

## Equity is top forum issue

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More than 500 parents, public school administrators and school board members heard state legislators discuss issues - especially financing - that affect public education. The meeting was Monday night in the Plymouth Salem High School cafeteria.

The second annual Statewide Summit on Public Education, billed as "a forum for a nonpartisan, substantive discussion on educational issues," featured 15 state legislators and drew people from across the state.

It covered a wide range of topics but primarily sought answers to what many see as inequity in state financing of schools.

Ken Walcott, acting Plymouth-Canton Community Schools superintendent, keynoted the program by showing how Proposition A and its Foundation Grant is keeping P-CCS well below such other nearby districts as Farmington-Farmington Hills, Livonia, Ann Arbor and Bloomfield Hills.

During his 13 years in school, a P-CCS student brings the district \$80,860 in Proposition A/ Foundation money. A Bloomfield Hills student brings in \$144,950; a Farmington student \$120,419 and Ann Arbor student \$109,590; and a Livonia student \$84,913.

When compared to projected Foundation Grant figures per pupil in 12 other area districts for 1999-2000, P-CCS at \$6,220 a year ranks ahead of only Wayne-Westland (\$6,117 per pupil) and South Lyon (\$6,952).

Kenneth Pile, executive director of



Hot topics: Parents, educators and legislators gathered in Salem's cafeteria Monday for a summit on school finance. P-C interim superintendent Ken Walcott reviewed the numbers for the crowd.



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the 7D Coordinating Council of the Michigan Education Association, was in the audience. "The shift to sales tax (Proposition A) from property tax makes for a volatile situation if we go into a recession, which we have done periodically in Michigan."

"Revenues are going to drop," he said, raising the what-to-do question

that has teachers, administrators and parents worried.

Other topics discussed at the meeting included MEAP testing, charter schools, vouchers and education tax credits. The forum was frequently interrupted by applause and cheers

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**FALL BACK**  
Set your clock back one hour on Sunday at 2 a.m.

## High school principals back site revote

Both Plymouth-Canton high school principals back a revote on the site of a third high school.

Gerald Ostoin (Salem High) and Pat Patton (Canton High) support the east site, the one closest to the two existing schools.

The board had voted earlier this fall for a site further away, the "west site."

The board had asked various parties to sign off on a list of items before a revote or a reopening of the issue could take place.

"We endorse the east site," Ostoin said. "We are willing to work with them; the east site is fiscally more responsible."

In a prepared release, Ostoin and Patton seemed to be agreeing with the board's request in spirit but not the board's exact wording of seven mandates the trustees say must be met before a revote.

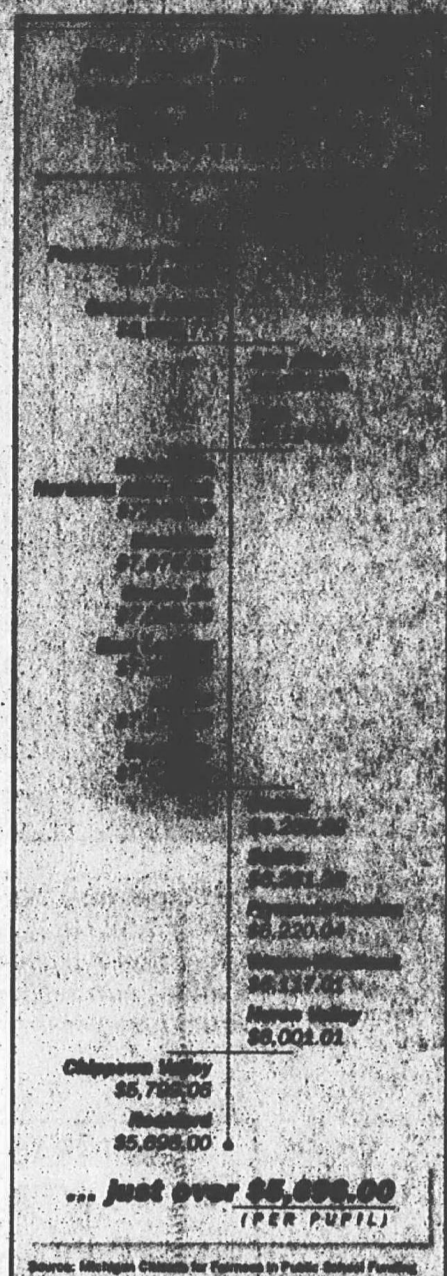
The mandates call for changes such as restricting movement of students - especially freshman and sophomores - between buildings; an external curriculum audit; enhancing the ability of the three schools to remain distinctive; and stronger emphasis on character issues.

"We, too, endorse personalized learning, curriculum review, and many other initiatives that will enable us to respond to the needs of our students who are entering the 21st century," Patton said.

"We are eager to be in partnership with the Board of education and support their road map for change. We look forward to working with our board to create a plan that maximizes achievement and provides positive, safe learning environments for students," she said.

Ostoin said in the release the east site is much more flexible especially if the district wants to be "responsive to rapidly changing needs and new challenges."

Among other things, that would make scheduling students in all three buildings easier, Ostoin feels.



Details: Part of a booklet handed out at Monday's summit.

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**Crowd enjoys Plymouth film premiere**

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"I thought more people would be here," Holton said.

Holton advocated having voters decide on large projects and expenditures which can be considered discretionary, and giving money back to the taxpayers.

He recommended a reasonable, non-excessive surplus.

"When do we get to the point when we stop charging taxpayers?" he asked.

Following Holton's comments, the board approved the \$11.73 million general fund budget, an increase from the \$11.51 million amended 1999 budget.

Trustee Ron Griffith was absent.

The average homeowner with a home worth \$220,000 is expected to pay \$2.73 less in township taxes next year, according to Treasurer Ron Edwards.

The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees voted Oct. 12 to lower the

## Township budget includes tax rate cut

Dan Holton, a Plymouth Township taxpayer, arrived early at Tuesday's township board meeting to secure a seat for the budget public hearing. He soon found that he was the only resident there to speak on the budget. Usually only the press shows up at board study and regular meetings.

## Six on list for schools' top post

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A slate of six candidates for superintendent of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools was presented Tuesday night to the district school board.

Four are from metro Detroit school districts, including two from Redford Township, although from different districts. The other two finalists are from Ohio and New York state.

The six were culled from a field of 45 by The Bickert Group, which was appointed by the board to solicit nominations and prepare a slate.

The board expects to make the announcement Dec. 14.

The six, who will be interviewed separately by the school board in early November, are, in alphabetical order, Kathleen E.

Booher, Berkley School District; James Harris, Buffalo (N.Y.) Schools; Thomas Gay, Redford Union District; Larry J. Thomas, Wayne-Westland Schools; William F. Weber, South Redford District; and Phyllis Wilson, Columbus (Ohio) Public Schools.

All six are either current or former superintendents or assistant superintendents. All hold doctoral degrees.

Following are brief profiles of each:  
 ■ Booher - Doctorate in education from Rutgers University; superintendent of the 4,350-student Berkley district six years; \$32 million annual district budget; \$111,000 annual salary.

■ Harris - Ph. D. from the University of Michigan; superintendent of the 48,000-student Buffalo (N.Y.) Schools four years; \$456 million budget; \$140,000 annual salary; a music major in college.

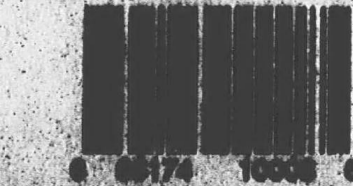
■ Gay - Ph.D. from the University of Dayton; superintendent of the 5,000-student Redford Union district two years; \$35 million budget; \$100,000 salary.

■ Thomas - Ed. D from Wayne State University; educational consultant to, and former superintendent of, the 15,500-student Wayne-Westland dis-

■ The board will interview six candidates in November for the superintendent's job

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from the audience. Although the initial panel discussion featured three Democratic state legislators - Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Hills, and Rep. George Mann, D-Trenton, and Hilson DeHart, D-Westland - plus Dorothy Beardmore, State Board of Education president, the panel was expanded by 11 more governmental officials, including five Republicans, to take written questions from the audience.

The GOP members were veteran Rep. Gerald Law of Plymouth, Patricia Godehaux of Birmingham and GOP statehouse newcomers Sen. Thaddeus McCotter of Livonia and Reps. Bruce Patterson of Canton and John Pappageorge of Troy.

The evening's panel moderator, WJL Radio's Lansing correspondent Tim Skubick, kept things rolling with a mix of humor and straight-forward questioning.

The Michigan State University graduate drew a big laugh when he asked University of Michigan grads in the audience to leave, claiming that will "raise the intellectual level."

Peters was cheered when he said no to abolishing the controversial Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) testing, calling it a diagnostic tool that has come to be used as a political tool by politicians from different school districts.

### Take action

However, when Skubick asked the audience to applaud for or



**Taking part:** Students were represented in the crowd.

against continuing the MEAP he drew a near-equal response.

Another panelist, Rep. Rose Bogardus, D-Davison, got applause for saying school buildings "are literally falling down on our children's heads and we darn well better take some action."

Canton's Patterson drew a laugh when he said he voted in favor of a four-day Labor Day weekend because "you (state Sen. Thomas Kelly, D-Wayne) voted against it."

John Stewart of the Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public School Funding (MCF/PSF), one of the sponsors of Monday's program, said Patterson has given the group his time despite his not serving on state legislative education committees.

Beardmore, the state school board president, drew applause when she called on the legisla-

ture to "take account" of charter schools and tighten controls by making charter schools more accountable for their attendance figures and operations.

DeHart of Westland was cheered when she said if charters don't meet basic state standards in curriculum, then "they don't get state money."

However, the legislators separated on financing issues. Audience member Bill Weber, assistant superintendent of the South Redford School District, said "the split shows the difficulty" in getting legislation passed.

Gary Jackson of Canton praised the freshman legislators for their willingness to learn the education issues.

Neil Oldham of Plymouth Township said he didn't think "any issues were decided" at the forum. But Chris Northcross, a Pontiac school board member and engineer at the Livonia Ford plant, said he liked that "the legislators are still looking at Proposal A."

"Everyone here is open" to examining it, and "no one is really satisfied," he said.

### Not recognizing

Nevertheless, P-C school board member Roland Thomas said he doesn't think "the legislators recognize we have a problem."

"I'm tired of hearing 'because we can't'" from them when it comes to financing solutions; There has got to be a way to resolve the problems, he said.

He and fellow board member Mark Slavens both said they were surprised at the applause opposing school vouchers.

Also on the evening's panel were Democratic state Reps. Douglas Bovin of Gladstone, John Hansen of Dexter, RuthAnn Jamnick of Ypsilanti and Lynne Martinez of Lansing. The bulk of the crowd in the



cafeteria came from Plymouth and Canton, but metropolitan Detroit and outstate districts also were represented. A goodly turnout came from the Livonia Public Schools district and from both Redford Township school districts.

Also represented were the Detroit, Garden City, Dearborn Heights, Northville Rockwood, Westland, Wyandotte, Southgate, Grosse Ile, Ecorse and Trenton districts in Wayne County; Oakland County districts Southfield, Farmington, Berkley, Royal Oak, Birmingham and Holly; Macomb districts Warren, Clinton Township and Chippewa Valley and Washtenaw County districts Ann Arbor, Pinckney, Willow Run, Huron Valley and Brighton.

Outstate audience members came from the Alcona-Harrisonville, Middleville and Alledale districts.

The event was co-hosted by two other local organizations, the Educational Excellence Foundation and the Plymouth-Canton Education Association.



**Participants:** Moderator at the summit was Tim Skubick of WJL-AM radio 950 (right). Plymouth-Canton Education Association President Chuck Portelli (top) discusses an issue with a colleague. State Board of Education president Dorothy Beardmore is above left.

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professional tennis circuit. While most people concentrate on achieving a "washboard stomach," they would do well to complement their strenuous abdominal exercises with stretching and strengthening exercises that focus on the back, neck, and shoulders, where strain and pain are most common. If your physical fitness program has you groaning, instead of outlookers "ahing" and "ohing," ask your physician for a referral to the HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY, or call 453-8378 to learn more about our state-of-the-art facilities are located in Plymouth, at 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 20.

ES. Even recreational tennis players possess stronger abdominals than back muscles.

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**Veterinary Notes**

by  
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"What am I bid?": Cindy Wilkins of First Federal Bank of Michigan (from left), Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Fran Toney and Kathleen Bourgeau of Arthur's Place pose with some of the hundreds of items to be auctioned at the annual Chamber Auction Nov. 6 at Laurel Park.

## Tickets still left for Chamber's November auction/dinner

How would you like a pair of season tickets to U of M football?

That prize and many others are up for grabs at the annual Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce dinner/auction Friday, Nov. 5, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft Road.

"Soar into the Millennium" is the event's working title. The party begins with a thank you preview party for sponsors at 5:30 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. for cocktails and a silent auction. Dinner and stage show start at 7:30 p.m. with a live auction featuring Rick Montgomery, and Fred Hill as master of ceremonies. Hill, a long-time Plymouth businessman, is known for his tongue-in-cheek briefcase drill team seen in area parades.

The chamber has been holding annual dinners for 46 years but this is the 10th year for the

auction.

A raffle will award a Yamaha Grizzly 2000 all-terrain vehicle to the lucky ticket holder at about 9:30 p.m.

Dancing after dinner will continue until midnight.

There are still some tickets available at \$60 per person that include the dinner, open bar and all the entertainment. Also sponsor packages for tables are available.

The auction of donated items is the chief fund-raiser for the chamber.

This year's auction co-chairs are Joyce Costanza from Station 885 and LaBistecca Italian Grille restaurants, Michele Ruppel, from Engineering Animation, Inc., and Sharon Kay from Thermal Engineering.

Other items up for silent or live auction:

- Items signed by Darren McCarty (Red Wings) and Herman Moore (Lions).

- Fur coats.
- A visit to your house or party for your kids from Santa Claus.

- A Dodge Viper Chair.
- His and her mountain bikes.

- Diamond jewelry.
- Oriental rugs.
- Various trips including an overnight salmon fishing trip in Michigan.

"I wouldn't want the volunteers for this event to go unnoticed," said Fran Toney, chamber director. "We have had a great team including about 50 volunteers working hard on decorations and the auction items. I don't think 10 years ago we would have thought this event would grow to this magnitude."

Phone 453-1540 for details and ticket information.

## Come downtown Friday for kids' Halloween events

Halloween will be celebrated in Plymouth Sunday evening, Oct. 31.

There are several Halloween events in Plymouth that will occur before that, however.

- The chamber of commerce is sponsoring the scarecrows in Kellogg Park, an ongoing display. Judges gave top awards to the two winners: Bearly Worn Consignments (three children) and second place to Bird School's Junior Master Gardeners group.

- Kids in costume can go to the park 5:30-6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, and pick up a number for the contest at the band shell. Winners will be announced by ticket number for first- and second-place awards for scariest costume by two age groups: 6 and younger, and 7-13.

- Downtown merchants will have trick or treating in front of their stores from 5:30-7 p.m. Friday night.

- The Downtown Development Authority will sponsor a "take a picture with your favorite monster" event from 5-7 p.m. at The Gathering next to the Penn Theater

- The Plymouth Canton Jaycees are holding their annual haunted house in an old warehouse behind Dunleavy's Grille, 340 N. Main, at 7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 28-30; cost is \$7. A more sedate version is offered for kids from 6:30-7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, with "friendly monsters," cost is \$2. Call 453-8407 for more information.

- Plymouth Rotary Club members will serve as crossing guards to help keep children safe Friday evening.

- The city rec division will sponsor a children's show, "Ronnie Cee's Magical Monster Mask Show" on Sunday, Oct. 31 at 3 p.m. at the Cultural Center. Open skating follows. Show is \$3 and open skate is \$2

- Saint Joseph Mercy Health System will X-ray Halloween candy from 5-10 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center, 1600 S. Canton Center.

This free service uses X-ray equipment designed to detect metallic objects. Refreshments will be

available, and there will be a free gift for the children.

For more information, call the Canton facility at (734) 398-7557.

### Police tips

The township and city police departments say the hours of 6-8 p.m. are the recommended times for trick and treating on Sunday.

The following safety tips have been established to help make this Halloween a safe and enjoyable one:

### Costume Safety:

- Use make-up or face paint instead of masks, but if masks are used, make sure that they fit properly and have holes large enough for mouth and eyes. Your costume needs to let you see and hear cars.

- Choose costumes that are marked flame-retardant.

- Wear light-colored clothing at night, short enough to prevent tripping. Put "glow-in-the-dark" patches or strips on your costume so drivers can see you.

- Carry a flashlight.

### Trick or Treat Safety:

- Give and accept wrapped or packaged candy only.

- Have children bring treats home for adult inspection before they are eaten.

- Drive slowly all evening; you never know what creature may suddenly cross your path.

- Remove objects from your yard that might present a hazard to visitors.

- Accompany children when they are trick or treating. Send older children in groups.

- Welcome trick or treaters at home by turning on your exterior lights.

-Sue Buck, Doug Johnson

## Fire damages outside deck in township

A small fire of undetermined origin was extinguished quickly about 11:30 a.m. Oct. 22 outside a home on Fellows Hill Court in Plymouth Township.

The fire started in a planter box on a four-foot by four-foot section of the rear deck of the

home, said Fire Chief Larry Groth.

"We ruled out an electrical cause," Groth said.

"Neighbors saw smoke coming from the back of the house and thought that the house was on fire," Groth said.

He estimated the damage at \$1,500.

Residents of the home had left but returned while firefighters were on the scene, Groth said.

-Sue Buck

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## Plymouth bookstore changes its name

A downtown bookstore has terminated its affiliation with the Little Professor franchise and is becoming an independent bookstore named "Little Book Shoppe on the Park."

"Going independent will allow us to better serve our customers," said Jackie Powers, who has owned the bookstore at 380 S. Main Street since 1984. "We'll continue to offer the same excellent service that we always have, including free gift

wrapping, special orders and the benefits of our 'book club' membership."

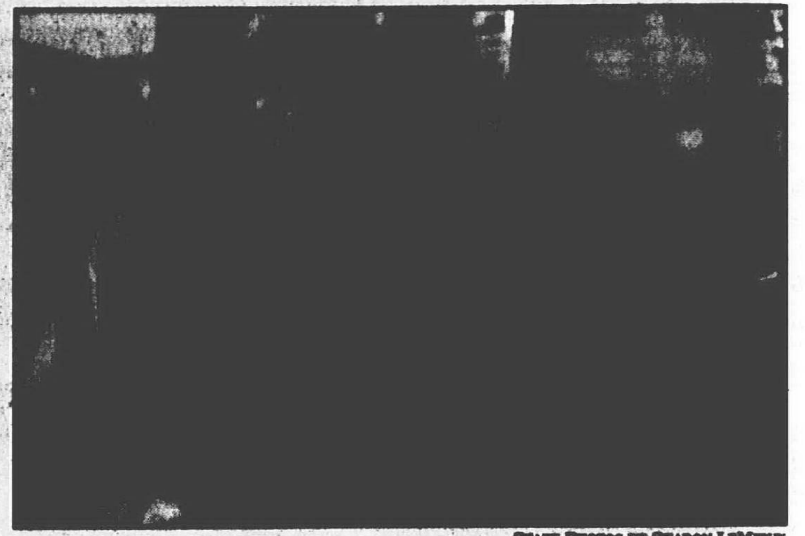
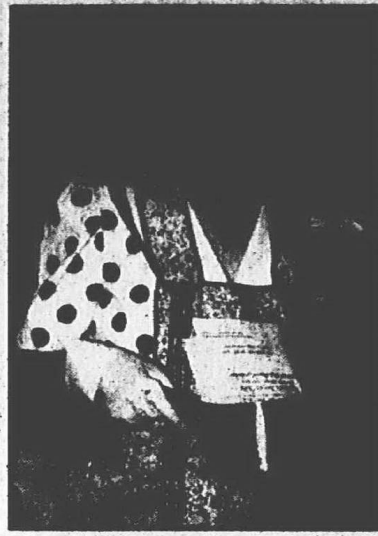
Plymouth's Historical Commission approved the design of the bookstore's new front sign facing Main Street at its October meeting.

The bookstore hours remain 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Sundays. (Holiday hours beginning after Thanksgiving will extend to 10 p.m.

Mondays through Saturdays).

Little Book Shoppe will host two Kindersmusik programs featuring children's songs and stories with Miss Karen on Saturday, Nov. 13, and on Saturday, Dec. 4. Kindersmusik is an early music and movement program for children through age 7.

For more information, call the Little Book Shoppe at (734) 455-5220.



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**In the spirit:** Toni Kish of Ann Arbor, a good friend of Paris's, leaves the theater (whose marquee did not reflect the film's title) with friends Raven Tuttle (left) and Cynthia Gehlert. Cyndi Burnstein (left) of Plymouth completes her outfit with rubber gloves.

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worked the elevator, a service no longer provided to the public.

Paris premiered her film privately to supporters who purchased tickets at \$50 each and raised more than \$10,000 to help complete the film.

A rough cut has been submitted to this year's Sundance Film Festival. Paris also hopes to raise another \$25,000 to allow her to enter both the Academy Awards and the Cannes Film Festival in France. "Film is very expensive," she explained.

Paris, who works as an art director, expressed her gratitude Monday, especially to Bill Joyner, a Plymouth Township resident and community booster who served as the catalyst for the event.

"It was Bill who drove this whole thing," Paris said. "He's a helluva motivator."

Joyner helped form the Plymouth Rat Pack, named after the Holmby Rat Pack originated by Lauren Bacall and Humphrey Bogart. Rat Packers came up with the idea of having a party, raising finishing funds for the movie and establishing a tradition of each year holding an October party to support a single artistic endeavor for an artist or artisan living in the Plymouth mailing address area.

"This year a movie, next year who knows?" Joyner said. The allure of the fledgling Plymouth Rat Pack garnered volunteers for next year, Joyner said.

"The first year it is considered

new," he said. "By the third year it is a tradition."

Besides Joyner and Paris, Rat Packers included Valerie Olander, K.C. Mueller, Bill Steiner, Jim and Carol Thomas, Annette Stutrud, Dennis Shewsbury, Stella Greene, Kathy and Jeff Powers, Pat and Larry Pulkownik, Harold Bergquist, Eric Colthurst, Dan Herriman, Mary Ann Prehlik, Lee Harrison and Jim and Michele Potter.

Paris filmed much of her screenplay at the Water Wheel in Northville. The film stars Katie, a woman now in her late 30s, as she reflects on her youth. Much of the film is staged in 1968. Katie idolizes her frequently absent father, a traveling businessman. Through magical notes and ceremonial childish wishes, the girl attempts to protect him from harm's way by slipping the notes into her father's suitcase prior to his trips.

Guests, dressed in vintage apparel, applauded Paris' work and offered comments at the reception.

"It's nice to see them come out and support a filmmaker," said Cyndi Burnstein, a Plymouth resident. Burnstein was attired in a black and white polka dot dress with a flowered apron that her daughter wore when she dressed up as Lucille Ball. She clutched a Revere pot and wore a charm bracelet from her childhood.

Friends Kay Diggs of Ply-

mouth and Dorothy Burch of Northville, both Jackie Kennedy aficionados, found pillbox hats in Diggs' closet collection.

"We wash dishes looking like this," joked Diggs, sporting a multi-strand pearl necklace. Donna Reed and June Cleaver, who portrayed wives and mothers on television during the 1960s who were always impeccably dressed.

"I ironed the veil with wax paper as we were told to do," Burch said. She also remembered to bring the obligatory white gloves.

The film setting brought back memories for Jeanine Lowe. She wore a pillbox hat. Lowe borrowed a 1965 dress from a friend and at one time considered making teddy bears from the stole she wore to Sunday's event.

"I loved the film from the beginning," said Karen Roncelli, a friend of Paris. Roncelli, a Farmington Hills resident, has freelanced with Paris. Roncelli went to Value Village to obtain a 1960s-style dickey, headband, and purse from the '60s era.

"I've been part of it from the beginning with her," Roncelli said. "She strives for perfection. It's a tribute to the kind of person Rachel is with the kind of people who donated their time to the film. There were sought-after technicians."

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istrict seven years; \$190 million budget; \$125,000 salary.

■ Weber - Ph.D. from The University of Michigan; assistant superintendent of the 3,450-student South Redford District 23 years; \$25 million budget; \$118,283 annual salary; Plymouth Township resident 27 years.

■ Wilson - Ph.D. from The Ohio State University; deputy superintendent of the 65,054-student Columbus (Ohio) Public Schools 12 years; \$585 million budget; \$110,720 annual salary.

One of the six also is a candidate for the Traverse City superintendent's position.

The PCCS board plans to narrow the field to three semifinalists, from which the finalist will

be selected.

Eighteen of the 45 original candidates were from Michigan, four from Ohio.

Of them, 24 were superintendents and six were associate or assistant superintendents.

The Bickert Group worked with teachers, support staff, students, administrators and Plymouth-Canton district residents in assembling the initial field of candidates, then did background checks on the several who were invited for screening interviews in October.

"These (six) persons, in our judgment, best meet the leadership characteristics and criteria published" by the PCCS board in its vacancy announcement "and will best fit the profile of leader-

ship as drawn from" discussions with district personnel and residents, said David Hendrix and Ronald E. Barnes of The Bickert Group.

"They are the tip of the iceberg ... (but are) well-qualified, the best of the best we looked at," Barnes said.

He told the school board that Michigan's Open Meetings law, which restricts closed meetings by public officials, hampers the selection process.

"Several candidates withdrew from the field when they learned the slate would be made public," Barnes said.

"This will continue to happen until" the law is repealed, he said.

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# MEAP move to Treasury seen as Engler power play

BY TIM RICHARD  
SPECIAL WRITER

A politically-controlled board in the state Treasury Department will take charge of the MEAP tests under Gov. John Engler's latest executive order, alarmed members of the state board of education say.

Engler's order transfers administration and even approval of the tests, which allow students to earn up to \$3,000 a piece in scholarship money, from the Department of Education to Treasury. The governor also pulled adult education and public school vocational training out of Education and shifted them to the new Department of Career Development.

"No one has ever suggested lay people can write a test. We've got a test with credibility problems," said Sharon Gire, a Macomb County Democrat elected to the state board in 1998. "It's a disaster, illogical, irrational."

"Governors don't like it that there's one department (Education) they can't control," said board president Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, "but this (governor) is the only one who has gone after it."

Beardmore and board vice president Kathleen Straus, D-Detroit, referred to Engler's order as "dismantling" the Department of Education.

"I don't think it has enhanced public education," said Straus. "I can't make sense of this - removing assessment from Education to Treasury. It's beyond me. I'm terribly dismayed and distressed."

Board member Herb Moyer, D-Temperance, asked Superintendent of Public Instruction Art Ellis, "To what degree did the governor consult you, and what advice did you give?"

"I won't reveal my discussions with the governor," said Ellis, admitting only that he had known about the governor's plans for months. "There were other versions you would have liked less than this."

MEAP stands for Michigan Educational Assessment Program. There are three sets, the last administered in 11th grade covering reading, writing, math and science, with social studies to be added in the near future.

Students who pass all the high school tests can be awarded \$2,500 by Engler's new merit award board, beginning with the June 2000 graduating class. In later years, students who pass middle-grades tests can pick up an additional \$500.

The last paragraph of an Engler press release noted, "Because the law requires that the Michigan Merit Award Board review and approve the assessment tests before they may be used to determine eligibility under the scholarship program, the responsibility for the administration of MEAP is transferred to the Department of Treasury."

About 60 education employees are being transferred to the other two departments.

"The MEAP office is in a state of suspense," said Beardmore. "This all takes effect the first of the year."

Of the seven members of the merit board, six are Engler appointees: Mark Murray of Treasury; Barbara Bolin, director of career development; Kathleen Barclay, vice president of global human resources for General Motors; Clark Durant, recently resigned state board member who has openly advocated abolishing the state board; Isaiah (Ike) MacKinnon, former Detroit police chief who teaches part time at a private university; and one person yet to be named. None has any background in K-12 administration or trusteeship.

The seventh member is Ellis, who, though appointed by the state board, is considered an Engler loyalist because he once headed the Commerce Department.

In an interview, Beardmore quoted Ellis as saying, "I don't want to reign over the dismantling of the department." Straus told almost exactly the same anecdote.

Control of the MEAP tests amounts to control over most of public education and likely a strong influence over private education.

MEAP is an outcome-type set of tests that is supposed to drive the school curriculum. The state board of education learned at a recent meeting in Cadillac that MEAP tests are influencing teacher preparation in the 15

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state universities, too.

And there are signs that private and parochial school operators will either administer the MEAP tests to their students or send their students to public schools when the tests are administered so they can become eligible for the \$3,000 scholarships, good at any public or private college in Michigan and good for \$1,000 at a non-Michigan public or private college.

State board members have two ways - theoretically - to battle Engler's order. One is to get the Legislature to override it by a two-thirds vote in each chamber. That's unlikely given Republican control of both chambers by Engler loyalists.

The other method is a court challenge. That's even less likely to succeed, given that Democrat-controlled courts have upheld three challenges to his orders, the last by Straus and state board Democrats.

Moreover, the court as of Oct.

1 has a 5-2 majority of Republicans who are members of the Federalist Society and even less likely to agree with the governor who led two of them to victory and appointed three of them.

Michael David Warren Jr., R-Beverly Hills, Engler's appointee to replace Durant on the state board, didn't defend the executive order but noted the governor's order still "maintains policy-making authority" in the state board, as required by the Michigan Constitution.

"We ought to aggressively protect that power," Warren said,

"though it would be easier if the administrative authority were in the Education Department."

Easier said than done, said Straus. Education administration is now fragmented over three departments, and two of them "aren't used to reporting to a board."

Straus also noted that the Constitution and Open Meetings Act give the public access only to the elected state board, not to the heads of the Treasury and Career Development departments who report to Engler.



Dorothy Beardmore

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1999 millage rates approving a maximum millage of 3.46 about .06 mills lower than the 1998 rate. This came as a result of a "rounding down" process.

The 3.46 township tax portion is part of a larger tax statement based on 37 mills that also includes taxes for Wayne County, jail, county parks, Huron County Metropolitan Authority and the library, said Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy said.

"We have tried to be extraordinarily frugal," she said. "The base budget is not increasing that quickly. I have a real fetish about not having programs if I am not sure that we can pay for them because we are messing around with people's lives. If you hire them for a program and then two years from now you can't afford it, you have to lay them off."

The board has the responsibility to set the rates for operating millage and debt service

requirements appropriately funded through millage.

"The millage rate has consistently declined," Edwards said Monday.

The new millage is a decrease in .01 mills for the township's general operating, police/fire operating and fire operating mills, as well as a .05 reduction in the township's debt millage.

The board voted that the total 1999 millage of 3.46 be apportioned as: 0.82 for general operating, 1.65 for police/fire operating, 0.82 for fire operating and 0.17 for debt.

Edwards, who regularly states that tax money should be returned to residents, when possible, hoped that the decrease would be even larger. "You have to be careful," Edwards said. "If we exceed the budget, we have to make sure that we amend it in order to comply with state law."

Other trustees have been more hesitant to

lower the millage because once millages are lowered, a general vote is required to raise the level.

"The township is sitting on a lot of money," Edwards said. "Taxes are meant to pay for current year services. The taxable value is increasing."

Financial experts advise 10-20 percent for healthy fund balances, Edwards said.

Trustee Charles Curmi was positive. "One reason our costs are going down is because we are doing innovative things, like combining dispatch and fire," Curmi said.

The 10-year fire merger was projected to save both communities jointly \$6 million, Keen McCarthy said. "After five years, we are still on target," she said.

The combined dispatch operation, set to take effect Nov. 1, is expected to save \$50,000 per year for each community, she added.

# Township police checking on nighttime break-ins

By Sue Buck Staff Writer

Plymouth Township police are investigating four breaking and entering incidents from last weekend. All occurred between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and midnight.

Police say entry was made by prying open isolated window areas of four homes. Thieves took jewelry in all cases. In one incident silverware was taken, police said.

"In two cases, the perpetrators took time to clean up the scene to delay detection so the homeowner wouldn't notice," said Jamie Senkbeil, community resource officer. "We brought our K-9 to the scene but he

couldn't pick up any tracks leaving the area."

Thieves overlooked large items like VCRs and TVs, Senkbeil said.

Two incidents occurred Oct. 23 on Whithorn near North Territorial and Beck, Senkbeil said.

An Oct. 23 incident also occurred on Buckingham Court near North Territorial and Beacon Hill. "In this situation there was an alarm, the person was scared away, and nothing was taken," Senkbeil said.

Police also cite a similar incident, an Oct. 25 break-in on North Territorial near Beck.

Police aren't sure if the four incidents are related, Senkbeil said.

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS OCTOBER 19, 1999

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, October 19, 1999 at 1150 South Canton Center Road. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### ROLL CALL

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Sheffery, Yack  
Members Absent: None  
Staff Present: Ager, Durack  
Others Present: Katherine Glynn, Susan Kosky, Gladys Saborio

### ITEM 1 HISTORICAL SURVEY AND NATIONAL REGISTER APPLICATION PRESENTATION

The consulting firm of Kosky and Glynn was hired through federal grant dollars administered by the State of Michigan Bureau of History, to complete a second historic survey of twelve areas farmsteads. The firm was also responsible for preparing nominations of ten structures which were identified in the 1996 survey as being candidates for the National Register of Historic Places. Nine of the original ten are under consideration, plus one additional property equaling ten submissions for nomination to the National Registry of Historic Places.

Mr. Ager introduced Gladys Saborio who began the presentation by giving a background of Canton's history. The researchers identified five areas of significance in this survey: transportation, settlement, architecture, agriculture and commerce. These areas are similar to those used in the application for consideration in the National Registry. Transportation decisions and travel routes such as the Erie Canal, completed in 1825, had a significant effect in bringing settlers into the Canton area and its early prominence. Ms. Saborio briefly covered the development of the major roads in Canton.

Ms. Saborio, Ms. Kosky and Ms. Glynn presented slides of those ten properties for which applications have been made to the National Registry, pointing out the architectural and historically significant features of each.

The next set of slides consisted of the remaining properties surveyed in the present study, several of which have also been deemed eligible for application to the National Registry of Historic Places. Those considered by the consultants as worthy of nomination on their own merit are the Thomas Clyde House, 50325 Cherry Hill, the Cherry Hill House, 50545 Cherry Hill and the Ephraim and Emma Woodworth Truesdell House, 1224 Haggerty Road.

Following the slide presentation, the consultants answered questions from the Trustees relative to the progress of the applications already submitted to the National Registry. The applications will go before the Michigan Review Board on January 14, 2000, at which time the Board decides if the applications will be accepted. They will then be submitted to the National Parks Service for consideration. Within two months thereafter notification will be received as to their approval. Designation to the National Registry is an honorary one which confers no requirements, restrictions or protections to the property, other than the possibility that the property may be saved from the destruction for a planned federal road. Such a designation usually adds to the value of property. There may also be some state tax credits available to owners of property on the National Registry and/or in a designated local historic district.

The firm of Kosky and Glynn expressed to the Board their appreciation for the opportunity to conduct the survey and because of the Township's rapid development, recommended continuation of documenting its historic structures.

Supervisor Yack called a recess at 7:50 PM

The meeting was re-convened by Supervisor Yack at 8:05 PM

### ITEM 2 OPEN ACCESS/MEDIA ONE - AT&T TRANSFER

Mr. Tim Cronin of Hemming, Polaczyk and Cronin, P.C., the Township's attorneys, presented a synopsis of the topic to be discussed. Media One is currently in the process of seeking approval for the transfer of its cable television franchise with the Township to AT & T. An issue of which "Open Access", has emerged as an issue attached to the transfer process in a number of communities. Currently, Media One offers internet access through their high speed modem service with one company, Road Runner, Inc. An "Open Access" approach would require them to allow access to other operators such as AOL, Mind Spring, Big Net, etc. The Open NET Coalition represents a group of these operators. The significant issues are forced access versus open access; whether Media One and/or Ameritech would be required to allow internet service providers to use their cable network which is already in place. Mr. Cronin invited representatives from Media One and the Open NET Coalition to present their points of view.

Mr. Bryan Amann representing the Open NET Coalition addressed the Board on behalf of the Coalition which is made up of internet service providers across the country. He is also a resident of Canton and so is personally interested in this issue. Mr. Amann said that a non-discriminatory open access cable system will allow Canton computer users the opportunity to stay on the cutting edge of the computer age at the most competitive and least expensive level. Mr. Amann suggested it is about letting the Canton residents choose how they want to be served. It is not about the choice of the Board or the choice of a cable company as to their internet access provider. Mr. Amann compared this issue with that of a cable provider deciding what premium movie channels would be available to cable users. He said that in practical terms the only source of high speed internet access is through cable lines. In order to make that technology available to Canton residents, but have a choice as to their internet access provider, Mr. Amann is specifically asking Canton Township to require as a condition of the franchise transfer that AT&T provide any requesting internet access provider open access to its Broadband internet access transport services. Mr. Amann discussed the issues of content control, a closed system, and the ability of AT&T to be repaid for the use of their system, and maintenance of their cable system.

Mr. Bob McDonald, representing America On Line and the Open NET Coalition said the Open NET Coalition was formed to educate and advocate on behalf of competition in Broadband services for internet access. He said he believed that it is vitally important for AOL and existing internet providers, consumers and for communities to be able to access the kind of internet services providers (ISP) that provide specialized services for businesses. Mr. McDonald gave some historical background on this issue, and thinks it is vitally important that there be competition and open access for Broadband service. He also discussed several legal suits presently in progress related to this matter.

Mr. Michael Grover, Media One Director of Corporate and Legal Affairs in Michigan pointed out that under FCC rules the Township's review is limited to the legal, technical and financial qualifications of AT&T to serve as the parent company of Media One. He said that in recent months competitors to cable companies have invented an issue intended to stifle competition in high speed internet access which they call open access, but which Media One calls forced access. During the two years Media One has served Canton it has complied with a policy of open access, which means that a user can go to any site on the internet with no restrictions. Mr. Grover said that forced access would bring about a fundamental change in the way the internet works, devising new regulatory schemes that allow other providers access to the network that Media One has bought and paid for. He said in essence the Township is being asked to get into regulating disputes between internet access providers. Mr. Grover pointed out that Canton residents already have the benefit of competition and choices in internet providers. Relative to the technical funding of open access, there have been trials involving 25 people and 3 ISPs, but in the Township's case there are potentially thousands of ISPs accessing Media One's network for the thousands of Township consumers.

Mr. Steve Chubb of Media One, detailed with the help of slide diagrams, the technical components of Media One's cable system and the present capabilities. He also explained the future technology whereby Media One can expand its services to the consumers.

Mr. Bob Ryan, Vice President of Local Governmental Affairs for AT&T's Great Lakes Division, asked for approval of the transfer of the Media One franchise

to AT&T. More than that, however, he asked that the transfer be made without any conditions that would materially affect AT&T's ability or incentive to invest further in the Canton community. Media One has invested heavily in the infrastructure for a competitive telephone and internet system. In the long run we don't believe that these systems will be the dominant provider of either service, but they will offer the Township's residents one more competitive choice in these services. He asked that the Board keep in mind several key points. First, the Broadband market place is rapidly developing with many choices becoming available. Second, cable is presently a small player in the internet access business. In Canton Media One's internet market is about 4-1/2 per cent, whereas AOL enjoys about 56% of the internet market in the state of Michigan. Third, cable simply offers one new choice, while none of the other choices are displaced. Fourth, cable's deployment has spurred the acceleration of competing data services and caused prices to fall. Fifth, to date almost every governmental body has refrained from regulating the internet, recognizing that regulating intervention would have a chilling effect on internet growth and innovation. Sixth, the extraordinary regulatory burden on a municipality that requires forced access cannot be overstated. Seventh, an FCC staff study published last week, strongly recommends that municipalities forebear regulations of internet providers. Mr. Ryan suggested that it is good public policy to allow such businesses to grow and let consumers' choice determine its success or failure.

Supervisor Yack invited comments from the audience.

Mr. Charles Severance, 4352 Doncaster, Holt, Michigan, appeared on behalf of "Hands Off The Internet Coalition". Mr. Severance has been retained as a technical consultant on this issue, and gave his background in the field. He is a strong promoter of the internet regardless of what companies were involved. Today the wide spread data networking over cable TV infrastructure is on the verge of being the next great innovation. There is a new challenge now for companies with the resources to develop the new technology called open net. While "open" usually means competition and a fair playing field, in this case open net means neither of these. He feels that in reality Open NET does not want any competition to the existing dominant telephone and data network infrastructure. Mr. Severance gave a brief history of getting data in our homes by the use of modems and the technology of the network infrastructure. Pointing out that cable modems have been in Canton for some time, and there seems to be no indication that they are anti-competitive. He believes that the present system offers consumers enough choices and if it's not broken, don't fix it.

Mr. Rick Plecha, 41431 Stafford Court, stated that as a teacher and a resident he chose Media One because they deliver high speed internet access. Media One is presently in the classroom. High speed is very important when the students interact with other students around the world. Mr. Plecha is concerned that if there is a change and others are in the cable system it may be clogged and slow the service. He said that when other companies offer a better deal, he would take that option. He would not like getting a service this year and two years from now find out, because an ordinance has been passed, that service has been degraded in the name of competition.

Mr. Steve Knoespel, 42674 Beechwood, said he is a user of both AOL and Broadband services. He pointed out that anyone who has a phone line has unrestricted access to the internet. Also, speed is very important to him, and Media One offers that now, and in the very near future their technology will deliver faster speed. He said that AOL cannot provide that kind of speed. He feels that if AOL is really concerned about its customers they would provide more than two access phone lines in the area.

Mr. Neal Abunah, 1224 Kennebec, spoke to who has in mind the best interests of the community. He said that Media One has invested in our community in several ways and that competition on the internet is already open. Anyone can access any service provider they want. He is also concerned about any legal battles which might be involved with this issue and how it would cost the Canton taxpayers.

Mr. Mike Saunders, 6989 Bunker Hill, has been a Media One subscriber since 1987 and he loves it. He pointed out from an article in Info World magazine that the FCC does not favor regulation of Broadband. The main point is not content, but getting to the internet and he can do that right now with Media One at an excellent price.

Mr. Bruce Robanski, 383 Harvey, Plymouth, spoke about speed and access issues.

Mr. Brian Smits, 41817 Connerwood Court, said he is very happy with Media One, and is skeptical that allowing other systems to piggyback onto Media One won't bog down the system which would take away his high speed performance.

Mr. Cronin informed the Board of current litigation on the subject, and indicated that whatever the outcome, it probably would have little application in Canton Township. He stated that the FCC has said it is not interested in requiring open access from the FCC level. However, there are a couple of issues that may come out of the Portland case or other cases that may directly tell the Township that it has the authority to require open access regardless of the transfer process, or whether there is competition.

When the transfer comes up sometime before November 13th, the Ordinance specifically says that it cannot be granted with conditions. The only way Canton Township would be able to impose open access would be to revise the Ordinance. At this point Mr. Cronin does not have any legal state or federal authority that specifically says the Township Board has authority over the existing franchise to require open access. Mr. Cronin also brought up the issue of the lack of a studio in Canton Township. This is a major default on the part of Media One. Mr.

Grover indicated to me by letter that there is a target date of November 1, 1999 for that franchise condition to be met. Mr. Cronin suggested to the Board that notice should be given to Media One that they are in such default. He further suggested further that the franchise transfer, setting aside open access, be held some time between November 1, 1999 and November 13, 1999 which is the deadline. If that default has not been remedied, he would deem that good cause to deny the franchise transfer. He suggested that the Board seriously consider that option, because if the franchise transfer is granted, by the terms of the franchise and the Ordinance, defaults or failures in the system disappear and cannot be held against the subsequent transferee. That would mean that AT & T would not be required to furnish a cable studio. He suggested the transfer be in the context of this issue.

Mr. John Jenner, Media One, Senior Purchasing Agent, advised the Board relative to the cable studio. He said that in February a notice was sent to the Township advising them of potential environmental concerns at their facility on Rhonda Drive. At that time Media One started to look for a facility in Canton. At the end of April they found a location Sheldon-Center Road, for which they have been paying rent for the site. There were, however, problems with a certificate of compliance for this type of structure. This and other problems have been resolved and Media One is committed to the completion of the facility by November 1, 1999.

At this point Supervisor Yack called a recess at 9:45 PM

The meeting was re-convened at 9:55 PM

A discussion with Director Durack was held concerning methods and various procedures relative to the sale of the Gilmore House at 6305 Ridge Road. Trustee McLaughlin expressed concern that the house not be sold to owners who would let it go in disrepair. Trustee Bennett suggested that the property be designated historic. The Board directed Mr. Ager to look into the matter of the sale and follow-up with recommendations. The beginning terms to auction an approximately 1.6 acre parcel with a historic home in need of restoration with an opening minimum bid of \$60,000.

Supervisor Yack adjourned the meeting at 10:15 PM.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor

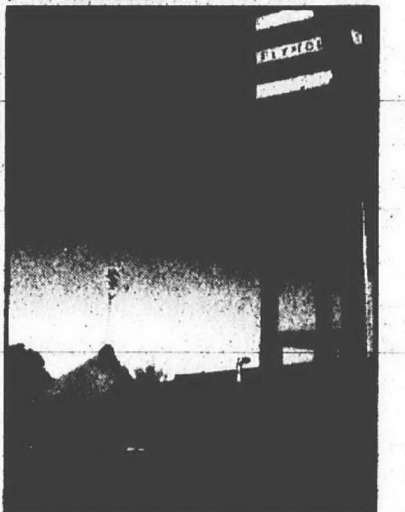
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## Tower gets a top



Going up: A fiberglass roof was put on the clock/cell tower at the eastern edge of the community Monday. The cell phone tower, operated by a consortium of phone companies, is behind a main building of the Don Massey Cadillac dealership on Ann Arbor Road. The companies have paid for the expense of the tower, clock and roof. It simply says Plymouth on the clock tower and is illuminated at night. The tower, clock and panels are all the work of Glassline Inc., a fiberglass fabricating firm in Plymouth.



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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON SPECIAL MEETING PROCEEDINGS OCTOBER 16, 1999

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was called to order at 160 Harbor Towne Square, Memphis, Tennessee, 38103. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Yack at 12:50 PM.

### ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack  
Members Absent: Burdziak, Sheffery  
Planning Commission Members Present: Gustafson, McLaughlin, Wade  
Planning Commission Members Absent: Dodson, Johnson, Lieberman, Zarbo

### Staff Present:

Goulet  
Others Present: Biltmore Properties Corporation, David Stollman, Lorne Zalesin; Looney Ricks Kiss, Inc., Jim Constantine, and State Senator Loren Bennett.

Members were met at the airport by Mr. Stollman, Mr. Constantine, and Mr. Zalesin. In driving to Harbor Town the members present were taken on a tour through Mid-Town and South Bluffs, two additional Traditional Development Design projects. Mid Town was a series of in-fill homes that were built on condemned lots in a traditional neighborhood. At a period of time in Memphis history, portions of the land were condemned for the purpose of putting in an Interstate Highway connection. People in the area were effectively able to stop the highway, but it left the neighborhood scarred. The in-fill development has effectively restored the neighborhood with large traditional homes set on lots of approximately 40 to 60 feet in width. Setbacks are close to the street. Porches and alleys are successful ways of using smaller lots and maintaining private space. Garages were placed behind the homes on alleys.

South Bluffs is a new development with lots as small as 30 feet with very private courtyard areas, and homes of an estimated 1800 to 2200 square feet of living space. The members present were able to see what would equal the attached condominium in a detached format. South Bluffs differed from Mid Town in the street space. Mid Town was traditional with a 26 foot street, with parking on both sides of the street. South Bluffs included boulevards with fountains and pedestrian parks, flower beds and benches in the center of the boulevard. Side streets were traditional and appeared slightly more narrow than the 27 feet seen in Mid Town. Fences, both open and privacy, were used to enclose privacy courtyards and garden areas. Both courtyards and garden areas appeared to be regulated by fence and other standards for the project.

Members met at Harbor Town, 160 Harbor Towne Square at the local Midtown Pizza and Video Store. Members had lunch prior to a walking tour of Harbor Town. The walking tour looked first at the commercial area in what appeared to be the mid town section of the project. It consisted of locations for about eight to ten commercial businesses. The street was faced with apartments of several stories, with the opportunity for commercial service needs, to be located on the first floor, street side.

The walking tour continued through the residential streets where the members present had an opportunity to evaluate a traditional new design neighborhood. A variety of home designs were located on a single street. These included small cottage lots with setbacks close to the street, privacy areas with treatments that included fences or gated entrances to narrow side yards. Larger village lots were on the same street with homes whose square footage footprint also involved a variety of placements on lots. Again the setback and the street scape were critical to the success of the project.

There appeared to be a wide variety of opportunity for home elevations and traditional housing styles. Traditional, Greek Revival and Victorian, home variations were seen. Basically, housing styles were square or rectangular, which allowed for a large variety of porches, pillars, door treatments, Porte Cochere, courtyards to be added to the designs. A number of the homes also included screened porches.

It is important to note that in most cases the foundation for the homes was not set at ground level. A raised foundation is important to the stature of the traditional neighborhood. Streetlights and porch lighting were important details to consider in this type of development. Yard lights on poles in each individual yard was not a successful treatment of lighting in this type of traditional project. Attention to even the type and placement of mailboxes was also important. It was noted by the members present that the proposed density for Cherry Hill was less than Harbor Town. In addition, there are a larger number of spaces designated for pocket parks and open space areas in the Cherry Hill Village plan.

The walking tour was concluded at 6:35 PM. The members from Canton moved to the offices of Looney Ricks Kiss Inc. in downtown Memphis, Tennessee and the meeting was reconvened at 6:05 PM. The final PDD document was made available for members' review. Discussion by the members was related to treatment of alleyways, storage of garbage, and concerns related to snow removal in the project. Some concerns for materials, style, detail and the proposed elevations were expressed. Discussion on use and location of boulevards took place. Building materials were also a topic of discussion in relationship to maintenance issues on homes and fences.

Supervisor Yack dismissed the meeting at 7:30 PM.

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# Rouge group wants county septic education programs

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A Rouge River advisory group wants county health departments to develop an education program about septic systems for owners of homes with septic.

The group also recommended that such programs in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties should explore funding sources for residents who experience "financial hardship" when repairing septic or making sewer connections.

The Rouge River Remedial Action Plan advisory council approved a resolution Oct. 20 that contained language revisions so the ordinance was less restrictive for communities than a previous version. The resolution was forwarded to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

The council advises MDEQ and federal agencies on plans to clean the Rouge River and serves as a public forum on the Rouge River restoration. It meets bimonthly and the meetings are open to the public.

Some representatives of communities were concerned earlier this year when the original version was interpreted by them as a minimum standard for septic inspection programs. Communities could not afford that program, they argued.

Oakland County has an estimated 75,000 houses with septic systems, and approximately 11,600 of those are within the Rouge subwatershed. Wayne County has just under 4,000.

The new version calls for the following recommendations for local health departments, which oversee septic tank systems:

- The counties should have programs in place requiring the inspection of onsite sewage disposal systems at the time of sale, as a minimum. Wayne County commissioners passed such an ordinance recently, effective Jan. 1, 2000. Washtenaw has one on the books, while Oakland County was considering an ordinance.

- The local health departments and communities should have a written agreement outlining management of on-site sewage disposal systems records, inspection standards, reporting, financing of the inspection program and enforcement.

- Education to owners of homes with septic systems must be part of the program.

- A database available to communities should be developed to manage septic system records and septage, leakage, on a routine basis.

- An annual report including demographics, evaluations and problems should be submitted to the MDEQ.

- Minimum inspection standards must be developed.

- The health department, the community and the MDEQ should re-evaluate the program after a period of time, or before the renewal of the stormwater permit to see if the septic programs should be modified.

- Funding sources should be explored to help residents experiencing a financial hardship when having to repair the system or connect to sewers.

The only discussion on the new resolution centered around whether the resolution would be interpreted by some residents that RRAC was advocating a position that all septs should be connected to sewers.

Tom McNulty, RRAC's chairman of the onsite sewage disposal committee and a section chief of technical services with Wayne County's environmental health division, said sewer connections only make sense in "highly urbanized areas."

That would mean surrounding communities where the Detroit sewer system is already located, not in outlying areas, miles away from the system where it would be cost-prohibitive to connect the homes.

"No section will be in here that says that sewers make the most sense," added Rich Badics, RRAC chair.

## Residents warned to not burn leaves

The Department of Environmental Quality encourages Michigan residents to compost or mulch leaves into a valuable resource rather than burning them.

Burning leaves is illegal in many Michigan communities. Leaf burning leads to air pollution, health problems and is a fire hazard.

Burning leaves produce ash

and also release carbon monoxide and hydrocarbons which contain toxic, irritant and carcinogenic compounds. They are not healthy for the average person to breathe and can be particularly harmful to children, older residents or people with allergies, asthma or related problems.

Leaves and yard waste can no longer be sent to landfills, but

there is a simple solution, according to the DEQ. Composting and mulching are easy, safe and environmentally sound ways of managing most yard waste.

Additional material is available from the DEQ Environmental Assistance Center at 1-800-662-9278, or the Michigan Compost Council at [www.mienv.org/mrc/page3.html](http://www.mienv.org/mrc/page3.html) or call (517) 371-7073.

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# Expect lots of (road construction) orange in the coming year

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Orange, the traditional color of fall, is likely to be the hue of spring and summer, too, next year in western Wayne County.

"Let your readers know we're going to be bringing plenty of orange their way next year," said Gary G. Nasyaert, Michigan Department of Transportation communications director.

He was referring to the orange trucks, piling equipment and orange safety markers that will be seen by tens of thousands of motorists over a half-dozen Orange communities as the state repairs or rebuilds deteriorating sections of four major roads.

The roads, part of the state's record-setting \$1.4-billion Build Michigan Road repair plan for the year 2000, are Plymouth and Ann Arbor roads, both also known as Old M-14, Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

Owners of three businesses likely to be affected by the roadwork support the projects, but with reservations.

"The roads need to be fixed periodically — it's a fact of life," said Tom North, co-owner with brother, Doug, of North Brothers Ford Inc. on Ford Road in Westland.

But, he said, "We hope that they complete it as quickly as humanly possible and don't inconvenience our customers."



One way, he suggested, would be by doing as much as possible at night or on weekends. Ford Road carries 88,000 vehicles per day.

Julie Baschler, assistant manager of Pilgrim Motorsports on Ann Arbor Road in the City of Plymouth, echoed North when she said, "Just like anything" else in life, "the means to get to the end is not what you want, but the end result is going to benefit us."

However, Angelo Barile, owner of the Pizza Man Restaurant on Plymouth Road in Livonia, wondered why the road will be torn up after sprinklers have been installed between the sidewalks and the road.

He said the sprinklers, as well as new lampposts, are a Plymouth Road Development Authority project done in conjunction with the state.

"There are new lights and everything up on Plymouth Road. It looks nice," he said. "If such things

should be done, they should have been done the other way around."

## Not the best

He said the scraping and resurfacing, which he believes was done about eight years ago, isn't the best fix.

"The problem is, the base of the road is not solid. It doesn't matter how many times they patch it up, it doesn't last. But it does make it look better for five, six years," Barile said.

State Transportation Director James DeSana, vowed to "continue doing everything possible in order to minimize motorist inconvenience while repairing roads and bridges at a record pace" when the program was announced earlier this month.

He said MDOT would continue to spread out the construction season, award contracts based on price and timeliness, provide financial incentives for early completion and keep as many lanes open as possible throughout the year.

"Our strategy of fixing the worst roads first is working," DeSana said.

## Western Wayne projects:

- the milling and resurfacing of 3.01 miles of Plymouth Road between Inkster and Farmington Roads in Livonia (31,900 motorists affected per day);

- the reconstruction of 1.51 miles of Ann Arbor Road between Lilley and Canton Center roads

- in Plymouth and Plymouth Township (31,200 motorists affected per day);

- the milling and resurfacing of 1.26 miles of Ford Road between Vandy and Wayne roads in Garden City and Westland.

- the reconstruction of 4.6 miles of Michigan Ave. (26,200 motorists affected per day) from its intersection with Canton Center and Belleville Roads west to the Wayne County line.

Exact dates and project costs won't be known until contracts are awarded each month between April 1 and November, Nasyaert said. He estimated the Old M-14 repair costs at \$10 million and said the Michigan Avenue project would be the most expensive, at around \$11 million.

Another Wayne County project includes the milling and resurfacing of Telegraph Road between Eight Mile Road and Grand River in Detroit. That project will run about \$4 million, Nasyaert said.

The \$1.379 billion total, a state-record investment, will repair and rebuild 1,400 miles of road and rehabilitate 265 bridges in the state highway system, according to Gov. John Engler.

"Our commitment to Michigan's motorists is to fix the right roads, with the right fix, at the right time, and we're delivering on that promise," he said when the project was announced.

"The aggressive pace of road and

bridgework we've seen these past few years will continue, and the (Year 2000) projects will bring us closer to having nine out of 10 roads and bridges in good condition by the year 2007."

He added that MDOT was able to achieve 93 percent of the 1999

road and bridge construction projects.

Nasyaert said "a big grouping of bridge projects" is planned throughout Wayne County, including a \$5 million asphalt overlay on the Telegraph Road bridge over the Rouge River.

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**Chilly scares:** "Little Devil," Brandon Dick, 12 months old from Dearborn, bundles up for the cold with his mother Heather. A few hundred children attended the spooky fun of games, activities, live entertainment and a hayride.



**Witchy show:** The show "Witchy-Poo Revue" was performed for the children. Above, Jessica Suer, 3 1/2 of Livonia, participates with Witchy-Poo Elizabeth Wingert.

## Halloweenfest brings out pint-size goblins

The weather was frightfully cold for October, but youngsters braved the winds and rains Saturday at Wayne County Parks' Halloweenfest.

Despite temperatures in the 30s, nearly 300 people converged on Nankin Mills in Westland to enjoy live entertainment provided by Ben Spitzer and the Witchie-poo Revue. Youngsters lined up for trick-or-

treating at a tent, where the county parks staff distributed candy. The remainder of the 20 pounds of candy was donated to Highland Park.

Children enjoyed hay rides and played games put on by the county parks staff, including hoop shoot, bean bag toss, ring toss and pin the nose on the jack-o'-lantern. They also guessed how many pieces of candy were in a jar.

The Halloweenfest represents one of the last events of 1999 presented by the county parks staff. The third annual Wayne County LightFest 8K Fun Run is scheduled at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, along Hines Drive from Westland to Dearborn Heights, while the holiday LightFest is scheduled to open to the public two days later along that same road. County officials call the LightFest

the Midwest's largest holiday light show. It will be open through the holidays. LightFest runs nightly from 7-10 p.m., Nov. 18 through Jan. 1, except Christmas Day, along 4.5 miles of Hines Drive from Merriman Road in Westland to Dearborn Heights.

Call Wayne County parks for more information at (734) 261-1990.



**Sign of the Z:** (Top photo) Zorro, Christopher Syros, 5 of Dearborn Heights, enjoys the hayrides. (Above) Clown Bear Stephanie Cameron, 3 1/2 of Canton, joined in the parade of costumes.

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# Who won Durant II school suit? It depends on who you talk to

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Who won the lawsuit known as Durant II - in which 256 school districts sued the State of Michigan claiming it had underfunded school lunch programs, special education and transportation - depends on whom you talk to.

In fact, when the Court of Appeals issued its ruling Tuesday, Oct. 19, the three-judge panel found in favor of the plaintiffs on some points and in favor of the state on others.

And the difference in interpretations of the ruling makes it likely the case will head to a higher court.

The unanimous decision said that the state violated the funding guarantee of Proposal A ... by restricting the use of a portion of the schools' foundation allowance in order to cover for the underfunding of special education programs. The court granted the plaintiff school districts a declaratory judgment and costs of the lawsuit, including attorneys' fees," according to a statement issued by Dennis Pollard, the Bloomfield Hills attorney representing school districts.

He concluded that the decision in favor of the schools involves approximately \$875-\$400 million in underfunding for special education for the current school year alone. A small amount of the suit involved funding for school lunch programs. The state passed a supplemental appropriations bill this summer, adding \$7 million for schools. The districts failed on their claim that lunch programs are still underfunded.

"We have no idea what decision he was reading," John Truscott, spokesman for Gov. John Engler, said.

Truscott's interpretation of the ruling was that while the court agreed the state's allocation to school districts technically violated the constitution, because it failed to break out money for special education, the court agreed the state had actually paid the districts enough money. What the court ordered was a technical adjustment in the allocation, separating out that amount.

"What we did is roll in the student foundation grant and special education dollars as one line item," he said. "What the court said is that we have to separate

that back out ... It's just a technical change. It really doesn't affect the dollars at all."

Pollard has indicated that unless the state adds money to the state school aid fund, as a result of this decision, he'll be back in court.

"We are not going to add money to it," Truscott said. "He has done his clients a huge disservice because, with this decision, it will give school districts a lot less discretion about how they spend their money. What we said is, This is your money, but you have flexibility on how you spend it." What the court said is, "No, you don't have flexibility on how you spend it." It is much more restrictive for the school districts. We were trying to help them out."

The court ruled in favor of school districts on the claim that allocations violated Proposal A in the state constitution. But the court disagreed with school districts about whether the foundation grants could be counted as covering the state's overall obligations.

Truscott said there will be no appeal of the decision by the state - "We won."

# Credit info theft now a felony

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Applying for a loan or credit in someone else's name - also known as identity fraud or credit info theft - will net perpetrators a felony charge worth up to four years in jail under legislation approved in Michigan.

No one is quite sure how often it is happening here. A legislative analysis said no data are available on how often credit applications are submitted in someone else's name in Michigan. The attorney general's office has declined to estimate the frequency of this crime in this state.

But it does happen: Rep. Bob Brown (D-Dearborn Heights) said a constituent in his district was a victim. After someone

applied for credit in her name and wracked up \$50,000 worth of debt, it took her many hours to clear her name.

And that is why he introduced House Bill 4418, increasing penalties for so-called identity theft.

"Criminals need very little information to secure credit using someone else's identity. Considering the amount of information we often provide in places of business or even through the Internet, it's easy for a person to get the information they need to apply for a credit card or get a loan using someone else's name."

Brown's bill increases the penalty for identity fraud to four years in prison or a \$2,500 fine. The Senate gave approval to the bill 37-0 on Thursday, Oct. 14. It was approved by the House in a

107-0 vote back in June.

Brown's bill was tie-barred to House Bill 4598, sponsored by Stephen Ehardt (R-Lexington) which makes it illegal to possess credit information with the intent of passing it on to another for the purpose of credit fraud. The bills also make it illegal to possess a credit application form filled out in another person's name, even if it has yet to be submitted.

"These types of crimes not only cause huge financial headaches, but they can mean a huge loss of time for the victim, who can dedicate hundreds of hours to clearing his or her name. Many people don't even realize how valuable their credit identity can be, so when it comes to punishment, we need to make sure the penalties match the seriousness of the crime," Brown said.

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# Liddane honored for founding HEAT

BY RICHARD PEARL  
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The adult children of the late William V. Liddane, founder of Help Eliminate Auto Thefts (HEAT), were honored Oct. 19 in Detroit with an award in their father's memory.

On hand at the 14th HEAT anniversary celebration to accept the first Liddane Award were Matthew Liddane of Canton Township, Michael Liddane of Grosse Pointe Shores and Margaret Rose of Grosse Pointe Farms, who designed the award sculpture.

Liddane, who died in March, was a longtime Livonia resident. His Livonia-based program rewards providers of information — usually via telephone — whose tips lead to the arrest and prosecution of car thieves and carjackers.

In the future, the Liddane Award will be presented to "any individual making an outstanding commitment toward eliminating auto thefts," said Liddane's successor, HEAT Director Terri Miller of Brighton.

### Awards program

The awards program at the Hotel Pontchartrain, attended by 120 metro-Detroit law enforcement officials and insurance company investigators, heard Michigan Attorney Gener-

al Jennifer Granholm emphasize community and responsibility in her keynote address.

HEAT works because there's a notion of partnership between neighbors and police to fight crime in the first place rather than trying to place blame, Granholm said.

A return to community, neighborliness and family responsibility is needed to prevent youngsters from becoming thieves and carjackers, she emphasized.

HEAT offers up to \$10,000 for confidential tips that prove out. Informants are paid regardless of convictions.

Since 1985, when the program began during the height of car stealing in metro Detroit, HEAT has paid out \$1.9 million and recovered over \$30 million in stolen cars and parts.

It's amazing how money works to get people to talk, said Redford Township Detective Sgt. Peter Lusis, who specializes in auto theft investigations.

### Auto thefts down

Lusis, who joined his boss, Inspector Donald Mehall, at the breakfast, said township auto thefts are down 7 to 10 percent per year. "What has increased is our arrests — and dramatically," he said.

"We're learning more all the time" about how car thieves operate, he said. "The fact is, if

they don't have a source to unload it (the stolen car or parts), they won't steal it."

A case in point was Redford's helping Detroit smash an airbag theft ring that had stolen 3,700 bags worth \$2.5 million.

Redford police caught an airbag thief in the act and Lusis interviewed him. The thief became an informant and "rolled over" on C.J. Automotive, Lusis said, breaking the ring.

Lusis called HEAT "a really good program," although the three calls Redford got last year didn't quite pan out: Two were neighbor problems and the third was Detroit's.

He said HEAT's new TV public service announcements featuring Detroit Piston Grant Hill and Detroit Police Chief Benny Napoleon should boost public awareness.

Inkster police officer Jeff Twardzik, assigned to the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit of the Michigan State Police, said, "HEAT is a great program because it allows the citizens to actually get involved, but not get involved."

It provides an outlet for people who "still want to do something" about crime, who "want to make a difference in their community," he said. "I don't think money is the issue."

Redford, Garden City, Livonia, Wayne, Westland, Canton Town-

ship and the two Plymouths, along with Sumpter and Van Buren townships plus Detroit, all work with Western Wayne unit. Some, like Inkster, assign officers to it full-time; unit Officer Rich Harris is from Garden City.

State Police Lt. Ed Gerds, the Livonia resident heading the Livonia-based Western Wayne Criminal Investigations unit — of which the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit is part — called HEAT "probably one of the most successful campaigns going in law enforcement."

"We need help from the general public and being able to offer a reward" really helps, Gerds said.

Gerds agreed with Granholm's calling auto theft a property crime with far-reaching effects. "When a car is stolen, it affects the whole block," said Gerds. "People lie in their beds at night and wonder, 'Am I next?'"

Also working with the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit and the suburban police is Neal Winner of Superior Township, senior special agent for the National Insurance Crime Bureau.

He said auto theft today is a \$7 billion a year "business" with "growth" in insurance fraud.

"I don't think anyone has a

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**Theft probe:** Detective Sgt. Peter Lusis, Redford Township police department investigative specialist in vehicular thefts, examines a recovered 1985 Cadillac for clues about its theft.

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OBITUARIES

ROCKWELL H. SMITH

Services for Rockwell H. Smith, 79, of Daytona Beach, Fla., were Sept. 26 in the chapel of the Baggett and Summers Funeral Home, Daytona Beach, with the Rev. James E. Smith, chaplain of Halifax Medical Center, officiating.

He was born in Grosse Pointe. He died Sept. 12 at Halifax Medical Center. He came to the Daytona Beach area in 1974 from Plymouth. He served in the Army during World War II and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. After his return from Europe he spent time in the U.S. Army Hospital at Colorado Springs. He then attended Wayne State University, Detroit. He retired as a national sales representative from the UniTrust Corporation and was a member of the Daytona Beach Moose Club.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen of Daytona Beach; one son, Dennis (Lois Jean) of Plymouth and Daytona Beach; one daughter, Roxanne (Terry) Horn of Holly Hill; one sister, Elizabeth Marchywka of Westland; three grandchildren, Damon R., Shawn W. Smith, both of Charleston, S.C. and Joshua A. Horn of Holly Hill, Fla.; and one great-grandchild, Raine Cole of Indianapolis, Ind.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, 555 West Granada Blvd., No. A1, Ormond Beach, Fla. 32174.

NEVA TRAVIA

Services for Neva Travia, 82, of Northville were Oct. 30 in the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth with Dr. Dean Klump officiating. Burial was in First United Methodist Church Memorial, Plymouth.

She was born March 6, 1907, in Lima, Ohio. She died Oct. 17 in Livonia. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the

First United Methodist Church of Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Emma Zeits; her friend, Joan Smith of Plymouth; several nieces and nephews, and several great nieces and great nephews.

Local arrangements were made by the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth.

CYNTHIA A. MIKELONIS

Services for Cynthia A. Mikelonis, 46, of Plymouth were Oct. 21 in Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth.

She was born April 13, 1953, in Ann Arbor. She was a former pre-school teacher at the Red Bell Nursery School in Plymouth. She left Red Bell at the end of last year, planning to open her own nursery school. She came to the Plymouth community in 1986 from Southfield. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth where she taught Sunday School. She loved antiques, crafts, doll making, being with children, and walking.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Adelaide; and one sister, Janet. Survivors include her husband, Peter P. Mikelonis of Plymouth; one son, Daniel of Plymouth; father, Silvic (Frances) Recinella of Livonia; four brothers, Dale Recinella (Susan Ward) of Jacksonville, Fla., Gary (Sharmin) Recinella of Algonquin, Ill., Daniel (Sherry) Recinella of Duquesbury, N.Y., Thomas (Paula) Recinella of Delhi, N.Y.; two sisters, Kathleen (George) Nicikowski of Greenville, Pa., Therese Recinella of Steubenville, Ohio; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House or St. Jude Hospital in Memphis,

Tenn., or the charity of your choice.

ETHEL J. DOUGLAS

Services for Ethel J. Douglas, 97, of Plymouth were Oct. 20 at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth with the Rev. Tamara Seidel officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

She was born June 3, 1902, in Owendale, Mich. She died Oct. 17 at West Trail Nursing Home, Plymouth. She came to the Plymouth community in 1937. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth and a member of the former Ann Nichol Circle Church. She was a member of the Plymouth Historical Society and the Plymouth Grange. Her greatest interest was her love of children, and her hobbies were playing Scrabble, sewing, tatting, quilting, reading and watching Jeopardy and baseball games on television.

Survivors include her son, Harold C. (Lynn) Douglas of Livonia; one daughter, Beth C. Walch of Plymouth; four grandchildren, Pamela S. Duscio of Wixom, Steven D. (Kathy) Walch of Webster, N.Y., James C. Douglas of Livonia, Lynn A. Douglas of Farmington Hills; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

CONSTANCE JOAN BONE

Services for Constance Joan Bone, 60, of Northville were Oct. 24 at Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. James B. Wright officiating.

She was born May, 6, 1939, in Detroit. She died Oct. 21 in Detroit. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, James R. Bone of Northville; three sons, James

M., Scott (Debbie), Mark (Gwen) of Canton; one daughter, Jacqueline Silver; and five grandsons.

JOSEPH R. BROVAGE II

Services for Joseph R. Brovage II, 33, of Plymouth will be 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth with visiting hours from 5:30 p.m. until service.

He was born Feb. 22, 1966 in Detroit. He died Oct. 21 in Plymouth. He came to the Plymouth community in 1992 from Livonia. For the past seven months he was employed as a baker for Breadsmith in Plymouth. He had a great love for music and played the guitar. He also was a talented artist.

Survivors include his wife, Tracey of Plymouth; parents, Joseph and Carol Brovage of Canton; a sister, Juliet (John) Ruffing of Canton; a brother, Jeremy (Rebecca) Brovage of Wyandotte; two grandmothers, Mary Mobley of Clinton Township and Thelma Gibson of Detroit; a nephew, Ian; and a niece, Catelyn.

MARY VAUGHN

Services for Mary Vaughn, 82, of Plymouth were Oct. 22 at St. Colette Catholic Church, Livonia with the Rev. Henry Roodbein officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

She was born July 16, 1917 in Piconning, Mich. She died Oct. 18 in Plymouth. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Aubrey Vaughn; a daughter, Sharon (Robert) Broo of Rosewell, Ga.; a brother, Harry Kopko of Farmington; two sisters, Eva Foco of Bay City and Kathryn Buchalski of Bay City.

Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

Local arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral

Home, Farmington.

KEVIN KENNETH BAILEY

Services for Kevin Kenneth Bailey, 36, of Northville were Oct. 25 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Joseph Mallia officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

He was born Oct. 25, 1962, in Detroit. He died Oct. 20 in Detroit. He was an insurance salesman for Allstate in Livonia. He came to the community three years ago from Arizona. He was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth. He was a Dale Carnegie Instructor in Livonia. He served in the Air Force. He received his bachelor's degree from Oakland University, his master's from the University of Phoenix in Arizona, and was working on his doctorate degree. He was an Eagle Scout.

Survivors include his parents, Gary and Beverly Bailey of Plymouth; a brother, Gregory (Pippa) Bailey of Kingwood, Texas; a sister, Christine (David) Drabicki of Plymouth; four nieces, Morgan Bailey, Jessica Bailey, Samantha Bailey, Rachel Drabicki; and a nephew, Taylor Bailey.

Memorials may be made to the Leukemia Society of America, Michigan Chapter, 21617 Harper Ave., St. Clair Shores, MI 48080.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

ELIZABETH IRENE MCCLURE

Services for Elizabeth Irene McClure, 91, of Plymouth were Oct. 27 at the Riverside Park Church of God with the Rev. Ralph Anderson officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

She was born March 22, 1908,

in Clear Fork, W.Va. She died Oct. 24 in Westland. She was a homemaker. She came to the Plymouth community in 1955 from West Virginia. She was a member of the Women's Missionary Society, where she served as president several times. She was a volunteer at Ridgewood Hospital in Ypsilanti as well as Garden City Hospital and Northville State Hospital. She loved to crochet afghans and lap robes for nursing homes. She loved to cook and bake and enjoyed family gatherings.

Survivors include her son, Sidney (Jackie) McClure of North Carolina; two daughters, Lola (Bob) Fahnestock of Weidman, Mich., and Doris Miller of Plymouth; four grandchildren, Jim Johnson of Westland, Judy Foland of Royal Oak, Lisa Harthun of Livonia, Charmaine Ostrom of Virginia; two brothers, Wallace Morgan of Utah, Oscar Belcher of West Virginia; two brothers, Wallace Morgan of Utah, Oscar Belcher of West Virginia; and seven grandchildren.

HUGH ALDEN BURLEY

Services for Hugh Alden Burley, 85, of Ann Arbor were Oct. 27 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Edward Coley and the Rev. Larry Mattis officiating. Burial was in United Memorial Gardens, Superior Township.

He was born April 23, 1914, in Peck, Mich. He died Oct. 23 in Livonia. He was a postal clerk at the main Ann Arbor Post Office. After his retirement he worked for Jacobson's. He went to the Superior Township community in 1948 from Detroit. He loved art, music, and gardening. Mr. Burley built his own home in 1948. Many of Mr. Burley's paintings are of Australia. They are displayed at many Ann Arbor street fairs. He has worked at D&M Art Studios in Plymouth and has had his art displayed at the Plymouth Community Arts Council shows. Articles on his paintings were published in local newspapers.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Burley of Ann Arbor; and a son, David Burley of Ann Arbor.

Memorials may be made to Arbor Hospice.

MAYME OSBORNE

Services for Mayme Osborne, 94, of Plymouth were Oct. 26 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. Bruce Meyer officiating. Burial was in White Chapel Memorial Cemetery, Troy.

She was born July 19, 1905, in Ashbury, Mo. She died Oct. 23 in Livonia. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry. Survivors include many nieces and nephews; and friends, William (Mary) Stout of Plymouth, and Beverly (James) Hothem of Bloomfield Hills.

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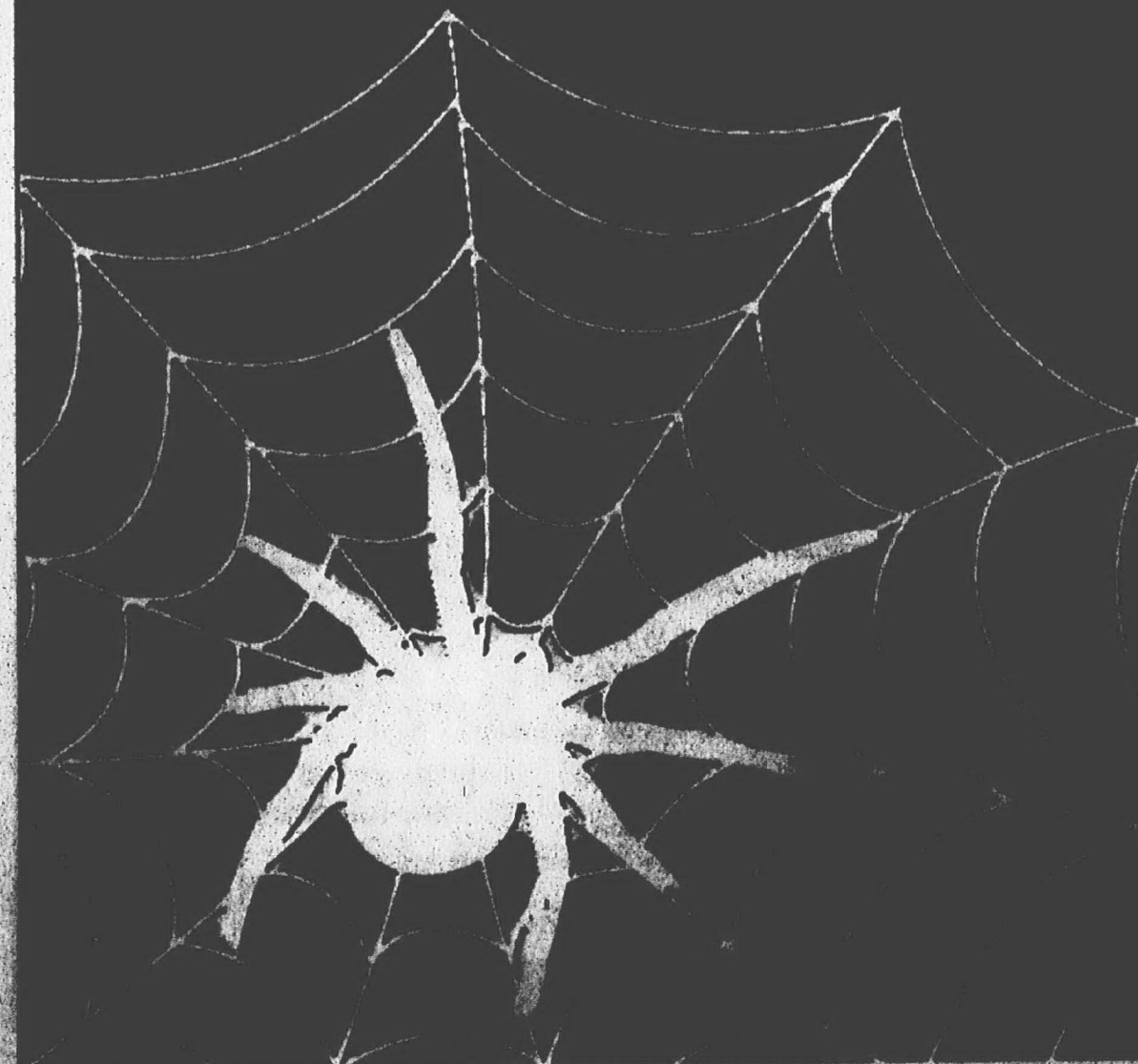
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STATE APPOINTMENTS

Area residents have been appointed to fill a number of state posts by Gov. John Engler, including:

■ Stephen M. Conley of Canton was appointed to the State Board of Accountancy, which provides for the certification and regulation of certified public accountants.

Conley is a manager of Price-waterhouseCoopers, L.L.P. He is appointed to replace Donald Dis-muke of Plymouth and to represent public accountants for a term expiring June 30, 2002.

■ W. John O'Neil of Walled Lake; Walter Reckinger III of Dearborn; Gerald W. Richards of Mason; and Garry L. Sanchez of Westland, were appointed to the Board of Mechanical Rules, which makes recommendations for mechanical code rules, issues mechanical contractor's licenses and enforce state mechanic code rules. Terms expire Oct. 1, 2001.

O'Neil is president of the W.J. O'Neil Co. He is reappointed to represent hydronic, heating and cooling. Reckinger is president of Reckinger Heating and Cooling Co. He is reappointed to represent ductwork. Richards is a senior engineer for Consumers Energy. He is reappointed to represent energy producing utilities. Sanchez is president of Motor City Ventilation Inc. He is reappointed to represent special-ty work.

■ Alice Gustafson of Auburn Hills was appointed to the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, which supervises all aeronautics within the state and is empowered to make rules about the location, design, building, equipping and operating of all airports within the state.

Gustafson is president of Hubert Distributors Inc. and has held a commercial pilot's license for more than 20 years. She is reappointed for a term ending May 27, 2003.

■ Henry E. Beckmeyer, D.O. of East Lansing; Sister Mary Giovanni Monge of Livonia; Vildan Mullin, M.D., of Whitmore Lake; Gregg K. VandeKieft, M.D., of Okemos; and Steven Weiner, M.D., of West Bloomfield, were appointed to the Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management. The

committee is developing a model curriculum for doctors on pain and symptom management. It also develops recommendations on integrating pain and symptom management into health care. All terms expire July 1, 2001.

Beckmeyer is a professor of anesthesiology and pain management in the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Michigan State University. He is appointed to represent the College of Osteopathic Medicine at MSU.

Sister Monge is president and CEO of Angela Hospice Home Care Inc. She is appointed to represent hospice organizations.

Mullin is director of the Multi-disciplinary Pain Center at the University of Michigan Medical Center and an associate professor in the U-M School of Medicine. He is appointed to represent the U-M School of Medicine.

VandeKieft is an associate professor for the Department of Family Practice in the MSU College of Human Medicine and assistant director of program and palliative care for the MSU Cancer Service. He is appointed to represent the MSU College of Human Medicine.

Weiner is medical director of Huron Valley Pain Management. He is appointed to represent the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

■ Frank Fitzgerald of Grand Ledge was reappointed as commissioner of insurance in Michigan for a term expiring Oct. 11, 2003.

Fitzgerald served as a state representative from 1987 through 1998. He served as the speaker pro tem from 1992 to 1996, and served on the House Insurance Committee for a total of eight years.

Bennett says union bill misrepresented

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State Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) says he's frustrated with the way the opposition is playing his proposal to prohibit school building principals from joining unions.

"They can use the five-second one-liner to scare everybody into thinking their rights are being taken away," he said. "It would take me five minutes at the kitchen table to thoroughly explain what this bill is really going to do."

For example, some opponents say the bill would also bar school secretaries and janitors from unionization. Not so, according to Bennett. "Confidential assistants" would, under the verbiage of the bill, be blocked from joining unions, but not all secretaries could be given that title, he said.

For each staffer given that title - and therefore barred from

unionization under the legislation - a hearing would have to be held before the Michigan Employment Relations Commission. And MERC would not allow all secretaries within a school district office to be given that title.

Janitors wouldn't be prohibited from unionizing just because they may occasionally oversee the work of fellow janitors on a given day. Only those with a "truly supervisory capacity, with personnel decision-making authority" would be kept from unionization.

Bennett introduced Senate Bill 663 in reaction to the Detroit teacher strike where he said principals joined teachers on the picket lines.

His bill, he said, would amend Michigan law to follow federal

law, which makes a clear distinction between management and labor.

"This is a very simple concept," he said. "The federal government has said that organizations work best where there is a strong, definite distinction between management and labor. Where there is strong management and strong labor, that organization will be successful."

Among the opposition is Rep. Gerald Law (R-Plymouth), who said he sees the bill as overriding local control.

In many school districts, superintendents have encouraged building principals to bargain for pay and benefits as a group.

"If it is working for them, who are we to say they can't do," Law said. "I don't see that this is a problem in my district. It's not a problem in Northville. It's only a problem in Detroit, but then everything is a problem in Detroit. I think it is an ill-advised bill."

Although management is typically barred from unionization in the private sector, Law said public employees are different and have been treated differently as a tradition. There are other areas in the public sector where supervisory personnel are allowed to unionize, such as in police and fire departments.

"And I have no qualms about it in those areas, because it is working," Bennett said. "I only have qualms about it where it is not working."

Senate Bill 663 cleared the Senate in a 21-17 vote.

Sens. Loren Bennett (R-Canton), Bill Bullard (R-Highland), Mat Dunaskias (R-Lake Orion), and Shirley Johnson (R-Royal Oak) voted yes.

Sens. John D. Cherry Jr. (D-Clio), George Z. Hart (D-Dearborn), Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia), and Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield) voted no.



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handle on how big the fraud problem is," said Wisner, a one-time Ohio State Highway Patrol officer who handles southeastern Michigan and northwest Ohio. "In the last year we've seen a tremendous number of fraudulent stolen-vehicle claims on over-mileaged leased vehicles."

Community concern

Granholm, speaking both as attorney general and a mother of three, counseled halting auto thefts by teaching youngsters a sense of community and responsibility - and of remorse for wrongdoing.

If no remorse is taught a child very early for hitting or taking others' things, Granholm said, the youngster likely will continue without regret or shame.

"If we don't focus on that (child) level, we will spend \$30,000 on the backside" to maintain that person in jail each year, she said.

In the meantime, "Turn up the HEAT for another year," she urged the assembled professionals.

The Detroit Police Department's six-member Commercial Auto Theft Metro Squad repeated as HEAT Investigative Unit of the Year for populations over 500,000 while the Genesee County Auto Investigation Network team repeated for smaller areas.

HEAT, which is paid for by property and casualty insurance companies in Michigan, pays up to \$1,000 for the arrest and prosecution of individual suspected car thieves and up to \$10,000 for the arrest and binding over for trial of suspected theft-ring members and/or chop shop operators.

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Tipsters' identities are kept secret.

HEAT's Martin, who hopes to spread the program across the state, said she wants the public to know there is a problem and how they can avoid being victimized by it.

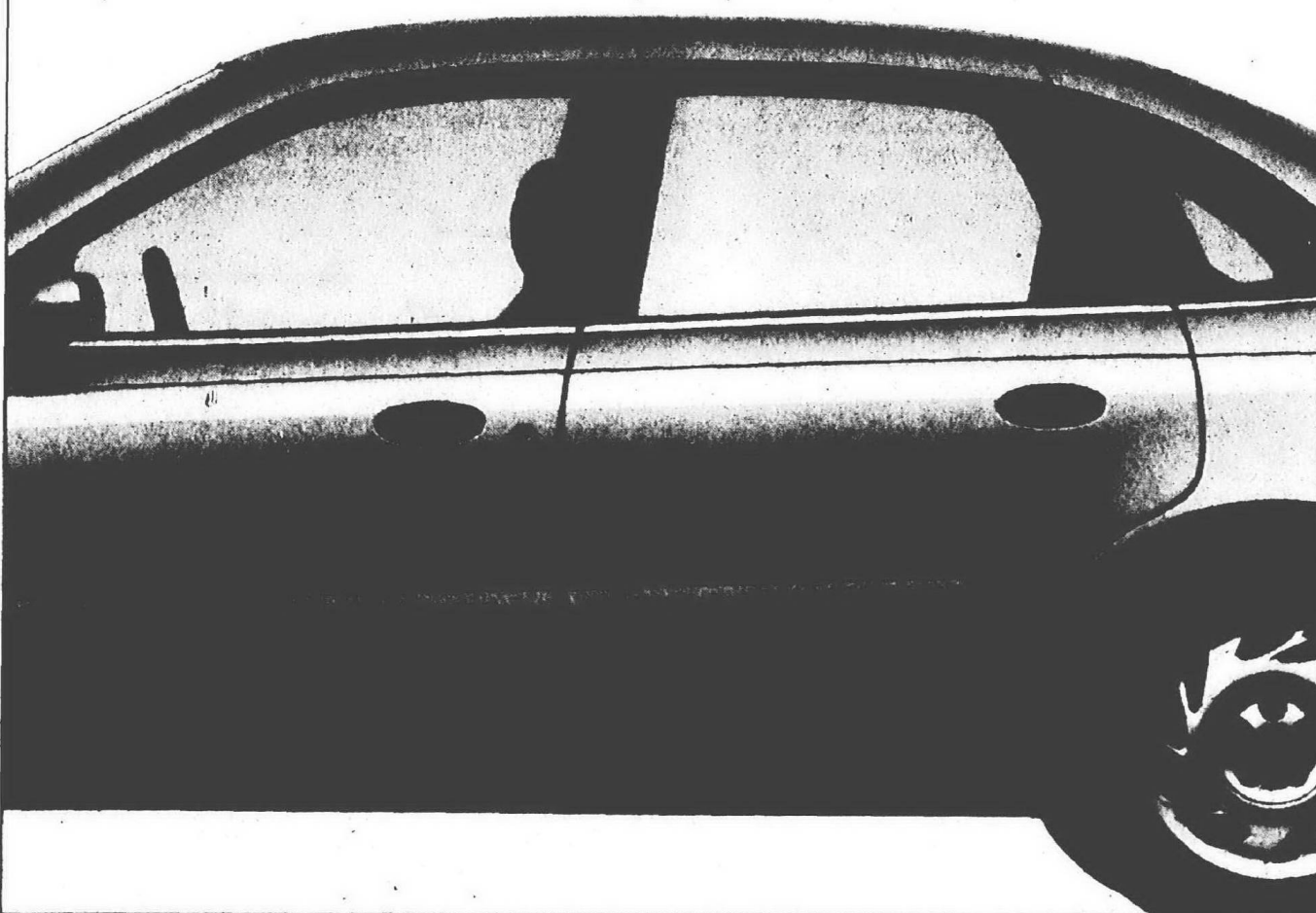
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### School finance

#### Republicans shortchange forum

By refusing to fully and candidly participate in Monday's statewide Summit on Public Education, local Republican legislators not only shortchanged constituents. They also effectively sabotaged the discussion - turning it into a partisan roundtable that was at times entertaining but shed no new light on school finance reform and will have little impact on further debate of education issues in Lansing.

That's too bad. For Plymouth-Canton and other under-funded, rapid-growth districts, there has to be a political solution coming out of the Republican-led, Michigan legislature. The forum, which drew about 350 people to Plymouth Salem High School was the perfect chance for legislators to engage in give-and-take with educators, parents and the public. Instead, the audience heard a lopsided "debate" during the first hour and saw mostly by a show of hands who favored what - vouchers, lifting the cap on charter schools, changing Proposal A - during the second hour.

The forum was the second put together by Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public Education, a group of Plymouth-Canton residents with an interest in public schools. Tim Skubick, WWJ-AM radio Lansing bureau chief, moderated a panel discussion with state Sen. Gary Peters; House members George Mans and Eileen DeHart - all Democrats - and Dorothy Beardmore of the state Board of Education.

Ten other legislators - including the Republicans - awkwardly joined the discussion about halfway through the session to field written questions from the audience.

State Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, made their way to the podium but were uncharacteristically quiet. State Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, skipped the event.

We've never known Patterson to be shy about offering his opinion on anything. Yet there he was Monday pleading ignorance because he sits on neither the House Education nor Appropriations Committees. Of course, he did promulgate some of his wisdom in a five-page written statement passed out to reporters that was entitled "Remarks offered at the Education Summit..." None of these "remarks" found their way to the microphone however.

Ditto McCotter, who said he was there to "listen and learn." McCotter did make one

brief attempt to add to the discussion, explaining his interest in using tuition tax credits for parents to send their children to private school but not the current voucher plan.

Among the Republicans, only Plymouth's Gerald Law, in his final House term, had much to contribute.

Monday's event was certainly different in tone from the March 1998 summit, where Republicans Bennett and then state Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville, had much to say. Times have changed in Lansing with the Republicans now controlling both houses as well as the executive branch.

The issue of interdistrict disparities in funding is not new.

The U. S. Supreme Court has ruled before on the question in opinions in lawsuits brought under the 14th Amendment (equal protection). In a landmark 1973 Texas case, Rodriguez v. San Antonio, the top jurists, while admitting the Texas system was unequal, held that equity in funding is not within the limited category of rights recognized by the Court, as guaranteed by the Constitution.

In other words, state systems may be imperfect but there is no absolute guarantee of equal dollars behind each student in the U.S. Constitution.

Only if states provided no education to students in poor districts would there be a question of constitutionality.

Equity in funding, therefore, becomes a state problem and all 50 states give state lawmakers the power to fund education, and to do it equally.

State supreme courts get involved when politicians and other various interest groups can't agree. In recent years many state supreme courts have issued rulings for and against funding equity. Ohio has suffered through a long series of state supreme court battles that aren't over yet.

We are not a big fan of this issue going before the Michigan Supreme Court. For one thing, court-ordered solutions take far too long and cost too much in legal fees.

When Oakland County districts like Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and Southfield get \$4,000 and \$5,000 more per pupil than Plymouth-Canton, the seductive rhetoric of tax reform and funding equity implicit in Proposal A rings hollow indeed.

Buried on the fourth page of Patterson's statement is this nugget: "What I would like to hear at some point tonight is the purpose of our gathering. This is not an election year, but this type of meeting is more akin to a political event, than a brainstorming workshop. And I am concerned about that. I do not want to be involved with the politicizing of education." Our sentiments exactly.

### Scare tactics: Selling Halloween

No, those aren't orange Christmas lights you see adorning your neighbor's roof. And if some of your colleagues at work start looking like clowns or vampires, you're probably not hallucinating.

If you find yourself stumbling over bins of miniature chocolate bars at the neighborhood drugstore, or the aisles of the local supermarket are jammed with displays of Count Chocula cereal among the gourds and pumpkins, and the freezer section seems to have doubled its supply of Tombstone Pizzas, there's a reason for it.

It's Halloween. Or, at least, it's almost Halloween. And it isn't just for children anymore.

According to the National Retail Federation, Halloween has grown into a \$5 billion a year industry. Sales of those miniature chocolate bars rise 200 percent in the pre-Halloween weeks and the NRF predicts that total candy sales will reach \$1.8 billion, with costume sales amounting to \$1.6 billion.

Kraft Foods says that last year its sales of Tombstone Pizza increased by 32 percent during the last week of October.

Sales of home decorations, greeting cards, pumpkins and other seasonal items are expected to reach \$2.5 billion.

The NRF thinks such spending is due in part to the newfound popularity of the holiday among adults. A poll conducted by the organization found that 52.2 percent of U.S. workers said their employers would allow them to celebrate Halloween in the workplace. Whatever the reason for the spending surge, Halloween is now second only to Christmas in holiday-related sales.

Some consumer analysts credit (or blame) the transformation of what was once a children's holiday into an adult spending blitz on baby boomers feeling nostalgic for their youth. And when baby boomers get nostalgic, they spend money.

It may be good for the economy, but we sort of miss the days when the only Halloween decorations were witches cut out of black construction paper and adults stayed at home on Halloween night passing out Necco wafers and Tootsie Rolls to little goblins dressed in costumes made from pillow cases and old bed sheets.

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### LETTERS

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### Support Repeck

Recent events and public discussion regarding Sally Repeck's candidacy for Plymouth City Commission should be of grave concern to all of us. To suggest that a woman cannot politically contribute as an individual is an affront to all citizens' rights and an affront to Plymouth's history; including Mayor Ruth Huston Wipple, Mayor Mary Childs, Mayor Beverly McAninch and Justice of the Peace Phoebe Patterson.

All individual women and men should be judged on their own merit. The insinuations that a woman should be judged by her husband and not her own capabilities is offensive. Sally Repeck makes her own decisions and has the competencies, experience, and commitment to hold the office of Plymouth City Commissioner. She is her own person.

Let's be proud and continue our heritage into the 21st Century.

Margaret Dunning  
Colleen Pobur  
Kathleen Keen McCarthy  
Plymouth

### Vos disappointing

The LWV candidate forum Thursday was revealing, as each candidate tried to put his or her best foot forward. Most got their case across; more commerce or preserve our character. However, Jon Vos alone was a Jerry Springer spectacle.

I was stunned and embarrassed with his behavior, actually wringing my hands and shifting in my seat hoping he would stop and get on with the issues.

Disappointingly, the ability of the other legitimate candidates to outline how they are going to preserve and strengthen our proud city became overshadowed by his performance.

Maybe I am very wrong about the real Jon Vos and he can easily prove me wrong in the future over a cup of coffee. I never met him before. But his 15 minutes were enough for me definitely say no way, toss Vos.

Glenn A. Kremer  
Plymouth

### Thankful for 'censorship'

When will our schools (and our nation) realize that their very existence depends on occasional "censorship" when it applies to moral issues.

Is everything and anything really OK? If we define tolerance as acceptance and promotion of all forms of unhealthy and deviant behavior, such as violence, drug abuse, and promotion of the gay lifestyle, we will find the next generation standing on a heap of rubble with a sign posted, "...But we were tolerant of everything..."

We were upset when our child at Salem was forced to participate in an impromptu homosexual tele-conference with a Close-Up class. (This was against the letter we had previously filed with the principal's office).

Now, we applaud the school district for asking the two teachers not to use their influence to promote homosexuality with our kids.

(I wonder if Mr. Salbenblatt and Mr. Chiumento would support equal time for Christian teachers to express the Biblical view of homosexuality on their bulletin boards?)

The media and society already do enough to tear down the institution of the family. We don't need our tax dollars to tear down the family as well.

Name withheld upon request

### EDITOR'S NOTE

If The Plymouth Observer has received many letters about the new high school site, the display removal, and the city commission race. We are making every effort to print all of them as space permits. All letters must be signed and include information that will allow us to verify their authenticity, preferably a phone number.

### COMMUNITY VOICE

#### QUESTION:

What are you going to be for Halloween?



"I'm gonna be a genie. I like the colors of the costume."  
Kelly Piles, 7



"I'm gonna be a kitten because I got a kitten for my birthday."  
Rachel Pugh, 8



"I'm going to be a Power Ranger because my mom couldn't find anything else and because it's a safe costume."  
Adam Hartman, 7 1/2



"Obi Wan Kiboe from Star Wars. I like Star Wars and he's my favorite character."  
Sam Semoga, 6 1/2

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POINTS OF VIEW

# Education alternatives, not location, is focus of debate

**O**n Aug. 25, the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education voted for a new high school separate from, but close to, the existing complex of schools. The new school is planned to be a full-service high school with classrooms, art rooms, computer labs, music rooms, etc. (minus a pool and large auditorium).

This vote set off a debate that continues to this day. Those in favor of building the new school next to the current high schools cite many reasons for wanting to expand the existing complex.

What is this debate all about? I offer my views and insights as a board of education member and an advocate for change.

It is the interests of students that guide my thoughts on the new high school. The numbers and technical jargon that surround this debate do not tell the story about what is being decided. Here is what tells the story for me.

I walk down my neighborhood street and I see homes where kids live who have grown and thrived at our high school complex. Down that same street I also see homes where kids live who found the same high school experience overwhelming, got lost in the crowd and dropped out or were taken out by their parents and put in private schools. Most

GUEST COLUMNIST



JUDY MARDIGIAN

of you can take a similar walk down your neighborhood street. Location isn't the central issue of this debate. The central issue is change. Long before I was elected to the school board and with regularity ever since, I have heard countless concerns from parents regarding the size of our current high school complex and the impact that had on their children.

Many parents have shared their concerns and desires for a smaller high school environment where a more personalized educational experience is offered, one where every student is known and connected with an adult.

As far back as the community forums held prior to the bond campaign in 1997, community members came together to plan what they wanted in their new high school - to create a smaller school environment separate from the other two. Many parents do

not consider sending their children to our current high school complex because of its size. They quietly move on or send their children to private school. Many tell me they wish for a smaller school where they can be assured their child will receive personalized attention.

Many of these students are not the stars but part of the vast middle. One parent told me that at high school orientation a counselor told her, "If your child is at the top or the bottom I will know them. Do not expect me to know them if your child is average." That child was quietly enrolled in a private high school.

In an effort to resolve the current debate, all but one of the board members drafted a proposal that, if agreed to by the district and high school leadership, could lead to a new vote on the location. The premise of this plan was that the school's location wasn't the central issue - rather change and the commitment of our district and high school administrators to change.

Excerpts of the plan include among other points: conducting a comprehensive evaluation of our secondary education program led by an outside consultant in collaboration with a board appointed panel; significantly restricting student movement between build-

ings to eliminate the elements of the current "college campus" atmosphere; implementing an ongoing process for students to be more closely connected with a single adult who would serve as their mentor; and continue to implement a strong code of conduct, including Character Counts and strong dress and behavioral codes.

Since offering this compromise meetings have taken place between the high school leadership, central administration and board members on the intent and desires for the plan. We learned that there is much common ground among our views and ideas. To date, the board is still awaiting the written commitment from the high school leadership on the board's plan but has received written confirmation from central administration staff.

The desire for change isn't saying we have a bad system. I applaud the many successes of our high school students and our hard-working staff. But that success does not mean that a review of curricula and standard operating procedures necessitated by the new school is not in order. Any organization, no matter how good, can do better and can take advantage of new resources, ideas and opportunities. This will entail some change and change can be scary.

But, if approached positively by all, change can be beneficial.

Our current high school complex serves 4,824 students, the largest in Michigan and among the largest nationally. The research on benefits of small schools that offer smaller, more intimate learning communities is extensive and highly consistent in its findings.

Smaller schools have been found to increase student's academic achievement, sense of belonging, attendance, and participation in extracurricular activities. Security improves. Social disruption, violence, student alcohol and drug abuse, and drop out rates decrease. A joint policy statement issued by the Carnegie Foundation and the National Association of Secondary School Principals recommended that high schools break into smaller units of no more than 600 students. No one has recommended high schools smaller than 300 or larger than 900 students.

No matter what the final decision on the location, I will continue to advocate for positive change, smaller schools and the principles embodied in the board's plan.

Judy L. Mardigian, is a Plymouth-Canton School Board of Education member.

LETTER

## Kids will find their way

I feel compelled to write after reading about the recent controversy over the Gay and Lesbian History Month display cases at West Middle School and at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

When my husband and I moved to Plymouth 18 years ago we took one look at the size of the PCEP and decided that we would send them to a private school rather than have them attend such a large high school campus. Before we knew it however, our son was graduating from West Middle School and entering the ninth grade.

While we did briefly consider private school or moving, he assured us that he would survive quite nicely at Salem. He wasn't worried at all but

we sure were!

We worried that he might get beat up, that he would be thrown into the creek by upper classmen, that he might feel lost in such a large student body that he might get involved with the "wrong crowd."

Happily, none of these things happened! Our son is now a sophomore at MSU and our daughter is currently a senior at Salem. They have grown into wonderful young adults and both have enjoyed their time as students at West and at Salem.

I believe that there is a parental instinct that compels us to walk three steps ahead of our children in an effort to clear the path of any stones in the road we think might hurt them. The desire to protect our children is natural. When they are very young

we teach them not to go into the street without first looking both ways and we tell them never to go with strangers.

When they are older, we teach them how to drive a car safely and we educate them about the dangers of alcohol and drug use. Along the way, we also teach them to share and be kind to one another and if we know better, we teach them to respect one another and to celebrate diversity.

I do not believe that a display case celebrating Gay and Lesbian Month is simply promoting tolerance. I do not believe that it is harmful. I do believe, however, that fear is at the heart of this controversy fear that if we acknowledge gay people then our children may choose to become gay.

Our schools are a microcosm of our society. There are Asian, Indian, Black and Caucasian children walking the halls. There are heavy, thin, handicapped and athletic children, as well as highly motivated, apathetic, privileged, and neglected children sitting in our classrooms. There are also gay and straight children.

Whether you like it or not, approve or disapprove, some people are gay. How can we teach our children to accept one another and embrace our differences yet leave out a significant group of people? You must not believe that a line can be drawn when promoting diversity and tolerance. We have only to watch the nightly news and open our history books to see the horrific effects that this kind of thinking produces.

What my husband and I failed to consider as young parents, was that a public high school campus the size of PCEP would expose our children to many different kinds of people and as a result would prepare them for the realities of life in our diverse society.

By not sheltering them and restricting their high school experience, they learned to find their own way and we learned to step aside and let them.

I wonder if in our passionate desire to protect our children, we parents sometimes let our own fears become the stones in the road that we are so faithfully on guard for?

Lilli Jolgren Day  
Plymouth

## Blame term limits for AG fiasco

**T**he sexiest story coming out of Lansing so far this fall was the attempt by the Republican-dominated Legislature to trim back the power of newly elected Attorney General, Democrat Jennifer Granholm.

L'affaire Granholm was clumsily handled in a very public way, leaving much egg on the collective faces of House Republicans, Gov. John Engler and his staff. Because the facts of the story have been the subject of endless spinning, I've spent some time working out what actually happened. It's a fascinating tale, revealing much about the inner dynamics of Michigan politics.

As with most stories, this one starts with a core of substance. It's by no means clear what precise authority Michigan's attorney general has over bills passed by the Legislature or over the workings of the executive branch. The Constitution is largely silent on this point, and during Frank Kelley's 37-year reign as the "Eternal General," nobody had the guts to raise the issue.

Enter John Engler, now in the middle of his third term as governor. An extremely able politician and competent manager of the executive branch, Engler is also, um, really into control.

Early on, he busted the Department of Natural Resources in two. He abolished the Labor Department and moved the Michigan Employment Security Commission first to the Jobs Commission and then to the newly-created Department of Career Development. He's been trying for years to do away with the independently elected State Board of Education; last week he signed an executive order moving administration of the Michigan Education Assessment Program test to, of all places, the Department of Treasury.

But even a governor as into control as Engler didn't dare mess with Frank Kelley, at least not as long as he was in office. But when Granholm was elected in 1998, things changed.

Clearly, the governor's office - I suspect the governor himself, although I can't prove it - decided it was high time to clarify the powers of the attorney general and, conveniently, also trim the wings of Granholm, the only high-flying Democrat in Michigan.

Legal research on the project started as far back as mid-February, culminating in a four-page, July 21 memo from Engler's deputy legal counsel Lance Boldrey to chief counsel Lucille Taylor that concluded: "I submit that even making AG (attorney general) opinions binding on the requesting agency could undermine the governor's role as the head of the executive branch - here again, we would find the AG, an inferior executive officer, potentially trumping the governor."

Things moved rapidly thereafter. GOP lawmakers in late September introduced bills containing the devices proposed by the memo to cut back the attorney general's power. Freshman House Speaker Chuck Perricone pronounced the legislation on a fast track, at which point what had looked like a smoothly working scheme started to fall apart.



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The legislation was referred for hearing to the House Constitutional Law and Ethics committee, chaired by freshman Rep. Mike Bishop (R-Rochester). The hearing turned out to be PR tragedy, played as political farce.

Although the hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 5, Granholm's office wasn't informed about the details until late the previous Friday. She called it a violation of common courtesy; Democrats called it an "ambush."

Chairing the meeting, Bishop twice interrupted Granholm's passionate testament in opposition to the legislation (once going so far as to cut off her microphone) because it was too "political." At one point, evidently with a straight face, Bishop asked Granholm whether she was an attorney.

Bishop also made Frank Kelley sit around for two hours waiting to testify before announcing the hearing had three minutes to go before adjournment. An angry Kelley spluttered that he had served as AG for 37 years and deserved more than three minutes to make his point.

Watching things unravel in the Legislature and reading the near-universal criticism on editorial pages around the state, Engler spokesman John Truscott started distancing his boss from the mess. "We were kind of surprised. I had no idea they were doing anything," he was quoted in the Gongwer Michigan Report.

Sure. House Republicans were left to take the heat. Not surprisingly, it's virtually certain it was somebody in the GOP House caucus who leaked the memoranda from Engler's legal staff to The Detroit News.

What are we to make of all this, other than the chorus of "yuks" from insider baseball fans? Just this: When you get the combination of an experienced, capable governor who is also a control freak and a term-limited, inexperienced and amateurish Legislature, something bad is almost certain to happen.

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## Halloween ... kids are up to old tricks

When I was a kid, the youthful prank of TP-ing houses was not considered mischief.

Adults slid right past that category and labeled it "juvenile delinquency." It must have been to prevent that and other such apparently reprehensible acts at Halloween that we had an annual fair at Covington Grade School.

The funny thing is, no one in my family can remember rampant misdeeds being reported in local newspapers that necessitated having to "keep us off the streets," as adults were fond of saying.

The kids really didn't care why we were treated to this great yearly event. We just looked forward to it with relish. We bobbed for apples and, with a little help from the adults, hooked trinkets on the end of a fishing-pole line that we cast over a bedsheet-draped booth.

Lucky at the cakewalk, my sister, Regina, and I would bring home three cakes for our father's birthday.

Every year my mother made Regina, who was older, promise she would not let me go in the spook house - the boys' locker room, which glowed with eerie lights - because it scared the dickens out of me.

And just as predictably, I begged each year until Regina relented. I'd get no farther than the kid in the wet gorilla suit jumping out at me, and the fishbowl of painted, peeled grapes said to be witches' eyes before I was clamoring to get out.

### Their youthful pranks

It only occurred to me in later years that it probably wasn't any great mischief on our part that made the adults nervous enough to host the Halloween fair. It was more likely memories of their own youthful pranks that worried them.

Over the years, I've collected stories from folks who grew up in the early decades of the century. It seems that, whether in the city or country, these kids had their favorite tricks.

According to many now-responsible citizens, turning over outhouses was, indeed, common in farming communities - with or without an occupant. And high roofs of a one-room school or grange hall were popular places to relocate farmers' wagons.

Of course, I had to be long past my childhood to discover pranks my own parents played. My mother's favorite play was sticking pins in doorbells and taking off lickety-split.

"We'd go tearing through the neighborhood with a secret yell - a shriek, really," she recalls with glee. "The boys were really good at it because they could whistle better. People came to the door pretending they didn't know what it was. They did, of course, because we did it every year."

### Parents' mischief

I find from my mother that my late father wasn't above Halloween mischief in the 1920s, either. He'd take a coarse sack filled with flour, slam it against a door and ring the bell. When the person answered the door, a feathery white cloud billowed in the air before settling as a fine powder.

No doubt it was while having to sprint from the scene that he discovered skills which later earned him track medals.

He and his friends had an affinity for serial antics, too. If the homeowner was foolish enough to leave something out, up it went on the roof.

The boys roamed the neighborhood for whatever was handy - a rocking chair from the porch, a wheelbarrow from the garden.

Interestingly, my parents did not grow up around here. They were raised far away in northern Quebec - a pure example of "kids will be kids."

As we look at traditions - which ones linger and which ones change - we notice new variations on old themes. The spook house of my childhood was reinvented in my children's

Please see HALLOWEEN, B3



Oh baby, baby, baby: Katie Landsberg (from left), Joseph Reimann, Josh Dunaitis, Drew Crisan, Lauren Wozniacki, Lindsay Drewes and Erin Sterling are pictured in January of 1984 not long after the "Make Room for Baby" group was initiated.



Sweet 16: All grown up, six of the original nine baby group babies gather for a reunion this past Labor Day - Josh Prusakiewicz (from left), Josh Dunaitis, Joseph Reimann, Douglas Pallister, Lindsay Drewes and Lauren Wozniacki.

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON  
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In 1983 nine women - all first time moms - gathered together to lend an ear and offer support to each other as they collectively entered into parenthood.

Sixteen years later the same group of women, a little older and a lot wiser, met again for a reunion of Providence Hospital: Southfield's "Make Room for Baby" group.

Unlike most post-partum support groups for new mothers, the original group continued to meet beyond the six weeks the formal hospital group did - gathering at homes, restaurants, gymnastic meets - anywhere they could to compare notes, share stories and offer one another the confidence they needed that they were "succeeding."

"Most of us were stay-at-home moms," said Sue Drewes, one of two moms responsible for the 16th birthday party/reunion of the baby group. "This was the first child for all of us and we needed the reassurance that

we were normal and that we weren't cracking up.

"Not only that but it was a chance for us to meet other women and to gain confidence. We were really doubtful of our abilities."

The nine original moms and their children were Vanessa Milligan (formerly Vanessa Prusakiewicz) and son, Josh Prusakiewicz; Marilyn Wozniacki and daughter, Lauren; Paula Reimann and son, Joe; Drewes and daughter, Lindsay; Cora Sterling and daughter, Erin; Thelma Dunaitis and son, Josh; Kathy Wight-Pallister and son, Doug; Serena Crisan and son, Drew; and Mary Kay Landsberg and daughter, Katie.

### Getting together

According to Drewes, the nine moms met frequently until 1988 when the addition of siblings and other activities made it too hard to coordinate schedules.

Get-togethers sometimes included the participants spouses and consisted of dinners, birthday parties and holiday functions, said the Rochester Hills mom.

"We stayed in touch through Christmas cards and letters, but those eventually trailed off," said Wozniacki, a Livonia resident.

Wozniacki joined the baby group in the fall of 1983 after her daughter was born in August. After the first six-week support group ended, she signed up again and met the remainder of the original nine members.

"We were a unique group," said Wozniacki. "We came from different age groups and economic backgrounds, but we all had the same ideas about raising kids. When we got back together in September it was nice to know we were all still on the same page about things from cars to dating."

"It was like we never stopped meeting even though 10 years had passed."

Drewes said six of the nine women and their families were able to get together for a boathouse party on Lake Angelus near Pontiac over the Labor Day weekend. Drewes, who, in addition to Lindsay, has a daughter Marcy, 14, organized the reunion with Paula Reimann, mother of Joe,

Patrick, 14, Maureen, 11, and Michael, 8.

Ironically, Lindsay and Joe, two of the original "Make Room for Baby" babies are lab partners at Rochester Adams High School in Rochester Hills.

"I was so excited to re-meet people I knew a while back," said Joe. "I told most of my friends not to bother calling me on that Sunday because I had this awesome baby reunion to go to. They hadn't heard of anything like it before."

The 11th grader said he has some vague memories of the baby group and wasn't nervous to get back together with people who may have seemed like strangers after such a long absence.

"I wasn't nervous or anything. I mean, after all, I had known these people before and I'm not the kind of person that likes to sit around," he said. "It didn't take long for us to reintroduce each other. All of us had something to say and tell about what they are doing in life."

Please see REUNION, B2

## Sweet 16



'Tis the season: Getting bigger, the group met at Christmas in 1995 and posed for this picture - Lauren Wozniacki (from left from the top), Erin Sterling, Joseph Reimann, Katie Landsberg, Josh Dunaitis, Douglas Pallister, Lindsay Drewes and Drew Crisan.

## 1st-time moms keep sharing milestones

## Son continues dad's legacy at Leo's Den

Clip Job: When it comes to getting a haircut, even family members like Zachary Favazza know where to go - to see John Favazza at Leo's Den in Livonia.



BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

When John Favazza isn't snipping hair he's singing hymns.

"I enjoy serving people any way that I can," Favazza said.

He spends his days cutting hair at Leo's Lion's Den in Livonia, established 30 years ago by his father and mentor, Leo. Customers looking for flat tops, brush cuts and tapered styles have bolstered business despite the chain hair salons that have threatened to gobble up all the old time barber shops.

"The barber shops are kind of a vanishing thing," Favazza said. "I think mainly because the guys are getting into beauty schools and styling schools."

One of the main differences between hair salons and barber shops is that barbers tend to rely heavily on clippers and stylists often prefer scissors, Favazza said.

"I call myself a barber stylist," said Favazza, an Inkster resident who looks 28 instead of 38. "I like to take a head of hair that's out of shape and I like to shape it and make it look good. That brings me a lot of satisfaction."

Keeping some of his father's customers and honing his own, Favazza said he isn't intimidated by a Fantastic Sam's across the street and a BoRics within stone's throw from his front door, which sets him

STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

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# Haircut from page B1

start from the rest with an air being painted of a lion by Canton artist John Dunayshi.

Aside, it looks a lot like it might have 30 years ago when Leo Favazza opened the shop at Five Mile and Newburgh at a time when the area was considered a country.

One recent afternoon, John Favazza was accompanied by the blaring sound of his razor as he made small talk with a gray-haired man while a young boy and his mother waited. The man in the chair had been a long-time customer of Favazza's uncle, Nasim H. Hally, also known as "The Turk." In fact, The Turk still works limited hours at Leo's Lion's Den.

An appreciation for music and cutting must be an inherited trait, because Favazza also has an aunt, another uncle and a couple of cousins who also cut hair.

Once the elderly man in the chair was perfectly coiffed, Favazza invited the second grader to hop up, and he began talking just as easily with the elementary school student.

Despite his religious devotion, Favazza isn't holding a razor in one hand and preaching gospel to a literally captive audience. Only customers who probe a little will hear some heartfelt preaching.

He was trained in the early 1980s at the Detroit Barber College in Dearborn and worked at a beauty salon where he learned how to color, perm and style hair. In fact, he still offers those services by appointment, which is something his father never did.

**A 'great influence'**

So much of the son's life followed the father who in his spare time sang and played saxophone, performing mostly at

weddings and anniversaries in a band called "Four of a Kind."

"My dad had a great influence on my life, making music and barbering," said Favazza, becoming misty eyed as he recalled Leo's death nearly six years ago.

Besides buying the family business, Favazza sings in the choir at Tri-City Christian Center in Canton. He also plays bass and sings with his three brothers in their band, "The Favazza Brothers," specializing in Christian music.

"The No. 1 thing in my life is my relationship with Jesus," Favazza said. "I want my customers to know that I'm praying for them and that they come to know the Lord. I have everyone coming in here from Catholic priests to accountants and stock brokers to the handicapped to senior citizens and preschoolers."

Favazza's interest in barbering started to bloom even as a kid

growing up in the City of Wayne when he practiced styles on his five brothers and sisters. His interest in music developed around the same time.

"When kids in the '70s would listen to the rock group Kiss, we would grab our tennis rackets and pretend we were musicians," Favazza said.

"The Favazza Brothers" started out as a neighborhood band, called themselves "Black Ace." They did so well they won first place in the City of Wayne's annual battle of the bands contest in the early 1980s.

Favazza laughs when he describes how the band returned the next year as a Christian band and didn't do nearly as well.

"We went and played and we took last place, but the great thing that came out of that was that the lead singer's mother converted that night."

# CRAPTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, by fax at (734) 591-7279 or by e-mail at [arson@ee.homecomm.net](mailto:arson@ee.homecomm.net). For more information, call (734) 953-2134.

**ST. MARY ANTIOCHIAN**  
St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church will have a Gift-A-Rama 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 31 at the church, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. There will be vendors, food and a raffle. For more information, call (734) 422-0010.

**LIVONIA STEVENSON**  
The Livonia Stevenson High School Booster Club is accepting applications for its annual Holiday Happening Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at the high school, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia. A single space (booth) costs \$80. A limited number of spaces with electricity are available at no extra charge. For an application, call (248) 478-2395 or (734) 464-1041.

**FROST**  
The Frost Middle School PTSA will present its 23rd annual holiday craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 6 at the school, 14041 Stark Road, Livonia. There will be more than 150 crafters, a lunch room and bake sale. Admission will be \$2. No strollers permitted.

**MADONNA UNIVERSITY**  
Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 15th annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Showcase 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6-7 in the Activities Center of its Livonia campus. For more information, call (734) 432-5603.

**GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN**  
Garden City Presbyterian Church will have its annual bazaar 4-8 p.m. Nov. 12 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 13 at the church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, south of Ford Road, Garden City. A turkey dinner will be served 4:30-7 p.m. Nov. 12 and lunch on Nov. 13. There will be arts and

crafts, silent auction, cookie walk, white elephant room and bake sale.

**ST. EDITH**  
St. Edith School will have its fall craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the school, 15028 Newburgh Road, Livonia. For more information, call Diana at (734) 462-8037 or Jo Ann at (734) 464-9370.

**CLARENCEVILLE**  
The Clarenceville High School Athletic Booster Club will have its annual holiday boutique 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 13 at the high school, Middlebelt between Seven and Eight Mile roads, Livonia. There will be more than 150 juried crafters, bake sale and raffle. Admission will be \$2 and baby-sitting will be available. No strollers permitted.

**GOOD SHEPHERD**  
Crafters are needed for a craft show and bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne at Hunter roads, Westland. Table space is available - \$20 for a 5-foot round table or \$25 for an 8-foot-long table. For an application, call Ray or Jackie Gagnon at (734) 722-7225.

**HARRIS-KIEHR VFW**  
The Ladies Auxiliary of Harris-Kiehr VFW Post 3323 is looking for crafters for its annual craft bazaar 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 13 at the post hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Rentals are \$20 for an 8-foot table and two chairs. For more information, call Pam at (734) 721-6304.

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN**  
Crafters are wanted for St. Paul Lutheran Church's 12th annual holiday craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the church, 20805 Middlebelt Road at Eight Mile Road. Table rental and/or space is \$25 (no charge for electricity, if available when application is received). For more information, call (248) 476-0841 or (734) 591-0224.

# Halloween from page B1

youth as the haunted house, often set up in homes slated for demolition. They draw crowds from far and wide, and profits from admission fees often benefit the sponsoring nonprofit organizations.

When I was in college, hayrides were a popular autumn pastime. Less in vogue now, they are being replaced by mazes in haunted cornfields.

As for TP-ing houses ... it's inconvenient to clean up, especially after rain. However, it's a far cry from the vandalism of egging cars and blowing out windows on parked vehicles, which we rightly should condemn.

And depositing equipment and porch furniture on rooftops certainly pushed the envelope, given the potentially dangerous ramifications of that prank.

But those aren't shenanigans we can blame on today's kids; our sometimes-selectively forgetful adult population owns those stories.

As far as harmless pranks go, the day after Halloween some poor grownups will undoubtedly be saddled with the lamentable task of cleaning soap off windows. An old trick? You bet.

"Oh yeah," my mother says,

without remorse, "we soaped windows."

One thing is clear. We may be on the brink of a new millennium, but when it comes to Halloween, we can probably expect the same old tricks.

Historian and author Virginia Bailey Parker has a bachelor's degree in history and a master's degree in historic preservation. She lives in Canton Township.

# Reunion from page B1

"Of course, the mothers remembered us. It's been a while since they had seen us, but it didn't take long for the, 'Oh, how you've grown,' and the, 'I remember when you ...' phrases were being heard."

Lauren Wozniacki, a junior at Stevenson High School in Livonia, remembers having birthday parties and going to the beach with the baby group.

"I did have fun when I got

there," said Lauren who was somewhat apprehensive about the reunion.

"I told her everyone would only be strangers for a few minutes," said her mother. "And I was right. The kids just sort of gravitated to each other like the adults."

The reunion on the lake included a variety of water sport activities, lunch and a birthday cake for the 16-year-olds.

The group as a whole has intentions of meeting again next year for a similar gathering, but the "babies," have plans of their own.

"Many of the kids exchanged phone numbers and e-mail addresses," said Reimann. "I expect now that many of them are driving, they'll be seeing each other again soon."

"I think what made our group so different and what brought us together beyond that six-week program was the confidence we gained from each other," she added. "We became fast friends and really valued each other's advice. I don't know who I would have asked those questions to if it weren't for the group."

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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

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

**OFFICE FURNITURE FOR FIRE STATION 2**

Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: October 28, 1999

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**  
**ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS**

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

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

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**RENOVATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY CRIME LAB**

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**  
**REQUEST FOR BIDS**

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**PURCHASE OF ONE (1) HEAVY DUTY TILT TRAILER**

Plans and specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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**NOTICE OF REVIEW OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE TONQUISH CREEK STORM SEWER SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 1998-2**  
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**  
**TO ALL RECORD OWNERS OF OR PERSONS WITH INTEREST IN PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**

003-99-0008-713	004-99-0008-701
003-99-0008-714	045-99-0002-001
045-99-0008-701	045-99-0008-702
045-99-0008-708	045-99-0008-704
003-99-0008-715	003-99-0008-716

TAKE NOTICE that a special assessment roll has been prepared and is on file in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination. Said special assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the cost of the following described improvement to the above property benefited therefrom:

Improvements for the Tonquish Creek Storm Sewer Special Assessment District consists of design and construction of a detention basin with a restricted outlet to the Tonquish Creek along with storm sewer to serve proposed industrial lots. There are estimated to be 741 feet of 72-inch storm sewer, 525 feet of 60-inch storm sewer, 625 feet of 54-inch storm sewer, 225 feet of 48-inch storm sewer, 325 feet of 36-inch storm sewer, and 225 feet of 18-inch storm sewer along with the detention basin, the restricted outlet and all appurtenances. Project also includes acquisition of land for the detention basin, 5% fee for rolling funds, and a contingency.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Township Hall, at 1 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of November, 1999, for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest of that nature is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax Tribunal if an appeal should be desired. A property owner in party with an interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person or by attorney to protest the special assessment or may file a bid or protest with the Township Clerk by 4:00 p.m. on November 10, 1999. The Township Clerk's office is located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan. The Township Clerk's office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Township Clerk's office is closed on Saturdays and Sundays. The Township Clerk's office is closed on the following days: Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. The Township Clerk's office is closed on the following days: Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. The Township Clerk's office is closed on the following days: Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.

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**REQUEST FOR BIDS**

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**PURCHASE OF NEW KITCHEN CABINETS, COUNTERTOPS, SINK, DISPOSAL AND MICROWAVE FOR FIRE STATION 2**

Plans and specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**  
**ADVERTISEMENT TO BID**

Sealed bids will be received by the Office of the Clerk, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, MI 48188 until 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 10, 1999, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud for the following:

**2000 HEAVY RESCUE VEHICLE**

All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the name, address and telephone number of the Company/Person submitting the bid, and the name of the bid, bid opening date and time. Specifications are available in the Finance & Budget Department. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

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**PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2000 FORD XL F400 4x4 DRW, REGULAR CAB, 1500 CC, 1500 CC**

Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. The bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "2000 FORD XL F400 4x4 DRW, REGULAR CAB, 1500 CC, 1500 CC" and include name, address and phone number of the bidder. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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**PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit proposals for Technology Consulting Services, working with an Architectural/Engineering firm in the construction of two new schools. Please call Mr. John A. Birchler, Executive Director, Business & Operations at (734) 418-2742, for a copy of the Request for Proposal. A mandatory pre-proposal meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 2nd, 1999 at 1:00 p.m. at E.J. McClendon Educational Center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI. Sealed proposals are due on or before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 10, 1999 and should be directed to Dan Phillips, Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at the above address. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education  
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools  
ELIZABETH M. GIVENS, Secretary

Bid Opening: 4:30 p.m.-Wednesday, November 10, 1999  
Board Review: November 23, 1999

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

**Kunec-Szydowski**

Ann and Richard Kunec of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Traci Ann, to Andrew Michael Szydowski, the son of Denise and Conrad Szydowski of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School and Grand Valley State University. She is employed as a registered nurse.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and Western Michigan University. He is employed as a mechanical engineer.

A November wedding is planned at Ceremony Resurrection Catholic Church.



**Walters-Smith**

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Walters of Charleston, S.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Edith Ann, to Shawn William Smith, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis R. Smith of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of the College of Charleston. She is a manager with Limited Corp.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of the College of Charleston. He is employed by Prudential Real Estate.



A November wedding is planned in Charleston.

**Marion-Porterfield**

Todd Andrew Marion and Laura Jean Porterfield were married at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville by the Rev. John Quigley.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Porterfield of Plymouth. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Marion of Durham, N.C.

The bride is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and the University of Michigan. She is employed as a manager at Delphi Automotive Systems in Troy.

The groom also is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and the University of Michigan. He is employed at the Orchard's Children's Services in Southfield.

The bride asked Stephanie Asmus to serve as matron of honor with Christine Bardelli, Jill Miller, Katie Prokop, Kristi Matuszewski and Laurel Ream as the bridesmaids.

Edward Bardelli served as best man with Brian Marion,



Robert J. Porterfield, Toby Brzoznowski, Robert Files and Alex Gagin as the groomsmen and Brandon Marion as ring bearer.

The couple received guests at a reception at the Mayflower Meeting House in Plymouth. Following a honeymoon trip to Sandals Resort in Jamaica, the couple is residing in Birmingham.

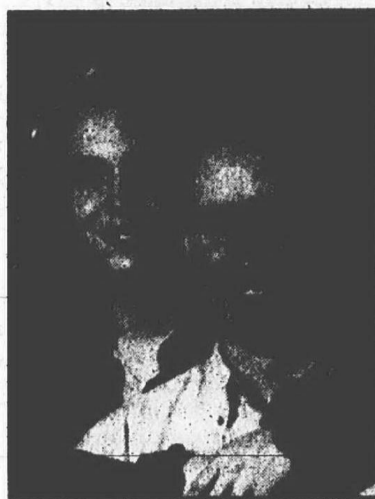
**Meadows-Sellers**

Harry and Delores Meadows of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaime Lynn, to Robert Donald Sellers, the son of Bill and Ginny Sellers of Garden City.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Garden City High School. He teaches pre-kindergarten while attending Schoolcraft College.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Garden City High School. He also attended William D. Ford Vocational Center in Westland to receive certification as a certified auto body technician. He is currently working in that field.

An October 2001 wedding is



planned.

**Ferrell-Gresham**

Stephen and Suzan Ferrell of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer, to Joel Gresham, the son of Jerry and Margaret Gresham of Coldwater.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and is majoring in theater at Hillsdale College where she will graduate in May 2000.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Columbia Central High School in Brooklyn, Mich. He is an accounting major at International Business College and will graduate in February 2001.

A June wedding is planned at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Canton.



**Jutte-Dominic**

Theodore and Linda Jutte of Coldwater, Ohio, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lynne Marie Anne, to Anthony Louis Dominic, the son of Carl and Suzanne Jiovani of Canton.

The bride-to-be is graduate of Celina Senior High School, a 1993 graduate of Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio, with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology and a 1997 graduate of Wright with a master of science degree in student affairs counseling in higher education. She was commissioned as a U.S. Air Force officer from the U.S. Air Force Officer Training School in 1998. She is a personnel officer, assigned as section commander to the 5th Munitions Squadron at Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

Her fiancé is a graduate of John Glenn High School. He was commissioned as a U.S. Air Force officer with a bachelor of science degree in astronautical engineer-



ing from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1998. He is a security forces officer, assigned as flight commander to the 5th security forces squadron at Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

A November wedding is planned at St. Thomas A' Becket Church in Canton.

**Taratuta-Winquist**

Leonard Taratuta of Cheboygan and Arvella Winquist of Mackinaw Township, formerly of Livonia, were married Aug. 14. The Rev. Charles Hastie of Mackinaw City officiated.

The bride's and groom's attendants were Jacquie and Frank Tolstyka of Aloha, Mullett Lake.

The outdoor ceremony and reception was held at the couple's home on the Straits of Mackinac.



**Vance-DiVitto**

Jason Andrew Vance and Lisa Marie DiVitto were married March 20 at Unity Church of Livonia by Gene Sorensen.

The bride is the daughter of Mark and Patricia Makower of West Bloomfield. The groom is the son of Bruce and Laurie Vance of Flushing.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Garden City High School and is pursuing a bachelor of arts degree in accounting at Walsh College. She is employed by the law office of Mark F. Makower and Associates, P.C.

The groom is a 1991 graduate of Huron High School and is pursuing a bachelor of arts degree in early childhood education at Madonna University. He is currently a preschool teacher with the Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

The bride asked Angel Lawrence to serve as matron of honor with Luann Houser, Renee Doss, Linda Paris and Venessa Doss as bridesmaids, Megan Gregurich as junior bridesmaid and Nicole Fabiano



as flower girl.

Jason Hall served as best man with Dave Houser, Mark DiVitto, Tony Marselak and Christopher Gregurich as the groomsmen, Steve Rochowiak as junior groomsmen and Lucas Kasprzak as ring bearer.

The couple received guests at a reception at Hawthorn Valley Country Club in Westland before leaving on a Caribbean Cruise. They are making their home in Plymouth.

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# CALENDAR

## WEEKEND

**PLYMOUTH ORCHARDS**  
 The Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill offers hayrides with story telling to families on Friday and Saturday nights in October. Award-winning story teller Debra Christian weaves tales for the fall season. Hayrides include the story telling performance, cider, and doughnuts. Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$7 for children ages 4-12; and \$3 for children under 3. Hayrides run the last four weekends in October at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday and Saturdays. For reservations, call (734) 451-1128.

**HALLOWEEN PARTY**  
 Single Place First Presbyterian Church of Northville is having a Halloween Party from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. Friday, Oct. 29 at the Sunflower Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford, Canton (three blocks west of Canton Center, between Ford and Warren). Costumes are optional. Cost is \$10 in advance, and \$15 at the door. There will be a live DJ, snacks, soda and coffee. Pizza will be served at midnight, B.Y.O.B. (beer/wine only). There will be a \$25 prize award for best costume. For more information, call Carol Richardson at (734) 453-4011.

**LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY**  
 The VFW No. 6695 Auxiliary will hold a luncheon and card party from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the VFW No. 6695 Hall, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. Cost is \$6. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Card playing will be until 3 p.m. Tickets are available at the door. This event is open to the public. For reservations or for more information, call Tillie at 415-0518 or Caroline at 455-2620.

**TRUCK OR TROT**  
 Leukemia Research Life Inc. (LRL) will hold its "First Annual Trick or Trot 5K Run-Walk," presented by Ford Motor Co., on Saturday, Oct. 30, at Maybury State Park in Northville. Registration forms and entry fee information can be obtained by calling (734) 454-7341 or (248) 471-7213. You may also register on Friday, Oct. 29, between 4-7 p.m. at the Running Fit Shop in Northville. The run will feature a children's "Tot Trot" (1/2-mile loop) at 5:30 p.m. The "Trick or Trot 5K" will begin at 6 p.m.

**X-RAY**  
 Saint Joseph Mercy Health System will X-ray Halloween candy from 5-10 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center, 1600 S. Canton Center. This free service uses X-ray equipment that is designed to detect metallic foreign objects. Refreshments will be available, and there will be a free gift for the children. For more information, call the Canton facility at (734) 398-7557.

## PLYMOUTH GOODFELLOWS

The Plymouth Goodfellows will hold its next meeting from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, on the main floor of the Plymouth Library. Parking and entrances are in the rear. For more information, call Glenn Jimmerson at 416-9656 or Julie Petro at 414-7096.

**SILENT AUCTION**  
 The Plymouth Children's Nursery Co-op will host a silent auction Friday, Nov. 5, at the Divine Savior Parish Hall, on Cherry Hill just east of I-275. This is an annual fund-raiser for PCN. There are numerous items to bid on from local business as well as tickets, gift certificates and items from major corporations/stores. Tickets are \$5 each. For more information, call (734) 455-6250.

**HARVEST DINNER & AUCTION**  
 The Canton Historical Society will hold a harvest dinner and auction 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Cherry Hill School. For more information, call (734) 397-1561.

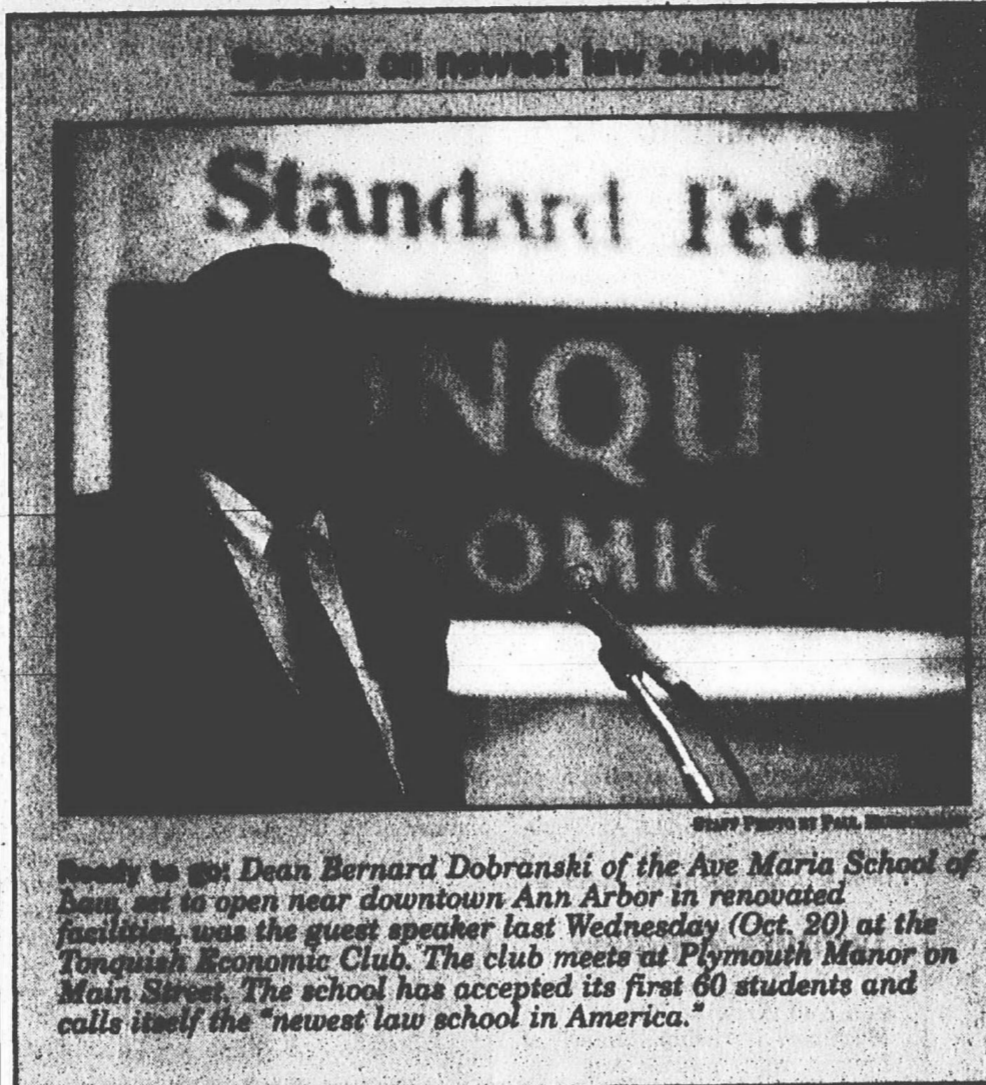
**BEANIE BABY SHOW**  
 The Plymouth "All Beanie Baby Show" returns from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., Plymouth. Admission is \$5, kids 4-12 are \$2. Vendors and collectors will be selling current and retired Beanie Babies and their accessories. There will be Beanie Baby door prizes given hourly. For more information, call R.R. promotions at (734) 455-2110.

**PLYMOUTH GOODFELLOWS**  
 The Plymouth Goodfellows Association is seeking Plymouth and Plymouth Township families in need of assistance for the upcoming holiday season. The Goodfellows Association exists to ensure that no child will miss the opportunity of receiving a present for Christmas. Within the next few weeks, the Goodfellows will begin identifying families to receive assistance. If you are in need of help, or if you know of a family in need, please send the name, address, phone number and number of children in the family to: Plymouth Goodfellows Association, P.O. Box 700912, Plymouth, MI 48170. Contributions may also be sent to the Plymouth Goodfellows at the same address.

## AROUND TOWN

**CANTON NEWCOMERS**  
 The Canton Newcomers will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, at 45800 Hanford, Canton. The Canton Newcomers Club is a social, civic and charitable organization designed to acquaint women with other women in the Canton area. For more information, call Elizabeth at (734) 451-5426.

**BNW MEETINGS**  
 The Plymouth chapter of Business Network International will hold its monthly meeting 7-8:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at the Plymouth Cultural Center,



Ready to go: Dean Bernard Dobranski of the Ave Maria School of Law, set to open near downtown Ann Arbor in renovated facilities, was the guest speaker last Wednesday (Oct. 20) at the Tongueh Economic Club. The club meets at Plymouth Manor on Main Street. The school has accepted its first 60 students and calls itself the "newest law school in America."

525 Farmer, Plymouth. For more information, call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

The Canton chapter of Business Network International will hold its monthly meeting 7-8:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. For more information, call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

**STORY TIME**  
 Kindermusik presents "Story Time with Miss Karen," at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, at the Plymouth Coffee Bean, 884 Penniman, downtown Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 454-0178.

**FLU SHOTS**  
 The City of Plymouth Recreation will be sponsoring flu shots to be given by Brighton Nurse Care from 1-4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Cost is \$12 for persons over 18, and seniors on Medicare, free. No appointment necessary. For more information, call (734) 455-6627.

**SKI AND SNOWBOARD**  
 Plymouth Canton Community School's Communi-

ty Education Department announces plans to begin registration for a Plymouth-Canton Ski and Snowboard Club. Club members will ski and snowboard on Friday and Saturday evenings except during holidays. Registration will be 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, at the Canton High School cafeteria. Cost for the Ski and Snowboard Club is \$95 per person. For more information, call 416-2937.

**MOPS MEETING**  
 The Plymouth Baptist Church holds Mothers Of Preschoolers meetings from 9:15 to 11:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Mothers with their children, kindergarten aged and younger, may attend for a time of fellowship and fun with other mothers. Childcare is provided. The church is at 42021 Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. For more information, call the church at (734) 453-5534. Space is limited.

**M.O.M. MEETING**  
 Meet Other Mothers (M.O.M.) invites you to join them for guest speakers and discussion from 9:30 to

11:30 a.m. every second and fourth Friday of the month. Baby-sitting is provided. For more information, call Kim at (734) 459-7035 or Shannon at (734) 354-0191.

**NACW**  
 The West Suburban Chapter of the National Association of Career Women (NACW) will host its monthly meeting at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. The featured speaker will be Marcy Uday of Prism Performance System. The topic is "Win-Win Negotiating." Cost is \$18 for members, and \$22 for non-members. For more information or to make reservations, call Tracy M. Huff at (248) 347-3355.

**CHHCS**  
 Community Hospice & Home Care Service Inc. (CHHCS) is offering "Connections," a six-week series to help children and their parents/guardians "connect" with their feelings and better work through the death of a loved one. The series will be Tuesdays at CHHCS' Westland office (on the northwest corner of

Warren and Venoy roads) from 6:30 to 8 p.m., through Nov. 16. There is a \$20 registration fee, with sponsorships available as needed. For more information about "Connections" or any other services offered by CHHCS, call (734) 511-4244.

**COMPUTER CAMP**  
 Canton Parks and Recreation will hold a "Holiday Fun Computer Camp," from 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, at the Summit on the Park Arts I Room in Canton. The camp is for children in kindergarten through sixth grade. Cost is \$20 for annual pass holders, \$22 for residents and \$26 for non-residents. Students will have fun creating greeting cards, signs and letters while using a variety of print shop software. Class includes both on- and off-computer activities. For more information, call (734) 397-5110.

**PRINCETON REVIEW**  
 The Princeton Review will hold free strategy sessions for students and parents on the SAT and ACT from 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, at the Summit on the Park in Canton. These are 90-minute sessions where students learn SAT and ACT test-taking techniques as well as receive information on the college admissions process. Students and/or parents must call the Princeton review to register for the strategy sessions. They may call to register by dialing (800) 2-REVIEW.

**PLYMOUTH YMCA**  
 The Plymouth YMCA is accepting registration for the fall session. Registration can be done over the phone with Visa or Mastercard by calling (734) 453-2904, or in person at the "Y" office, 248 S. Union, Plymouth. Some of the classes offered are Step Aerobics, Yoga, Youth and Adult Golf, Youth and Adult Karate, "Y" Preschool, T-Ball Leagues for ages 5-6, Coach Pitch League for ages 7-8, Flag Football Instructional League for ages 8-13, Outdoor Soccer League for ages 5-12, Hodge Podge Sports for ages 3-5, Tykes T-Ball, ages 3-5, Bumble Bee Soccer for ages 3-5, Driver Education and other classes.

**KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB**  
 The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club has a new meeting place at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. For more information, call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-8489.

**D&M STUDIOS**  
 D&M Studios, in cooperation with Canton Parks and Recreation and Plymouth Parks and Recreation, is offering fine art classes for preschoolers through adult. Classes include Preschool sessions, Homeschoolers, Student and Teen Drawing & Painting, Cartooning, Student and Teen Studio Art, High School Portfolio Preparation, adult Pastels,

Adult Oil/Acrylic/Watercolor, Basic and Advance Drawing Skills, and Adult Charcoal and Ceramics for Children and Adults. For more information, call D&M Studios at (734) 453-3710.

**DUTCH AUCTION**  
 A Dutch auction is being held at the Plymouth Community Arts Council as a fund-raiser for its programs. Local artist Charles Aimone has made several art works available to the public. Any amount over the starting bid amount will be donated to the arts council. Stop by the JWH Center for the Arts at 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth, to bid on one of Aimone's original paintings. Simply register your name and bid with the office staff by noon on Monday, Nov. 1. For more information, call the PCAC at (734) 416-4ART.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**  
 The Entertainment 2000 Book is available from the Plymouth Community Chorus to support its educational and charitable activities. The book contains coupons offering 50-percent discounts at restaurants, hotels, cleaners, etc. The book covers all of southeastern Michigan. The price is \$40. The books are delivered to you. For more information, call (734) 459-6829.

The Plymouth Symphony League is offering the 1999 Ultimate Entertainment Book, offering 50-percent discount coupons at hundreds of restaurants and discounts for many other services and events. The book is available from the Plymouth Symphony League by calling 453-3016. You can also pick up your copy at the Plymouth Symphony Office, 819 Penniman, in downtown Plymouth. The Ultimate Entertainment Book is \$40, with all proceeds used to support the Plymouth Symphony.

The Plymouth Community Chorus is raising money by selling the Ultimate Entertainment Book. Each book contains hundreds of two-for-one and 50-percent discounts on dining, travel, shopping, movies, special events and sports. The books are \$40, with the proceeds going to chorus educational and charitable activities. For more information or to order books, call Stan (734) 459-6829, or books are available through Carlson Wagonlit Travel, 44427 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.

Entertainment Y2K books are on sale by the Plymouth Optimist Club. All proceeds will be used for children's causes throughout southeast Michigan. Entertainment books offer up to 50-percent savings on dining, movies, special events, theater, travel, car washes and more. Price is \$40, home delivered. For more information, call Ken Fisher at (734) 728-7619, or Bill Von Glahn, (734) 453-8263.

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## CAMPUS NOTES

Items for Campus Notes are welcome from the Plymouth community. Items should be addressed in writing to: Campus Notes, c/o Plymouth Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170 or faxed to (313) 459-4224.

**Summer Camp**  
 Jason Wilson of Plymouth, a student at Plymouth Salem High School, participated with students from 11 states and the People's Republic of China at the 16th annual Summer Camp for Verbally and Mathematically Precocious Youth at Western Kentucky University. WKU's Center for Gifted Studies sponsors the program, which was held in July and included 176 students. VAMPY is

for seventh to 10th graders who have taken the SAT or ACT as seventh graders and scored at or above average for college-bound seniors on one section of the test. The three-week program gives students the opportunity to study one subject in depth and to participate in various educational, cultural and recreational activities. He is the son of Kaye and Mary Wilson.

**ON THE JOB**  
 Shellie Elliott, Amy Stempin, Shannon Ostrowski, and Jordan Mason of Canton were among 51 University of Michigan-Dearborn students to have gained practical on-the-job experience during the summer semester in positions

related to their career goals, through the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters cooperative education program.

**DEAN'S LIST**  
 Courtney Sheldon of Canton was named to the dean's list at Kettering University for the summer semester. She is the daughter of Terry and Diane Sheldon.  
 Leslie A. Gischt of Canton was named to the dean's list at Northern Michigan University for the winter semester.  
 Mark E. Warmbier of Plymouth graduated from Calvin College this spring. He is the son of

Paul and Sue Warmbier and a graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy.

**SCHOLARSHIP WINNER**  
 The Gamma Gamma chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, a local professional women educators group, has awarded \$11,000 in college scholarships this fall to Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem graduates who are pursuing degrees in education. Dana Lobelle, a 1999 Plymouth-Canton graduate, was named this year's recipient. She was selected based on her grades, personal essay, and letters of recommendations. Ms. Lobelle will be attending Albion College and is pursuing a degree in elementary education.

# 19th-century women leave their mark on American art

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Artist Marion Wachtel exhibited her work in watercolors even though her oils were much better.

Impressionist artist Donna Schuster could have doubled the price of her work had she been a man.

Agnes Pelton didn't make a great living as an abstract artist, so she had a survival job painting portraits and landscapes.

Their artwork and that of other female artists of the late 1800s and 1900s was the topic of conversation at the first of the Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center's three-part fall luncheon series.

Chris Melikan of Melvindale, a professional artist, art critic and lecturer, introduced his audience to American women artists who delved into impressionism, abstraction and realism but took a back seat to their male counterparts.

While the 20th century woman has aimed at equal status with her male counterpart, some of the artists chose a different route.

"Marion Wachtel exhibited in watercolors because her oils were much better than her husband's," he explained. "And critics knew she would overshadow him."

Born in 1876, Wachtel joined with other artists from California in doing plein air - or outdoor - painting. A part of the California impressionist movement, her work had "a poetic feeling that set her apart" from others, Melikan said.

Another impressionist painter was Donna Schuster. Born in 1883, she graduated with honors from the Art Institute of Chicago and also studied at the Boston Museum School and with



Brush strokes: A professional artist, art critic and lecturer, Chris Melikan poses in front of his painting of a tiger in his studio.

William Merritt Chase, the father of American impressionism.

"She was a very, very good artist, one of my favorites," said Melikan. "She could find beauty in three red peppers on a table. She found the beauty of light touching a mundane scene. 'My Front Steps' is more about light than about her front porch."

Schuster didn't make a great living as an artist and "could have doubled the price of her work if she had been a man," according to Melikan. She died in 1953, killed in a brush fire while trying to save her dogs.

Born two years before Schuster, Agnes Pelton saw art in a different way. She favored abstracts that were "very radical and very full of symbolism."

"She was the lady who didn't get the recognition that Georgia O'Keeffe got," Melikan said. "Her oil paintings were such that they almost looked like they were air-

brushed."

Somewhat peculiar, Pelton moved into the Hayground windmill on Long Island and made it into her studio. It was "her mystical house that reached into heaven," Melikan said.

Like Schuster, she didn't make a great living doing abstracts, so she had a survival job doing portraits and landscapes.

A contemporary of Schuster and Pelton, Jesse Arms Botke is the artist who influenced Melikan's work.

"I like her use of animals in her work," he said. "They are a bit stylized, but what I like about her work is that the animals are elevated to a higher status. They're realistic up to a point."

Melikan also praised her "tremendous technical skill," pointing to one her paintings that included 50 accurately depicted flowers in a vase.

Another student of Chase was

Kate Freeman Clark, who did so well her artwork was among the 9,000 pieces exhibited at the Columbia Exposition in 1893.

Born in 1876, she found she had to market her work as Freeman Clark to make a living, but gave up her entire career to care for her grandmother.

"She could have made a lot of money," said Melikan. "They found 1,000 paintings that never were exhibited after her grandmother died. She had painted on cigar boxes, cardboard."

Melikan contrasted his 19th century artists with 20th century artist Janet Monafó. Born in 1940 in Boston, Monafó deals with realism, creating 6- to 8-foot-tall pieces in pastels.

A lot of her still life deals with people's ability to recycle what they make, Melikan said. She also likes to contrast that with natural things and deal with the gaudiness of today's products, Melikan said.

Of one Monafó's works, a self-portrait, Melikan noted that "it has a lot to say about women and about women's role in society. She doesn't look like she'd take a back seat to her husband."

In looking at the artists, Melikan also gave his audience a short introduction to art:

■ The better way to display art is in a rectangular format. The picture tends to be presented in thirds - one-third ground and two-thirds sky or vice-versa.

A square format has half sky, half ground and tends to be more static. It also puts the focus of interest in the center of the picture, making it confrontational.

■ There is no white paint in watercolors. Artists must conceive color in reverse, painting darks around lights.

■ Pastels paints are pure pigment packed into chalk. While working in pastels is quick,

they're more fragile and tend to smudge. They also need to be displayed behind glass and sprayed with a fixative.

The luncheon series continues on Friday, Nov. 12, when Carroll Jackson of the Upshaw Institute of the Blind and his dog, Jack, will give an overview of vision loss services, new technology to overcome vision loss, the mobility issue and white canes.

The series concludes on Dec. 3

with Mary Lee O'Bryan of the Detroit Institute of Arts. O'Bryan will present a slide show on "Angels and Their Counterparts."

The luncheon is held in the Waterman Campus Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Hagerty Road, Livonia. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$14 each and can be reserved through Nov. 9 by calling the Women's Resource Center at (734) 462-4443.

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RELIGIOUS NEWS

Listings for the Religious News should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

FAITH CELEBRATION

The father-and-son team of Tommy Oats and J.T. Oats will lead Memorial Church of Christ's Faith Celebration Friday-Sunday, Oct. 29-31. The celebration will begin at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, with a dinner theater production of "Star Queen," a musical drama based on the life of the biblical Queen Esther, presented by the Oatses. A prayer breakfast for the entire family will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, with activities closing that day with a message by the father and son at 7 p.m. On Sunday, Oct. 31, the celebration will conclude with preaching by Tommy and music by J.T. at the 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. worship services.

All activities are free, with reservations encouraged for the Friday and Saturday events. Memorial Church of Christ is at 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. For more information or to make reservations, call (734) 464-8722.

HALLOWEEN DANCE

Detroit Area Catholic Singles will have a Halloween dance 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at St. Edith Parish, Newburgh south of Five Mile, Livonia. Costumes are a must, and there will be prizes - \$50 for first place, \$30 for second place and dinner for two for third place. The \$8 admission will include pop, pizza and goodies. For more information, call Pat at (313) 277-6083, Bill at (734) 641-2398, Joanne at (734) 591-0258 or Jane at (734) 284-8958.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Looking for a safe party alternative to Halloween? Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church will have a fall harvest festival 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the church, 33445 Warren Road, Westland. There will be hayrides, pumpkin painting, games, cider and doughnuts. Children will trick or treat in the parking lot. For more information, call the church at (734) 458-7301.

ANGELS NIGHT

The third annual Angels Night for children in Redford will be Saturday, Oct. 30, beginning at Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, 26121 W. Six Mile. Costume judging will be at 6:15 p.m., with the official start of trick-or-treating at businesses along Six Mile at 6:30 p.m. Parents are asked to bring children early enough for registration. For more information, call (313) 537-3778.

FAMILY HARVEST PARTY

Calvary Baptist Church will host a family harvest party 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the church, 43065 Joy, between Liley and Morton Taylor, Canton. Children and their families looking for a safe alternative to trick or treating are invited to enjoy fun, games and lots of candy. Children can come dressed as farmers, scarecrows, animals, fruit, vegetables or anything in a harvest theme. For more information, call the church at (734) 455-0022.

CREATION CELEBRATION

Merriman Road Baptist Church will sponsor a Creation celebration 4:45-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City. Children in the sixth grade and younger may join in a fun-filled evening, celebrating God's wonderful creation. There will be carnival games, treats and prizes. For more information, call the church office at (734) 421-0472.

GIFT-A-RAMA

St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church will have a Gift-A-Rama

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the church, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. There will be vendors, food and a raffle. Admission will be \$2.

THE GATHERING

Bonniebell and Smiggins the Clowns will be the special guests at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at The Gathering at Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia.

The mother-and-daughter team will present a Christian message for young and old alike. Children can come dressed in Bible-character costumes. At 7 p.m., participants will be invited into Arensman Hall, where treat bags will be given out. There also will be face painting for the children; the clowns will make balloon animals, and refreshments will be served.

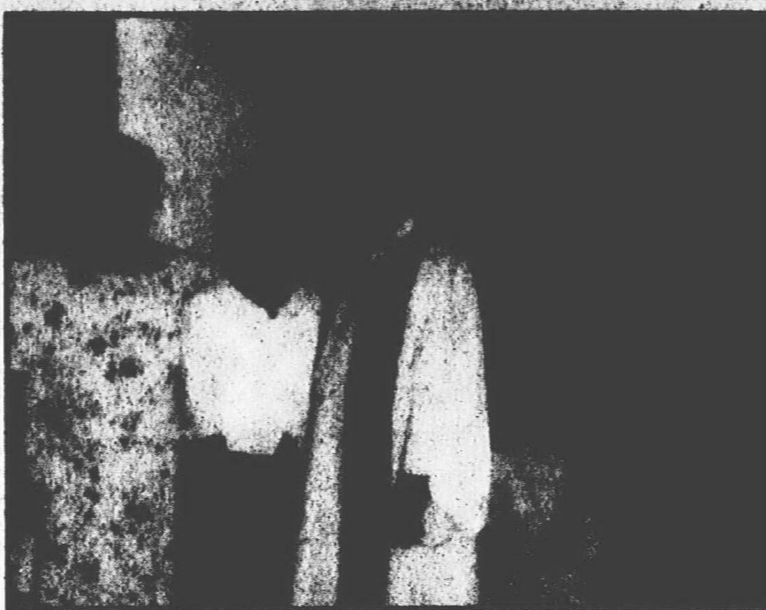
Reservations are requested and can be made by calling the church office at (248) 474-3444.

UNICEF COLLECTION

The children of Newburg United Methodist Church will carry the orange UNICEF boxes when trick or treating on Sunday, Oct. 31. People are asked to give to the worthy cause. The money will be sent directly to the (United Nations Children's Fund).

SQUARE DANCE LESSONS

Square dance classes will be offered at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, 6 and 15, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 37775 Palmer, Westland. The cost is a



New members: The Rev. Lawrence Wit (center), pastor of Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church in Redford, welcomes new congregation members (from left) Susan Kacsmark, Stephanie Petsch, Karen Lamb and Ron Bosak.

\$3 donation per class. There also will be dinner and square dancing at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20. The donation is \$15 per person. Proceeds will benefit the youth for the annual mission trip. For more information, call Jann at (734) 722-1735.

MOPS GROUP

The Plymouth Baptist Church holds Mothers of Preschoolers meetings 9:15-11:30 a.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the

month at the church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth.

Mothers with their children, kindergarten age and younger, may attend. Child care is provided. For more information, call the church at (734) 453-5534.

SPIRIT OF THE CROSS

St. Theodore Church's prayer group, Spirit of the Cross, will have Deacon Bruce Simpson, an evangelist from Florida, as a

guest speaker at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, in the church social hall, 8300 Wayne, Westland. The theme of the evening is "Thanksgiving and Praise Rally." For more information, call Margaret at (734) 427-9125, John at (734) 429-5511 or Jess at (734) 425-6264.

ST. THERESA'S VISIT

The relics of St. Therese of Lisieux, the French Carmelite nun, will come to the Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak, for a one-day visit Wednesday, Nov. 3.

Masses, confessions, veneration, a holy hour and veppers have been scheduled throughout the day at the church, northeast corner of Woodward Avenue and call (248) 541-4122.

The relics are encased in a box of jacaranda wood and gilded silver. The stop at the Shrine of the Little Flower is the only visit to the Detroit area in a world tour.

The visit is being sponsored by the five Carmelite Provinces in the United States.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Warren Gilbert will discuss "Managing Memories" when New Beginnings, a grief support group, meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia.

The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need.

For more information, call the church office at (734) 429-6964, Marilyn Wilkerson at (248) 389-7908, or Rosemary Kline at (734) 462-5770.

COMMON WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will observe World Community Day on Friday, Nov. 5, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16300 Hubbard, Livonia. The program, "God's Passionate Love," will be at 12:45 p.m. and will feature Bonniebell the clown. For babysitting reservations, call Amy Sherman at (313) 587-5251 by Nov. 2.

MILLENNIUM DINNER-DANCE

The Irish Pallottine Fathers will hold a Millennium Mission dinner-dance Saturday, Nov. 6, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy, Westland. Cocktails will be at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. and dancing to the music of Brian Bonar and His Arranmore Band until 1 a.m. Tickets cost \$40 each and are available by calling Eileen Penn at (248) 349-6521, John Wisley at (248) 681-5736 or the Pallottine Fathers at (734) 285-2966.

AIDS MASS

St. Theodore of Canterbury Catholic Community will host an AIDS healing and anointing Mass for people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call the church at 425-4421.



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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Steelers roll

The Plymouth-Canton Steelers got 22 points from Michael Jones and two other touchdowns from Corey Walsler in dispatching the Redskins in a Junior Football League game Sunday. Jones scored on a 75-yard run, returned a kickoff more than 50 yards for a TD, and was 5-for-5 on two-point conversion kicks.

Walsler had a 55-yard scoring run, and Steve Howey added a TD run. Michael Kerul, Jones, Walsler, Ryan Runde, Lester Booker, Andy Case and Jake Powers all played well defensively. Powers also shone brightly at quarterback for the Steelers, now 6-1.

The Steeler junior varsity played evenly with the unbeaten Redskins until late in the third quarter, when Walter Allen scored the game's first touchdown for the 'Skins.

That ultimately ignited them to a 19-0 victory over the Steelers, who got good performances offensively from Charles Schumacher and David Koltunchik and strong defensive play from Matthew Czajkowski, Robert Kelly, Jeff Lake and Greg Marrone.

The Steeler freshmen got a second-half touchdown run of 30 yards from Deshon McClendon and the defense made it stand up in a 6-0 victory over the Redskins. Dalton Walsler and Devin Murphy also had strong offensive games; Alex Neuman recovered a fumble late in the game to spark the defense.

Troy Sutherland, Paul Kanaan, Cameron Falsetti and Michael Bashawaty also played well defensively as the Steelers improved to 5-2.

### Ambassadors rally

A pair of disappointing losses earlier last week were avenged on Saturday by the Compuware Ambassadors, who ended Springfield's unbeaten status with a 4-3 triumph at the Nelson Center in Springfield, Ill. Andy Bozoiian's goal with 16 seconds left in regulation was the game-winner for the Ambassadors, who lost 4-1 to Springfield on Friday.

Craig Kowalski was in goal for the victory, collecting 20 saves. Compuware is 6-4 for the season.

### Lions blank Railsplitters

Led by a tenacious defensive effort, the Canton Lions varsity blanked the Lincoln Park Railsplitters 31-0 Sunday to improving their record to 7-0 in Junior Football League play.

The Lions, who clinched the division title with the win, were led defensively by Bobby Pollard, Aaron Bachand and Jason Kenison. Each had an interception. Tailback Drew Amble led the offensive charge, scoring on runs of 13 and 43 yards. Jensen Killgrove and Kenison also scored for the Lions.

The Lions close their regular season against their cross-town rivals, the Plymouth Steelers, Saturday.

The Lions junior varsity squad rolled to a 20-0 victory over the Railsplitters JV Sunday, improving its record to 7-0. Tailback Julian Smith scored all three Lion TD's, reaching paydirt from 26, 24 and 12 yards out.

Sean Downey and Eric Fishwick recovered fumbles for the Lions' defense. Johnathan Wood, Tom Freeman, Nathan Rzeppa, Chris Drabicki and Dominique Fischer also excelled defensively for the winners.

The Canton Lions freshmen contingent dropped a hard-fought 32-12 decision to the Railsplitters Sunday. The Lions fell behind 25-0 in the first quarter before outplaying the home team the final three quarters.

Chris Fischer scored the Lions' first TD on a 27-yard run while quarterback Darren DeFranceschi snuck over from the 1-yard line for the final tally. Other standouts for the Lions were Kevin Tykoaki, Nick Dunleavy, John West and Brett Fennelly.

### Good Counsel falls

Our Lady of Good Counsel's dream of a Catholic Youth Organization football title fell 25 seconds short when St. Anne's of Warren scored with that much time left to nip OLCG 23-16 in the CYO title game Saturday at the Pontiac Silverdome.

OLCG finished 8-1; St. Anne's was 9-0.

OLCG built a 16-0 lead with a pair of second-quarter touchdowns, the first scored on a 35-yard Brendan Buckley-to-Bryan Kisabeth pass play and the second on a 46-yard interception return by Buckley. Nick Posa booted both two-point conversions.

# Salem secures WLAA championship

Last week were the final exams. This week is the icing for Plymouth Salem's basketball team, which wrapped up the WLAA championship by blasting Walled Lake Western Tuesday. Now comes the post-season.

Any time an undefeated team plays a team with one win, it should prevail.

And to the credit of the Plymouth Salem girls basketball team, it did.

Salem went to Walled Lake Western on Tuesday night and came home with a 49-30 victory.

"We had a pretty nice first half," Coach Fred Thomann of the Rocks said after his team scored 12 and 17 points

in the first two quarters while holding the Warriors to seven and three.

"We had an outstanding second quarter," Thomann said. "That is what was just a matter of closing out the game."

"We had balanced scoring across the board. Nine of our 10 players scored. It was a workman-like performance."

Mary Lou Liebaw led Salem (15-1) with 10 points, Tiffany Grubbaugh scored eight and Monica Mair and

Kelly Jaskot each netted seven to help the Rocks win the WLAA title with a 10-0 record.

Walled Lake Western (8-13) got eight points each from Kristen Burgess and Carey Coomer as it lost for the ninth time in 10 WLAA outings.

Canton 55, Stevenson 28: Make that seven-straight.

Since opening the WLAA season at 1-2, Plymouth Canton has rattled off seven wins in a row — counting Tuesday's lopsided triumph over visiting Livonia Stevenson.

The victory raised the Chiefs' record to 11-5 overall, 8-2 in the WLAA.

Stevenson is 6-8 overall, 4-6 in the WLAA.

Including tonight's final regular-season game at Walled Lake Western — the WLAA Tournament begins Tuesday — the last three weeks have featured opponents who have been much of a challenge for Canton. Their average margin of victory in their last five games is 29 points.

But there is something to be gained or so Chiefs' coach Bob Blohm believes.

"We're making real progress here," he said after his team's lopsided win over Stevenson. "I like what I see. Our defense is more consistent, we

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12:31 to go, and with just three seconds left, Salem's Steve Rust headed a ball over Rocks keeper Jeff Kover. (Left) Salem's Steve Rust (left) scored three goals.

The win boosted Salem's record to 10-1-2, and was the Rocks seventh-straight shutout. Keeper Tavis Palazzoni, who was challenged just once —

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# Crusaders set sights on WHAC title

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two goals, Gibson scoring them (giving her 14 for the season) and Delaney assisting on both.

That made it 2-0 at the half, which is the way it stayed until Megan Thiry netted her eighth goal of the season with five minutes left, Delaney picking up her third assist of the match.

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Key player: Melissa Jacobs (white jersey) is the anchor for Madonna's defense.

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# Whalers win 2 of 3 on road trip



One second. That's all that separated the Plymouth Whalers from an undefeated week. Last Thursday they visited North Bay and handed the Centennials a 4-1

defeat in an Ontario Hockey League game. On Friday the Whalers traveled to Sudbury to go up against the Wolves, a team struggling even more than Plymouth. And it seemed the Whalers would prolong those problems for the Wolves when Randy Fitzgerald scored with 2:49 left in the game, knotting the score at 2-all.

But it wasn't meant to be for Plymouth. Brian McGrattan scored his first goal of the season at the 19:59 mark — with one second left — to give Sudbury a 3-2 triumph.

The goal ruined a Whaler rally that saw them overcome an early 2-0 Wolves lead. Steven Morris narrowed the deficit to 2-1 with 26 seconds left in the first period, scoring a power-play goal set up by Shaun Fisher and Kevin Holdridge.

Fitzgerald's goal, his third of the season,

was unassisted. Rob Zepp made 29 stops in goal for Plymouth. Mike Gorman had the same number for Sudbury.

The Whalers didn't waste any time agonizing over the defeat. On Sunday, they traveled to Sault Ste. Marie to take on the Greyhounds in a game that could put the Hounds in first place in the OHL's West Division.

But Plymouth wasn't in a generous mood, not after that loss at Sudbury. Stephen Weiss scored two goals, giving him a team-high (together with Tomas Kurka) six for the season, to catapult the Whalers to a 3-1 triumph.

Plymouth carries a 5-7-1 record into this Friday's home game against the Sarnia Sting. Game time is 7:30 p.m. at Compuware Arena. Sault Ste. Marie, which will have a rematch against the Whalers at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Compuware, fell to 7-4-1, one point behind the first-place Windsor Spitfires.

Damian Surma netted his fifth goal of the season at the 16:48 mark of the first period to put the Whalers up 1-0. Julian Smith assisted.

Weiss' first goal, unassisted, at the 12:06

mark of the second period increased Plymouth's advantage to 2-0. The Greyhounds' Cory Pecker narrowed the gap to 2-1 at the 10:01 mark of the final period, but it took Weiss just nine seconds to reestablish the Whalers' two-goal cushion with his second goal, assisted by Justin Williams.

Aaron Melnar earned his first victory in goal of the season, allowing one goal and making 21 stops for Plymouth. Jason Flick made 23 saves for Sault Ste. Marie.

Last Thursday at North Bay, the Whalers erupted with four unanswered goals in the second period to bury the Centennials. Zepp was in goal for Plymouth, but he faced just 12 shots. By comparison, North Bay goalie Alex Auld was pelted with 30 shots.

Kurka scored the Whalers' first goal, assisted by Williams, at the 3:38 mark. Surma made it 2-0 at 10:01; assists went to Smith and Steven Morris.

Smith's third goal of the season, assisted by Surma and Jamie LaLonde, and Kevin Holdridge's second, assisted by Kurka and Kristopher Vernaraky, increased the Whaler lead to 4-0. Lorne Misita ruined Zepp's shutout bid early in the third period, scoring his first goal of the season.

# Shorthanded PCA 2nd at MIAC meet

Sometimes a team has to make do with what it has. And at Tuesday's Michigan Independent Athletic Conference boys cross country meet at Cass Benton, Plymouth Christian Academy had enough to do darn well.

Of course, PCA cross country coach Steve Bauslaugh would have liked to have his entire team at his disposal, but five of his better runners are key members of the PCA soccer team, and the Eagles had a Division IV district tournament match Tuesday against Ann Arbor Greenhills.

Still, PCA had enough to finish second in the five-team meet with 51 points. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian won the meet



with 37; Bloomfield Hills Roper was third (59), followed by Southfield Christian (83) and Southfield Franklin Road (120).

"We wanted to go out and break up their front pack," Bauslaugh said in defining PCA's strategy. "Mike Huntsman did his job — he was in first place (overall) after one mile. But we couldn't quite manage it."

Huntsman finished fifth overall in 19:28. Next best for PCA was Nate Worley, seventh (19:46); Mark Varney, eighth

(19:49); Nic Roupas, 15th (20:52); and Mike Atkinson, 16th (21:12).

Other Eagle finishers were Jeff Crandall, 21st (22:21) and Andrew Cannon, 24th (22:41).

The meet's overall winner was Southfield Christian's Phil Jessman (18:17).

Oakland Christian's top three runners — Justin Joyner, Nathan Flood and Brett Darling — finished second, fourth and sixth, respectively.

"I know we're capable of beating Oakland Christian when we have everyone there," said Bauslaugh. "But when you have a

small school, these kinds of things happen. Your top athletes play two sports in the same season."

The PCA soccer team, by the way, beat Greenhills 2-1.

In the MIAC girls cross country meet, Southfield Christian prevailed, scoring 19 points; Jessie Lair led the winners, finishing first overall in 20:02. Oakland Christian was second with 47 points.

PCA did not have a team entry, but the single Eagle to run in the girls meet — Lauren Wheelock — finished seventh overall in 22:26.

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However, Larson warned it must improve even more if the Crusaders are to challenge for the WHAC crown. "We're going to have to play a lot more solid in the back, especially in the last third of the field," he said.

"After the fact, after a team

makes a run at us, we know what we should have done. What we need to do is react immediately to make a situation better for us."

The youth of the Madonna squad is part of the concern. Melissa Jacobs (from Livonia

Stevenson) anchors the defense at middle back; she's joined by Emily Neiiendam (Plymouth Canton) and Susan Hill (Livonia Churchill).

If that defense comes together, Madonna might make some noise in the WHAC Tournament.

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# Spartans seek Shamrocks' scalp

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Livonia Stevenson and Redford Catholic Central met once before in the state football playoffs and the Shamrocks escaped with a 14-6 victory.

The two teams meet again in the first round of the Division I state playoffs at 1 p.m. Saturday at Hilbert Junior High.

As they were in 1995, the Shamrocks are heavy favorites, bringing a 9-0 record and No. 1 state ranking into the post-season.

The Spartans are 7-2 after a 6-0 start which included a 20-6 victory in week six against state playoff qualifier Westland John Glenn.

The Shamrocks rolled to a 31-12 victory over Birmingham Brother Rice in last Saturday's Prep Bowl at the Silverdome, but CC coach Tom Mach said there is no overlooking the Spartans. CC has a significant advantage in size across both lines but Stevenson's versatile offensive backfield and speed on defense has Mach concerned.

"They are very good defensively and get to the ball really well," Mach said. "They can cause a lot of problems with their defensive alignment. They put eight players in the box, sometimes nine, and we'll have to try to

loosen them up with the pass. Last week we played error free in the first half and technique wise executed very well. Hopefully that translates as momentum into the playoffs."

Though Stevenson plays in the Western Lakes Activities Association and CC in the Catholic League, this is a rivalry game of sorts as several players on each team know another.

"It's a local school and kids know each other - both teams will be well prepared," Mach said. "That 1995 game was a real tough game and either team could have won. We know we're in for a real battle. They are well coached."

Stevenson's offensive backfield features fullback John Van Buren and tailback Dan Wilson.

"The tailback is quick and the fullback can come in and hurt you," Mach said.

CC's defense is led by tackle Mike Morris, a 6-foot-2, 275-pound senior, with 41 1/2 tackles, including 3 1/2 sacks. Senior defensive end Jeff Moore also has 3 1/2 sacks and junior defensive back Mark Willoughby leads

with six interceptions. The Shamrocks have three shutouts and have allowed only seven points per game.

"Once you get in the playoffs, games are won in the trenches," said Morris, an all-state candidate playing with a cast over a broken thumb.

Junior cornerback Mike Sgroi has a team-high 41 tackles and also has kicked six field goals, four of them over 40 with a best of 49.

CC senior John Kava, who leads the Shamrocks' ground game with 1,122 yards in 169 carries (6.6 average) with 12 touchdowns at tailback, has 39 tackles and one sack at linebacker.

Senior fullback Mike Wilk is averaging 3.9 yards per carry with 427 yards in 109 attempts and 11 TDs.

Senior quarterback John Hill had one of his better games passing last week, completing four of seven passes for 83 yards, including a 56-yard touchdown pass to junior tight end Matt Loidas.

Hill has completed 23 of 63 passes for 296 yards, with five touchdowns and no interceptions.

"We hope to loosen them up with the pass - we hope to loosen everyone up with the pass," Mach said.

## PREP FOOTBALL PREDISTRICT STATE PLAYOFF FOOTBALL PAIRINGS

### DIVISION I-REGION II

Friday, Oct. 29  
John Glenn at Monroe, 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 30  
Redford CC vs. Stevenson at RU's Kraft Field, 1 p.m.

### DIVISION II-REGION 3

Friday, Oct. 29  
Farmington at Novi, 7:30 p.m.  
Wyandotte at Garden City, 7:30 p.m.

### DIVISION III-REGION III

Friday, Oct. 29  
Thurston at Allen Park, 7:30 p.m.

### DIVISION III-REGION IV

Saturday, Oct. 30  
B.H. Andover at Harrison, 1 p.m.

### DIVISION VI-REGION IV

Friday, Oct. 29  
Clinton at Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.

### DIVISION VIII-REGION IV

Friday, Oct. 29  
St. Agatha vs. Bishop Gallagher at Roseville Memorial Field, 7:30 p.m.

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PLYMOUTH CANTON (host)

Saturday, Oct. 30: Final at Canton, noon. (Winner to Kalamazoo Central vs. Grandville district champion).

### WAYNE MEMORIAL (host)

Friday, Oct. 29: Final at Wayne Memorial, 4 p.m. (Winner to regional site to be determined vs. Novi district champion).

### UNIV. OF DETROIT-JESUIT (host)

Saturday, Oct. 30: Final at U-D Jesuit, 11 a.m. (Winner to regional site to be determined vs. Temperance-Redford district champion).

### DIVISION II

#### FARMINGTON HIGH (host)

Friday, Oct. 29: Final at Farmington High, 7 p.m. (Winner to Eaton Rapids regional vs. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern district champion).

### DIVISION IV

#### D.H. FAIRLANE CHRISTIAN (host)

Thursday, Oct. 28: C-D winner at A-B winner, 4 p.m.; G-H winner at E-F winner, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 30: Final at Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian, 3 p.m. (Winner to Southfield Christian regional vs. Lake Fenton district champion).

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

#### Thursday, Oct. 28

Garden City at Redford Union, 7 p.m.  
Thurston at Dearborn, 7 p.m.

Wayne at Taylor Kennedy, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Salem, 7 p.m.

Canton at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at Farmington, 7 p.m.

Harrison at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
Churchill at Northville, 7 p.m.

John Glenn vs. N. Farmington at Our Lady of Sorrows, 7 p.m.

### MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

#### Saturday, Oct. 30

Rio Grande vs. Madonna at Livonia Ladywood, 2 p.m. (NUCAA Regional at Lakeland, Ohio)

Kellogg vs. Lakeland, 1 p.m.

Schoolcraft vs. Cuyahoga vs. Cincinnati St. winner, 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 31  
Final at Lakeland, (Ohio) 11 a.m.

### WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

#### Thursday, Oct. 28

Schoolcraft at Cornerstone, TBA.

#### Saturday, Oct. 30

Schoolcraft at O.L. St. Mary's, 1 p.m.

Spring Arbor vs. Madonna, WHAC quarterfinal, TBA.

### WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

#### Thursday, Oct. 28

Wayne Co. at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.

Cornerstone at Madonna, 7 p.m.

#### Friday, Oct. 29

(Big Game Classic at St. Francis, Ill.)

Madonna vs. St. Mary's (Neb.), 4 p.m.

Madonna vs. Bethel (Ind.), 6:15 p.m.

#### Saturday, Oct. 30

(Big Game Classic at St. Francis, Ill.)

Madonna vs. Dordt College, 1:15 p.m.  
Madonna vs. St. Francis, 3:30 p.m.

### ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

#### Friday, Oct. 29

Sarnia vs. Ply. Whalers at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, Oct. 30

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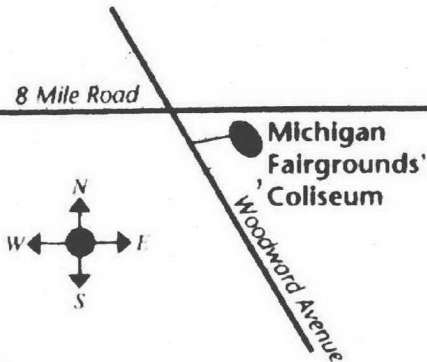
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200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY

(state cut: 1:56.79) Farmington Hills Mercy 1:50.38 Livonia Stevenson 1:52.82 North Farmington 1:58.32 Plymouth Salem 1:59.77 Plymouth Canton 2:01.18 200-YARD FREESTYLE (state cut: 2:01.09) Amy McCullough (Mercy) 1:54.16 Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 1:57.46 Angela Simetkosky (Churchill) 1:57.69 Kristin Lorida (Mercy) 1:58.61 Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 1:59.27 Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 1:59.40 Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 2:00.07 Lindsay Feters (Harrison) 2:00.95 Katie Clark (Stevenson) 2:01.10 Michele Aristeo (Stevenson) 2:01.75

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(state cut: 26.39) Amy McCullough (Mercy) 24.51 Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 24.73 Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 25.34 Jeni Blacklock (Mercy) 25.36 Lindsay McElean (N. Farmington) 25.46 Erin Downs (Mercy) 25.51 Jessica Makowski (Stevenson) 25.65 Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 25.84 Katie Benedict (Mercy) 25.88 Emily Howard (Mercy) 25.94

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200-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY

(state cut: 1:43.99) Farmington Hills Mercy 1:40.43 Livonia Stevenson 1:43.17 North Farmington 1:45.00 Plymouth Salem 1:47.72 Plymouth Canton 1:50.28

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400-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY

(state cut: 3:49.89) Farmington Hills Mercy 3:35.27 Livonia Stevenson 3:48.02 North Farmington 3:48.33 Plymouth Salem 3:57.23 Farmington Harrison 4:02.12

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Center: Larry Bigger, 6-2, 235, Sr., Walled Lake Western. Interior line: Jason Tueni, 5-11, 240, Sr., Walled Lake Western; Nick Samples, 6-6, 260, Jr., Westland John Glenn; Chris Lebeis, 6-2, 260, Jr., Northville; Josh Boyd, 5-10, 175, Sr., Farmington. Tight end: Brian Nelson, 6-2, 175, Sr., Farmington Hills Harrison. Wide receiver: Brian Lafer, 6-1, 175, Sr., North Farmington; Ian Riley, 6-2, 175, Sr., Plymouth Canton. Quarterback: Grant Weber, 5-9, 180 Sr., Farmington. Running back: Kevin Woods, 5-9, 182, Sr., Farmington Hills Harrison; Cody Cargill, 6-0, 205, Sr., Walled Lake Western; Eric Jones, 5-11, 190, Sr., Westland John Glenn. ALL-CONFERENCE DEFENSE Down linemen: Kyle Domagalski, 6-2, 205 Sr., Farmington; Kent Taylor, 6-2, 230, Sr., Farmington Hills Harrison; Dominic Frede, 5-9, 200 Sr., Livonia Stevenson. End-outside linebacker: Brian Brinsden, 6-2, 238, Sr., Farmington; James King, 6-1, 190, Sr., Walled Lake Western. Linebacker: John Van Buren, 6-0, 212, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; Jake Tharp, 6-3, 235, Sr., Westland John Glenn; Steve Jameson, 6-2, 195, Sr., Northville. Back: Nick Hall, 6-2, 200, Sr., Farmington

Hills Harrison; Brandon Garlack, 5-8, 180, Sr., Livonia Churchill; Lorenzo Parker, 5-10, 175, Sr., Walled Lake Western. Specialist: Jeremy Catarino, 5-11, 140, Sr., Westland John Glenn. ALL-LAKES DIVISION OFFENSE Center: Paul Lindsay, 6-4, 260, Sr., Walled Lake Central. Interior linemen: John McFarland, 5-10, 185, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; Jim Walker, 5-10, 227, Sr., Westland John Glenn; Brian Davies, 6-6, 205, Sr., Farmington; Mike Pilon, 6-0, 199, Sr., Livonia Stevenson. Tight end: Justin Milus, 6-4, 245, Sr., Farmington. Wide receiver: Dan Smitherman, 5-10, 167, Jr., Westland John Glenn; Ryan Cook, 6-0, 165, Sr., Plymouth Salem. Quarterback: Matt Fair, 6-0, 190, Sr., Plymouth Salem. Running back: Dan Wilson, 5-8, 150, Jr., Livonia Stevenson; Andy Koccoloski, 5-11, 170, Sr., Plymouth Salem; Gabe Coble, 6-1, 185, Sr., Plymouth Salem. ALL-LAKES DIVISION DEFENSE Down linemen: David Holloway, 5-11, 205, Sr., Westland John Glenn; Scott Ryczer, 5-9, 205, Sr., Farmington; Archie Kinney, 5-6, 155, Sr., Plymouth Salem. End-outside linebacker: Dan Fedulchak, 6-0, 200, Sr., Westland John Glenn; Tim Baugher, 5-11, 185, Sr., Livonia Stevenson. Linebacker: David Lewandowski, 6-2, 235, Sr., Westland John Glenn; Rory Crittenden, 6-1, 185, Sr., Farmington; Jason Lukaski, 6-1,

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# Crusaders stop Cougars

Maybe this will all work out for the better.

Madonna University's men's soccer team solidified its hold on third place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference with a 3-2 victory over Spring Arbor Saturday at Livonia's Whitman Field. Madonna improved to 12-5-1 overall, 8-4-1 in the WHAC; the Cougars are 5-11 overall, 4-9 in the WHAC.

What made this victory significant was that the Crusaders managed it without their All-American candidate, forward Sam Piraine, who was responsible for nearly 70 percent of Madonna's goals before suffering a leg injury.

The injury, a suspected muscle strain, should not prevent

Piraine from playing in Saturday's first round of the WHAC playoffs. Depending on Wednesday's results, Madonna will open at home against either Spring Arbor or Indiana Tech.

Last Saturday against the Cougars, Madonna twice thwarted comeback attempts. Seamus Rustin filled the offensive gap created by Piraine's absence, scoring two goals — including the game-winner in the 73rd minute — and assisting on a third.

Finding offense from a source other than Piraine can only help the Crusaders come tournament

time. Rustin opened the scoring by finishing a play started by Joe Suchara (from Livonia Stevenson) 10 minutes into the match. Spring Arbor tied it at 1-1 12 minutes later on a goal by Steve Graetz.

Madonna reassumed the lead at the 35-minute mark on a goal by Matt Buzewski, assisted by Rustin. But the Cougars again answered, knotting it at 2-2 with five minutes left in the half on a goal by Western Selent.

Rustin's game-winner was the only score of the second half; Adam Purcell assisted.

Dave Hart made three saves in goal for Madonna. Pat Nalley had 11 for the Cougars.

# Madonna sweeps Concordia

Madonna University set up a showdown for first place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tuesday by knocking off visiting Concordia College, 15-12, 15-1, 15-3.

Madonna, which improved to 8-1 in the WHAC and 25-9 overall, will play Cornerstone, 7 tonight at home in a battle for first place.

Brandy Malewski (Redford Thurston) led the Lady Crusaders with 11 kills, two blocks and five block assists, while Stephanie Uballe had nine kills and three block assists.

Concordia fell to 7-20 and is winless in nine WHAC games.

## Lady Ocelots triumph

Schoolcraft's tough non-conference schedule continued to pay dividends Tuesday in a 15-6, 15-

3, 15-13 win over Macomb CC.

Nicole Boyd (Livonia Franklin), who hit a .364 clip, led the Lady Ocelots (18-20, 10-3 Eastern Conference of the MCCA) with 16 kills. Lauren Ruprecht (Livonia Churchill) added nine kills and three blocks.

Rebekah Thornton (Livonia Ladywood) and Cindy Maloof each added 10 digs, while Toni Forynski had three blocks.

Setter Jennifer Laidlaw (Churchill), subbing for the injured Danielle Wensing (Livonia Franklin), had 32 assists.

SC's trip last weekend to the Illinois Central Tournament resulted in 1-5 record.

On Friday, Schoolcraft opened

the tourney by losing to Jefferson CC (Mo.) 15-9, 10-15, 15-8 followed by a 15-13, 15-10 triumph over Kirkwood (Mo.).

Saturday's competition, however, resulted in four-straight losses: to Northeast College (Norfolk, Neb.) 15-8, 15-12; to Indian Hills CC (Ill.) 15-10, 15-7; to Eastern Conference rival Mott 15-2, 15-7; and to host ICC 15-7, 15-7.

Boyd led SC in kills in the tournament with 54 along with 14 digs. Ruprecht contributed 53 kills and 35 digs, while Maloof had 12 kills, three service aces, nine blocks and 36 digs.

Amanda Yaklin contributed a team-best 54 digs, while Thornton had five aces and 33 digs, and Wensing finished with 115 assists-to-kills, 10 aces and 37 digs.

## Soccer referees

Training for new soccer referees will be held in the Auto Nation USA community room from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on four consecutive Saturdays: Jan. 29, Feb. 5, Feb. 12 and Feb. 19. Those interested must attend all four sessions.

You must be at least 12 years old to take this class. To register, send your name, social security number and a check for \$43 made payable to the Michigan Referee Committee to 9115 Muirland, Plymouth, MI, 48170. Class size is limited.

For further information, call (734) 454-7335.

## Rec basketball

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department is now registering returning and new teams for its adult men's basketball league. Upper division teams

will play Wednesday nights; lower division teams will play Monday nights. All games will be at Central Middle School.

For further information, call the city of Plymouth Recreation at (734) 455-6620.

## Volleyball leagues

A new adult co-ed reverse volleyball league is being formed by the city of Plymouth Recreation Department. Games will be played Friday nights at either Central Middle School or The Summit.

Also, registration is under way for returning teams for an adult co-ed volleyball league; new teams can begin registration Oct. 21. All games will be played Friday nights at Central Middle School or at The Summit.

For more information, call the city of Plymouth Recreation at

(734) 455-6620.

## O'Meara tips Emons

Once again Dan O'Meara reigns supreme when it comes to prognosticating high school football games in Observerland.

The Farmington Sports Editor finished the regular season 106-25, a whopping nine games ahead of his counterpart, Livonia-Westland Sports Editor Brad Emons.

O'Meara correctly picked 11 of 14 games in Week No. 9, while Emons, grasping for straws, finished 8-6.

Emons settled for a '95-'94 mark in 1999 and vows to do better in 2000.

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.

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# Soccer districts from page C1

"I was most nervous about this game," said PCA coach Rick Erickson. "I don't look forward to playing Southfield (Christian) after splitting with them twice during the season, but our players all know each other. There's a little grudge match between them."

It wasn't the same with Greenhills, although PCA knew it wouldn't be easy, not after squeaking by the Gryphons 1-0 during the regular season. Still, it's easy to overlook an opponent if the next game is against a state-ranked foe — like Southfield Christian.

Should PCA escape with a win over its Michigan Independent Athletic Conference rival today, chances are its district final will be against Lutheran Westland, the No. 2-ranked team in the state in Division IV.

**Salem 1, AA Huron 0:** The Rocks survived a scare from

underrated Ann Arbor Huron in their district opener.

"Huron really took it to us in the first half," Coach Ed McCarthy of top-rated Plymouth Salem said. "They outplayed us, outshot us and outworked us."

"But in the second half we were able to outplay them and put one in the net."

Scott Duhal bailed the Rocks out with 15 minutes left in game, scoring the only goal on an assist by Brett Stinar.

Stinar won the ball outside midfield and played it through to Duhal, who outran the defender and put it into the corner of the net from about 18 yards out.

Tavio Palazzolo gave Salem a chance to continue in the playoffs by posting his 14th shutout of the season.

"Huron went out and played a great game," McCarthy said. "They definitely surprised us."

"We didn't expect them to take it to us as much as they did. But

then, we don't expect any team to take it to us like that."

The Rocks, 19-1-2, ended the River Rats' season at 4-8-6.

**Stevenson 5, U-D Jesuit 3:** Tom Eller scored twice, including an insurance goal with three minutes remaining Monday to give host Livonia Stevenson (14-2-1) a Division I district triumph over University of Detroit-Jesuit.

"It was a game of momentum, it was up-and-down with both teams going aggressive to the goal," Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. "It was a track meet."

"Our guys did well to find a way to win. U-D was very athletic and they caused us problems."

Stevenson led 2-1 at intermission as midfielder Brian Braun scored from Mike Thomas followed by Eller's direct free kick.

In the second half, Mike White broke a 2-2 tie on an assist from J.T. Katikos. Dan Lipon made it 4-2 from Braun, but the Cubs pulled within one on a goal with five minutes remaining.

# Basketball from page C1

rebounding better, and offensively we're more consistent."

All phases were clicking against the Spartans. Canton opened up a 16-6 lead after one quarter and extended that to 27-8 by halftime.

Defensively, the Chiefs kept Stevenson's top player — Lindsay Guick — from scoring. Different players ended up providing defensive coverage on her in Blohm's man-to-man system, but the main responsibility fell to Anne Morrell and Amanda Lents.

If the first half wasn't bad enough for the Spartans, the third quarter devastated them. They did manage to outdo their offensive output of the first two quarters, netting nine points.

Problem is, they gave up 20 to Canton, making it 47-17 going into the final period.

Janine Guastella led the Chiefs with 23 points. Lents added 11. Top scorer for Stevenson was Cheryl Fox with seven points.

**Agape 46, Greater Life 22:** Canton Agape Christian clinched its second-straight Metro Christian Conference championship by blanking Pontiac Greater Life Academy 11-0 in the first quarter and cruising from there Tuesday in Pontiac.

Agape is 14-0 overall, 8-0 in the MCC. Greater Life is 6-2 in the MCC.

Greater Life did narrow the 11-point gap after one period to six at halftime by outscoring the Wolverines 11-6 in the second quarter. But Agape put the game away with a 17-6 third-quarter surge.

Amy Henry's 15 points led the Wolverines. Sara Chrenko added 12. Allison Dumas had 12 for Greater Life.

Last Friday, Agape defeated Warren Zoe Christian 37-26 in Warren. The Wolverines had to battle back from behind in this one, trailing 12-5 after one quarter and 17-13 at the half.

It was tied at 22-all going into the final quarter and was still knotted at 26-26 when Henry found the range, draining three-straight three-pointers to break

the game open. She finished with 11 points.

Allie Major and Amber Cross scored seven apiece, with Cross grabbing 15 rebounds. Shannon Myree's 11 points paced Zoe Christian (10-5).

**PCA 56, S'field Christian 49:** Plymouth Christian Academy built up enough of a lead in the first half to withstand a 20-9 third quarter that Southfield Christian posted.

The Eagles (7-10 overall) were up 36-19 at the half and were able to ease to their fourth win in nine Michigan Independent Athletic Conference tries.

Southfield Christian (4-12 overall) was led by sophomore guard Leanne Long, who had 14 points. It is 1-8 in the MIAC.

Junior guard Laura Clark led the Eagles with 16 points and also added seven steals. Junior guard Kallie Gross had 13 points while Crystal Marti scored eight points, grabbed nine rebounds and blocked five shots.

Southfield Christian cut the PCA lead to five points in the fourth quarter but could get no closer.

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## PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plymouth District Library Board will hold a Special Meeting Monday, November 1, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan, 48170. The Special Meeting is for purposes of discussing Library goals impact on short- and long-term budgeting.

The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:

BARBARA KRAFT, Library Secretary, Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. 734-453-0750, X 217

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**DIVISION 1**

**REASON 1**  
 District 1: Rockford (6-3) at Midland (8-1), Saturday, 1:30; Grand Haven (7-2) at Holland West Ottawa (7-2), Friday, 7:30.  
 District 2: Grand Lodge (6-3) at Brighton (8-1), Friday, 7:30; Battle Creek Central (8-3) at Jackson (6-3), Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 2**  
 District 1: Livonia Stevenson (7-2) vs. Detroit Catholic Central (9-0) at Howard Knott Field, Saturday, 1:30; South Lyon (7-2) at Walled Lake Western (9-0), Friday, 7:30.  
 District 2: Bellevue (6-3) at Detroit Henry Ford (8-0), Saturday, 1:30; Westland John Glenn (7-2) at Monroe (7-2), Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 3**  
 District 1: Troy Athens (6-3) at Sterling Heights Stevenson (8-1), Saturday, 1:30; Utica Eisenhower (7-2) at Troy (7-2), Saturday, 1:30.  
 District 2: Detroit Cocoye (6-3) at Detroit King (7-2), Saturday, 1:30; Detroit Denby (6-3) at

Detroit Cass Tech (6-3), Saturday, 1:30.  
**REASON 4**  
 District 1: Rochester Adams (8-4) at Clarkston (8-1), Friday, 7:30; Lake Orion (7-2) at Grand Blanc (6-1), Friday, 7:30.  
 District 2: Port Huron Northern (6-3) at Clinton Township Chippewa Valley (8-1), Friday, 7:30; Rochester (6-3) at Melvindale (8-1), Saturday, 7:30.  
**DIVISION 2**  
**REASON 1**  
 District 1: Escanaba (7-2) at Saginaw Heritage (8-1), Friday, 7:30; Saginaw (7-2) at Muskegon Reothe-Puffer (6-1), Saturday, 1:30.  
 District 2: Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern (6-3) at Jenison (8-1), Friday, 7:30; Hudsonville (6-3) at Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central (6-3), Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 2**  
 District 1: Portage Central (6-3) at Adrian (9-0), Friday, 7:30; Pinckney (7-2) at Ypsilanti (7-2), Friday, 7:30.

District 2: Okemos (7-2) at Lansing Easton (9-0), Friday, 7:30; St. Johns (8-1) at East Lansing (8-1), Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 3**  
 District 1: Farmington (6-3) at Novi (7-2), Friday, 7:30; Wyandotte Reocourt (7-2) at Garden City (7-2), Friday, 7:30.  
 District 2: Detroit Kettering (6-3) at Grosse Pointe North (8-1), Friday, 7:30; University of Detroit-Jack (7-2) at Berkley (6-3), Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 4**  
 District 1: Warren DeLott (8-4) vs. Birmingham Brother Rice (7-2) at Maple Field, Saturday, 7:30; New Baltimore Anchor Bay (8-2) at Birmingham Groves (8-1), Friday, 7:30.  
 District 2: Flint Central (8-4) at Flint Carman-Answorth (9-0), Friday, 7:30; Waterford Mott (6-3) at Pontiac Northern (7-2), Saturday, 1:30.

**DIVISION 3**  
**REASON 1**  
 District 1: Ogemaw Heights (5-4) at Bay City John Glenn (8-1), Friday, 7:30; Sault Ste. Marie (7-2) at Mt. Pleasant (7-2), Saturday, 1:30.  
**REASON 2**  
 District 1: Ludington (6-3) at Grand Rapids Catholic Central (9-0), Saturday, 1:30; Lowell (6-3) at Grand Rapids Creation (8-1) at Houseman Field, Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 3**  
 District 1: Stevensville Lakeshore (8-3) at St. Joseph (8-3), Friday, 7:30; Sturgis (8-3) at Muskegon (8-1), Friday, 7:30.  
 District 2: Richland Gull Lake (7-2) at Haslett (9-0), Friday, 7:30; Hastings (7-2) at Chelsea (8-1), Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 4**  
 District 1: Trenton (5-4) at Monroe Jefferson (8-1), Friday, 7:30; Romulus (7-2) at Gibraltar Carleton (7-2), Saturday, 1:30.  
 District 2: Redford Thurston (6-3) at Allen Park (7-2), Friday, 7:30; Detroit Chaboy (7-2) at Detroit Central (7-2), Friday, 3:30.  
**REASON 5**  
 District 1: Fenton (5-4) at Oxford (9-0),

Saturday, 1:30; Lapeer West (6-3) at Flint Powers Catholic (7-2), Friday, 7:30.  
 District 2: Auburn Hills Avondale (6-3) at St. Clair (6-3), Friday, 7:30; Bloomfield Hills Andover (8-3) at Farmington Hills Harrison (5-4), Saturday, 1:30.  
**REASON 4**  
**REASON 1**  
 District 1: Bridgport (6-3) at Menominee (8-1), Saturday, 2:00; Oscoda (7-2) at Cheboygan (7-2), Saturday, 1:30.  
 District 2: Alma (6-3) at Cooperville (9-0), Saturday, 1:30; Fremont (7-2) at Beading (6-3), Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 2**  
 District 1: Caledonia (6-3) at East Grand Rapids (7-2), Friday, 7:30; Middleville Thornapple Kelleys (7-2) at Grand Rapids South Christian (7-2), at Byron Center, Friday, 7:30.

District 2: Conback (6-3) at Three Rivers (8-1), Saturday, 1:30; Allegan (6-3) at Otsego (7-2), Friday, 7:30.  
**REASON 3**  
 District 1: Carleton Albert (7-2) at Marshall (7-2), Saturday, 1:30; Farmington Hills (7-2) at Battle Creek Maple Creek (7-2), Friday, 7:30.  
 District 2: Center Line (6-3) vs. Southfield (8-1) at Detroit John Gorman, Saturday, 7:30; Michigan Highways Lakeshore (6-3) at Inkster (7-2), Saturday, 1:30.  
**REASON 4**  
 District 1: St. Clair Shores South Lake (8-3) vs. Marine City (8-0), at East China Stadium, Saturday, 7:30; Clinton Township Chippewa (8-1) at Orchard Lake St. Mary (8-1), Saturday, 1:30.  
 District 2: Lindsay (5-4) at Cheesing (8-0), Friday, 7:30; Inlay City (6-3) at Mayville (6-3), Friday, 7:30.

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**CITY OF PLYMOUTH**  
**GENERAL ELECTION**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1999**

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the City of Plymouth on Tuesday, November 2, 1999 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. At that time candidates for the following offices will be voted upon in the City of Plymouth.

**CITY COMMISSIONER (Four Positions Vacant)**  
**CITY COMMISSIONER (One - 2 Year Vacancy)**

Absentee ballots may be requested from the Clerk's Office, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. Telephone Number is 453-1234 x225 or 234. Absentee ballots will be issued to qualified absentee voters in person in the Clerk's office from 8:00 to 2:00, on Saturday, October 30th. On Monday, November 1st, qualified voters can receive their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:30 p.m.

All polling places in the City are accessible to the elderly and the handicapped. You are further notified that the City's four (4) precinct locations are as follows (please note that the school and City Precinct locations are different):

PRECINCT	LOCATION
1, 2 & 4	Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer Street
3	Central Middle School 650 Church Street

If you are a qualified registered voter and find it necessary to require an absent voter ballot and have not applied for one, applications are available for pickup or mailing at the front office at City Hall from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC/AEE  
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**PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the purchase of a Food Service - Point of Sale System (POS). Specifications and bid forms are available at the front desk of the E.J. McClelland Educational Center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI or by contacting Dan Phillips in the POC'S Purchasing Department at (734) 418-2744. Please contact Teresa Arnold, the POC'S Food Service Director at (734) 418-2863 for additional specification information. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 2, 1999. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education  
 Plymouth-Canton Community Schools  
 ELIZABETH M. GIVENS, Secretary

Bid Opening: 2:00 p.m. - Tuesday, November 2, 1999  
 Board Review: November 9, 1999  
 Publish: October 21 and 28, 1999

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**  
**CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO STATE LAW 257.252, THE FOLLOWING VEHICLE(S) WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE AT MAYFLOWER AUTO TRANSPORT, 1179 STARKWEATHER RD., PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN, ON THE DATE AND TIME LISTED BELOW:

November 3, 1999 9:00 a.m.

YEAR/MAKE/STYLE/VEHICLE	ID NUMBER	CASE NUMBER
1986 PONTIAC 4D 6000	2G2AF19R7G9304960	99-10880
1989 FORD VA CUT VAN	1FDKE37H4KH894958	99-10430
1984 PONTIAC 4D J9000	1G2AC8887E7311881	99-2821
1980 FORD 2D ESCORT	1FAPF9184LW103750	99-2807
1988 DODGE 4D DYNASTY	1BSBU633JD165897	99-8469
1986 FORD PU F-150	1FTCF1573GLB01042	99-7716
1987 MAZDA 4D 626	JM1GC211H1158182	99-10883
1981 FORD SW BRONCO	1FMDU15E1BLA67658	99-11400

INQUIRIES REGARDING THESE VEHICLES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO OFFICER AL COX, CITY OF PLYMOUTH POLICE DEPARTMENT, AT 453-8600.

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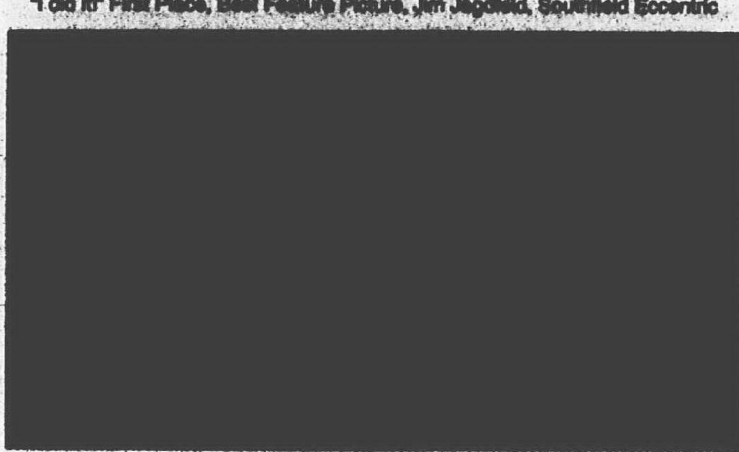
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Garden City Observer, Richard Pearl-----Third Place

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Plymouth Observer, Tony Bruscato-----First Place

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Plymouth Observer, Val Olander-----First Place

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Garden City Observer, Tom Hawley-----First Place

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Redford Observer, Bryan Mitchell-----First Place

#### Best Picture Story

"A Day in the Life of Danielle Hartsell"

Westland Observer, Tom Hawley-----First Place

Plymouth Observer, Paul Hurschmann-----Third Place

#### Best Sports Column

Redford Observer, Steve Kowalski-----Second Place

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Plymouth Observer, C.J. Risak-----First Place

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Clarkston Eccentric, Karen Hermes Smith-----First Place

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Entries were submitted based on circulation class, therefore there may be several first, second, third, and honorable mention winners in the same category

## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



See Rodgers & Hammerstein's "The King & I" 8 p.m. at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. Tickets \$15 to \$45, (248) 433-1515.

### SATURDAY



The Marquis Theatre children present "Halloween Soup," a comical melodrama with music, 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. at the theater, 135 E. Main St. in downtown Northville. Tickets \$6, (248) 349-8110.

### SUNDAY



Guitarist Kenny Burrell joins Ray Barretto and his ensemble New World Spirit for a Latin jazz tribute to Duke Ellington, 7:30 p.m. at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. Tickets \$15 to \$50, (313) 576-5111.



Hot Top: The high-energy dance musical "Footloose" continues at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit through Sunday, Nov. 14. Performances 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets \$25 to \$57.50, (248) 645-8888.



# What's up with her?

## Sandra Bernhard offers no excuses for being 'nice'

BY FRANK PROVINCANO  
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Interviewing Sandra Bernhard isn't anything like advertising. Rather, it's like preparing to play Mike Tyson, then slipping into the ring and finding the great number 67 ahead, or taking a swing.

There again, if Bernhard's your kind of person, she's not your kind of person.

She's a person that Bernhard who likes to incite and entertain.

But finding a warm, friendly, polite - yes, polite - mother, who sits in her New York City home and splits her time talking about her upcoming one-person show at the Music Hall, "I'm Still Here ... Damn It," and listening to the cogs of her 15-month-old.

Definitely unexcused.

Save rage for the stage. For an actress-author-comedienne who has been described by the New York press, no less, as "mean, bitter, jealous and cruel," a cordial conversation isn't supposed to be in the cards.

Please see BERNHARD, E2

What: "Sandra Bernhard's 'I'm Still Here ... Damn It'"  
When: 7:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Nov. 4-7; 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8; 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9; 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10  
Where: Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit  
Tickets: \$20-\$50. Call (248) 442-6666



The cast: The Farmington Players, Stacey Duford of Bloomfield Hills (left to right, back row), Jacquie Poulton, Lisa Currey of Waterford, Mary Ann Tweedie, Margaret Gilkes of Farmington Hills; Ellen Akins of Farmington Hills (middle row, left to right), Sue Rogers of West Bloomfield, and Marge Wetzel of Farmington Hills (front) star in "The Women."

## Farmington Players present benefit for 'The Women'

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
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The Farmington Players have been in a serious fund-raising mode, intent on raising enough money to build a new theater.

"We plan to break ground in June or July," said organization president Cynthia Tupper. With their dream close to becoming a reality, the group is beginning its 1999-2000 season Friday, Nov. 5 with a benefit for the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center.

"It's a way of giving back to the community," explained Tupper. "We've been in this 'give us money, give us money mode.' It's time for us to think about what's important to the people who

Please see BERNHARD, E2

### On Stage

What: Farmington Players presents "The Women" by Clare Booth Luce.

When: 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Show dates are Nov. 6-7; Nov. 12-14; Nov. 18-21; and Nov. 26-27.

Where: Farmington Players Theatre, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road (1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington Hills.

Tickets: \$12. Season tickets for three shows, \$36. Call (248) 553-2955 for more information.

Highlight: Benefit performance of "The Women" 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Farmington Players Theatre, afterglow reception at 10 p.m. Event proceeds benefit the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center. Tickets \$50, which includes admission to the play and afterglow reception; \$100 includes priority seating, admission to the afterglow reception, recognition in the program and a breast cancer awareness pin. Call (313) 876-9259 for more information.

### Season schedule:

"Of Mice and Men" by Joseph Steinbeck opens Friday, Feb. 4. Show dates are Feb. 4-6; Feb. 11-13; Feb. 18-20; and Feb. 24-26.

"Kiss me Kate" by Sam and Bella Spewack, music and lyrics by Cole Porter, opens May 5. Show dates May 5-7; May 11-14; May 18-21 and May 25-27.

## THEATER

# Schoolcraft College updates Shakespeare's 'Merchant'

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Ray VanHoeck made a riveting Shylock, mesmerizing the audience as he talked about loaning 3,000 ducats to the merchant Antonio. The Canton actor nearly salivated over the idea of taking a pound of flesh from the merchant if the money was not repaid on time.

The dress rehearsal was one of the last run-throughs before the newly-edited production of "The Merchant of Venice" opens Friday, Oct. 29, in the Liberal Arts Theatre on the Schoolcraft College Livonia campus.

Shakespeare probably would have been grateful to James R. Hartman for updating the language in the play. Hartman, a professor at Schoolcraft and the director of its theater program, spent two years breaking down lengthy

sentences and incorporating footnotes into this comedy that's slightly on the dark side.

"Doing Shakespeare is totally different than doing anything else," said Hartman, who's headed up the theater program at Schoolcraft since 1987. Hartman originally came to Michigan to work at Meadow Brook Theatre as an actor when Schoolcraft approached him to direct plays.

"The language - it's been 400 years since Shakespeare wrote the plays. That sometimes discourages people from seeing it. I have not made it modern speech but more understandable for modern audiences."

Hartman edited his first Shakespeare play, "Macbeth," four years ago. It took two years to edit the "Merchant."

"The Merchant of Venice" is as dynamic as characters and as exciting as plays get," said Hartman. "I was intrigued with the characterizations. Shylock, along with Othello, are two of the best villains ever written. 'The Merchant' is also a good example of having double plots. It's fast-paced because all scenes are relatively short and is classified as a comedy, but is dark as well."

Jerri Doll, a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School who plays Portia in the production, thinks Hartman makes Shakespeare palatable. Doll,



STAFF PHOTO BY BRIAN MITCHELL

Dark comedy: John H. Abair, Jr. (left), Jerri Doll and Colleen Greenwell take to the stage for a Schoolcraft College production of "The Merchant of Venice."

who graduated in 1993 from Schoolcraft with an associate's degree in theater and went on to earn a bachelor's in theater from Eastern Michigan University, has worked in professional theater playing such venues as The Purple Rose Theatre and the Tibbets Opera House. This is the first full Shakespeare play she's done.

"For your common layperson who doesn't know Shakespeare, it will be easier and in keeping with the beauty of the language," said Doll, an Ann Arbor resident. "What always brings me back to work at Schoolcraft College

is that professor Hartman brings such truth to his staging. I really feel I grow. I always thought Shakespeare was the toughest. But Shakespeare's also very funny, very bawdy with a good sense of humor."

Doll plays the love interest in "The Merchant of Venice." Like all of Shakespeare's 38 plays, "Merchant" is viable more than 400 years later because of its universality.

"Portia's a free spirit, independent for her time and not afraid to speak her

Please see MERCHANT, E2

# Sandra from page E1

Outspoken in the arena. Why is she so confident? And improvement is the key.

"I love to turn on an audience," said Bernhard, who was born and bred with a 3-11-11. "I like to see the audience."

What may sound a bit calculating for someone who has built a reputation for her blistering comments about celebrities such as Madonna, Tom Cruise, Mariah Carey and Princess Di.

Her current show, which opened at the Booth Theater on Broadway last November, is apparently a reconstructive attempt to look away from her own celebrity status and move toward being more of a wicked wit.

In "The Still How ... Damn It!" Bernhard offers an eclectic blend of music, parodies and bitter -

sometimes raunchy - observations about sexuality, pop culture and Far Right attitudes on religion and propriety.

Think the male-bashing, icon-mocking, mono-epitaphic style has allowed since becoming a mother?

"No way," said Bernhard from her New York City home amid a hectic schedule of 10 interviews over two-days with the local Detroit media.

"Let's just say that motherhood has expanded my capacity for affection."

That doesn't mean she's softened her barbs that hit with the force of a machete, slicing apart the male ego. Nor has she backed away from her less-than-subtle reminder to shovel back the crap that's being pushed along as American culture.

"I don't have to push buttons," she said. "I'm just trying to get people to realize that every button is being pushed their way, and they don't have to take it."

But try to provoke the provocateur and you'll be surprised at what you get.

Q: If you were a fine artist, what kind of art would you create with elephant dung?

Bernhard: I'm not a fine artist. I don't want to get into any of that.

Q: If you were consulting Monica Lewinsky during the impeachment trial, what would you have said to her?

Bernhard: I boycotted the whole thing. We have to take responsibility for all that nonsense. I won't even address it.

Q: What's the difference between a New York City and a

Midwestern audience? Bernhard: Midwestern audiences aren't as self-indulgent. You have to be hardy to make it in the Midwest.

Self-indulgent? Hardy? Hmmm. What happened to the snarling, lips-flapping-in-the-wind Sandra Bernhard who wise-cracked that her husband's an abstract artist and her father's a generalist and that's how she looks at the world?

For a comedian who claims to be following in the stingy satirical tradition of Lenny Bruce, not commenting on the state of American politics seems like a missed opportunity. Perhaps a sign that politics has descended so far that not even humor can resuscitate it. Or that

when it comes to anything deeper than the superficial subject of celebrity, maybe Bernhard has not her match.

Of course, Bernhard's element isn't politics. It's abusive put-downs. Her brand of humor is more like overhearing petty gossip among friends than the snarling proclamations of Bruce, Sally Tomlin or even Dennis Miller and Chris Rock-type comedians.

"My stuff comes from conversations with friends and from observing people," said Bernhard, whose friends include the famous and not so famous.

"I don't come from any point of view," she said. "I just want to get beyond the crap that's shoved our way."

Fair enough. But at times, it seems that Bernhard doesn't know the difference between "getting beyond the crap" and just moving around the pile.

Fifteen minutes after she called right on time, Bernhard notes that the allotted time is up. No time to ask about if the tilt with Madonna is still raging. No time to ask the actress who played on "Roseanne" about why she doesn't hide from being a lesbian but won't get involved in gay rights issues. And no time to ask where the real Sandra Bernhard is hiding.

Then just like that, she hangs up with an abrupt, "Nice talking to you."

Amazing. She didn't even take a swing.

# Benefit from page E1

come to our theater. We're also looking to get ourselves in front of new audiences - so many people have heard about us, but never seen us."

They picked "The Women" to open their season because it has a large cast - 18 women who play 32 different roles. "We've done all-female shows, (but) not this big," said Tupper. "There aren't many shows written for women. We have more women than men in our group. There's a broad range of roles, everything from early 20s to 80s."

In casting the show, the group did attract some new members, which was one of its goals.

Susanne Rogers, who plays Sylvia Fowler in the show and works as a social worker for Henry Ford Health Systems, suggested doing the benefit performance. The group supported her idea.

"It's a show that's all about women," said Tupper. "It's a fairly light show, it's good for them and good for us. Henry Ford Health Systems was thrilled about it. It's what community collaboration is all about. By presenting the benefit we're exposing new people to our theater."

Written by Clare Boothe Luce, "The Women" opened in New York in 1936. In "The Women,"

Luce satirizes Park Avenue ladies who wasted their lives with affairs, malicious gossip and beauty salons, while having no empathy for women trapped in low-paying jobs.

Although there's some serious material in "The Women," Rogers said it's also funny and many people will see themselves and people they know in the characters. "It's going to be fun, a lot of laughs," she said. "Some people will think it's dated, but in a lot of ways things aren't so different. Women are still the ones who keep home and family going. Men will get a kick out of it."

# Merchant from page E1

mind," said Doll. "She's very much who I am. It's really been a fascination to connect with someone who found the independence and confidence when women were so suppressed."

This is also Jeremy Hargis' first time doing Shakespeare. At first, it was a little daunting for the 19-year old Garden City student to play Old Gobbo. Hargis, who began acting in third grade, has appeared in Plymouth Theatre Guild productions.

"I have to play this older man physically and mentally so I

watched a couple of old English films," said Hargis. "Because it was Shakespeare, I was kind of intimidated to try out. But it's not as bad as I expected."

VanHoeck drew upon his "many experiences witnessing theater" to create the villainous Shylock.

"The language was a challenge and the Jewish accent, but I gained an appreciation for Shakespeare," said VanHoeck. "I had little involvement with Shakespeare and a great deal of understanding was lacking

before." Hartman thinks the audience will love "Merchant" because of the drama and the intriguing way Portia directs her questioning and presents her case on behalf of Antonio while dressed as a man.

Until Hartman took over the theater program, all of the actors had to be students. Hartman opened it up to the community as well. "Now we have the young inexperienced work alongside experienced professionals," said Hartman. "The only thing we still need is a technical director."

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# JET's 'Immigrant' lovely comedy based on true story

"The Immigrant" by Mark Hareluk is playing at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre and continues through Nov. 7. Show dates are Oct. 28-31, and Nov. 3-7. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday; Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Tickets \$15-\$25, (248) 788-2900.

BY JON KATZ  
SPECIAL WRITER

Talk about your stranger in a strange land. Russian Jew Haskell Hareluk was one of the millions of Europeans who arrived on these shores in the opening decade of the century, the huddled masses yearning to breathe free. Somehow he made a left turn at the Statue of Liberty and ended up at the Port of Galveston, Texas. And that's where we meet him: "The Immigrant."

Peddling bananas from a

wheelbarrow to survive, he's taken in by a couple in nearby Hamilton (population 1,200). He not only survives but thrives.

He brings his wife over, starts a family and 80 years later his grandson writes a play about them. The "Roots"-like light comedy would be too improbable were it not for the fact that it's all true, and JET shows you the photos from Grandma's album to prove it.

Indeed, the subtitle of the play is "A Hamilton County Album," but we have some others we offer author Mark Hareluk free of charge. How about "The Immigrant: Peddler on the Hoop?" Or "The Immigrant: Lone Jew in the Lone Star State." Or our personal favorite, "The Immigrant: Living La Vida Meshugga."

And crazy it is, this transplanted life Haskell has opted for. Looked on with suspicion and bewilderment, he meekly explains how his race came to be the chosen people: "There were a lot fewer people then, it was an easier choice."

JET and director John Michael Manfredi present an easy choice for a most delightful evening of warm smiles and personal redemption.

Greg Trzaskoma reaches right into each of our own photo albums for his Haskell, and his characterization is sensational. Spouting incomprehensible Yiddish as he meets banker Milton Perry (Paul Hopper) and his wife Ima (Mary Bremer), Haskell seems to them like he's from Mars, not Minak. Ima tries to make him feel at ease: "I'm nothin' to be scared of; I'm a Christian."

Some comfort that is. Throughout the 33-year storyline, Trzaskoma never loses his lovability or his reality. As he becomes Americanized, wife Leah (Jodie Kuhn Ellison) takes him to task for not adhering to their religious laws regarding food and such (keeping Kosher). She thinks perhaps they should be with their own kind. The Jews have been wandering for thousands of years, he tells her; this

Jew has wandered enough. The play is a series of these cherished moments.

In their wonderful portrayals of the strong-willed Perrys, Hopper and Bremer evoke several sitcom comparisons. George and Louise Jefferson wouldn't be far off base, and if you close your eyes, you'll swear that Bremer's been inhabited by Mr. Haney from "Green Acres."

But that's just a grinning observation. More to the point, they are among our most honored actors in town and in these roles you won't wonder why.

It's Jodie Kuhn Ellison's job to hold onto the old ways and worry about the American citizen she's about to give birth to.

She makes us remember that those frail-looking waifs coming off the boat were nothing to take lightly, and that four of every 10 Americans today are direct descendants of people like Haskell and Leah, the tired and poor seeking a new life in this strange land.



On the move: Greg Trzaskoma and Mary Bremer star in the JET Theatre's rendition of "The Immigrant."

## Restoring the work of local artists shows heart

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The excitement surrounding the Detroit Institute of Arts presentation of a coveted exhibit by Rembrandt to close out the 1900s, along with the much anticipated Van Gogh: Face to Face, in March 2000, is easy to understand.

Many of us become awestruck at the prospect of being exposed to treasures that have been revered for centuries. Viewing the works of artists we learned about as kids in an art appreciation class has an appeal that is undeniable.

The Rembrandt and Van Gogh collections may be great attractions that raise the profile of the esteemed institution, but the dedication shown to a restoration project of a local artist that pro-

vides a true measure of the DIA's heart. Miles and miles and miles of heart.

As impressive as it is to feature works from the finest collections around the globe, I consider it downright noble to exhibit the mode of transportation that also served as the neighborhood art of James "Slim" Thompson.

Until his death several years ago, Slim was a mainstay of Detroit's Cass Corridor, where he treated neighborhood residents and visitors to daily exhibitions of his body of work. It consisted solely of the ongoing artistic modifications of his bicycle, which became a traveling art show.

This fall, the DIA presented an unheralded installation that paid homage to his mobile art by displaying the bike that has been restored with the care worthy of a great master. His bike may never have the lure or value of a Rembrandt or Van Gogh, but the story behind Slim's art leaves a lasting impression on those who

take the time to hear it. Detroit Public TV peddles down Woodward to share the DIA's tribute with viewers in a BACKSTAGE PASS edition airing 5:30 p.m. Thursday and midnight on Friday.

While Slim's legion of admirers was concentrated in the Cass Corridor, the glass works of Jim Kahle have been appreciated in public and private collections in Europe, the Far East, and throughout North America. Jim probably worries about airline turbulence the way Slim worried about a flat tire. Sometimes, preservation of the arts is very precarious.

"We've learned to be very good packers," he says with a laugh when describing the method of international air transport of his prized glass works. When traveling by land, Kahle's wheels remind me a bit of Slim's approach.

"We bought an old school bus to carry our works to each exhibit.

There's no mistaking us when we hit town because we've added plenty of artistic touches."

Kahle's appreciation for glass art goes all the way back to his days as an altar boy in Ohio, when the chalice used during the Mass was made of glass, not the usual precious metal. Years later, a trip to Colonial Williamsburg exposed him to more exceptional pieces, which eventually prompted him to take a class at the Toledo Museum of Art. Glass art became his full-time occupation in 1988.

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**JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE**  
"The Immigrant" by Mark Harelik, Wednesday-Sunday, Oct. 27-31 and Nov. 3-7. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday; Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. \$15-\$25, (248) 786-2900

### OPERA

**MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE**  
"Werther" through Sunday, Nov. 14, at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$55-\$250. (313) 237-5192

### COLLEGE

**SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE**  
William Shakespeare's comedy "The Merchant of Venice," Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 29-30 and Nov. 5-6 for dinner theater (\$19), and Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13 for theater performance only (\$8), in the Liberal Arts Theatre on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (734) 462-4566

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Two, one-act plays, "Rags and Old Iron" and "Day of Absence," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday through Nov. 6, downstairs at the Hillberry Theatre, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$6-\$8. (313) 577-2972

### COMMUNITY THEATER

**AVON PLAYERS**  
"Wait Until Dark," opens 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 at the playhouse, 1185 Tienken Road, Rochester Hills. Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Show dates Oct. 30-31; Nov. 5-7, and Nov. 11-13. Tickets \$13. (248) 608-9077

**CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS**  
"Close Ties" by Elizabeth Diggs opens 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays Nov. 11 and 18 (\$10), and 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20 (\$12), at the Depot Theatre, 4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston. 248-625-8811

**FIRST THEATRE GUILD**  
"Brigadoon," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5; 2 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, Oct. 30-31, and Sunday Nov. 7; and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Kriox Auditorium, 1669 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Tickets \$8 adults, \$5 students and seniors. (248) 844-2087, Ext. 151. Seniors admitted free 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30.

**JACK-IN-THE-BOX PRODUCTIONS**  
"Lunatics, Lovers and Poets," an evening of scenes and monologues from plays by William Shakespeare, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, at University of Michigan-Dearborn's School of Management Auditorium B, Evergreen Road, between Ford Road and Michigan Ave; and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13, at the Livonia Civic Center Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington. \$10, \$7 seniors/students, \$6 high school students. (734) 797-7977

**RIDGE DALE PLAYERS**  
"Jest a Second," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 14 and 21, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake, between Livonia and Crooks, Troy. \$11, \$10 seniors/students on Sundays. Includes sandwich and afterglow. (248) 988-7049

**ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS**  
"Three Murders and It's Only Monday," by Pat Cook, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, Nov. 12-13, and Nov. 19-20; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, Uptage Theatre. Tickets \$10, reserved. (313) 537-7716

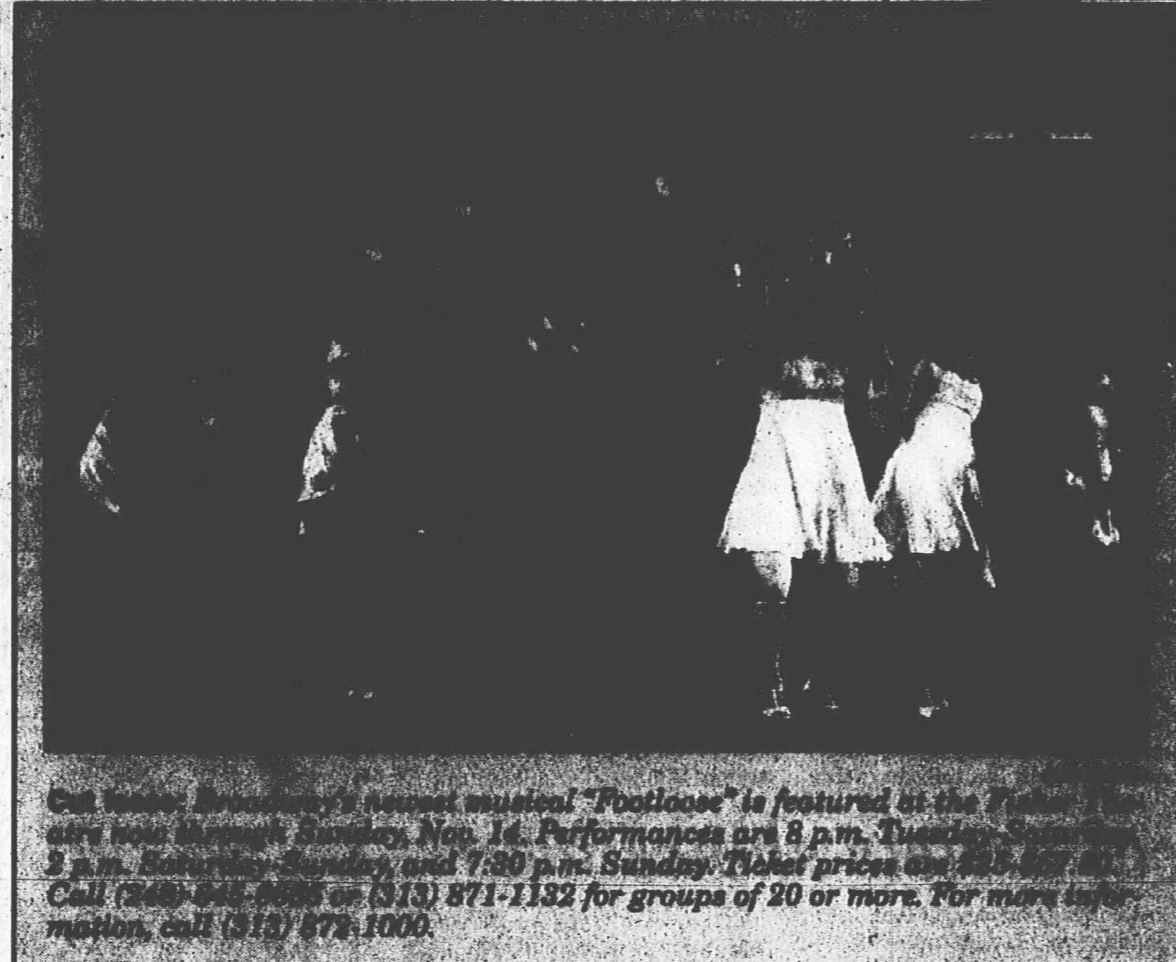
**ST. DUNSTON'S THEATRE GUILD OF CRANBROOK**  
"The Heidi Chronicles" by Wendy Wasserstein 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 29-30; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31; 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 4-8 at St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook, 400 Lone Pine Road, between Cranbrook and Lehigh roads, Bloomfield Hills. Shuttle service available from Christ Church parking lot across from the theater. Adults \$12, seniors and students \$10. (248) 644-0827

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Is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical comedy theater. Call (313) 531-0864 for information, or deliver resumes and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 18438 Beech Day, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

**TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE**  
"To Fergies, Divas," a comedy by Jack Harty, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13, 19-20 and 26-27, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 7, 14, 21 and 28, at the theater, 38940 W. Six Mile, between Haggerty and I-75, Livonia. \$10 Friday-Saturdays, \$8 Sundays. (734) 464-6302

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**DINNER THEATRE**  
"The Merchant of Venice" 8 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 7 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sundays



Our special Broadway-style musical "Footloose" is featured at the Plymouth Synagogue on Sunday, Nov. 14. Performances are 8 p.m. Thursdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, Sunday, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Ticket prices are \$10-\$15. Call (248) 462-4566 or (313) 871-1132 for groups of 20 or more. For more information, call (313) 871-1000.

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**DAVE & BUSTER'S**  
"A Gift of Murder" continues Saturdays through Nov. 20, at the restaurant, M-59 and M-53, Utica. \$32.95. (810) 930-1515

**FAMILY DINNER THEATER**  
With the Magic Carpet Theatre, an evening of interactive presentations of favorite children's stories and poetry where you can become part of the action, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 (doors open 6:15 p.m.), bring your own picnic dinner and blanket, at the Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen Road. \$5, family at door. (248) 948-0480

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE**  
"Kolobok," a Russian version of the well known Gingerbread Man story, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday Oct. 30-31, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777

**GENITTI'S**  
"The Mystery in Fable's Forest," Saturday, Oct. 30, at the restaurant, 106 E. Main, Northville. \$11.65, \$9.65 children includes luncheon. (248) 349-0522

**MARQUIS THEATRE**  
"Halloween Soup" comical melodrama, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29; 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main St., downtown Northville. Tickets \$6, no children under age 3. (248) 349-8110.

**LUNCH WITH THE GREAT PUMPKIN**  
At the Southfield Civic Center Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen Road, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30. For Southfield residents, fourth grade and younger, and non-residents with children attending Southfield Schools. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Games, treats, Spooky Monster Magic Show, lunch served 11 a.m. The cost is \$8 children, \$4 accompanying adults; \$10 for each non-resident child, and \$6 for accompanying non-resident adult. Register in person at the Southfield Parks and Recreation office by Oct. 27.

**YOUTH THEATRE**  
"Les Miserables," for children ages seven and up by Theatreworks U.S.A., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at Music Hall, Detroit. \$9, \$8 advance, \$8 pre-show playshops 9 a.m. Saturdays before the 11 a.m. show. (313) 963-2366

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**COLOR THEORY EXHIBIT**  
An exhibit featuring the color theories of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, best known in the English-speaking world as the author of "Faust," opens Monday, Oct. 18 at Wonderland Mall, 26000 Plymouth Road at Middlebelt, Livonia. (734) 822-4100/(734) 996-9800

**CREATIVE EXPO**  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, 2 p.m. seminar Nov. 16 to Become a Successful Screenwriter, at the Novi Expo Center, Novi Road and I-96. \$10. (248) 644-0973

**DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE**  
Marie Mikheyant singing Russian Romance Songs, 8 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 19, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-7777

**S.S. EDWARD FITZGERALD SERVICE**  
13 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Mariners' Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 269-2208

### BENEFITS

**BOB BERRY'S CONCERT**  
18 percent of purchases at Borders Books, Music, Video and Cafe will go to help fund the Michigan State University's Department of Botany Conservation. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 30-31, a benefit for the Michigan State University's Department of Botany Conservation. The show will start at 7 p.m. on Saturday and 7:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets \$12.50, \$7 ages 4-12, and \$3 under \$4. (734) 461-1128

### CELEBRITY SOMMELIER DINNER

An evening of extravagant food and wine to benefit the Ann Arbor Art Center's Art for Kids Scholarship Program, 8 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, at The Earle restaurant, 121 W. Washington, Ann Arbor. \$43. (734) 994-8004, ext. 101

### FARMINGTON PLAYERS

"The Women," by Clare Boothe Luce, benefit performance for the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5 at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$50, includes admission to play and afterglow reception and \$100, includes priority seating, admission to afterglow reception, recognition in program and a breast cancer awareness pin. Call (313) 876-9259. Farmington Players continues its season with "The Women," weekends through Nov. 27. Call (248) 553-2955 for ticket information.

### FESTIVAL DE LAS AMERICAS

6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, dinner at 7 p.m. with music by Salvador Torres and his Mariachi, also Samuel Del Real and his International Orchestra and Dimension Latina from Detroit, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. \$75, \$60 advance. (248) 960-0308/(734) 416-1199/(734) 453-9428

### FINE ARTS AUCTION

Conducted by Park West Gallery of Southfield to benefit the Ecumenical Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies, 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Botsford Inn Coach House, Farmington Hills. \$15. (248) 557-4522

### GUARDIAN ANGELS BENEFIT

7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, swing night with the Johnny Trudell 17 piece Big Band, six-course Italian gourmet dinner, at Andiamo Italia, Warren. \$50. (248) 588-1222

### HOMELSS ACTION NETWORK WALK

Registration for Walk Against Homelessness begins 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, seven-mile walk at 1 p.m., in front of the New Center One Building, W. Grand Blvd. and Second, Detroit. (313) 831-3777

### SOUPCITY

30 area restaurants prepare signature soups and other finger foods for an all-you-can-eat event, 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, music by Mud Puppy, at the State Theater, Detroit. \$15 advance, \$20 at door, to benefit the Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS). (248) 645-6666

### FAMILY EVENTS

**BEANE BABY SHOW**  
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. \$5, \$2 ages 4-12. (734) 455-2110

### HALLOWEEN

**ALL-NATURAL TRICK OR TREATING**  
Noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Whole Foods Market, Maple and Coaldale, Troy. (248) 649-9600

**BOO BASH**  
An evening of safe Trick-or-Treating, games and prizes, with from Detroit Vipers, 6-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Target, Haggerty and 14 Mile, Commerce Twp. Children ages 12 and under. Wear your costume. (248) 960-7900

**COSTUME PARADE**  
3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Star Southfield, 26333 W. 12 Mile, between Telegraph and Northwestern. (248) 368-1802

**HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN RUN**  
A 5K Run/Walk for adults and older kids begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, a 2-mile run for younger kids starts at 9:45 a.m., prizes for best costumes, at Domino's Farms, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor. \$15, \$8 child, \$30 family, proceeds benefit the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. (734) 966-2438

**HAPPENING/STORYTELLING**  
7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturdays in Detroit, at Plymouth Orchards and Great Hall. \$12, \$7 ages 4-12, and \$3 under \$4. (734) 461-1128

### MADAME VIVIAN

Peers into the souls of Star Theatre patrons 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Island Jimmy's Inside the theater at Great Lakes Crossing, 4399 Baldwin Road. (248) 368-1802

### PUMPKIN HOLLOW HAUNTED FOREST

Ride through Haunted Forest, Fridays-Saturdays (nights), Oct. 29-30, also pumpkin u-pick, animal petting farm and entertainment showcase, at Bunyee Farms, 7300 E. Joy Road, west of Curtis Road, Ann Arbor. \$6, \$4 under age 10. Friendly Haunting Days Rides for very young children and families, 2-5 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 24 (\$1.50 per person). (734) 332-1971

### REAPER'S DUNGEON

Haunted house, through Oct. 31, 7:30 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, and until 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Wal-Mart Parking Lot, Middlebelt and I-96, Livonia. \$7, \$4 under age 12. (734) 524-0514

### SCARAB HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

Friday, Oct. 29, music and pot luck dinner, at the club 217 Fernsworth, behind the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$10 for members with a dish, \$15 without, \$15 nonmembers with a dish, \$20 without. (313) 831-1250

### CLASSICAL

**DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC ORCHESTRA**  
3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$4, \$30 for box of six seats. (313) 576-5111

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
Pianist Andre Watts performs Edward MacDowell's Piano Concerto No. 2, 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31; guest conductor Carl St. Clair with soprano Camelia Johnson 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Nov. 4-5 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$14-\$50. (313) 576-5111

### POPS/SWING

**JIM PARAMANTES & COMPANY**  
"Frank Sinatra Tribute," 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Friday-Saturdays through November, at Andiamo Italia West, 6678 Telegraph Road at Maple, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300

### AUDITIONS

**MEN'S BARBERSHOP CHORUS**  
Looking for singers, auditions not required but ability to sing on key is understood. (313) 278-1078

**RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR**  
Open auditions for children ages 8-14 for a walk-on role 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the Fox Theatre. Must make reservation by noon Friday, Nov. 5 (313) 471-3288. For performances during the spectacular Nov. 26-Dec. 30.

**THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA**

**REDFORD**  
Is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical comedy theater. Call (313) 531-0864 for information, or deliver resumes and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 18438 Beech Day, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

**YOUTH COMPETITION**  
The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking for contestants for its Youth Competition to be held in December at Evols Music of Canton, in addition to orchestral instruments, piano contestants are also being sought, winners will perform on the youth concerts in February of 2000. (734) 481-2112

### CHORAL

**MARRIAGES' CHORON CHORUS**  
Page's "Requiem," 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 269-2208

### JAZZ

**JOHNNY BASSETT & THE BLUES INSURGENTS**  
8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at Edson's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

**DUKE ELLINGTON TRIBUTE**  
A Latin jazz tribute to the Duke with guitarist Kenny Burrell, also conga player and bandleader Ray Berretto and his ensemble New World Spirit, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$15-\$50. (313) 576-8111

**AL HILL & THE JAZZ BUTLERS**  
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Arbor Brewing Company, 116 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 213-1393; and 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Michael's On the River, 28828 Telegraph, Flat Rock. (734) 782-1401

**GEN JAZZ TRIO**  
Performs 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800

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With vocalist Harvey Thompson 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, with vocalist Barbara Ware, Wednesday, Nov. 10, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren, east of Middlebelt Road, Garden City. \$5 cover. (734) 762-7756

**MARK MOULTRUP**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Edson's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

**GARY SCHUNK**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at Edson's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

**JANET TENAJ TRIO**  
Featuring Sven Anderson, piano and Kurt Krahnke, bass, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Restaurant, 29244 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield. (248) 351-2926

**URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDDSON**  
With Dan Kotton, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

**ED WELLS**  
The pianist performs 5:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800

### WORLD MUSIC

**JERRY LEDUFF**  
A percussion concert by LeDuff and the New Reflections Art Ensemble featuring world percussion instruments that originated in the Orient, Americas, Africa, India and every other continent, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Cranbrook's deSalle Auditorium, 1221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. \$8. (248) 645-3361

### FOLK/BLUEGRASS

**DAN HAZLETT**  
12:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, also blues legend Robert Jones and multi-instrumentalist Sotey Beckerman, at The Ark, 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. Performance caps off series of workshop residencies in Ann Arbor schools. All ages welcome. \$10, \$5 student K-12. (734) 781-1800/(248) 674-4610

### ACOUSTIC

**BRIAN HENKE**  
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Borders, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. (248) 737-0110

### POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

**POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN**  
Workshop for poets looking for more members, 2-4 p.m. third Tuesday of month, in the Jenkins rooms on the third floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. (734) 762-7568

### DANCE

**BALLROOM DANCING**  
9 p.m. Saturdays, at the Dance Scene, 25333 Van Dyke, Centerline. \$6. Also swing and Latin classes. (810) 757-6300

**COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE**  
7:45 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at 41700 E. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. \$7. (734) 425-2207

**ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING**  
7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, at the Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road, north of Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 662-6158

**POLISH ALLIANCE DANCERS OF DEARBORN**  
Dance and language classes for ages 3 to adult have begun Saturday mornings at Prince of Peace Church, on Alter Road, Dearborn. (313) 581-3181

**STARBUCK BALLROOM**  
Dance parties 9 p.m. Fridays, lessons also available, at the dance studio, 28651 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. \$8. (248) 356-5678

**SWING NIGHTS**  
Dance Metropolis presents Friday Night Swing Nights when you can jump and jive beginning at 9:30 p.m., lessons 8:30 p.m., instructors rotate weekly and include Tom Constant and Ian & Claire, all ages welcome until 10:30 p.m. when the club is 21 and over only, at the Center Stage on Ford Road, east of I-75, Canton. (313) 684-3622/(734) 464-8447

### COMEDY

**ELDORADO COUNTRY CLUB**  
Ken Brown with Jill Washburn, Thursday-Friday, Oct. 28-29; Mark Still Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6 at the club, on Pontiac Trail, west of Haggerty. (248) 624-1050

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB**  
Kirk Notand through Saturday, Oct. 30, also Jim Hamm and Tiffany Jones; Beale, Wednesday-Saturday, Nov. 3-6, also J.R. Remick, special Greek show 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 38071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Sundays (\$8). (734) 261-0555

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S**  
at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

**MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE**  
Darwin Hines, Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 28-30, also Jan McInnis; Dave Coulier, Wednesday-Sunday, Nov. 3-7, also David Luther Glover, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. (248) 542-9900 or http://www.comedycastle.com

**SECOND CITY**  
Alternative Mondays production through Nov. 22 (\$8), "Phantom Menace to Society" Wednesday-Sunday, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8. (313) 965-2222

### MUSEUMS AND TOURS

**ANN ARBOR DISTRICT LIBRARY**  
"Jazz Age in Paris: 1914-1940," opened Oct. 15, organized by the Smithsonian Institution, reception with jazz guitarist Alex Anest 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, lecture by University of Michigan School of Music professor James Depogry 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, at the library, 343 S. Fifth Ave., Ann Arbor. (734) 327-4200

**ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM**  
Re-opened its door Oct. 19, the celebration continues with Super Science Weekends, Oct. 30-31 with "Creature Feature" featuring the Lizard Lady, Pig Hoppers, and spiders, snakes and bats, and "Mix it Up," a weekend devoted to chemistry demos and activities, in addition to more than 250 interactive exhibits intended to make science fun, at the museum, 220 E. Ann St., Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$6, \$4 children/seniors/students. (734) 995-5439

**BELLE ISLE ZOO**  
Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily through Oct. 31, at the zoo on Central Avenue on Belle Isle, two miles east of downtown Detroit, entrance is on East Jefferson at East Grand Boulevard. \$3, \$2 seniors age 62 and older and students, \$1 ages 2-12. (248) 398-0800/(248) 399-7001

**CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND ART MUSEUM**  
"Contemporary Art from Cuba: Irony and Survival on the Utopian Island," at the art museum. (248) 645-3361; "Scream Machines: The Science of Roller Coasters," "Our Dynamic Earth," and planetary and Laser programs at the science center which closed temporarily Sept. 7, opens Oct. 15 with new permanent exhibits "Life Lab," "The Kinetic," "Every Rock has a Story," and "Reading Objects," and a temporary exhibit "Turbulent Landscapes: The Natural Forces that Shape our World," 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (877) 462-7262

**DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM**  
"Frontiers to Factories: Detroiters at Work 1701-1901," formerly known as "Furs to Factories," with a new Land Office, a "Wheel of Fortune" style land acquisition interactive, three new video screen interactives, a documentary video, a new Heavy Industry section and a display explaining Detroit's move from "Stove Capital of the World" to the Motor City, automobile capital of the world, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave.

8 Days a Week

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HENRY FORD ESTATE-FAIR LANE
Estate tours include the restored river-side powerhouse, Henry Ford's personal garage and cars, giant generators placed by Ford and Thomas Edison that still operate, and the tunnel to the 56-room mansion with elaborate carved woodwork and personal artifacts, at 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 593-5590

HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE
The village is celebrating its 70th season with a host of activities, and exhibits such as Abraham Lincoln's assassination chair and a life mask made 60 days before his assassination, at the museum, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620

MEADOW BROOK HALL
Public tours of the 110-room historic mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of auto pioneer John Dodge, and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson, daily at 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. Sundays, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. \$8, \$6 seniors, \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
Ancestors' Night 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31. "I Made This Jar..." the life and works of the enslaved African American potter, Dave continues through Jan. 2, at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM
"Celebrate the Century" exhibit continues at the museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth. \$2, \$50 kids, \$5 family. (734) 455-8940

SPRIT OF FORD
Interactive automotive science and technology experience with exhibits and theaters for all ages, NASCAR Pit Stop Challenge, Turbo Tour full-motion simulator ride, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at 1151 Village Drive, across from Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$6, \$5 seniors, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 317-7474

THE PARADE STUDIO
Tours weekdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., also Saturday, Nov. 6, at the studio, Detroit. \$10, \$7 student. (313) 341-6810

POPULAR MUSIC

THE ALLIGATORS
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Ford Road Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westland. Free, 21 and over. (734) 721-8609

GREG ALLMAN
6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$28.50, \$24.50. All ages. (248) 645-6666

LORI AMEY
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Borders Books and Music, 3724 Baldwin Road Auburn Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 335-5013 (folk/pop/rock)

AQUABATS
With The Hippos, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

THE BACK DOORS
8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$10 in advance. (248) 544-3030

BACKSTREET BOYS
7:30 p.m. Saturday—Monday, Nov. 6—8, The Palace, Auburn Hills. Sold Out! Quiet room available. If you missed out on tickets, see them perform the national anthem before the Detroit Pistons season opener, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, The Palace of Auburn Hills. (248) 645-6666

BAMBU
9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 996-8555

BARNAKED LADIES
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$50 and \$35 reserved. (248) 645-6666

BIG BO'S FLASHBACK BASH
Featuring Forge, SPATI Twitch, Greebo 2000, Red September, Desmond Crisis, N2 Submission, The Immortal Winos of Soul, and guest appearances by Agent 009, Bob the singing bass player and Ken & Derrick Bandit, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Lili's 21, 2930 Jacob in Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555 (80s covers)

BURN AGAIN
10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. (248) 645-6666 (ABBA covers)

THE BLANKS
With Criminals, LES Stiches, Ducky Boys, 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$8. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

BLUE HAWAIIANS
7 p.m. Friday-Saturday Oct. 29-30, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

BLUE RODEO
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$15, \$10, \$7. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

BLUE ROSE
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Ford Road Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westland. Free. 21 and over. (734) 721-8609 (blues)

MAIRE BRENNAN
8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$20, 18 and over. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

THE BOMBERS
With Forty Fives, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$9, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

BUGS BEDDOW BAND
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 (costume party), Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. (248) 360-7450. www.bugsbeddow.com (blues)

BUJU BANTON AND BERES HAMMOND
9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$25 advance. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

BUZZCOCKS
With Down By Law, Lunachicks and Plan a Project, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$15. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

CAFE DE TACUBA
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10 advance/\$12 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

CHAIN REACTION
10 p.m. Sat. Oct. 30, Scallie's Lounge, Allen Park. \$3 cover. 21 and over. (313) 382-5844; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Michos Cafe, 25524 Five Mile Road, Redford (313) 532-9212; 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, The Berkley Front, 3087 W. Twelve Mile Road, Berkley (248) 547-3331 (rock)

CHRIS CORNELL
7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$24.75. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

COUNTING CROWS
With Joe 90, Gigolo Aunts, 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$27. All ages. (248) 645-6666

COWBOY MOUTH
9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$13. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

CROSSBY, STILLS, NASH AND YOUNG
8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$76, \$51, and \$40.50 reserved. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

SHANNON CURFMAN
7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. Tickets \$8. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com (blues)

CYCLEFLY
With The Watchmen, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$6. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DADDY LONGLEGS
10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Rochester Mills Beer Company, 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080

DANZIG
With Samhain, Hatebreed, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, State Theatre, Detroit. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

DAYS OF THE NEW
8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$12. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DEAD MOON
With Rocket 455 and Bantam Rooster, 9 p.m. Thursday, November 4, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8 in advance. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700 (garage punk)

DEATH IN VEGAS
With DJs Paul Heart and Richard Fearless, 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DEMOLITION DOLL RODS CD RELEASE PARTY
With Bantam Rooster and Gore Gore Girls, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$8 cover. (248) 544-3030

DEZINE INTENT
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Timothy O'Malley's Pub, Allen Road between Southfield and Ecstasy roads in Allen Park. (313) 382-0121

THE DICTATORS
With Bump-N-Uglies and Clone Defects, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$12, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

DISCOUNT
With Sarge and Telegraph, 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$7. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

THE DOPES
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, Rochester Mills Beer Company, 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080

EASY ACTION
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7 cover. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

EKOOSTIC HOOKAH
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$16.50 in advance. \$18 day of show. (734) 668-8397

FACE
9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Khl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd., Plymouth (734) 455-8450

BRIAN FERRY
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, Detroit Opera House, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$45, \$35, (313) 961 MELT or www.961melt.com

FILTER
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets \$15 advance/\$17 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

ROBBEN FORD & THE BLUE LINE
With Soutlive, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. Tickets \$15 tickets (248) 335-3540

LESLIE FREDERICKS
2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Borders Books and Music, 1122 E. Rochester Road, Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-0558

GALACTIC
With Anders Osborne, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$13 advance/\$15 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

GET UP KIDS
With At The Drive-in and Ultimath Fakebook, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7 advance. All ages. (313) 833-9700

GIVE
With Radium, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Lili's 21, 2930 Jacob, three blocks south of Holbrook in Hamtramck. \$5 cover. 21 and over. (313) 875-6555; With Sector 7G, Yudu Hippies, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale (248) 644-3030.

MICHAEL GLABICKI
Of Rusted Root. With Mike Errico, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. Tickets \$15. (248) 355-3540

GODSMACK
8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$18.50, All ages. (248) 645-6666

HALLOWEEN MYSTERY DATE
Featuring Trash Brats, Queen Bee, The Lanternjack, Driftweed, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. All men who dress as women and women who dress as men will get in free and qualify for the King and Queen contest. Winners receive a year's free pass to all ritual events at St. Andrews, The Shelter, Clutch Cargo, Mill Street Lounge, and the 7th House. Tickets on sale \$7. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

HARRINGTON BROTHERS
7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

ROBYN HITCHCOCK
8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$15 cover. (248) 544-3030

HOUSE OF BLUES LONE STAR TOUR
Featuring The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown & Gate's Express, C.J. Chenier & The Red Hot, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, Masonic Temple Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$37.50 and \$29.50. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com (blues)

INSANE CLOWN POSSE'S HOLLOWICKED CLOWN PARTY
With Twiztid, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$17. All ages. (313) 833-9700

J. GEIL'S BAND
8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$150, \$75, \$59.50, \$29.50 includes parking cost. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

RICKY LEE JONES
8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, The Ark, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$30 on sale. (248) 645-6666

JUNIOR BROWN
7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$30 on sale now. (248) 544-3030

K-CI AND JO JO
With Destiny's Child, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets \$35. 18 and over. (248) 645-6666

KIDS IN THE HALL
6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$35, \$27.50. (248) 645-6666

BB KING
With Bobby "Blue" Bland, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets on sale \$55, (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

MICHAEL KRIEGER
6:30 p.m. Sundays in October, Angel's Garage Cafe, 214 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. (248) 541-0888 (folk)

BOBBY LEWIS AND HIS CRACKERJACK BAND
After the Winter Wonderland Holiday Parade, 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, Wonderland Mall, Livonia. (734) 466-2212 (classic pop)

LIVE
6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. Sold Out.

LIVE LYRICS II
With Funkintelligence, Prime Numbers, MC Sun, MC Paradime, MC Telepath Math and more. 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. \$6 cover. (734) 996-8555

THE LUDDITES
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Fishbones—East, 23722 Jefferson Ave., St. Clair Shores. No cover. (810) 498-3000

LUNA
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$12 in advance. 18 and over. (313) 996-9700

MACY GRAY
8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$12.50. All Ages. (313) 961 MELT or www.961melt.com

MARCY PLAYGROUND
8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

KY-MANI MARLEY
9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$10 advance. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

FORGE CD RELEASE PARTY
With Lollipop Lost Kill, Culture Bandits, Correctional Education, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$7. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

RICKY MARTIN
With Jessica Simpson, The Nov. 1 show at The Palace is sold out

SARAH MASEN
8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets \$10, \$8 for members. (734) 464-8302 (singer-songwriter)

J. MASCIS
Of Dinosaur Jr., 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$15. (248) 544-3030

JIM MCCARTY & MYSTERY TRAIN
7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

NEL MOCOY
With Ricochet, Friday, Nov. 5, Computer Sports Arena, 14900 Beck Road, Plymouth. Tickets \$30. (734) 453-8400 (country)

MEDESKI, MARTIN AND WOOD
With Project Logic, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$20 reserved seats. (734) 668-8397

MEGADETH
8:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$24.50 general admission. All ages. (248) 645-6666 (thrash metal)

BETTE MIDLER
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale \$49.50, \$80.50, \$150.50 at Ticketmaster. Call (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

TS MONK SEXTET
7:30 p.m., 11 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Nov. 17-18, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$20 advance. (734) 662-8310

MR. BUNGLE
9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$15 advance, \$18 week of show. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DAVID MURRAY'S FO DEUK REVUE
7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$20 in advance. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

MUDPUPPY
World's Biggest Soup Kitchen Fundraiser, 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$15 advance, \$20 at door. (248) 645-6666

OCTOBER MUSIC FESTIVAL
With Eugene Mann, Sheila Landis Trio, George and Me, Daniels Crossing, Robert Genies, Barbara Berrett, 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester. Free. All ages (248) 652-0558

MEATLOAF
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$28.50, \$49.50. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

MUSTARD PLUG
With Strike, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$8.50 advance/\$10 day of show. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

MIKE NESS
With Road King, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. Tickets \$17.50 advance. (248) 645-6666

ORIGINAL HITS
7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

PENNYWISE
With Strungout and All, 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Clutch Cargo, 64 E. Huron, Pontiac. All ages. Tickets \$12.50, (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

BRENDAN PERRY
With Kristin Hersh, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$18 advance/\$21 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

PET SHOP BOYS
6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. Tickets on sale \$35 general admission. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

PHISH
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale \$25 advance/\$27 day of show. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

PHUNKIN PUMPKIN HALLOWEEN
With Electric Boogaloo and Baked Potato, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, Karl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd., Plymouth (734) 455-8450

ROD PIAZZA AND THE MIGHTY FLYERS
8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$15 (248) 544-3030

FLETCHER PRATT
With The Neptunes, 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 313jac, upstairs from Jacobys, 624 Brush St., Detroit. 18 and over \$5 cover. (313) 962-7067 (pop)

ARCHER PREWITT
Time to be announced, Friday, Nov. 5, The Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

PRIMUS
With Incubus and Buckethead, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$20. All ages. (248) 645-6666

THE PROMISE RING
7 p.m. Tuesday, November 16, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. Tickets \$9 advance (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

PS I LOVE YOU
With Starlight Desperation, 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, 313jac, upstairs from Jacobys, 624 Brush Street, Detroit. \$5 cover. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067 (pop)

QUASI
With No 2, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8. All ages. (313) 833-9700

QUEENSRÛCHE
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$39.50, \$29.50. (313) 961-MELT or

www.961melt.com
RADLIE
10 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30 to the Woodward Avenue Brewery, 22848 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Free. 21 and over. (248) 545-9888

RHYTHM HOUSE
Saturday, Oct. 30, Murphy's Off the Beach, 28880 Ford Road, Dearborn Heights. (313) 563-3600 (r&b)

SAVE FRIENDS
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac. Tickets \$8.50 advance/\$10 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

SAX APPEAL
7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Nov. 4, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues duo)

JOHN SCOFIELD BAND
With Charlie Hunter, Adam Cruz Duo., 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$22. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

THE SEVENTY SEVENS
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets \$15, \$12 for members. (734) 464-8302 (aftermarock)

SET ROCK
9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 29-30, Nov. 19-20, Mr. B's Farm, 24555 Novi Road, Novi. No cover. 21 and over. (248) 348-7038

KENNY WAYNE SHEPARD
8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets \$22 advance. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com (blues)

SHIPWRECK UNION
With Braillehouse, 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 313jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush Street, Detroit. \$5 cover. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067 (rock)

SLOAN
With Blinker the Star, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$15 advance, \$18 day of show. All ages. (248) 645-6666

SPATI
With Stunning Amazon and Time No Reason, Saturday, Nov. 6, The Village Idiot, 15421 Mack, Detroit. (313) 884-1111; Sunday, Nov. 14, Cadieux Cafe, 4300 Cadieux, Detroit. (313) 882-8580 spat@www.detroitmusic.com

STING
With M'shell Ndegeocello, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Dec. 1, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$110, \$85. (248) 645-6666

JOE STRUMMER AND THE MESCALEROS
8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. 18 and over. Tickets \$20 advance/\$23 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

SUICIDE MACHINES
With Nipon and Wristrocket, 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$15. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

TOTY VIOLA'S JAZZ KICK
9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Fishbones—East, 23722 Jefferson Ave., St. Clair Shores. No cover. (810) 498-3000 (jazz)

# 'Three To Tango' takes a '90s look at love triangle

BY CAMERON CHAMBER  
Special Features

As the saying goes, "two's a company, three's a crowd." Anyone who has ever been involved in a love triangle knows that saying all too well. But that's only the half of it. Now imagine the person you're in love with mistakenly thinks you're gay.

That's the case in "Three To Tango," directed by Damon Santostefano (Nickelodeon's "The Adventures of Pete and Pete"), and produced by Bobby Newmyer and Jeffrey Silver ("The Santa Clause"), and Bettina Sofia Viviane (Schindler's List).

The film takes a look at what it's like to fall in love with some-

one you can't have.

This complex romantic comedy stars Matthew Perry ("Friends"), Neve Campbell ("Party of Five"), Dylan McDermott ("The Practice") and Oliver Platt ("Lake Placid"). The story goes like this:

Oscar Novak (Perry) is a young architect who finds himself, along with his business partner Peter Steinberg (Platt), in a competition for the design of a multi-million dollar cultural center. Chicago tycoon Charles Newman (McDermott) has pushed them into the competition with their arch-rivals, Decker and Straus. In order to gain an edge, Decker and Straus start a rumor that Oscar and Peter are more than business partners. In actuality Peter is gay,

Oscar is not.

Charles, enjoying his little publicity stunt, is obsessive and compulsive especially when it comes to his mistress Amy Post (Campbell). So Charles comes up with the idea of having someone look after Amy - someone who is dedicated, someone he has no need to be jealous of and someone who is gay. Someone like (he thinks) Oscar.

Knowing very well that if he turns Charles down he risks ruining his career, Oscar agrees to watch over Amy. What Oscar did not count on was meeting the woman of his dreams - the beautiful, independent Amy. It seems like they have a great deal in common and that Amy may be

attracted to him as well.

Amy is very casual about her relationship with Charles and when he can't be with her she keeps herself busy with her career as an artist. When Oscar stumbles into her life, she finds herself falling for a man she thinks is gay and involved with a married man, placing her at the center of the love triangle.

Oscar eventually realizes the only reason Charles asked him to watch over Amy was because he is overly jealous and he thinks Oscar is gay. But it gets worse. Not only does Amy think he is gay, so do his friends, his family and almost all of Chicago.

Oscar admits to having intimate issues with women in the past and thinks that by pretending to be gay he will be able to "really" get to know Amy. So Oscar goes with it. He becomes the most famous gay man in Chicago.

But when he is to be honored as

Chicago's Gay Professional of the year, it's the last straw. Now Oscar has to decide whether he should keep up the ruse to hold on to the job of a lifetime with Peter, or tell everyone the truth and risk ruining his career and his relationship with Amy.

Perry, best known for his role as Chandler Bing on NBC's "Friends," is no stranger to the silver screen. He recently starred in the comedy "Almost Heroes" and the romantic comedy "Fools Rush In." Being the veteran comic actor that he is, Perry was able to be funny yet very real and dramatic in the romance department. He has the ability to be intense, vulnerable and humorous all at the same time.

Campbell, known for her role as Julia Salinger on Fox's "Party of Five," could be called a "drama queen." She has recently starred in "Wild Things," "Scream," and "Scream 2." For Campbell, comedy

was a nice change of pace. She was able to give Amy a comedic side, as well as provide her with an "added intensity."

McDermott, who is known for his role as attorney Bobby Donnell in ABC's "The Practice," has just the right look for a powerful industrialist. He is very handsome and incredibly smooth, which makes him convincing as a charming tycoon.

Platt, known as one of the busiest actors in Hollywood, has recently starred in "Lake Placid," "Bulworth" and "Dr. Doolittle." With a resume full of diverse parts, Platt is able to be funny, intelligent and dramatic. He plays a very convincing gay man.

"Three To Tango" is an entertaining film with a unique concept of keeping the lead characters apart. Although slow at times and a little lacking on the comedic end, the film makes up for it with such an engaging ensemble cast.

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Twisted triangle: Matthew Perry and Neve Campbell star in the offbeat, romantic comedy "Three To Tango."

### COMING ATTRACTIONS

**Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 29**

**"HOUSE ON HAUNTED HILLS"**  
Five strangers have been offered a million dollars each to spend one night in a house with a hideous past. Based on the 1958 classic horror film by William Castle. Stars Geoffrey Rush, Tye Diggles, Peter Gallagher.

**"MUSIC OF THE HEART"**  
Abandoned by her husband, a woman begins a new life in Harlem giving kids hope and pride through music. After 10 years of teaching, her program is slated to become a victim of budget cutbacks and she fights back. Stars Meryl Streep, Aidan Quinn.

**"BLACK CAT, WHITE CAT"**  
Firm bachelor with 24 hours to find a bride if he wishes to inherit \$120 million from his grandfather. Stars Chris O'Donnell, Brooke Shields.

**"THE BONE COLLECTOR"**  
Drama about a gruesomely mutilated corpse found next to the railroad tracks in Spanish Harlem. This forces an independent street-smart policeman to team up with a brilliant, but bed bound forensic expert in order to solve the murder. Stars Denzel Washington.

**"THE INSIDER"**  
Factual drama based on Marie Brenner's Vanity Fair article "The Man Who Knew Too Much." A one-time corporate officer becomes a key witness in lung cancer cases against tobacco companies across the country. He tells his story to the investigative reporter who tries to get the piece aired even though his network refuses. Stars Al Pacino.

**"SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, NOV. 5**

**"BEING JOHN MALKOVICH"**  
Outrageous comedy about a puppeteer who finds a door in his office that allows him to enter the mind of, and literally become, the famous actor, John Malkovich. Stars John Cusack, Cameron Diaz.

**"THE BACHELOR"**  
Romantic comedy surrounding a con-

**Scheduled to open Friday, Nov. 12**

**"ANYWHERE BUT HERE"**  
Fleeing small-town boredom, a restless mother drags her reluctant teenage daughter to Beverly Hills and a new and sometimes difficult life. Stars Susan Sarandon.

**"DOOMA"**  
The latest battle in the eternal war

**between good and evil has come to New Jersey. A comic fantasia of angels, demons, apostles and prophets (of a sort) as they walk among the cynics and innocents of America and duke it out for the fate of humankind. Stars Ben Affleck, George Carlin.**

**"LIGHT IT UP"**  
Following an accidental shooting in a battered inner city high school, a disparate group of students hold a wounded police officer hostage. As media and public interest in the standoff intensifies, the classmates unexpectedly band together to help themselves and the school.

**"MANFIELD PARK"**  
Based on the book by Jane Austen, the story of a young woman from a poor family, sent to live with her wealthy cousins at their estate. The plan is to arrange a marriage that will assure her place in society, but her high spirited nature and ideas about love will make it a difficult proposition. Stars Frances O'Connor.

**"POKEMON THE FIRST MOVIE"**  
John Ash, Brock, Misty, Pikachu and the rest on an epic adventure that features the debut of a new, bio-engineered "Super-Pokemon," whose powers rival those of the existing creatures.

### MUSIC

## Blinker the Star shines on Pontiac

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*Blinker the Star, the brain child of Canadian-born Jordan Zadorozny, touches down with its spacy, melancholy, psychedeli-pop at Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron in downtown Pontiac, Friday, Oct. 29. The band is touring in support of its latest release "August Everywhere," which spawned the hit "Below the Sliding Doors." The Observer-Eccentric Newspapers gave Zadorozny a ring on Wednesday, Oct. 20, to chat about the song, the album and growing up in a highly musical family. He was visiting his mother in Pembroke, Ontario, at the time, taking a week off before heading back out on the road.*

Observer & Eccentric: Have you played the Detroit area before?

Jordan Zadorozny: "We played there about a half a month ago at The Shelter and three and half years ago at the same place. I really like Detroit. It wasn't what I thought. The people are pretty interesting."

O&E: What's the significance of the title "August Everywhere" and why is that your favorite time of year?

Zadorozny: "I've always just

liked it. There's nothing too big or too deep behind it. The record wasn't planned to be called that. The last deadline to come up with a title came when I was in Saskatchewan, driving through an ice storm ... I talked it out loud to myself. There actually was a preoccupation with that time of year and what it does to me. It just sort of very simply and gracefully summed up the record."

O&E: How has coming from a musical family influenced your own work?

Zadorozny: "I'm encouraged to do music all the time. I've sort of taken something from both of (my parents). My dad has so much patience. He builds violins. I still have part of that in me if I can work 12 hours straight (in the studio). My mom's kind of the opposite. She's pure inspiration, very unschooled in theory but she understands it. She's more of a pure musician."

O&E: How did you hook up with Hole and end up writing a song ("Reasons to Be Beautiful") with Courtney Love for the band's recent release?

Zadorozny: "Melissa (Auf Der Maur) from Hole, she and I were in a band called Tinker together. We've always remained very close ... I got a call from Melissa. She said, 'Do you want to come

out (to Los Angeles)? I flew out from Kansas City and stayed a month and a half. It was very interesting, to say the least. I stayed up at the house. They had a basement rec room. We watched Bowie videos all night. They were just kind of looking for someone to come in a direction they would not otherwise have gone in. I should've pushed a little harder. One song made the record."

O&E: What are your aspirations for Blinker the Star's future?

Zadorozny: "I'd like to sell a lot of records so I can maybe buy a house back in Pembroke, maybe buy this house, my mom's house. The most important thing is to make records I would want to listen to. I was driving through Toronto and I heard our song on the radio. I thought, 'If this wasn't me would I still be into this?' I would."

O&E: What can Blinker fans expect to see live?

Zadorozny: "We kind of amp it up a little bit. We sort of play a little more aggressively. The songs are represented pretty well. It's pretty true to the record, it's kind of takes on a spirit of its own."

For more information on the show call (313) 961-MELT or check www.961melt.com.



# Motor City's Doll Rods set to demolish on Devil's Night

Remember how the Ramones shared the same last name even though they weren't really related? Those tricky punk rockers.

Well, in at least one way, Detroit's own Demolition Doll Rods have followed in the footsteps of those punks who came before them.

Margaret, Danny and Christine Doll Rod aren't all blood-related, but their souls are purely rock 'n' roll. Calling from their tour bus in Pittsburgh, Pa., the Doll Rods were entering their sixth week of touring and looking forward to the CD release party set for Devil's Night in their hometown.

"We like playing there," Danny said of the Magic Bag in Ferndale, where the party will be held. "They have good sound and we know the people."

## Being a Doll Rod

Embarking on their seventh year together, the Demolition Doll Rods say these days they're sounding better and playing better than ever before. How do they sound? Danny and Margaret describe the Doll Rods as stripped-down, rockin', soul-bending musicians. And the latest disc proves they're right on.

"We love the latest CD," said Margaret. "We're one of those bands that grow in front of you. We don't go off into a practice space. And the audience can grow with us."

The album is a mix of in-your-face vocals, crunchy guitar riffs and tracks that make you want to scream along. Doll Rods' friend Don Jones played saxophone on two tracks, "Feast" and "U Look Good."

"U Look Good" happens to be Danny's favorite track. Christine — or Thumper as she's come to be known — said she really likes "Foolin' Around." And Margaret's favorite is easily "Hey You." Listen for those at the show.

Margaret (singer and guitarist) and her sister Christine (drummer) hail from Rockford,

while Danny (guitar) is a Detroit native. The band signed with Matador Records (home to Pavement) last spring, proving itself a worthy competitor in the world of raunchy punk rock.

"They were interested in a band I used to be in a long time ago," said Danny of the label. "We were looking for a label and asked them if they were interested. They had already seen the band and really liked it." Some of the benefits of being part of the Matador family, he said, include better distribution and publicity.

Speaking of family, Margaret and Christine said they're getting along better than ever on tour. Well, at least Margaret thinks so: "We used to get pretty irritated by each other but now ..."

Christine cuts in from the back of the bus, "Five days a week is a lot for me to tolerate."

"At first it was pretty tough," Margaret continued. Now, we think each other is funny."

Sisters.

Don't ask the Doll Rods to name musical influences. Margaret admitted she doesn't even know who Eminem is, forget that

he's a fellow Detroit. "It's important to have our own sound," she said, adding that she's not really into any certain bands. "I'm really into myself, into ourselves. We can develop our own sound. I don't even know a lot of bands."

You can take a girl off the road, but...

"I love touring and I really appreciate this time to spend together," said Margaret. "I love going from town to town, picking out what things are different from one place to another. We're going to Europe soon."

One thing's for sure, fans are guaranteed a show when the Doll Rods hit town. The three-piece threatens to make audiences wonder whether clothes are really a necessary component to performing on stage.

"We're not actually naked on-stage, we don't wear a lot of clothes," said Margaret. "When we first started playing, we did wear full outfits. When you're on-stage it's not really very practical. We wear costumes. It's more of a comfort thing, for us to be comfortable and for our audience



Ready to rock in Ferndale: Detroit's own glam-punk-rock threesome recently signed with Matador records.

to be comfortable seeing us. We are who we are. We're giving you every bit of ourselves on stage."

After almost seven years, the band mates are more comfortable performing. Margaret said she's finally able to move around when she plays and sings. And Christine's developed a rather vocal fan base. Look for her to be wearing some of her own designs on-stage, as well.

"We're excited to come home and play a little Devil's Night party," said Margaret. "We don't really make plans. We're really into living for the moment. Hopefully, everyone will be sur-

prised." Join Demolition Doll Rods as they celebrate the release of their first album with Matador Records. Performing with Bantam Rooster and Gote Gore Girls, doors open at 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$8 cover. Call (248) 544-3030 for more information.

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# 12 years later...Chain Reaction keeps on rollin' in Detroit

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For more than a decade, Chain Reaction has been a mainstay on the Motor City music scene. Over the past 12 years, singer Eric Harabadian has seen bands and clubs come and go but has always stayed true to his work.

"I'd say we're an eclectic rock band. By that I mean we build on a lot of different styles — reggae, harder rock, some ballads."

The former Westland resident and the band continue to rock their way around the town. Chain Reaction formed in 1987 and has been performing in local venues like Westland's Studio Lounge, Garden City's J.D.'s Pub and Grub, Canton's Center Stage and Borders Books and Music in Farmington Hills.

What keeps them rolling? It all comes down to a passion for the music.

"I just love music and I've been playing guitar for 20 years," said Harabadian.

For most of those years he's been accompanied by Bob Drosdzewski, also a former Westland resident and Chain Reaction's guitarist. Harabadian said they've shared an interest in the same type of music. "It is kind of amazing we've kept a focus."

Despite personnel changes we've kept a focus."

Drosdzewski also handles a lot of the business aspects of the band, and organizes their Web site. Some might refer to him as the band's technical advisor.

"Every band needs one of those," said Harabadian.

He also engineered most of Chain Reaction's recordings, with the exception of last year's "In the Dark," which was recorded at Talent Live Studio in Canton.

Harabadian does most of the songwriting in the band. He gathers inspiration from day-to-day life. In "Daily Grind," he writes about his experience in a Royal Oak coffee house, which he considers the bars of the nineties. Watching the people around him playing instruments, talking and writing, he put the scene together as a play and made it into a song. He said there are a lot of different influences in his songs.

Drummers and keyboardists have come and gone in the band, but Chain Reaction seems to be set with its current line-up. It includes energetic bassist Larry Fritzeley — who's been in the band for 7 years — and percussionist Sam Bonanni — who joined after reading a drummer-

**"When we were listening to the radio in the late '70s, early '80s, radio was a little looser in terms of format. There was more of a variety being exposed. Now I feel music has been taken hostage. You gotta seek it out for yourself."**

Eric Harabadian  
Chain Reaction

wanted ad just over six months ago. Harabadian calls Bonanni a "stabilizing force" and an "open-minded" musician.

But the line-up isn't the only change Harabadian has wit-

nessed over the last decade. "I've seen a lot of clubs come and go, a lot of club turnover with new management."

With the rise of dance or disc jockey-oriented clubs in the Metro area, Harabadian said it's more challenging for musicians to find places to perform.

"I think it's starting to get a little better again," he said. Harabadian's reflections on the Detroit of the past and the rebirth that's occurring today can be heard in the lyrics of "Tale of Two Cities." The Charles Dickens title is an analogy he affixed to his perception of the city.

His outlook on today's music isn't as bright. "When we were listening to the radio in the late '70s, early '80s, radio was a little looser in terms of format. There was more of a variety being exposed. Now I feel music has been taken hostage. You gotta seek it out for yourself."

Harabadian said he listens to music from all different genres. It's not unusual to hear a variety of cover songs like Smash-mouth's "Walking on the Sun," and The Smithereens "Behind the Wall of Sleep," mixed in with a healthy dose of originals during a Chain Reaction live set.

"I think that's what separates us from a lot of other bands. If

you come and see us, we're gonna give a show."

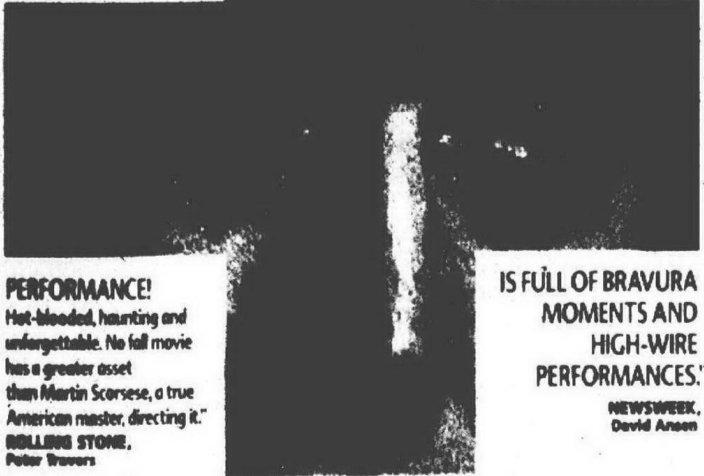
See Chain Reaction 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Scali's Underground Lounge, 6650 Allen Road in Allen Park. Wear a costume and expect the band to be dressed up, too. There will be a cover charge and the show is 21 and over. Call (313) 438-0029 for information. Or check the Web <http://homepages.msn.com/stages/chainreact>

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# PRICE GOUGING

## Cost of eating prime escalates as Y2K nears

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A new form of Y2K bug has hit restaurants. If your taste preferences lead to prime cuts of beef or top-of-the-line seafoods such as Alaskan king crab and lobster, you may be in for new millennium sticker shock at your favorite restaurant.

This spring, Alaskan King Crab was \$6 per pound at the wholesale level noted Matt Prentice, president of the Unique Restaurant Corporation, the area's largest restaurant group. It is now \$11. Forecasts for the wholesale price of warm water lobster tails in December are \$20 per pound. Today, cold water tails are \$29 per pound.

Two months ago, prime beef filets were \$16 per pound wholesale. Four weeks ago, it shot to \$21. This week it's almost \$30. Even prime New York strip steak has gone through the roof from \$9 per pound to \$16.62 whole-

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sale this week.

These costs are a full 50 percent above the peak holiday season last year.

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"Daily, the electronic and print media offer a millennium countdown," said Greg Goodman, chef/proprietor of Café Bon Homme in Plymouth. "I think

this has generated a frenzy attitude. It's cascading down and suppliers are taking advantage by raising prices two months before the peak holiday season. They're cleaning up and restaurateurs are being manipulated.

"It's pathetic and catastrophic. We have no choice, but to pass costs along to diners. We've told suppliers that this is not tolerable and their attitude is 'that's the price.' We realize that when diners pay the bill, the restaurateur appears to be overcharging, but we're at the mercy of suppliers. There is no viable alternative.

"The market could correct before the New Year, but we have no way of knowing. Right now, restaurants have to raise prices on prime beef cuts, veal, and seafood."

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**Fox Hills Country Club** — RJO Productions presents "Fox's Liar Dinner Theater" Saturdays through Nov. 13, 6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. dinner, followed by show, at Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 North Territorial, Plymouth. Tickets \$29.95 per person, call (734) 453-7272.

**Taste of the Arts** — The Westland Chamber of Commerce is seeking restaurants to participate in the Taste of the Arts event scheduled 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30 at the Hellenic Culture Center on Joy Road near Churchill High School. There is no charge for restaurants to participate. At least 600 guests are expected to attend, paying \$20 a person for the chance to sample the best of area restaurant food. Tickets will cost \$25 at the door if you wait until the day of the event. Participating restaurants will be able to pass out coupons and promotional materials at their tables.

The Taste Festival will raise funds for the chamber and for the Family Resource Center in Westland. A silent auction of art will also be held. A drawing will be held for prizes which include a trip for two to Las Vegas. Contact Lori Brist at the chamber office, (313) 326-7222 for tickets or information on how to participate. Major sponsors are North Brothers Ford, the Hellenic Cen-

ter, International Minute Press, Maui Travel and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

**SoupCity** — Fund-raising event for the Coalition on Temporary Shelter, 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28 at the State Theater in Detroit. Thirty metro Detroit restaurants including Zoup!, Pike Street, Five Lakes Grill, and Union Street will prepare their signature soups and finger foods for the all-you-can-eat event. Cash bar, live music of Mud Puppy. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Call (248) 645-8666.

**Detroit International Wine Auction** — 18th annual event sponsored by General Motors, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center Ballroom. To launch this year's event, Tribute restaurant in Farmington Hills will host an intimate Winemaker Dinner 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 with honorary guests Jean-Michel Cazes of Chateau Lynch-Bages, Bordeaux, France and Sotherby's auctioneers, Serena Sutcliffe and Michael Davis. Limited seating available. Call (248) 664-7464 for ticket information.

**American Harvest Restaurant** — At Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty (between Six and Seven Mile Roads) in Livonia is open for lunch Tuesday-Friday. The restaurant, operated by Schoolcraft College's renowned Culinary Arts Department, serves a variety of gourmet selections prepared and served by students who work under the supervision of four certified master chefs. Call (734) 462-4488 for reservations. International dinners are offered Thursday evenings throughout the fall. Dinners are \$26.95 per

person. Call (734) 462-4488 for information.

The Professor's Pantry offers fresh bread, pastries, soups, pasta and salads prepared by students, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday-Friday.

Schoolcraft College is hosting a **Gourmet Wine Tasting** 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 in the Waterman Center on the Livonia campus. The event features fine wines from Spain, complemented by gourmet cuisine. The cost is \$35 per person. Call (734) 462-4422 for information/reservations.

**Annual Madrigal Dinners** 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 9-11 in the Waterman Center. The cost is \$35 per person, call (734) 462-4417 for information/reservations.

**Save A Heart, A Celebration of Wine and Food**, 6:30-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12 — at the Michigan League, 911 North University at Fletcher, Ann Arbor, to benefit the Michigan Congenital Heart Center at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. Over 300 different wines will be available for

tasting, accompanied by food from Ann Arbor's most popular restaurants. General admission tickets are \$50 per person (\$35 of which is tax deductible) and Tasting from Private Cellars benefactor tickets are \$180 (\$125 tax deductible). Call (734) 936-9134.

**Epoch Restaurant Group's Millennium Celebration** — Guests dining at any of four Epoch restaurants (Tribute, Farmington Hills; Forté, Birmingham; Too Chez, Novi; and Latitude, Bay Harbor) between now and Nov. 24 will receive an entry form each time they dine, or simply upon request. A random drawing on Nov. 30 will determine the winner of a six-day gastronomic package for six beginning Dec. 28 and ending Jan. 2. The winner and guests will dine at each of Epoch's metro-area restaurants on successive evenings and be flown by private plane from Detroit to Harbor Springs on Dec. 31 for a new millennium celebration that includes two nights lodging in a three bedroom suite at the Inn

at Bay Harbor and dinner at Latitude.

**Chef Superstar comes to MotorCity Casino** — Michael Russell, one of only two Certified Master Chefs still active in the Michigan restaurant business, has left the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club to take the position of Executive Chef of the yet-to-open MotorCity Casino in Detroit.

There he will oversee MotorCity's six food operations employing 300 food-service personnel, including 11 sous chefs and nearly 200 cooks — a far cry from the staff of 17 he headed at Bloomfield Open Hunt Club. Russell won't be pinned down on his food style except to say it's primarily American with Asian accents. His biggest challenge will be at the casino's signature restaurant Iridescence, scheduled to open when MotorCity casino opens. Inaugural menu items include a dish such as rack of wild boar with cider-pepper glaze, braised red cabbage, root vegetable puree, cinnamon-glazed apples, and vanilla-scent-

ed sweet potato puree.

**Andiamo Italia West** — The Platters featuring vocalist Sonny Turner and Sam Butera perform Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 4-6 at the Andiamo Celebrity Showroom, 7066 E. 14 Mile Road, Warren. Tickets \$30-\$35, call (810) 268-3200.

**The Michigan Grape & Wine Industry Council** — is partnering with a number of Michigan restaurants and retailers in "Fall is a Cool Time for Michigan Wine." The promotion features Michigan wines in celebration of the harvest season and upcoming holidays. Participating metro-Detroit restaurants include Big Rock Chop & Brew House and The Townsend Hotel, Birmingham; Ernesto's, Plymouth; Hogan's Restaurant, Bloomfield Hills; Nordstrom, Troy; Tam O Shanter Country Club and El Nibble Nook in West Bloomfield.

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