies, granola bars or even sweetened cereals.

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Obesity increases risk for heart disease, certain types of cancer, stroke, diabetes and high blood pressure. So lessons on good nutrition can be just as important for your child as learning the three R's.

Information from the American Institute for Cancer Research. Visit them on the Web at www.aicr.org

Here are some recipes to try: OAT-RAISIN APPLESAUCE COOKIES

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 cup margarine, softened

- 2 cups firmly packed brown sugar
- 2 egg whites
- 1 cup unsweetened Michigan applesauce
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 cups raw, old fashioned rolled oats
- 1/2 cup raisins
- Vegetable cooking spray

Stir together flour, salt, soda and cinnamon. Set aside.
In large mixer bowl, beat together margarine and sugar on medium speed until combined. Add egg whites, Michigan applesauce and vanilla. Beat well. Add flour mixture, mixing on low speed

until thoroughly combined. Stir in rolled oats and raisins. Drop by slightly rounded measuring tablespoon onto baking sheets coated with cooking spray.

Bake at 350 degrees F. about 13 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool 2 minutes on baking sheet. Remove and cool on wire racks. Store in airtight container. Yield: 4 dozen cookies, 2 1/2 inches in diameter.

Nutrition information per serving, 1 cookie: 100 calories, 2 g Fat, 0 mg Cholesterol, 18 g Carbohydrates, 70 mg Sodium, 1 g Fiber.

Recipe compliments of the Michigan Apple Committee.

CHEWY FRUIT SQUARES

- Cooking spray
- 1/3 cup sifted all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup sifted whole wheat pastry flour
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 2/3 cup brown sugar, packed
- 1/4 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/2 cup chopped peeled apple

- 1 cup chopped pitted dates
- 1/2 cup dried apricots
- 1/2 cup dried peaches or pears
- 1/4 cup golden raisins or dried cranberries
- 1 large egg plus 1 egg white
- 2 tablespoons apple or orange juice
- 1 tablespoon canola or light olive oil

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line a 9-inch square pan with wax paper and lightly coat the paper with cooking spray.

In a large bowl, combine flours, cornstarch, baking powder, salt,

cinnamon, ginger, brown sugar and nuts; blend. Add fruits to dry ingredients and toss well.

In a cup, lightly beat the egg, egg white, juice and oil, then stir into the flour mixture until thoroughly moistened. Turn batter into pan and spread out. Bake 25 minutes or until golden.

Cool 10 minutes in pan on wire rack. Cut and cool completely. Store in an airtight container for up to one week.

Nutritional information: each of the 16 fruit squares contains 125 calories and 2 grams of fat.

Recipe from the American Institute for Cancer Research.

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Coffee and tea should be kept tightly covered to stay fresh. They keep best refrigerated or frozen. Cabinets over the stove get hot, so spices, packaged and canned foods won't last long under such conditions. Store these foods somewhere else. Use above the stove places for storage of seldom used pots and pans.

Butter and margarine should be refrigerated. Wrap them well if you are refrigerating or freezing as both can pick up odors from other foods.

The refrigerator door does not stay as cold as the rest of the refrigerator, so do not store highly perishable foods there such as milk or eggs. Use the door for storing condiments, such as salad dressings, mustard, catsup, etc.

The refrigerator door does not stay as cold as the rest of the refrigerator, so do not store highly perishable foods there such as milk or eggs.

Some dry packaged foods and canned foods require refrigeration once they are opened; some even before they are opened. Get into the habit of checking labels for storage information. If you buy the product out of the refrigerator case at the store, it will require home refrigeration.

The faster foods are cooled, the less time there is for bacteria to grow. Avoid putting hot leftovers into large containers to refrigerate. The center may be dangerously warm for too long. Instead

put hot food into small shallow containers to cool faster. Leftovers in the refrigerator should be used within a couple of days.

Foods should not be stacked or overcrowded in the refrigerator. Don't cover refrigerator shelves with foil or any material that interferes with the air circulation. Don't block the vents, as the air needs to circulate freely to maintain the right temperature. The ideal temperature for the refrigerator is 38-40 degrees F. Refrigerated foods stored

above 40 degrees F for more than two hours should be discarded.

Resist any temptation to taste food that doesn't look or smell just right. You don't have to swallow the food to be poisoned by the toxins produced by certain types of bacteria. By smelling you can inhale the toxins, too. Develop excellent food storage savvy for economic and health reasons.

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BANANA FRITTERS (NIGERIA)

- 1 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 5-6 tablespoons sugar
- 5-6 regular sized bananas, peeled, sliced, and mashed into a smooth consistency
- 1 cup 1 percent milk
- 3 eggs, slightly beaten
- Confectioners' sugar

Combine flour and sugar together in a medium sized mixing bowl. Make a well in the center of the flour mixture. Add 1/3 of the eggs and 1/3 of the milk at a time. Whisk as you add to make the batter smooth. Continue until all the eggs and the milk is well blended. Set aside to stand at room temper-

ature for 30 minutes.

Place corn oil in a deep fryer, or in a heavy frying pan to a depth of 2-3 inches, and heat to a temperature 360-375 degrees.

Drop by tablespoon into hot oil and fry until golden brown on all sides. Fry only about 2 or 3 at a time. Remove with large perforated spoon. Drain and place on absorbent paper.

Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar. Makes about 16-18 Fritters. Serve hot.

MANGO ICE DRINK (JAMAICA)

- 4 mangoes, ripe
- 2 cups water
- 1 teaspoon orange Zest
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup lime juice
- 4 cups orange juice

Peel mangoes. Cut mango flesh

away from its stone into coarse pieces. Make mango puree by rubbing mango through a sieve or straining through a rice mill. Set aside in a bowl.

Combine water, orange zest and sugar in a small sized boiling pan and bring to a boil. Stir until all the sugar has dissolved. Remove from heat and let cool at room temperature. After cooling, add the mango puree and lime and orange juices. Mix well.

Pour into ice-cube tray and freeze for 2 1/2 to 3 hours. Stir every 25-30 minutes into a snowy consistency. Serves 6-8

HOMINY AND TOMATOES (COLONIAL PERIOD)

- 2 1/2 cups hominy, cooked
- 2 cups canned tomatoes
- 1/2 cups grated American cheese or 1/2 cup American cheese, cut

- 3/4 cups bread crumbs
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 5 slices bacon, lean

Place hominy in vegetable oiled baking dish, add tomatoes (including the tomato juice) and seasonings. Mix. Cover with bread crumbs, cheese, and then bacon.

Bake in slow oven at 325 degrees for 25-30 minutes, or until bacon is golden brown and crispy. Serves 6-8

FRIED OR BAKED RABBIT (COLONIAL PERIOD)

- 2 young rabbits, 1 1/2 - 2 pounds, cut into serving pieces
- salt
- black pepper
- 1 clove garlic, split

- 3/4 cup butter or margarine
- 3/4 cup 1 percent or 2 percent milk plus
- 3/4 cup cream, mixed together

Rub garlic well into each piece of rabbit. Season with salt and pepper, rubbing seasoning well into rabbit.

Melt the butter in a frying pan. Add meat and cook to brown on all sides under medium-high.

To bake rabbit, remove meat from flame and pour in 1/2 cup boiling water. Return to top of stove, cover and cook at moderate temperature 25-40 minutes or until tender.

Pour off the liquid, add the half cream, half milk, cover and put in a preheated oven for 10-15 minutes at 350 degrees. Season to your taste with salt and pepper. Serve with rice. Serves 5-6.

FRIED BUFFALO OR CATFISH (COLONIAL PERIOD)

- 2-3 pounds fish, cut into fillets
- 1/4 cup 1 percent milk
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1 cup yellow or white cornmeal
- Salt
- Black pepper
- Red pepper (Cayenne pepper)
- Vegetable oil

Wash fillets, dry and season fish. Beat egg in milk and dip fish in it. Then in cornmeal. Coat all over. Heat oil to 350 - 375 degrees F and fry fish until golden brown on both sides. Drain on paper towel and serve.

Make the most of locally grown tomatoes

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tomatoes are available year-round, but there is something special about the fresh locally grown tomatoes available during late summer. Spaghetti and Tomato Salad With Dill Yogurt Dressing uses vine-ripened tomatoes for a perfect lunch dish.

The recipe is featured in the new book "Gourmet's Fresh: From The Farmer's Market To Your Kitchen" (Random House, \$27.50), served along with another recipe, Grilled Shrimp With Salsa Verde and Cheddar Pita Toasts.

The book advises that tomatoes are best kept stem side up at normal room temperature in indirect light. Refrigerated tomatoes lose their firmness and flavor.

Although this recipe calls for

English cucumbers, which are longer than American varieties and contain fewer seeds and less water, any cucumber can be used. The book suggests salting and draining them for 30 minutes, then rinsing them thoroughly and squeezing them dry.

SPAGHETTI AND TOMATO SALAD WITH DILL YOGURT DRESSING

- 1/4 pound spaghetti
- 3/4 English cucumber
- 1 garlic clove
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons fresh dill sprigs
- 1/4 cup plain low-fat yogurt
- 1/4 cup well-shaken butter-milk
- 6 ounces vine-ripened cherry tomatoes
- 1/4 cup Kalamata or other

brine-cured black olives

In a 5-quart kettle bring 3 quarts salted water to a boil for spaghetti.

Peel and seed 1/2 cucumber and shred on large holes of a 4-sided grater. Squeeze shredded cucumber in a kitchen towel to remove excess liquid. Seed and dice remaining 1/4 cucumber. Mince garlic and mash to a paste with salt. Chop dill. Reserve 1/2 tablespoon dill; in a large bowl stir together remaining dill, shredded and diced cucumber, garlic paste, yogurt, buttermilk, and salt and pepper to taste.

Halve or quarter tomatoes. Pit olives and cut into thin slices. In a bowl, stir together tomatoes, olives, reserved dill, and salt and pepper to taste.

Cook spaghetti in boiling water

until al dente and drain in a colander. Rinse spaghetti under cold water to stop cooking and drain well. Add spaghetti to yogurt mixture and toss to coat.

Serve spaghetti topped with tomato mixture.

Makes 2 servings.

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CORPORATE HEALTH INITIATIVE

Valassis recognizes importance of having healthy employees

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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Cherie Hauser plans on fitting in a 60-minute yoga class between a morning meeting with sales associates and a business luncheon with her production team.

With her busy workload the Westland resident doesn't have time to fight morning traffic to make it to her local fitness club or gym either — she has the good fortune of having a workout facility just down the hall from her office as an account coordinator at Valassis Communications, Inc. in Livonia.

The marketing service company has placed a greater emphasis on wellness and preventative medicine with the advent of the Valassis Learning Network — a diverse series of training opportunities that impact organizational performance and personal well-being including Personal Productivity, Leadership Development and Life Management courses.

VLN was launched in January and has been well-received by VCI employees. Life Management courses are focused on helping employees "manage their personal life more effectively."

Balancing act

According to Marcia Hyde, vice president of Human Resources/Corporate Communications at VCI, the programs are offered at a variety of times both during and after work to accommodate the busy schedules of their employees.

Class offerings include such topics as: controlling blood pressure, fit for golf (emphasizes posture, flexibility to avoid common injuries), diabetes education (carbohydrate counting and label reading), stretching and flexibility, cancer awareness, headache management through prevention and physical therapy, child safety, weight loss, smoking cessation, controlling allergies, adult and infant CPR certification, and yoga.

"I have taken classes on nutrition, target toning, step aerobics, allergy classes, to learn how to help my children make it through allergy season with less problems, stretching classes, CPR for infants and children, as well as, adults. I participate as much as my workload will allow," said Hauser.

The Human Resources VP says wellness and health-related initiatives have been offered for more than 15 years to Valassis employees, however, it's the "method of delivery" that's changed with the times.

"It wasn't unusual 10 years ago for employees to stay after work for a couple of hours," said Suzanne M. Gornowicz manager, Investor Relations and Public Relations. "I know I did. But that's not the case today."

Gornowicz went on to say that it's comparable to put in another workday after 5 o'clock with family commitments, recreational activities, travel time

and household related responsibilities.

Fitting in a four-hour CPR course or a class on managing your diabetes through carbohydrate counting and label reading — isn't that viable for some individuals.

"Internal training courses for employees are

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offered seven days a week, 24 hours a day for the different office and manufacturing shifts," said Hyde.

VCI has solved those time management issues with early morning, mid-day and evening classes to suit a variety of schedules. Classes are not only offered at the corporate headquarters on Seven Mile and I-275 in Livonia but at nearby medical centers, and at their printing and production facilities in Livonia and Plymouth.

"The times are usually during lunch and or during the day so I can adjust my time and come in early or whatever I need to do so I do not feel I am invading my family time," said Hauser.

Hauser, 33, said she exercises for 90 minutes at Club VCI on the treadmill, exercise machines and free weights after work and fits in VLN classes around her steady workload.

Programs are taught by company staff as well as individuals from the community whose field of expertise relates to health (medicine, nutrition, exercise). VLN programming is also free of charge to VCI employees.

The need for such programming came about after a Wellness Committee was formed in 1998 made up of employees representing various departments throughout the company.

Staff conducted health assessment surveys to determine what employees felt were important lifestyle issues. Responses such as fitness, diet,

stress, and time management were used to create programs such as carbohydrate counting and label reading, effective stretching and flexibility, how to use on-site workout equipment, losing weight and feeling great, and positive self-body image.

A May class called "Eating Right on the Run," attracted 105 employees bringing about two additional sessions to be scheduled to accommodate more staff.

Evolving

One of the newest enhancements to Valassis' efforts toward total employee well being is the addition of an on-site physician. Dr. Quentin R. McMullen of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

in Ann Arbor has an office at the company's corporate headquarters and the Livonia printing facility called VAL-Care. He also answers medical questions and provides advice for employees and their families through an Internet service call "Doctor On-Line."

Hyde, Valassis Human Resources vice president, says a lot of research and planning goes into the initiatives launched by Valassis but at the same time the company is flexible enough to "make things happen overnight."

For instance, the "Family Room" located at each Valassis site, came about after a female employee expressed the wish to have a private place to nurse her baby and express breastmilk when she returned to work.

Hyde said before the company built its current facility there were a number of enclosed offices at their former location that made this possible. The new building however, is very open and features cubicle-type partitions making breastfeeding nearly impossible.

The Family Room was put together on a moments notice and modeled after a residential room. It features a refrigerator, couch, television, desk, computer, toys for young children, a breast pump and child-care essentials for emergency day care such as diapers and wipes.

Whether it's the annual health fair where employees receive free health screenings or the easy-to-use medical reference book that was mailed to each and every employee home — Valassis realizes that the health of its employees and their families is something that shouldn't be taken for granted.

"I am a firm believer that if employees feel they are cared about as people, than they will be more productive employees. The company wins and so does the employee. By Valassis supporting a healthy lifestyle, it shows they care about their employees even when they are off the clock. It create loyalty and a positive work environment. People will work harder for a company like that. Check out the Valassis employees and you will see what I mean," said Hauser.

MEDICAL BRIEFS

Funds allocated

United Cerebral Palsy of Metropolitan Detroit recently received \$443,836 from United Way Community Services for the 1999-2000 fiscal year. The funds were raised during the United Way Torch Drive, which provides allocations to 130 health and human service agencies helping more than 1.7 million people in the tri-county area. UCP/Detroit will be able to advocate for appropriate educational opportunities for children and youth with disabilities, leverage UWCS dollars for a joint effort with the Michigan Jobs Commission to demonstrate innovative ways to assist people with significant disabilities to find and retain work.

Emergency food

Wayne County's Emergency Food Assistance Program has opened a new site in Canton to provide non-perishable food to low income person in Wayne County. Eligibility is determined according to Federal Poverty Income guidelines. Distribution is the second Tuesday of every month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Thomas A'Becket, 555 Lilley Rd. in Canton. Call Barbara Mickus at (734) 397-9532.

Cancer study

Sofia Merajver, M.D., Ph.D., director of the Breast and Ovarian Risk Evaluation Program at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, will hold two education sessions for women interested in learning about the Study of Tamoxifen and Raloxifene (STAR). Study participants must be postmenopausal and cannot have a history of invasive breast cancer. The first session is from 10-11:30 a.m. Friday Sept. 10 and from 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15 at the U-M Cancer Center in Ann Arbor (room B1-180). Free parking is available and registration is not required. Call (800) 742-2300 press category 7879.

Prostate cancer

The University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center is offering free prostate cancer screenings on the evening of Sept. 30. All men ages 50 and older and men ages 40+ who are African-American or have a family history are eligible. Exams take less than 10 minutes and include a free PSA blood test. To schedule an exam, call (800) 866-1125.

Healing arthritis

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We want your health news

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

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Asthma and dorm living: A 14-point survival guide for college students

Poorly managed asthma during college can interfere with career choices and claim lives. Each year, students with asthma die; most often, the deaths were preventable. The athlete who forgot to carry his inhaler while jogging; the 19-year-old who collapsed and died in the front yard of a party she left because people were smoking; the honors student who became intoxicated, had an attack, passed out and died alone in his room while searching for his inhaler—these tragedies can be avoided.

As students with asthma head off to college, the Allergy and Asthma Network • Mothers of Asthmatics, Inc. (AAN•MA), offers the following survival guide to prevent asthma symptoms from interfering in college life. Allergens, irritants and respiratory illness associated with campus living can be kept to a minimum with careful planning.

1. Obtain an updated, written asthma management plan from your allergist before leaving for college. New medications, such as inhaled corticosteroids and non-sedating antihistamines, fight symptoms without unwanted side effects, in particular the drowsiness associated with over-the-counter antihistamines.

2. Keep dorm room clutter to a minimum; no upholstered furniture or secondhand rugs as these are filled with allergens.

3. If there are bunk beds, take the top level to avoid inhaling bedding dust from your roommate each night.

4. Use a HEPA room air filter, encase bedding with dust mite-proof

covers and wash sheets and blankets weekly to keep your room as free of dust mites and other airborne particles as possible. Vacuum your dust mite-proof covers once a month with HEPA or other vacuum that traps allergens.

5. Avoid social situations where you will be exposed to cigarette or other types of smoke. Do not permit smoking in your room at any time.

6. Be good to your immune system: Get your annual flu shot, wash your hands frequently, eat a balanced diet and get plenty of rest.

7. Keep a list of all medications, dosages and prescription numbers. Store medications in a moisture-proof container, such as a tackle box or makeup kit, with written instructions taped inside. Never leave your dorm room without a rescue medication in your pocket or book bag.

8. Use a holding chamber with metered-dose inhalers to get as much medication as possible. Some preventative asthma medications are available as breath-activated, dry powder or in multi-dose forms.

9. Take medications as prescribed by your physician and use a peak flow meter to measure changes in lung function daily. You are entering a new environment and your body responses might be different than they were at home. It is important that you track your peak expiratory flow rates, medications, symptoms and more in a daily diary system.

10. Arrange for local medical care and locate the hospital nearest to your campus in case of an emergency.

11. Arrange to continue allergy shots if prescribed by your physician.



12. Advise college administrators and Health Services of any special needs. Meet with professors to discuss attendance policies and ways to make up lost class time in the event of illness.

13. Check insurance coverage. If you are covered under your parent's policy, be sure to take all necessary insurance information with you to school.

14. If dealing with food allergies, request a meeting with the Head of Food Services to explain your allergies and together develop a food plan specifically for you. Keep an EpiPen® with you if one has been prescribed.

Dorm life breeds mold, dust mites, bacteria and viruses. Add liberal doses of perfumes, hair sprays, cigarette smoke and other irritants, and you have a recipe for breathing problems, particularly for those students with asthma and allergies.

Asthma is a serious, life-threatening disease that causes the airways to

become swollen and filled with fluid while muscles that wrap around the airways literally squeeze the breath out of their victims. Symptoms of asthma are usually progressive in response to triggers such as those commonly experienced as part of dorm living.

Symptoms can include coughing, breathlessness, wheezing and/or sleepless nights. When symptoms become debilitating, students lack the energy needed to concentrate or attend class, participate in athletics, and maintain a normal social life without putting their health at greater risk.

Nearly all students with asthma can make the transition to college living successfully in spite of obvious challenges; however, students should expect to make a few adjustments, particularly to medications when exposed to concentrated "doses" of allergens, irritants and germs associated with dorm living.

Information and communication are the most important tools in effective management of allergies and asthma. AAN•MA provides help to students as they learn to take responsibility for their daily health needs. AAN•MA carries a comprehensive array of books, pamphlets, videos, peak flow meters, holding chambers and nebulizer supplies.

The Allergy and Asthma Network • Mothers of Asthmatics, Inc. is a leading nonprofit health-education organization whose mission is to help all people affected by allergies and asthma. For more information, or to become a member call 800-878-4403 or visit www.aanma.org.



Catching up on net trends



PC MIKE
MIKE WENDLAND

There has been a lot of talk about computers and the Internet this week.

Internet addicts

The American Psychological Association has been told that almost 6 percent of Internet users suffer from some form of addiction to it. Further, said a report submitted to the organization, "marriages are being disrupted, kids are getting into trouble, people are committing illegal acts, people are spending too much money."

The findings, which were released at the association's annual meeting, add fuel to the contention that compulsive Internet use is a real psychological disorder.

Fierce PC competition

Giant Intel is feeling the heat of competition from rival processor manufacturer Advanced Micro Devices. Intel dealers were told that prices on Pentium III's were to be cut this week by as much as 41 percent. The huge cuts were seen as a direct response to the rave reviews given AMD's new 650 MHz Athlon chip.

Stamps online

A Web site called stamps.com will team up with Microsoft to allow individuals and companies to buy postage through the Internet and affix stamps directly from a personal computer. The company, one of two licensed by the U.S. Post Office for online stamp sales, says the service will

begin Sept. 27 and targets small and medium businesses that use Microsoft Office applications. The other company licensed for the PC Postage program is EStamp Corp. of San Mateo, Calif.

Football news by e-mail

Everybody knows they take football very seriously in Texas. A Dallas newspaper has begun a free e-mail service that sends football fans exclusive reports from its top columnists. The updates don't appear in print or on the paper's Web site either, offering up targeted e-mail-only insights on pro and college football. Expect this trend to be copied.

Skeptical of net security

The public doesn't trust Web sites to keep quiet about personal information collected through logins and online transactions. A new study by net marketing company Jupiter Communications found that 64 percent of online consumers are unlikely to trust a Web site, even if the site prominently features a privacy policy. That distrust, warns Jupiter, is likely to adversely affect both online advertising and digital commerce revenue unless sites take action and educate and communicate with online consumers.

Microsoft feels the heat

Don't think the folks at Microsoft aren't taking note of the new competition. In a recent survey by the International Data Corp. marketing firm, 13 percent of the respondents said they now use Linux, compared to 1997 when the software did not register in any findings because it was statistically such a small percentage of survey respondents. Large computer makers

such as IBM and Hewlett-Packard have become active supporters of Linux, which is popular in the Web server and e-mail server market. Linux is a Unix-like operating system, created originally by Linus Torvalds, a Finnish graduate student at the time.

Gas and surf

When you stop at a gas station for fuel, you will soon be able to surf the Internet at the pump, getting traffic and weather reports online as you fill up your tank. Amoco will soon install Internet-enabled kiosks in the Los Angeles area and at an undisclosed number of its fueling stations around the country. The company won't say what states are on the list.

PC Mike seminar

Mark your calendars for Saturday Sept. 11. That's the day, from 10 a.m. - noon, that we'll hold the next PC Mike/WXYT Radio Computer Seminar. This one is entitled "Internet 101" and it will cover the ins and outs of getting online, surfing the web, using e-mail and protecting your kids against porn and perverts.

The seminar is free, but you MUST get phone in an advance reservation. Call the PC Mike seminar hotline at (248) 5423-2721. The seminar will be at Lawrence Technological University, 21000 W. Ten Mile Road, Southfield (near Evergreen).

Mike Wendland reports about computers and the Internet for NBC television stations coast-to-coast. His radio show is heard every weekend on TalkRadio 1270, WXYT. You can reach Mike through his Web site at www.pcmike.com

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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

group for anyone who is hypersensitive to chemicals and or environmental irritants such as smoke, fragrances, pesticides, cleaning supplies, new construction materials, etc. Informal monthly meetings are held at various locations. The next is scheduled from 2-5 p.m. at the Good Food Company - West at 42615 Ford Road, Canton (1/2 mile west of I-275 at Lilley Road). For a newsletter call (248) 349-4972.

Chi (movements and concentration on the breath promote health by balancing the natural flow of energy through the body). Jeff Smith, instructor. Class meets from 6:30-8 p.m. every Monday beginning Sept. 20 at the Nativity United Church of Christ's Fellowship Hall. A limit of 20 people per session. Call (734) 421-5406 and ask for Ida the parish nurse minister.

SUN, AUG. 22

BONE DENSITY, BLOOD PRESSURE
Bone density (osteoporosis screening) and blood pressure will be offered at a cost of \$10 at the Hindu Temple, 44955 Cherry Hill Road in Canton from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. To register call (734) 981-8730.

THUR, AUG. 26

BLOOD DRIVE
The American Red Cross will sponsor a Community Blood Drive at St. Mary Hospital from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 26 in West Addition Conference Rooms A and B. The Red Cross encourages area residents to join St. Mary Hospital employees and volunteers to donate blood. To schedule a time to donate, call St. Mary Hospital at (734) 655-2980. Walk-ins are accepted but appointments are preferred.

WED, SEPT. 8

FOOD FOR THOUGHT
St. Mary Hospital is pleased to announce a new nutrition education program called "Food for Thought." Linda DeVore, RD, CDE, is the program instructor and the topic for the first class is Do Your Heart Good. Participants will learn about the different types of fat, sources of sodium and other nutritional factors that benefit the heart, including heart healthy recipes. The class will be held from 7 to 8 p.m., at Bentley Center at 15100 Hubbard, off Five Mile in Livonia. The cost is \$6, \$5 for those over 55. Call (734) 655-8940.

SAT, SEPT. 11

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WED, SEPT. 15

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St. Mary Hospital is offering a class on fast and easy meals at home. The "Food for Thought" nutrition education program will offer a cooking demonstration by professional chef Craig Brown who will also share menu ideas, recipes and short cuts for nutritious and quick meals at home. The class will be held from 7-8 p.m. at Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard at Five Mile in Livonia. Cost to attend is \$6 and \$5 for those over 55. Registration is requested. For more information, please call (734) 655-8940.

THUR, SEPT. 16

HEALTH SCREENINGS
St. Mary Hospital will be offering posture, vision and hearing screenings from 10 a.m. to noon and posture and vision screenings only from 6-8 p.m. in West Addition A and B and Pavilion Room A. There is no charge to attend and registration is not required. For more information, please call (734) 655-2955.

SAT, SEPT. 18

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SAT, SEPT. 25

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SUN, SEPT. 26

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Program for families

Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center recently unveiled the Program for Exceptional Families, a family-centered service for children with developmental disabilities, acquired

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New medical series

Four area medical professionals, including two LASIK eye surgeons, a dentist and a cosmetic surgeon have led PBS's new medical series, "Frontiers of Medicine," to Metro Detroit. Broadcast locally on CH-56 on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m., the series explores the latest in medicine and medical technology in an exciting, understandable manner. Featured are Dr. Timothy Kosinski, D.D.S.; Dr. Fouad Tayfour of the Windsor Laser Eye Institute and Dr. Donald C. Flander of the Farmington Laser Eye Center; and Lawrence D. Castleman, M.D., founder and principal physician

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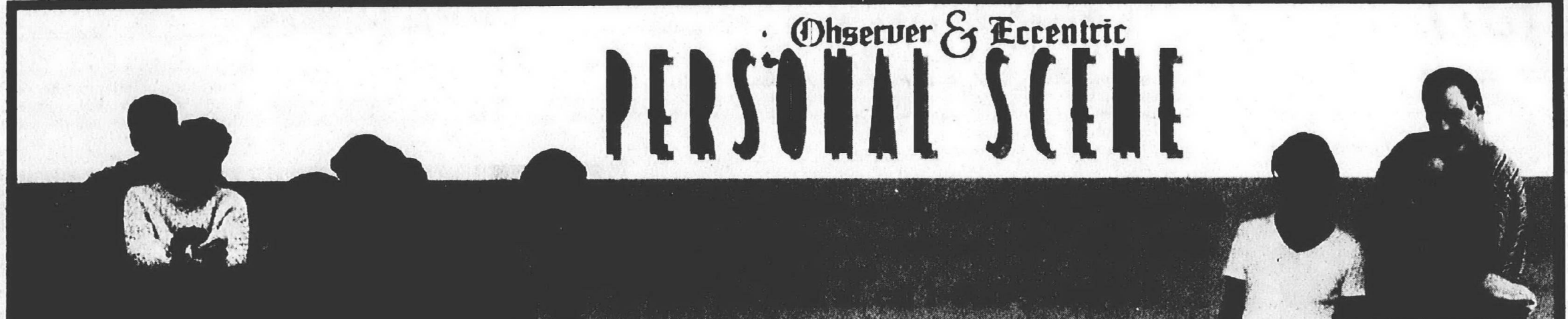
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Musical groups note approach of fall season

If you love music, you're in luck. Several groups are either looking for members, performing in the area, or both.

Here's a guide to what's going on this fall:

Schoolcraft College Jazz Ensemble

Schoolcraft College is reviving its jazz ensemble and looking for musicians. Rehearsals will be 7-10 p.m. Monday beginning Sept. 13 in the Forum Building on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

"We're looking for students from Schoolcraft, community people and outstanding high school musicians," said Jack Pierson, jazz ensemble director. "We got fired up about reforming the ensemble at the Michigan Jazz Festival which was held at Schoolcraft this year." Pierson played with the Johnny Trudell Big Band at the festival.

"What we're doing is open to everybody. Band and orchestra directors are also welcome because many have never played in a jazz band. When we did it before, it was a real mix of people. We don't know who will show up but we're going to play everything from Glen Miller swing to contemporary arrangements."

Midge Ellis, jazz fan extraordinaire, came up with the idea to reform the ensemble, which Pierson directed some 15 years ago at Schoolcraft.

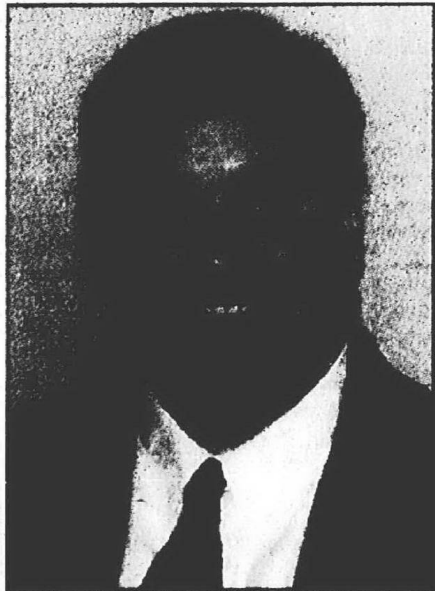
"I'm really excited," said Ellis. "At the Michigan Jazz Festival, musicians like John Trudell offered to do clinics for the ensemble to get the program off the ground."

The session on Monday, Sept. 13 will be a combination audition and rehearsal. For more information, call Pierson, (734) 420-8984.

Matt Michaels Trio

If you like hearing live jazz, listen up. The Matt Michaels Trio is moving its regular jazz evenings from the Botsford Inn, which closed in July, to Ron's Fireside Inn, on Warren at Middlebelt Road in Garden City, (734) 762-7756.

Beginning Sept. 8, Michaels, a Southfield pianist and director of jazz studies at Wayne State University, and his trio will perform jazz 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday at Ron's Fireside Inn.



Songster: Mark Perrine is the new director of the Schoolcraft College Community Choir.

Schoolcraft College Community Choir

If you love to sing, Mark Perrine and the Schoolcraft College Community Choir is looking for you. Perrine, a Redford resident who was recently named the choir's new director, will hold auditions for all voice parts 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 7 and Sept. 14, in room 530 of the Forum Building at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. To schedule an audition call Perrine (313) 937-0975 or Shari Clason (248) 349-8175. Rehearsals are

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For the love of jazz: Farmington Harrison High School Jazz Band members Ryan Smith (left counterclockwise), Joe Walts, Kurt Schummer, Chris Chiapelli and Adam Marshall played at Montreux Detroit two years ago.



Educational program: Jack Pierson leads an improvisation clinic at the Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival.

What: The 1999 Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival — features more than 120 free jazz events on five stages.
When: Noon to 11 p.m. Friday-Monday, Sept. 3-6
Where: Hart Plaza on Jefferson Avenue in downtown Detroit.
What else: Go to www.montreuxdetroitjazz.com on the Web for more information, or call (313) 570-PLAY.
Special event: Kick-off picnic 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2 features music, food, dancing and fun at the Kowalski Riverfront Cafe. Tickets start at \$100 and are limited. Proceeds benefit Music Hall, producer of the festival. Call (313) 962-4302.

FESTIVAL

'Arts, Beats & Eats' becoming a can't miss celebration

What: "Arts, Beats & Eats," a festival of fine arts and crafts, music and food
When: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Sept. 3-5; and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 6
Where: Downtown-Pontiac, along Saginaw and adjoining streets. For information, call (248) 975-8850, or www.artsbeatsand eats.com on the Web.
Local participating artists:
■ Michael MacManus and Trong Do of Bloomfield Hills
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■ Ray Doan of Livonia
■ William Thayer of Redford
■ Donna Beaubien of Troy
■ Kathy Phillips of West Bloomfield
■ Linda Laine & Calle Maes of Westland
Participating galleries — Gallery XVIII, Michigan Hot Glass, Habitat Gallery, Hands Studio, Lawrence Street, Uzeliac Gallery, Donna Anderson, Gallery Function Art, Galerie Blue, Elizabeth Stone Gallery, First 1/2, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, and Creative Arts Center of Pontiac.

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It's nearly half-an-hour past the scheduled meeting time, and there's no sign of Jon Witz.

And to say the least, that's unusual. Especially along the gritty streets of downtown Pontiac, where, for the past 18 months, Witz has been a prominent talking billboard promoting his pet project, "Arts, Beats & Eats," a four-day arts festival labeled as the city's latest hope for economic renewal.

Witz and his staff have been working nearly around the clock, holed up on the fourth floor in one of downtown Pontiac's high-rises along Saginaw Street, where 750,000 visitors are expected to stroll during the second annual "Arts, Beats & Eats" festival over Labor Day weekend.

When Witz arrives at the meeting to discuss this year's expanded festival, he appears as a modern-day promoter. He lumbers down the sidewalk, as a line-

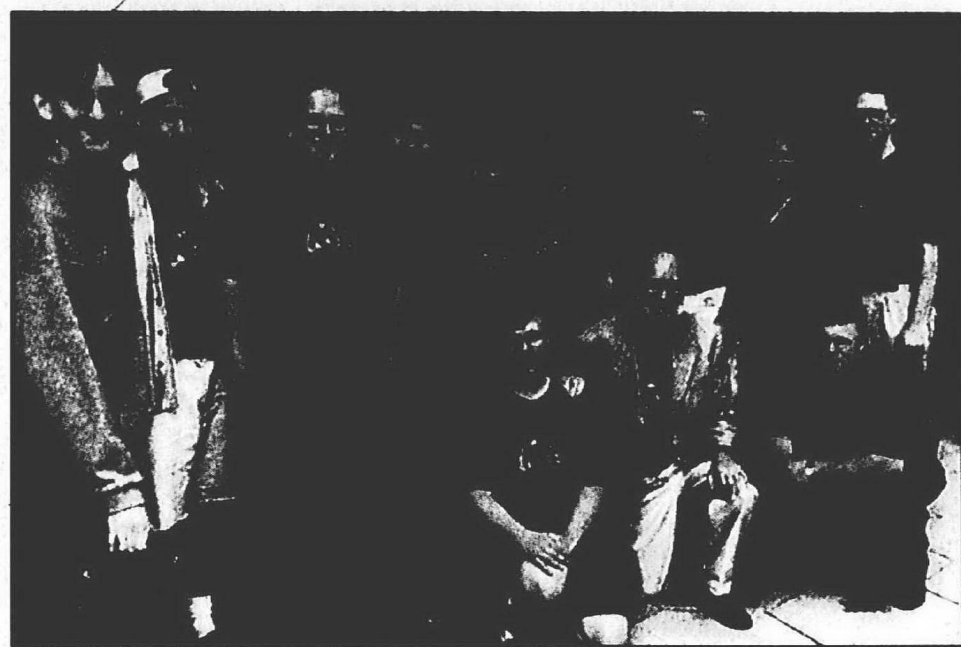


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All that jazz: Southfield pianist Matt Michaels and the Wayne State University Jazz Band perform Labor Day weekend.

STUDENTS JAZZED UP TO PLAY AT MONTREUX DETROIT FESTIVAL

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN • STAFF WRITER
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Julie Bailey never forgot the jazz improvisation clinic she participated in two years ago at the Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival.

Bailey, a senior at Farmington Harrison High School, plays trumpet in the jazz band. At Montreux Detroit, she learned improvisation basics, and performed with her school's jazz band.

"It was a lot of fun," said Bailey who began playing trumpet in fifth grade. "There were a lot of professional jazz musicians and to be playing on the same stage it was pretty cool. It's amazing hearing some of the trumpet players. They play so high. At the improvisation clinic, I learned to play in the right key and how to feel from your heart."

This year, more than 24 high school and college bands and ensembles will perform at Montreux Detroit, including the Farmington Harrison High School Jazz Band under the direction of Mark Phillips. Educating and encouraging future jazz musicians by offering clinics and giving students a chance to perform has been part of Montreux Detroit since the festival's beginnings.

"The educational programs have expanded in the last seven years," said Jack Pierson, a former Livonia resident who moved to Northville. Pierson works with the educational programs committee, which includes Ernie Rodgers, Louis Smith and Paul Stanifer, director of the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association based on the campus of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. The goal of the committee is to make sure jazz remains a viable force.

Pierson will present a clinic 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 5. "We're having more high school and college bands play and improvisation clinics with all of the clinicians giving handouts," he said. "All realize the importance of jazz, it being the only true American art form. We have clinics on improvisation for those who have never improvised and then advanced improv. There are eight separate sessions open to everyone, not just students, and a meet-the-performer. Kids can come down to jam with a rhythm section."

Educational programs

All of the programs revolve around creating better jazz musicians. Band directors, and anyone interested in hearing the newest sheet music releases, may join

Pierson and a reading band comprised of jazz educators, including Rodgers, 1:15 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4.

"It's set up for band directors so they can hear the newest releases," said Pierson. "So many of our band directors going through college have no experience in jazz. Every student going through college to be a director should have the opportunity to play in a big band."

Montreux gig an honor

Students vie for the honor of performing at Montreux Detroit. College groups submit tapes. High school bands are chosen by Stanifer. Members of the International Association of Jazz Educators critique the performers. Later, the groups will receive a cassette of their performance, and a written evaluation which suggests ways to improve their playing.

"They're selected on the basis that they were participants in the MSBOA jazz festivals throughout the year and their scores were significant," said Stanifer explaining how groups are chosen to perform.

Jazz is fun

This is Mark Tripp's first time playing Montreux Detroit. It's also the last time the West Bloomfield resident will be playing with the Farmington Harrison Jazz Band, which earlier this year played at a Stan Kenton tribute concert at Clarencville High School in Livonia. Tripp's headed for the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor this fall to study engineering.

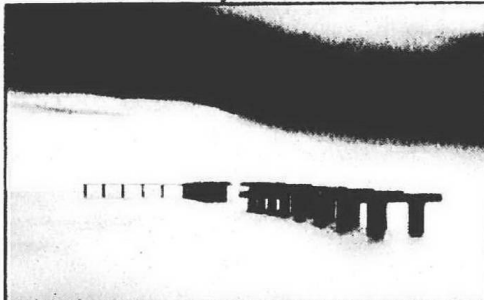
"I'm looking forward to playing and watching other people playing," said Tripp. "I like jazz. It's fun to play."

Performances by student bands have been part of Montreux Detroit since its founding 20 years ago. Matt Michaels, director of jazz studies at Wayne State University, conducted the school's jazz band at the first Montreux Detroit in 1980.

"The experience of playing a festival and being in a festival with professional players is important for the students," said Michaels, a Southfield pianist whose jazz trio plays at Ron's Fireside Inn in Garden City.

Drummer Jason Gittinger backs up Michaels thoughts about the benefits students reap from performing in the festival. He's playing Montreux Detroit with the Wayne State University Jazz Band for a sec-

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Mystical: The photography of William P. Thayer of Redford is among the featured work in the fine arts exhibit at "Arts, Beats & Eats."

backer in search of prey, clutching a beefy briefcase and pressing a cell phone to his ear.

"I'm a promoter and it's easy to promote something you believe in," said Witz, who oversaw promotions for Clubland and the

State Theater in downtown Detroit in the early 1990s before opening his own promotions firm in 1994.

While Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson and Pontiac Mayor Walter Moore provide the political clout behind the festival, Witz is in the day-to-day pursuit of transforming downtown Pontiac into a thriving marketplace festival that resembles Taste of Chicago and the Ann Arbor Art Fairs.

When Witz predicted that 250,000 would attend last year's inaugural festival, many thought that it was merely promotional rhetoric. After all, "Arts, Beats & Eats" is held on the same holiday weekend as the popular Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival, Michigan Renaissance Festival and Michigan State Fair.

Witz's prediction was, indeed, slightly off. In fact, it was too low. Nearly 400,000 showed up on the downtown streets during a late summer sweltering spell.

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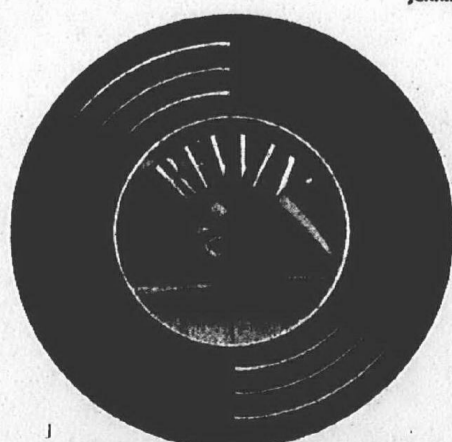
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ond time. Gittinger, who attended Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp for seven summers, transferred to Wayne State University from a college in Columbus, Ohio.

"If there's anything exciting about playing, it's we get to play with all of the great musicians, great people in jazz," said Gittinger, who manages Percussion World in Ferndale. Percussion World is supplying the drums for Montreux Detroit.

Pianist Tom Dennis will perform with the Wayne State University Jazz Combo comprised of five undergrad and grad students. A White Lake resident, Dennis says "it's a big deal, a real honor to play at Montreux."

"It's the biggest festival around here and the most respected," said Dennis, a Wayne State grad student. "It's a good experience because it's a major production. It's a real

sense of accomplishment to play in it."

Investing in futures

Don Lupp probably never dreamed when he proposed the festival back in the 1970s that it would grow to attract nearly 800,000 jazz lovers annually. Lupp, a jazz educator at Henry Ford Community College, was the North American representative responsible for coordinating the college and high school bands who would play at the prestigious Montreux Jazz Festival in Switzerland. It was Lupp who proposed a collaboration between Detroit and the Switzerland festival to Bob McCabe, president of Detroit Renaissance, a nonprofit organization dedicated to rebuilding the city. In the winter of 1979, Lupp, McCabe, Detroit Mayor Coleman Young and several dignitaries from Montreux

announced the first Detroit festival for the following Labor Day weekend.

Ever since then student bands have played at Montreux Detroit. Over the years, the clinics, meet the artists, and student jam sessions (this year with the Pat Prouty Trio) have allowed students the opportunity to experience the world of professional jazz.

"Educational programming has been part of Montreux since the beginning and it's very much the seed of the festival," said Jim Dulzo, Montreux Detroit director. "Jazz is an aural tradition. We do this fest to celebrate jazz. Part of something is making sure something continues. The very history of jazz is almost based on the mentoring process. Jazz is something you can't teach that well in the classroom."

Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival Education Schedule

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| Friday, Sept. 3
Hudson's/Telgent Stage
Noon - Jackson Parkside Middle School Jazz Band
2:45 p.m. - West Bloomfield High School Jazz Ensemble
4 p.m. - Mott Middle College High School Steel Band
5:15 p.m. - Wayne State University Jazz Band
6:45 p.m. - Montreux Metro All Stars
Pepsi Jam Academy
1 p.m. - SEMJA Jazz Clinic: Teddy Harris
5 p.m. - SEMJA Jazz Clinic: Wendell Harrison
6:30 p.m. - Student Jam Session w/ Pat Prouty Trio
Kowalski Riverfront Cafe
5:45 p.m. - Wayne State University Jazz Combo
7:15 p.m. - Wayne State University Jazz Combo | Saturday, Sept. 4
Hudson's/Telgent Stage
Noon - Northview High School Jazz Combo
1:15 p.m. - IAJE Reading Band
2:45 p.m. - Northview High School Big Band
4 p.m. - Lansing J.W. Sexton 2 o'clock Jazz Ensemble
5:15 p.m. - Henry Ford Community College Big Band
6:45 p.m. - Detroit High School for Fine & Performing Arts Jazz Ensemble
Pepsi Jam Academy
1 p.m. - SEMJA Jazz Clinic: Ellen Rowe
3:45 p.m. - Meet the Artist: Tommy Flanagan
5 p.m. - SEMJA Jazz Clinic: Chris Collins
6:30 p.m. - Student Jam Session w/ Pat Prouty Trio
Kowalski Riverfront Cafe
1 p.m. - Monroe High School Neo-Classical Jazz Quartet
2:45 p.m. - Monroe High School Neo-Classical Jazz Quartet
4:30 p.m. - Washtenaw Community College Jazz Combo
6:30 p.m. - Washtenaw Community College Jazz Combo
Sunday, Sept. 5
Hudson's/Telgent Stage
Noon - Eaton Rapids High School Jazz Band
1:15 p.m. - IAJE's Sisters in Jazz
2:45 p.m. - Sterling Heights Henry Ford II Jazz Ensemble
4 p.m. - East Kentwood High School Jazz Band
5:15 p.m. - U of M-Flint Jazz Ensemble
6:45 p.m. - Sterling Heights Stevenson Jazz Ensemble
Pepsi Jam Academy
1 p.m. - SEMJA Jazz Clinic: Jack Pierson
3:45 p.m. - Meet the Artist: Elvin Jones
5 p.m. - SEMJA Jazz Clinic: Andrew Speight
6:30 p.m. - Student Jam Ses- | Monday, Sept. 6
Ford/AirTouch Cellular Stage
12:30 p.m. - Central Michigan University Percussion Ensemble
2:30 p.m. - U of M Jazz Ensemble
Hudson's/Telgent Stage
Noon - Farmington Harrison High School Jazz Band
1:15 p.m. - Central Michigan University Jazz Band
2:45 p.m. - Ann Arbor Community High School Jazz Combo
4 p.m. - Chesaning Union High School Jazz Band
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3:45 p.m. - Meet the Artist: Yusef Lateef
5 p.m. - Student Jam Session w/ Pat Prouty Trio
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1 p.m. - Ferndale High School Pine-Quest!
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4:30 p.m. - Oberlin Jazz Septet
6:30 p.m. - Oberlin Jazz Septet |
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held 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. "We're looking for singers who've sung in a prior choir and who are interested in making good music," said Perrine, a tenor and pianist who's working toward a master's degree in vocal music education. "We don't expect them to be professional singers but we'd like them to be excited about performing the music of the masters."

The choir's first concert, featuring Mozart and Brahms, is Saturday, Dec. 4, at the Cathedral of St. Paul on Woodward Avenue in Detroit. Guest organist is David Jeremy Tarrant.

"We'll be doing standards that people love to perform and hear," said Perrine. "The acoustics and beauty of that church is something else. It's a gothic cathedral with medieval stained glass."

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Livonia Youth Philharmonic

The five orchestras of the Livonia Youth Philharmonic are looking for students in grades 1-12 who love music. Currently, about 120 students rehearse Saturday mornings throughout the year at Churchill High School in Livonia. According to audition chairperson Wendy Bernard, the philharmonic has a new lease on life and plans to open up opportunities for beginning string players for the first time. Rehearsals for all of the orchestras begin Saturday, Sept. 18. "We're trying to get enough students for a beginning string

orchestra for kids just starting," said Bernard. "We'd like them to be serious music students with at least one year of lessons."

Auditions for the five orchestras (beginning strings, advanced strings, concert strings, flute choir, and philharmonic) will continue through Saturday, Sept. 18, but Bernard would like to have most completed by Friday, Sept. 10. Call (734) 591-7649 to arrange an audition appointment.

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

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Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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ART SHOWS & FESTIVALS

ANN ARBOR ARTISANS' MARKET
Features fine arts and handmade crafts by 50 Michigan artists, Sundays through December at Farmers' Market at Kerrytown, 315 Detroit, Ann Arbor.

ARTS, EATS AND BEATS
The second annual event is Friday-Monday, Sept. 3-6 in downtown Pontiac. Features art fair, entertainment and food from local restaurants.

ART ON THE VILLAGE GREEN
The Village of Franklin presents Art on the Village Green, Monday, Sept. 6.

CANTERBURY VILLAGE
Celtic Days, 1-6 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 29 featuring Celtic pipes and drums, Highland dancers and the St. Andrews Honor Guard. Olde World Canterbury Village, 2369 Joslyn Court, Lake Orion. (248) 391-5700 or (800) 442-XMAS.

ST. MARY'S PREPARATORY
Fabulous '50s and '60s Festival Sunday, Aug. 29 on the campus of St. Mary's at Orchard Lake and Commerce Roads in Orchard Lake. (248) 683-0530.

WALLED LAKE MARKET DAY
24th annual Market Day with crafts, food and family entertainment. Noon-5 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 29. Walled Lake's old downtown district.

AUDITIONS & CALL FOR ARTISTS

AUTUMNFEST
Traditional crafters, including candlemakers, quilters, and woodworkers, sought for Autumnfest, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12, Mary Thompson House and Farm, 25630 Evergreen, Southfield. Call (248) 354-5180 or (248) 424-9022 for table information.

DANCE AUDITIONS
Michigan Theater and Dance Troupe holds auditions for 16-year-old and older dancers on Saturdays through August by appointment only. (248) 552-5001.

DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Positions open for concertmaster, second horn and strings. Auditions Wednesday, Sept. 1. To schedule, call (313) 565-2424.

FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS
Applications available for talented young people to join the 1999 Youth Artists Market and also people of all ages to participate in the Banners contest. The Festival is Sept. 18-19 on the campus of Wayne State University. To request an application, call (313) 577-5088.

FOCUS: HOPE
Artists and craftspeople wanted for "100 Creative Hands" Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 23-24. To apply, send a self-addressed envelope stamped with 55 cent postage to "100 Creative Hands," P.O. Box 760569, Lathrup Village, MI, 48076-0569.

FRANKLIN ARTS COUNCIL
Applications available for artists interested in exhibition fine arts or crafts at Franklin's juried "Art on the Green," on Monday, Sept. 6. Send application and slides to Franklin Arts Council, P.O. Box 250683, Franklin, MI, 48025. (248) 851-5438.

GM CHORUS
The General Motors Employees' Chorus is seeking new members for its Fall/Christmas season. No auditions required. Open to the public. Rehearsals 6:45-9 p.m. beginning Monday, Aug. 30 at Warren Woods Middle School, 12 Mile Road at Schoenherr. Must be at least 18 to join. Accepting new members through Monday, Sept. 13. The GM chorus will be performing with Judy Collins at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts on Dec. 3. For additional information, call (810) 447-2319.

LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC
Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan is holding auditions for the 1999-2000 season. Call Wendy Bernard (734) 591-7649 for an appointment.

MADISON CHORALE
Auditions 7:35 p.m., Tues., Sept. 7 at Wilkinson Middle School, 26524 John R., Madison Heights. The Chorale will perform two Holiday Cabaret concerts Dec. 3



Art sounds: Karen Bondarchuk's hydrostone and balsam sculpture is featured in "Go West!" through Saturday, Oct. 2, at the Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 W. Liberty, (734) 994-8004. Opening reception 6-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10.

and 7. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings. (248) 879-7444.

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

REVOLUTION GALLERY
Seeks artists to design the outdoor public billboard at the gallery, 23257 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Proposals must be received by Thursday, Sept. 30. (248) 541-3444.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
Auditions for new choir members 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7 and 14 in Room 530 of the Forum Building on the campus of Schoolcraft College, Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. To schedule an audition call (248) 349-8175 or (734) 462-4435.

TRANSFORMING VISIONS
Swords into Plowshares Gallery, 33 E. Adams St., Detroit, is seeking entries for its seventh juried exhibit in the fall. (313) 965-5422.

CLASSES

ART MUSEUM PROJECT
The University of Michigan-Dearborn is offering public, non-credit studio art classes and workshops beginning Saturday, Sept. 18. For a free brochure with fees, scheduling information, course descriptions and registration information, call (313) 593-5058.

CLAYTON ACADEMY OF DANCE
Open fall registration 5-7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30. Classes in ballet, jazz, tap, modern, hip hop and ballroom. 5951 John R., Troy. (248) 828-4080.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
Summer classes in drawing, painting, pottery, and many other media at the center, 47 Williams St., Pontiac. Adult and children's classes available. (248) 333-7849.

DETROIT BALLET
Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap, and jazz. Adult beginners welcome. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine Mile Road. (248) 474-3174.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Classes for adults, educators and youth throughout the summer, at the museum, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-4249.

DETROIT WINDSOR DANCE ACADEMY
Fall registration is Sept. 1-10, classes begin Saturday, Sept. 11 at the new home of the DWDA at New Center One, 2nd Floor, 3031 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit. (313) 963-0050.

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE
All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children

ages 3 and older, at the studio, 1541 W. Hamlin Road, between Crooks and Livernois roads, Rochester Hills. (248) 852-5850.

GEIGER CLASSIC BALLET
Newly refurbished dance studio, 782 Denison Court, Bloomfield Hills, opening for new enrollment. (248) 334-1300.

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

METRO DANCE
Preschool through adult classes in ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop. Fall classes begin Saturday, Sept. 11, 541 S. Mill St., Plymouth. (734) 207-8970.

NAVAL ACADEMY
Introduction to Belly Dance for all ages and skill level. Classes meet weekly beginning Monday, Aug. 30. 32832 Merritt Drive, Westland. (734) 422-1246.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Classes and workshops for all ages at the center, 774 N. Sheldon Road. Live model session 9:30 a.m.-noon, every third Tuesday of the month. (734) 416-4278.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Open registration now for fall classes which run Sept. 20 through Nov. 13. Classes held at PCCA, 407 Pine St., Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

VISUAL ART ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA
Classes in watercolor, figurative drawing and painting; workshops in batik and watercolor monotypes, at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia. (734) 455-9517.

CONCERTS

KIRK IN THE HILLS
1999 Carillon Series 10 a.m. and noon, Sunday, Aug. 29 and Sept. 5. 1340 W. Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills.

ORGAN RECITAL
Organist Mary Ida Yost featured at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 7 p.m., Monday, Aug. 30. 2250 E. Stadium, Ann Arbor. (734) 769-2550.

EVENTS

BEVERLY SILLS
The Greater Detroit Chapter of Madassah presents the famed soprano 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14 at Temple Israel, West Bloomfield. (248) 683-5030.

FOR KIDS

CREATIVE DANCE
Introduces young children to basic dance movements. 10-15:15 a.m. for children 3-years-old; 11-15 a.m. noon for ages 4-5. Classes begin on Tuesday, Aug. 31 and run 9 weeks. Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-1000.

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DRAMA CLASS
Improv, scene study and a study of the actual production process. Classes begin Wednesday, Sept. 1 and run for nine weeks. Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-1000.

GIRLS JAZZ CLASS
Teaches basic techniques along with hip-hop. The 4:30-5:30 p.m. class is for girls in grades 1-3. The "Older Girls Jazz Class" runs from 6-7 p.m. for grades 3-6. Classes begin Monday, Aug. 30 and run for seven sessions. Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-1000.

JINGLE BEL, INC.
Drama, singing and movement workshops for children ages 3-15. Sessions start Tuesday, Sept. 7. For a list of courses or move information, call (248) 375-9027. Register through the Rochester Avon Recreation Authority at (248) 656-8308.

KINDERMUSIK
Story Time with Miss Karen. 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7 at Plymouth Coffee Bean, 884 Pennington, Plymouth. (734) 454-0178.

KIDZCRAFT
For child and parent to explore the world of arts and crafts. The 10:30-11:45 a.m. mother/toddler class is for ages 2, 1, 2, 3. The 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. is for ages 4-5. Both classes are Thursdays, beginning Sept. 2 and run for nine weeks. Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-1000.

MAGIC CLASS
Professional magician Jeff Ferreri teaches magic class to children in grades 2-5. 4:15-5 p.m. beginning Wednesday, Sept. 1 and runs for nine weeks. Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-1000.

STORYTELLING CLASS
"Movin' with Maureen and Coco" is taught through original music movement, puppets and storytelling. 10-11:15 a.m. for ages 18 months to 3 years. 11 a.m.-12:15 a.m. for ages 3-4. Wednesdays beginning Sept. 1 for nine weeks. Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-1000.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
Nature Place open for daily activities, also "Scream Machines, The Science of Roller Coasters," exhibit through Sept. 6. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-60-CRANBROOK.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
"Common Man, Mythic Vision: The Paintings of Ben Shahn" through Oct. 31. "Where the Girls Are: Prints by Women from the DIA's Collection" through Sept. 26. Ancient Gold. The

Wealth of the Thracians. Treasures from the Republic of Bulgaria through Aug. 29. 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART
Through Sept. 12 - Touchstone: 200 years of artists' lithographs; Through Sept. 26 - "Paris Circa 1900." 525 S. State, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-0395.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Opens Sept. 2 - "Go West!" an exhibit of artists from Western Michigan through Oct. 2. Opening reception, 6-8 p.m., Sept. 10. 117 W. Liberty. (734) 994-8004.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
Opens Sept. 3 - Two Thousand and One Night runs through Oct. 1. Opening reception, 7-10 p.m., Sept. 3. 47 Williams St., Pontiac. (248) 333-7849.

LIVONIA ARTS
Opens Sept. 1 - Artist Sharon Bida features original jewelry creations. Livonia Civic Center library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia. (734) 466-2490. Opens Sept. 1 - Sherry Eid, works in colored pencil. Livonia City Hall lobby, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia. (734) 466-2540.

NETWORK
Opens Sept. 3 - Decades: John Glick, Carol Green, Kathryn Sharbaugh, Martina Thies. Opening reception 7-10 p.m., Fri., Sept. 3. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-3911.

ROYAL OAK LIBRARY
Opens Sept. 1 - Robert Tucker's "Collage: Correlations in Mind" through Sept. 30. Royal Oak Public Library, Eleven Mile and Troy, Royal Oak.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

A.C. T. GALLERY

Through Sept. 11 - "Magnificent Obsessions" curated by local artist Sherry Moore, 35 East Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-4336.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Through Aug. 30 - "Identity" presents the works of visual artists Diana Faris, Irina Koukhanova, Eun Young Koo Lee, Paul Solomon and storyteller LaRon Williams. Through Sept. 23 - Exhibitions on Location, photographer Michael Myers at the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

ART LEADERS GALLERY
Through Aug. 31 - The works of Sabz. 33216 W. 14 Mile Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 539-0262.

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE
Through Aug. 31 - Fiber artist Muriel Jacobs' one-woman show. 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. (248) 644-5832.

BORDERS BOOKS
Through Aug. 31 - "Timeless" the photography of Marj Silk. Oakland Mall Borders Books, 460 W. 14 Mile Road, Troy. (248) 544-1203.

CARY GALLERY
Through Sept. 11 - Exhibit of works by the late Ernie Butterworth, one of Michigan's top watercolorists. 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. (248) 651-3656.

CITY GALLERY
Through Oct. 1 - 50th anniversary celebration of the Artists' Society of Dearborn, 13615 Michigan Ave., 4th Floor, Dearborn. (313) 943-3095.

CREATIVE RESOURCE
Through Aug. 31 - "Hot Wheels" automotive art. 162 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-3688.

GALLERY 212
Through Sept. 12 - "Skin Deep" an all-media juried exhibition. 212 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8224.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY
Through Sept. 11 - Exhibit of new prints by artist Judy Pfaff. 655 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-8250.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY
Through Sept. 4 - Exhibition of new paintings by Alberto Magnani and Steven Skollar and sculptural constructions by Robert Park. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY
Opens Sept. 1 - Works by Barbara Ragalyi: Altered Realities through Sept. 25. Opening reception, 7-10 p.m., Friday, Sept. 3. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6716.

LIVONIA ARTS GALLERY
Through Sept. 30 - Suzanne Bauman presents mixed media paintings. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia. (734) 466-2490.

OAKLAND GALLERIA
Through Oct. 7 - Super Kids Arts & Learning Exhibit. 1200 North Telegraph Road, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

PARK WEST GALLERY
Through Sept. 23 - Works by Joan Miro. 29469 Northwestern, Southfield. (248) 354-2343.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Through Sept. 17 - Celebrate Michigan Artists. 407 Pine Street, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

DANIELLE PELEG GALLERY
Through Aug. 29 - Recent works by Hessam Abrishami. 4301 Orchard Lake Road (Crosswinds Mall), West Bloomfield. (248) 626-5810.

SWANN GALLERY
Through Sept. 11 - Michael Kula: Faces of Schizophrenia. 1250 Library Street, Detroit. (313) 965-4826.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY
Through Sept. 25 - Jean Lau: What have you done for me lately? Works in painting, prints and pastel. 215 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287.

ZEITGEIST GALLERY
Through Aug. 31 - Saints, Streets & Stations paintings by Vito Valdez. 2661 Michigan Ave., Detroit. (313) 965-9192.

VOLUNTEERS

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

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Gallery Service volunteers to greet and assist visitors in museum galleries. Training sessions at the DIA, 1-30:30 p.m. Sept. 11 in the Hooley Room, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-0247.

FAR CONSERVATORY
Needs volunteers to assist with leisure, creative and therapeutic arts programs for infants through adults with disabilities. week days, evenings, Saturdays. (248) 646-3347.

LIVONIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Greenmead Historic Village seeks volunteers to assist in school tours, Sunday tours, special events, special projects and gardening. The village, at Eight Mile and Newburgh roads in Livonia, is open May-October and December. (734) 477-7375.

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND
Seeks volunteers to help with non-performing activities. Contact MCBB, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. (248) 349-0376 or <http://www.mcbb.org>.

TOURS

CRANBROOK HOUSE AND GARDENS
1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sundays through Sept. 26. Lunch and home tour, 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., Thursdays through Sept. 30. at 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3000.

GERMAN ART AND ARCHITECTURE
Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center instructors Russell and Nancy Thayer will lead a tour of the art and architecture of Cologne and Berlin, Germany. Nov. 9-17. Deposits are being taken now. Call (248) 644-0866 for information and reservations.

BENEFIT

MICHIGAN RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL
The Michigan Renaissance Festival offers invite local charities and nonprofits to earn donation dollars by providing volunteers in Renaissance costumes to operate beer, wine and food booths. 1-800-601-4848.

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC
GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Movie listings for various theaters including National Amusements Showcase Cinemas, Waterford Cinema 11, Star Rochester Hills, United Artists 12 Oaks, United Artists West River, Star Southfield, Star Theatres, Star Great Lakes Crossing, Star Pontiac 1-5, Star Pontiac 6-12, Star John-R at 14 Mile, Star Yonks, and United Artists Theatres. Each listing includes movie titles, showtimes, and theater contact information.

Genders tangle in eloquent treatise on word vs. image



ESTHER LITTMANN

"The Alphabet Versus the Goddess" by Leonard Shlain, Penguin/Arkana, 1998, 432 pages, \$14.95. In a controversial yet eminently stimulating book, "The Alphabet Versus the Goddess: The Conflict Between Word and Image," Leonard Shlain draws a startling link between literacy and patriarchy with the consequent decline in the status and freedom of women.

ance of power between males and females. Once an equal member of a pre-literate agricultural society and even the object of fertility worship, women gradually lost their eminence in a society that increasingly favored male rather than female ways of knowing. While each individual is endowed with the use of both hemispheres, Shlain explains, males are traditionally more oriented toward the left (the sphere used in hunter-killer activity) while females are more inclined to the right (the domain of the nurturer-gatherer).

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features events at suburban bookstores, libraries and literary gatherings. Send news leads to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279 or e-mail to kwygonik@homecomm.net.

Ann Arbor: (734) 662-7407. BORDERS B'HAM (ON S'FIELD RD.) Sunday, Sept. 19 at 2 p.m. local writer Virginia Haroutunian will discuss and sign her book, "Orphans in the Sand" about the desert death marches of the Armenians at the hands of the Ottoman Turks in 1915. She and her mother, the subject of the book, live in Bloomfield Hills. The book is an excellent source on Armenian life in the Near East and their later treatment at Ellis Island in New York. The store is at 31150, Southfield Road; (248) 644-1515.

Polls backs popularity of romance fiction

(PRNewswire) At a time when tales of illicit sex are standard fare in the daily media, many Americans are escaping the scandal by reading about passion with a happy ending - a romance novel. A recent Maritz AmeriPoll study conducted by Maritz Marketing Research Inc. in St. Louis, in conjunction with the Romance Writers of America in Houston, studied the popularity of romance novels and found that 55 percent of Americans currently read romance fiction.

ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

In honor of the 250th anniversary of the birth of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, the Goethe-Institut Ann Arbor presents "Goethe Songs by Women Composers," a concert featuring soprano Patricia Bailey, pianist John Krueger and speech artist Hanna Sigel 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 3, at the Rudolf Steiner House, 1923 Geddes Ave., Ann Arbor.

Ann Willison Lemke will give an introductory lecture on von Goethe, a German poet, statesman, scientist, artist and all-around genius. For more information, call (734) 996-8600 or visit the Web site www.goethe.de/annarbor

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

The Livonia Arts Commission hosts a variety of media at separate venues Sept. 1-30. Sharon Bida, a Plymouth sculptor and jeweler, brings her original jewelry creations to the second-floor exhibition cases at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road.

Next door, in the Fine Arts Gallery of the library, look for mixed media paintings by Suzanne Bauman, photography by Kevin Bauman. Both are Bloomfield Township residents.

Library hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday.

The Colored Pencil Society brings its time-consuming works to the lobby of Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Dr., east of Farmington Road. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Call the Livonia community resources department, (734) 466-

2540 for more information.

ART CLUB MEETING

Three Cities Art Club holds a meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7, at the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office, Ann Arbor Road at Lilley.

Future meetings, featuring guest speakers and demonstrations, will be held on the first Monday evening of each month. For more information, call Annalee Davis, (734) 427-6524.

VILLAGE PAINTERS SHOW

The Treasure Chest Craft Show, presented by the Village Painters, takes place 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

Hand-painted furniture, decorative tins, ornaments, Santas, angels, snowmen, baskets, birdhouses, jewelry, paintings and more will be available.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Organizers of "Sharing the

Gift Within" are looking for entries of painting, drawing, sculpture, collage, graphics, photography, clay and fiber for their seventh annual juried art show Oct. 2-8 at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main.

Deadline for entry is Sept. 17. The juror is West Bloomfield artist Nora Chapa Mendoza. For information or to apply, call Judy Kohl (248) 348-2678 or the church (248) 349-0911.

NOTEWORTHY CONCERT SERIES

The Dodworth Saxhorn Band presents its re-creation of mid-19th century American brass bands, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth. Tickets are \$8, \$5 students/seniors, \$20 family. Call (734) 453-5280.

The band, which has performed throughout the Midwest and at the White House, recalls the entertainment provided at social events, political rallies and

military balls of the mid- and late-1800s.

This is the first concert in the Noteworthy series, which in the future will feature the Measure for Measure men's choral group and SongSister Julie Austin.

CHILDREN'S AUDITIONS

Whistle Stop Players is holding auditions for ages 5 and up for its fall Holiday Classics 6:30 p.m. Sunday and Tuesday, Sept. 12 and Sept. 14, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction.

The fee due upon casting is \$100 for members (student membership is \$25 for a year). Scholarships available for those in need. Rehearsals are Sundays and/or Thursdays for most cast members, for performances Dec. 3-21 at the arts council and local schools. Call (734) 416-4278.

The Rising Star Singers are looking for children ages 8-16 to audition for its choral group 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21, at the Plymouth Community Arts

Council.

The group sings for the whole calendar year (new auditions every September). All talents welcome including dance and instruments.

Rehearsals are 7 p.m. Tuesday beginning Oct. 5 and run through August 2000. The fee is \$160 for the year and includes a one-year student membership and T-shirt. The instructor is Norma Atwood. Call (734) 416-4278.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Canton Project Arts is looking for volunteers for its Fine Arts Exhibition to be held Oct. 8-15 at Summit on the Park in Canton.

There are many volunteer opportunities, from assisting with the artwork drop-off and set-up, to serving as a host or hostess for the reception, to being a greeter for a few hours during the week-long exhibition.

For more information, call Maureen Karby, (734) 397-6450.

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Diversity is key

"We've come further and faster than anyone expected," he said. "The key is diversity in what is presented and a diverse audience."

Diversity at "Arts, Beats & Eats" translates into a range of art work, music and foods. The selection of artists, restaurateurs and special activities, according to Witz, is intended to appeal to every ethnic group and taste in the region.

The festival also takes pride in attracting families to the many special activities for children, including an expanded tent area for art exercises, games and performances.

More than 220 artists' booths will be erected along Saginaw, Pike and Lawrence streets. Meanwhile, five stages will feature blues, jazz, rock, alternative and children's performers.

In addition, 40 restaurants, offering everything from Coney dogs to lobster, will serve their specialties.

From a fine arts and crafts standpoint, this year's lineup of artists has been selected from among more than 700 applications, up from less than 100 inquiries last year, said Lisa Konikow, who coordinates the fine arts.

The emphasis is more on two-dimensional work, especially painting and photography, she said.

After last year, the art fair component of the festival was included among the top 200, best

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in country, listed by "Sunshine" magazine. The 90 artists who displayed their work recorded \$600,000 in sales, an average of \$6,700 in revenue for each artist.

Unlike other large-scale art fairs, "Arts, Beats & Eats" will feature work of artists represented by 14 local galleries, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center and the Creative Arts Center of Pontiac.

In addition, several Native American artists will be featured in an exhibit sponsored by the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort.

"Why do people have to drive out of Oakland County when they want to experience culture," said Konikow. "They can come to Pontiac."

Based on the critical and popular success of last year's festival, even terminal naysayers might be convinced that the inaugural "Arts, Beats & Eats" wasn't a fluke.

Second time a charm? Witz has proven that he isn't one to leave things to chance.

"This is about bringing together people of all different ages and backgrounds," said Witz. "Everyone should find something that they will enjoy."

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Spent too much at the mall? Worse things do happen

SHOP TALK



NICOLE STAFFORD

Shopping can lead to trouble. Some of us can't tear ourselves away from the mall. Others overspend, and everybody knows where that leads. Many people, particularly husbands and wives, find shopping to be a catalyst for disagreement and petty arguments. Then, there are the typical shopping predicaments.

"Do I buy a white scarf or a creme one?"

"Do I really need another pair of black pants?"

"I can't afford this, but I have to have it!"

Still, these are minor pitfalls weighed against the joy of shopping — the bargains, the unique purchases, the discoveries.

But have you ever broken into a cold sweat over a shopping predicament?

Mission impossible

My mission — find a stunning ensemble to wear to Fash Bash. I wanted a black, satin ball gown skirt.

Such an acquisition, I thought, would be indulgent but pragmatic; I would feel like a princess at Fash Bash but wear the skirt for years to come.

Having recently browsed many area clothing stores, I began my targeted search just over a week before the event. With so many designers making these skirts how difficult could finding one be?

As predicted, I found hordes of ball skirts everywhere I looked. Department stores, designer boutiques and even small, independent retailers were carrying them.

Finding the right size and color — a common shopping predicament — did prove difficult. Two days before the event I was still shopping. Maybe an old dress from the back of my closet would do, I thought, my anxiety and frustration waxing.

Less than 24 hours before the event, I was still shopping. Determined to find the skirt I coveted, I decided a highly targeted search at the Somerset Collection in Troy might do the trick. I also lifted the ceiling on my already commodious spending limit.

My first stop was Nordstrom where I found several black ball gown skirts. There were even a few on sale, but none in my size. I weighed the pros and cons of compromise and considered trying on a metallic, charcoal gray version.

Time to move on, I said to myself. The mall closes in a few hours. Get moving.

Almost, but no cigar

Just about to cross the boundary between Nordstrom and Somerset, I said to myself, charcoal gray is practically black, isn't it? Might as well try it on, I said aloud. Trying it on can't hurt, can it?

I returned to the dress department, retrieved the right size and headed for one of Nordstrom's opulent dressing rooms.

Within seconds of changing, I decided the skirt was a poor fit and reached behind to unzip.

The zipper moved down slowly and smoothly, but then, without warning, stopped. Fingers firmly grasping the zipper tab, I pushed and pulled, tugged and wiggled, zipped up and down with varying degrees of intensity.

It wouldn't budge. I imagined a trio of mall security guards parading me in handcuffs through the mall toward a secret interrogation room.

Mission impossible, again

My forehead was covered with beads of sweat. I imagined them dropping one by one onto the \$300 skirt in which I was trapped.

"I can't afford to buy a skirt I can't wear," I said aloud, having begun to talk, albeit quietly, to myself. "I've just got to get out of this thing," I said.

Outside the door, several sales clerks were assisting customers. Any minute now, one would knock on my door to ask how I was doing and whether I needed a different size.

What would I say? What should I do? Maybe I could lift the thing over my head. Maybe I could rip it off my body.

See WGS, C7

Classic clothes for the millennium

St. John explores new, more youthful designs

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Understated, conservative and classic usually capture the essence of St. John's clothing for women, but the designer's fall pieces veered from tradition.

Apparel from several of St. John's clothing groups, including pieces from the maker's Millennium Collection and rarely-shown Couture Collection, were presented Aug. 12 at Saks Fifth Avenue in recognition of the Junior League of Birmingham's Endowment Founder's Society.

While St. John's signature knit suiting in black, hunter green, burgundy and other classic colors was prevalent, a younger, more adventurous feeling seemed to inform much of the collection.

"I thought it was very youthful," said Amanda Turner, fashion manager at the Somerset Collection in Troy. "It was a lot more colorful than what they usually present, and I thought the silhouettes were also very youthful. I loved the ways things fitted. It wasn't that baggy look, and it was very lady-like, still."

One significant deviation for St. John came in the form of color. Classic shades were contrasted with extensive use of bolder and more unusual colors, bright magenta, dark plum, teal, loden and tobacco, to name a few.

Animal prints — a strong seasonal trend — also made a play. Several suits, for example, were embellished at the neckline and cuffs with animal prints. At least one suit and several sweaters were all animal prints.

While such a motif might seem like a wild turn for St. John, Turner said the style is really a classic look.

"Animal print never goes away," she said. "You will see it somewhere or another every fall, so I think it is actually synonymous with St. John."

Another surprise was the influence of unfinished couture on St. John's fall collection. Several suits, for instance, were embellished with messy, ruffled trim, rather than solid stripes and the designer's signature gold buttons.

The presence of such fabrics as leather and suede will probably come as yet another surprise to St.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

New classic: A recent showing of designer St. John's latest collections at Saks Fifth Avenue revealed the maker is no longer content to only sell conservative knit suits.

John watchers, said Turner, who couldn't recall the designer making clothing from such fabrics before.

Yet another fall trend, stiletto heels on shoes and both short and tall boots, comprised most of the show's footwear, heightening the collection's sportier, more youthful look.

Other sporty, casual elements came in the form of

leather backpacks, black riding pants, belt-purses and loose cut, cowl neck sweaters and tunics.

"The collection definitely moved away from their traditional, very clean silhouettes, but it was still very lady-like," said Turner, adding for the benefit of St. John devotees, "it wasn't too girlish."



Wild side: St. John used animal prints to spice up their classic suiting. Such prints have been identified as a season trend and are expected to gain in popularity this fall and winter.



New details: Sporty elements like leather backpacks and belt-purses showed up on the runway at Saks Fifth Avenue's presentation of St. John fall clothing and accessories.



A casual turn: St. John isn't known for making sweaters, tunics and casual jackets, but quite a few were included in the designer's latest collection, as shown recently at Saks Fifth Avenue.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

ANTIQUE SHOW

The Livonia Mall, at Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads, hosts an antique show with appraisals and antique glass repairs, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, call (248) 476-1160.

HOT ROD/ANTIQUE CAR SHOW

An antique car and hot rod show takes place in the parking lot of the Livonia Mall, at Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Proceeds benefit Angela Hospice. For additional information, call (248) 476-1160.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

SANSAPPELLE TRUNK SHOW

Visit Roz & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Hills, to view an exclusive trunk show of elegant silk and wool crepe designs by makers Sansappelle and meet store owner Ina Sherman through Sept. 1, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

VERSACE MAKEUP EVENT

Versace's national makeup artist Ricardo visits Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, to

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

consult customers and perform makeovers, 2-8 p.m., Cosmetics Department, first floor. To schedule an appointment, call (248) 643-3300, ext. 2103.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

SALON Z SPECIAL COLLECTION SHOW

View Marina Rinaldi's Fall 1999 Special Order Collection with assistance from a designer representative at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Salon Z Collections, third floor. To schedule a personal appointment, call (248) 614-3323.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

PRIORITY BRIDAL REGISTRATION

Hudson's welcomes future brides and grooms for a special morning of gift registration prior to regular store hours. Experienced registration staff will be available to help, 9:30 a.m., Gift Registry Department at Hudson's stores at Oakland Mall in Troy, the Somerset Collection in Troy, Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi and Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights. Reservations are required. Please call selected store to make an appointment.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

LABOR DAY SHOPPING

Just because it's Labor Day doesn't mean everybody is taking a vacation. Visit Laurel Park Place mall, 37700 West Six Mile Road in Livonia, to complete your fall season shopping. The mall will be open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

JUDITH LEIBER TRUNK SHOW

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a trunk show of Judith Leiber's Fall 1999 Collection and a designer representative to assist customers, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. For additional information and show location, call (248) 643-9000, ext. 456.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

EILEEN FISHER APPEARANCE

Fashion designer Eileen Fisher visits Hudson's, the Somerset Collection in Troy, for a luncheon and fashion event, noon, Oval Room. To attend the event, please call for reservations at (248) 443-4790.

BOUTIQUE GRAND OPENING

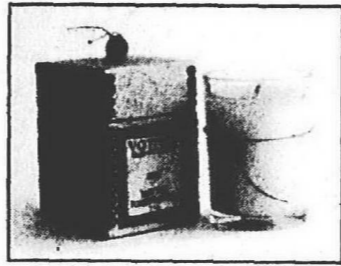
British perfumer and skin care expert Jo Malone's boutique opens at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, with a grand opening celebration, 2-9 p.m., Cosmetics & Fragrances Department, first floor. To attend and make a reservation, call (248) 643-9000, ext. 261.

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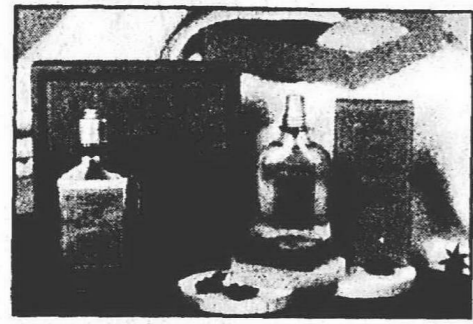
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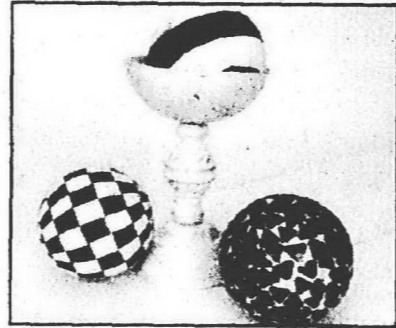
Works of art: Unique fabrics and embellishments make *Custo of Barcelona*'s new fitted shirts for fall works of art, \$60-80 at Hersh's in West Bloomfield.



Long burn: Summer's scents are fading quickly, but *Votivo's* 50-hour burning candles come in an assortment of unique and pleasing fragrances. How about minted pomegranate? About \$19, *Union General Store and Sweetshop Cafe* in Clarkston.



More manly scents: Citrus, sage and fig blend in *L'Occitane's* new fragrance collection for men, *Eau du Badian*, about \$14-30 at *L'Occitane, the Somerset Collection* in Troy.



Black and white: Metal-crafts decorative balls in black and white patterns bring interest to counter-tops and dining room center pieces, about \$28 at *Bellissimo* in downtown Rochester.

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Retreat

To say the least, my last attempt to remove the skirt - the over-the-head technique - looked as ridiculous as it was ineffective. Defeated, I decided to face up to my dressing room crimes.

Hand on *derriere* to cover the unzipped zipper, I approached the friendly sales clerks at Nordstrom and explained my predicament.

They, too, tugged and pulled to no avail. After a few minutes, they called the store's alterations department to request help from a seamstress.

"You can go back to your room," the clerk told me, her finger pointed at the dressing rooms. I returned, head bowed like a bad puppy dog, fearing the worst. Embarrassment and fear quickly turned to impatience, as I waited, trapped in my damaged Cin-

derella gear, trapped in the dressing room, with nothing to do.

At last, the seamstress arrived. After tugging and pulling, she, too, concluded the zipper was a lost cause. And, before I could say a word, snip, snip, I heard the sound of scissors doing their dirty work.

Apologies

Fearing my checking account would soon be drained and I would be left with a skirt I never wanted to see again, I returned to the sales counter. "I'm so sorry," I said, handing over the skirt. "I don't know what to say. I don't know what happened. I was just..." the clerk interrupted. "Oh, that's all right. We'll just put in a new zipper," she said with a smile.

Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it.

WHAT WE FOUND:
- "Jeeves the Butler" can be found at *The Bombay Company* at Oakland Mall in Troy and at *Lawler's Hallmark* at Long Lake and Livernois roads in Troy.

- A bamboo fishing pole can be bought at the *Wal-Mart* store in Walled Lake.

- A baster with a meat marinade injector can be purchased at *Damman Hardware* on Maple and Telegraph roads in Bloomfield Hills.

- The *Zim Zam* game is available through the *HearthSong* catalog, (800) 325-2502. The item is referred to in the catalog as *Swing Ball*.

- Paper cut silhouettes of children may be available at *Jacobson's* at *Laurel Park Place* in Livonia. There is a woman who visits the store and creates them two times every year.

- The game *Michigan Rummy* or *Royal Rummy* can be purchased at *Toys R Us* or *Wal-Mart*.

FIND & SEARCH NOTES

- We also found and contacted readers about: a left leg (#4) for an *Inspector Gadget*, *Power Ryder* equipment for Gail, the *Weight Watchers* recipe for *Pineapple Fluff*.

- One reader called to tell us she has the *Salt and Pepper Collection* for Lafern.

- Unfortunately, *Walgreen's* stores no longer carry *Coty 24* lipstick.

- More bad news, *Glemby's* cannot be purchased anywhere. We found an individual who had an extra bottle, but the product is no longer sold.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- Shaded cloth material to make awnings for RV's for Rod.

- Window display mannequins for Terri.

- Peach Hyacinth bath gel from *Victoria Secret* for Delphine.

- A 1973 *Waterford Mott* High School yearbook for Edith.

- A store that sells *Kemp's Smoothie* (an ice cream and yogurt product) for Pat.

- A Mrs. Beasley doll for Dawn.

- A store that sells plastic doorway covers for use during remodeling for Donna, a resident of Westland.

- Laundry sock clip or rings for Faye.
- A Shell pest strip for Bob.
- A replacement glass for a tip-glass coffee carafe for Linda.
- Hal Lindsey's book "A

pathetical walk through the Holy Land" for Debbie.

- A 1998 *City of Rochester* Christmas ornament of the *Chapman House*, copies of *Time's* book "Year in Review" from 1988 and 1991 and a 1974 *St. Joan of Arc Elementary School* yearbook for Tom.

- *Birmingham Seaholm High School* yearbooks from 1969 and 1971 for Donna.

- A "Julie" comforter, pillow sham and curtain set (with a little girl motif) for Sherry. *Kmart* carried the line.

- A 1964 *Bentley High School* women's class ring for Linda.

- Minute Rub lotion by *Proctor Gamble* for Phyllis.

- A store where instructions for making hand-sewn Daran fabric bags is available or sold for Alice.

- A 1953 *Central High School* yearbook for Faye.

- The game *Catch Phrase* for Elizabeth, a resident of Livonia.

- A 1948 *Clawson High School* yearbook for Betty.

- An *Ekco Baker's Secret* pan called "Muffins and More" for Evelyn.

- A current address for 5th Avenue Handbags and the recipe for *Tiny Chess* tarts, which are made with cottage cheese.

- A portable wine storage cabinet with a minimum capacity of 200 bottles for Joe, of Livonia.

-Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

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TRAVEL

Toronto becomes Cannes with fall film festival

BY MARTIN BANDYKE AND KIM SILARSKI
SPECIAL WRITERS

With a telephone or a computer, a VISA credit card and a

tankful of gas, you can join film industry folks and the stars themselves at "Cannes in Canada," the 24th Toronto International Film Festival, Sept. 9-18.

This year, you can purchase Festival program books, passes and some individual tickets by phone or online at www.bell.ca/filmfest, making this world class event more accessible than ever for film buffs.

A full list of the approximately 300 films to be presented is available online with the actual screening schedule available by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1. Advance single tickets go on sale on Wednesday, Sept. 8. Festival sponsor VISA offers its card holders some ticket purchase perks - consult the website or the Festival Box Office (College Park Building, 444 Yonge St., Main Level, 416-968-FILM; (416) 968-3456) for more information about buying tickets by phone or online.

So, what makes this festival world class? First of all, the large number of industry types and big names who show up here have made this the premier film market in North America and among the top few festivals in the world. Then there is the sheer variety, along with many North American and world premieres. Festival-goers will be among the first to see the latest from household names Robin Williams ("Jakob the Liar"), Susan Sarandon ("Anywhere But Here") and Bruce Willis ("Breakfast Of Champions").

Other high-profile films in Toronto this year include "American Beauty," a biting take on contemporary life in suburbia starring Kevin Spacey and Annette Bening, and "Mumford," a cerebral ensemble piece from "The Big Chill" director and University of Michigan grad Lawrence Kasdan. Festival favorite and Toronto hometown

boy Atom Egoyan gets the nod for the opening night gala with "Felicia's Journey," an eerie, unsettling tale of a serial killer (Bob Hoskins) who targets an unwed pregnant Irish teen.

Many festival devotees shun the big titles, which will soon appear in theaters, in favor of films more obscure, but often far more profound. Easier to find a ticket to, many of these films take a year or longer to arrive at the Detroit Film Theatre, the Maple or the Main theater, while some never get here at all. For lesser-known but meatier films, see something by Kiyoshi Kurosawa (no relation to Akira), featured in this year's Director's Spotlight.

Or, check out works in the Contemporary World Cinema, Discovery (emerging filmmakers) or Real To Reel (documentary) programs. Be flexible about what you see and you will likely be rewarded.

Free spirits do away with advance planning and simply arrive in Toronto, go directly to the box office, grab a program book (about \$20 U.S.) and a screening schedule, and buy tickets there. Be forewarned: you will find many screenings sold out, but there still may be a way to get into that film you've simply got to see. Bring a good book and get in the rush line outside the appropriate theater at least an hour ahead of the screening. If there are any empty seats available just prior to the screening, you can buy a ticket. Arriving mid-week, later in the Festival, is also a good idea, since weekend screenings tend to be the most packed.

Driving to Toronto is a snap on the 401, but consider taking the ViaRail train from Windsor (800-

561-9181 or take advantage of special festival-goers airfares from Air Canada (800) 268-0024. Public transportation in Toronto is highly recommended: safe, cheap and quick. If you wish, you can stay at a less expensive hotel away from the Yonge and Bloor district where most films are shown, and simply take the subway. Take note, however, of the subway lines' hours - they don't run all night.

Special hotel rates are available through the Festival's Guest Relations Office by calling (416) 934-3209 and asking for PYO hotel rates. Options run the gamut from the luxurious Hotel Inter-Continental and Four Seasons, pricey but terrific for star watching, to the modestly priced Colony Hotel and Days Inn.

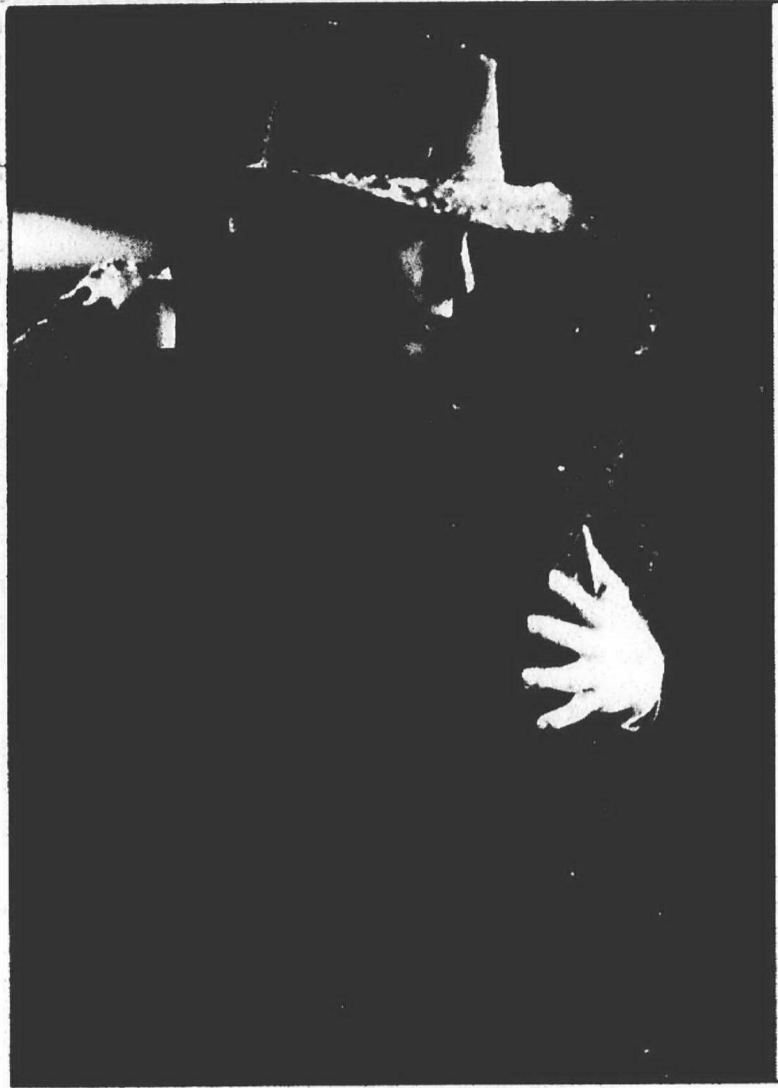
Once you're in Festival mode, you will find that eating can all too often be a fast-food burger hastily squeezed in between four films you're trying to see in one day. Try instead some tasty, swiftly prepared Thai food at the

Green Mango on Yonge Street, right across from the Uptown Theatre, where many Festival films are screened. Around the corner from the Uptown and Varsity Theatres is Rabba Market on Charles Street West, who stock takeout sandwiches, fresh fruit and beverages. Flo's diner on Bellair Street is also close to most of the Festival theatres and has a wide selection of items on its menu, plus a full bar.

The Canadian dollar has been gaining on the American dollar of late, but the exchange rate is still quite favorable, so enjoy it.

Finally, don't forget your eye-drops, and take along a light jacket and an umbrella for that changeable autumn "Cannes in Canada" weather.

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DOANE GREGORY

Popular novel: Ethan Hawke stars in "Snow Falling on Cedars," a love story and mystery based on a recent bestseller.



EGON ENDRENT

Keeping hope alive: Robin Williams plays the title character in "Jakob the Liar," a film about the Warsaw ghetto and a poor Jewish café owner.

State's fall travel guide full of autumn color info

(PRNewswire) - While autumn hasn't yet arrived officially, the new 1999-2000 Michigan fall/winter calendar of events and travel guide has.

The 66-page publication provides some 700 events listings, the names and locations of more than 100 cider mills, and a map that reflects approximate peak fall-color periods regionally throughout the state.

The guide is available for free by calling (888) 78-GREAT.

Choose from more than two dozen fall-color tour routes that navigate nearly every region of the state - from the westernmost end of the Upper Peninsula

to the southern border of the Lower Peninsula.

Also featured in the colorful publication is Great Gear, the new Michigan merchandise that sports Travel Michigan's trademark four-color lighthouse logo. Souvenir and apparel items such as tote bags, sweatshirts, polo shirts, caps and golf umbrellas are available. For a flier providing the complete selection and descriptions of Great Gear items with prices, call (800) 345-1445.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Punt, pass, kick

The annual Punt, Pass and Kick football contest will get underway at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18 at Griffin Park. The top finisher in each division advances to the next level of competition, and the top two finishers in each division receive awards.

Competition will be for both boys and girls, in the following age groups: 8-9 years old, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15. There is no fee to compete and no residency requirements; however, a copy of the competitor's birth certificate is required.

Registration will begin at 12:15 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17 at Griffin Park (Sheldon Road side). For further information, call (734) 397-5110.

Fall racquetball

A men's fall racquetball league, sponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, is now taking reservations. The 13-week season begins Wednesday, Sept. 22, at Body Rocks-Racquettime in Livonia, with court times each Wednesday thereafter from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Cost is \$100 per person, which includes all court time and awards. Players will be divided into divisions based on ability level.

There are no residency requirements. Register at the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI, 48188. For more information, call (734) 397-5110.

Men's soccer sign-up

The Canton Soccer Club has an opening for one team for the fall season, which begins Sept. 12 and concludes Oct. 31. All games will be played at 5 p.m. Sundays.

For further information, call (734) 454-9072.

Girls fastpitch softball

The PRO-AIR girls 16-and-under fastpitch softball travel team is searching for experienced players for its 2000 summer season squad. Those interested cannot turn 17 prior to Jan. 2, 2000.

Tryouts will be conducted at 9 a.m. Sept. 11 and Sept. 25 at Jay-Cee Park (located at 13 Mile and Crooks) in Royal Oak.

For more information, call (248) 280-0793.

Run Like the Wind 10K

The first-ever Run Like the Wind 10-kilometer race will start at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 4 at Nankin Mills Picnic Area in Hines Park (located on Hines Drive just east of Ann Arbor Trail).

Late registration is \$18. Fees (without T-shirt) are \$6 (pre-registration) and \$8 (late).

Trophies will be awarded to age-group winners, along with the top male and female (open and masters). Medals will go to the second- and third-place finishers.

Proceeds will go to the Michigan Running Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting youth running in Michigan.

For more information, call Chuck Block at (248) 478-3596.

Friendship Run/Walk

The 50th Anniversary Friendship Festival Run/Walk is slated for Saturday, Sept. 11 at Central City Park in Westland. There will be a 5-kilometer run/walk starting at 3:30 p.m. The one-mile run/walk is set for 3 p.m.

The events are sponsored by St. Matthew Lutheran Church.

Cost to participate in either is \$10, which includes a T-shirt and a drink cup. Pre-registration deadline is Sept. 4; race day registration will be 2-2:45 p.m. on race day.

Medals will be given to the top three male and female overall finishers in the 5K race. Concessions will be available on race day. Checks should be made payable to St. Matthew Lutheran and mailed to Jess Shough, 35680 Fernwood, Westland, MI, 48186.

For more information, call Jess or Carolyn Shough at (734) 729-4720, or St. Matthew Lutheran Church (734) 425-0261 or (734) 425-0260.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

Defense carries Canton over Braves

The early start to the season didn't bother Plymouth Canton much. The Chiefs got on the board early and their defense frustrated host Ypsilanti throughout Friday's season opener, all of which translated into a victory.

The early start to the season didn't catch Plymouth Canton by surprise.

Canton handled host Ypsilanti, 14-8, Friday night in its season-starting football game.

"It really didn't bother us," Canton coach Tim Baechler said of playing a game during what in years past would

have been the final week of preseason conditioning.

"We felt ready for our scrimmage," he said, "and we were ready for this game. I never felt a time crunch."

"Our coaches did a good job of organizing and preparing. We were ready to go."

Baechler debuted Oliver Wolcott at quarterback and the scoring summary suggests the junior was a passing whiz, throwing touchdown passes of 10 yards to Emmanuel Etim and 11 yards to Ian Riley.

The statistics say otherwise. The touchdown tosses were the only two passes Wolcott completed of the six he threw. Otherwise, he was a handoff machine.

"Our defense played very, very well," Baechler said. "We gave up 75 yards rushing on 24 attempts. They completed 6-of-14 for 110 yards but 50 of those

came on their last play.

"Our kids deserved a shutout." Ypsilanti's touchdown came with just six seconds left in the game.

The Chiefs nearly blocked a punt from the Braves' end zone in the second quarter, taking possession on Ypsilanti's 14.

Wolcott hit Etim on the fourth play of the possession with 7:24 left in the half and then kicked the extra point to give Canton a 7-0 halftime lead.

The second touchdown the Chiefs

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Northern blasts past Salem

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That final fourth-quarter drive was vintage Plymouth Salem football.

The Rocks drove 80 yards, gobbling up the final 5:34 of the game in 12 plays. Problem was, the drive ended at the Port Huron Northern 1-yard line, with Gabe Coble pulled down just short of the goal line as time expired.

And it wouldn't have mattered anyway. Because the Huskies took advantage of a bundle of Salem mistakes, pouncing on four fumbles and an interception and then turning loose their two-back power running attack to pin a 40-13 shellacking on the Rocks in Friday's season opener at Salem.

"They did overpower us," said Rocks' coach Tom Moshimer. "You can see our (lack of) physical size. They just overpowered us."

"Our kids are in good shape. But they're a two-platoon team. In 80-degree weather, in this humidity, it took its toll."

"I didn't expect this. I thought we could win. At halftime it was an even ball game."

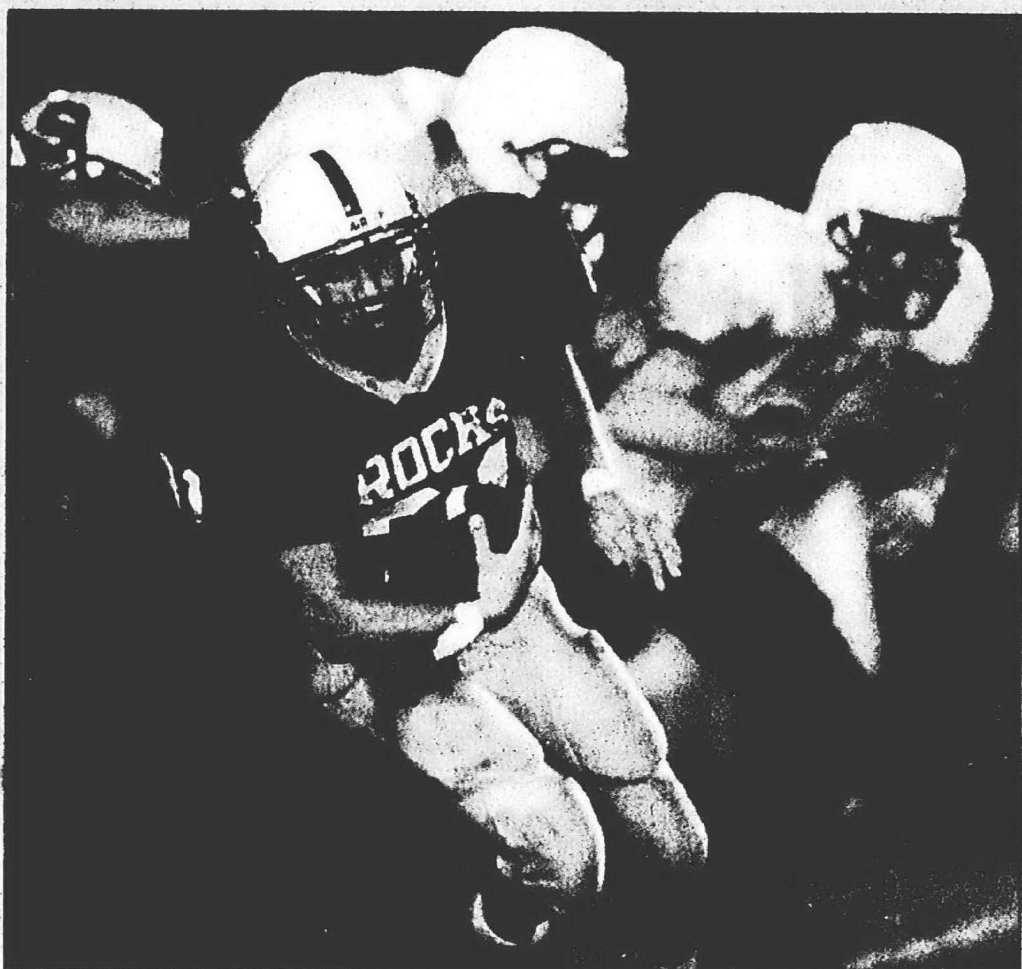
Indeed it was, thanks to some Huskie mistakes in the second quarter.

Northern had opened a 13-0 lead early in the second period. The Huskies drove 79 yards on 13 plays in the first quarter with quarterback Nate Hawley tossing a 29-yard scoring pass to Scott Jamison, who out-leaped Salem defender Brandon Ellison for the touchdown. Keith Christofferson's extra-point kick made it 7-0 with 1:56 left in the first quarter.

A fumbled pitchout by the Rocks — their second turnover in two offensive snaps — was recovered by Northern's Matt Wilson at the Salem 15. Six plays later, Chuck Trask pounded in from 2 yards out to make it 13-0.

But the Rocks overcame those miscues, and two more in their next possession, including an interception by Northern's Nick Ernst tossed by quarterback Matt Fair.

That gave the Huskies the ball at their own 3 yard-line. Salem's defense held, forcing a punt from the 26. Northern's Duke Campbell shanked it, booting an 18-yarder that went out of bounds at the Huskie 44.



Tell-tale signs: Salem finished the opening half of its game against Port Huron Northern dramatically, as Andy Kocoloski (left) scored two second-quarter touchdowns, one on a 31-yard pass from Matt Fair. But the Rocks could not sustain the momentum, partly because Fair (below) was hammered through most of the game. The Rocks lost four fumbles in the game, including one forced by the Huskies' Mike Moeller (54).

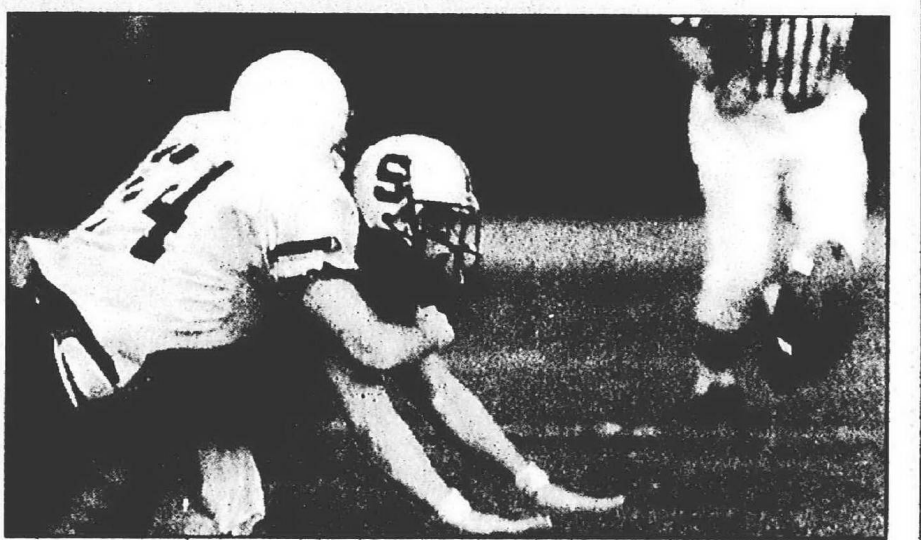
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Two pass completions, from Fair to Jacob Scherbaty for 10 yards and from Fair to Andy Kocoloski for 31, covered that distance. The TD toss to Kocoloski was a short slant over the middle, with the senior running back breaking several tackles en route to the end zone. Jason Furr's placement cut Northern's lead to 13-7.

A clip against the Huskies — they had 13 penalties for 105 yards in the game, with eight for 60 in the first half — forced them to start at their own 11. The Rocks defense held again, forcing a punt from the Northern 14 — only Campbell never got it off, dropping the snap to give Salem possession at the Huskie 4.

Two plays later the game was tied, with Kocoloski diving the final 2 yards for his second touchdown. Furr's extra-point kick was short, but the game was knotted at 13-all with 1:38 left in the half.

Which is how the second half started. "We had talked all week about



how explosive their offense was," said Northern coach Casey Kucsera. "We had to keep their offense off the field."

"We knew they had guys playing on both sides of the ball. We thought if

we could keep it close, we could wear them down and win it in the fourth quarter."

Please see SALEM FOOTBALL, D6

Canton could be quite good — again

BY C.J. RISAK
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The more things change, the more they stay the same. Well, you know the routine. Which is just what makes Plymouth Canton successful in girls basketball. Coach Bob Blohm has a routine he preaches to his team, and they follow it.

How well does such a formula work? Last year, Blohm faced a rebuilding project. He had lost seven seniors from a 19-5 team that had won two straight Western Lakes Activities Association titles in 1996-97.

With just two seniors and (again) no height, the Chiefs would have to build for the future — right?

If you want to call 16-6 a building year. If that's the case, then the expectations for this season should be astronomical, what with six of the top eight players back. But before climbing aboard a space shuttle, figuring that to be the only way to catch those soaring hopes, let's throttle back a bit.

Yes, the Chiefs have five juniors returning with varsity experience. Yes, one of the two seniors on the team is a newcomer who should provide them with what they need most — scoring and rebounding.

And yes, this team can do what Blohm really appreciates: play defense.

Does all that translate into a league championship-caliber team?

Don't ask Blohm. No coach in his right mind would



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSHMANN

Aiming high: The Chiefs have a large group of veterans, led by Janine Guastella (left), the team's leading returning scorer.

ever predict such a thing. "We want to be able to shoot at those three teams," Blohm said, labeling defending WLAAs champs Plymouth and Farmington Harrison, together with Northville, as league favorites. "And we want to be able to fight Northville and Harrison on our side (in the Western Division)."

Two seniors whose loss will be felt are Janell Twietmeyer and Elise Thornell, the team's first and third-leading scorers last season. Both were also capable rebounders.

Twietmeyer "gave us perimeter shooting and could go inside and score some for us, too," said Blohm. Thornell "was a good rebounder for her size (5-foot-4), a really good defender and a great leader."

Still, the Chiefs do have the weapons to make up for the losses. Returning are senior Paula McKernan and juniors Janine Guastella, the team's second-leading scorer last season at nine points a game. Amanda Lentz, Anne Morrell, Christina Kiessel and Ashley Williams.

All got in plenty of playing time, but none provide Canton with much size under the boards. McKernan, Guastella and Williams are 5-8, the others are 5-6.

Which means Blohm will again be looking for rebounding by committee, something that has worked well enough the past few years for the under-sized Chiefs.

There is some hope for change, however. Senior

Please see CANTON HOOP, D5

After slow start, Salem hits its stride

After a bit of a slow start to the season, things got better for Plymouth Salem's golf team last week.

Not so for Plymouth Canton. The Rocks and Chiefs both officially started their season last Monday at the East Lansing Fall Classic at Forest Akers Golf Course (looking beyond the John Sandmann Best Ball Tournament), and neither team played exceptionally well. Salem, the defending champion, shot a 645 for the 36-hole event — well behind Flint Powers winning total of 589.

Canton carded a 676, as neither squad was among the top-10 in the 33-team field.

On Thursday, the two teams competed in the Eagle Invitational at Eagle Trace in Ypsilanti. Salem totaled 335 for the 18-hole tournament, tying Wyandotte Roosevelt for seventh in the 22-team field. Canton's 342 score was roughly equal to its performance at Forest Akers three days earlier.



That seemed to give the Rocks a boost heading into Friday's 19-team Pinckney Invitational, held at Rush Lake Golf Course. Detroit Country Day won the 18-hole tournament with a 301, with Ann Arbor Huron second at 308 and Salem and Livonia Stevenson tied for third at 309. Canton did not compete at Pinckney.

Other Western Lakes Activities Association team also performed well. Livonia Churchill and Westland John Glenn tied for seventh at 319, and Livonia Franklin was 12th at 329. Redford Catholic Central placed sixth with a 311. The Shamrocks shot a 629 last Monday at Forest Akers in the East Lansing Classic.

For Salem, the leader was senior Ryan Nimmerguth, who enjoyed a solid three days of competition. At Pinckney Friday, Nimmerguth, Mark Doughty

and Jay Smith each shot 75s, with Brian Gullen adding an 84. Mike Thackaberry opened with a 36 on the front nine, low among Salem golfers, but ballooned to a 49 on the back for an 85.

Catholic Central was paced by Jon Luna with a 76. Zack Davis and Matt Davey followed with 77s, and Evan Currie had an 81.

Stevenson got a good round at Pinckney from Scott Wolfe, who shot a 74. Matt Bartnick was next at 77, with Mike Buiberg at 76 and Chris Thomas at 82.

Churchill's Will Bashara had a 74 to match Wolfe, with Jeff Hunter and Lance Antribus at 81 and Brad Bescoe at 83. For Glenn, Rich Sudak was best with a 76. Matt Darnell followed with a 77, Jeremy Fendelet had an 80 and Randy Villemure shot 86.

Franklin was paced by Tony Fotiu's 77. Tim Kufel had an 80, Scott Waara

an 83 and Cole Muncy an 89.

At the Eagle Invitational, leading Salem's 335 total was Nimmerguth once again with a 76. Gullen shot 85, Thackaberry an 86, Jay Smith an 87 and Doughty an 88.

Canton's 342 was led by Derek Lineberry's 82. Jon Johnson was next best for the Chiefs with an 85, Ryan McKendry had an 86 and Nick Lariviere an 89.

The results weren't much different for Canton last Monday in East Lansing. Johnson shot rounds of 81-85 for a 166, followed by Derek Vermeulen at 82-85/167; Matt Rosol at 85-84/169; and Lariviere at 89-86/175.

Salem's score at Forest Akers Monday was equalled Rochester. Nimmerguth was again best with rounds of 75-77 for a 152. Next was Smith at 83-79/162; Gullen, 79-88/165; Doughty, 85-83/168; and Thackaberry, 84-85/169.

CC's Currie had the best tournament

at East Lansing of any local golfers with a 78-73/151. Other Shamrock scores were Zack Davis, 79-80/159; Matt Davey, 82-79/161; and Jon Luna, 84-78/162.

There was some bad news for both Salem and Canton. Their switch to play in the Temperance Bedford state regional was a short one; after finishing one-two there last season, they were put back in the extremely tough Brighton regional, where they go up against state powers Brighton, Ann Arbor Pioneer, Ann Arbor Huron, Okemos and Howell, to name a few.

John Glenn, which was third at Temperance Bedford last season, returns there. The Livonia schools will play in the Walled Lake Western regional at Links of Pinewood.

On Monday, Salem and Canton both take a trip to Oak Pointe — site of the Brighton regional Oct. 8-9 — for the Brighton Invitational before taking a break for Labor Day.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 3
Divine Child at Borgess, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Luth. N'west, 5 p.m.
St. Florian vs. St. Agatha at RU's Kraft Field, 7 p.m.
Fordson at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Allen Park at Garden City, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Gib. Carlson, 7:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Franklin, 7:30 p.m.
Farmington at Canton, 7:30 p.m.
Salem at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.

N. Farmington at Northville, 7:30 p.m.

W.L. Central at Harrison, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 4

Liggett at Luth. Westland, 1 p.m.
Redford CC vs. London (Ont.) CC at RU's Kraft Field, 7 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Monday, Aug. 30
(Redford Union Tournament)
Franklin vs. Thurston, 5 p.m.
RU vs. West Bloomfield, 7 p.m.
(Eagle Classic at Pky. Christian)
Agape vs. Clarenceville, 5:30 p.m.

Ply. Christian vs. Warren Zoe, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 31

RU Tournament, 5 & 7 p.m.
Luth. W'sld at R.O. Shrine, 5:30 p.m.
St. Agatha at Sacred Heart, 7 p.m.
Borgess at Canton, 7 p.m.
Ladywood at Flint Powers, 7 p.m.
G.P. South at Mercy, 7 p.m.
Churchill at Lathrup, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Lakeland, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Romulus, 7 p.m.
Farmington at Andover, 7 p.m.
Wat. Mott at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
Wat. Kettering at Harrison, 7 p.m.

(Royal Oak Shrine Tourney)

Luth. W'sld vs. S'field Christ., 5:30 p.m.
A.P. Cabrini vs. R.O. Shrine, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 2
Shrine Tourney, 5:30 & 7:30 p.m.
Clarenceville at Dondro, 6 p.m.
Immac. Concept. at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
G.P. North at Ladywood, 7 p.m.
A.A. Pioneer at Mercy, 7 p.m.
Ply. Christian at Flat Rock, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Belleville, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Romulus, 7 p.m.
Canton at Marian, 7 p.m.
Andover at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
Harrison at Novi, 7 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 3
Huron Valley vs. Inter-City at Marshall M.S., 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 4

PCA Eagle Classic, 6 & 8 p.m.
BOYS SOCCER
Monday, Aug. 30
Woodhaven at Garden City, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Crestwood, 7 p.m.
N. Farm. at W. Bloomfield, 7 p.m.
Harrison at Lakeland, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 31
Stevenson at A.A. Huron, 4 p.m.
A.A. Pioneer at Redford CC, 4 p.m.
Agape at D.H. Fairlane, 4 p.m.
S'field Christ. at Luth. W'sld, 4:30 p.m.
Canton at Novi, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 1
Huron Valley at S'gate Aquinas, 4 p.m.
Garden City at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Country Day at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Harrison at RU (Kraft Field), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 2

Churchill at Redford CC, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Adrian, 4:30 p.m.
Clarenceville at Luth. East, 7 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 3
Huron Valley at Taylor Bap., 4:30 p.m.
Farmington at RU (Kraft), 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 4
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Friday, Sept. 3
Madonna at Tri-State (Ind.), 5 p.m. (EST)
Saturday, Sept. 4
Madonna vs. Geneva at Tri-State (Ind.), 1 p.m. (EST)
Schoolcraft at Monroe (N.Y.), 1:30 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 5
Schoolcraft at Herkimer (N.Y.), 1:30 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Tuesday, Aug. 31
Madonna at Schoolcraft, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 4
Schoolcraft at Prairie St. (Ill.), 11 a.m.
Sunday, Sept. 5
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Hard path to follow

Daly's coach put quite a legacy together in his 32-plus years

BY BRAD EMONS
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On May 17, 1967, Bob Thompson launched a women's fastpitch softball team that later became nationally renowned.

Thirty-two years and 88 days later, the middle school science teacher from Westland decided it was time to hang it up.

"You can put me out to pasture, there's comes a time when you have to quit anything in life," said Thompson, who sported a winning percentage of .723 with a 865-331 record.

Daly Restaurant of Livonia, a force in women's fastpitch softball in this area and the state, leaves quite a legacy.

Most of the trophies, over 200 Thompson has accumulated in his basement, are being donated to charity. He also donated all the team's equipment to St. Mary's of Wayne.

Changing times have made it necessary for Thompson and his wife Sandy to call it quits.

"It used to be God, weddings and then softball," Thompson said. "But now many of the college players are burned out because the season is so long or they go pro. It became harder and harder to go to tournaments because the players had so many other commitments.

"And the talent pool became lesser and lesser to draw from to compete at such a high level. It's so hard to get players. Plus, I didn't want to get into a recruiting thing."

Thompson, who taught 29 years in the Wayne-Westland Schools (retiring

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five years ago), normally spent his springs searching for potential Daly talent. His wife, who worked for Ameritech, was with him every step of the way.

The two often took money out of their own pockets to pay travel and housing expenses for those Daly teams during summer tournaments.

But the Thompsons realize their immense success couldn't have been accomplished without the Daly sponsorship and name.

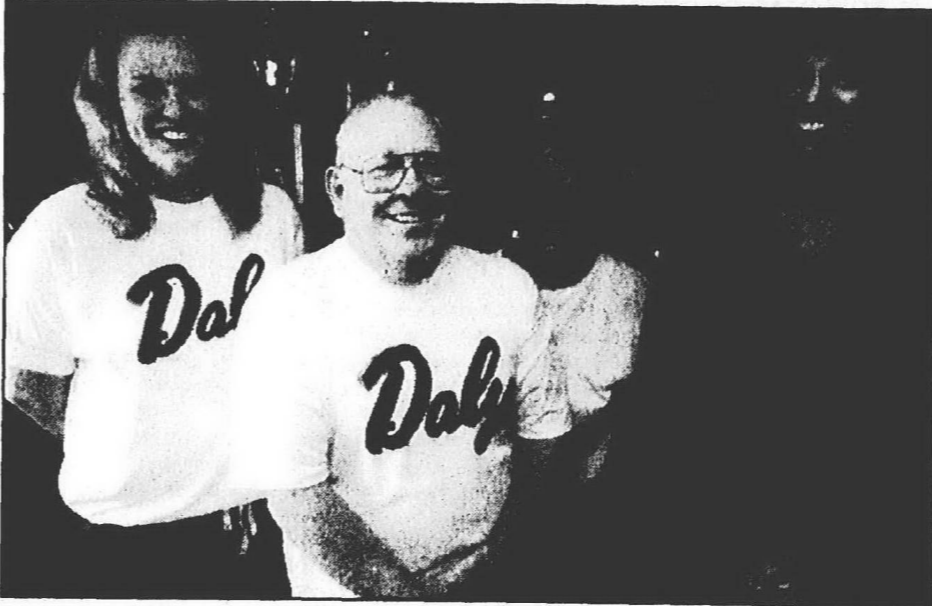
The late Bud Grace, his wife Doris, and son Scott, helped subsidize the Daly club for over 33 years.

"We appreciate them doing it and we want to retire the Daly name," Thompson said. "They always sent us a nice check, no questions asked. They also stayed in the background."

Daly worked its way up from winning the Class D state championship in 1975, to a runner-up finish in 1977 in Class C. Daly added a pair of state Class B championships in 1981 and '83.

Daly then jumped up to the Class A level, appearing in 13 national championships, the first being in 1986 when it finished second. Daly also finished runner-up in 1989, 1995 and 1997. They added thirds in 1994 and '96.

This year's squad, featuring former Michigan standout hurler Kelly Holmes (Plymouth Canton) and All-Big Ten freshman catcher Stephanie Volpe (Plymouth Salem), finished fourth at ASA Nationals in Springfield, Mo.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Well-armed: Daly Restaurant's Bob Thompson has seen some top-notch pitching in his nearly four decades of managing, from Hilda West (third from left), now 72, to Carrie Knight (left) and Canton's Kelly Holmes (right).

"I just love watching quality women's softball, but I don't like to recruit," Thompson said. "And to be competitive at this level, you can't use high school players."

Putting together a high-caliber team, to match the likes of teams with players from the PAC-10 Conference, became more difficult when the NCAA handed down a rule (in the early 1990s) that only four players from each college team could play together during the summer.

But despite the changing landscape in

summer women's fastpitch softball, it was a wonderful ride for the Thompsons.

"I met lot nice people across the country," Thompson said. "It was a lot of responsibility — getting the airline tickets, the car rental, the hotels, the restaurants. But most of the girls appreciate it."

Over 200 players have worn the Daly uniform playing in more than 85 cities in a total 1,1996 games throughout the

U.S. and Canada.

Thompson's roster is virtually a "Who's Who" of women's fastpitch softball in this state.

Pitcher Shelly Larned, who played for Daly from 1984-92 and was a standout hurler at Miami of Ohio, was inducted into the Metro Detroit Softball Association Hall of Fame in 1998.

Larned, who now resides in Saline, won 230 and lost just 50 during her heralded career. She competed in seven national championships and was named first-team ASA All-America three times. Larned was ASA Tournament MVP in 1998 and '89.

"She's the only women's fastpitch pitcher in that hall of fame," Thompson says proudly.

His first pitcher was Livonia resident Hilda West, now 72. She won Daly's first game in 1967.

Other area recognizable names out of the past who donned the Daly jersey included Jan Boyd, Kim Archer, Beth Burgess, Tracy Carr, Carol Hall, Mary Joe Kelly, Stacey Judd, Renee Enright, Debbie Junk, Linda, Mary and Nancy Jimenez, Sherry Kiselica, Lisa Parsons, Ann Roy, Carrie Sirota, Lori Swanson, Linda Webb, Randi Wolfe, Lois Flannigan and Chrissy Daly.

Daly also won or shared 15 league titles playing in the Livonia (1967-91), Waterford (1993-95) and Ann Arbor (1996-98) leagues. Thirty-one of his players earned 53 different ASA All-America awards.

"We had some real nice attitude girls," Thompson said. "I have no regrets. I had a lot of fun."

SOCCER

Chargers fall to Novi, 3-2

Defending Division I state boys soccer champion Novi needed a breakaway goal by Kevin Callender with 12 minutes remaining to give the Wildcats a season-opening 3-2 victory over host Livonia Churchill.

The loss spoiled the debut of new Churchill coach Reid Friedrichs.

It was 1-1 at halftime.

Novi, which dominated action for the first 25 minutes, got a goal from Joe Irimescu, but Churchill's Tim Kaminski countered from Justin Parzuchowski to make it 1-1.

Novi took a 2-1 second-half lead on Ryan Rzepka's goal.

Churchill's Dave Campbell then tied it with 15 minutes remaining on an assist from Jamie Shooks.

Brian Druchniak tended goal for Churchill.

"We played OK for the first game, but we got ourselves in a hole and we got kind of exhausted trying to come back," Friedrichs said. "We have to learn from this game. We made some defensive errors and we didn't execute the simple things, the trap and the pass. When we did that we were able to string together some nice plays."

•SEAHOLM 3, FRANKLIN 2 (OT): Captain Terry Boyle scored 74 minutes into overtime to give Birmingham Seaholm a 3-2 first-round victory Friday over Livonia Franklin at the Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day Invitational boys soccer tournament.

"I was happy with the way we played," Franklin coach Dave Hebestreit said. "We showed a good work ethic."

"It was a pretty evenly matched game. Both teams carried the play."

Franklin outshot the Maples, 14-12.

Seaholm led 1-0 at halftime on Kierly Lampert's free kick, but Franklin tied it early in the second half on Andy Siefert's goal off touches from Mike Vega and Ross Bohler.

Kyle Byer countered with a header to make it 2-1 for Seaholm, but Franklin's Ryan Kracht tied with seven minutes remaining in regulation from Bohler.

Bohler also had a shot ring off the post in the first half.

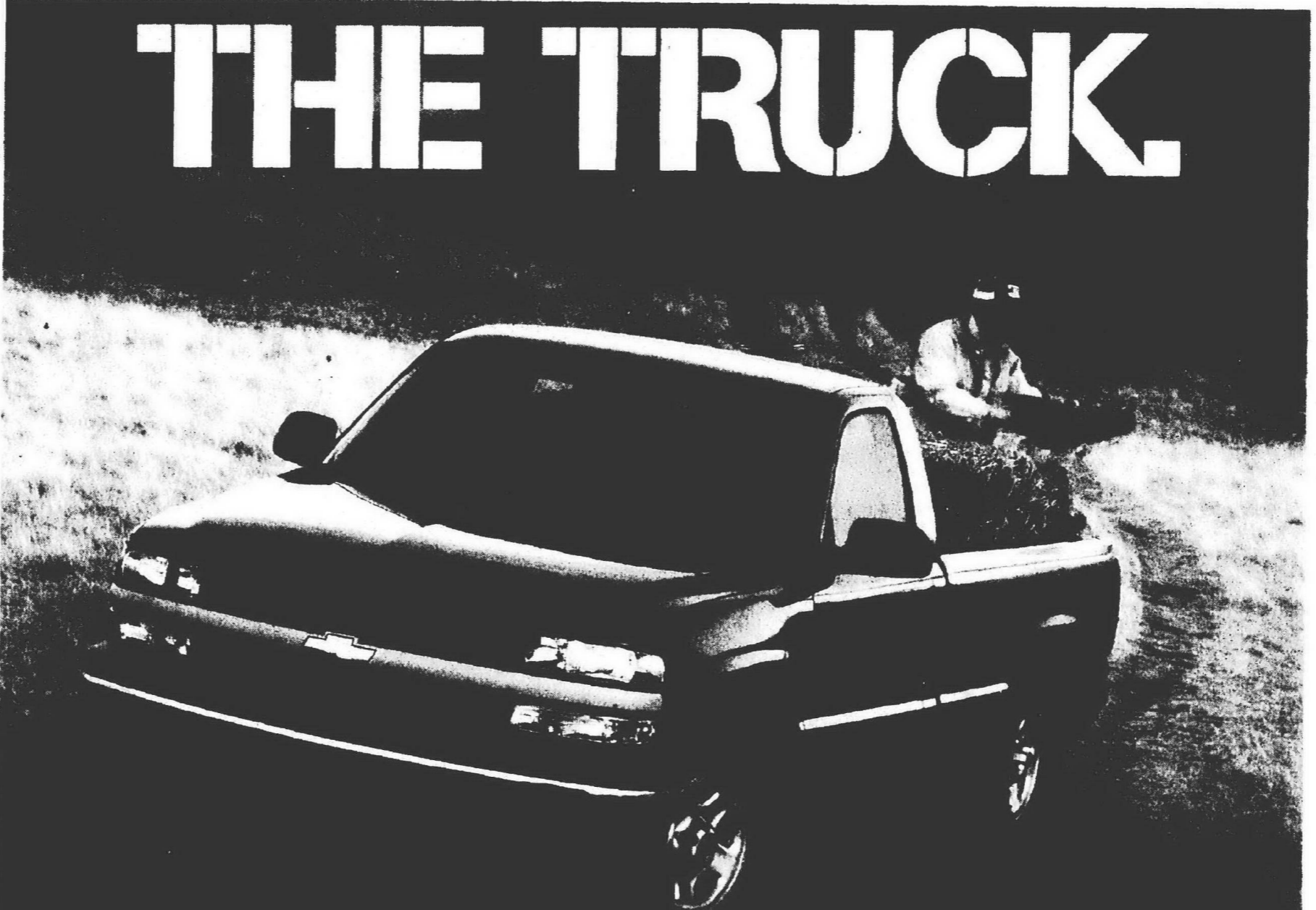
Meanwhile, goalkeeper Jeremy Bruckner made 12 quality saves and played the best he's play in three years for us," according to Hebestreit.

•JOHN GLENN O, THURSTON O: With only 12 available players Friday, visiting Westland John Glenn survived its season opener against Redford Thurston at Bell Creek Park.

Thurston dominated the first half action, but freshman goalkeeper Jeff Ballard was able to keep the Eagles off the board for 80 minutes.

"It was a team effort," Glenn coach Jerry Poniatowski said. "They were on the attack most of the time, but our defense stepped up."

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Canton hoop from page D1

Katie Schwartz, a transfer from Dearborn Divine Child, stands 5-10 — a giant by Chief standards. Schwartz enrolled at Canton too late to play as a junior, but Blohm is confident she can help make up for what's been lost offensively.

"She's an excellent perimeter shooter," the Chiefs' coach said. "She got good range."

"But there's nothing like game experience. It's going to take awhile for her to get used to playing again."

Schwartz's size would be an obvious boon to Canton's rebounding, something Blohm feels must improve if the Chiefs are to take that next step.

"I think we'll defend pretty well," he said. "I'm just worried if we can finish a defensive series. You can play defense well, but if you don't finish it with a rebound it's going to be rough."

Two other juniors who played junior varsity last season, Angie

Neu (5-6) and Meghan Meier (5-7), should make the Chiefs a deeper team talent-wise than last year's.

Shooting will remain a concern all season for Canton, both from the field and from the free-throw line, where they made about 50 percent of their tries last season.

But they are a tenacious defensive team, with good quickness and the ability to run the floor. Their overall conditioning is also a plus.

"Initially, one of our strengths is our athletic ability," Blohm said. "This team is going to have to be patient, but I also think this group will run a bit more."

The feeling is that a record similar to last year's would be just fine with Blohm — with one exception. He'd like to see this team play a few more games.

That would mean they made a longer run in the state tournament. And that, after all, is the ultimate goal.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL
Head coach: Dave Balog, seventh year.
League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Western Division).
Season opener: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31 at Southfield Lathrup.
Last year's overall record: 10-11.
Notable losses to graduation: Stacey Supanich (playing at Albion); Kersten Conklin (playing soccer at Western Michigan); Lauren Ruprecht (playing basketball and volleyball at Schoolcraft).
Leading returnees: Meagan Sheehan, Sr. G, 5-7; Stacey Selleck, Sr. F, 5-7.
Promising newcomers: Dana Thomson, Jr. G, 5-4; Stephanie Doyle, Jr. G, 5-4; Marsi Phillips, Sr. F, 5-7; Katie Paulson, Jr. F, 5-6; Kristen Barry, Sr. F, 5-8; Danielle Bushey, Sr. F, 5-8; Rochelle Karnesky, Jr. F, 5-6; Kate Hogan, Jr. C, 5-10; Deanna Deroo, Soph. G, 5-5; Meagan Savage, Soph. F, 5-5 (transferred from Ladywood).
Balog's 1999 outlook: "It's going to be real interesting. We don't have the height we've had in the past."
 "We're not going to be able to play up tempo, which I could do last year because we had speed. We have to pick and choose when we can run."
 "This is a good group of kids. The first few games are going to be key because we're going to need to find our chemistry."
 "We had a good summer. Deroo, Sheehan, Selleck, Hogan look like the starters going in and the other position is up for grabs."
 "We have seven or eight kids who will rotate in and out."

LIVONIA STEVENSON
Head coach: Amy Rozman, first year.
League affiliation: WLAA (Lakes Division).
Season opener: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31 at Milford Lakeland.
Last year's overall record: 12-10.
Notable losses to graduation: Stephanie Dulz, Jen Peitler, Becky Smith.
Leading returnees: Cassie Ehliendt, Sr. G/F, 5-10; Cheryl Fox, Sr. G, 5-6; Lindsay Gusic, Jr. G, 5-6, (fourth team All-Area); Katie King, Sr. G/F, 5-10; Kate LeBlanc, Sr. F, 5-11; Melanie Leaga, Sr. G, 5-5; Abbey Schrader, Jr. G, 5-7; Mary King, Jr. G/F, 5-8.
Promising newcomers: Katie Beaudoin, Jr. G, 5-6; Lindsay Rayburn, Jr. G, 5-7; Kelley Hutchins, Jr. G, 5-7; Kelly Zielinski, Jr. F, 5-8; Christina Lewis, Jr. F, 5-9; Katie Drews, Jr. F, 6-0.
Rozman's 1999 outlook: "We have a really deep bench this year, so I'm expecting contributions from the bench."
 "I'm happy with the way things are going right now. I hope we'll win our share of ball games. I'm not going to make any predictions right now."
 "In terms of the starting five, all of them have experience at the varsity level, and that's going to be a plus."

(second team All-Area): Elena Sventickas, Carly Queen.
Leading returnees: Michelle Harakas, Jr. F, 6-0 (third team All-Area); Melissa Harakas, Jr. G, 5-8; Liz Obrecht, Soph. C, 6-1; Kristen Barnes, Sr. G, 5-7; Kristen Douglas, Sr. F, 5-9; Liz Oliver, Sr. F, 5-8; Allison Raub, Sr. C, 6-0; Brianna Watson, Sr. G, 5-7.
Promising newcomers: Jen Hunley, Jr. F, 5-9; Kathy Day, Jr. F, 5-9; Nicole Watts, Fr. G/F, 5-9; Ruth Sventickas, Fr. F, 5-11; Jana Beumel, Soph. G, 5-8.
Gorski's 1999 outlook: "We're losing our point guard, so right now we're trying to find somebody to replace her. Right now, that's our biggest question mark."
 "If we find someone to do that, we'll be able to use our height advantage. We have three players who are 6-foot or taller, so we have to find a way to use that as much as possible."
 "We lost to Martin Luther King in the regional finals last year. And we lost in the semifinals of the Catholic League playoffs."
 "Our goal this year is to win the Catholic League playoffs."

LUTHERAN WESTLAND
Head coach: Ron Gentz, eighth year.
League affiliation: Metro Conference.
Season opener: 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, at Royal Oak Shrine Tournament.
Last year's overall record: 17-4.
Notable losses to graduation: Anna Schweske (first team All-Metro Conference); Bekah Hoffmeier, Sharon Greer, Kari Charles.
Leading returnees: Sarah Marody, Sr. C, 5-10; Anna Rolf, Sr. F, 5-8; Liz Unger, Sr. G, 5-5; Krissy Rose, Jr. G, 5-4; Karen Abramczyk, Soph. G, 5-5; Cris Hilden, Soph. PG, 5-7.
Promising newcomers: Katie Walker, Jr. F, 5-8, (transfer from Tennessee); Ruth Hausch, Soph. G, 5-5 (transfer from Minnesota); Emily Reinke, Jr. G, 5-6; Kelly Pruchnik, Jr. F, 5-9; Heather Rose, Soph. G, 5-6; Bethany Sieloff, Soph. F, 5-7.
Gentz's 1999 outlook: "Obviously it's going to be hard to replace the two big girls (Schweske and Hoffmeier)."
 "We hope we're as competitive as we were last year. But I'm not going to cry on anybody's shoulders. This is a very nice squad. If we're not in the top 2-3 in our conference, I would be disappointed."
 "Last year we played the right people at the right time. They had key people injured or out when we played them."
 "I feel there are going to be 4-5 teams in the upper end of our conference. We're going to be very competitive with one another."
 "I'm excited. That's a good way to be."

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Fastpitch tryouts

The Ann Arbor Girls Fastpitch Softball Club will hold age-group tryouts from noon to 4 p.m. (under-16 and -18) Saturday, Sept. 18 and from 1-5 p.m. (under-12 and -14) at Pioneer High School, located at Stadium and Main streets (at the varsity field) in Ann Arbor.
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 For more information, call Dale Heim (734) 741-9823 or John Wood at (734) 995-8316.

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LIVONIA FRANKLIN
Head coach: Gary Warner, fifth year.
League affiliation: WLAA (Western Division).
Season opener: 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30 vs. Redford Thurston at Redford Union Tournament.
Last year's overall record: 3-16.
Notable losses to graduation: Lindsay Duprey, Kelly Young, Angie D'Annunzio.
Leading returnees: Lisa Baliko, Jr. F, 5-10; Elizabeth Cochran, Sr. F, 5-10; Kerstin Marshall, Jr. C, 6-2; Andrea McMillan, Soph. G, 5-7; Tera Morrill, Sr. F, 5-11 (second team All-Area).
Promising newcomers: Kathryn Borowski, Jr. F, 5-8; Cassandra Bentley, Jr. G, 5-8; Jennifer D'Annunzio, Soph. G, 5-7; Rita Malec, Jr. G, 5-7; Stephanie Polkowski, Jr. G, 5-1 (transfer from Dearborn Divine Child); Kelli Zawacki, Jr. F, 5-10.
Warner's '99 outlook: "We're a very athletic team this year. I think you're going to see a lot of running by our team."
 "The Redford (Union) tournament (Aug. 30) should be a good opener for us."
 "We're also playing Ladywood for the first time and we're looking forward to it. We're looking forward to a good year."
 "We'll play hard and see what happens."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN
Head coach: Joel Lloyd, third year.
League affiliation: WLAA (Lakes Division).
Season opener: 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2 at Belleville.
Last year's overall record: 10-11.
Notable losses to graduation: Bridget Hensley, Kristi Mendenhall, Rola Amad.
Leading returnees: Samantha Crews, Sr. F, 5-11 (fourth team All-Area); LaToya Chandler, Sr. F, 5-10; Nicole Panyard, Sr. F, 5-10; Lacey Catarino, Jr. G, 5-7; Sarah Pack, Jr. G, 5-7; Stephanie Crews, Soph. PG, 5-10.
Promising newcomers: Meredith Gorecki, Soph. F, 5-7; Lindsay Beard, Jr. F, 5-8; Abby Massey, Jr. G, 5-8; Michelle Estrada, Jr. F, 5-7.
Lloyd's 1999 outlook: I think we're better this year, just because of our experience. (Samantha) Crews and Chandler have played since they were freshmen. Pack, Catarino and (Stephanie) Crews all saw varsity action as freshmen."
 "This team is extremely athletic. They bring a lot of non-hoop skills to the table that help the team."
 "Some of the girls coming up got a good look. They see what it takes to play varsity ball."
 "Our bread and butter is a man-to-man defense, but I've learned to mix things up when it's called for."

WAYNE MEMORIAL
Head coach: Wayne Woodard, first year.
League affiliation: Mega Conference (Red Division).
Season opener: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2 at Romulus.
Last year's overall record: 7-15.
Notable losses to graduation: LaTonya Crawford (second team All-Area, playing for Wayne State); Elizabeth Kleitch, Beth Molitor.
Leading returnees: Crystal Harris, Sr. G, 5-5; Christina Gaines, Sr. F, 5-6; Sarah Moore, Sr. F, 5-6; Rachel Romba, Sr. F, 5-2.
Promising newcomers: Amy Paling, Jr. G, 5-5; Sheila Honeycutt, Jr. G, 5-4; Erin Davis, Jr. F, 5-3; Heather O'Rourke, Soph. G, 5-5; Amber Henn, Soph. C, 5-8; Rachel Fyle, Soph. F, 5-6.
Woodard's 1999 outlook: "They're a great bunch of girls and they're very coachable. That's all I can ask of them."
 "We play Trenton, Dearborn Fordson, Wyandotte and Belleville."
 "And we have a (Mega Red) league tournament this year for the first year. So we're shooting to get into one of the top four spots in the league to get into the tournament."
 "I know a lot of the girls from the classroom, and they're super kids. They'll give it everything they have."

HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN
Head coach: Kris Springstroh, first year.
League affiliation: Michigan Independent Athletic Association.
Season opener: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3, vs. Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.
Last year's overall record: 4-16.
Notable losses to graduation: None.
Leading returnees: Jessie Cherundolo, Sr. F/C, 5-8; Kelly Kovac, Sr. G, 5-5; Jessica Whittaker, Sr. F, 5-7; Stacie Graves, Sr. F/C, 5-7; Mandy Cherundolo, Jr. G, 5-1; Rachel Zahn, Jr. G/F, 5-7; Samantha Pelligrino, Jr. G/F, 5-4; Cassie Zell, Jr. G, 5-2; Jennifer Kleinke, Soph. G/F, 5-4; Sarah Brisbey, Soph. F, 5-6.
Promising newcomers: Lauren Merian, Fr. G/F, 5-6; Deanna Schuman, Fr. G, 5-0; Amber Onckza, Fr. G, 5-2; Audrey Metzger, Fr. F, 5-0; Lisa Noel, Fr. G, 5-3.
Springstroh's '99 outlook: "We'll be very competitive. We should finish highly in our conference."
 "We're going to strive to be very intense for the entire game."
 "We'll play a very high pressure defense. And try several different looks on our offense."

WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing to consider approval of an ordinance and administrative rules which prohibits the sale of a home which has a septic disposal system unless the Wayne County Department of Health has determined that the system is working well or unless a satisfactory plan has been approved to remedy a failed system. The ordinance imposes duties upon septic system service-persons and real estate brokers, as well as upon buyers and sellers. Violation of ordinance requirements may result in civil fines or misdemeanor penalties.

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LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE
Head coach: Jamie Clark, second year.
League affiliation: Metro Conference.
Season opener: 5:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30 vs. Canton Agape Christian at Plymouth Christian Eagle Kickoff Classic.
Last year's overall record: 2-19.
Notable losses to graduation: Danielle Sledz, Kristina Skrela.
Leading returnees: Felicia Hernandez, Jr. F, 5-4; Jennifer Kennedy, Jr. F, 5-2; Jessica Kennedy, Jr. F, 5-2; Rachael Koehnke, Sr. G, 5-5; Marjeta Krekelezaj, Jr. C, 5-7; Lora Baeske, Soph. G, 5-6; Beth Marlow, Soph. G, 5-1; Mandi Courtney, Soph. F, 5-6.
Promising newcomers: Heather Baur, Fr. G, 5-0.
Clark's 1999 outlook: "I think we have a

LIVONIA LADYWOOD
Head coach: Andrea Gorski, fourth year.
League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division).
Season opener: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31 at Flint Powers Catholic.
Titles won last year: Class A district championship.
Last year's overall record: 13-11 (district championship).
Notable losses to graduation: Erin Hayden

LIVONIA STEVENSON
Head coach: Amy Rozman, first year.
League affiliation: WLAA (Lakes Division).
Season opener: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31 at Milford Lakeland.
Last year's overall record: 12-10.
Notable losses to graduation: Stephanie Dulz, Jen Peitler, Becky Smith.
Leading returnees: Cassie Ehliendt, Sr. G/F, 5-10; Cheryl Fox, Sr. G, 5-6; Lindsay Gusic, Jr. G, 5-6, (fourth team All-Area); Katie King, Sr. G/F, 5-10; Kate LeBlanc, Sr. F, 5-11; Melanie Leaga, Sr. G, 5-5; Abbey Schrader, Jr. G, 5-7; Mary King, Jr. G/F, 5-8.
Promising newcomers: Katie Beaudoin, Jr. G, 5-6; Lindsay Rayburn, Jr. G, 5-7; Kelley Hutchins, Jr. G, 5-7; Kelly Zielinski, Jr. F, 5-8; Christina Lewis, Jr. F, 5-9; Katie Drews, Jr. F, 6-0.
Rozman's 1999 outlook: "We have a really deep bench this year, so I'm expecting contributions from the bench."
 "I'm happy with the way things are going right now. I hope we'll win our share of ball games. I'm not going to make any predictions right now."
 "In terms of the starting five, all of them have experience at the varsity level, and that's going to be a plus."

LUTHERAN WESTLAND
Head coach: Ron Gentz, eighth year.
League affiliation: Metro Conference.
Season opener: 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, at Royal Oak Shrine Tournament.
Last year's overall record: 17-4.
Notable losses to graduation: Anna Schweske (first team All-Metro Conference); Bekah Hoffmeier, Sharon Greer, Kari Charles.
Leading returnees: Sarah Marody, Sr. C, 5-10; Anna Rolf, Sr. F, 5-8; Liz Unger, Sr. G, 5-5; Krissy Rose, Jr. G, 5-4; Karen Abramczyk, Soph. G, 5-5; Cris Hilden, Soph. PG, 5-7.
Promising newcomers: Katie Walker, Jr. F, 5-8, (transfer from Tennessee); Ruth Hausch, Soph. G, 5-5 (transfer from Minnesota); Emily Reinke, Jr. G, 5-6; Kelly Pruchnik, Jr. F, 5-9; Heather Rose, Soph. G, 5-6; Bethany Sieloff, Soph. F, 5-7.
Gentz's 1999 outlook: "Obviously it's going to be hard to replace the two big girls (Schweske and Hoffmeier)."
 "We hope we're as competitive as we were last year. But I'm not going to cry on anybody's shoulders. This is a very nice squad. If we're not in the top 2-3 in our conference, I would be disappointed."
 "Last year we played the right people at the right time. They had key people injured or out when we played them."
 "I feel there are going to be 4-5 teams in the upper end of our conference. We're going to be very competitive with one another."
 "I'm excited. That's a good way to be."

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Franklin wrecks Lincoln Park

Livonia Franklin, bolstered by the running of junior Joe Meier, played a strong second half Friday to pull away from visiting Lincoln Park in the season football opener, 28-13.

Franklin amassed 343 yards total offense, including 274 on the ground as Meier rushed for 210 yards on 28 carries and two touchdowns. The Patriots had 18 first downs to Lincoln Park's 13.

Franklin had only one turnover and did not allow a sack.

"We played some good football tonight and offensively we did a nice job controlling the clock and getting first downs," said Lee. "Our offensive line did a great job."

"We played solid defense in the first quarter and in the second half we stepped up and made

9-yard scoring burst (the extra point failed).

Franklin junior quarterback Joe Ruggiero, who was six of nine for 69 yards and no interceptions, hit tight end Dan Deon on an 8-yard scoring pass to give Franklin the lead for good.

Ruggiero put it away with a 1-yard TD run with just under five minutes remaining, capping a 67-yard, 13-playing scoring drive.

"We were able to spread the ball around, even our fullback Joe Jendruski got 10 carries," Lee said.

Lincoln Park had 288 yards total offense, 168 on 33 carries on the ground as Wattle was 13 of 72. Short, eight of 19 passing for 120 yards, was picked off twice, one piece by Dave Painter and Dusty Hall.

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BOWLING AND RECREATION

Greatest bowlers of the century are selected

Bowling Magazine has named the twenty greatest bowlers of the 20th Century.

Dick Weber, Earl Anthony and Don Carter were unanimous choices made by the panel of experienced journalists, organization leaders, professional instructors and Hall of Fame members.

Also earning berths on the "20 Greatest" list, based on weighted votes were: Walter Ray Williams, Mark Roth, Mike Aulby, the late Hank Marino, Don Johnson, the late Ned Day, Joe Norris, Pete Weber, the late Andy Varipapa, Billy Hardwick, the late Junie McMahon, Marshall Holman, Nelson Burton, Jr., Bill Lillard, Carmen Salvino, Harry Smith and Dick Ritger.

The list was announced in the August/September issue of Bowling Magazine, the official publication of the American Bowling Congress. The 16 living members of the elite group have been invited to attend the 2000 ABC Hall of Fame induction ceremonies March 16 in Albuquerque, N.M. where they will be officially recognized.

Bowlers wanted

There are bowlers looking for leagues and there also happens to be some leagues seeking more bowlers. Hopefully, we can help them match up to fill each others needs.

*The Greenfield Mixed League bowls at 6:30 p.m. Fridays at Country Lanes

TEN PIN ALLEY



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in Farmington. This is one of the strongest mixed leagues, yet there is a need for two or three new teams and a few individuals.

It is a 90 percent handicap league with good pots and prize money. Bowlers are welcome with any averages, with teams consisting of two men and two women.

For more information, call Mildred Weed at (248) 348-2096.

*Senior Bowlers are needed for 11 a.m. Fridays at Mayflower Lanes in Redford.

There are no limitations on averages, but you must be 55 or older to join. These are five-man teams. There are also openings 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays for the Good Neighbors Women's League (four per team).

For more information, call Gloria Mertz at (313) 533-9415.

*Cloverlanes in Livonia features new leagues in which you can bowl your way to Cancun or Las Vegas.

The Sunday Night Cancun League starts at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 12 and ends May 7. Everyone goes to Cancun for seven nights, staying at a major resort there. Bowling is \$25 per night per bowler.

The Las Vegas League is \$18 per night per bowler, with everyone spending five days and four nights at a premier hotel/casino right on the strip. They bowl at 8 p.m. Mondays beginning Sept. 13. The league ends May 1.

Both trips include airfare, hotel room, baggage transfers and shuttles at the destination airport.

Both leagues feature a two games per

night league session, special jackpots including random frame game, 50-50 where all the money is won every time, Las Vegas slots and three in a row.

For more information, call (734) 427-6410.

*The 63rd annual John P. Gavie Memorial Tournament was Aug. 22 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

Everyone in the building bowled well except me.

During the opening ceremonies, there were many introductions including a plaque for the Just Us Tree Service team from Detroit, which now holds the new all-time high team series record for the nation.

Dan Ottman of Troy was presented the Eagle trophy for the second time in three years, signifying the National American Bowling Congress team championship.

The Men's Division honored Dave Bernhardt, who has been a strong supporter and sponsor of bowling for many years in addition to being a top-notch competitor in the Pepsi All-Stars himself.

His company is Turbo 2-N-1 Grips, a division of Davalor Mold in Chesterfield Township.

The Women's Division dedicated the event to Dorothy Thompson, who has served as president of the DWBA for many years with distinction.

The Senior Men's Division was dedicated to Ken Charrette, longtime secretary of the Michigan Majors. He is also the secretary of the Pepsi All-Stars.

Tammy Plofchan of Redford entertained the crowd with a stirring rendition of the Star Spangled Banner. Next

year she promises to add "Oh Canada" to her repertoire.

The tournament committee did a great job. Every one of the 94 lanes was filled, the first time in many years this has occurred.

The top three teams in the Men's Division were Good Boys (3,444 pins); Baranski Insurance-Thursdays (3,385 pins) with captain Harry Sullins; and All-Star Grille (3,371 pins) with captain Steve Klein.

The honor scores were rolled by Lonnie Jones of Southfield with an opening-game 300 (his 10th), and John Ray with a 298 in his third game. In the Seniors Division, which is handicapped, Roland, led by captain Roland Snodgrass, won with 3,091, including a 710 by Marvin Newsome.

Bowl One Lanes of Troy, led by captain Ron Wenglikowski, amassed a total of 3,075. The third-place team, Viagra Kids, led by captain Don Blake, whot 2,974.

Redford's Mayflower Lake Comers earned fifth with 2,934 total pins.

In the women's division, Community Bowling Centers, paced by captain Jeanne Gebbe, rolled a 3,121 for the win. The Detroit All-Stars with Michelle Ewald as captain, shot 3,079.

Third place went to the Herbalife team, led by captain Pam Jones of Livonia. The Herbalife pinfall total was 3,079 with Kathie Maser recording a 703 series.

Women's high games were recorded by Yvonne Jones (278) and Kathie Maser (258).

As for the Press team, better luck next year.

*The National Senior Bowling Association (NSBA) held its August Tournament at Oak Lanes in Westland, with Doug Evans of Lincoln Park taking home the top prize money.

It added to a long list of tournament wins for Evans, who has been one of the area's top performers over the years. In fact, he is old enough now to bowl in the senior event.

He rolled a 300 game en reout to qualifying second. Evans also defeated Ed Dudek of Livonia, 218-179, in his first match.

In the quarterfinals, Evans downed Leo Scantamburlo of Rochester, 214-189, then went on to defeat Bob Brisette of Petersburg, 216-184, to advance to the finals against Derek Smith of Hicks, Ohio.

Evans reeled off eight-straight strikes from the fourth frame and handily defeated Smith, 268-212, to take his first NSBA championship and a first place check for \$500.

Lou O'Neal of Farmington qualified third and finished in sixth place, worth \$120. Tournament high qualifier was Mike Travis of Canton, earning a free entry for the next tournament, which will take place on Saturday, Sept. 18 at Rose Bowl Lanes in Roseville.

For more information, call (248) 932-LANE.

*For those bowlers whose leagues are starting up this week, have a great season and don't forget to turn those high scores in at the counter so that they will wind up in Ten Pin Alley.

A beauty of a bird: A title befitting the chickadee

Black-capped chickadees are the cherubs of backyard birds.

If any species can make someone fall in love with birds, it's the chickadee. They are generally the first to visit your new feeder, which is always exciting.

The size of a pixie, soft as downy feathers, curious as George, bold as a bulldog, innocent as a baby and cute as a panda cub — all describe

the black-capped chickadee. Practically anyone who has a feeding station has chickadees at it. We see them everyday, but do we know what they are doing?

Well Susan Smith, the champion of chickadee charades, has recently published a popular book on her research studies of the black-capped chickadee near her home in Massachusetts.

She has taken all her charts, graphs, mathematical formulas and scientific jargon out of this book and made it very readable to the public.

Her readable descriptions of their life history makes us real-

ize how much a trained scientist can decipher. Using color marked birds Smith was able to learn a great deal about the behavior, survival and relationships of individual birds.

One of her greatest accomplishments was determining their social structure. Young birds leave their adults and move away to take up residence with another group far away.

This is beneficial because it prevents inbreeding that could weaken the survivorship of the birds. It also means that young birds must travel and find a suitable group.

On their way to the new group they are vulnerable to predators, which is something Smith indicates in her book.

The average life span of a chickadee is less than two years. Some have been known to live 10-11 years, but that is unusual. Many young birds of the year do not survive to join a winter flock.

During the fall and winter, males are dominant over females, but during the breeding season, females dominate males. Within a flock there is a hierarchy of dominance within each sex.

A group called "floaters" in the

flock will take the place of individuals that die. They try and fill the most dominate position in the hierarchy they can.

When chickadees are at your feeder, watch some of their subtle postures which communicate to other chickadees. Raising the feathers on the crest of their head indicates a sign of aggression.

A raised white cheek creating a bump into the black crown indicates tension — the higher the bump the greater the level of tension. Basic motivations have been worked out, but more work is required to determine exactly

what these facial features mean. Beautiful photographs complement the text and illustrate the principles the author is describing. The last chapter provides some helpful hints to those with backyard feeders.

Water is important to all wildlife, as well as chickadees. Black oiler sunflower seeds and suet are preferred foods; natural foods and cover are also very helpful.

"Black-capped Chickadee" by Susan Smith as part of the Wild Bird Guides is indeed worth while reading, especially if you want to know more about our backyard cherub.

NATURE NOTES



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OUTDOORS CALENDAR

ARCHERY

OCSC BOWHUNTER JAMBOREE

Oakland County Sportsman's Club will host its annual Bowhunter Jamboree beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11-12, on its walk-through course in Clarkston. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

HOLIDAY 3D SHOOT

Detroit Archers will hold a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Sept. 4-6, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

DA BOWHUNTER JAMBOREE

Detroit Archers will hold its annual bowhunter jamboree beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11-12, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

ARCHERY WORKSHOP

T.N.U.S.A. members will assist hunters in preparing equipment for the upcoming archery season from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at the Livonia Archery Range. Reservations are required and there is a nominal fee. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

BROADHEAD PRACTICE

Detroit Archers will hold broad-head practice beginning at 5 p.m. every Thursday night through the month of October. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

LIVONIA RANGE

The newly renovated Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior

Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

SHOOTING SPORTS

SPORTING CLAYS
Wings & Clays will host a sporting clays shoot on Sunday, Aug. 29, at the Bald Mountain range in Lake Orion. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

SEASON/DATES

BEAR
Bear season opens Sept. 10.

GOOSE
A special early Canada goose season runs Sept. 1-10 in the Upper Peninsula and Sept. 1-15 in the Lower Peninsula. Check the DNR's Early September Canada Goose Season Hunting Guide for special restrictions.

GROUSE
Grouse season opens Sept. 15.

RABBIT
Rabbit season opens Sept. 15.

SQUIRREL
Squirrel season opens Sept. 15.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

B.A.S.S. TOP 150

The first stop on the 1999-2000 B.A.S.S. Top 150 circuit will be Wednesday-Saturday, Aug. 25-28 on Lake St. Clair. Daily weigh-ins will take place at Metro Beach Metropark in Mt. Clemens.

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold a two-man team tournament on Sunday, on Aug. 29 on Lordell Lake. To register and for more information call Roy Randolph

at (248) 542-5254. Oakland Bass Masters will hold its final tournament of the season on Sunday, Sept. 26, on Lakeville Lake.

CLASSES/CLINICS

HUNTER EDUCATION

Wayne County Sportsman's Club will be offering three hunter education classes at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. Classes will be offered Oct. 9-10, Oct. 23-24, and Nov. 6-7. Call (313) 582-0285 to register and for more information.

MORE HUNTER EDUCATION

Livonia Parks and Recreation is offering a hunter education class on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 24-25, at the Sheldon Senior Citizen Center. Class fee is \$10 and advanced registration is required. Class size is limited. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

FLY FISHING SCHOOL

The Riverbend Sports Shop in Southfield is sponsoring several fly fishing schools in the upcoming months. Held at the Huntsman Hunt Club in Dryden and Hunters Creek Hunt Club in Metamora, the schools include lessons in basic fly fishing techniques including casting, knot tying, reading the water, playing, landing and releasing fish, entomology and fly selection and more. Classes are scheduled for August 29, and Sept. 12. Class size is limited. To register and for more information call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

FLY TYING

Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

MORE FLY TYING

River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times. For more information and to register call

(248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

CLIMBING CLASS

An introductory climbing course for the novice and first-time climber is offered at various times at REI in Northville. The class covers basic indoor climbing safety, technique, equipment and terminology. The course is free and available to adults and children. Call (248) 347-2100 for current schedules and additional information.

ACTIVITIES

FLY FISHING SEMINAR

Gander Mountain will host a "Meet the Pro" seminar with guest speaker Craig Harris, president of C.A. Harris Company, maker of the Solitude reel, beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 26, at its Utica store. Call (810) 247-9900 for more information.

CLUBS

CLINTON VALLEY BASS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome). The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Laparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refreshments will be served. Call Jim

Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS

The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Rd., Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

FLY TYING

The River Bend Sports Shop Fly Tying Club meets every other week in Southfield. Call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474 for more information.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810)

349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767.

For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

SUMMER EVENING STROLL

Explore the park's natural and cultural history through a variety of weekly hikes and interpretive presentations during this class, which will be held at 7 p.m. each Thursday through the end of August at Maybury.

SCARECROW WORKSHOP

A short presentation on scarecrow lore followed by a chance to construct some scarecrows for display at the farm, begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at Maybury.

BIRD HIKE

Observe and identify bird species seen throughout the park during this naturalist-led hike, which begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at Maybury.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

1999 PERMITS

The 1999 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send information to: *Outdoors*, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; fax information to (248) 644-1314 or send E-mail to bparker@oc.homecomm.net

Oxford upends Hawks

Dave Rayner, a junior kicker for Oxford, calmly knocked a 27-yard field goal through the uprights on the Wildcats' first play of overtime to give them a thrilling 17-14 win over defending state champion Farmington Harrison Friday at Oxford.

The winning kick came one play after the Hawks' Kevin Woods, who was brilliant all night, fumbled as he headed into the end zone on Harrison's sec-

ond overtime play. The win ended Harrison's 26-game winning streak.

"Coach told me before we even got the ball (in overtime) we were going to kick on first down," said Rayner, who is also Oxford's best soccer player. "We wanted to win it and go home." It didn't look like that would

happen late in regulation, when Harrison's Lou Hadley stepped in front of a John Runyon pass, picked it off and returned it to the Wildcat 20 with :01 left. But the Hawks' missed a 37-yard field goal on the last play of regulation.

Woods, a senior, finished the game with 154 yards on 26 carries. Oxford freshman Luis Gomez, meanwhile, rushed for 174 yards on 20 carries.

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It never came to that. On their first possession of the second half, the Huskies marched 80 yards on 11 plays with Trask driving in from a yard out. Christofferson's placement made it 20-13 with 6:19 left in the third quarter.

That's when the roof fell in on Salem. On the Rocks ensuing possession, Fair fumbled a third-and-13 snap and Dave Taggart recovered for Northern at the Salem 22. Jeff Keith sliced off right tackle and sped into the end zone on the Huskies' first play, increasing their lead to 27-13 with 4:55 left in the period.

Christofferson then bounced a perfect on-side kick past the Rocks' front line and Northern's Steve VanSickle recovered at Salem's 34. A 19-yard run by Keith, followed by an 11-yarder by Trask, put the ball at the Salem 4. Keith scored on a third-

down run to make it 33-13 with 3:28 left in the third.

The bad news wasn't over for the Rocks just yet. Fair was drilled on a third-down-and-19 pass attempt. His fumble was scooped up by Tim Ropposch, who rambled 28 yards to the end zone to make it 40-13 with 1:34 left in the third quarter.

"I never thought we'd have that explosion in the third quarter, but we'll take it," said Northern's Kucsera. "Our two backs really stepped it up."

That they did. Trask, a 6-foot, 180-pound senior co-captain, finished with 156 yards rushing on 25 attempts, scoring two touchdowns. The 5-10, 195-pound Keith totaled 117 yards rushing on 13 carries, with two TDs.

Hawley completed 8-of-17 passes for 86 yards, with one touchdown and one interception (by Salem's Ryan Cook in the

first quarter).

Until their final fourth-quarter drive, the Rocks never did get a sustained running attack going. They finished with 138 yards on the ground — 75 of those coming on that game-ending possession.

Kocoloski led Salem with eight rushes for 71 yards and a TD; he also caught two passes for 53 yards. Scherbaty had three catches for 50 yards.

Fair completed 7-of-18 passes for 125 yards and a touchdown, with one interception. He also suffered six fumbles (four of them lost).

"We've got good players," said Salem's Moshimer. "We've just got to get our lines straightened out."

It won't get any easier this Friday — Salem visits Walled Lake Western, one of the favorites to win the Western Lakes Activities Association title.

Canton football from page D1

scored capped a 90-yard, 19-play drive in which the only time the ball saw the air was when Wolcott hit Riley with the drive-end score. The other 18 plays were rushes.

In fact, Canton took the opening kickoff of the half and consumed nearly the entire period with the drive. Ypsilanti had time to run only two plays before the fourth quarter began.

Nick Stonerook led Canton in rushing with 21 for a total of 107 yards. Etim ran 7-for-23, Jerry Gaines ran 11 times for 41 yards and Wolcott ended up with 8 yards rushing on 5 carries.

Wolcott threw one interception, the only turnover in the well-played opener.

"There was no cramping up by either team," Baechler said of the game, played with the tem-

perature in the low 80s and a relatively high humidity.

"It did help us that we had only three kids going both ways," the coach said. "And we did have some long drives."

Defensively, the Chiefs were led by defensive tackle Brad Wells, who had nine tackles, and outside linebacker Etim, who had eight.

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FALL CLASS SCHEDULE

13 - WESTLAND
SPONSORED BY: Parks & Recreation Department
Bailey Recreation Center (36651 Ford Rd., E. of Newburg, behind City Hall-734-722-7620)
1 day per wk/\$48 2 days/\$62 Unlimited/\$78 10 weeks
** \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes
M/W 5:55 P.M. Kickbox/Low-Combo Sept. 13 A Schumaker
M/W 7:00 P.M. Sculpt/Tone Sept. 13 Staff

14 - PLYMOUTH
JoAnne's Dance Extension (Ply. Trade Ctr., 9282 General Dr., Ste 180 & 190, bet. Ann Arbor Rd. & Joy, E. of Lilley)
1 day per wk/\$48 2 days/\$62 Unlimited/\$78 10 weeks
M/W/F 9:30 A.M. **Rotation Sept. 13 C VanHoet
**Mon. Kickbox & Sculpt, Wed.: Kickbox & Step, Fri.: Interval
*T/TH 9:30 A.M. Low/Hi Impact Sept. 14 K. Rudolph
*Babysitting available \$2.00 per child/\$4.00 per family.
Must pre-register -1-800-285-6968
Babysitting may be cancelled if not enough participants.
**Classes will include Aerobic Circuit, Aerobic-Kickbox Combo, Kickbox-Step Combo

SPONSORED BY: Plymouth Parks & Recreation
Plymouth Cultural Center (525 Farmer-734-455-6620)
1 day per wk/\$48 2 days/\$62 Unlimited/\$78 10 weeks
M/W 6:00 P.M. Aerobic Interval/Circuit Sept. 13 S. King
Sat 8:00 A.M. Aerobic Interval/Circuit Sept. 18 S. King

15 - LIVONIA
Holy Cross Lutheran Church (30650 Six Mile Rd., E. of Meridian)
1 day per wk/\$48 2 days/\$62 Unlimited/\$78 10 weeks
* M/W/F 9:00 A.M. Hi/Low Impact Sept. 13 P. Peitz
M/W 6:00 P.M. Low Impact Sept. 13 M. Hopson
M/W 7:10 P.M. Hi/Low Impact Sept. 13 M. Hopson
T/TH 9:00 A.M. Sculpt/Tone Sept. 14 K. Godin
*MUST PRE-REGISTER for Babysitting \$2.00 per child /\$4.00 per family. May be cancelled if not enough participants

16 - SOUTHFIELD
SPONSORED BY: City of Southfield
(Register through Southfield Parks & Rec. - 248-354-9603)
1 day per week/\$50 2 days/\$65 Unlimited/\$80 10 weeks
\$10.00 non resident fee will be charged
Braze-Lederle Comm. Ed. Bldg. (18575 W. 9 Mile Rd., bet. Southfield & Evergreen)
M/W 6:00 P.M. Sculpt & Tone Sept. 13 S. Reynolds
M/W 7:00 P.M. Low Impact Sept. 13 L. Blackmon
T/TH 6:00 P.M. Sculpt & Tone Sept. 14 A. Kebede
T/TH 7:00 P.M. STEP Sept. 14 Staff
Student must provide own STEP

17 - FARMINGTON
Farmington Gymnastics Center (1/2 Mile N. of Nine Mile, W. of Halstead, on Freepark Dr., off Industrial Dr.)
1 day per wk/\$50 2 days/\$65 Unlimited/\$80 10 weeks
** \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step. 3 week ext. starting Nov. 29th/Check with instructor.
M/W 8:20 A.M. Low Impact Sept. 13 S. Kambouris
*M/W/F 9:35 A.M. Hi/Low Impact Sept. 13 Pierce/Goodman
M/W 6:15 P.M. Sculpt & Tone Sept. 13 Staff

Farmington Gymnastics Center, Cont.
M/W 7:30 P.M. Kickbox Aerobics Sept. 13 Staff
*T/TH 9:35 A.M. STEP Sept. 14 P. Kerwan
T/TH 6:15 P.M. Kickbox/Aerobics Sept. 14 K. Treatwell-Smith
T/TH 7:30 P.M. Step/Sculpt Sept. 14 K. Treatwell-Smith
Sat 8:30 A.M. Hi/Low Impact Sept. 18 Staff
Sat 9:35 A.M. Sculpt & Tone Sept. 18 M. Navarro-Bloom
*Babysitting \$2.00 per child

SPONSORED BY: Farmington Hills Recreation Center
Farmington Hills Activities Center (28600 11 Mile Rd., Gate 4 Door C-248-473-1816)
1 day per wk/\$50 2 days/\$65 Unlimited/\$80 10 weeks
3 week ext. starting Nov. 29th/Check with instructor.
*M/W 9:30 A.M. Sculpt & Tone Sept. 13 L. Morris
M/W 6:30 P.M. Hi/Low Impact Sept. 13 Staff
*T/TH 9:25 A.M. **Rotation Sept. 14 J. Stec
T/TH 7:00 P.M. Kickbox/Aerobics Sept. 14 Staff
Sat 9:00 A.M. Hi/Low Impact Sept. 18 K. Treatwell-Smith
*Babysitting available \$2.00 per child
**Classes alternate between Hi/Low Aerobics/Circuits/Fat Burner. Check with instructor.

SPONSORED BY: Farmington Community Ed.
(Register through Farmington Comm. Ed. 248-489-3333)
1 day per wk/\$50 2 days/\$65 Unlimited/\$80 10 weeks
Farmington Community School (30415 Shawwassee, bet. Tuck & Orchard Lk Rd.)
*M/W 9:00 A.M. Hi/Low Impact Sept. 27 Staff
*Babysitting available \$2.00/Child-must be walking-no infants
East Middle School (on Middlebelt Rd., bet. 10 & 11 Mile Rds.)
M/W 6:30 P.M. Kickbox/Sculpt Sept. 27 Staff

18 - NOVI
Novi Civic Center (45175 W. 10 Mile Rd., bet. Novi & Taft, 248-347-0400)
All Novi students must register/pay through Novi Pks & Rec. office (248-347-0400). Please bring a mat or towel to class.
Resident fee:
1 day per wk/\$46 2 days/\$61 Unlimited/\$76 10 weeks
Non-resident fee:
1 day per wk/\$50 2 days/\$65 Unlimited/\$80 10 weeks
** \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step. No Classes Saturday, October 30th - all makeups week of November 22

*M/W 9:00 A.M. Kickbox/Low-Combo Sept. 13 R. Rice
*M/W/F 10:15 A.M. STEP Circuit Sept. 13 L. Whitfield
M/W 6:15 P.M. Kickbox/Hi-Low Sept. 13 Staff
M/W 7:25 P.M. Sculpt & Tone Sept. 13 Staff
*T/TH 9:00 A.M. Sculpt & Tone Sept. 14 Staff
*F 9:00 A.M. Fat Burner Sept. 17 M. Bloom
Sat 8:00 A.M. Kickbox/Hi-Low Sept. 18 L. Burke
Sat 9:15 A.M. Sculpt & Tone Sept. 18 S. Flanagan
*Babysitting \$2 for 1st child, \$1 ea. addtl. child
Novi Meadows (25549 Taft, N. of 10 Mile)
(Register through Novi Comm. Ed. 248-449-1206)
Session 1:
1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$50 Unlimited/\$64 8 weeks
M/T/W/TH 7:00 P.M. Hi/Low Impact Sept. 13 T. Snurka
Session 2:
1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$50 Unlimited/\$64 8 weeks
M/T/W/TH 7:00 P.M. Hi/Low Impact Nov. 8 T. Snurka
NO CLASSES: Nov. 10, 11, 24 or 25, Dec. 22 thru 30.

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