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# District gets larger allowance



**■ Plymouth-Canton will get another \$300 per pupil for the 2000-01 school year, but school officials and board members still think the district lags behind others in the state's school-funding formula.**

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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Plymouth-Canton Schools will get a \$300 per-pupil increase from the state school aid fund in the 2000-01 school

year. Combined with a projected growth of 111 students, that will mean more than \$5.3 million added to the district's budget.

"It's the first time we've had that big an increase," said Dan White, the dis-

trict's interim business manager. "That hasn't always been the case."

White is referring to the years when the foundation grant increase has been less than the rate of inflation, causing the district to slash parts of the budget. This year, the increase is more than double the 2.2 percent rate of inflation.

The additional revenue means Plymouth-Canton will be spending \$6,525 per student in the coming school year.

Projections by the state show Ply-

mouth-Canton getting another \$300 per student from the state in the 2001-02 school year, and \$200 in 2002-03.

While the state aid increases, combined with projected student growth, are expected to give Plymouth-Canton welcome relief for its budget, administrators and school board members still feel the district is being shortchanged when compared to other districts in the area.

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## Township decreases sewer rate

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Plymouth Township residents and businesses will for the first time receive a credit of 25 percent for sewage disposal charges for a three-month period.

Treasurer Ron Edwards brought the issue before the township board Tuesday night after some research.

"The perception of the homeowners is that they are paying for water that is not going into the sewer system," Edwards said.

Customers frequently asked why they pay sewer charges when they are watering their lawns and gardens so often during the summer, he said. "They are wondering what they can do about it."

Board members unanimously instructed the Department of Public Services to issue the credit for the billings received in September, October, and November. Bills are mailed on a quarterly basis. There are three zones for residential users. Because of this, different water-usage periods are involved: May, June, July, June, July, August, and July, August, September.

"Our summer bills go right through the roof," Edwards said.

After the meeting, resident Roy Hart, a Denise Court resident, asked Edwards for more information. In looking up his bill, Edwards said that last

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## Moving on



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**Graduation fun:** Nicholas Batt, 6, signs Amanda Hunsinger's autograph dog (left) following the 5-year-old's graduation ceremony from the Beginners Inn Child Care and Learning Center Preschool Graduation 2000 held in Kellogg Park. The ceremony consisted of a class sing along, concert by "The Music Lady," Beverly Meyer, and presentation of certificates. Breakfast followed. The children then spent the morning playing tag and running around the park. Above, Zoe Lauer, 4, bites into a bagel following the graduation ceremonies in Kellogg Park.

## Holiday festivities include 4th-annual township picnic

BY SUE BUCK  
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The best bargain in the Plymouth community could be the fourth-annual July 4 Good Old Fashion Neighborhood Picnic from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Plymouth Township Recreational Park.

At least, that's certainly what picnic organizers believe.

The bargain is that all food items

cost just a nickel, according to Ron Edwards, the organizer of the picnic. Edwards is the Plymouth Township treasurer, but spends his own time planning the annual event.

"You can get a soda pop, chips, a hot dog, and ice cream for just 20 cents," he said. Food will be available starting at 11 a.m.

The park is located on Ann Arbor Trail and McClumpha in Plymouth Township.

**■ 'It was meant to bring the community together.'**

Ron Edwards  
—Picnic organizer

Edwards, along with Plymouth Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill, initiated the picnic to bring a sense of community to Plymouth Township.

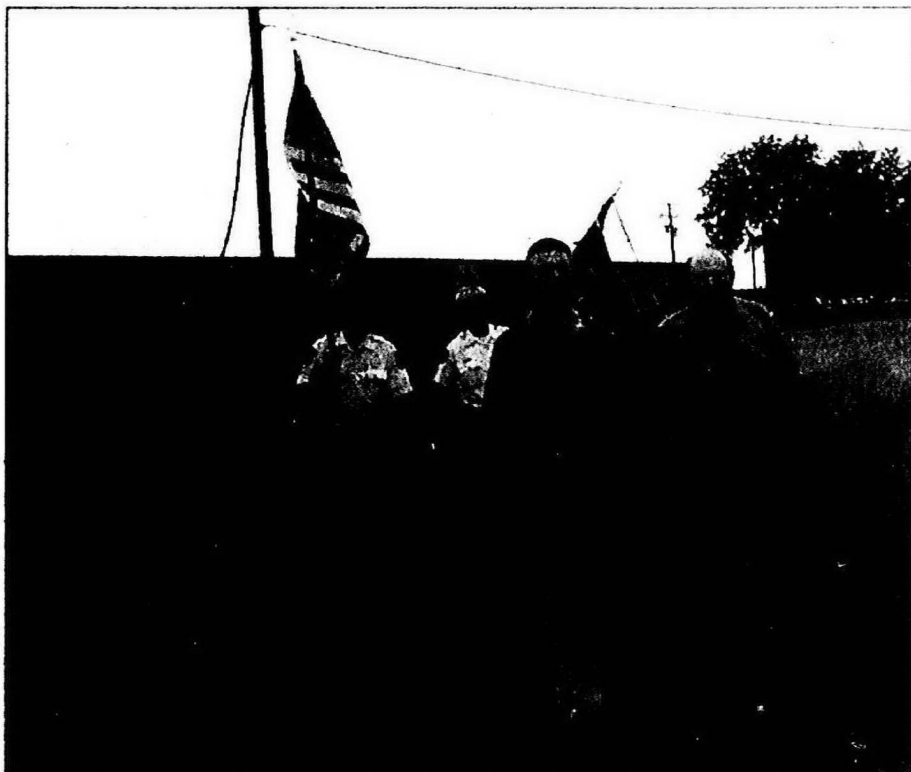
"It was meant to bring the commu-

ty together," Edwards said. "There were no events held in the township. It's run by all volunteers, including township employees."

The first year drew 300 people. "We expect close to 2,000 people this year," Edwards said.

A hot air balloon is provided compliments of Mike and Mary Gladstein of RE/MAX on the Trail. They will offer

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSHMANN

**Moving out:** Judges Ron Lowe and John MacDonald carry their robes and court officers Richard Jackson (left rear) and George Berg carry the American and Michigan flags, respectively, as they make the move to their new digs in the \$8.25 million court house, which replaces the old building which burned down

## Local court moves into new Plymouth digs

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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Three years after heavy thunderstorms downed a Detroit Edison power line and burned down the Dunbar Davis Hall of Justice, 35th District Court officials are finally in their new home.

Court employees on Tuesday began working out of their new, \$8.25 million, three-story courthouse, constructed on the same site as the one-story structure which burned down. Quite a change from the configuration of trailers, snapped together like Legos, that had been serving as a courthouse in a parking lot across the street.

"It's a gorgeous building," said Judy Kellerman, clerical supervisor, as she inspected her new offices. "The trailers weren't bad for awhile, but the last week everyone was getting excited about moving. I never would have expected anything like this."

As Judge Ron Lowe put it, "This really speaks 'courthouse.'"

Among the changes court workers haven't seen for three years, court

**■ 'It's a gorgeous building. I never would have expected anything like this.'**

Judy Kellerman  
—Clerical supervisor

rooms with a full complement of wood benches, chairs and trim, marble floors at each level, and large windows which make the building look spacious.

"It's going to be a terrific change," said Lowe. "It feels like a real courtroom, especially after working behind tables and chairs for so long."

The first court proceedings will be held Friday in the Benita Gross and wood trim courtroom of Judge John MacDonald. However, the new 35th District Court building will be in full-scale operation July 3.

"We basically cleared the decks, because we needed time to get set up," said Kerry Erdman, court administrator.

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# PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

## City taxes

Summer taxes for the City of Plymouth are due July 1, but are payable through Aug. 10, without penalty, according to information provided by the city treasurer Teresa Cischke.

Checks should be made payable to City of Plymouth. Payments can be made at city hall during regular business hours, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. After hours, payments can be placed in the drop box located in the Church Street lobby of City Hall, or taxpayers can use the drop box located next to the book return at the library.

City National Bank, Plymouth office, will also accept payments through Aug. 10.

## Life on the porch

Remember shucking corn on your grandmother's porch? Sleeping there on hot, humid nights? Kissing your sweetheart on your front porch swing? The Observer wants to hear about your "porch memories" - in 50 words or less - for an upcoming feature on beautiful porches for our At Home section.

Please send your submissions to: "Porch Memories," Renee Skoglund, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150; fax (734) 591-7279; or e-mail rskoglund@oe.homecomm.net.

## Community Bank

Dearborn Bancorp., Inc., the holding company for Community Bank of Dearborn, reported the ground-breaking for its newest branch office in Canton this week.

The ground breaking was scheduled for today at 8:30 a.m. The new branch will be on the west side of Canton Center, south of Ford Road and just north of Saltz Road.

Community Bank of Dearborn operates full service branches in Dearborn, Dearborn Heights and Plymouth

## Township

### Correction

A photo in the June 25 Plymouth Observer identified 4-year-old Devon Dishalski of Wyandotte playing in Dodge Fountain in Kellogg Park. The fountain was actually donated by the Perry Family. The Observer apologizes for the error.

### Academic excellence

Marianne Juarez has earned a pat on the back from the SBC family of companies, which includes Southwestern Bell, Ameritech, SNET, Pacific Bell, Nevada Bell, Cellular One and SBC Telecom.

Juarez has been awarded recognition for academic excellence with a \$3,500 scholarship from the SBC Foundation. The scholarships are part of an annual awards program for children of employees and retirees of Southwestern Bell, Ameritech, SNET, Pacific Bell, Nevada Bell, Cellular One and SBC Telecom who are pursuing undergraduate studies at accredited four-year and two-year colleges and universities and military institutions. Students who maintain academic guidelines can renew their scholarships each year.

"Investing in these young students is an investment in our future. Education is a critical link in strengthening the communities in which we operate and our nation as a whole. We hope this educational scholarship will help Juarez make a difference in the world," said Gloria Delgado, president of the SBC Foundation.

The competitive scholarship selection process is based on merit, leadership skills and work experience.

Juarez, the daughter of Maximino Juarez of Plymouth, plans to use her scholarship to attend the University of Michigan in the fall and major in business.

# On the road to retirement

## Educators take different paths into next phase of life

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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It was a record year as 98 employees from the Plymouth-Canton school district retired at the end of the school year, with many of them members of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association who took advantage of a buyout.

For many, the buyout was too good to pass up. For some, like June Swartz, it's an opportunity to leave and move on to another career.

"I love the students and faculty here, but I'm leaving at a high point," said Swartz, who has been a counselor at Salem High School for 23 of her 26 years in the district. "I want to move on to something less soul-consuming. Counseling can be a very tough job."

Swartz said being a problem solver never has a dull moment.

"When you walk in at 7 in the morning and never look up at the clock, then it's past 3 p.m. ...." she said. "There's a tremendous variety and tremendous challenges, but it can be very rewarding."

"I try not to solve students' problems, but, instead, give them the life skills they need so they can leave making their own decisions," said Swartz. "Students make the final decisions with their lives, and I only provide input along the way."

"You try to make a difference, hoping you'll have an impact," she added. "A teenager's life is a roller coaster, and hopefully with your experience in adulthood



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Fond farewell: Sandy Wiacek (center) gets a group hug from her students on her last day before retirement at Isbister Elementary in Plymouth Township Thursday, June 15.

you'll help get them through the low parts because they don't have the balance that adults have."

**'You try to make a difference, hoping you'll have an impact.'**

June Swartz  
—Retiring teacher

Swartz kept in touch with nearly 370 students, and worked hard at knowing all of them by the time they graduated in four years. She admits to sometimes getting too involved in her job.

"Sometimes you take the problems home with you," she said. "But, if I become too involved I no longer can be an objective person, and therefore not as effective."

Swartz said she won't miss getting up at 5:30 a.m., and was looking forward to "sailing off into the sunset vacationing in Hawaii."

While Swartz was ready to leave on a high point, third grade teacher Sandy Wiacek at Isbister Elementary said her departure was "bittersweet."

"But, I will see my students all over Plymouth and visit them at Isbister next year," she said.

Wiacek has been teaching first, second and third grades at Isbister for 22 years, but she really enjoys the older group.

"Third grade is my passion, I'm in love with those kids," she said. "They come to you very needy. They're not yet independent, and are finding out who they are. Third grade can make or break a kid. If you get them to take school seriously, then they'll do well in future grades."

Remembering her years of teaching, Wiacek said, "It's not the money. You go through the tragedies and good times with them. You become mother, father and counselor. And, when a kid comes to visit in his

last year of college, it means a lot."

Wiacek said she's gone to graduations, weddings, and funerals involving former students and their families. She has kept in touch with several, including many who are adults.

She does have one standing invitation from a former student, who is now in seventh grade.

"He's going to be an astronaut and I'm invited to his blastoff," she said with a smile. "He first wanted to go to Mars, but then decided it will take too long to get there."

Wiacek, who was hired by Russell Isbister, will be a fixture at Isbister Elementary, long after she is gone.



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Sweet treat: Parents had a cake made for Sandy Wiacek featuring photographs of her students.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Honored: June Swartz shows off her Golden Apple Award as she poses in the doorway of her counseling office at Plymouth Salem High School on her last day before retirement Thursday, June 15.

## Plymouth man dies in accident

A 59-year-old Plymouth Township man was killed Monday when he was struck by a car on I-94 near Telegraph.

According to Michigan State Police, who responded to the incident, the victim was standing outside his car filling it with gas when a car driven by a 20-

year-old Ypsilanti man veered off the road and hit him.

All names are being withheld pending prosecutor review and notification of family members.

State police said initial indications were that alcohol was not a factor.

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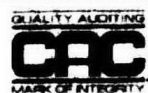
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They look at Bloomfield Hills, which will spend \$11,455 per student in the coming school year; Farmington at \$9,568; Northville \$7,550; and Livonia \$7,605.

"We're coming up reasonably well concerning our foundation grant," said White. "But, we're not gaining anything at all on the highest spending district in the state."

White knows the situation well, having spent 11 years working in the Bloomfield Hills district.

"A Plymouth-Canton student is just as good as a Bloomfield Hills child, and he ought to have the same funding behind him," added White.

When Proposal A went into effect in the 1994-95 school year, any district that received a state foundation grant lower than what the district was already spending per pupil could hold a millage to make up the difference.

At the time, Bloomfield Hills was spending \$10,454 per student, much higher than what the state was offering. Bloomfield Hills voters passed a millage to make up the difference.

Plymouth-Canton received more foundation money than it was spending per student at the time, so the district wasn't allowed to propose a millage to increase its spending level.

And that's where the problem arises, according to district officials.

School board trustee Mark Slavens, chairman of Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public

School Funding, is grateful for the increased dollars, but still isn't happy about the state formula for funding.

"I'm pleased we're getting additional funding, but it does nothing to fulfill the promise the state will get rid of the gap between districts," said Slavens. "According to projections, it will be a hundred years before we catch up with Bloomfield Hills. The legislators have got to step up and keep their promise for equal funding."

"Plymouth-Canton has become the poster child for why Proposal A isn't working," said Trustee Judy Mardigian.

"We need an adjustment because we're competing with surrounding districts for bus drivers, teachers, administrators, but we don't have the same money available to us," she added. "And, we need to lower class size and offer more programs at the high school. They both take money."

Despite meeting quarterly

with area legislators, Slavens and Mardigian haven't seen much progress.

"They're talking and listening, but I haven't seen any changes," said Slavens.

Mardigian has a word for those who are aware of the inequities and want to change the system.

"When people go to the polls, they should think about what candidates are behind public education and funding."

## School Funding Foundation Grants

How Plymouth-Canton compares in per-pupil foundation allowances to its "benchmark" districts.

	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03
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<b>Districts</b>				
Plymouth-Canton	6224	6525	6825	7025
Ann Arbor	8434	8735	9035	9235
Bloomfield Hills	11,154	11,455	11,755	11,955
Dearborn	7793	8094	8394	8594
Farmington	9267	9568	9868	10,068
Huron Valley	6005	6306	6606	6806
Livonia	7304	7605	7905	8105
Northville	7249	7550	7850	8050
Novi	7790	8091	8391	8591
South Lyon	5955	6256	6556	6756
Van Buren	6417	6718	7018	7218
Walled Lake	7652	7953	8253	8453
Wayne-Westland	6121	6422	6722	6922

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### Observer sponsors art contest

Art in the Park is just around the corner, and the Observer newspapers are giving youngsters a chance to get involved.

The Observer is sponsoring an art contest for youth of elementary and middle-school age. First-, second- and third-place prizes will be awarded in three age groups: 5-7, 8-11 and 12-14. Entries should be no larger than 11-by-17, and artists may use the medium of their choice. Entries are limited to one per artist.

The paper has lined up a panel of qualified judges to help pick the winners: Diane Quinn, the executive director of Art in the Park; Sharon Dillenbeck, an art teacher and owner of D&M Art Studio in Canton; and Therese Gall, who runs the Art Rental Gallery for the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

The theme for the contest will be "Summer Fun in Plymouth." Deadline for entry is July 7. Drop off or mail entries to The Plymouth Observer, 794 S. Main, Plymouth, MI 48170. Call (734) 459-2700 for more information.

## Rates

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summer, Hart used 105,000 gallons and his big bill was \$495. "Your savings is going to be about \$51 if you water the sabbie way," Edwards said.

"I know I have a big water bill," Hart said. "My wife keeps saying that I use too much water on the lawn."

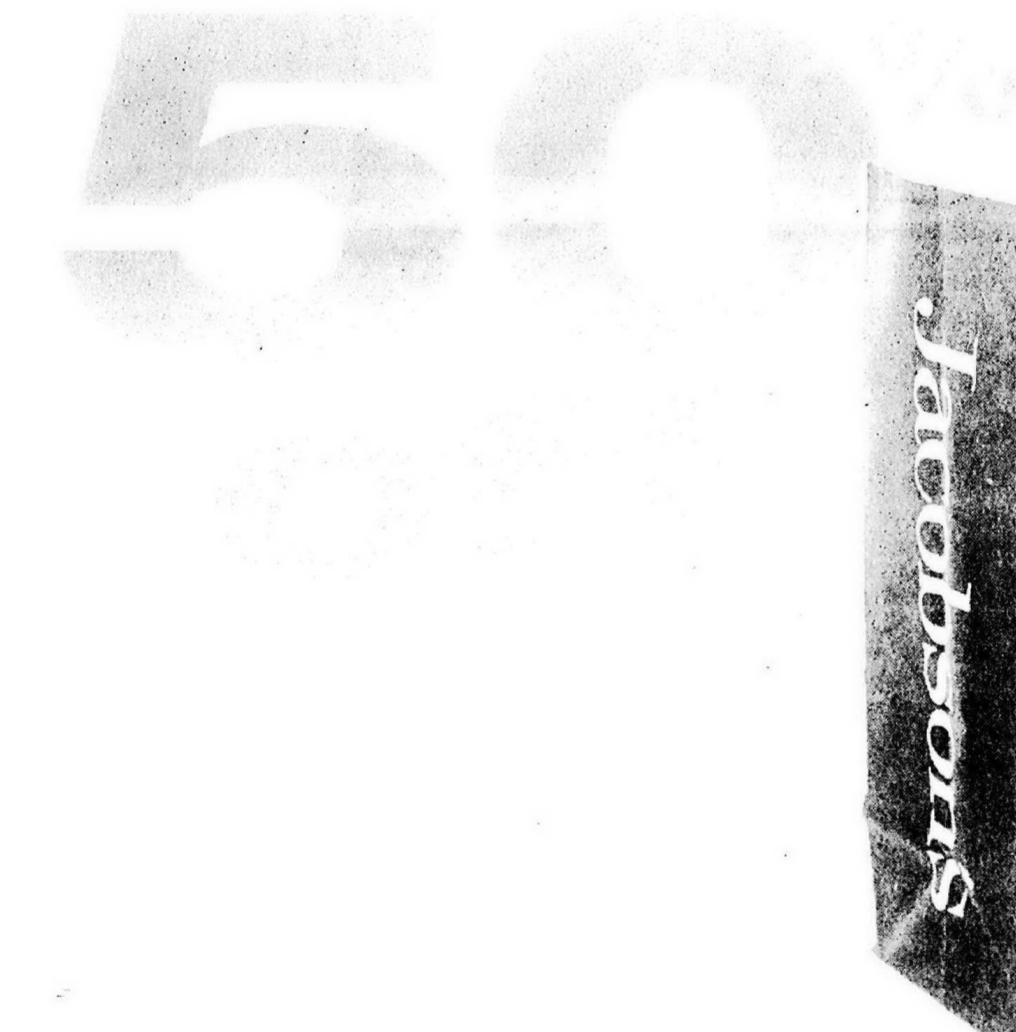
The reduction is meant to reduce sewage disposal charges for the three-month period during summer usage when there is a high rate of watering.

"This represents a \$300,000 savings to water customers," Edwards said.

The board has discussed during study sessions the possibility of putting in a second meter and the costs associated with a second meter.

"During the last two years, we have accumulated a \$1.4 million cash surplus in the water account," Edwards said. "This costs us approximately \$300,000 in a decrease of revenue to us. This will relieve some of the burden to the customers."

K. C. Mueller pointed out that the sewage rate is higher than the water rate.



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# Union endorsements pass on incumbents

BY SUE BUCK  
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AFSCME, organized in March to become Plymouth Township's newest clerical union local with 36 members, wants a clean slate of elected officials.

No incumbents were named among the five candidates the group endorsed for the Aug. 8 primary. Members voted to endorse only two candidates for the four open trustee spots. All four-year board positions are open. Every candidate is a Republican.

"The membership felt as a whole that the candidates were sincere, would be progressive in

their style of management, would encourage positive employee relations, and a team-work environment both internally and as a community," said Karen Akans, union president. "They were strong in their vote."

The endorsements represent candidates with vision, she said.

Endorsed were:

- Supervisor - Steve Mann, a 10-year patrolman for the Plymouth Township police department who is running against two-term incumbent Kathleen Keen McCarthy.
- Clerk - Former Plymouth Township Supervisor Maurice Breen, who is running against two-term incumbent Marilyn

Massengill.

- Treasurer - Richard Reaume, a Schoolcraft College trustee and World Wide Express owner, who is running against incumbent Ron Edwards, completing his first term, and state Rep. Gerald Law, who is prevented by term limits from seeking re-election.
- Trustee - Clayton "Pete" Stacey, a retired highway contractor, and Jim Karell Jr., a shop floor employee at Romulus Powertrain. They are running against incumbents Chuck Curmi and Kay Arnold, both two-year incumbents, and Ron Griffith, who seeks a fourth term. Other challengers are John Morrison, a Pella Window salesman, Charlene Berry, a Madonna University librarian, and Abe Munfakh, a civil engineer and former Plymouth Township trustee.

Massengill and Edwards did not participate in the AFSCME forum.

The endorsement was especially meaningful for Breen because the show of confidence came from a group, some of whom were his employees, he said.

"I'm a fair-minded person with labor relations," Breen said. "What I got out of it is the way they feel they have been treated as employees."

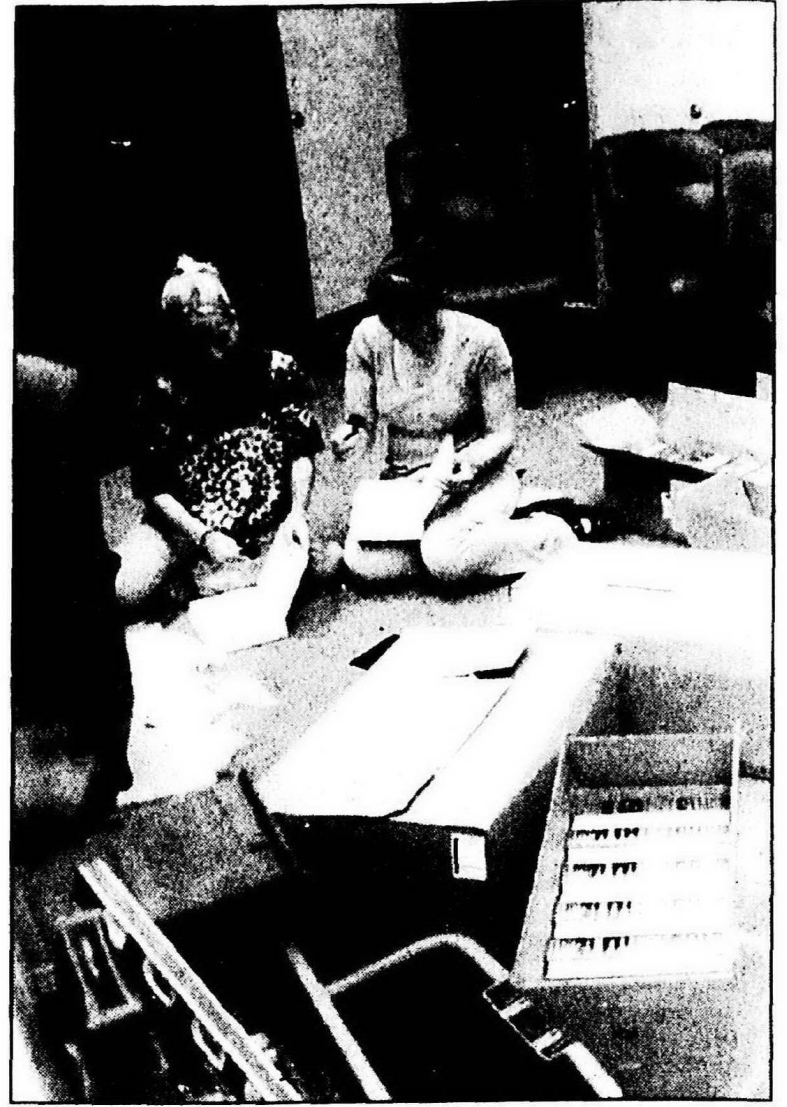
Clerk Massengill cited a record of supporting employees.

"I feel that I have done a lot to support employees," Massengill said. "I have sat through these work sessions and been called pro-employee consistently by board members in the eight years I have been here. I have encouraged people to go to school. I have encouraged some employees to apply for jobs to improve themselves. I have saved jobs. I kept one employee from being fired. If that's the way they feel, so be it."

"I'm proud to be endorsed," Karell said. "I'm pleased with the responses I received."

Stacey also was appreciative of the endorsement. "I've worked with unions all my life when I was a highway contractor," he said. "I'm semi-retired so I have time to donate to the township."

Reaume was delighted with the endorsement. "AFSCME represents township employees that serve our citizens and I look forward to working with them."



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMANN  
Moving in: Julie Dziekan (left) and Stacy Porman unpack books in one of the law libraries at the new courthouse.

## City will be in holiday parade

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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After some initial doubt, Plymouth city commissioners will be in the July 4 Good Morning USA Parade after all.

During budget sessions, commissioners slashed the \$1,000 that was earmarked to build a float to carry the seven city commissioners throughout the parade route.

"I'm all for us participating, but not spending the money for a float," said Commissioner Sean FitzGerald who proposed cutting the money from the budget. "It's not an appropriate priority ... spending that much money for a float that will be used for an hour on the Fourth of July."

At one point there was a question as to whether the commissioners would be in the parade at all. However, Dick Scott Dodge has come to the rescue and commissioners will be one of

the early entries in next Tuesday's parade.

"Dick Scott Dodge will give us a convertible to use in the parade," said Commissioner Bill Graham. "That way, we can ride in the parade, or some of us can walk alongside."

Graham said commissioners will have a sign on the car identifying them as city commissioners, which will be paid for by the local politicians and donated to the city for use in future parades.

"I was disappointed when I heard the float was canceled, but was re-energized when I heard they were still going to be in the parade," said Fred Hill, parade organizer. "In fact, I've heard from several of the commissioners that they're excited about being in the parade. I think parade-goers expect the local politicians to be in it."

Plymouth Township officials had a float in the first Good Morning USA Parade four years ago, but haven't had one since.

## Courthouse from page A1

"We wanted some time for employees to get used to the building, and be able to address other problems that might crop up."

What will be immediately conspicuous to visitors will be a new security system.

"There is a walk-thru metal detector, and anything that is carried into the building will have to be put through an X-ray machine," added Erdman. "There are signs in the parking lot which tell people they are subject to search. We will not allow guns, knives or any metal objects that can be used as weapons into the courthouse."

"There will also be a security desk, which is noticeable as soon as you walk in," said Erdman. "The security desk will be able to monitor the building, inside and out. The security setup is similar to that in any public building you go into these days."

One of the best facets of the new courthouse is that it will come in under budget. Erdman isn't sure of an exact figure yet, but he's hoping it will be in the range of \$100,000.

"We've been very careful about what we've spent," said Erdman. "We put together a plan and we stayed close to it."

Erdman said that while the public is welcome in the building anytime to take a look, a formal dedication will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 5 p.m.

## Picnic from page A1

tethered balloon rides on the RE/Max balloon that will go up about 50-60 feet, according to Mike. The couple is picking up the cost for both the rides and keepsake photos. "We thought that it would be a nice enhancement," he said.

The schedule is packed.

There's a police safety show at noon. Kids' games such as the soccer kick, frisbee toss, and finding coins in the sand go from 1 to 2:15 p.m. A fishing contest is from noon to 2 p.m.

Judging for the bike decorating contest is at 2 p.m. Entrants can bring their bikes beginning at 11 a.m.

Guy Lewis will perform from 3 to 4 p.m.

Edwards said contributors who donated cash, goods or services, include AGA Gases, Busch's Valq Land, Hiller's Market, Kroger, McDonald Restaurant, Don Massey, Papa Romano's, Plaza Lanes, Picnic Basket, DeMattia Corp., Pulte Homes, Subway, Joe's Bakery,

## The schedule

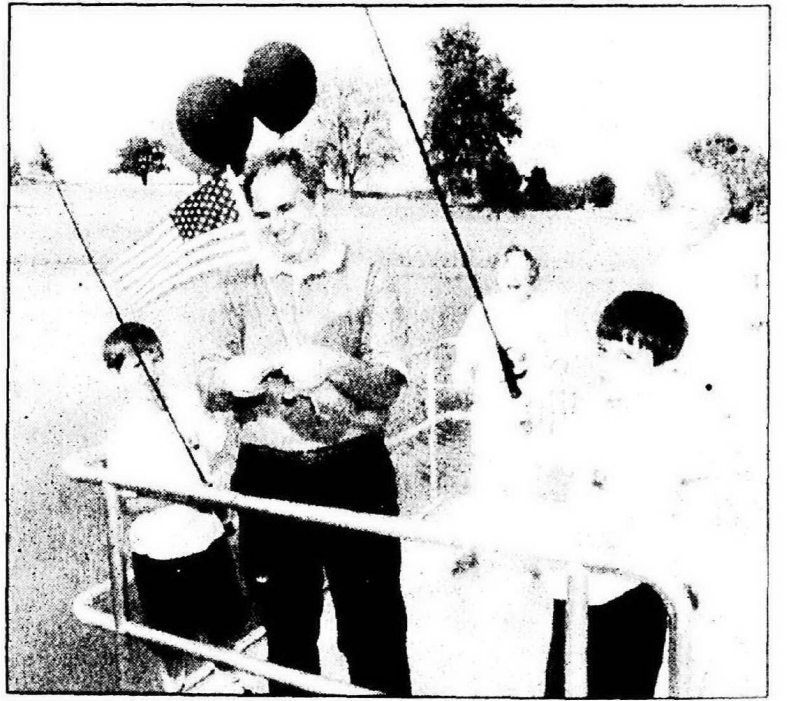
Approximate times for events at Tuesday's fourth-annual township picnic:

- Noon - Police safety show; fishing contest (until 2 p.m.); balloon rides.
- 1 p.m. - Kids' games, including things such as soccer kick, frisbee toss and coins in the sand.
- 2 p.m. - Bike decorating judging. Entrants can bring bikes starting at 11 a.m.
- 3 to 4 p.m. - Guy Lewis and Chautauqua Express.

Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken, Trading Post, Wendy's, Bennigan's, Steak and Ale and Absopure Water.

Despite coming in the middle of the township's campaign season, Edwards stressed the nature of the event.

"This is not a political affair," Edwards said. "We just want people in this community to stop by just to have a good time."



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMANN  
Angling: Matthew Edwards, 8 (left), and his brother Mark, 10, wait for their dad Ron to untangle their fishing lines at Plymouth Township Park last week. Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill and park ranger Pete Dilworth (at rear) watch the fun. A fishing contest will be part of Tuesday's township picnic.

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BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE (PG-13)  
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**OBITUARIES**

**WANDA M. WILHELMI**

Services for Wanda M. Wilhelmi, 85, of Plymouth were held June 29 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Andrew Forish officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Mrs. Wilhelmi was born Dec. 10, 1914, and died June 26. She was a homemaker. She came to the Plymouth community in 1945 from Garden City. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Council Catholic Church and belonged to the Rosary Society of the church. She was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Plymouth, The VFW Mayflower

Gamble Post No. 6695, Plymouth. She enjoyed playing bingo at the K of C Plymouth, gardening, and family gatherings. She loved her family and was a loving grandmother and great-grandmother.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph L. Wilhelmi. Survivors include her two sons, Lawrence Wilhelmi of Northville and Roger Wilhelmi of Plymouth; two daughters, Patricia Stanbury of Hubbard Lake, Mich., and Susan (Gordon) Lampman of Eaton Rapids, Mich.; one brother, Kenneth Anderson of North Dakota; four sisters, Dolores Hangsleben of

Minnesota, and Hazel Ellertson, Jessie Liebersbach and Doris Nelson, all of North Dakota; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

**KATHLEEN A. SCHIMMEL**

Services for Kathleen A. Schimmel, 86, of Farmington were held June 28 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church with the Rev. Arthur Fauser officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Mrs. Schimmel was born Jan. 19, 1914, in Detroit and died June 23 in Canton.

She was a homemaker and a

member of Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Austin Schimmel; one daughter, Kathleen Sikorski; and her parents, Richard Henry and Mary Fitzgerald. Survivors include her two daughters, Paula Schimmel of Alpena, Mich., and Joan Schimmel of Alpena; three sons, John (Rosemary) Schimmel of Canton, Richard (Nancy) Schimmel of Canton and Michael (Susan) Schimmel of Ghana, Africa, as well as 16 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield, MI

48076 or as Mass cards.

**HENRIETTA DOBBS**

Services for Henrietta Dobbs of Arizona (formerly of Plymouth) were June 21 at the First Presbyterian Church in Arizona. She died June 12. She lived in Plymouth for 55 years and was very active in both the community and church. She formed a Christian Education program for Jr. and Sr. High school students that she directed for many years. She received a Certificate of Recognition and was enrolled as an Associate in Christian Education in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. She was a delegate to a Triennial Meeting of Presbyter-

ian Women at Purdue University. She was ordained as the first woman Elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. Mrs. Dobbs was honored by Girl Scouts of America for more than 20 years. She received an award from the Michigan Cancer Foundation for her work of directing Educational Crusades and her continuous and faithful service.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward; and one son, Jack. Survivors include her daughter, Kay (Paul) Harding; daughter-in-law, Margery Dobbs; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

**POLICE BLOTTER**

**Case of arson**

A Porta John of America unit was burned to the ground at a construction site June 20 on Oakland Court, Plymouth Township police said.

A police report indicated arson.

**Indecent behavior**

Two 10-year-old girls and an 11-year-old boy told police that a man about 45 years old was walking down Marlowe rubbing his groin. He told the children he was masturbating, police said.

They watched him walk toward Ann Arbor Road and get into an old Escort.

**Thefts**

Someone removed three power tools from a truck parked in a Five Mile and Sheldon parking lot near a construction site June 21.

Someone at Dakota Lines on Eckles stole a cargo container valued at \$20,000 sometime between May 30 and June 6, police said.

The incident was reported June 22.

**Property damage**

A Wendover homeowner said that someone threw an ashtray through his patio window June 19.

**Township**

A Plymouth man has waived his preliminary exam and will stand trial on felony charges of uttering and publishing.

Police say Matthew Dulimba, 26, of Mill Street, wrote checks from a closed bank account and cashed them at Community Federal Credit Union on Harvey Street.

Authorities say Dulimba wrote several bad checks in collecting \$4,460 from the credit union.

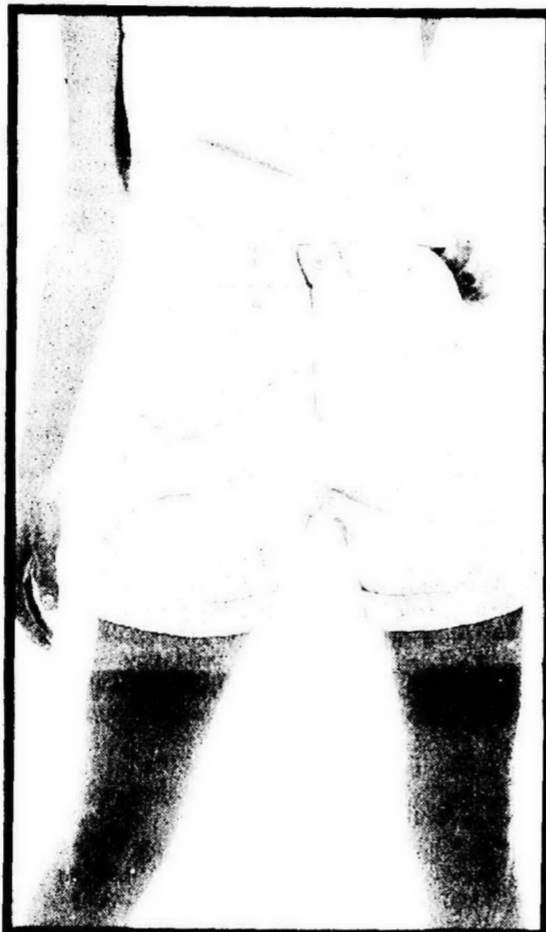
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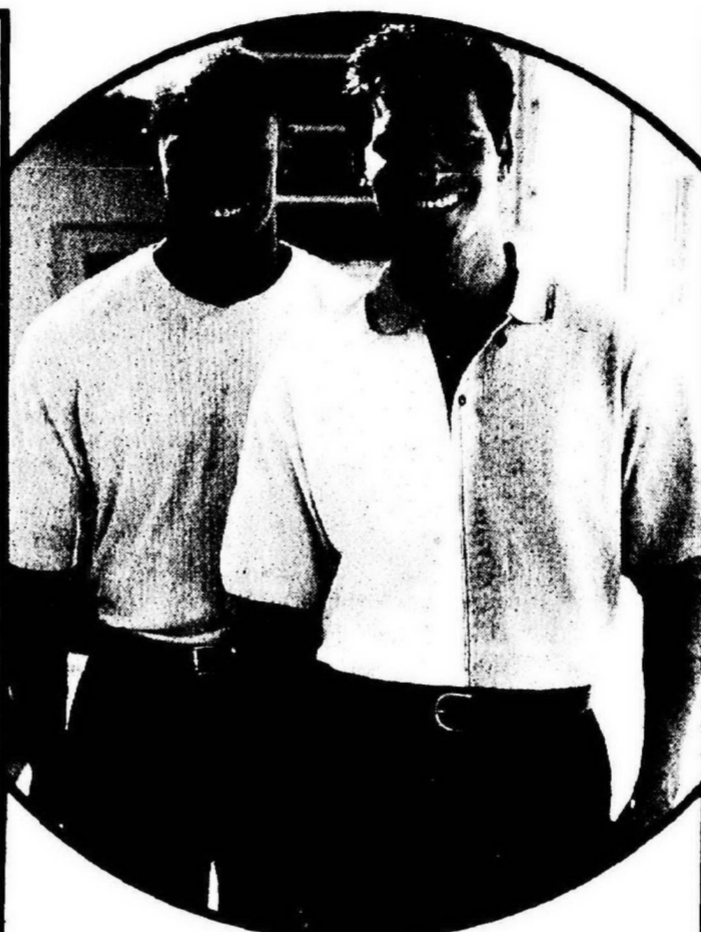
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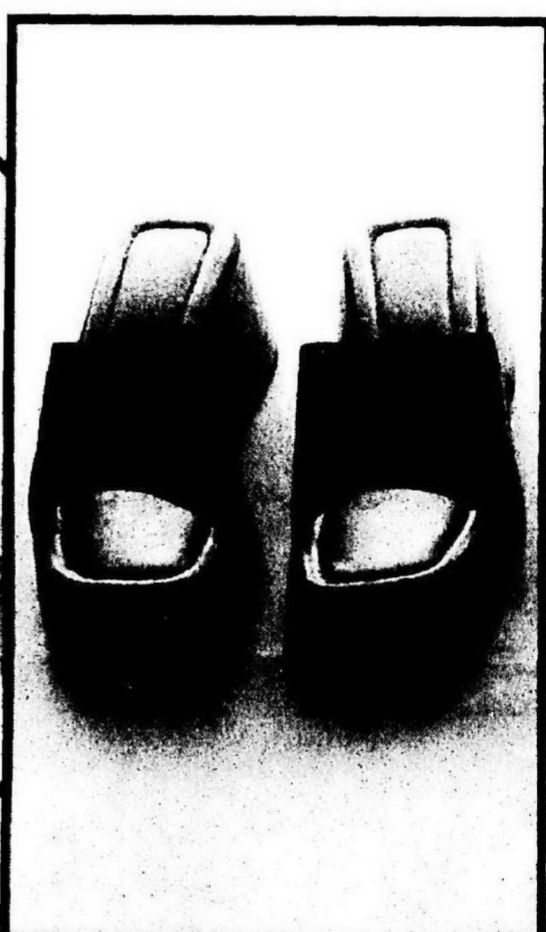
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## Plymouth man faces jail, but sentence still argued

BY MATT JACHMAN  
STAFF WRITER  
mjachman@oe.homecomm.net

Attorneys are battling over the length of prison term faced by a former teaching assistant who pleaded no contest to charges he sexually assaulted a 14-year-old boy at Rosedale School.

Timothy Jay Hawley of Plymouth is expected to be sentenced Tuesday, July 18, after the defense and prosecution finish arguments before Wayne County Circuit Judge Craig Strong, said Lora Weingarden, the assistant county prosecutor who handled the case.

Hawley pleaded no contest in May to one charge of third-degree criminal sexual conduct and one charge of fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct. He was accused of having sex with a ninth-grader in the Redford Union Schools' Adolescent Day Treatment program for emotionally impaired students.

Rosedale is located in Livonia but is run by the Redford Union district.

Weingarden wants the judge to give Hawley five to 15

years in prison. That would be a longer term than that recommended by the sentencing guidelines, which, mainly because Hawley has no criminal record, call for a sentence of one to two years. Hart is arguing for sticking to the guidelines.

Their arguments were continued Monday from two previous dates, but had to be postponed for a third time, Weingarden said.

Hawley is being held in the Wayne County jail.

He had originally been charged with one count of first-degree criminal sexual conduct and one count of second-degree criminal sexual conduct.

Hawley is also under investigation in Lapeer County, where he had been an assistant director at Camp Nobe, a camp for emotionally impaired children.

Redford Union's program at Rosedale, funded by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, accepts students from six area school districts.

## Local owner hooks customers into Web shopping

BY CHERYL VATCHER  
SPECIAL WRITER

Businesses on-line are very lucrative these days. But what's even better is having a local business on-line, along with having a live storefront at which to stop, giving consumers with concerns about on-line shopping the added benefit of a "real" place to shop.

Plymouth resident Randy Johnston, founder of VR Metro Malls, believes a customer has the right to contact a business in person if there is a problem, thereby providing an additional safeguard to those who shop on-line.

Johnston, owner of Universal Sight and Sound Videos, came up with the idea for a virtual mall when a customer was using an information center to locate a video.

"Back in the late 1980s, we had an in-store computer kiosk," he said. "The customers were able to look up movies in the store and find their location. I thought it would be nice to advertise on these, and of course that was the time when it was the advent of the Internet."

After Johnston graduated from Cleary College in 1995, he became very involved in the Internet and the possibilities available to small businesses.

He found a lot of small business people don't have the time to keep up with technology, and that it often costs too much money to benefit them. With this in mind, Johnston came up with the idea of creating a virtual mall.

"This mall would target around-the-block businesses," he said. "We would focus on southeast Michigan."

In addition, there would be a business director search by city to help consumers find the site and storefront they were looking for.

"The idea of a mall is to have the real-world feel in a virtual space," he said.

The whole concept of this mall is to customize every site to the business owner's needs. "We are customizing to their business, promoting through our mall and



Web masters: VR Metro Mall founder Randy Johnston (left) chats with co-founder Ron Howard.

through search engines," Johnston said. He said America On-Line (AOL) did a study to find out what customers want from the businesses they patronize.

"They desire to have local businesses to shop at," Johnston said. "They may want to shop on the Internet, and they may be willing to drive 20 miles if there's a problem."

The business is also going to develop a site that provides events in the Plymouth area.

"We've got a number of really cool things we're going to do," Johnston said. "We're adding more features, such as a scheduling program for hair cutting places, and moving companies."

The customer could find an available time to have their hair cut or their furniture moved on the Internet. The only access would be to available times, not information about another person scheduling a hair cut or move.

Another concept in the works is a central shopping basket for consumers purchasing items.

"With central shopping, the customer would have one bas-

ket, with separate receipts as they shop from store to store," Johnston explained.

Johnston and co-founder Ron Howard are concerned about good business. That's why anyone belonging to the VR Metro Mall must have a business with a phone number and address.

Johnston said AOL recently detected a scam on the Internet.

"With legitimate shops, there is a site certificate which tells you who you are doing business with," he said. "All you have to do is click on and see. This will tell you that it's a secure server. If a site doesn't talk about a secure server, I wouldn't shop there."

The VR Metro Mall has grown in the past six months, adding 30 businesses, including some large accounts. One site is selling motorcycle parts, through Metro Power Sports, on Michigan Avenue in Canton.

"They have a national race team, and we built their site," Johnston said. "I've been working on their site for three years, and it's called Planet Racing Mall URL.com. It'll be up in two or three weeks."

VR Metro Malls has a 12-member team. The office is located at 37666 Ford Road. Call them at (734) 729-7082, or find them on the web at [raj.vrmetro.com](http://raj.vrmetro.com).

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 10:00 a.m., July 13, 2000 for the following:

**DISPATCH RECORDING SYSTEM**

Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal 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

Publish: June 29, 2000

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN  
2000 SUMMER TAXES**

Summer taxes are due July 1, 2000 and payable through September 14, 2000 without penalty. Additional information appears on the reverse side of your tax statement. **MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH.** Payments can be made at the Township Hall during regular working hours, Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Treasurer's Office. After hours payments can be placed in 24 hr **DROP BOX** located in parking lot adjacent to Building #1 or **DROP BOX** adjacent to entry way of Building #1. Standard Federal Bank Plymouth Offices, will also accept payment for your convenience through September 14, 2000. Summer Tax Statements for 2000 will be mailed on July 1, 2000.

IRON EDWARDS, Treasurer,  
Charter Township of Plymouth

Publish: June 29, July 2 and 6, 2000

**PLANNING COMMISSION  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 10, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed special land use request as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance:

**ON THE MOVE GAS STATION SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A FAST FOOD RESTAURANT AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 17.02B.8 FOR PARCEL NO. 137.99.0012.712. Property is located on the southwest corner of Michigan Avenue and Haggerty Road.**

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, July 6, 2000, in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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**ZONING MAP  
SECTION 35**



VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
LEGAL NOTICE**

**CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR  
AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION**

PLEASE NOTE that Monday, July 10, 2000, is the last date to register for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2000. Registration for Township electors will be taken at the Office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building 3, or at any Secretary of State Office. The phone number of the Township Clerk is 354-3224. The office of the Clerk is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during those hours, a call to the Clerk's Office can set up a convenient time for the resident.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC  
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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**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

Publish: June 22 and 29, 2000

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION  
FOR THE AUGUST 8, 2000 PRIMARY ELECTION**

Notice is hereby given that **JULY 10, 2000**, is the last day registrations can be accepted in order to be eligible to vote in the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2000. Registrations will be accepted at the Township Clerk's Office, 1150 South Canton Center Road between the hours of 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Registration may also be made at any Secretary of State Office, or State Designated Agency Persons with special needs who are unable to register in the above mentioned manner are urged to contact the Clerk's Office at 397-5432. Mail in registration will be accepted postmarked by July 10, 2000.

TERRY G. BENNETT  
Clerk

Publish: June 22 and 29, 2000

**PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY**

The Wayne County Clerk's Office Elections Division is accepting nominating petitions for candidates for Trustees for the Plymouth District Library Board.

Candidates must be at least 18 years of age and residents of the City or Township of Plymouth. Four nonpartisan seats will be up for election on November 7, 2000. Not less than seventy-four signatures of registered voters from the City and Township are required to place a candidate on the ballot. The deadline for filing petitions is 4:00 p.m. Thursday, July 20, 2000 at the Wayne County Clerk's Office, Elections Division. Current Trustees whose terms are ending are Joe Gilmore, Steve Harper, Hugh Harsha, and Deborah Tarasuk.

All four seats will be for terms beginning on January 1, 2000. One will be for a two-year term ending December 31, 2002. The remaining three will be for four-year terms ending December 31, 2004. Candidates will be asked to designate which term they are running for.

The seven-member Plymouth District Library Board provides public library services to all residents of the Plymouth Community at the Downing Hough Library in downtown Plymouth. The Library is funded by a 1.665 mill property tax levied district wide and has annual operating and debt retirement budgets totaling \$3,100,000 in 2000.

For further information on the Library and activities of the Board, contact Pat Thomas at 734-453-0750, ext. 281. Blank petition forms can be obtained from either the City of Plymouth Clerk or Plymouth Township Clerk. Petitions must be filed at the office of the Wayne County Clerk. For additional filing information contact Wayne County Clerk, Elections Division at 313-224-5525.

June 29, July 2 and 9, 2000

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
JUNE 20, 2000**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, June 20, 2000 at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**  
Members Present: Bennett, Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, Ladoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack  
Members Absent: None  
Staff Present: Director Durack, Director Santomauro, Karen Fox, Director Ann Conklin

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**  
Supervisor Yack amended the agenda to include a General Calendar Item No. 1 *Authorization to Contract for Professional Architectural Services for Summit on the Park Expansion* and to add a closed session to discuss pending litigation following this meeting.  
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL CALENDAR**  
Motion by Bennett, supported by Ladoy to approve a contract for professional architectural services with TMP Associates, Inc. for expansion of Summit on the Park in an amount not to exceed \$167,967.60. Motion carried unanimously.

**STUDY SESSION**  
Director Durack explained that in the current job market, a competitive salary and fringe benefit package are not enough to attract and retain qualified job applicants. What is proposed is a volunteer program that would be an addition to current programs offered by the township. A health and fitness committee would be established and chaired by the Personnel Manager in an advisory capacity. It would also have representatives from each employee group.

**Project Management & Cost Accounting Proposal**  
Director Durack spoke for Director Machnik who was unable to attend this Board of Trustees meeting. Director Durack explained that there are projects that are occurring in the township which have a person designated to be in charge of the project who generally do not have the experience, expertise or background that relates to that project. The current list of township-sponsored construction projects for the next three (3) years, carries a total cost of \$45 million. Director Machnik recommendation would be a core team of two individuals, one with the knowledge and expertise in construction, and one with the knowledge and expertise in finance. This team would then manage the construction and finances using a customized Critical Path Construction method and Cost Accounting process. Each project would also be staffed by a user representative and, in high risk projects, an Expediter.

**ADJOURN**  
Motion by Bennett, supported by Ladoy to move to a closed session to discuss pending litigation at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.  
Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to move to open session at 9:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the regular board meeting held on June 20, 2000. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular board meeting of June 27, 2000.

THOMAS YACK, Supervisor      TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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## WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION ELECTION • DISTRICT 9

In the Aug. 8 primary election, voters in Redford Township and voters in Livonia living between Middlebelt and Inkster Roads will decide which one of three Democratic candidates will oppose incumbent County Commissioner Kathleen Husk for the 9th District seat in the Nov. 7 general election. Husk is unopposed for the Republican nomination. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
**Klm Glasendanner, a Democratic primary candidate from Dearborn Heights, did not respond to this survey.**

- QUESTION 1**  
 ■ What would be your goals as county commissioner?
- QUESTION 2**  
 ■ Name the three biggest problems facing the county commission and/or the county government and what you would do to resolve them.
- QUESTION 3**  
 ■ Do you favor the proposed 1/2-mill regional arts tax, which would provide funds for both major area institutions and local communities? Why or why not?
- QUESTION 4**  
 ■ Do you support renewal of both the one-mill general operating levy and 1/2-mill parks levy? Why or why not?
- QUESTION 5**  
 ■ Where should tax money go — to rebuild roads and highways or to improve mass transit, such as buses and light rail? Explain.

**FRED APIQIAN**



62 Dearborn Heights Democrat Architect, community planner and builder. Member, AAA Arbitration Association, AIA Professional Practice Committee, Armenian Scientists and Engineers.

Encourage by countywide ballot proposal for a new form of county government composed of three equal but separate branches of government with checks and balances. Yes, we now have a separate judiciary, but a very strong county executive and a county commission of limited power. The present system is not fair and does not work well, hence the problems at the Metropolitan airport.

All tenders should be limited in scope, with simple requests to comply with in order to encourage more qualified bidders. Bidders cannot be related to, or associated with in business relationships the county executive, the commissioners or the county's department heads and administrators.

No. Because it is not the business of regional government, like county government, to tax all the people for obviously limited esoteric uses that do not and cannot benefit the entire population. Such as roads and sewer systems, which are multimunicipal projects that benefit everyone uniformly and are appropriate for county government to sponsor, fund and build.

Yes. Because as you can see from the above answer, these two issues meet the requirements established above that benefits the entire community. Society in general and issues in particular, require the necessity of appropriately funded jails and parks in order for their adequate functioning. The same is true for our regional and county parks.

The first priority is the rebuilding of the existing roads to the highest standard to last at least 40 years. To improve mass transit is a more difficult issue, like light rail, cannot be justified because metro Detroit lacks the necessary population densities to justify its use and cost.

**PHILIP M. CAVANAGH**



38 Dearborn Heights Democrat Resigned as law clerk to U.S. Dist. Judge Arthur J. Tarnow to run for county commission. Former court officer, Michigan Court of Appeals. Highview Elementary PTO vice president for programming.

Fiscal responsibility — to make sure that every dollar spent by the county is needed and done responsibly. Economic development — to continue the rebuilding, growth and prosperity of the county to the benefit of our district. Quality of life — to improve the quality of our roads, airports and parks.

Balancing the budget to best utilize limited tax dollars to create less congested courts, greater public safety and improved parks and roads. Aggressively pursuing every state and federal dollar available to offset residents' burden. Raising public trust in our elected officials, that they are competent and accountable to the electorate.

I would be in favor of giving the voters the choice. The arts are always the first casualty of budget cuts. Improved quality of life includes the government's being culturally responsible. The county commission would only be empowered to allow the voters to decide such a millage.

Unlike the incumbent, I feel the taxpayers should decide renewing the parks millage. While I would vote no for any non-essential tax increase, these millages are renewals for propositions that have been efficient and effective. District residents have benefited greatly from the improvements to Hines, Lola Valley and Bell Creek parks.

This is not an either/or question, but one of setting priorities. We must keep roads safe and drivable with current resources, but we also must look toward providing fast, safe and efficient mass transit for continued growth and a healthy environment. This means aggressively pursuing such funding from the federal government.

**KATHLEEN HUSK**



44 Redford Township Republican Elected county commissioner in special election March 10, 1998. Member, county committees on the audit, the environment, drains and sewers and general government. Task forces: chairwoman, E9-1-1; vice chair, youth at risk; member, K-12 education. Former South Redford School District trustee (1995-99). Certified water safety instructor with district.

I will continue my efforts to address constituent concerns, ensure improvements at Metro Airport are realized, strive for continued improvements at Friend of the Court, work for more equity in the distribution of road dollars, and continue to eliminate waste and improve the operation of county government.

We need to bring in an experienced, professional airport manager to oversee Metro Airport. Procedural changes and improved technology can better the quality of service at Friend of the Court, Register of Deeds and Metro. We need to restore people's faith in county government by being completely ethical in our operations.

I do not support it. The 9th District almost always ends up being a donor district; rarely do we get tax dollars returned to the district equal to what we pay. I don't see how we would benefit. All other government levels have reduced taxes, only the county wants to raise them.

It's up to the people to decide. Personally, I support the general levy, which will continue such services as the juvenile court, public health, job training and senior citizens program. I did not support the original parks levy and neither did district voters. Parks are important but the general fund should support them.

Maintaining our roads is very important to everyone and must be a priority. I could support a reasonable and useful plan for mass transit, perhaps a light rail system between Metro and downtown Detroit. However, it would be very expensive and would need to be justified before I could support it.

## WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION ELECTION • DISTRICT 10

Wayne County Commission District 10 is bounded by Middlebelt Road on the east, Eight Mile Road on the north, Ridge Road on the west and Joy Road on the south. It covers most of Livonia, the communities of Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Northville and most of Northville Township.

**LYN R. BANKS**



58 Livonia Republican Running unopposed in both the Aug. 8 primary and Nov. 7 general elections for a second term as county commissioner. Vice chair, county commission's health and human services committee. Member, committees on ways and means, economic development. Chair, task force on transportation. Member, permanent subcommittee on veterans services. Served on Wayne County Charter Commission. State representative 14 years, serving on appropriations committee.

To make the commission more efficient, to ensure that all Head Start participants have books and to work to create a better image of Wayne County services and the airport.

The commission needs strong leadership with organizational skills to make it more efficient and open to everyone. Make sure the airport delivers on its promises to be more customer oriented, more open with its contracts, and that the midfield terminal opens on time. Strive to be a better service provider for the people.

I support providing a stable funding base for our regional, cultural and tourism institutions and providing a much-needed base for local history and cultural programs. We would keep a third of the money for such programs. In 1992, state commitment fell from \$80 million to \$21 million statewide for such institutions.

I support both. The county is projecting an \$8 million deficit this year, but we must continue existing services like juvenile court, public health, job training and senior citizen programs. Not renewing the millage would exacerbate the problem. Our parks never looked better and are getting better still, because we have a designated parks millage.

Wayne County commissioners aren't empowered to implement mass transit programs on their own. Many studies, including my own, have been done regarding metro area transit. What we need is leadership to develop a master plan which includes intermodal stations, trains, light rail and high speed, planes, automobiles, buses, boats and even trains on wheels.

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# Some say 'big increase' in school funding is not enough

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It was billed as "the largest single increase in school funding in the history of this state" by House Appropriations Committee Chair Terry Geiger, R-Lake Odessa.

But since the state government is enjoying record surpluses these days, other lawmakers complained the Legislature should be allocating even more toward education.

Senators and representatives wrapped up work this week on a budget that sets K-12 school aid spending figures through fiscal year 2002-03. They had already set the budgets for the current year, 1999-2000, and next year, 2000-01. But as they carried their financial plan forward two more years, through adoption of Senate Bill 1044, they added supplemental appropriations for school districts boosting up current and next year spending.

The budget bill added \$90 million in the 1999-2000 fiscal year, already under way. It hiked per pupil previously approved "foundation grants" by \$4 to \$5,700. Foundation grants for next year, 2000-01, were hiked \$134 per pupil to \$6,000.

Setting fresh budgets for the next two years, lawmakers continued the pattern, hiking foundation grants to \$6,500 for 2001-

02 and to \$6,700 for 2002-03.

Along with the \$90 million in the first year, the bill added \$366 million for next year. Then for 2001-02, the total allocation comes to \$11.6 billion. In 2002-03, the figure comes to \$11.9 billion.

## New programs

The budget include \$600 million of entirely new programs, including:

- \$135 million for early intervention programs for children ages 0 to 5, a new grant program through which districts will try to send "home visitors" to the house of every new parent in the state.

- \$126 million for summer school programs for children in grades 1-4 with low test schools.

- \$110 million for teacher technology, including computers and Internet access.

- \$102 million for school infrastructure.

- \$60 million for teacher and school counselor training.

- \$32 million for Golden Apple Awards to reward high performing elementary schools.

- \$18 million to expand the Michigan Virtual High School.

- \$17 million for a new education performance database.

- \$10 million to support families seeking to gain employment.

- \$15 million for districts "whose governance has been restructured in state statute."

Gov. John Engler praised the bill, saying it "increased funding for schools to the highest levels ever."

Geiger had equal praise for it, saying the budget solved the longstanding Durant lawsuit disputes. He also said the package "builds on Proposal A, which dramatically reduces inequity" between rich and poor school districts.

Although the difference in funding between Michigan's richest and poorest districts is currently about 2 to 1, it used be 3 to 1 as recently as 1993 before the passage of Proposal A.

## Some opposed

But not everyone was enthused with the bill.

"I think that what we have to do is recognize that the second and third years of this budget really are fictional budgets," Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith, D-South Lyon, said. "Everybody knows that we'll come back a year from now and pass a supplemental that will add additional dollars. That's going to make sure that the School Aid Fund is even larger than it is currently, and we'll have an even larger surplus in that amount. We could use that money to reduce class size, pay for special education appropriately, or do any number of things that will improve the educational quality in this state. We chose not to do any of those things but chose to disguise the fact that we have the additional money that ought to be spent on schools."

Reps. Patricia Lockwood, D-Fenton, David Woodward, D-Madison Heights, Gilda Jacobs, D-Huntington Woods, and Ruth Ann Jammick, D-Ypsilanti, filed a protest over the bill, stating that "With the current budget surplus, Michigan could finally meet its obligations for funding special education. Unfortunately, this budget does not address that funding. Instead, the governor's proposal shifts funding around without adding the needed additional dollars. Finally, lowering class size is a proven method of improving student achievement. This budget provides a pittance for smaller class sizes."

Rep. Ruth Johnson, R-Holly, opposed the bill saying it gave an additional \$15 million to Detroit schools and transferred \$250 million from school aid to the general fund.

But Rep. Mike Kowall, R-White Lake, thought it a good

solution to K-12 funding, noting the increases in the budgets "far exceeds inflation."

In the House, representatives approved the bill in a 68-40 vote.

Area representatives voting yes were: Reps. Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, and Laura Toy, R-Livonia.

Voting no were: Reps. Tom Kelly, D-Wayne, Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, and Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills.

Senators voted 29-8 for approval of the school aid budget.

Area senators voting yes were: Sens. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, Bill Bullard, R-Highland, Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, Shirley Johnson, R-Royal Oak, Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield.

Voting no were: Sens. John D. Cherry Jr., D-Clio, and George Z. Hart, D-Dearborn, voted no.

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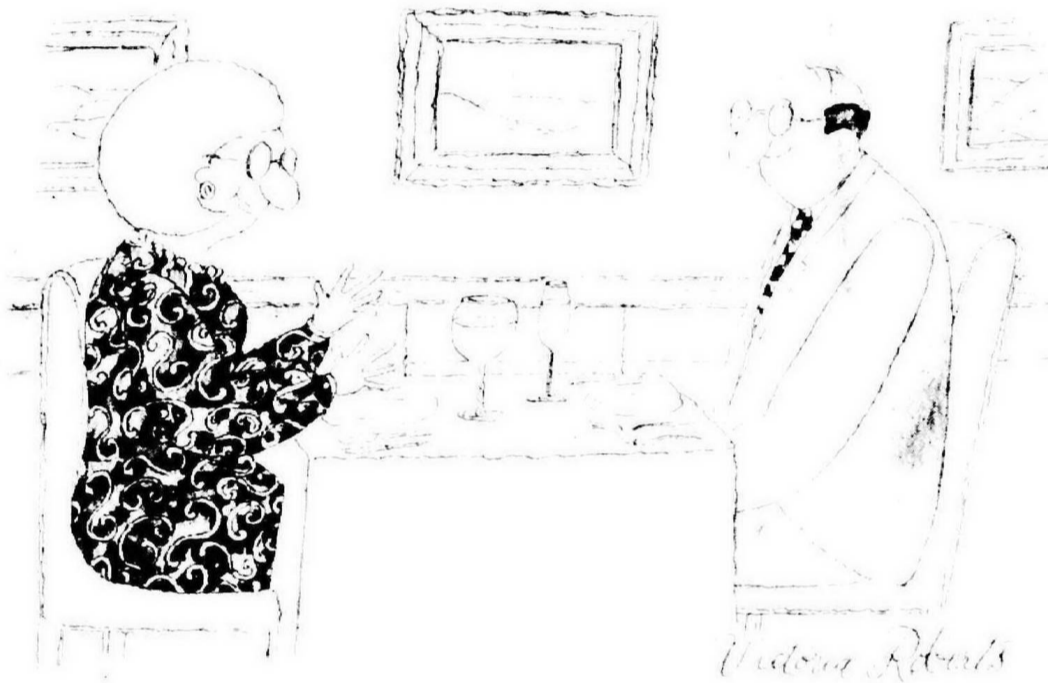
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# To the rescue

## Local woman pitches in to save popular breed of dog

BY SUE BUCK  
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Linda Lewis, the owner of Parkway Professional Grooming on North Main Street in Plymouth, doesn't mind starting from square one to rehabilitate a bichon frise, a popular white companion dog breed.

Lewis' name is listed in published referral directories used by humane societies and others as a person who will take bichon frises with problems. She cares for the dogs, obtains medical treatment, modifies their behavior then finds homes for them.

Eighteen-month-old Willie, who is currently up for adoption from Lewis, may have a lifetime of skin problems and skin infections. "When he came in, he didn't know his name and didn't respond to commands," Lewis said. "He was totally unruly. He was crazed. Now he listens, doesn't dart out the door or try to run away."

Vocabulary is a key, she said. Willie has been slow to house train but Lewis said that's typical for bichon frises. It's normal for bichons to take six to eight months to train, though they can take up to a year, Lewis said. "They need to be taken out every two hours. They generally will not give you a signal."

Willie came in all chewed up and we had him on

antibiotics, Lewis said.

"It could be a lifetime of continual things because bichons have skin problems. Any white breed has more sensitive skin. The poor quality bichons are not genetically top of the line. What people don't understand about bichon rescue is that these are dogs that need a lot of rehabilitation."

"When they come in here, they have all had some kind of trauma. Somebody has been screaming at them for a year because they are not housetrained. They have been purchased by people who tried to lock them up too much. They will be wonderful dogs, eventually."

Their owners would show more kindness by giving these animals up for adoption. "They keep them too long," Lewis said. "If they would give them up right away, there would be a shorter rehabilitation time."

Willie is sad now, Lewis said. "He's at the point where he wants to go home. When people leave after picking up their dogs, he wants to go home with them. It's heartbreaking. He's totally paper-trained now. He's ready to be trained to go outside. When they are 'nothing' you have to train them from scratch as if they were a puppy."

Willie loves people again and listens. His skin problems can be controlled, she said.

**'When they come in here, they have all had some kind of trauma. They will be wonderful dogs, eventually.'**

Linda Lewis  
—Dog rescuer

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Rescue worker: Linda Lewis, owner of Parkway Professional Grooming in Plymouth, poses with Willie, one of the many bichon frises she has rescued.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
JUNE 13, 2000**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held on Tuesday, June 13, 2000 at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, Shefferly, Yack  
Members Absent: Burdziak, McLaughlin  
Staff Present: Director Machnik, Director Durack, Director Minghine, Director Santomauro, Kathleen Salla, Chief Rorabacher, Christine Abbott

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Supervisor Yack added to the agenda a River Day Presentation, a closed session immediately after this meeting, and deleted General Calendar Items No. 14 and No. 19. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried by all members present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Charter Township of Canton of May 23 2000. Motion carried by all members present.  
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the minutes of the study session of the Charter Township of Canton of May 30, 2000. Motion carried by all members present.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

George Tellish, 1068 Kings Court has concerns regarding the lack of tree trimming in his subdivision. A low hanging branch almost broke the windshield of his vehicle recently. He said that he feels that the southwest corner of Princess and Lilley is a very dangerous one and is very concerned of an injury or fatality occurring here. Director Machnik stated that the area between the road and the sidewalk is the county's responsibility. To date, Director Machnik has been unsuccessful in convincing the county to change its position to perform this tree trimming, and each year, during the budget process, the township has looked into funding this type of operation, but as it is a very expensive operation. The township currently does not have the funds for this type of service, as this money must come from ultimately the taxpayers.

**PAYMENT OF THE BILLS**

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by LaJoy to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present.

**Expenditure Recap for the Township Board Meeting of June 13, 2000**

General Fund	101	\$ 468,618.77
Fire Fund	206	\$ 72,592.88
Police Fund	207	\$ 108,375.58
Summit Operating	208	\$ 106,284.24
Golf Fund	211	\$ 28,675.47
Street Lighting	219	\$ 16,616.58
Cable TV Fund	230	\$ 1,306.29
TWP (Community) Improvement	246	\$ 3,706.14
E-911 Utility	261	\$ 527.89
Auto Forfeiture (WWATEE)	267	\$ 6,093.24
Federal Grants Fund	274	\$ 8,038.84
Auto Theft Grant	289	\$ 55.00
Post Employment Benefits	296	\$ 9,581.07
Bldg. AUTH Construction	469	\$ 56,076.74
Water & Sewer Fund	592	\$ 574,768.90
Trust & Agency Fund	701	\$ 6,615.00
Construction Escrows	702	\$ 17,569.52
Total - All Funds		\$ 1,475,503.15

**RECOGNITION**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution recognizing Eugene Hammonds, Canton Project Arts Chairperson. Motion carried by all members present.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to open the public hearing at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to close the public hearing at 7:27 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt a resolution for Industrial Facilities Exemption for Real and Personal Property for Yazaki North America, Inc. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to open the public hearing at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to close the public hearing at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly that the request from Hospitality Ventures, Inc. for a new dance and entertainment permit to be added to an existing class C Liquor to be located at 42651 Ford Road, Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan 48187 be considered for approval "above all others", is the consensus of this legislative body that the application be recommended for issuance. Motion carried by all members present.

**RIVER DAY PRESENTATION**

Director Machnik explained that this event, which took place on June 3, 2000 has gone through changes with this year serving as a milestone of those changes, with bird house building proving popular among the younger crowd. Director Machnik believes this has been a very positive effort in trying to educate community residents that what is put into the storm drain in their neighborhood is what will eventually be in the Rouge River, as well as cleaning debris from the river. This year, the elementary schools have done a great job of trying to raise awareness of the importance of what the river means to residents and to life in general. The staff participated in large numbers this year. Director Machnik wanted to thank the over 150 residents and staff and the Sponsors: Ford Motor Co., Farmer Jack and Denso for their valiant efforts.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to dispose of township vehicles using the sealed bid process. The funds received would be deposited to the sale of fixed asset revenue account in the appropriate fund. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy that the amended plant material selections for the pond area within the Woods of Central Park Site Condominiums be accepted and incorporated into the approved site plan. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve special event status for Kmart's Kids Race Against Drugs which will take place on June 24 and June 25, 2000 at 41660 Ford Road. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve a blanket purchase order in the amount of \$10,000.00 to A.F. Smith Electric, Inc. for maintenance and repairs to the Canton Softball Center lights. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to waive the \$500.00 per job blanket purchase order limit in the Finance and Purchasing Policy. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to increase the Pheasant Run Golf Club account for supplies for resale #211-756-726-0000 by \$25,000.00 and to increase revenues in account #211-000-642-1000 Pro Shop Fees. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to increase purchase order #15420 for Lotz/Palmer Associates, LLC in the amount of \$15,000.00 for Fellows Creek Bridge Project. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to remove from the table for publication for the second reading and for adoption, amendatory Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30 (O). The proposed changes effect the City of Detroit Water & Sewerage Department Industrial Waste & Sewerage Department Industrial Waste Control service charge rates for all commercial and industrial sewer users which will become effective July 1, 2000 (August 1, 2000 and subsequent billings). Motion carried by all members present.

**ORDINANCE NO. 30 (O)**

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
AMENDMENT TO WATER SUPPLY AND  
SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE NO. 30**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE NO. 30, SECTION 20, ENTITLED "RATES"; PROVIDING FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL WASTE CHARGE (IWC) RATES AT SUBSECTION 20(2)(g) THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:**

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO SUB-SECTION 20.**

This section provides that Ordinance No. 30 (O) is adopted to amend Section 20 of the Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30, entitled "Rates".

**SECTION 2. SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF THIS ORDINANCE.**

The balance of Ordinance No. 30, except as herein amended, shall remain in full force and effect. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this amendatory Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law enforced when then commenced. This amendatory Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any right pending before the effective date of this amendatory Ordinance.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.**

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof.

**SECTION 4. CONSTRUCTION OF ORDINANCE.**

This Ordinance shall be liberally construed in such manner as to best effectuate its purpose. The provisions of the Ordinance shall be construed, if possible, in such manner as to make such provisions compatible and consistent with the provisions of all existing Ordinance of the Township and all amendments thereto.

**SECTION 5. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING SECTIONS.**

Portions of Ordinance No. 30 are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this amendatory Ordinance full force and effect.

**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Ordinance becomes effective July 1, 2000, after publication of the second reading. This Ordinance was duly adopted and/or considered by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular Board meeting called on the 13th day of June, 2000 and was ordered given publication in the manner required by law.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**

BY: **TERRY BENNETT**  
Its Clerk

Introduced: May 23, 2000  
Published: June 1, 2000, June 22, 2000  
Adopted: June 13, 2000  
Effective upon Publication: July 1, 2000

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to acknowledge receipt of the final executed agreement for Cherry Hill Village Planned Development. Motion carried by all members present.  
Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to introduce, table and publish the Repeal of the Anti Blight Ordinance No. 51, for first reading for publication in the Canton Observer June 22, 2000. Motion carried by all members present.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF WAYNE  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
REPEAL OF ANTI BLIGHT ORDINANCE NO. 51  
ORDINANCE NO. 51**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BY REPEALING THE ANTI BLIGHT ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NO. 51, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:**

**SECTION 1. AUTHORITY.**

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to Public Act No. 246 of 1945, as amended, and Public Act No. 78 of 1989, as amended, being MCL 41 181 et seq., and Public Act No. 359 of 1947, as amended, and Public Act No. 144 of 1998, as amended, being MCL 42 1 et seq. (Ordinance No. 51, effective July 6, 2000)

**SECTION 2. REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE.**

Ordinance No. 51, effective April 23, 1974, as amended, being Section 48 000 to 48 110, inclusive, of the Charter Township of Canton Ordinance Book is hereby repealed (Ordinance No. 51, effective July 6, 2000)

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.**

If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstance, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.**

All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

**SECTION 5. PUBLICATION.**

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing Ordinance was repealed by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the 13th day of June, 2000, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law.

Terry Bennett, Clerk

Introduced: June 13, 2000

Adopted: June 22, 2000

Published: June 22, 2000

Effective: June 22, 2000

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund

<b>Increase Revenues:</b>		
Appropriation from Fund Balance	#101-000-699-0000	\$3,500
<b>Increase Appropriations:</b>		
Capital Outlay - Elections	#101-191-977-0000	\$3,500

This budget amendment increases the Elections Department budget from \$158,284.00 to \$161,784.00 and the General Fund budget from \$18,450,353.00 to \$18,453,853.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment budget regarding this purchase:

<b>Increase Revenues:</b>		
Appropriation from Fund Balance	#101-000-699-0000	\$3,200
<b>Increase Appropriations:</b>		
Capital Outlay-Clerk's Office	#101-215-977-0000	\$3,200

This budget amendment increases the Clerk's office Department budget from \$374,188.00 to \$377,388.00 and the General Fund budget from \$18,450,353.00 to \$18,453,553.00. Motion carried by all members present.

**GENERAL CALENDAR**

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution for site plan approval for Canton Service Center. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution for site plan approval for Central Park Subdivision #2 Pool and Clubhouse. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt a resolution for site plan approval for Vistas of Central Park Clubhouse. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to adopt a resolution for special use for Cobblestone Ridge Site Condominiums. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to adopt a resolution for Preliminary Site Plan for Cobblestone Ridge South Site Condominiums. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution for final preliminary plat for Cobblestone Ridge Subdivision #4. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$10,800.00 to Career Directions of Ann Arbor for Municipal Services Department customer service training. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the purchase of one B101 drill and tape machine for \$1,841.00, and one H604 Air Power Operator for \$3,940.00, for a total of \$5,781.00. Funding to come from Account #592-000-154-0000. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to create and fill a Mechanic III position, who's primary assignment will be repairing and maintaining Pheasant Run Golf Course and Grounds Maintenance equipment. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve a resolution that the Charter Township of Canton indemnify and hold harmless the Michigan Department of Transportation from any claims, suits or judgments in connection with the decorative DDA streetlights located in the M-DOT road right of way in the expanded Canton DDA District, including maintenance, utility costs, and any liability for costs and damages incurred should the streetlights need to be removed for highway maintenance or construction purposes, and further authorize the township Supervisor to sign a letter to the Michigan Department of Transportation stating such indemnification.

And further, that the township execute a reciprocal agreement with the Canton DDA indemnifying the township of such responsibility; and subsequently, that site plan approval for all future new developments and re-developments in the expanded Canton DDA District be subject to a reciprocal agreement between the Canton DDA and the respective property owner, wherein the property owner indemnifies the Canton DDA and agrees to accept responsibility for the decorative streetlights including maintenance, utility costs, and any costs incurred in the removal or relocation of the streetlights which may be required for the purposes of highway maintenance. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt a resolution to approve to hire Dorsey-Page LLC, Management Consultants. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to adopt a resolution to extend the Siegal/Tuomaala Associates Contract. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution to approve the bid from Carport Structure Corp., and Northstar Sales to install an additional carport and brick work for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to adopt a resolution to approve the bid to Northstar Sales to tile the Public Safety Briefing Room for an amount not to exceed \$12,225.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the bid for the Canton Softball Center Landscape Fencing project to the low bidder, Nationwide Fence & Supply Co., Inc. in the amount of \$20,262.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the bid from Townsend Neon, Inc. for an electronic message sign for the Township Administration Building for \$68,000.00 and a five percent contingency of \$3,400.00 for a total amount of \$71,400.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve a \$3,090.00 increase in the agreement with AMS Planning and Research to complete further work on the utilization space needs and business plan study for the proposed Performing Arts and Education Center. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award the bid for professional engineering and architectural consultant services for parking lot and sidewalk improvements at Fellows Creek Golf Club to Dynamic Consultants, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$11,300.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to purchase a Sanyo PLCXU22N XGA LCD Projector and accessories from Roscor in the amount of \$6,747.00 for the Summit Professional Design Center. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the bid for purchase of one Tor Multi Pro 1100 Sprayer Model #41105 for Fellows Creek Golf Club in the amount of \$14,264.00, with a trade-in of \$2,275.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter approve the attached amendment to the purchase agreement with High Velocity Sports. Motion carried by all members present.

**ADDENDUM TO OFFER TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AND HIGH VELOCITY SPORTS GROUP, L.L.C.**

20. Seller and Purchaser agree to extend the closing date. Notwithstanding Section 10 of the agreement, Seller and Purchaser agree to complete the Closing on or before March 31, 2001.

21. Seller and Purchaser agree to amend the terms of the land contract described in Section 18(a) by eliminating the requirement for a down payment and by modifying the term from 18 months to 24 months.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve a resolution approving Building Authority Contract and Notice. Motion carried by all members present.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

Approving the Building Authority Contract and Notice

Charter Township of Canton

County of Wayne, State of Michigan

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, held in said Township, on the 13th day of June, 2000, at seven o'clock p.m., Eastern Daylight Time.

Present: Members Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Absent: Members Burdziak, McLaughlin

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Bennett, and supported by Member

WHEREAS, there exists in and for the Charter Township of Canton (the "Township"), an imperative need to acquire, construct, furnish and equip a certain recreational facilities together with all necessary appurtenances and attachments relating thereto as hereinafter set forth in the attached Contract of Lease (the "Contract") more particularly set forth, and,

WHEREAS, this Township Board has determined, and does hereby reaffirm, that it is necessary for the public health, safety and welfare of the Township to acquire said facilities for the use of the Township, and,

WHEREAS, Act 31, Public Acts of Michigan, 1948 (First Extra Session), as amended, provides through the procedures of building authority financing a means of the acquisition, construction and financing of such facilities, and,

WHEREAS, the Township, in accordance with the provisions of said Act 31, as amended, has previously adopted Articles of Incorporation and has established the Charter Township of Canton Building Authority (the "Authority"), with full powers to acquire and construct such facilities, and,

WHEREAS, this Township Board determines it to be in the best interest of the Township to acquire and finance said facilities through the Authority in accordance with the provisions of said Act 31, as amended, and,

WHEREAS, a Contract between the Township and the Authority providing for the acquisition, construction and financing of said facilities and such matters as are deemed necessary thereto has been prepared

Now, Therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan that

1. The Township Board hereby determines it to be necessary for the public health, safety and welfare of the Township to acquire the said facilities as set forth in the Contract attached to this resolution for the use of the Township

2. This Township Board deems it to be in the best interest of the Township to finance the cost of such facilities through the Authority in accordance with the provisions of the aforesaid Act 31, as amended.

3. This Township Board hereby approves the Contract for the acquisition and financing of said facilities, as hereto attached.

4. The Notice of Intention of Entering into Contract of Lease as hereto attached shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township, promptly upon adoption of this resolution, said Notice to appear as a display advertisement at least one-quarter (1/4) page in size.

5. The Supervisor and Clerk of the Township are authorized to execute immediately and deliver to the Authority the Contract approved by this resolution. The Contract shall become effective upon the expiration of sixty (60) days following the date of publication of the aforesaid Notice, unless, under the provisions of Section 8(b) of said Act 31, as amended, the effectiveness of the Contract is stayed by reason of the filing of a petition for referendum thereon and the resultant necessity of prior approval by the qualified electors of the Township. The Township Board does hereby determine that the designated newspaper is the newspaper circulating in the Township which reaches the largest number of persons to whom the aforesaid Notice is directed and that

# Rescue from page A1

Lewis is one of two people listed for referrals in a handbook used by the Michigan Humane Society, said Marcy Sieggreen, assistant manager of the Westland Humane Society.

"Basically, the dog we won't refer out is an aggressive dog," she said. "We don't want that kind of dog out in the community."

Lewis is frequently called. "We've had dogs and referrals from the Calhoun County Humane Society near Portage," Lewis said. "One family drove down and gave up their two 6-month-old puppies," Lewis said. "The children were just sobbing and sobbing. I had a roomful of customers and we were all sobbing."

Don and Barbara Bush of Bush Jewelers on Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth adopted a bichon from Lewis about 12 weeks ago. She had been returned to the humane society twice because she wasn't able to be housetrained and she had

some skin abrasions, Lewis said. The Bushes had a bichon for 15 years and they were familiar with the breed and how often you had to take it out.

When Lewis called to tell the Bushes she had the "perfect dog" for them, Don was hesitant. "I wasn't sure if we were ready yet," Don said. "We had a bichon that passed away last Thanksgiving."

Missy fit in immediately and often comes to the store, Don said. "Rescues work," he said. "They are more apt to place them."

Unfortunately, there are no rescues for cats, Sieggreen said.

Dr. Kevin Roose of Roose Animal Hospital on North Main Street, whose practice is next door to Lewis', assists Lewis by discounting his many services for Lewis' rescues. "He's really good," Lewis said. "If I get a call and have to get one right away, I can take them over there. I don't even need an appointment."

Roose took care of 5-year-old

Sid, another bichon frise rescue dog from MHS for which Lewis found a home. "He had bladder stones, a hernia, and gingivitis," she said. "His teeth were just rotting. There was a lot of preliminary blood work. Surgery was expensive. We put a big container on the counter with his picture on it. I think we raised close to \$400."

One customer raised money at work, another man brought over \$100 because he had adopted a rescue dog from Lewis.

"Sid was adopted by a lady who, herself, had bladder stones," Lewis said. "He has to have his urine checked every month and has to have special food."

What money wasn't raised, the national bichon rescue paid for, Lewis said.

Another dog from the humane society had all his ribs showing. "This is a 20-pound dog," Lewis said. "They can be anywhere from 10 to 25 pounds."

To adopt a dog, there's an

application to fill out, an interview, and an adoption agreement that if the dog doesn't work out he will be returned to the rescue.

Lewis, a former dog breeder, adopted her own rescue dog four years ago. He's now 11 years old. "You can't keep them all," Lewis said. "You have to teach them to love people again. You have to convince some kind person to take them."

Costs to adopt a rescue dog run about \$100.

More information on bichon frises can be found on the web at [www.bichon-rescue.org/](http://www.bichon-rescue.org/) application.htm. Reach Sieggreen at the Michigan Humane Society at (734)721-7300, ext. 402.

# Plymouth woman among Lear executive appointments

Lear Corporation announced the appointments of two executives to positions in the Lear Electronics and Electrical Division.

David Maxwell is named vice president-U.S. operations, for and Carol Cummings succeeds Maxwell as vice president-human resources, both reporting to LEED President D. William Humphrey.

As Vice President-U.S. Operations, Maxwell is responsible for all LEED operations in the U.S., including plant locations.

In her new role, Cummings is responsible for personnel and human resource issues relating

to the LEED group.

Cummings joined Lear in 1989 as human resource administrator at the Romulus plant. She most recently served as director-human resources for Lear's DauntierChrysler Division.

Cummings holds a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from Montclair State University in Upper Montclair, N.J., a master of arts degree in counseling from Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti and a master of science administration degree from Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant. She resides in Plymouth with her husband, Michael.

## MILITARY NEWS

To submit your military announcement, send the material printed or typewritten to: Plymouth Canton Observer, 794 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170.

### DELAYED ENTRY

James D. Ankofski has joined the United States Army Reserve under the Delayed Training Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Ann Arbor.

Ankofski, a 2000 graduate of Belleville High School, reported to Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C., for basic training on June 9. He is the son of Sharon K. and James D. Ankofski of Canton.

Paul P. Berner and Robert G. Davis have also joined the Army under the Delayed Entry Program. Berner reported to Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C., for basic training on June 22. He is the son of Kathy L. Kaiser of Walled Lake and Mark S. Berner of Canton.

Davis, a student at Belleville High School, reported for basic training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla., June 20. He is the son of Helen J. Graham of Canton.

The Delayed Entry Program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay reporting for basic military training for up to 270 days. Enlistment in the Reserve gives many new soldiers the option to learn a new skill, serve their voluntary and become eligible to receive more than \$7,000 toward a college education and \$20,000 for repayment of college loans.

### GRADUATED

Army Pvt. Jessa N. Scott has graduated from the unit supply specialist advanced individual

training course at Fort Lee, Petersburg, Va. The student was trained in receipt, storage, issue and accountability of individual, organization and installation supplies and equipment and included training in maintenance of small arms. She is the daughter of Susan and Daniel Scott of Canton. The private is a 1989 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

Air Force Senior Airman Katherine E. Smith has graduated from the Airman Leadership School at Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, N.M. The five-week course focuses on preparing and better equipping senior airmen to serve as supervisors, managers and rating officials as they progress in their enlisted military careers. It is the first of three levels of professional military education programs used to develop and cultivate leadership and supervisory skills, and is a required course for airmen to complete prior to being promoted to the rank of staff sergeant. Smith is a biomedical equipment technician assigned to the 27th Medical Support Squadron. She is the daughter of Robert G.K. Naugle of Livonia and Mimi Naugle of Canton. The senior airman is a 1993 graduate of Churchill High School, Livonia.

### APPOINTMENTS

The Air Force is proud to announce the appointments of Scott Durham of Canton and David Dzwonek of Plymouth to the United States Air Force Academy for the class of 2004. These appointments represent a select group of the nation's finest young people. Durham graduated from Plymouth-Canton High School and Dzwonek graduated from Detroit Catholic Central High School.

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON - BOARD PROCEEDINGS

publication of the aforesaid Notice in the designated newspaper represents the most practical and feasible means of informing the taxpayers and electors of the Township of the aforesaid project and the financing thereof a copy of the Contract shall be placed on file in the office of the Township Clerk and shall be available for public examination.

- The Township Board does hereby ratify and confirm its covenant in the aforesaid Contract to levy ad valorem taxes against all taxable property in the Township to the extent necessary to meet the obligations of the Township thereunder in the event revenues from other sources are insufficient for any reason whatsoever. Any such taxes levied to pay the Cash Rental under said Contract shall be limited as to rate or amount in the manner provided by law.
- The Township Board covenants that the Township shall comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the "Rule" regarding disclosure and appoints the Township's Finance Director as its Disclosure Representative. The Township Finance Director be and is hereby directed to give annual disclosure in accordance with the Rule.
- The Township Finance Director be and is hereby directed to file a Notice of Intention to Issue an obligation with the Michigan Municipal Finance Division and to pay the fee relating thereto.
- All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as the same conflict with the provisions of this resolution be the same hereby are rescinded.

Ayes Members Bennett, Kirchgatter, Ladoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack  
 Nays Members None  
 Absent Members Burdzak, McLaughlin

### RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER INTO LIMITED TAX SUPPORTED CONTRACT OF LEASE AND OF RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REFERENDUM THEREON TO THE TAXPAYERS AND ELECTORS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Charter Township of Canton has approved and executed a Contract of Lease with the Charter Township of Canton Building Authority pursuant to Act No. 31, Public Acts of Michigan, 1948, First Extra Session, as amended. Such Contract provides, among other things, that said Building Authority will acquire, construct, furnish and equip a nine (9) hole golf course addition to the Township's Pleasant Run Golf Course and additions to the Summit Center Building together with all necessary appurtenances and attachments relating thereto and will issue its bonds to finance the estimated cost of the same FOR SAID TOWNSHIP IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000,000.00. Said bonds will mature serially from 2001 to 2020, inclusive, and will bear interest not exceeding 8% per annum on the outstanding principal balance.

The Contract further provides that the Township will lease said facilities from said Building Authority and will pay AS RENTAL TO SAID BUILDING AUTHORITY ALL SUMS NECESSARY TO RETIRE THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS, TOGETHER WITH ALL COSTS OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING SAID FACILITIES AND ALL COSTS OF SAID BUILDING AUTHORITY IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, regardless of whether the facilities are completed or are on tenant able. The principal amount to be borrowed by the Building Authority will be indebtedness of the Township for purposes of statutory, charter and constitutional debt limitations, and said principal amount, together with the Township's rental obligation for payment thereof, may be increased to cover increased costs of the facilities.

### TOWNSHIP CONTRACT OBLIGATION

BY VIRTUE OF SAID CONTRACT AND ACT ALL OF THE TOWNSHIP'S REQUIRED PAYMENTS TO THE BUILDING AUTHORITY WILL BE LIMITED TAX FULL FAITH AND CREDIT GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP PAYABLE FROM ANY AVAILABLE FUNDS OF THE TOWNSHIP AND THE TOWNSHIP WILL BE REQUIRED TO LEVY AD VALOREM TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES, TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS REQUIRED TO RETIRE THE BONDS AND INTEREST THEREON, IF OTHER FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE ARE NOT AVAILABLE, AND IS LIMITED BY LAW HOWEVER THE OBLIGATION TO LEVY TAXES IS LIMITED BY APPLICABLE CONSTITUTIONAL, CHARTER AND STATUTORY TAX RATE LIMITATIONS.

SAID CONTRACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE WITHOUT VOTE OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP AS PERMITTED BY LAW UPON THE EXPIRATION OF 60 DAYS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE, UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER SAID CONTRACT SHOULD BE EFFECTIVE, SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN 45 DAYS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. If such petition is so filed, said Contract shall be effective without an approving vote by a majority of electors of the Township voting on the question.

This Notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 8(b) of the aforesaid Act 31, as amended. Further information concerning the details of said Contract, the facilities being financed and the matters set out in this Notice may be secured from the Township Clerk's office.

A copy of said Contract is on file in the office of the Township Clerk for public inspection.

TERRY G. BENNETT  
 Clerk, Charter Township of Canton

### ADJOURN

Meeting by Board supported by Shefferly to move to closed session at 9:00 pm. Motion carried by all members present.  
 Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to move to open session at 9:20 pm. Motion carried by all members present.

The above is a synopsis of the minutes taken at the regular Board meeting held on June 27, 2000. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of Board on June 27, 2000.

THOMAS YACK, Reporter

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

## OH SAY, CAN YOU SEE... The BIG Savings!

**Closed Tuesday, July 4th**

**Selected PERENNIALS 25% OFF**  
1 gallon

- Vines REG. \$9.99
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**Spring Flowering Trees ORNAMENTAL TREES 33% OFF**  
Huge Selection small to large

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**25% OFF SELECTED SHRUBS**

- Blue Chip Juniper 18" REG. \$24.99
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- Blue Chip Juniper 18" REG. \$24.99
- Blue Chip Juniper 15" REG. \$19.99
- PJM Rhododendron 15" REG. \$29.99
- Birdnest Spruce 18" REG. \$24.99
- Flower Carpet Roses REG. \$16.99

**Annual FLOWERING BASKETS Buy 1 Get 1 Free\***  
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**Scott's Step 3 INSECT CONTROL**  
5,000 sq. ft. \$12.99  
REG. \$16.99

**AMERICAN FLAGS 25% OFF**

**BAGGED MULCHES**  
2 cu. ft. bags  
**3 for \$10.00**  
REG. \$3.99 each

- Shredded Cypress
- Shredded Cedar
- Pine Bark Mulch
- Pine Bark Nuggets

**GreenThumb OSCILLATING SPRINKLER**  
2,000 sq. ft. coverage  
\$4.99  
REG. \$5.99

**Gilmour FLEXOGEN HOSE**  
with FREE nozzle  
\$22.99  
REG. \$29.99

**The Raven by Sherman BRASS NOZZLE**  
\$7.99  
REG. \$8.99

**PLYMOUTH NURSERY and GARDEN CENTER**

9900 Ann Arbor Rd./Plymouth Rd.  
7 Miles West of I-275  
1 1/2 Miles South of M-14  
Corner of Golfredson Rd.

**PLEASE NOTE:**  
 SOUTHGATE LOCATION IS CLOSED FOR VACATION NOW THRU WEDNESDAY, JULY 5.  
 NOVI LOCATION WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, JULY 3 AND TUESDAY, JULY 4.

## DON'T MISS IT! WAREHOUSE MOVING SALE

**3 DAYS ONLY!**  
 July 12, 13 & 14

We're moving! After 25 years, we've outgrown our Wyandotte Warehouse. We want to sell our inventory, not move it.

**TRUE SAVINGS OF 50% 60% & MORE!**

# McLaughlin's WAREHOUSE

734.285.5454 3162 Biddle, Wyandotte

# Plymouth Observer

## OPINION

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794 SOUTH MAIN, PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN 48170

THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2000

## Same old story?

### Commission needs to work together

All around the city, you hear the whispers: "I thought with five new commissioners, all this bickering would stop."

It's a logical assumption. Last year's fractious commission, which actually paid to have someone come in and tell them how to get along with each other, was supposed to be a thing of the past after the election last fall. It didn't take long, however, before the infighting started anew.

Al and Peg Bundy didn't fight this much. Ralph Kramden never argued this much with Alice. The Bickersons got along better.

The latest salvos were fired over the budget, presented by former city manager Dave Rich and headed for rubber-stamping at the hands of the commission. Or so it seemed.

Then, at the meeting for which the rubber stamps had been issued, commissioner Sean FitzGerald suddenly had questions about the roughly \$14 million budget. He and others complained they were being asked to pass a document about which little discussion had been held.

Mayor Dave McDonald rightly pointed out no work sessions had been scheduled because no commissioners had previously mentioned having any problems with the budget. He and Mayor Pro Tem Colleen Pobur were ready to approve the budget when FitzGerald asked them if they could identify a particularly oblique line item.

Neither could identify the \$22,000 item, which turned out to be a new pickup truck for the city. It was slashed.

Also gone: the \$1,000 allotment for the city's float in next week's Fourth of July parade. Commissioners cut that item out in a line-by-line reduction that one commissioner said removed about \$80,000 from the budget.

We have no problem when commissioners go through the budget with a fine-toothed comb,

although cutting the measly \$1,000 for the parade float seems a bit petty. That's their job; there's no reason for anyone, particularly the mayor, not to know what each item is before approving it.

But the way the deed was done is bothersome. It was wrong of Pobur and McDonald not to question the budget. All of the commissioners should have taken a closer look.

Equally disturbing was what looked like a political ploy by FitzGerald, waiting until the 11th hour to question the figures.

Intentionally or not, the move made McDonald and Pobur — who are not high on FitzGerald's Christmas card list — look bad. Sure, the charter says the panel has until the end of June to finalize the budget, but there had already been three work sessions.

McDonald's point is valid: Where were the questions before that?

This commission has too much work to do to be this fractured. They've got to settle their recreation master plan, and they have to find a new police chief.

And they need to find a new city manager, one who is going to stay longer than 18 months. That's going to take a concerted team effort by a group of people working toward a common goal: finding stability in an office that has been unstable.

The commission has essentially run the last two city managers out of town, deserved or not. This time, they've got to find one they can keep.

People are tired of tuning in to the soap opera the city commission frequently resembles. They don't want the petty arguing, the political maneuvering. They want their tax money spent properly, services when they're needed, and a community where their children are safe.

This is the City of Plymouth, not Peyton Place. It's up to the commissioners to know the difference.

## Health care should know no boundaries

Need a doctor? This is a pretty good area to find one. This week's opening of the University of Michigan Health Center at Salt and Canton Center Road marks the third major health care provider with a new facility in the township in as many years. U-M joins Henry Ford Health Systems and St. Joseph Mercy with bigger, brighter and better-equipped buildings. Oakwood Hospital also maintains its presence in Canton with a modern center on Canton Center at Warren Road.

While this area and other new suburbs are flush in choices and technology, accessibility to quality health care for others is dwindling. And not just in Detroit's inner city either, although that's where the problem is the most acute. The pinch is being felt everywhere, including some of the older suburbs where facilities are being closed or consolidated.

With federal and state governments slashing Medicare and Medicaid payments, health care providers look increasingly to patients

with private insurance to foot the bill for everyone. That means setting up shop in growing upper-income communities like Canton.

It means trading in older, smaller satellite offices in several locations for regional centers that can draw patients from a wider area — as long as they have reliable transportation. The new U-M facility, for example, represents a consolidation of two buildings on Lilley Road that served Plymouth and Canton patients.

St. Joseph Mercy also eliminated some services from its Plymouth building when it opened the Canton center three years ago.

A strong regional network of hospitals and health care facilities is a requirement to a thriving metro area.

The Observer believes access to quality health care is an issue that transcends local boundaries.

## Nurses deserve respect, support

High school grads and college students unsure of a major might want to consider a career in nursing. It's a rewarding field that offers jobs and opportunities for advancement.

The demand is great. Industry experts predict things could reach a crisis point by the year 2005. Nurses are getting older with the average age ranging from 42 to 45, and there simply aren't enough young people entering the field to satisfy the demand. Canada, England, Ireland, the Philippines, Australia and Western Europe also are reporting significant nursing shortages.

While the demand is great, there is industry pressure to downsize and cut costs, which often results in workload increases for nurses. Restructuring in the health care industry has also had a negative impact on nursing. Some community hospitals, most recently Beyer Center in Ypsilanti, which is owned by Oakwood Healthcare System, have closed.

Stays are shorter and more procedures are being done outpatient, but hospitals are increasingly becoming large intensive care units whose patients require cardiac monitoring, respiratory assistance and intense treatment. Heavy patient loads and pressure to treat more people, quickly for less money have made nursing a less attractive career choice.

Nurses complain about long hours, being bogged down with tasks that could be done by less skilled workers, and not having enough time to spend with patients.

But despite the challenges, there are lots of good reasons to consider nursing as a career. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that

jobs for registered nurses will grow 23 percent by 2006 — faster than the average for all occupations. Working in a hospital isn't the only option for nurses. There are many areas to specialize in, such as administration, clinical care, emergency and medical surgical care. Nursing has always been ripe with opportunity, and that will continue.

Salaries are an issue, too. Nursing salaries start out well, \$35,000 to \$38,000, but don't increase significantly. More career enhancement incentives are needed for nurses to explore advanced positions within the profession. There's also a need for mentoring, experienced nurses helping younger nurses.

Better communication between schools that prepare nurses and hospitals, clinics and other care facilities that hire them will help ensure that nurses are properly trained to do the work that must be done.

Resources must be allocated to allow nurses to spend more time balancing wellness care with monitoring illness. Nurses can teach patients how to take better care of themselves — preventative medicine is the best medicine — but they often don't have the time.

High school might be too late to talk about careers in nursing. High-paying, high-tech jobs have the competitive edge. Work must be done at the junior high level to attract a new generation.

The women and men who make nursing their life work are committed, caring professionals, dedicated to helping people heal and stay well. They deserve our admiration, respect and support.

Geof Brooks



## LETTERS

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### Mann's the man

Regarding the race for Plymouth Township Supervisor, two terms in the past Plymouth Township was "the place to be from" and Canton and Northville Townships were considered step-children.

Today, Plymouth Township is definitely playing a distant third fiddle! Who's to blame? Personally, I believe that it starts at the very top with the current supervisor, Kathleen Keen McCarthy!

On Jan. 20, 1961, America inaugurated John Fitzgerald Kennedy, a 43-year-old man, as President of the United States. On Aug. 8, I strongly believe that the Plymouth Township torch must pass to "new and young blood" for the benefit of the community's future! Elect Steve Mann Plymouth Township Supervisor.

Roger L. Kehrier  
Plymouth

### Starkweather great program

Recently I had the honor of attending the Plymouth-Canton Schools Adult & Alternative Education graduation ceremony at Plymouth-Salem High School. As Education Foundation Chairperson for the Plymouth American Association of University Women, I presented the AAUW scholarship to Randi Leigh Skrpiec, one of the graduates of the class of 2000. Another one of the Alternative graduates earned a \$2,500 MEAP scholarship for high scores on that test, and another a lucrative Schoolcraft College scholarship.

How fortunate we are to have this alternative education program in our community. Classes are held at Starkweather School in Plymouth. The principal, Carol G. Saunders, and her staff of dedicated teachers are to be commended for the fine professional job they do as well as their caring attitudes. They go the extra mile for their students.

For many of the students, and for a multitude of reasons, this is a second chance at earning a high school diploma and continuing their education. Society benefits from their accomplishments as much as they do. At the ceremony I could see and feel the tremendous bond and affection between the students and staff. These students thrive in an atmosphere

of personal attention where they are not allowed to fall between the cracks or get lost in the crowd.

I am proud of the many fine teachers and cornucopia of class offerings we have at our other two Plymouth-Canton High Schools. But I am so glad to see our district offer this program at Starkweather as an alternative.

As a parent and taxpayer involved in my community, I feel grateful to Ms. Saunders and her staff for the wonderful job they are doing in helping our students be successful. Let's continue to make sure all students in our district have a choice and a chance at an education that meets their needs.

Dorothy A. Grant, Education  
Foundation Chairperson  
Plymouth Branch AAUW

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POINTS OF VIEW

# Political scene takes interesting posture, even in early stages

Politics do, indeed, make strange bedfellows.

Take the campaign of Steve Mann, the Plymouth Township police officer opposing incumbent Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy in the Aug. 8 primary.



BRAD KADRICH

Mann, obviously running as a Republican, is getting help from Catherine Govan, who Mann says is also running the Michigan money for Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush. But who is that giving Mann advice on campaign advertising (and perhaps more)? None other than Bill Joyner, the local poster child for the Democrats.

Nothing wrong with that. Seeking his first political office, Mann could probably use all the help he can get. But it's an interesting commentary on the political scene in this town. And Mann's race against Keen McCarthy, who has been oddly quiet so far this campaign season, also caused the first spark of controversy when the whole subject of forcing him to take an unpaid leave of absence came up.

Personally, we'd have expected the first political salvo of the season to be fired in the treasurer's race, where incumbent Ron Edwards is going to have to fight off what will almost certainly be a strong showing by state Rep. Gerald Law, who is prevented by term limits from seeking re-election.

We were wrong. Someone - nobody has ever said who - asked township attorney Tim Cronin to look at a section of a public act that would have given the township board the authority to force Mann to take 60 days off without pay before the election.

Since the board considered the question June 7, the day before such a 60-day leave would have taken effect, it's hard to rule out political motive behind the request. Cronin said

he was simply keeping the board informed in putting together his written opinion.

Keen McCarthy denied making the request. But she's the one who would have benefited from her opponent losing a source of income for two months, so it's not hard to fathom a supporter asking the attorney to look into it. Keen McCarthy did the right thing during the discussion, too, by asking to be allowed to abstain from any vote connected to the matter, a request the board denied.

Instead, she was part of a unanimous vote to leave Mann on the job. "I believe, based on everything that is fair, that we should take no action," she told her fellow board members.

On the other hand, fair is apparently in the eye of the beholder. Take the case of Law, the lame-duck 20th District representative trying to unseat the incumbent Edwards. As of this week, he's still using his "franking" privileges, which provide for bulk mailing, to send literature to seniors in Plymouth Township, a practice he's followed throughout his legislative career (which, by the way, has been a long one).

Some in the community charge Law is simply using taxpayer money to campaign for treasurer, although none of his literature actually mentions his election bid. However, his literature - which generally informs seniors of voting issues, among other topics - does include several pictures of him. The other complaint: Law is only mailing to Plymouth Township.

Law says he's mailing everywhere, and is wholly unapologetic.

"Incumbents have a certain advantage," he said of the franking privileges. "I always mail to (all) my constituents. I've been doing it for 15 years. We have specific rules. We can't mail after July 7, and (mailings) can't be political in nature."

Law isn't the incumbent, he's the challenger. And anything he does, since he's a candidate for public office, can be construed as political in nature.

Now you know why I'll never go into politics. I can't manage that kind of spin control.

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# Who stands up for children, if not the mothers who love them?

This year I spent Mother's Day in Washington, D.C., with thousands of other women, men and children marching for common-sense gun safety legislation.



BARBARA CASE

Not only did I make the effort and arrangements to go to Washington, I spent the last six months as one of the metro Detroit area coordinators for the Million Mom March. My initial response that I was "willing to help out," but that turned into a commitment that took up every spare minute of my already busy life and put a strain on my family and friends.

I was calling legislators, handing out flyers, talking to the media, keeping track of our expanding e-mail list and organizing meetings and speakers. And the question I was always asked was, "Why are you doing this?"

Why did I immerse myself in this cause? Up until I heard of the Million Mom March, I had never been involved in any type of political cause. My high school and college years were defined by the Vietnam War, yet I never really took up the anti-war movement in any meaningful sense.

But then the shootings began. San Ysidro, Paducah, Jonesboro, Columbine, Granada Hills and Flint, to name a few. And with the addition of every new town that will forever be linked to violent death, my first reaction was to feel pain and sympathy for the victims and a total sense of helplessness in the face of this madness.

My second reaction was anger. And, in keeping with my day job as a reference librarian, I started to do some research on the subject. What I found was appalling. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, approximately 36,000 Americans of all ages die from gun violence every year. Of these, nearly 5,000 are children and adolescents under the age of 20.

According to Handgun Control Inc., in one year handguns killed no children in Japan, 19 in Great Britain, 57 in Germany, 109 in

France, 153 in Canada and 5,285 in the United States. Why have we declared war on our children? Who is benefiting from this continued violence?

Gun control is a hot-button issue that rarely gets looked at calmly. Unfortunately, the gun debate in this country has been polarized by both the media and fanatics on both sides. Gun control advocates are hysterically screaming for a ban on the ownership of all guns while pro-gun forces are convinced that only by arming every man, woman and child in America will we ever really be secure from criminals and our own government.

Their extremist views fit nicely into a 10-second sound bite or a banner headline. Yet, like most Americans, I can't cozy up to either side. Guns are legal in this country and I have no desire to take away that right. While I don't own any guns, I know several people who do and they are responsible and careful with their weapons.

However, it appalls me that it is easier to fire a gun than it is to open an aspirin bottle. I am astounded that there is no meaningful way to control who can purchase a gun or how often and virtually no attempt to keep track of weapons that are sold.

I am disgusted at the emotional and financial drain caused by gun violence. I am angered at the arrogance of politicians and the gun lobby who think in terms of punishment instead of prevention and want to place the burden for gun safety on our children and not the gun industry.

And ... I am average. I am the average woman down the street, the average mother, worker, wife and voting citizen. I realize gun safety legislation will not eliminate all gun deaths. It will not prevent children from growing up in dysfunctional homes or stop those with truly evil intent.

The goals of the Million Mom March Foundation reflect a moderate, common-sense approach to a huge and divisive issue in this country. A mother's need to protect her children cuts across all cultural, racial, political and socio-economic lines. When men argue about power and money, the lives and safety of children are often the first victims.

Why me? If not me to protect my children, then who?

Barb Case is a Plymouth Township resident. Anyone interested in her cause can e-mail her at mmommarch@yahoo.com.

# Education reforms are beginning to yield positive results in the classroom

Michigan fifth and eighth graders across the board improved their scores in the Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests for science, writing and social studies, according to scores released last week.

More significant is the long-term trend. By and large, scores are far higher than they were when the MEAP test became the instrument of choice for assessing student performance. Interestingly, some of the biggest gains have come from districts Lansing is now considering for takeover, such as Hamtramck and Inkster.

In Plymouth Canton, for instance, elementary science scores were up from 47.8 to 53.4, well above the statewide average. Elementary scores were up even higher, from 62.6 in 1999 to 81.4 in 2000. Middle school scores in all three categories were also higher.

Local school officials say it's because teachers and teaching methods are improving.

State school authorities say the school system is finally beginning to make real progress in reform. Gov. John Engler, who directed the takeover of the Detroit schools, says it's because schools are realizing the governor is serious.

Whatever. When the news is good, everybody is entitled to take a chunk of the credit.

Although it's tough to do and takes a long time, reforming the public schools is not rocket science. Reformers proposed a sensible model for improvement years ago. First, you decide what kids are supposed to learn at various grades while they are in school. Second, you assess what kids do, in fact, learn, in Michigan, that's called the MEAP. Third, you release these scores - district by district, school building by school building - to the public so as to ensure accountability. Fourth, you demand that schools respond to the results by improving teaching methods and materials. Fifth, you make it clear that you are resolute in staying on the path of reform.

The main point to seize firmly - especially right now, before all the pro- and anti-voucher propaganda hits - is that the school reform model is working in Michigan. Kids are learning more, virtually across the board.

That's very, very good news.

It's important to realize most of our schools were not so bad to start with and have improved considerably over the past decade. The districts with real problems have been the very urban and the very rural. In the case of urban districts like Detroit, where the outrageous politics of school governance got in the way of good schools, drastic measures like the state takeover appear to be yielding results. Remote rural districts, where geographic isolation limits resources of all kinds, a technology fix such as increased reliance on computers and the Internet may offer hope.

State Board of Education President Dorothy Beardmore, one of the unsung heroes of school



PHIL POWER

reform in Michigan, is delighted. "What these scores show is that standards-based education reform works because it makes sense to specify what kids should know at various stages in their education career," she says.

"All this goes back a long way," Beardmore continues. "It started in 1991 when we established model curriculum outcomes. In 1995, we established standards. We worked on the MEAP test and gradually turned it into an accurate assessment of what kids learn. And now we're starting to see some real progress."

Beardmore's right. Improving an entire school system in a state as big as Michigan doesn't happen overnight. "People are beginning to figure they might as well get on board because standards-based education reform is not going to go away," she says. "Some years ago, people in the Legislature were talking about abolishing the MEAP test, but you don't hear much about that anymore."

In fact, the numbers of pupils taking the MEAP tests are going up, evidently in large part because of Gov. Engler's bright idea of linking success on the minor year MEAP to a \$2,500 Merit Award scholarship to college. Starting in the 2000-01 school year, eighth graders can earn \$500 in scholarship money to attend a public college in Michigan by scoring well.

A small irony amidst all this encouraging news: Folks at the Michigan Board of Education have yet to receive the official MEAP scores report.

Administrative responsibility for the MEAP was transferred from the state board to the Department of the Treasury last year. Beardmore learned about the current results by reading the newspapers.

Maybe the next step in school reform should be to tidy up some bureaucratic organization charts so the right hand knows what the left hand is doing.

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## HOOKED ON HISTORY



VIRGINIA PARKER

## Treasure brings cousins together

Until this past weekend, my husband's great-grandmother, Marion Parker, was little more than a name on his family tree. His cousin, Nancy, changed that when she arrived from Florida loaded with family memorabilia.

Marion raised four children on a farm near Port Huron. Among her mementos were two turn-of-the-century ledgers, as well as diaries from 1941-43 when she was in her seventies.

Through them, we discovered that Don's father, Donald, donated blood for his father, Charles (Marion's son), when he was hospitalized with a serious illness and needed a transfusion. Marion was none too well herself at the time. She wrote, "I am slipping. I got med[icines] today [but] you bet I will not stay down long when I am needed by my kiddies[es]."

Once a mother, always a mother, I guess, since her "kiddy" Charles had grown sons himself! Marion said little about World War II, not even when the bombing of Pearl Harbor hurled the U.S. into combat. Only once did she record a scarcity of goods, starting with trying to find kerosene for her stove. Tea and sugar, likewise, were difficult and/or impossible to buy.

"This war business is awful," she wrote. "Everything rationed."

Of greater concern was the welfare of young men close to her as service called them to the front. She was delighted when Donald and "his best girl" arrived for Marion's birthday in 1942. She added, "By the way, [Violet] just got her diamond."

The next year's birthday celebration brought somber news - Donald had been ordered overseas. "The big day is

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# The Emmy goes to...

## Local filmmakers snag their first award

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When Dave Sanford and Gordon Casteinero first met while working as producers at WNIC radio in Detroit, they never imagined each would be clutching shiny golden Emmy statuettes five years later.

On May 20, they took home Emmy awards for their most recently-completed documentary, *Titanic: The Final Chapter*. Originally aired 8 p.m. Aug. 23, 1999, the documentary pre-empted NBC prime-time programming.

The show was broadcast locally by Channel 4 and marked a memorable moment in the lives of both Sanford and Casteinero.

"This is totally a dream come true," said Casteinero, a 34-year-old Westland resident.

"Even as a little kid, I always wanted to be in the entertainment industry," added Sanford, a 35-year-old Southfield resident. He remembers watching award shows and wondering what it might be like to accept an honor himself someday. With a little fumbling and a lot of pride, their brave efforts paid dividends as new filmmakers were honored during a local Emmy ceremony in Detroit.

Emmys are awarded by the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

The co-owners of the Westland-based Cambiare Entertainment work so well together they can finish each other's sentences. But the decision to leave radio behind and work as a creative team all began in 1994 with an inspiration.

"I called him up with an idea, years ago, that I got from a book I read on the J.L. Hudson Company," said Casteinero. "It was amazing how much Hudsons meant to Detroit." From that spark, he was inspired to look further into the businesses that emerged in Michigan and developed into major corporations. "I thought it would be a good pilot episode or series," he said.

### Going out on a limb

Neither of the aspiring filmmakers knew what their future would hold. But they had the confidence to pursue their dreams.

"I've always had big ideas," said Casteinero, who, like Sanford, attended Schoolcraft College in Livonia. "Hey, I'm a dreamer and I dream big."

With Sanford's support, they shopped the idea around to every television station in the Detroit area. After numerous rejections, Henry Maldonado, vice president of production at WDIV Channel 4, agreed to listen. "He's very well-respected in the Detroit television market," said Casteinero.

Maldonado, who was unavailable for comment, sug-



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Big winners: Gordon Casteinero (left) of Westland and his filmmaking partner Dave Sanford proudly pose with the Emmy awards they won for the documentary "Titanic: The Final Chapter."

gested that instead of focusing on one business in each episode, they could produce a local-interest special with short segments about all the major companies that began in Michigan.

The result was *Michigan, It Started Here*, a program written, directed and produced by Casteinero and Sanford, and narrated by WDIV anchorman Devin Scillian. In the midst of making the documentary, both decided to quit their jobs at the radio station and

even dipped into their savings accounts to complete it.

"We had zero experience," said Casteinero. "Basically, television stations didn't want to take a chance on this," added Sanford.

Self-confessed perfectionists, they found themselves completely out of their element, working cameras and doing all the research. Despite the hardships and hours that even threatened Sanford's marriage at one point, they never gave up the dream.

The fight was worth it. Both received Emmy nominations for the show, which was the highest-rated program locally on the day it aired.

None of this came as a surprise to Marilyn Stueckle, Sanford's mother who lives in Westland. "He's always had the talent of writing," she said. Growing up at a time which didn't allow her to follow her own dreams, she told her son to "go for it and never give up on it."

That message sunk in. In the midst of creating their first of three completed documentaries, the pair started their company, Cambiare Entertainment, on a shoestring budget. The name of the company means "to change" in Italian, a reference to their vision of the future of the filmmaking industry.

Two others films followed. *Michigan and The American Dream*, an expansion of the first documentary that focused on inventors and innovators from Michigan, and *Titanic: The Final Chapter*, which explores an untold, Michigan connection to some survivors. It was shown at the height of the *Titanic* craze led by the 1998 feature film. Both documentaries earned Emmy nominations. *Titanic: The Final Chapter* was nominated six times and would eventually become a winner.

### Holding onto a dream

The company is a realization of Sanford's lifelong dream of working in the entertainment business. From the soap opera script he wrote while at Schoolcraft College to his degree in radio, television and film from Eastern Michigan University, he's never strayed from what he wanted to do.

"Both of us had to make sacrifices," said Sanford. "It's a real challenge."

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### SINGLES MINGLE

**Listings for the Singles 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, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.**

**WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCE**  
Every Friday WestSide Singles hosts a dance at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Upcoming dance is June 30. Must be over 21, and dressy attire (no jeans). Open to the public. A delay will be playing Top 40 music and current hits. Appetizers will be served (hot/cold). Early admission special \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. For information please call (734) 981-0909.

**JULY 4 PICNIC**  
Let's celebrate 224 years of independence with a picnic at Rotary Park starting at noon. Reserve a place for \$5 and a dish to pass. Call Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church. Call (248) 374-5920.

**SPM SHOWCASE**  
Bring a friend to the Single Point Ministries Showcase at 6:30 p.m. July 7 for volleyball, softball and whatever lawn game you wish to bring. Cost is \$6. Call SPM office at (248) 374-5920.

**TRIP TO TORONTO**  
Singles of all ages are invited for an escorted motorcoach trip to Toronto, Ontario, Aug. 18-20 with such options as The Lion King, Canadian National Exhibition, Tall Ship Harbor Cruise, Toronto Blue Jays game, Toronto Zoo or Science Center. Cost: (hotel and motorcoach only): \$224/person double occupancy. Hotel, motorcoach, and Lion King ticket: \$324/person double. Single occupancy: add \$53. Payment due by July 10. Call Single Place at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, (248) 349-0911, weekdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. You do not have to be a member of Single Place or a church to go on the trip.

**WEDNESDAY METRO SINGLES**  
Wednesday Metro Singles Dance begins at 8 p.m. and concludes at 1 a.m. Free swing dance lessons offered from 8-9 p.m. DJ, budget bar, refreshments, 21 and over, dress attire please. Roma's Banquet Hall, 32550 Cherry Hill Road (east of Venoy) in Garden City. Call (313) 869-1900/(313) 438-6258.

**DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP**  
Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center has a Divorce Support Group that meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the McDowell Center (Room 225) from 7-9 p.m. No fee is required. Call (734) 462-4443. A schedule from June to August follows:

July 11, group discussion. Facilitated by Cynthia Koppin.  
July 25, no meeting.  
Aug. 8, group discussion. Facilitated by Cynthia Koppin.  
Aug. 22, Coping with Divorce. Florine Bond will discuss strategies for coping with the stress of divorce.

**SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES**  
Talk It Over meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. July 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Knox Hall in Ward Church. Dick Bont will be speaking on "Who Can You Trust?" Part I. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost \$6. Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

■ There will be a bonfire, picnic and canoeing at Proud Lake July 21. Call (248) 374-5920.

■ Grab your bike and join in the biking events on Saturdays for fun, friends, outdoors, exercise, great rides and more. Call the SPM office for a schedule of biking locations.

■ "Rethinking marriage when thinking remarriage." Program is from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 15 in room D450/452. Registration at the door begins at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$5. Includes continental breakfast. Call Stacy, (248) 374-5912.

■ Summer Divorce Recovery. Monday, July 17 through Saturday, July 22. Cost is \$25 (pre): \$30 at event.

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include the date of the reunion and the first and last name of at least one contact person, and a telephone number.

**GARDEN CITY WEST**  
Class of 1975 is in the planning stages of a fall 2000 weekend-reunion. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information please call. Denise Nossek, (248) 474-5006.

**GARDEN CITY EAST**  
Class of 1980 is hosting a 20 year reunion Saturday, Sept. 23 at Doubletree Guest Suites, Southfield. Call Reunions Made Easy at (248) 360-7004 or reunions-madeeasy@ameritech.net

**GARDEN CITY HIGH**  
Class of 1960 Reunion is planned for Sept. 23. Contact Peter or Jan at (734) 421-1066.

**GARDEN CITY**  
Classes of 1950s  
A Millennium reunion is planned for the classes of the 1950s Sept. 15-17. Sept. 16 there is a dinner/dance at the Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest from 5 to midnight. Other activities include a school district reception and tour of the high school, breakfast at the hotel, golf and/or casino trip and more. Contact Vivian (Jarnot '53) Chamberlain (734) 421-0278; Muriel (Muir '54) Wolff (734) 422-0266; Donna (Bennett '55) Ponte (734) 427-0535; Gloria (Rouden '56) Even (734) 422-7777; Bob ('57) Lepak (734) 261-7152; Willbey ('58) Pistor (734) 261-5193; or Craig ('59) Strain (248) 478-8267.

**HARPER HOSPITAL**

**School of Nursing - Class of 1970**  
A 30 year reunion is planned for Aug. 12. We are looking for classmates. Contact Connie Maslyk-Richart (313) 937-0608 or Sheila Freytag-Swick (248) 620-0570.

**HAZEL PARK**  
Class of 1969, 70, 71  
The classes of 1969, 1970 and 1971 will celebrate a tri-class reunion on Saturday, Aug. 5 at the Royalty House located in Warren. Call Gar Matkovich at (248) 548-8366 or e-mail jdicksinson@efuslaw.com for tickets.

**HAZEL PARK**  
Class of 1980  
A 20-year reunion is planned for Aug. 5. If you haven't received any information, please call Lora York (Newsom) at (248) 628-9350 or check our Web site at www.graphicdept.com/hph-sclassof80 for further information.

**HAZEL PARK**  
Class of 1975  
A 25-year reunion is planned for Sept. 23 at the Stephenson Haus, in Hazel Park. Call Debbie Dutkiewicz (248) 548-1787.

**HENRY FORD TRADE**  
Class of 1950  
February and July classes of 1950 are planning a 50-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 16 at the Holiday Inn, Dearborn. Call Harold Brocket, (810) 465-1517; Frank Collar (248) 618-9865. All alumni are invited.

**HIGHLAND PARK**  
January-June classes of 1950-51  
Are planning a reunion. Send name, address and telephone number to Fred Kashouty, 21528 Raymond, St. Clair Shores 48082 or call (810) 294-7512 or (313) 881-2023

**HIGHLAND PARK**  
Classes of 1947, 1948, 1949

A millennium picnic is planned for Aug. 17 in Canton. Call Cathy Scott Conley, 1947 (248) 851-2944; Helen Boucvalt Wilson, 1948 (248) 546-1736, or Bob Churella, 1949 (248) 348-8200/(248) 347-1144.

**IMMACULATA HIGH**  
Class of 1955  
A reunion is planned for the fall of 2000. (248) 299-1938 or by e-mail at immac55@aol.com

**JAMES VERNOR SCHOOL**  
Class of 1956  
Nov. 18 noon brunch at the Kingsley Inn in Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 723-4562 or e-mail vernor56@hotmail.com

**JOHN GLENN**  
Class of 1970  
Contact Marilyn Ross, (734) 326-8300; Kathy Wedhorn, (248) 637-7686; Laron Thomas, (734) 416-1157; or JGHS, (734) 595-2331.

**JOHN GLENN**  
Class of 1975  
A 25-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Sept. 16 at Vladimir's (28125 Grand River, Farmington Hills). Cost is \$45 per person. Contact Joyce McDonald Pan-yard (734) 260-0620 or e-mail Tony Amorose at amorose@aol.com

**JOHN GLENN**  
Class of 1980  
A 20-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Aug. 5 at The Sheraton in Ann Arbor. Call Kevin Kozlowski for information (760) 837-1000 or visit JGHSclassof80@aol.com

**JOHN GLENN**  
Class of 1985  
A 15-year reunion is planned for Sept. 23 at Karas House. For information call Class Reunions Plus (810) 446-9636 or visit their Web site at www.class-reunionsplus.com

**JOHN F. KENNEDY**  
Class of 1970  
Reunion is planned for Sept. 23.

Contact Jackie (Rehahn) Simons (248) 344-9385 or jksimons@mediaone.net or call Ken and Susan Renner, (313) 292-5567.

**LAKE ORION**  
Class of 1950  
A reunion is planned at the Rochester Elks on Aug. 18 and barbecue at Orion Township Pavilion Aug. 19. Call Virginia Howitt Walter (810) 245-2356.

**LAKE ORION HIGH**  
Class of 1980  
A reunion is planned for Aug. 26. Looking for alumni. Call Kim (Zilka) Berkal (800) 423-4018 ext. 8050 or Jill (Bullard) Winship (800) 365-3968 (ext. 2786).

**LAKESHORE HIGH**  
Class of 1970  
A reunion is planned for Sept. 23 at the Van Dyke Park Hotel in Warren. Entire weekend of good times planned. Ticket deadline is June 30. Call (248) 681-0709 or e-mail emiller@bignet.net

**LINCOLN PARK**  
June Class of 1965  
A reunion is planned for August. (734) 676-9178 or (734) 763-5988

**LINCOLN HIGH FERDALE**  
June Class of 1950  
50th class reunion is planned for Saturday, Oct. 7 at the Best Western Hotel in Farmington Hills. Call Donna Rowe Mackey (248) 546-3056 or Lynn Lambert at (248) 474-2657.

**LIVONIA CHURCHILL**  
Class of 1990  
Is planning a reunion. Send name, address, telephone number and e-mail address to CHC Class of '90 Reunion, 6609 Salem Road, Plymouth 48170 or by e-mail to hallen72@hotmail.com

### REUNIONS

## History from page B1

over." Marion wrote, "and my Darling Grandson is off to this awful war. How glad I was that he had a day with his bride and the rest of his family to spend with me before he left. May God keep him under the shadow of his hand till he comes home again."

Generously scattered through the diaries are notations about visits with her beloved children and grandchildren. Dinners together often extended into overnights either at Nancy's home or with Marion's daughter Jennie.

Despite the lavish attention, Marion still complained about the infirmities of aging and her solitude as a widow. "How lonely

I have been since I got old." That is not to say she didn't show a sense of humor. She even laughed at her own jokes, as when daughters Katie and Jennie went off by themselves for awhile.

"Jennie and Katie ... my darling daughters sneaked away downtown and left me to entertain myself. It was an awful rainy day and I was not sorry when they got wet. Ha, ha."

She must not have been too angry because she was quick to add, "I made two nice nighties for Katie while they were gone."

Another time, she wrote, "We old people feel so old and alone... we are glad for even a dog to look pleased and wag his tail

when he sees us coming. Ha, ha." Loneliness did not totally absorb Marion, though. She frequently confided that her children took good care of her.

Marion began married life in 1887. The ledgers from the early years give us a glimpse into her life as a bride.

#### Journal entry

Under the heading "Commenced Housekeeping" - which she was able to do for \$14.49 - she listed a bottle of bluing to whiten fabrics (\$1.08), 19 pounds of sugar (\$1.00), a broom (\$25), a rolling pin (\$15), a stove-cover lifter (\$0.05), and 100 pounds of pork (\$10.00).

A decade later, she made entries for stamps (\$10), coffee, (\$18), a pound of crackers (\$0.07), a dozen eggs, (\$12), 10 pounds

of butter, (\$1.60), and 15 pounds of lard, (\$1.50). She also bought a product we no longer use: oil-cloth, 40 cents worth, for the floor. This versatile forerunner of vinyl was used not only as a floor covering but also as rain gear, known as "slickers," and for use well into the 1950s as tablecloths.

Until recently, Don and Nancy had not known each other very well, but the stories they shared about their ancestors brought them together. I'm sure that Marion, who was devoted to her family, must be looking down and smiling.

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.

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Sealed proposals will be received by Charter Township of Canton, Engineering Services, 2nd Floor, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 until 5 p.m., Friday, July 14, 2000 for the following described project:  
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS to provide ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES for the design of approximately 480 lineal feet of a 36-inch relief storm sewer to the Mott Drain.**  
Requests for Proposal Documents are available to pick up at 2nd Floor, Engineering Services at the following address:  
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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Canton Township Administration Building  
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Canton, MI 48188

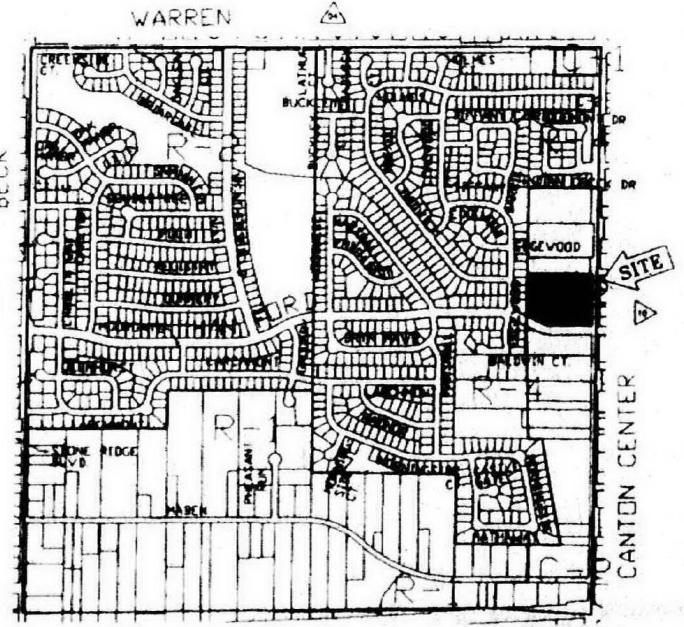
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### PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 10, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed special land use request as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance:

**CANTON CENTER CROSSINGS SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A PLANNED SHOPPING CENTER (OVER 40,000 SQ. FT.) AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 16.02B9 FOR PART OF PARCEL NO. 033 99 0009 705. Property is located on the northwest corner of Canton Center and Hanford Roads.**

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, July 6, 2000 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



ZONING MAP SECTION 9

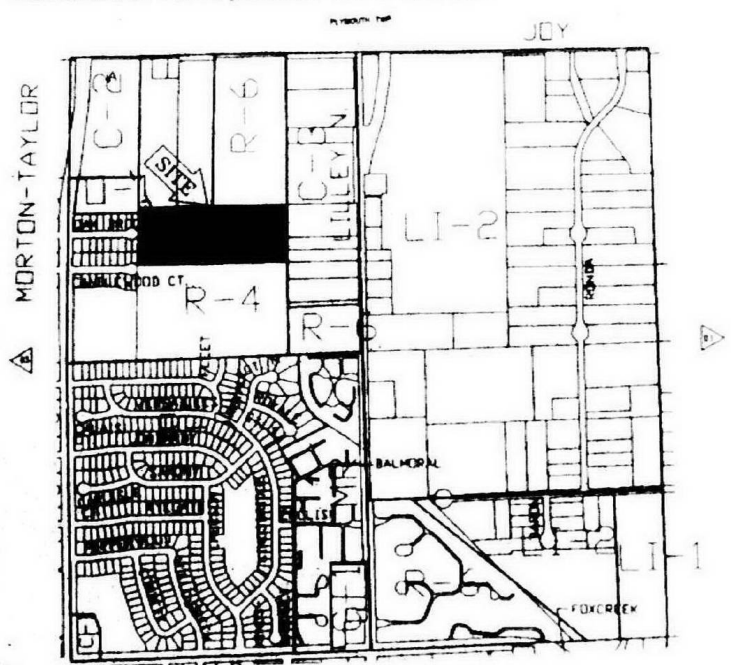
VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Published June 29, 2000

### PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**REQUEST FOR VARIANCE FROM THE CONDOMINIUM ORDINANCE NO. 138 OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Condominium Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton, that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 10, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. to consider the request by the petitioner to permit the following proposed variances to the Condominium Ordinance for the project known as **OAKBROOK ESTATES SITE CONDOMINIUMS** to be located east of Mayfair Village Subdivision No. 1 (Morton Taylor Road) between Jay and Warren Roads. Part of parcel no. 006 99 0010 000.



ZONING MAP SECTION 2

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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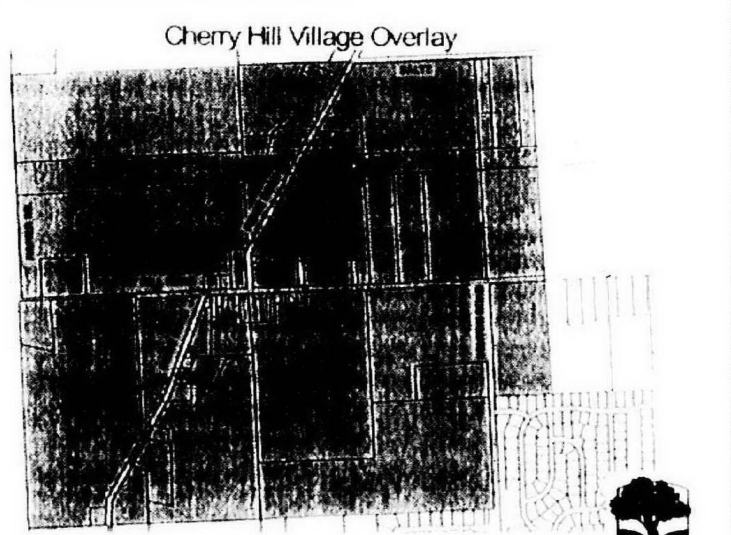
### PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 24, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

**ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT (00-2)**  
Consider amendment to Article 6, Site Development Standards Applicable to Specific Uses by adding:

**Section 6.09, Cherry Hill Village Overlay District**, including the purpose and intent, applicable area and requirements, permitted uses and structures, general design principals and design guidelines for all properties located within the overlay district boundaries, described as part of the southwest quarter section 17, all of the south half of section 18, all of the north half of section 19, and part of the northwest quarter section 20 and further outlined in the map below.



Part of Sections 17, 18, 19 & 20

The proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendment (00-2) is available for public inspection in the Canton Township Planning Services Division, 1150 South Canton Center Road, during regular business hours.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, July 20, 2000 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Published June 29 and July 16, 2000

**ENGAGEMENTS**

**Bushnell-Owsley**

Roger and Barbara Bushnell of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Lynn, to Stephen Tye Owsley of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be earned a bachelor's degree from Kalamazoo College and a master's degree from Queen's University in Northern Ireland. She works as a product developer at Detroit Regional Chamber.

Her fiance, son of John and Linda Owsley of Hudson, Florida, is a Wayne State University graduate who will attend graduate school in 2001 in the field of industrial and organizational psychology and computer and information systems.

An October wedding is



planned at St. John's Church in Plymouth.

**Osowski-Morgan**

Martha L. and Stanley S. Osowski of El Paso, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter Sharon Lee of Garland, Texas, to Charles Michael Morgan of Memphis, Tenn.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Hanks High School and of Baylor University, Clemson University and Utah State University. She is presently an ecologist for the Environmental Protection Agency in Dallas, Texas.

Her fiance, son of Sandra K. and Charles L. Morgan of Livonia, graduated from Churchill High School and also of Eastern Michigan University and Memphis School of Preaching. He is a



preacher for Church of Christ. A July wedding is planned at Austin St. Church of Christ in Garland, Texas.

**Rambidis-Montroy**

Constantine and the late Ioannis Rambidis of Illinois announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Olga to William Montroy, both of Redford.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Proviso West High School in Hillside, Ill. and a 1997 graduate of Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, Ill.

Her fiance, son of Don Montroy of Plymouth Township and Gail and Dan Ryder of Dearborn, is a 1989 Redford Union High School graduate who has worked for Barton Malow in Southfield since 1999. He graduated from Elmhurst College in 1997 and is self-employed with Excel Communications.

A June wedding is planned at Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Westland. The Rev. James Stathakios will preside. The bride will be attended by maid of honor Victoria Zepeda, bridesmaids Vickie Sdoukos, Eugenia



Sdoukos and flower girl Maria Zepeda. The groom will be attended by best man Tim Wojtusik, groomsmen Don Montroy and Joe Montroy and ushers Aaron Bald and Manny Zepeda. The couple will receive guests at Fox Hills Golf Resort in Plymouth and plan to take a wedding trip to the Greek Islands. Their future home will be in Redford.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**Kilyanek**

Joseph and Theresa (Forget) Kilyanek of Westland will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary July 1. The couple wed July 1, 1950.

Joseph Kilyanek retired from G.M.-Hydramatic as a machine repairman. Theresa retired from G.M.-Hydramatic and also worked as a homemaker and for the Livonia Public Schools.

They have five children: Michele Handle (Wayne), Joseph Kilyanek (Nova Scotia, Canada), Janice Kind (Livonia), Michael Kilyanek (Howell), and Sharon Hill (Howell). The family also includes 14 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

The Kilyaneks are members of St. Bernardine of Sienna Church in Westland.



To celebrate their golden anniversary the couple will renew their vows at 5 p.m. Mass on July 1 at St. Bernardine Church with dinner to follow at Deluca's.

**Duffey**

Gene and Irene (Laycock) Duffey of Livonia will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on July 1. The couple wed July 1, 1950 at Calvary Presbyterian Church in Detroit. They lived in Detroit for 17 years and moved to the Wayne County area where they resided in Plymouth and later Livonia.

Gene Duffey worked for Bob Saks Oldsmobile and has now been retired for 7 years. The couple enjoy entertaining and traveling.

They have two children, James Duffey and Kenneth Duffey, and four granddaughters.

To celebrate the grand occasion of this golden anniversary, friends and family came from near and far to attend a formal



dinner party in their honor. The party was held at Old Village Plymouth. James Duffey and his wife Karen, Kenneth Duffey and his wife Judith, and granddaughters Nicole, Jessica, Alexis and Victoria were in attendance.

**WEDDING**

**Germain-MacGillis**

Kenneth Germain of Milford and Christine Germain of Livonia announce the marriage of their daughter, Carrie Marie, to David Merritt MacGillis of Bloomfield Hills.

The bride earned a bachelor's degree from University of Michigan - Dearborn and a master's degree from Central Michigan University. She currently works for StayWell. Her groom earned his associates degree from Baker College and he currently works for DaimlerChrysler.

The couple wed May 5 at St. Benedict's Church in Waterford before the Rev. Tom Kuehnemund.

The bride was attended by maid of honor Christine Germain and bridesmaids Julie Schultz and Jenni Eggenberger. The groom was attended by best man Harry Karagosian,



groomsmen Ken Germain and Pete Fitzpatrick and ushers Lee Nichols, Dave Ceichon and Kevin Thompson. The couple received guests at Knights of Columbus, Southfield and took a wedding trip to Disney World in Florida. They will make their home in Bloomfield Hills.

**ONLINE ANNOUNCEMENT FORMS**

Download our engagement and wedding announcements from the Observer Web site at <http://observer.eccentric.com>. On the homepage click on the HomeTown Life link and look for the highlighted text that reads "Weddings/Engagement Form." Print the form, fill it out and send it to: Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150, attn: Kim Mortson.

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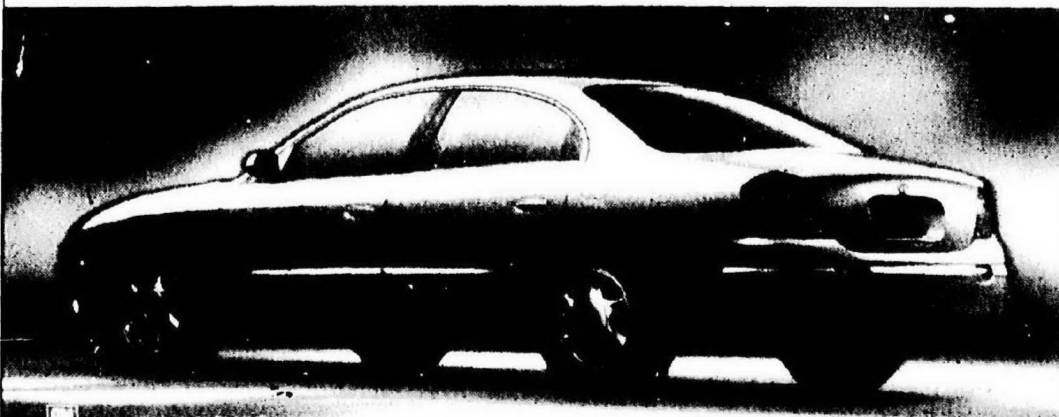
**SUMMER LUNCHEONS**  
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# CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS AND AROUND PLYMOUTH

## WEEKEND

### LOCAL 1776 REUNION

■ The Willow Run Local 1776 reunion will be held from noon until dusk, Saturday, July 15, at Lower Huron Metropark, (Tulip-tree area, 17485 Savage Road, Belleville). Bring your classic car to show at the classic car show. Hot dogs and pop are served 1-6 p.m., or as funds allow. Reunions are funded by proceeds from items sold, raffles and donations. Call Linda Taylor at T&C at (734) 485-8000 or Pauline at (734) 495-0415 to contribute.

### TOY SHOW

■ The Plymouth "Collectible Toy Show" returns 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, July 16, during Plymouth's "Art Fair." The toy show will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. Vendors and collectors will be selling new, used and collectible toys of all kinds. Adults are \$5 and children under 10 are free. For show or vendor information, call (734) 455-2110.

## AROUND TOWN

### SUMMER ART CAMPS

■ D&M Studios presents a Summer Art Camp. This year the theme is "Knights of the Roundtable: Medieval Madness." Kids will be creating family shields, castles and much more. Registration for Summer Art Camp is now open. Camps run through Aug. 25 and are for students ages 3-16. There are several camps and different hours to choose from. Classes are held at three locations: 8691 N. Lilley Road in Canton, Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer in Plymouth, and the Summit at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton. For more information or for registration, call D&M Studios at (734) 453-3710.

### SUMMER CONCERTS

■ The Plymouth Community Band begins its 40th year of outdoor summer concerts at 8 p.m. Thursdays through July 27 at Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth. These free outdoor park concerts have become a traditional summer offering in Plymouth. Bring a blanket or a lawn chair and enjoy a variety of easy listening music, guest performers and conductors. The Plymouth Community Band, under the direction of Carl Battishill, is a volunteer organization bringing a love of music and performing to the community. For more information, call Vickie Krause at (734) 455-9635.

### TEEN PROGRAMS

■ Registration is now open for two teen programs being offered by the Young Adult department of the Canton Public Library. Tie-dye T-shirts will be made 6:30-7:30 p.m., Thursday, July 6. All materials will be provided. This is an outdoor event and will be postponed in the event of bad weather. Books & Bites Book Discussion will be held noon-1 p.m., Saturday, July 22. Discuss *Armageddon Summer* by Jane Yolen and Bruce Coville, while munching on pizza. Advance copies of the book and all munchies provided by the library. Young adult programs are designed for teens who are in the sixth grade or higher, or who are 12 or older. To register, call Stefanie at (734) 397-0999 or e-mail her at stefanie@metronet.lib.mi.us.

### BNI

■ Business Network International will hold its regular meeting 7-8:30 a.m.

Thursday, July 6, for the Plymouth chapter at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. The Canton chapter will hold its regular meeting 7-8:30 a.m. Friday, July 7, at The Summit, 4600 Summit Parkway, Canton Center Road and Palmer, Canton. For more information, call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

### BASKETBALL CAMPS

■ Madonna University will hold All-Star basketball camps this summer for boys and girls ages 8-15. Camps will take place through Friday, July 7. The camps include guest speakers, camp championship tourney, a personal written evaluation, shooting instruction, passing and receiving the ball drills, offensive footwork and movement without the ball. There will be two camps for boys. Both camps will run from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. A third camp for boys will be held at Fairlane Christian in Dearborn Heights Monday-Friday, June 26-30. There will be one camp for girls at Fairlane Christian 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday-Friday, July 2-7, with the exception of Tuesday, July 4. The cost for the boys camps held at Madonna University is \$130, and the cost for both the boys and girls camps at Fairlane Christian is \$120. For more information, call coach Bernie Holowicki at (734) 432-5591 or (734) 261-3346. Madonna University is located in Livonia at I-96 and Levan Road.

### SUMMER STORY TIMES

■ Parents and their children are invited to experience free interactive 20-30 minute programs of storytelling, music and movement during "Story Time with Miss Karen." The first class is at 9:30 a.m. Monday, July 10, at the Plymouth Coffee Bean, 884 Penniman, downtown Plymouth. Favorite children's books, simple instruments and imaginative songs and chants highlight the story times. Registrations are suggested, but not mandatory. Karen Onkka Schanerberger is a licensed Kindermusik instructor at Evola Music in Canton. For more information, call (734) 454-0178.

### ARK AVENUE

■ The Ark is parked 9 a.m.-noon, July 10-14, at 45000 N. Territorial Road, just west of Sheldon Road, for those ages pre-K-fifth grade. Register at First Baptist Church of Plymouth to explore this Vacation Bible School adventure. For more information, call (734) 455-2300.

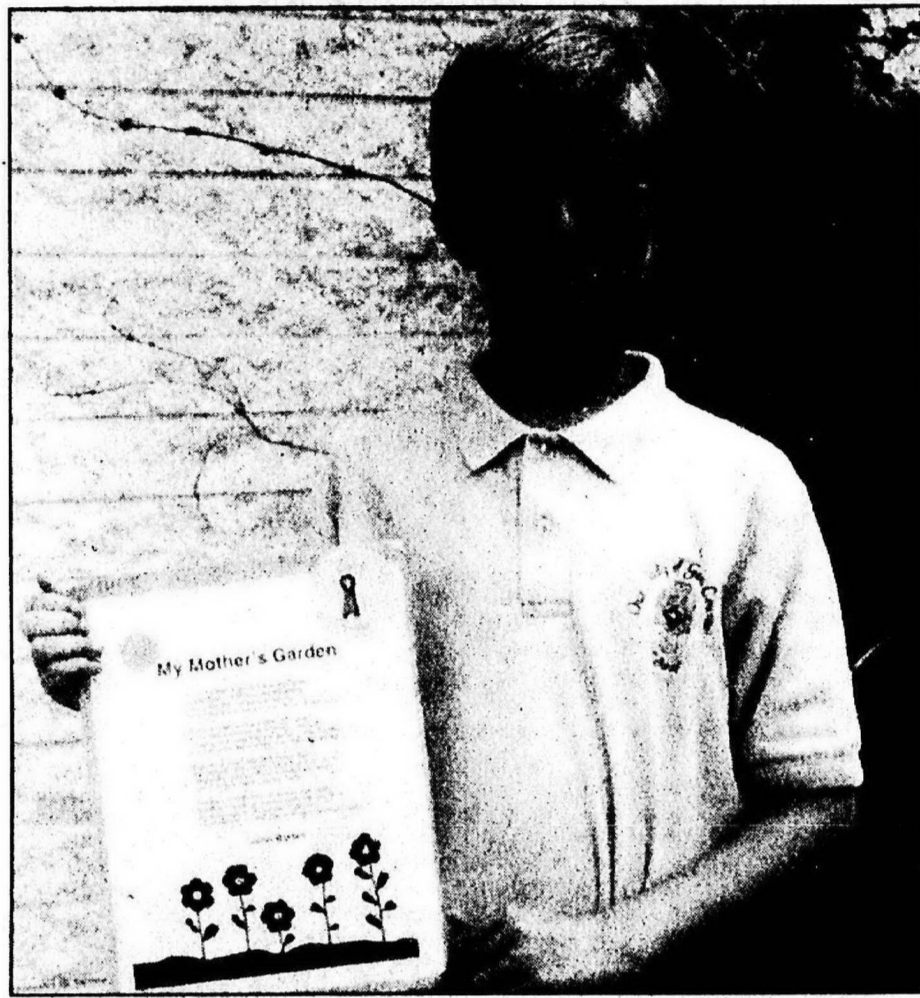
### SOCCER SUMMER CAMP

■ Britannia Soccer USA will host its summer soccer camp in Plymouth July 10-14 at West Middle School. Early registration is recommended. Individual players and teams are encouraged to attend customized coaching programs. Additionally, free coaching seminars will be available for local coaches and parents. To register or for more information, call local coordinator, Pat VanDusen at (734) 426-4927.

### GOLF FUND-RAISER

■ The Canton Firefighters Charity Foundation will hold a golf fund-raiser for the Canton Firefighters No. 2289 Charity Foundation on July 11 at Pheasant Run, Canton. The shotgun start outing begins at 8:30 a.m. and is a four-person scramble. Cost is \$100 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, beverages on the course, lunch at the turn, chances to win great prizes and a banquet with open bar. Banquet-only tickets can be purchased for \$60. Ban-

## Pure poetry



**Winning stanzas: John Bortell, a sixth-grader at Our Lady of Good Counsel, has had a poem he submitted to a contest sponsored by Creative Communication Inc. chosen as one of the top 10 in his age group. Each winner receives special recognition in the poetry anthology "A Celebration of Young Poets," receiving a copy of the anthology and a \$50 savings bond. Poems are selected for their literary merit, creativity and social significance. John is the son of Paul and Barbara Bortell of Plymouth. His poem:**

### My Mother's Garden

*In my mother's garden wonders grow,  
vegetables, fruits only she will know.  
Preparing the soil early in spring,  
Dreaming about the harvest her work will bring.*

*Summer days that are filled with heat,  
Tomatoes, potatoes and beans I will eat.  
Digging and weeding are some of the chores,  
but the food tastes better than from the stores.*

*Autumn is near with dark frosty nights,  
The blooms of the roses have lost their sights.  
Marigolds and sunflowers bow their heads,  
Just in time to clean garden beds.*

*A dreary frozen look, desolate and bare,  
winter's blanket of snow covers her par terre.  
All is not lost in her garden it seems,  
Expectations of next year and early spring dreams.*

quet starts at 1:30 p.m. For more information, call Capt. Jim Davison or Mike Caruso at (734) 398-5262 Station No. 1. RSVP by July 1.

### NATIVE WEST

■ Native West will showcase the drawings of Michael Bollerud noon-9 p.m. Friday, July 14; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, July 15; and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, July 16. This special show is held in conjunction with the 20th annual Plymouth Art in the Park. Meet him and watch him draw in person and feel the power of his subjects. For more information, call Native West at (734) 455-8838.

### PRINCETON REVIEW

■ The Princeton Review

will be sponsoring a free strategy session seminar in July 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 19, at The Summit on the Park, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. These are 90-minute seminars discussing SAT and ACT techniques, as well as helpful information regarding the college admission process. Each student should bring pencils and a calculator for the free test and parents are welcome to come to the strategy sessions. Students must call The Princeton Review at 800-2-REVIEW, or (734) 663-2163 to register for the test and/or strategy session.

### SUMMER PROGRAM

■ Geneva Presbyterian Church offers a weekly ses-

rides (8-11 mph, 8-20 miles) will meet at the Comerica Bank back parking lot on Ann Arbor Road just west of Sheldon. Initial rides, which always return before dark, will start off at the low-mileage end and be geared toward basic bicycling abilities. For those seeking a more challenging ride, the AABTS will lead a bike tour that meets, starts and ends at the same place and time as the ride. Wearing helmets is strongly advised but not required. A multi-gear non-racer type bike is preferred but not necessary. For more information, call tour leader, Alan VanKerkhove at (734) 455-9144.

### CHILI COOK-OFF

■ If you like spicy food, the hottest ticket in town this summer is the 4th Unscheduled Chili Cook-Off scheduled for Saturday, July 22, at the Wayne County Fair. The fairgrounds are located at I-94 and Belleville Road (exit 190). Take the westbound service drive past the Cracker Barrel Restaurant to Quirk Road and make a right turn. The fairgrounds are 1/4 mile farther. Fair dates are July 18 through July 23. Contest rules and applications are now available. Space is limited. For more information or to request registration forms, call Kay at (734) 697-9376 or Jill at (734) 525-7799.

### KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB

■ The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club meets 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-8489.

### SUMMER DANCE CAMP

■ Dance classes combined with traditional camping experiences await young dancers ages 8-16 at the Michigan Dance Express Summer Dance Camp. The five-day overnight dance camp is held at from Sunday, July 23, until Thursday, July 27, at Camp Copneconic in Fenton. Dancers will study a variety of dance subjects including ballet, tap, jazz, swing, modeling and more. Traditional camping activities such as campfires, hiking, swimming and games round out the days activities. For more information, call (734) 397-9755 or (313) 562-1203.

### DISCOVERY CAMPS

■ Discovery Science Camps will be held 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. July 17-21 at Frost School or from July 24-18 at Holmes School. Children will discover through hands-on experiments, creative thinking and explorations the excitement of this camp. Each child will dismantle a telephone and recreate a newly developed, working or non-working prototype and become familiar with scientific methods. On a daily basis, children will visit five centers, each run by a certified teacher. Each child will receive a camp T-shirt. This camp is open to students who are currently in grades 1-5 only. Cost is \$175 per student. Enrollment is limited to 85 students per week on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call (734) 523-9277.

■ Summer camp sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council for students K-4, will be held 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. July 31-Aug. 4. Campers will explore sounds and meanings in music in this one-week camp conducted by certified teachers. They'll listen and try playing different instruments, learn how music is counted, how to read basic music, and play games based in music and

rhythm. Every student will create his or her own original instrument. Tuition is \$135. Make checks payable to Discovery Camps, P.O. Box 700312, Plymouth, MI 48170. Please include child's name, address, phone number and fall grade. Enrollment is limited to 60 students. For other inquiries, e-mail at discoverycamps@mailcity.com.

## VOLUNTEERS

### FIRST STEP

■ Become a volunteer and help other people while putting an end to domestic violence and sexual assault in your community. First Step has been active in the effort to end violence in western Wayne County and Downriver communities for more than 20 years. Volunteers must be at least 18, willing and able to travel to the Downriver area, and complete a 55-hour training program starting this month. For information, call (734) 416-1114, ext. 223.

### ST. MARY MERCY HOSPITAL

■ St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia is looking for adults who want to use their skills in a health-care setting. Specific roles include clerical, greeters, staff support and other non-patient care-related duties, as well as patient-comfort roles. For more information, call St. Mary Mercy Hospital Volunteer Services Department at (734) 655-2912, or www.stmaryhospital.org

## SUPPORT GROUPS

### DOWN SYNDROME

■ The Down Syndrome Support Group of Western Wayne County meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main Street in downtown Plymouth. This group hosts speakers and provides support, physician referrals, and the latest information for families with children/adults with Down syndrome. The focus is on the up-side of Down syndrome and members look for ways to help children and their development in a positive environment. For more information, call Michelle Gonzalez at (734) 516-0746.

### FAMILIES ANONYMOUS

■ Families Anonymous holds monthly meetings at 8 p.m. every Thursday at St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton. This group provides support for families and friends concerned about the use of mind-altering substances, such as alcohol, drugs or behavior problems of a loved one. For more information, call (734) 416-0315.

### HANDS ACROSS THE WATER

■ Hands Across The Water holds its Adopting Older Kids (A-Okay) meetings the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. There is a \$5 fee; they also sponsor an adoption book discussion group the fourth Tuesday of each month from 7-9 p.m. The group is free. Meetings are at 2300 Washtenaw, Suite 103B in Ann Arbor. For further information, call (734) 943-0831.

### STARTING OVER

■ Starting Over is a group for widowed men and women younger than 45. Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of the month at Plymouth Church of Christ. Call (734) 662-5999.

**CALENDAR FORM**

The Plymouth Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

**Event:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date and Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

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# Living Science Foundation hosts summer camps for kids

Are you looking for a summer camp experience for your children that could only be duplicated if you sent them to the Australian outback or the Amazon rainforest?

Living Science Foundation, located in Plymouth, has approximately nine camps including marine biology, science sampler, rainforest, biodiversity, animal planet and air/space that integrates children with animals.

Dedicated to providing positive science experiences for children, Living Science Foundation strives to increase the study of science by introducing children to living animals such as wallaby, exotic birds, reptiles, star fish and more.

Since 1982 LSF has been visiting Michigan schools and running summer day camps that introduce participants to live animals from all over the world in a non-threatening environment that encourages individual development, discovery and exploration.

Upcoming camps in this area include:

**■ Livonia Marine Biology Camp** for children ages 6-9 and 10-12 at Holy Trinity Church of Livonia. Fishing for a unique experience? Touch a shark. Hold a sea star. Explore the wonders of the Pacific Ocean. Campers will get their hands wet in our 300-gallon salt water tanks as they take a close-up look at ocean animals and their unique habitats. July 10-14. Call (734) 464-0211 to register.

**Science Sampler Camp** for ages 5-7 and 8-10 at Holy Trinity Church of Livonia. Make friends with science. Explore the stars on "Air & Space Day", journey to the jungle on "Rainforest Day", meet radar the wallaby on "Australian Day", discover how all animals are related on "Natural Science Day", and visit the Pacific Ocean and touch a shark on "Marine Biology Day." Program runs Aug. 14-18. Call (734) 464-0211 to register.

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**■ Ann Arbor**  
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All camps run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and enrollment is limited due to the popularity of the subject matter. Livonia and Plymouth residents will receive a 10 percent discount off the price of any camp by calling (734) 207-8291.  
Living Science Foundation maintains a Web site at [www.livingscience.org](http://www.livingscience.org)

offers an exclusive daytime glimpse of the night sky. For ages 7-9 and 10-12 at the Plymouth Cultural Center July 31-Aug. 4. Call (734) 207-8291 to register.

**Animal Planet Camp** takes children on a trip around the world to view our planet through the eyes of animals. Explore the continents and the diversity of life in various ecosystems. Visit the Savannah of Africa, the Amazon Rainforest, the Australian Outback and get a close up view of life in our own backyard. For ages 5-7 and 8-10 at the Plymouth Cultural Center Aug. 14-18. Call (734) 207-8291.

**Zooper Day Camp** at the Plymouth Cultural Center Aug. 21-25. Call (734) 207-8291 for details.

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# Summer camp at Livonia Mall offered

Livonia Mall is giving kids of all ages a chance to attend summer camp without leaving town in a safe, air-conditioned and mosquito-free environment.

From June through August, kids can have the summer camp experience at the Mall with programs ranging from art to drama.

■ The "Silly Summer Family Series" is every Tuesday at 11 a.m. from June 20 to Aug. 8. This free family program focuses on positive self-esteem, social interaction and the celebration of diversity.

■ "Modeling" will teach kids the poise, manners, and teamwork needed to walk the runway. This program also includes "Shopping 101" to teach kids how to put together an outfit and figure out sales discounts.

Three sessions are scheduled: 1-3:30 p.m. July 17-21 for ages 13 and up with a show at 6:30 p.m. on July 28; 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July 24-28 for ages 7-12 with a show at 6:30 p.m. on July 28; 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 7-11 for ages 7-14 with a show at 2 p.m. on Aug. 12. All sessions are Monday through Friday and cost \$60.

■ The "Mom and Tot Modeling" program gives kids ages 4-6 basic instructions on runway techniques and lets them participate in the Mall's Back-to-School fashion show at 2 p.m. on Aug. 12. The program is 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 5. Parents must attend with their child. The program costs \$25.

■ "Cultural Adventure Days" are one-day pro-

grams celebrating the music, art, costumes and folklore of a variety of world cultures and eras. Sign up for one day or an entire week. Sessions are July 31-Aug. 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for ages 6-10 (cost is \$25 per day or \$100 for five days). Themes include Merry Ole England, Westward Ho!, Ole!, Africa Alive!, and Dinosaur Dabblers.

■ Kids can learn the techniques of Van Gogh and Picasso in the hands-on three-day "Art" workshop. Two sessions are scheduled at 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on July 17, 19 and 21 for ages 7 and up and at 10 a.m. to noon on July 18, 20 and 22 for ages 4-6 with a parent. Each session is \$25 and includes all art supplies.

■ "ArtWild" is a hands-on crafts program with lots of age-appropriate projects. Three sessions are planned: Wednesday, July 5 for ages 6-8, Thursday, July 6 for ages 8-10, and Friday, July 7 for ages 11-14. The sessions are from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and each costs \$25.

Registration for the programs can be done by mail or at the Mall office during office hours. All classes will be held in Livonia Mall's Community Room located in the "G" entrance corridor. All materials for the programs are included in the class fees. Please note, parents should use their own judgment as to the suitability of their child's participation in any program.

The Livonia Mall is located at 29514 Seven Mile Road in Livonia. For more information call (248) 476-1160.

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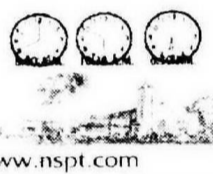


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**BIBLE PROGRAM**

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dren age pre-kindergarten (begin kindergarten this fall) through eighth grade completed are welcome. Preregistration is requested but not required. Call (734) 459-0013.

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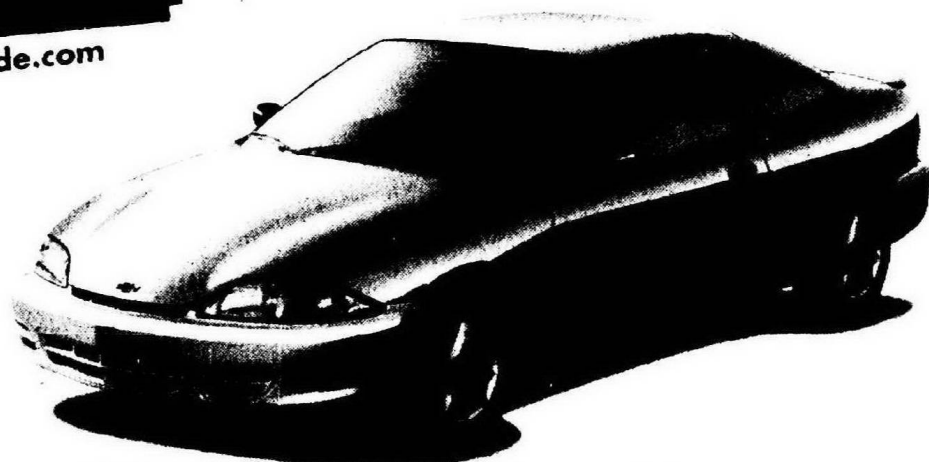
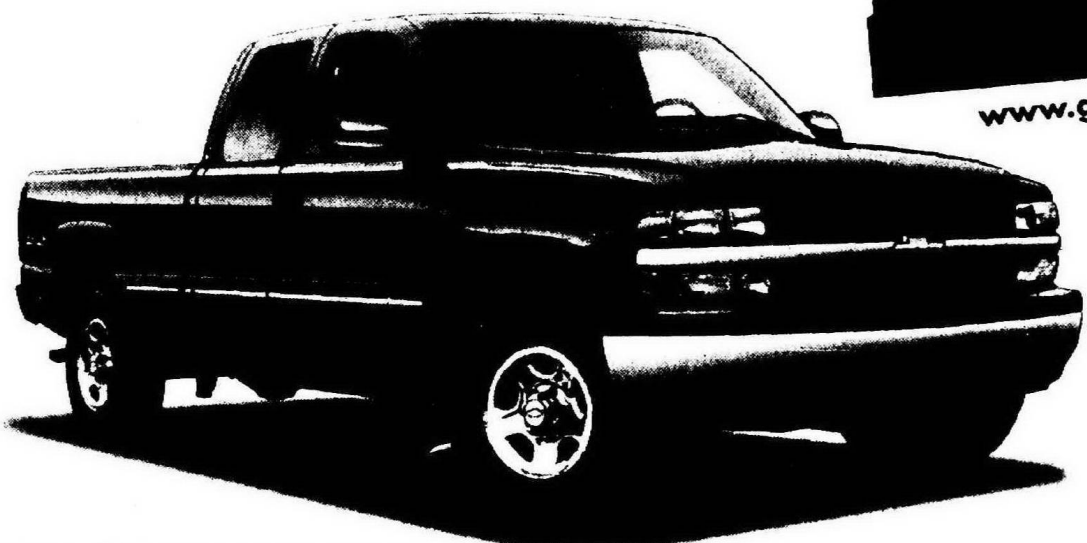


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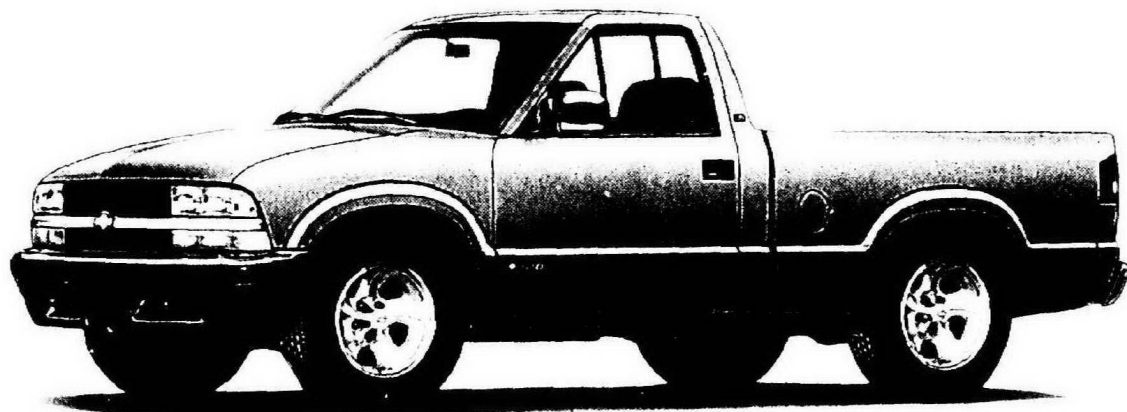
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**World Series bound**

The Michigan Indians 13-and-under baseball team from Plymouth has been chosen to compete in the U.S.S.A. AAA Division World Series, set for July 16 in Broken Arrow, Okla. The Indians compete in the Little Caesars Amateur Baseball Federation.

The Indians consist of David Cardenas (Canton), Chad Casey (Livonia), Aaron Ciborowski (Canton), Vincent DeLuca (Westland), Dominique Fischer (Canton), Brad Gallison (Canton), Kevin Helton (Garden City), Bill Horgan (Canton), Mitchell Hosch (Plymouth), Kyle Price (Plymouth), Andrew Shumaker (Plymouth) and Matthew Stempin (Canton). The team is coached by Bruce Price, Don Shumaker, John Horgan and Larry Casey.

The Indians are looking for additional team sponsors to support their participation in the World Series as well as three additional players.

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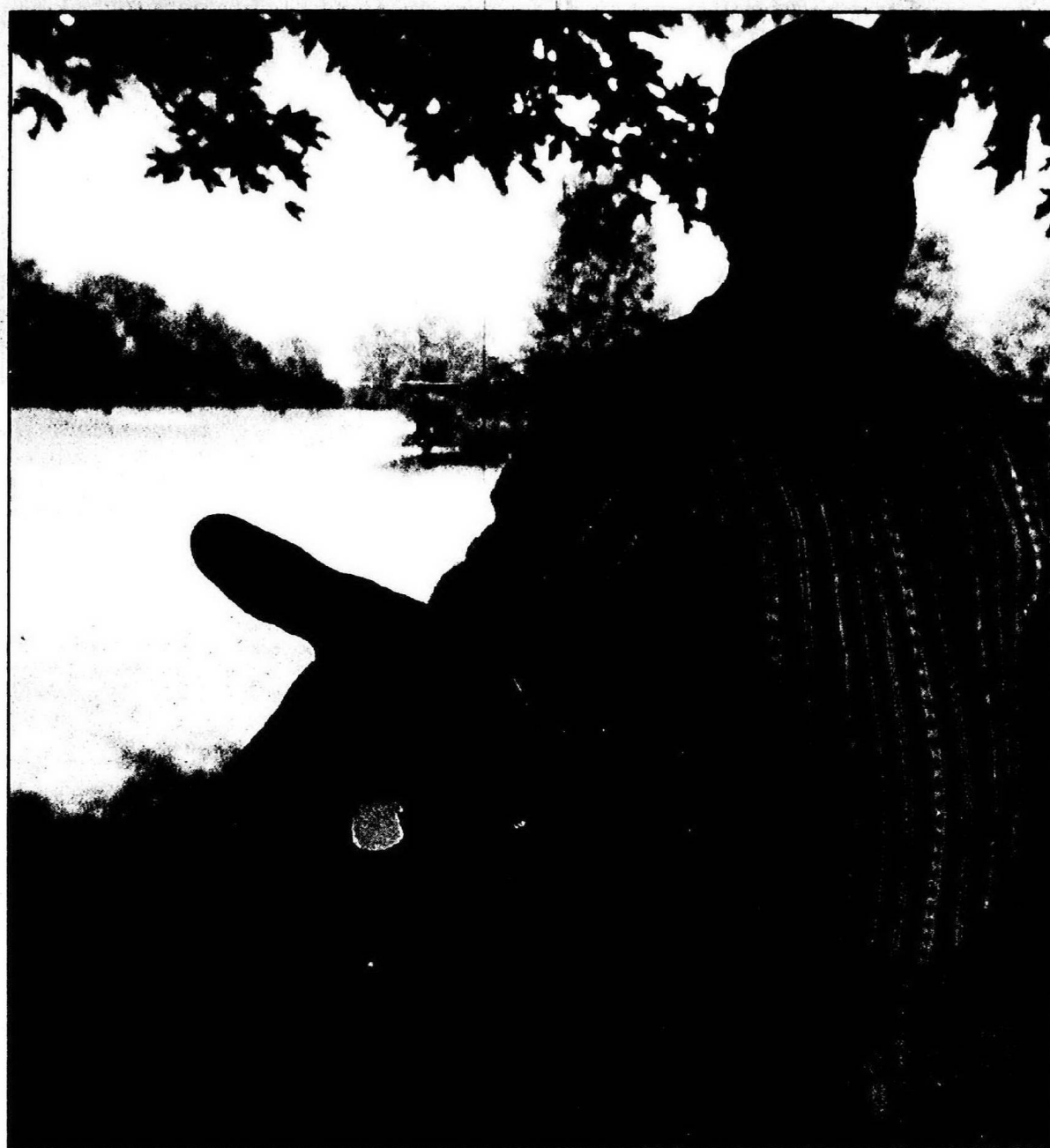
Growth Works is sponsoring a fund-raising golf outing July 24 at the Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton.

Cost is \$150 per person and includes green fees, golf cart, golf shirt, lunch, dinner, door prizes and a gift bag. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and is followed by a shot-gun start at 8:30 a.m.

The Pheasant Run Golf Club is located at 46500 Summit Parkway in Canton.

For more information, call Growth Works at 455-4095 or stop by their office at 271 S. Main in Plymouth.

## Golfers look to luck for edge



BY MONICA PUGNO  
STAFF WRITER

What do arrowheads, pennies and cigars have in common?

They are all devices area golfers use to improve their game.

Jim Richards of Canton said he smokes a cigar while playing golf to relax. Richards said some golfers have special markers they carry with them for good luck.

"I use an Indian arrowhead with my initials J.R. on it," said Richards, who is part Chippewa.

Pete Owens, a representative of the United States Golf Association, said he bought four coins from the year 1912, the year his father was born, for luck.

Dave Burke of West Bloomfield said he prefers to mark a ball with only dimes.

"It just feels good," said Burke while playing golf at the Glen Oaks County Park Golf Course in Farmington Hills. "It is superstitious, I guess."

What may relax one person, might irritate others.

Walter Guldner of Redford, who cuts the grass at the Glenhurst Golf Club in Redford, whistles as he golfs. While it relaxes him, his whistling distracts those who play with him.

"When he whistles, I can't get the tune out of my head and I can't shoot," Richards said.

Some golfers wear certain hats or clothes that they think are lucky. Others can only play with certain clubs, balls or tees.

Owens said he owns around 200 hats — some lucky, some not so lucky. Guldner likes to hit only Titleist golf balls "because I like to feel the ball when I hit it."

"It lets you know right away whether you hit it good or bad," he said.

Evan Chall of Westland said he only uses wooden tees, not colored tees, because one time he used yellow tees during a tournament and didn't play well. Chall, whose father Dennis is a teaching pro at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton, has a routine he follows every time he hits a ball.

"I always take a few practice swings to try to get a good rhythm and feel for how my swing should be," said the 17-year-old junior from Livonia Churchill. "Before I shoot, I see if anything is on the face of the club and if there is, I wipe it off. I always tee the ball the same way. I position the ball so I'm hitting the brand name. I heard a myth that it comes off the tee better."

**Lucky arrow:** Jim Richards of Canton carries a lucky arrowhead with him in hopes it will improve his golf game.

STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

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## Former Salem star signs with Phoenix Mercury

BY MONICA PUGNO  
SPORTS WRITER

Former Plymouth Salem and University of Tennessee star Dena Head (Ypsilanti) recently signed with the Phoenix Mercury.

"It's a good feeling to be back in the league," Head said Monday in a phone interview from New York, where the Mercury were preparing to play the Liberty on Wednesday. "This team is exciting to watch and be a part of."

Head spent two seasons with the Utah Starzz after being Utah's first pick in the 1997 WNBA elite draft. The 5-foot-10 guard averaged 4.6 points and 2.0 rebounds in 57 games with the Starzz.

She did not play in the WNBA or abroad last season.

"In the summer, I worked at a lot of camps," she said. "In the fall, I had the opportunity to play overseas, but decided to stay home. I got a job and began training for the upcoming season."

In May, Head tried out for the three-time WNBA champion Houston Comets. She made it to the final cut before being let go.

"It was tough being cut at the end like that, especially after not playing last year and not being picked up earlier by any team," Head said. "But you can't complain. It was great competition."

"There wasn't a whole lot opportunity. There were one or two spots on the team and seven guards were trying out. It made it kind of tough."

Head has played three games so far this season for the Mercury. She is averaging 1.3 points and 7 rebounds.

"I don't expect to be an instrumental part of the team right away," she said. "I'm still learning

## Six Whalers selected in draft

OBSERVER STAFF

Six members of the Plymouth Whalers were selected in the 2000 National Hockey League Entry Draft last weekend in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

On Saturday, the Philadelphia Flyers used their first-round draft pick (28th overall) to select Justin Williams (Coburg, Ontario). Williams led the Whalers in scoring during the regular season with 37 goals and 46 assists.

"For any kid that was ever cut, Willy is a great role model for them," said Whalers Head Coach and General Manager Pete DeBoer. "He took a bad situation and turned it into a NHL pick through a lot of hard work and dedication."

Tomas Kurka (Czech Republic) was selected by the Carolina Hurricanes with their first pick of the draft, 37th overall. Kurka scored 36 goals while adding 28 assists for 64 points. Seven of his goals were game winners.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

about the team and trying to fit in. Everyone on the team has been great."

Head played for Plymouth Salem from 1984-1988. She was named Mrs. Basketball in 1988.

Head was part of two NCAA championship teams at Tennessee, where she played with current Mercury teammates Tonya Edwards and Lisa Harrison.

"It's always a great feeling to see each other," Head said. "It's great to have the opportunity to play with each other once again."

Head was the Southeastern Conference Player of the Year in 1992. She was a member of the U.S. National Team in 1992 and 1993.

Head played on the U.S. Jr. World Championship qualifying team in 1989 and earned a bronze medal with the 1991 World Championship Team.

Prior to being drafted by the Starzz in 1997, Head played overseas for Ancona and Busto in Italy (1992-94); DKSK in Hungary (1994-95); and Mirande in France (1996-97).

"I enjoyed playing overseas," Head said. "It was fun to learn a new language and culture and continue to play at a professional level. Prior to the WNBA, playing overseas was the only way to play at a professional level."

"Now that we have a league of our own, we don't have to go overseas. But some players still go overseas because the pay is pretty good and it's good training."

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"He's a natural goal scorer. He had 36 goals in a matter of 45 games," DeBoer said. "If Tomas starts this year like he finished last year, he should have a terrific season ahead of him."

Libor Ustrnul (Czech Republic) and Kris Vernarsky (Warren) were both taken in the second round.

The Atlanta Thrashers took Ustrnul 42nd overall, while Vernarsky was chosen by the Toronto Maple Leafs 51st overall.

On Sunday, the Hurricanes chose another Whaler, Jared Newman (Lincoln Park), in the fourth round (110th overall). Nate Kiser (Southgate) went in the following round to the Phoenix Coyotes (160th overall).

The six players selected marked the largest class the Whalers have sent to the NHL on draft day.

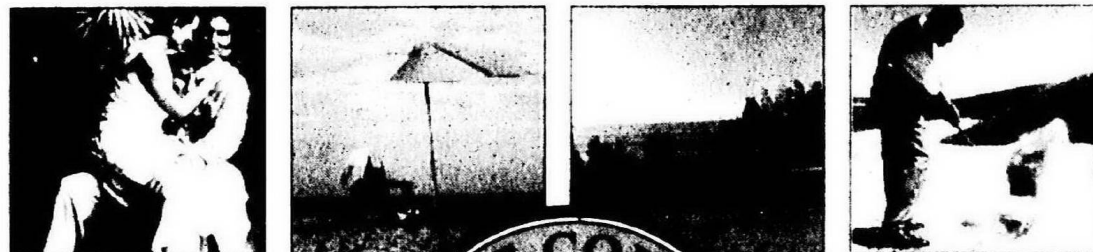
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# Local golfers compete in O&E tourney

BY MONICA PUGNO  
SPORTS WRITER

Jim Landsberg of Farmington Hills beat Gary Kraus of Livonia in a one-hole playoff to win the Observer & Eccentric's Annual Golf Tournament last weekend at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia.

Landsberg shot a two-day total of 148 (73-75) to tie Kraus, who carded 74 both days.

"I pined the first hole (of the playoff) and Gary boogied," Landsberg said. "It felt great. It's been about eight years since I won a tournament. I'm a 46-year-old man playing against kids. So it felt good."

Landsberg is a former club champion at both the Farmington Hills Country Club and the Walnut Country Club. He was captain of the golf team his senior year at North Farmington High School.

On Saturday, Landsberg finished second behind Alex

McLuckie (Livonia), who shot a 70 to lead the championship flight. Kraus placed third.

Landsberg said he was not nervous about being in a playoff.

"It had been so long since I won a tournament, it felt great just to be in that position," he said.

For winning the championship flight, Landsberg received a \$170 gift certificate and a trophy. Kraus received a \$120 gift certificate for being runner-up.

McLuckie shot a 79 on Sunday to finish third with 149. For his efforts, McLuckie got a \$90 gift certificate.

Chris Kiehler (Livonia) carded a total 151 (80-71) to finish fourth and receive a \$70 gift certificate.

Craig Nehasil (Canton) took top honors of the first flight with a net score of 142. Nehasil won an \$85 gift certificate. James Newsom (Westland) placed second with 143.

In the net division of the championship flight, Doug Harmala (Walled Lake) shot 136 to win a \$100 gift certificate.

Karl Nagy (Plymouth) finished second with a net score of 141. Chaz Kornegay (Plymouth), Mark Harris (Livonia) and Rick Wheeler (Livonia) tied for third with 142 each.

Jim Weiss (Novi) shot a gross score of 162 to win the first flight



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HIBBELN

**Sudden death:** Jim Landsberg, from Farmington Hills, makes his approach shot in a sudden death playoff Sunday during the Observer & Eccentric Golf Tournament at the Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia. Landsberg beat Gary Kraus of Livonia on the first hole of the playoff to win the tournament.

by one stroke over Andy Kurnez (Livonia). Dale Cordes (Union Lake) finished third with 168.

Dave Mack (Livonia) won the second flight. He carded a 180 to beat Danny Windegarden (Livonia) by 11 strokes.

Tom Sokoloski (Garden City) led the second flight net division with a net score of 140.

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1. Jim Landsberg, Farmington Hills, 73-75 = 148.	2. Gary Kraus, Livonia, 74-74 = 148.
3. Alex McLuckie, Livonia, 76-79 = 155.	4. Chris Kiehler, Livonia, 80-71 = 151.
1. Doug Harmala, Walled Lake, 136.	2. Karl Nagy, Plymouth, 141.
3. Chaz Kornegay, Plymouth, 142.	(tie) Mark Harris, Livonia, 142.
(tie) Rick Wheeler, Livonia, 142.	
1. Jim Weiss, Novi, 80-79 = 159.	2. Andy Kurnez, Livonia, 80-83 = 163.
3. Dale Cordes, Union Lake, 87-81 = 168.	
1. Craig Nehasil, Canton, 142.	2. James Newsom, Westland, 143.
1. Dave Mack, Livonia, 80-61 = 140.	2. Danny Windegarden, Livonia, 83-99 = 182.
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## Luck from page C1

Martha Papke of Franklin said she is not superstitious but if she is playing well she will try to do the same thing every time.

"I keep things the same way from the way I address the ball to holding my breath the same way," she said. "I don't change it until I do bad on a hole. Then I try something different."

Mike Gouin of Canton said golfers are not as superstitious as other athletes but do have their idiosyncrasies.

"People certainly have a favorite club," said Gouin, a retired Canton Parks and Recreation director who now works at Fellows Creek.

Marilyn Taylor of Canton said if she could only take one club and her putter on the course with her, it would be her 7 iron because she can hit anything with it.

Gouin said most golfers stick to certain brand names of clubs. However, the club that gets changed the most is the putter, he said.

"Everyone I know carries between four to six putters," he said. "I own six putters. They're my worst enemy."

Gouin said the reason people replace putters,

instead of other clubs, is because they are the least expensive.

"If you change drivers or irons, you have to change the whole set," he said. "If you don't hit it well off the tee, you can always make it up with your irons."

"But when you can't make a two-foot putt, that's a stroke you can't get back. People always blame the club, not the person hitting it."

Earl Kent of Westland, whose son Darrin holds two course records at Fellows Creek, said when he started having trouble putting, he started closing his eyes.

"I started making more shots with my eyes closed than with them open," he said.

Dick Wienecke of Canton has used the same clubs for 50 years. But not because they're lucky.

"This is the first time I've used them in 35 years," said Wienecke, who retired last year and decided to take up golf again for the exercise.

"I don't keep score," he said while searching for his ball in the woods at Fellows Creek. "If I did (keep score), I'd get frustrated and probably start breaking clubs."

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# Canton pitcher leads All-Area squad

BY DAN O'MEARA  
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If you know Dave Brubaker, you immediately associate his name with the game of softball. The two are synonymous.

"That's an understatement," said Brubaker, who it seems is either coaching, playing or tutoring someone in the sport year round.

One of the many hats he wears is that of North Farmington girls varsity coach, a job he has had since 1988.

His teams have averaged almost 14 wins per season and have achieved double-digit victory totals every year but the first.

The 2000 campaign was North's most successful during Brubaker's tenure.

The Raiders posted a 24-12 record and won their first Western Lakes Activities Association championship.

As a result, Brubaker has been chosen Observerland Coach of the Year.

"I'm extremely proud of the girls," he said. "I thought we had a good team going into the season, and they proved that."

"It took a while to figure out what the lineup should be. Things started to click when we moved (Samantha) McComb to leadoff, (Jasmine) King to second and (Beth) Danielewicz to third. We started getting some runs on the board."

Those three not only led the Raiders with their bats but made the team strong up the middle defensively at pitcher (Danielewicz), catcher (King) and shortstop (McComb).

"It doesn't take much coaching when you have players like that," said Brubaker, who has a 178-153 career record in 13 seasons at North. "They just go out there and do it."

"We have some girls who can play the game fairly well. No doubt that makes me look a little better."

North is represented on the All-Observer team by the aforementioned trio of players. McComb is a repeat selection, as are Farmington Hills Mercy seniors Dana Falvo and Erin Carson.

The Marlins had their most successful season under coach Jack Falvo, finishing second in the Catholic League, winning a Division I regional and reaching the state semifinals for the first time.

Mercy, which had a 33-11 record, also was accorded three first-team berths, pitcher Megan Fedluk being the third player. King, Plymouth Canton's Paula McKernan and Redford Thurston's Julie Stoll were second-team picks a year ago.

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Laura Stewart, Sr. P. Ply. Canton;

Stewart posted a 15-6 record to lead the Chiefs to the Division I regional championship game against Farmington Hills Mercy. Canton lost 4-0 despite a terrific performance by Stewart, in which she struck out 10 batters.

During the regular season, Stewart struck out 309 batters in 189 innings pitched.

Stewart was the Chiefs' cleanup hitter and had a .329 batting average. She received all conference and all-district honors.

"As a pitcher, she was one of our most valuable players on the team," coach Jim Arnold said. "Without her we're not as good."

Stewart is attending Western Michigan University next fall and plans to be a walk-on on the Broncos' softball team.

**Meghan Misalak, So. P. Liv. Churchill:** The second-year varsity hurler helped Churchill to a 20-9 overall record and a Division I district championship.

Misalak pitched in 26 games, sporting an 18-8 record with a 1.12 ERA in 188 innings. Misalak struck out 243, walked just 45 and allowed 101 hits. She pitched nine shutouts and had a pair of no-hitters.

Misalak was named All-WLAA, All-District, All-Region and team MVP.

"Like most good pitchers, Meghan worked hard in off-season," coach Dana Hardwidge said. "She had an outstanding year on the mound and was a stabilizing force because she always maintained her poise and concentration."

"Meghan pitched in many one-run and extra-inning games. She also improved her defense. She was second on our team in assists with 43."

**Beth Danielewicz, Fr. P. N. Farmington:** Danielewicz had an immediate impact and played a huge role in the Raiders winning 24 games and the WLAA championship.

She had a 22-9 pitching record with 191 strikeouts and 28 walks in 206 2/3 innings. Her earned run average was 0.91. She faced 852 batters, allowing 144 hits and 52 runs (27 of which were earned).

"She reminds me a little bit of my daughter," Brubaker said. "She comes in as a freshman, grabs the bull by the

horn and says 'Let's go play.' "Nothing intimidates her, she didn't fear anybody. She's a very composed and determined young lady out there."

"To do what she did as a freshman was amazing. Plus, she hit and drove in some runs and hit the ball with authority."

Danielewicz also hit for a .286 average (.35-for-122) with six doubles and 18 RBI.

**Megan Fedluk, So. P. Farm. Hills Mercy:** Fedluk emerged as Mercy's ace in the second half of the season and led the Marlins to the semifinals of the state tournament.

She posted a 16-5 record with 126 strikeouts and a 2.07 ERA in 145 innings. But the most outstanding aspect of her pitching was her control. She walked just seven batters all season.

"That's why we gave her the ball through the whole tournament," coach Jack Falvo said. "As a sophomore, we came to depend upon her, and she came up big in pressure games."

"Her greatest attribute is her ability to focus while on the mound. Her location has been excellent, and her mental focus has been very good. We'll rebuild the defense behind her and hope she continues to develop."

**Lindsey Emmett, Sr. P. Farm. Hills Harrison:** Emmett helped the Hawks win 17 games and had them in contention for the WLAA Western Division title until the very end with her pitching and hitting.

Her record was 1-8, however, Harrison lost five of those games by a run and two by two runs. She had 111 strikeouts and 54 walks in 139 1/3 innings with a 1.55 ERA.

At the plate, Emmett, who played first base when not pitching, had a .301 average, six doubles, one triple, one homer and 21 RBI. She also had



Dawn Allen Plymouth Salem



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Julie Stoll Redford Thurston



Dana Falvo Farmington Hills Mercy



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Kristen Barnes Livonia Ladywood

three career no-hitters and a school record 19 career doubles.

"What I remember most about her is her toughness," coach Mike Teachman said, recalling a game she pitched against Northville as a sophomore. "A line shot hit her, she scrambled for the ball, threw the girl out at first and came over and showed us she had broken her wrist."

"One week later, we were down a

run against Canton with a runner on second. I asked her if she could pinch hit. With her arm in a cast, she hit a one-hopper to the shortstop, and I

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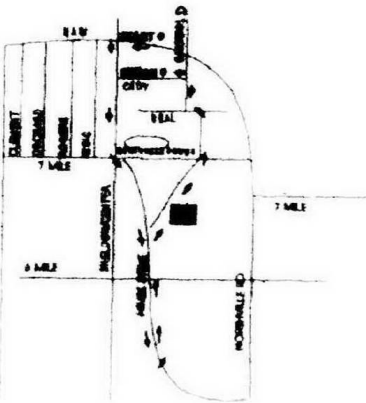
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knew right then she was tough."

**Erin Carson, Sr. C, Farm. Hills Mercy:** Carson has been the starting catcher for 3 1/2 seasons and leaves a huge void behind the plate and in the batting order.

She hit for a .479 average with 68 hits, including seven doubles and one home run. She had 20 RBI and scored 38 runs.

Defensively, Carson, who plans to play at Alma College, picked 17 runners off base and had a .996 fielding percentage.

"Erin is one of the best catchers Mercy has ever had," Falvo said. "I'll miss her not only as a player but as a captain, too. For four years, I never had to worry about the catcher position, because it was in great hands."

**Sheila Gillies, So. C, Liv. Churchill:** The first-year varsity catcher put up some big offensive numbers for the Chargers, batting .432 (41 for 95) with four homers, three triples and seven doubles.

Gillies, Churchill's cleanup hitter, led the team with 37 RBI and struck out just six times.

"Last summer Sheila worked extremely hard to learn the catcher's position," Hardwidge said. "She put in as many

hours as any player that I have ever worked with."

**Jasmine King, Jr. C, N. Farmington:** King has been North's regular backstop for three years, earning second-team, all-area honors last year.

She batted .392 (44-for-112) with five doubles and two triples and 21 RBI. She also had 11 walks, was hit-by-pitch six times, stole 16 bases and scored 24 runs.

King had a .919 fielding percentage with 25 putouts, 32 assists and just five errors at a difficult position.

"Her arm bothered her almost all season, and she played above it," Brubaker said, adding King threw out 17 of 33 runners trying to steal. "In the WLA, only four teams even tried to steal a base on her."

"The other thing that amazes me is her foot speed as a catcher. She stole some bases for us — and not just second base. She stole third a couple times."

"She has a keen sense for running the bases and, defensively, is as solid as a rock back there."

**Samantha McComb, Jr. Inf., N. Farmington:** McComb had another outstanding year and was a major reason the Raiders won the WLA title. She bat-

ted .440 (48-for-109) with five doubles, seven triples, two home runs and 24 RBI.

The all-district, all-region and all-state shortstop had a .962 fielding percentage with 59 putouts, 70 assists and only five errors at the demanding position.

McComb also stole 17 bases, scored 43 runs, drew 21 walks and struck out just nine times.

"There's a school out there that would like to have her be a DI basketball and softball player," Brubaker said. "I know she wants to play basketball, but she's that good she could play DI in either sport."

"I just think she has all the tools as a softball player, power, speed, smarts, quickness, soft hands, strong arm. You name it, Sam has the attributes to be a DI player, and I mean to come in and play as a freshman. She could help a program right off the bat."

**Dawn Allen, Sr. Inf., Ply. Salem:** Allen had a .418 batting average in the WLA and .393 batting average overall. An all-conference first baseman, she committed only four errors all season.

For the second year in a row, she was named the Rocks' MVP. She had 42 hits in 107 at bats, including 10 doubles and two triples. She drove in 22 runs.

"As our No. 4 hitter, she was a power hitter," coach Bonnie Southerland said. "She was an all-around great athlete. I expect great things from her next season."

**Paula McKernan, Sr. Inf., Ply. Canton:** McKernan led the Chiefs with a .348 batting average. She also had 32 hits, knocked in nine runs and scored 19 runs.

McKernan was an all-conference short stop.

"Paula had great range," Arnold said. "She led by example. She was our lead off hitter and put up some solid numbers."

"She has a great set of hands."

**Julie Stoll, Sr. Inf., Red. Thurston:** Stoll led the Eagles in nearly every category — innings played (119), runs (21), hits (27), doubles (9), on-base average (.606) and batting average (.491).

She also had 15 RBI, a .727 slugging percentage and struck out just three times in 55 at bats.

Stoll was selected first team All Michigan Mega Conference Blue Division and will continue playing in college, earning a ride to Eastern Michigan University.

"I enjoyed coaching her for four years. She helped our program succeed," said Thurston coach Al Nagy. "From start, she had it all. From her sophomore year, she emerged as a true player and from that time on, it was Julie's game."

**Dana Falvo, Sr. OF, Farm. Hills Mercy:** Falvo was the leadoff batter who excelled at the slap single and bunt sacrifice. She used her speed to get on base and score runs and, defensively, to cover a lot of territory in center field.

The four-year varsity player batted .500 (.61-for-122) — all of her hits were singles — and scored 32 runs. Her on-base percentage was .564; she had 15 sacrifices and 18 walks. She also had nine RBI.

Falvo, who will play at Hillsdale College next year, didn't have the opportunity to throw out as many runners as she did last year. She still had a .935 fielding percentage with eight assists and 35 putouts.

"It was great four year run as a coach and father, having the privilege of coaching a child at that high level," coach Jack Falvo said.

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Jamie Linden, Sr., Livonia Franklin  
 Amanda Ross, Jr., Westland John Glenn  
 Carrie Brankiewicz, Sr., Farm. Hills Mercy  
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 Dawn Rini, So., Livonia Ladywood  
 Rachael Koernke, Sr., Liv. Clarenceville  
 Tracy Hudson, Sr., Garden City  
 Nuverre Naomi, Sr., Farm. Hills Mercy

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Taryn McCloud, Jr., Garden City  
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 Jenna Perino, Jr., Plymouth Canton  
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 Abby Mahoney, Jr., Westland John Glenn

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"As a player we became very dependent upon Dana's ability to get on base. Although she's not a big power hitter, she consistently got on base and set the table for other players to knock her in."

"She consistently created pressure on the defense. She's extremely effective at the short game. Everybody knew what she was going to do, and she was still very difficult to defend."

**Kelly Jaskot, So. OF, Ply. Salem:** Jaskot was an all-conference center fielder who committed just two errors all season. She had a .393 batting average in the league and was .322 overall.

Jaskot had 39 hits in 121 at bats, including seven doubles, three triples and one home run.

"She's an excellent infielder," Southerland said. "She stepped up this year to fill in as an outfielder. She took on the role of centerfielder and proved herself to be a great outfielder."

"I expect great things from her the next couple of years."

**Kristen Barnes, Sr. OF, Liv. Ladywood:**

The senior center fielder appeared in 31 games for the Blazers and did not commit an error.

Batting down in the lineup, Barnes still finished with a .333 average (21 for 63). She had one triple, a pair of doubles and scored 15 runs as Ladywood reached the Division II regional championship game.

For her efforts, Barnes was voted All Catholic League, All District and All Region.

"Without a doubt she's the best out fielder I've had in my five years here as coach," Ladywood's Bob Lulek said. "She gets an excellent jump on the ball. She just had that knack. Her position is going to be tough to replace because she's been there for three years."

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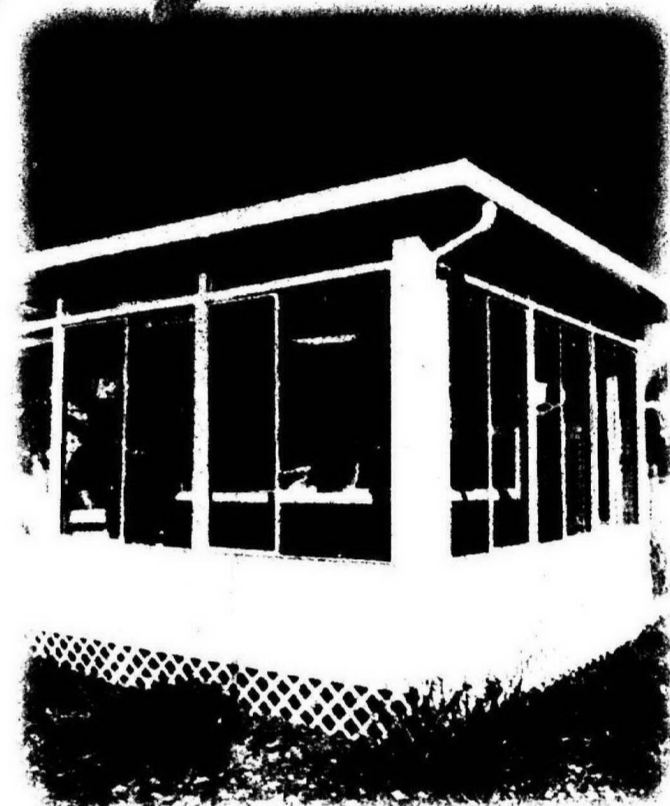
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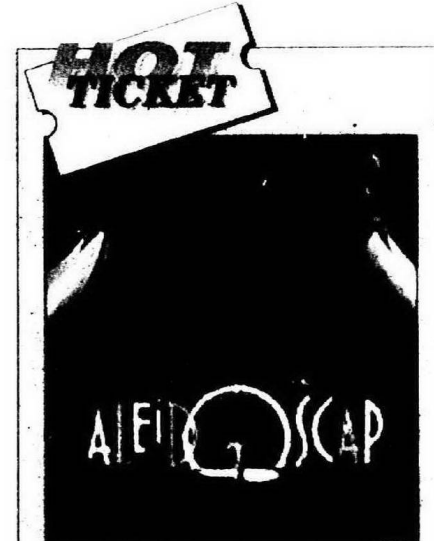
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# Salute to America

## The DSO celebrates at Greenfield Village

**1st Michigan Fife and Drum Corps**

**Salute to America**  
What: Concerts with fireworks featuring the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band at Greenfield Village in Dearborn.  
When: Gates open 7 p.m., prelude concert 7:30-8 p.m., DSO begins playing 8:30 p.m., Saturday Tuesday, July 1-4.  
Tickets: \$19 adults, \$10 children ages 5-12, no charge for children age 4 and younger in advance. Tickets purchased on the day of the concert are \$11 adults, \$12 children. Available at Ticketmaster outlets, (248) 645-6666, Orchestra Hall box office, (313) 576-5111, or Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, (313) 982-6180. Tickets can also be purchased online at [www.detroitssymphony.com](http://www.detroitssymphony.com)

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Please see **SALUTE**, E2

By Keely Wygonik  
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People don't always think of Detroit as an exciting city. We're a city of blue jeans and Ford cars, not a city of fireworks and jazz. But this weekend, Detroit is celebrating its 150th birthday with a series of events that will make the city shine like never before. The Detroit Symphony Orchestra (DSO) is celebrating its 150th anniversary with a series of concerts at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. The concerts will feature the DSO performing with the 1st Michigan Fife and Drum Corps. The concerts will be held on Saturday and Sunday, July 1-4, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. The concerts will be held at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. The concerts will be held at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. The concerts will be held at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. The concerts will be held at Greenfield Village in Dearborn.

## FESTIVAL

# Don't miss good times and tunes at Tastefest

By Stephanie Angelyn Casola  
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As much a part of summer in metro area as the grand fireworks display, the 12th annual Comerica Michigan TasteFest is heading our way faster than you can say five days of fine food and free entertainment.

Despite its name, the festival is about much more than treating the tastebuds. Beginning June 30 in Detroit's New Center Area, this year's TasteFest is expected to draw more than 250,000 people, according to Patty LaNoue Stearns, spokeswoman for the event.

"I think it's a wonderful opportunity for our city," she added. "It draws from the suburbs, from the city. This year we'll have just a ten of new events."

**What's new at TasteFest**  
The Second Avenue Street Market adds a touch of trendy charm with Detroit focused collectibles, art work,



Isaac Hayes

fashion and furniture. A great collection of avant-garde stores will come together," said Stearns.

Visitors can enjoy a beverage at The Town Pump Tavern tent and then stroll on over to check out Detroit-centric clothing and accessories provided by such stores as Pure Detroit and Dragonfly Boutique of Ferndale.

Hand made goods will be for sale at Ragdolly Beets and Tulani Rose. For a more personal memento, internationally trained tattoo artist Sandliva will create temporary tattoos with henna dyes, and the Boston Tea Room will offer psychic readings, tarot and astrology.

What a market would be complete without an art fair. Look for the ceramics and jewelry at The Reddy Gallery or souvenirs of the city's musical past at the Motown Museum store. For a more in-depth look at emerging artists, visit the Stone Gallery & Gallery in the West Exhibit Room of the State of Michigan Building, where 15

metro area artists will show their work and the gallery for details, (313) 241-7091.

Calling all literary buffs: Pure Detroit presents authors Lois Johnson and Margaret Thomas 4 p.m. on Sunday and Monday, July 2-3 to sign copies of their local interest shopping and cooking guide *Detroit's Eastern Market*. Novelist Michael Zadoorian will sign copies of *See You Here* 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 4.

**A family affair**  
For the whole family, there will be a week of family-friendly activities, including a petting zoo, a pottery workshop, a painting workshop, a craft fair and other activities geared toward the younger visitors.

Walk over to the Fisher Building parking lot to the State Farm Insurance Kiosk, where performers like Harp and and musicians like Gordon Brown entertain and engage children of all ages.

Please see **TASTEFESE**, E2

## Salute from page E1

Celebrating its eighth year, the patriotic concerts feature the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band, Ford Chorus and 1st Michigan Fife and Drum Corps. Each concert concludes with the *1812 Overture* and a fantastic display of fireworks.

"It's always had a patriotic American theme," said Fischer of the program. "This year we bumped it up a bit. Almost everything on the program was written by an American composer."

As the symphony plays under a star-lit night, you can say *God Bless America*, ponder *America the Beautiful* and salute *The Star Spangled Banner*.

Also on the program is an *Overture to Annie Get Your Gun*, "Mambo" from *West Side Story*, a Motown medley, an armed forces salute and *Shenandoah*.

Emil de Cou, music director of the San Francisco Ballet, will lead the DSO. He's also led a number of family and pops concerts with the Indianapolis, Minnesota, Kennedy, and other orchestras.

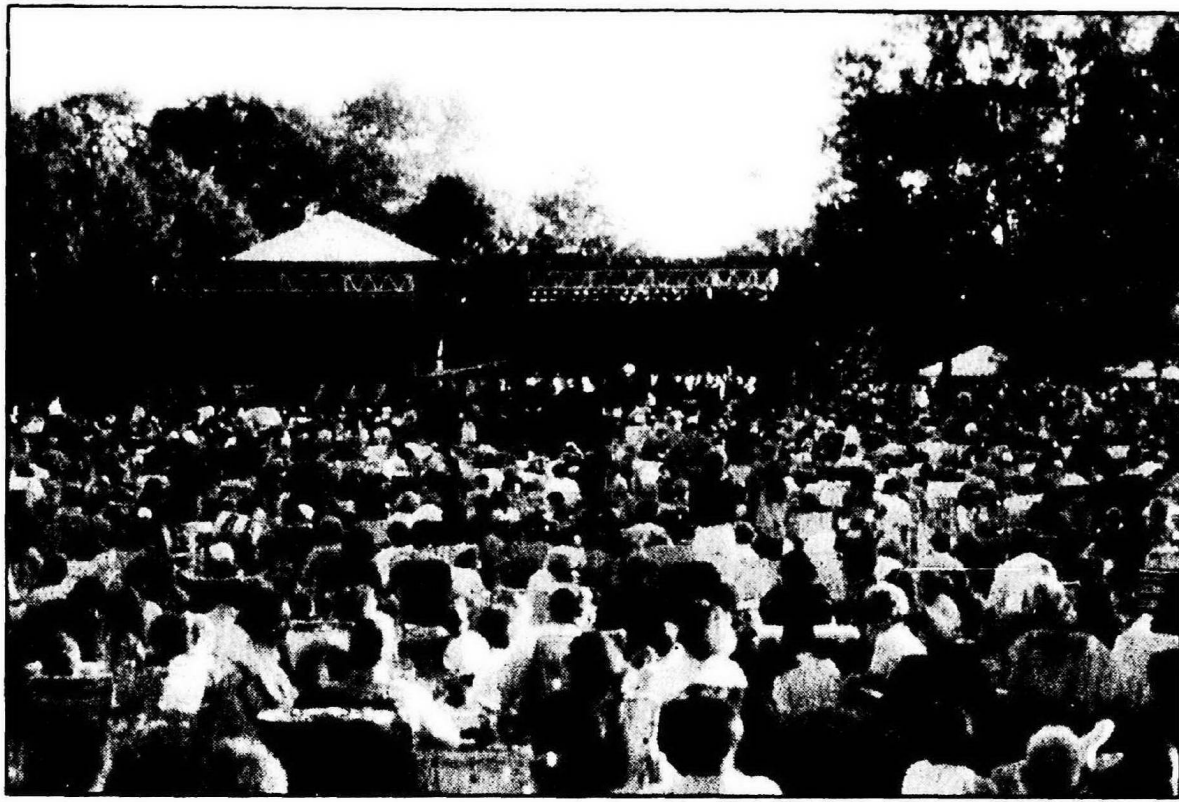
"It's his second visit to Detroit. I'm looking forward to it," said Fischer. De Cou led the DSO in performances of *The Nutcracker* ballet at the Detroit Opera House in 1999.

Even if you've attended "Salute to America" concerts before, Fischer encourages you to put the date on your calendar.

"In previous years the U.S. Army Field Band has performed. This year the Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band are playing," said Fischer. "It's a different kind of music. It's a reason to come back."

The band, a select group of musicians who use their talents to bring the army to the American public, plays a mix of music ranging from the 1930s' swing sound to the popular tunes of today.

The 19-piece ensemble carries the sound of pop, patriotic music, big band tunes, modern jazz and original compositions to every part of the world. Band alumni have gone on to play with some of the best big bands in America including Buddy Rich, Stan Ken-



**Holiday tradition: Families gather on the Village Green to "Salute America" with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.**

ton, Doc Severinson and Woody Herman.

Some of the people listening to the DSO during "Salute to America" will be hearing the orchestra for the first time.

"It's a wonderful way for people to hear us," said Fischer. "Maybe the next time they have the opportunity they'll come hear us play at Orchestra Hall."

### Organizing the event

Jacqui Rohde started working at Greenfield Village 20 years ago scooping ice cream and flipping hamburgers. Now she's catering and sales manager - and project manager for the *Salute to America* concerts.

"We're very proud of this event," she said. "It takes a lot of coordination."

Rohde and her staff spend many long hours making sure everything goes smoothly, and that the village's daily program is not interrupted.

"You have to have reminders everywhere," she said. "When

you purchase your tickets we give you an information sheet."

As you enter Greenfield Village, you'll hear the 1st Michigan Fife & Drum Corps playing. They'll parade to the village green before the concert.

Plan to arrive early to get a good spot on the village green. Gates open at 6 p.m. for the physically handicapped and 7 p.m. for everyone else. Dress comfortably and wear your walking shoes. It's a quarter mile walk from the gate to the green.

The Ford Chorus will present a program of patriotic favorites and tunes from the 1970s and 1980s from 6-7:15 p.m. The Jazz Ambassadors play from 7:30-8 p.m. followed by the symphony at 8:30 p.m.

Costumed presenters will mingle with the audience including the "mayor" of Greenfield Village and Lah-De-Dah Baseball Team players.

### Food

Refreshments, beer, wine and

other beverages, picnic fare and snacks, and specialty cheese, fruit and wine baskets will be offered for sale.

On concert days, Taste of History, a restaurant inside the village near the green, will be open 6-10:15 p.m. The Michigan Cafe, a restaurant inside Henry Ford Museum, will be open 5-7 p.m.

"It's such a family atmosphere," said Rohde. "You can see the excitement in people's faces. When the orchestra plays *1812 Overture*, you can hear a pin drop. It's one of the best crowds we entertain."

Salute to America concerts typically sell-out and draw 7,600-7,800 people per night, so if you're planning to go, get your tickets soon.

Concerts are held rain or shine. This year WJBK Fox 2 will televise the concert on Tuesday, July 4.

You can get a sneak preview by visiting Greenfield Village 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 1. That's when the DSO will be practicing.

## TasteFest from page E1

Barnes & Noble will host a readings and visits from such characters as the Berenstein Bears 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturday-Tuesday, July 1-4. For those who can't sit still, Eugene Clark will teach the basics of puppeteering at the Glove Puppet Workshop 3-6 p.m. Tuesday, July 4. For a complete list of children's activities check out [www.tastefest.org](http://www.tastefest.org).

### Listen for local music

For many heading down to TasteFest, the main attraction is the music. Along with high-powered headliners like Isaac Hayes, Sloan, Roomful of Blues and 38 Special, the event boasts a total of 75 acts gracing four stages. TasteFest offers the perfect opportunity to check out some of the best local bands around.

Fans of the local rock outfit, Face, won't want to miss sultry vocalist Courtney and her psychedelic-inspired rock crew 3 p.m. Monday, July 3. With the band's solid, self-titled debut in stores now and talk of their energetic live performances spreading throughout metro Detroit, Face is sure to take TasteFest by storm. For bassist Mike B, a Troy native and Royal Oak resident, this year's TasteFest will be a first. "I'm glad I get to play," he said. "It should be a lot of fun. It's just another step toward our ultimate goal, which is world domination."

It's easy to tell Mike B and Face know how to entertain. The 3-year-old band - which also consists of guitarist and Redford resident Mike Smith, and drummer and Livonia resident Steve Firneno - will showcase new songs from their recently released self-titled debut on Gabriel Records. "It's definitely a progression," said Mike B of the new material.

The self-confessed veteran of the Detroit music scene promised "We're gonna do our best to entertain the crowd."

What would a five-day bash be without a little Gangster Fun? Those six ska-bands from me'ro Detroit are at it again, celebrating 14 years of band-hood with a performance 8 p.m. Friday, June 30. Drummer Brian Bewie said the band will be promoting its brand-new album *Graphospasm*, released last

### ■ 'It is the holiday. Our music is so American.'

Chris Casello  
*Starlight Drifters*

month. The Pontiac resident considers the festival a "great opportunity to play for a bunch of people." "We always try to put on a grand show," said Bowie. "It's always fun to play outside on a big stage in front of a lot of people."

Listen for new tunes like *Til the Weekend Comes* and *Half Wit*, a couple of Bowie's favorites to perform live. "We're a high-energy ska-reggae band. That's something they haven't had at the festival. We're representing the ska edge of the spectrum."

As for the Starlight Drifters, performing noon on Monday, July 3, this year marks a return to TasteFest. Guitarist Chris Casello of Ann Arbor said the band is the perfect addition to a festival held just before Independence Day.

"It is the holiday," he said. "Our music is so American." He's right. It doesn't get much more American than the melding of country, swing, rockabilly and straight-up rock 'n' roll. As for TasteFest, Casello said, "It's just a really relaxed, great time."

He and bandmates Billy Mac, Dave Roof and Bill Alton - a Livonia resident - are set to kick off a Northwest U.S. tour and will be recording a follow-up to the band's 1999 effort *Every Note A Pearl* in Las Vegas.

Comerica Michigan TasteFest will offer something for everyone. It is sponsored by New Center Council Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to developing the northern district of downtown Detroit. Proceeds benefit the New Center Council Inc. in maintaining the area and are also donated to Fairbanks Elementary School offering programs for impoverished youth.

For more on the event, directions or schedules, check out [www.tastefest.org](http://www.tastefest.org) or call the hotline at (313) 927-1000.

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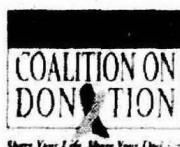
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# Acting out

## Stratford Festival stretches actors' skills

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When an actor performs in repertory, he or she has to be prepared to move smoothly from one role to another even if those roles call for completely different thespian skills.

One of the joys of attending the Stratford Festival in Canada is to see actors stretch in many different directions. This year, Graham Abbey makes a strong impression as he moves from the tragedy of *Hamlet*, as the aggrieved Laertes, to the light, quick wit of Oscar Wilde to the dashing swordplay of Alexander Dumas all with equal aplomb.

### 'The Importance of Being Earnest'

Oscar Wilde subtitled his famous play, "A serious comedy for trivial people." The master of the *bon mot* was considered shocking in his day, but his skewering of the upper classes now seems to have gained a moral superiority all its own.

*Earnest* is first and foremost a funny farce that hasn't lost its ability to set an audience laughing at its absurdly smug society twits. This production uses Wilde's rarely performed original four-act version. The play's first producer pared the play to its usual three-act, and the extra exposition doesn't add appreciably.

Still, Stratford artistic director Richard Monette directs with the appropriately light touch and quick pace that Wilde deserves. The sets also suggest an airy, Art Nouveau style.

Two dandies, John (Jack) Worthing and Algernon Montford, each practice what Algernon calls "bunburying," pretending to be someone else or visiting someone else when they want to avoid responsibility at home. This sets up the comic situation when Algernon decides to play some mischief in pursuit of Jack's attractive ward, Cecily. Meanwhile, Jack pursues Algernon's cousin Gwendolen. This is all played out in a London townhouse and a country manor.

Graham Abbey is quick tongued, bright eyed and ingratiating and irritating all in one as

### Stratford Theatre

**At the Festival**  
Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, through Nov. 5

Raby's *The Three Musketeers*, through Nov. 4

Stein, Bock and Harnick's *Fiddler on the Roof*, through Nov. 4

Moliere's *Tartuffe*, Aug. 1 to Nov. 3

**At the Avon**  
Shakespeare's *As You Like It*, through Nov. 4

Goodrich and Hackett's *The Diary of Anne Frank*, through Nov. 5

Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*, through Nov. 4

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Patience*, July 11 to Oct. 13

**At the Tom Patterson**  
Shakespeare's *Titus Andronicus*, through Sept. 30

Euripides' *Medea*, through Oct. 1

Findley and Thompson's *Elizabeth Rex*, through Sept. 30

Margulies' *Collected Stories*, July 21 to Sept. 2

Mazur's *Oscar Remembers*, Sept. 8-29

To get to Stratford, take the bridge to Windsor, follow Highway 401 east to Exit 222 (the next exit after Ingersoll), then follow County Road 6 north to Stratford.

For ticket information, call 1-(800)567-1600, or check their Web site at [www.stratford-festival.ca](http://www.stratford-festival.ca).



**Upper crust:** The cast of "The Importance of Being Earnest" (left to right) Claire Jullien, Patricia Collins, Graham Abbey, Domini Blythe, Donald Carrier, Bernard Hopkins and Michelle Giroux.

the innocent Cecily. All's well that ends well, of course, when everyone learns the importance of being earnest.

### 'The Three Musketeers'

Not all theater is about words. Some theater is about sword fights, derring-do, bravado and romance.

All of these burst through in Peter Alexandre Dumas' *The Three Musketeers*. As the opening prologue suggests, this is a perfect introduction to theater for young people, especially boys. A young boy in his pajamas comes on stage with a giant storybook which suddenly comes to life with musketeers, swords aloft pledging, "All for one and one for all."

There are some suggestive scenes and a prologue to an execution but these move quickly.

Raby has pared Dumas' sprawling novel down to focus on young D'Artagnon's quest to become a musketeer against the wicked intrigues of Cardinal Richelieu and Milady de Winter. But the novelistic sweep, multiple characters and plot complications are retained.

Director Richard Monette moves his cast through 41 scenes across northern France and southern England. This sort of cinematic speed is punctuated with stirring fencing scenes.

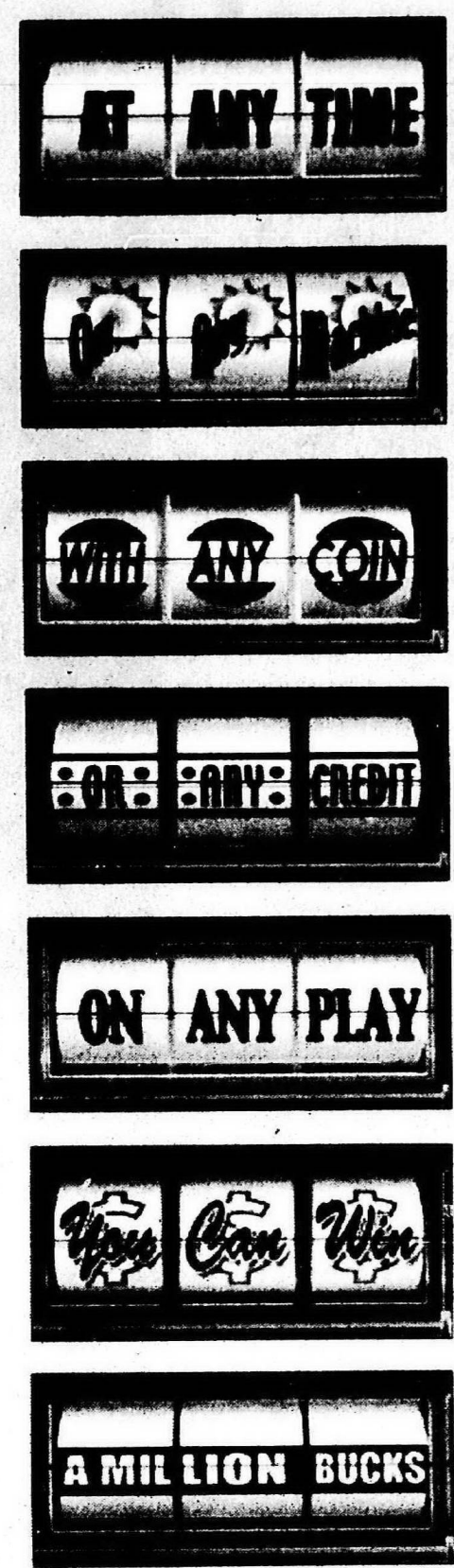
Graham Abbey leaves the effete Algenon behind in his rousing, comic-heroic portrayal as the headstrong, and easily seduced, D'Artagnon, the youth from Gascony who longs to be a musketeer.

The three musketeers of the title, Porthos, Athos and Aramis, are the King's loyal guards who spend most of their time fighting the rival guards of the Cardinal. Benedict Campbell is the most dashing and the most heavy hearted as Aramis. Andy Velasquez is the poetic Ramon and Thom Mariott is the romantic Porthos.

In key roles are Stephen Russell as the politically astute and treacherous Richelieu, Kate Trotter as the sexually provocative spy Lady DeWinter, Claire Jullien as Constance, and Robert King as the grumbling grocer.

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### FESTIVAL

## Westland gets in gear for summer fun

Family fun, that's what the Westland Summer Festival, Thursday, June 29, through Tuesday, July 4, is all about.

The festival will take place at Central City Park and environs, by City Hall, Ford Road and Central City Parkway. Daily features include carnival rides, Vegas and bingo games and music, everything from country and classic rock to polka and top 40. Here's the schedule of events:

#### Thursday, June 29

Rich Eddy's Band (1950s/1960s rock) 7-11 p.m., Main Stage

#### Friday, June 30

Golf Chipping Contest 3-4 p.m., Tot Town  
Horseshoe Pitching 3 p.m.  
Carnival rides 3-11 p.m.  
Jacob Ramig's Polka Band 3-7 p.m., Main Stage  
RPM Band (top 40) 7-11 p.m., Main Stage

#### Saturday, July 1

Parade 10 a.m. to noon  
Car Show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., by the lake  
Carnival rides noon to 11 p.m.  
Horseshoe Pitching 1 p.m.  
Parade awards 1 p.m., Main Stage  
Family Day noon to 7 p.m.  
Children's Picnic 12:30-2 p.m., Tot Town  
A la Mode Barbershop Quartet 1-3 p.m.  
Ice Cream Eating Contest 1-3 p.m., Main Stage  
Josh Graen, country 2-4 p.m., in the park  
Golf Chipping Contest 3-4 p.m., Tot Town  
Pie Eating Contest 4 p.m., Main Stage  
Opie's Dream classic rock 7-11 p.m., Main Stage

#### Sunday, July 2

Free continental breakfast 10:30 a.m. to noon  
Carnival rides noon to 11 p.m.  
Game Show Party noon, 1-15 p.m., 2-30 p.m., 4-30 p.m., 6-30 p.m.  
Horseshoe Pitching Finals 1 p.m.  
Benny and the Jets (oldies and classic rock) 1-5 p.m., Main Stage

#### Golf Chipping Contest Finals

3-4 p.m., Tot Town  
Lonestar Dancers 5-8 p.m., Main Stage  
Young Country Band 7-11 p.m., Main Stage

#### Monday, July 3

Game Show Party noon, 1-15 p.m., 2-30 p.m., 4-30 p.m., 6-30 p.m.  
Siren's Web (modern rock) 7-11 p.m.

#### Tuesday, July 4

Baby and Toddler Contest Finals 10:30 a.m. to noon  
Carnival rides noon to 11 p.m.  
Eclipse (various music) 1-5 p.m.  
Tom's Karaoke 5-9 p.m., Gazebo by the lake  
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## COMMUNITY THEATER

**STAGECRAFTERS 2ND STAGE:** "Forever Plaid," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 30-July 1, and 7 p.m. Sunday, July 2, at the Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak. \$9. (248) 541-6430

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**SALUTE TO AMERICA:** The Detroit Symphony Orchestra perform Saturday-Tuesday, July 1-4, on the Village Green at Greenfield Village, Dearborn. Advance \$19. \$10 children ages 5-12; day of the concert \$21, \$12 children. (313) 982-6180

## FREE SUMMER CONCERTS

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**GAZEBO CONCERTS:** Schunk/Starr/Dryden, an evening of classic American music featuring composers ranging from Cole Porter to George Gershwin, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, Burgh Historical Park, Southfield. (248) 424-9022

**IN THE PARK:** Steward Francke and Birmingham Songwriter Showcase, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 29, in Shain Park, Birmingham.

**MUSIC IN THE AIR:** One Flight Up (folk), 7 p.m. Friday, June 30, in Kellogg Park, on Main Street, north of Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. (734) 455-1453

**MUSIC IN THE PARK:** Liberty Brass Quintet (members of the Plymouth Symphony), noon Wednesday, July 5, in Kellogg Park, Plymouth. (734) 416-4278

**MUSIC UNDER THE STARS:** Big Band Express 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6, at the Livonia Civic Center Park.

**SOUTHFIELD CONCERTS BY THE POOL:** Mudpuppy, 7 p.m. Sunday, July 9, at the pool deck of the Southfield Sports Arena. (248) 424-9022

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**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES:** Sunset Boulevard, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 29, at Heritage Park, on Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill. (734) 397-5110

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**BRUNCH WITH BACH:** The Dearing Concert Duo performs music by John Dowland, Nicolo Paganini and James Lentini, 11:30 a.m. Sunday, July 9, seating begins 20 minutes prior to concert, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$22. \$11 children under age 12, includes brunch, \$5 for stairwell seating. (313) 833-4005

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Outdoor overtures with fireworks, 8 p.m. Friday, July 7, Beethoven's Pastoral, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 8, with guest artists the Fifth Dimension 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 9, at the Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester. (313) 576-5111/(248) 645-6666

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**EDDY MARIEN:** 7 p.m. Monday, July 3, at the University of Michigan's Lurie Tower, North Campus, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-4726

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**MARCUS BELGRAVE & FRIENDS:** 8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 1, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15 advance, \$20 at door. (313) 576-5111

**DOUG DEMING & THE BLUE SUIT BAND:** 8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 29, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

**GEM JAZZ TRIO:** Performs 7-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

**LARRY NOZERO QUARTET:** 8:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15 advance, \$20 at door. (313) 576-5111

**ROBERT PENN:** 9 p.m. Friday, June 30, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

**DIANNE REEVES:** And Straight Ahead, 6 p.m. Friday, June 30, at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Detroit. (313) 494-5800, ext. 0

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**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S:** J.R. Remick, 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 30 and July 1; Jim Hamm, Friday-Saturday, July 7-8, at the club, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

**MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE:** Mark Knope, Thursday-Saturday, June 29 to July 1, Jennie McNulty, also Manny Shields, Thursday-Saturday, July 6-8, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

**SECOND CITY:** "What to do When Gratrot Happens," at Second City, Detroit. (313) 965-2222/(248) 645-6666 or online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

## MUSEUMS AND TOURS

**ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM:** WalkWorks, a self-directed exploration of the exhibit galleries that invites families and young visitors to become Super Sleuths; the museum offers more than 250 interactive exhibits intended to make science fun, at the museum, 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

**CRANBROOK HOUSE:** Open for walk-in Sunday tours 1:30 p.m. to Oct. 29, at the house, Bloomfield Hills. \$10, Thursdays to Oct. 26 lunch at noon may be purchased for an additional \$12. Stroll through the Cranbrook Gardens at no additional charge or enjoy only the gardens for \$5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday (open 11 a.m. Sunday). Free parking at Christ Church Cranbrook directly across Lone Pine Road from Cranbrook House. (248) 645-3149

**DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER:** IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest," "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun," "Whales," "Mysteries of Egypt" and "Everest," at the center, Detroit. Admission to Exhibit Hall is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger. IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-8400

**DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM:** Visit the newest exhibition "Folk Art of the Great Lakes" or "Racing on the Wind: Sailing on the Great Lakes," also a temporary exhibit on the construction and launch of the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, at the museum on Belle Isle, Detroit. Regular admission \$2. \$1 seniors/children ages 12-18 during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. (313) 852-4051

**HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE:** in Dearborn, open 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:** 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, 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oakland University campus, Rochester. \$8. \$6 seniors. \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY:** Dr. "Wrapped in Pride: Ghanaian Kente and African American Identity," an exhibit exploring the historic, cultural and political significance of kente, continues through July 16, at the museum, Detroit. \$5. \$3 ages 17 and under. (313) 494-5800

**PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM:** New exhibit, "American Vacations & Leisure," continues through August. 7:30 p.m. at the museum, Plymouth. \$3. \$1 students, \$7 family. (734) 455-8940

**ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM:** "Tally Ho! Ace! Sports Memorabilia from the Past" exhibit continues to July 8, 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, at the museum. \$3. \$2 seniors/students. (248) 656-4663

**SPIRIT OF FORD:** "Summer of Racing" continues to Aug. 30, design your own car or build works of art from recycled car parts, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at the hands-on automotive adventure center, Dearborn. \$6. \$5 senior, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 31-SPIRIT

## LIVE MUSIC

**CHRISTINA AGUILERA:** With Destiny's Child, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$38.50-\$25. (248) 645-6666

**ALLMAN BROTHERS:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.35. (248) 645-6666

**LORI AMEY:** Saturday, July 8, Roadrunners Raft, Hamtramck, 21 and over. (313) 873-7238. 8 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Gayle's Chocotates, Royal Oak. Free. (248) 398-0001; 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, The Ark, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 761-1451

**JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS:** 10 p.m. Thursdays. Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-6368.

**THE BEACH BOYS:** With Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 29, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

**PAT BENATAR:** With Vudu Hippers 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 30, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$22.50. (248) 645-6666.

**TONY BENNETT:** With Diana Krall, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$35. (248) 645-6666.

**CLINT BLACK:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

**BLOWTOP:** With The Muggs, 10:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, Lili's re, Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555; 10 p.m. Sunday, July 2, Cadieux Cafe, Detroit. Free. (313) 882-8560; 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, Rochester Mills Beer Company, Rochester. Free. (248) 650-5080

**BLUES MUSIC FESTIVAL:** With BB King, Buddy Guy, Susan Tedeschi and more, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$35.50. (248) 645-6666.

**BROCA'S AREA:** With Remainder, 10 p.m. Friday, June 23, Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. 18 and over. (313) 886-7860

**THE BROTHERS GROOVE:** Mondays, The Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU; 10 p.m. Sunday, July 2, Bo's Brewery, Pontiac. (248) 338-6200.

**IAN BROWN:** Of the Stone Roses, June 22, St. Andrews Hall show cancelled.

**RICHARD BUCKNER:** With Lori Amey, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, The Ark, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-1818

**CATHERINE WHEEL:** With Tracy Bonham, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 1, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages \$15 advance. (313) 961-MELT

**CHICAGO:** With Little River Band, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 28, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20.25-\$30.25. (248) 645-6666.

**TERRI CLARK:** 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$15-\$30. (248) 645-6666

**JOE COCKER:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666

**HARRY CONNICK JR. AND HIS BIG BAND:** Come By Me Tour, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25.50-\$45.50. (248) 645-6666

**COUNTING CROWS AND LIVE:** With Galactic, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Aug. 2-3, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$23.50-\$46. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

**CREED:** With 3 Doors Down, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 18-19, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25-\$35.

**CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVISITED:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**MARSHALL CRENSHAW:** 8 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$17. (248) 544-3030

**D'ANGELO:** With Amel Lameux and Slum Villages, 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, Cnepe Park, Detroit. \$38.73. (248) 645-6666.

**DEF LEPPARD:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 29, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$28.50-\$38.50. (248) 645-6666.

**DIXIE CHICKS:** 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$32.50-\$39.50. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

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**THE DOOBIE BROTHERS:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**DR. DRE, SNOOP DOGG, ICE CUBE, EMINEM AND WARREN G:** Up In Smoke Tour, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$35-\$50.

**GEORGE DUKE:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.50-\$34.50. (248) 645-6666

**DURAN DURAN:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**BOB DYLAN:** With Phil Lesh and Friends, 7 p.m. Sunday, July 16, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25-\$43.50. (248) 645-6666

**DYNAMITE HACK:** With Mest, Bowling for Soup, 6 p.m. Friday, June 30, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. \$7. (313) 961-MELT

**KURT ELLING QUARTET:** 8:30 and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 7-8, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310

**FIGHTING GRAVITY:** With Under Construction, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29, 7th House, Pontiac. All ages. \$7. (248) 335-3540

**JASON FISHER:** With Lisa Gonzales, Friday, June 30 and With Jelly's Pierced Tattoo, Saturday, July 1, Xhedos Cafe, Ferndale. \$5. (248) 399-3946

**FOLK IMPLSION:** 8 p.m. Friday, June 30, 7th House, Pontiac. 18 and older. \$10 advance. (248) 645-6666

**FOREIGNER:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$14.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**PETER FRAMPTON:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**GLENN FREY:** 8 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$42.50. (248) 645-6666

**GIPSY KINGS:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$42.50. (248) 645-6666

**GOOD VIBES TOUR:** Featuring Slum Village, Bahamadia, Cali Agents and Spontaneous, 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 28, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$15 advance. (248) 645-6666

**COLE GUERRA:** With Lori Amey, Saturday, July 15, 7th House, Pontiac. (248) 335-3540

**SCOTT HENDERSON:** 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$16. (248) 544-3030

**DAN HICKS AND THE ACOUSTIC WARRIORS:** 8 p.m. Sunday, July 30, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

**INSIDE 30 MINUTES:** With Small Brown Bike, Quixote, 10 p.m. Friday, June 30, Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. 18 and over. (313) 886-7860

**JO NAB:** 5 p.m. Friday, June 30, The Deck, Detroit. (313) 965-9500

**STANLEY JORDAN:** 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$17. (248) 544-3030

**THE JUDDS:** With Lee Roy Parnell, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20-\$39.50. (248) 645-6666

**MARVIN KAHN AND KEITH VRELAND:** 7 p.m. Thursday, Le Metro, Southfield. (248) 353-2757 (jazzy duo)

**KID ROCK:** With Twisted Brown Trucker, featuring Joe C. and Uncle Kracker, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Aug. 31, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$29.50-\$36. (248) 645-6666

**KISS:** Farewell Tour featuring Ted Nugent, Skid Row, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, Breslin Student Events Center, East Lansing. \$45. (800) 968-BRES

**KORN:** With Powerman 5000, Papa Roach, Sunday, Aug. 20, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$34.50. (248) 645-6666

**ALISON KRAUSS & UNION STATION:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**KD LANG:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$21-\$36. (248) 645-6666

**LEFTOVER SALMON:** 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, The Majestic, Detroit. \$15. (313) 833-9700

**ADRIAN LEGG:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 761-1800

**HUEY LEWIS AND THE NEWS:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 3, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**LONESTAR:** With Rascal Flatts, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$15.50-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666

**DJ MARK E.P. OF PARADISE:** 10 p.m. Wednesday, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434

**PJ MARQUIS:** 9 p.m. Thursday, Detroit Science, "The Lab." 18 and older. \$10-\$15 cover. Ladies free. (313) 438-4146

**RICKY MARTIN:** 8 p.m. Friday, June 30, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$45-\$85. (248) 645-6666

**DAVE MATTHEWS BAND:** With Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, Comerica Park, Detroit. \$46.50. (248) 645-6666 or (313) 983-6611

**MARTINA MCBRIDE:** With Chris Zito, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 1, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$22.50-\$33.50. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

**MAZE:** With Gerald Levert, K-Ci and Jo Jo and Kevin Edwards, Time 7 p.m., Sunday, July 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25.25-\$47.75. (248) 645-6666

**MB2:** 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 28, Family Fun Day, Berkley. (248) 546-2450. 8 p.m. Friday, July 7, Tray Civic Center, Aquatic Center, Troy. (248) 680-7224. 1 p.m. Thursday, July 20, Shark Park, Birmingham. (248) 644-5832

**MICHAEL McDONALD:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**BILLY McLAUGHLIN:** 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$10. (248) 544-3030

**NATALIE MERCHANT:** With Wade, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$20-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**THE MILLIONAIRES:** I.D. Release Party, 8 p.m. Sunday, June 25, Magic Bag, Ferndale. Free. (248) 544-3030

**MISSING PERSONS:** W.D. Funk of Seagulls, Wang Chung, Gene Lewis, Jazzybell, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$10-\$15. (248) 645-6666

**MONTREUX FESTIVAL:** Featuring Al Jarreau, Roberta Flack, David Sanborn, Joe Satriani, George Duke, Monday, Aug. 21, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.50-\$34.50. (248) 645-6666

**MOTLEY CRUE:** With Megadeth and Anthrax, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$35. (248) 645-6666

**THE MOODY BLUES:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50

**NICKELODEON'S ALL THAT TOUR:** With Ifo, Bewitch'd and Blaque, Sunday, Aug. 6, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.50-\$28.50. (248) 645-6666

**NOBODY'S BUSINESS:** Hosts Rockabilly Jam Sessions, Thursdays at The New Way Bar, Ferndale. (248) 541-9870

**NO DOUBT:** With Lit, Black Eyed Peas, 5:30 p.m. Monday, July 3, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. \$26.50. (248) 335-9497

**N'SYNC:** No Strings Attached Tour, Tuesday, July 18, Pontiac Silverdome. \$49.75. (248) 645-6666

**OVER THE RHINE:** 8:30 p.m. Sunday, July 23, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$12. (734) 761-1800

**OVERTHROW:** With Red Tree, Friday, June 31, Griff's Grill, Pontiac. (248) 334-9494

**OZZFEST 2000:** Featuring Ozzy Osbourne, Pantera, Godsmack, Static X, Incubus, Methods of Mayhem, POD, Soulfly, Queens of the Stoneage and Crazytown, 10

a.m. Wednesday, July 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$50.25. (with donation to Lifebeat Charity. (248) 645-6666

**PEARL JAM:** With Supergrass, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$28. (248) 645-6666

**PLEA FOR PEACE TOUR:** With MU330, Link 80, Alkatraz Trio, 4 p.m. Friday, June 30, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$10. (313) 961-MELT

**POISON:** With Cinderella, Dokken and Slaughter, 6 p.m. Sunday, July 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS:** With Stone Temple Pilots and Fishbone, 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Aug. 7-8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$28.50-\$38.50. (248) 645-6666

**LEANN RIMES:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**GONZALO RUBALCABA:** 8:30 and 11 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Oct. 6-7, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$20. (734) 662-8310

**SMOKEE ROBINSON:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$25. (248) 645-6666

## CLUB CIRCUIT

**ALVIN'S:** 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. 18 and older welcome. (313) 832-2355 or www.alvins.com

**ARBOR BREWING COMPANY:** 114 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 213-1393 or www.arborbrewing.com

**THE ARK:** 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-8587

**ANDIAMO ITALIA WEST:** 6676 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300

**BEALE STREET BLUES:** 8 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. (248) 334-7900

**BIRD OF PARADISE:** 312 Main Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310

**BLIND PIG:** 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$3 in advance, \$5 at the door. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 or www.blindpigmusic.com

**BULLFROG BAR AND GRILL:** 15414 Telegraph, Redford. (313) 533-4477

**CARBON:** Joseph Campau, 15414 Telegraph, Redford. (313) 366-9278

**CAVERN CLUB:** 210 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900

**CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET:** 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older. Saturdays, 18 and older Wednesdays. (248) 333-2362 or www.961melt.com

**COBO ARENA:** 301 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6616

**CONOR O'NEILLS:** 318 S. Main, Ann Arbor. Free live entertainment. (734) 665-2968 or www.conoroneills.com

**COWLEY'S:** 33338 Grand River Avenue, Farmington. (248) 474-5941

**THE DECK AND THE FIVE HOLES:** 2301 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 965-9500

**DETROIT SCIENCE:** 9 p.m.-5 a.m. Thursday-Saturday, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford. Cover \$10 for 21 and over. Cover \$15 for 18-20 year olds. No cover for women on Thursdays. (313) 438-4146 or www.detroitsscience.com

**EDISON'S:** 220 Merrill Street, Birmingham. (248) 645-2450

**ELIE'S:** 263 Pierce Street, Birmingham. (248) 512-2100

**FIFTH AVENUE BILLIARDS:** 215 W. Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

**FLYING FISH TAVERN:** 17600 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747

**FORD ROAD BAR AND GRILL:** 35505 Ford Road, Westland. (734) 721-8609

**FOX THEATRE:** 2211 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 983-6611

**FOX AND HOUNDS:** 15600 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

**GOLD DOLLAR:** 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

**GROOVE ROOM:** 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly. 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or www.thegrooveroom.com

**HILL AUDITORIUM:** 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2538

**JOE LOUIS ARENA:** 600 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6606

**JD'S KEY CLUB:** 1 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 338-7337

**KARL'S CABIN:** 9979 N. Teritorial Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450

**LA BOOM TEEN NIGHTCLUB:** Dance night for teens ages 15-19, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, 1172 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. (248) 926-9960

**LONELY HEARTS CLUB:** 211 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 913-5506

**LEE ROCKER:** Former Stray Cat bassist, Brophy Dale, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$12. (248) 645-6666

**KENNY ROGERS:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**TODD RUNDGREN:** With Leon Russell, 8 p.m. Monday, July 3, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$12.50-\$25.50. (248) 645-6666

**SANTANA:** With Macy Gray, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. Tickets \$25.50 lawn and \$59.50 pavilion. A 50-cent donation per ticket will be given to the Milagro Foundation. (248) 645-6666

**DAVID SEDARIS:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 668-8397

**BRIAN SETZER ORCHESTRA:** With Twistin' Tarantulas, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 1, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**THE SIGHTS:** With The Witches, Outrageous Cherry, 9 p.m. Friday, June 30, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$7. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

**SMALL CRAFT SHOW:** With The

**SUNNY DAY REAL ESTATE:** 8 p.m.



Sunday, July 2, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$15. (248) 645-6666

**SWEATYSUEDELIPS:** With The 19.5 Collective, July 15, The Shelter, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT

**TATTOO THE EARTH - THE ROCK AND INK TOUR:** With Slipknot, Slayer, Sevendust, Sepultura, Coal Chamber, Hed, Nashville Pussy, 1 p.m. Sunday, July 30, Phoenix Plaza, Pontiac. (248) 645-6666

**THIRD EYE BLIND:** With Verticle



Horizon, Splendor 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 19, Pine Knob Music Theatre. \$15-\$27.50

**THE THROAT SINGERS OF TUVA:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 761-1800

**TRAGICALLY HIP:** With Chris Brown, Kate Fenner and Guster, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 15, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**VANS WARPED TOUR:** NOFX, Suicide Machines, Green Day, Jurassic 5, Long Beach Dub, Anisara, MxPx, Millencolin, Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Good Riddance, Flogging Molly, Dilated Peoples, Unwritten Law, Snapcase, Save Ferris, Hot Water Music, Animal Avenue, One Man Army, Arm-Fleg, One Minute Silence, Gob, Nippon, Camp, Beatsteaks, The Line

Buena, Scooter, Trash, The Hippies, Stingrays and Toledo Show plus 100 bands to be announced May 10 in Ann Arbor. July 29, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. All ages. \$27.50. (248) 398-4436 or (248) 645-6666

**VILLAGE PEOPLE:** With the salsa, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**CLAY WALKER:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$17.50-\$27.50

**STEELY DAN:** 8 p.m. Sunday, July 23

**URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON:** 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Giovanni's Cafe, Pontiac. (248) 334-5214

**WIDESPREAD PANIC:** 8:30 p.m. Sunday, July 23, State Theatre, Detroit. \$23. (248) 645-6666

**BRIAN WILSON WITH ORCHESTRA:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 21, Pine Knob Music Theatre. \$15.50-\$29.50

**YES:** With Kansas, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**DWIGHT YOAKAM:** With BR549, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666



Recital, Saturday, July 1, Jacoby's, Detroit. (313) 962-7067

**LAVAY SMITH AND THE RED HOT SKILLY LICKERS:** 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

**PATTY SMITH:** 8 p.m. Thursday, July 6, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$20 advance. (248) 645-6666

**SOLID FROG:** With Friends of Bob, Backyard Superstars, Saturday, July 1, Griff's Grill, Pontiac. (248) 334-9494

**BRITNEY SPEARS:** With LFO, Bosson, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 9, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. Sold Out. 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**RICK SPRINGFIELD:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$17.50-\$27.50

**THE STILL:** 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 29, Karl's Cabin, Plymouth. (734) 465-8470

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CLAUDETTE BARIUS

Drama: George Clooney hangs on in "The Perfect Storm."

# Surviving the 'Storm'

BY VICTORIA DIAZ  
SPECIAL WRITER

In the autumn of 1991, an enormous hurricane named Grace, a cold front from Canada, and a low-pressure system originating off the New England coast slammed into each other in the North Atlantic. Their three-way meteorological dance spawned the fiercest storm in recorded history.

It also spawned a mega-selling book by Sebastian Junger titled *The Perfect Storm*, and, from that, this movie scripted by Bill Wittliff (*Legends of the Fall*).

At the center of the drama is the crew of the Andrea Gail, a swordboat out of Gloucester, Mass. Captain Billy Tyne (George Clooney) hasn't been bringing in the catches lately. The mercenary owner of the Andrea Gail is grumbling big-time, Tyne and his crew desperately need more money than they're making, and (maybe worst of all) his chief competitor, Linda Greenlaw (Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio), is landing the swords right and left.

What's a fellow to do? This fellow decides to move out beyond ordinary fishing territory and head for a spot called the Flemish Cap. Here, fish abound, but it's a risky venture for several reasons, not the least of which is the monster storm bearing down on the little group.

For those of you who have never experienced stormy seas in a fishing boat, this picture most probably will not encourage you to do so. Surely, this is one of the noisiest, wettest films ever made. You may feel as if you

should have brought earplugs and towels along. There is so much special effect lightning that people with photosensitive epilepsy might be well advised to avoid the production, and so much pitching and yawing that folks who tend toward mal de mer maybe should stay away, too.

Clooney seems slightly miscast as the salty captain. It's interesting to see that he's most effective when he's sappy, sloppy wet all over, a condition which appears to afford him the chance to shed his self-conscious, Dr.-Ross-goes-to-sea pose.

Mastrantonio has some of the same problems, coming across most of the time like a pretty performer merely pretending to be a sea captain. Mark Wahlberg as Clooney's feisty second-in-command fares somewhat better.

Still, *The Perfect Storm* is a spectacular story and, though a bit overlong, a compelling film. Director Wolfgang Petersen (*Das Boot*) and cinematographer John Seale (*The English Patient*) bring us aboard and compel us to stay there, mesmerized by the lashing, thrashing, swirling, twirling sheer magnitude of what came to be known as the "Halloween Storm."

Together with production designer William Sandell (*Air Force One*) and the folks at Industrial Light & Magic, they bring us a cinematic experience that is truly remarkable (even though it is not always literally enjoyable).

We also find the story compelling because of the strength of its supporting cast. John C. Reil-

ly plays a flinty-edged crewman with a soft heart. John Hawkes is irresistible as the plucky sailor who finally gets the girl. William Fichtner may set your teeth on edge as an explosive loner with the temperament of an errant blowtorch.

Diane Lane, Cherry Jones, and Rusty Schwimmer are standouts as the women in Gloucester who serve as a loving, but sometimes resentful, support crew.

While most of this drama focuses on the Gloucester fishing boat and the men aboard, we're also shown rescue attempts involving a storm-tossed sailboat somewhere out there in the middle of the mess.

But we know little of the people aboard or of those involved directly in the rescue. At times, we can barely even see them or understand what they say amid all the storm and drang. Confusion reigns and we feel lost at sea in more ways than one regarding this segment. Actually, the segment could possibly make a compelling movie in itself. Here, though, it feels something like a bit of ragged detritus sucked into the dark maelstrom.

The movie opens with a shot of Gloucester harbor, its salty charm enhanced smartly by James Horner's (*Titanic*) score. Later, however, the music lapses into a peculiar kind of overkill. The images in this film are of such power that the swelling score often threatens to take away from, rather than complement, what we are witnessing on the screen.

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## MUSIC

# Brian Setzer ready to play Pine Knob

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
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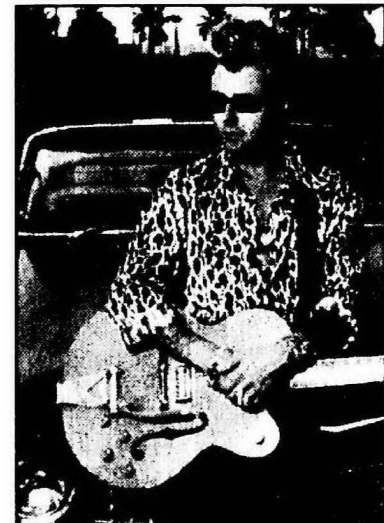
One week before he packs up his big band and heads out on the road, Brian Setzer is taking care of few last-minute details - like packing, getting his clothes dry-cleaned, oh yes, and shooting a video for the Brian Setzer Orchestra's latest single *Gettin' In The Mood*.

The song - inspired by Glenn Miller's classic *In The Mood* - is featured on the band's fourth album *Vavoom*, due in stores Aug. 1. "It's a classic," said Setzer, calling from his Malibu home June 22. "When you say swing, everybody knows it. It's a great song."

It's just what you might expect from the man who did what no one thought possible: revived rock 'n' roll, jump blues, swing and rockabilly by fronting a 16-piece big band with his electric guitar. Eight years and four full-length albums later, he'll complete the video for *Gettin' In The Mood*, which showcases the band in all its glory along with Setzer's other passion, 1930s hot rods. He'll have to leave his beloved Fords behind when he heads Midwest for the start of the tour - which rolls into the Pine Knob Music Theatre Saturday, June 1. Local boys, the Twistin' Tarantulas, will open the show, which is titled *Here I Go Again Draggin' 16 Guys (And A couple Chicks) Around The World Tour*.

With a new album and tour, Setzer promised the band's ready to "bump it up" a notch this time around. By adding background singers on this album and tossing in some "trash talking" hip hop beats and tape loops, *Vavoom* takes another leap to bring the sounds of 1940s swing well into the year 2000.

The challenge this time was not recording a continuation of the band's 1998 double platinum, Grammy-winning third



Brian Setzer

album *The Dirty Boogie*. "It's always a temptation," said Setzer. "You don't want to change your sound, you just want to tweak it a little bit. If there is a criticism about swing it's that it's retro music. It's from the '40s." But there's never a feeling of de-javu with the Brian Setzer Orchestra. No musician before him or since has dared to back a wailing rockabilly guitar with a full orchestra. He's made it work since 1992.

Setzer's been intrigued by big bands since he saw Johnny Carson's talk-show orchestra. "The time the Stray Cats were going to be on he asked if we wanted to use Doc's band. That's what turned the lights on. That's what really started me thinking."

Setzer first rose to fame in the early 1980s as one-third of the rockabilly band, Stray Cats. The band had early success with such top 10 hits as *Rock This Town* and *Raggle In Brighton*. Despite past success, starting over with an orchestra seemed a shaky endeavor in the beginning.

"There's no way this thing should actually work," said Setzer. "I had people tell me there's no way you're going to get 16

guys together' and in the beginning they were working for free."

A major challenge in the beginning was just completing the music charts for the songs. It isn't quite the same as writing a rock tune like *Stray Cats Strut*. "It's like making a puzzle. The sax has to fit in with the trumpets. It's a big job."

Audiences will see it all at Pine Knob - and even be treated to a solo performance by Setzer. "We'll basically be breaking the set down for a couple of songs," he said. He'll do a little rock "Stray Cats-style," he said, as well as a more intimate song with only his guitar to accompany him. Die-hard fans will even be treated to an older Setzer tune *I Won't Stand In Your Way*.

Speaking of changes, the rockabilly and swing-centric music Setzer's known for has come in and out of general popularity. He's seen it through the highs and lows. "You can never predict when things come and go," said Setzer. "I just do what I want and every five years I get lucky. When I started the big band, everyone thought it would flop."

With hits like *Jump, Jive & Wail*, he proved them wrong. This time around, he's got live gems like a rendition of Duke Ellington's *Caravan* and an original called *The Footloose Doll*. He can't wait to try them out on metro-area audiences. "I'm lucky, I've always got an audience," he said. "Especially in Detroit, there's a core audience. I can always play."

"The only problem I have with Pine Knob is I started watching the audience on the lawn playing Frisbee. I lost my place."

*Leave the Frisbee at home and see The Brian Setzer Orchestra with Detroit's own Twistin' Tarantulas, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 1, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. Tickets \$15-\$27.50. Call (248) 377-0100 or (248) 645-6666.*

STREET SCENE

# Sloan kicks off the 12th annual TasteFest in Detroit



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

If Sloan's Jay Ferguson were locked in a room and forced to choose between the shuddering sounds of Limp Bizkit or the squeals of Britney Spears, he'd go for the teen-queen, no question about it.

"I'd take Britney over Limp Bizkit any day," he admits candidly, calling from his Toronto home.

Lucky for us Sloan falls somewhere far from the mass-produced sugar-pop hysteria and it's flipside - rage-infested rap-rock. Yes folks, there still exists a land where an indie break-out band from Halifax, Nova Scotia, can rock out in peace.

That place can't be detected on today's radio airwaves, but that doesn't really bother Ferguson much. He isn't about to chase a music trend he says is bound to fade away. "If you just stick to your own way, you're gonna be safe," he said. "We have to stick with what we do best."

With five albums under their hefty rock and roll belts Sloan is

set to perform 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30 as the first headlining act for the 12th annual Comerica Michigan TasteFest. Fresh from a European tour, the band seems hardly able to take a breath. In a short 18 months, Sloan released three full-length albums.

Rather than rushing out yet another, Ferguson and his cohorts, Chris Murphy, Patrick Pentland and Andrew Scott are taking time and making every song count. They don't expect to release new material until May 2001. But there's plenty out there to tide hungry fans over.

Songs off of Sloan's most recent effort, the alternately rock and dreamy-pop *Between the Bridges*, will be a highlight of the TasteFest performance. Ferguson said the band is always happy to return to the Detroit area. "We play Detroit and Pontiac all the time," he said. "We're always happy to play Michigan. The crowds are quite big in Detroit because it's so close to the Canadian border. It always feels just like playing a Canadian show."

For TasteFest, Sloan will likely gather "bits and pieces" from their past recordings as well as a healthy dose of newer tunes from *Between the Bridges*, an album Ferguson refers to as the band's

most "democratic" so far. Each band member contributed three songs. Since everyone writes the material, Sloan's methods have been criticized as creating a sort of compilation effect. But Ferguson considers it to have a variety of styles. Who doesn't like to mix it up every now and then?

With a concept-like feel that traces a band from its humble beginning through the phases of relationships and life on the road, the album's gems include *The Marquee* and *The Moon and Friendship*.

Already working on new material with longtime engineer and affectionately-dubbed unofficial fifth member, Brendan McGuire, Sloan is working to make a more cohesive effort next time around. And they've got a few tricks up their sleeves.

"We tried to link songs musically," said Ferguson. "The last chord of one song will be the first chord of the next song." The band also experiments with using a melody in one song and mimicking it instrumentally on another track. There's no telling what's to come.

Sloan fans gets your taste buds ready, it's about time for another heaping helping of Sloan. And



RICHARD BELAND

Just like home: Sloan says Detroit audiences are just as welcoming as the band's Canadian fans. Come prove them right as Halifax's pride rocks opening night of TasteFest in Detroit's New Center Area. Sloan (left to right) is Andrew Scott, Chris Murphy, Patrick Pentland and Jay Ferguson.

just think, it's the appetizer to kick off five full days of free music in the motor city.

Don't miss Sloan, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Music Stage.

which will be situated north of West Grand Boulevard and east of Third Street in Detroit's New Center area. For more information, call (248) 373-9522 or check the Web at [www.tastefest.org](http://www.tastefest.org).

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## THE SOUNDS OF TASTEFEST

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Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase

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4:30 p.m. Robert Lowe  
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Prince Pasta Stage

Noon Starlight Drifters  
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5:30 p.m. Civilians  
8 p.m. DJ Cisco

**Tuesday, July 4**

Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Stage  
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5 p.m. Taj Mahal and the Phantom Blues Band

Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase  
1 p.m. Rich K and Brazil

4:30 p.m. Straight Ahead  
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ING OUT

# How to get the most out of food fests

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
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Whether partaking in a taste-fest satisfies your philanthropic urges or your taste buds, most of us want to enjoy these food melanges to their fullest.

That's a tall order at venues like the Comerica Michigan TasteFest, an annual food tasting and entertainment event June 30-July 4 in downtown Detroit's New Center area.

If you're like most patrons, you'll walk away feeling you could have eaten less, or more, or differently.

Is the tummy ever satisfied? Cut yourself some slack, and loosen your belt.

Even those who taste food for a living find having a plan is key to enjoying taste festivals.

"What I try to do is walk around once and see what they've got, then I start testing the food. I don't make a meal out of every place that I go," said Gary Hungerford, CEO of Royal Oak's Silver Spoon Creative Catering, which is serving up Marinated Baby Lamb Chops, BBQ Chicken Calzones, Grand Marnier Chantilly over Fresh Fruit and Tarte Tatin (an upside-down, French caramel apple tart) at the upcoming tastefest.

In its 12th year, the five-day event, which benefits New Center development, boasts participation by more than 30 metropolitan Detroit restaurants.

Each will serve up culinary specialties — Chicken Picatta from Marios in Detroit, BBQ Pork Ribs from Beale Street Blues in Pontiac and Chocolate Fudge Cake Sundaes from Twingo's Cafe in Detroit, just to name a few.

The restaurants will set up shop in booths along West Grand Boulevard, serving taste portions of appetizers, entrees, desserts and side dishes in exchange for Tastefest tickets.

Sounds heavenly, right? Just keep in mind your experience at Comerica TasteFest and similar events will probably be all the more divine, if you have a plan.

**Tactical strategy**

Know the lay of the land, said Bill Roberts, president of the Michigan Restaurant Association and owner of 220, Streetside Seafood and the Beverly Hills

**Banquet on the Boulevard - Tastefest**

**What:** More than 150 delectable dishes from more than 30 metropolitan Detroit restaurants. A variety of beverages including British ales and margaritas will also be available for purchase.

**When:** 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday Monday, June 30-July 3; 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 4

**Where:** West Grand Boulevard between Woodward Avenue and the Lodge Freeway, adjacent to Fisher Building.

**Information:** Call (313) 927-1000 or visit [www.tastefest](http://www.tastefest)

**Cost:** \$5 for nine "taste" tickets (cash only) at ticket booths located throughout the festival. Tickets are not refundable, but any unused tickets benefit New Center Council, Inc. programs. "Taste-sized portions" are priced up to two tickets. Other menu items are priced up to eight tickets.

**Participating restaurants**

- Silver Spoon Creative Catering, Royal Oak
- Olympia Cafe, Allen Park
- Murdick's Mackinac Island Fudge
- Parker's Rib Haus & Soul Food, Romulus
- Aw Shucks, Elk Rapids,
- Ja-da, a barbecue grille, Detroit
- Dave & Busters, Utica
- Ginopolis Restaurant, West Bloomfield
- Hunter House Hamburgers, Detroit
- Sweet Potato Sensations, Detroit
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- Bert's Jazz Market Place, Detroit
- Under the Eagle, Hamtramck
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- Savino Sorbet
- Edy's Dreamery Dip Den
- Twingo's Cafe, Detroit
- Traffic Jam, Detroit
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Grill. "I'm a person who doesn't like to stand in line," said Roberts. "If you're in a huge crowd and you know where you're going, it sometimes helps. ... The other thing is, if there's a layout ahead of time, you might want to plot your course."

When mapping out your route, decide which restaurants and which dishes interest you, advised Roberts, adding he typically heads for establishments with which he's totally unfamiliar, as well as a handful of old favorites.

Consider making your first stop somewhere in the middle of the venue and working your way out, too, as most patrons start sampling at the entrance, he said.

Likewise, moving left, rather

than right, through the event often reduces exposure to crowds, he said. "We tend to flow right because most of us are right-handed, so go left."

**31 flavors**

Sample a few items, then take a break, advised Pascal Paviani, chef and co-owner at Silver Spoon Creative Catering. Don't make the mistake of rushing, he said. "I know that in France it takes three hours to eat a seven-course meal. Time allows you to

digest the food in between each course with a beverage or sorbet.

"Really, to get the most out of the experience, I would just take my time," said Paviani.

Furthermore, consuming sorbet between tastings, especially items with strong flavors, such as lamb, fish, BBQ, Thai food and other spicy cuisine, will enable you to fully experience the offerings, Paviani said.

And, thanks to Waterford's Savino Sorbet, sorbet will be readily available.

"I do love to eat, and especially at those events. You get to try lots of different cuisine," said Savino Sorbet owner Lou DeCillis, who is also a chef trained at the Culinary Institute of America. "But after you taste four or five different items, well, the sorbet really does break up that monotony, and the whole fun of these events is tasting the food."

DeCillis hopes TasteFest patrons will visit his booth not only to cleanse their palettes but also to sample some of his new, innovative sorbet flavors. Tropical rainbow, for instance, is a swirl of raspberry, mango and pina colada.

Sampling and experimenting are all essential to the experience, said DeCillis. And, if you're not willing to physically share your food with others — DeCillis is apt to offer strangers a taste from his own plate, if they're interested — at least share your opinions and feelings about the food.

Tasting food is an age-old social event, he said. "If you think about it, when we were all cave dwellers, the whole experience of eating — it was really a social kind of thing. People really got together around food, so when I go to a tastefest, it's a big party."

**Maximum intake**

Nonetheless, food festivals are also an opportunity — not to mention, excuse — to shamelessly fill up. And, there are several tactics for turning an ordinary tastefest into a pig-out session, said DeCillis.



Good eats: A variety of culinary favorites await visitors to the Comerica TasteFest, held June 30-July 4.

First up, be honest with yourself. If you love food, if you love to eat, don't try telling yourself otherwise. Just go for the gusto.

Better than just doing it, better than merely granting yourself permission to break the rules, plan on pigging out.

Hey, don't eat breakfast.

"I swear, I'm not kidding — I would not eat breakfast," said DeCillis. "I'm not embarrassed to tell you when I go to these events, I think, hey, here's my chance to go to lots of different restaurants in one trip, and I figure I'm going to pig out."

Of course the stomach isn't a bottomless pit, either. So, as Paviani suggested, take your time. And, while you're at it, enjoy the total sensory experience, said DeCillis. Take in the sights and smells. Listen to that steak sizzle over the open flames.

"You gotta smell the aroma and look at the plate," said DeCillis. "That's part of the experience. And that way, by the time I'm stuffed I feel I've had the total experience — the unique, the sublime."

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### FRIDAY



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### SATURDAY



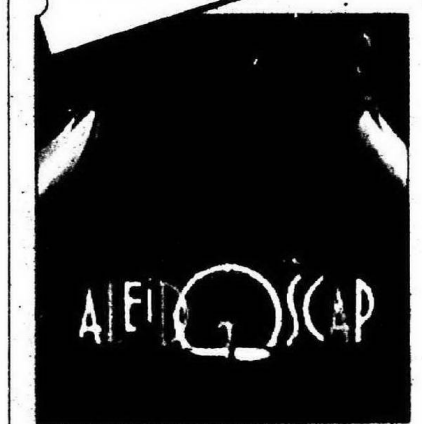
Hop to it. Check out the Detroit Zoo's newest addition - the National Amphibian Conservation Center, open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Zoo admission \$7.50 adults, \$5.50 seniors age 62 and up, students, and children ages 2-12, call (248) 398-0903.

### SUNDAY



George Young presents his one hour long game show where everyone has the opportunity to be a contestant, noon, 1:15 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. during the Westland Summer Festival, (Ford Road and Central City Parkway).

## HOT TICKET



Experience a circus atmosphere at the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey's presentation of Barnum's Kaleidoscape, a European-style, one-ring, tented circus at 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. through July 16 on the greens at the Southfield Civic Center. Tickets are \$20.50-46.50 for adults and \$15.50-46.50 for children ages 2-11. Call (877) 9-BARNUM or (248) 645-6666 for reservations. Visit [www.BarnumsKaleidoscape.com](http://www.BarnumsKaleidoscape.com)

# Salute to America

## The DSO celebrates at Greenfield Village

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People are excited about it. It makes our country proud. We're proud of it. Everyone can have a party. A party that's not only fun, but also educational. Salute to America is a celebration of our nation's history and a chance to be a part of it.

Music is always an important part of a celebration, and this year's Salute to America is no exception. The Detroit Symphony Orchestra (DSO) will perform a special concert at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. The concert will feature a program of music that is both patriotic and popular, and it will be a great opportunity for the public to enjoy a world-class performance. During the concert, we will have a fireworks display that will light up the night sky. It's like an end-of-year party for our city.

The concert will be held on Saturday, July 14, at 8:30 p.m. The program will include works by composers such as Beethoven, Tchaikovsky, and Copland. The DSO is one of the finest orchestras in the world, and it's a pleasure to have them perform in our city.

For more information, visit [www.detroitso.com](http://www.detroitso.com).

Please see **SALUTE, E2**

**Salute to America**  
**What:** Concerts with fireworks featuring the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band at Greenfield Village in Dearborn.  
**When:** Gates open 7 p.m., prelude concert 7:30-8 p.m., DSO begins playing 8:30 p.m., Saturday Tuesday, July 14.  
**Tickets:** \$19 adults, \$10 children ages 5-12, no charge for children age 4 and younger in advance. Tickets purchased on the day of the concert are \$11 adults, \$12 children. Available at Ticketmaster outlets, (248) 645-6666, Orchestra Hall box office, (313) 576-5111, or Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, (313) 982-6180. Tickets can also be purchased online at [www.detroitso.com](http://www.detroitso.com).

**What to bring:**

- Flashlight
- Low beach chair or blanket to sit on
- Insect repellent
- Coolers allowed, but no alcoholic beverages

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## FESTIVAL

# Don't miss good times and tunes at Tastefest

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As much a part of summer in metro area as the grand fireworks display, the 12th annual Comerica Michigan TasteFest is heading our way faster than you can say five days of fine food and free entertainment.

Despite its name, the festival is about much more than treating the tastebuds. Beginning June 30 in Detroit's New Center Area, this year's TasteFest is expected to draw more than 250,000 people, according to Patty LaNoue Stearns, spokeswoman for the event.

"I think it's a wonderful opportunity for our city," she added. "It draws from the suburbs, from the city. This year we'll have just a ten of new events."

### What's new at TasteFest

The Second Avenue Street Market adds a touch of trendy charm with Detroit focused collectibles, art work,



Isaac Hayes

fashion and furniture. "A great collection of avant-garde stores will come together," said Stearns.

Visitors can enjoy a beverage at The Town Pump Tavern tent and then stroll on over to check out Detroit-centric clothing and accessories provided by such stores as Pure Detroit and Dragonfly Boutique of Ferndale.

Hand-made goods will be for sale at Ragdolly Beets and Tulani Rose. For a more personal memento, internationally trained tattoo artist Sandiliva will create temporary tattoos with henna dyes, and the Boston Tea Room will offer psychic readings, tarot and astrology.

What a market would be complete without an art fair. Look for the ceramics and jewelry at The Reddy Gallery or souvenirs of the city's musical past at the Motown Museum store. For a more in-depth look at emerging artists, visit the Stone Gallery & Gallery in the West Exhibit Room of the State of Michigan Building, where 15

metro area artists will show their work and the gallery for details, (313) 244-7091.

Calling all literary buffs: Pure Detroit presents authors Lois Johnson and Margaret Thomas 4 p.m. on Sunday and Monday, July 23 to sign copies of their local interest shopping and cooking guide *Detroit's Eastern Market*. Novelist Michael Zadoorian will sign copies of *See You Here* 10 p.m. Tuesday, July 4.

### A family affair

For the young kids, there will be a look for a story about a polka farm, crafts, face painting, cookie-baking, coloring and other activities geared toward the younger visitors.

Walk over to the Fisher Building parking lot to the State Farm Insurance Kiosk, where performers like Harriet and musicians like Gordon Brown entertain and engage children of all ages.

Please see **TASTEFEST, E2**

## Salute from page E1

Celebrating its eighth year, the patriotic concerts feature the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band, Ford Chorus and 1st Michigan Fife and Drum Corps. Each concert concludes with the *1812 Overture* and a fantastic display of fireworks.

"It's always had a patriotic American theme," said Fischer of the program. "This year we bumped it up a bit. Almost everything on the program was written by an American composer."

As the symphony plays under a star-lit night, you can say *God Bless America*, ponder *America the Beautiful* and salute *The Star Spangled Banner*.

Also on the program is an *Overture to Annie Get Your Gun*, "Mambo," from *West Side Story*, a Motown medley, an armed forces salute and *Shenandoah*.

Emil de Cou, music director of the San Francisco Ballet, will lead the DSO. He's also led a number of family and pops concerts with the Indianapolis, Minnesota, Kennedy, and other orchestras.

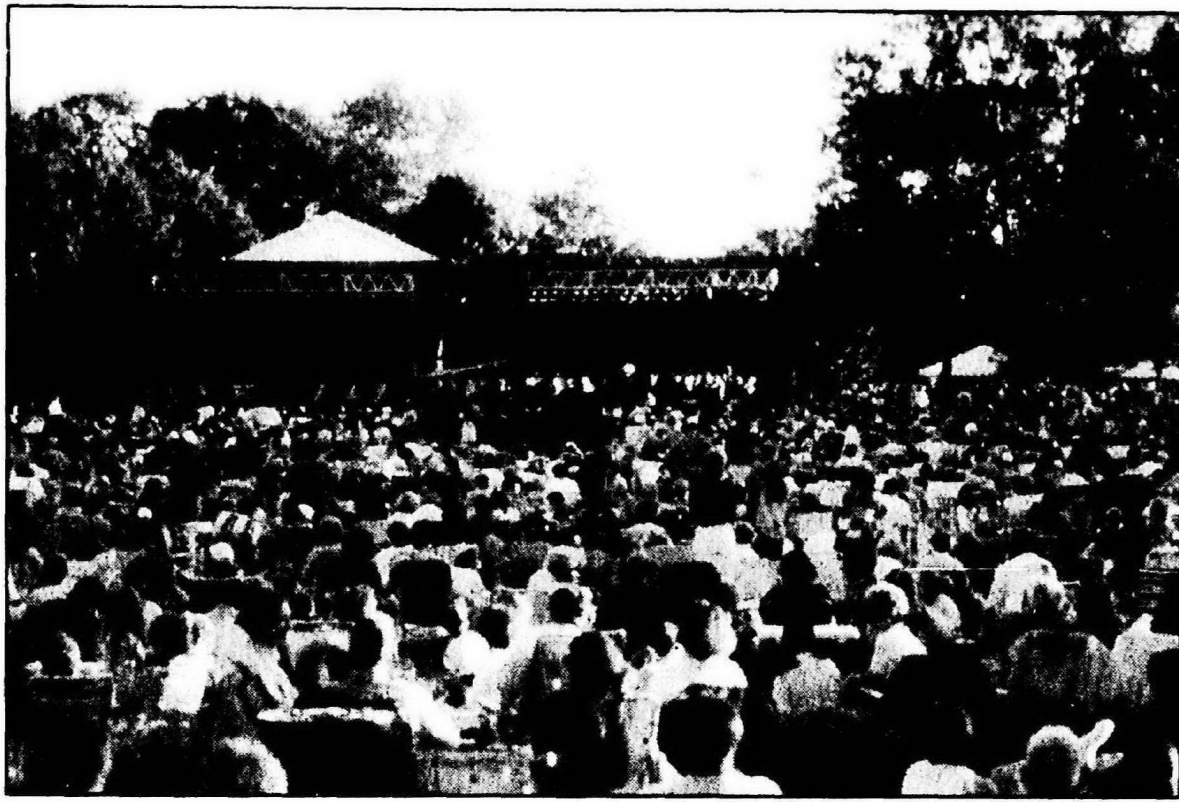
"It's his second visit to Detroit. I'm looking forward to it," said Fischer. De Cou led the DSO in performances of *The Nutcracker* ballet at the Detroit Opera House in 1999.

Even if you've attended "Salute to America" concerts before, Fischer encourages you to put the date on your calendar.

"In previous years the U.S. Army Field Band has performed. This year the Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band are playing," said Fischer. "It's a different kind of music. It's a reason to come back."

The band, a select group of musicians who use their talents to bring the army to the American public, plays a mix of music ranging from the 1930s' swing sound to the popular tunes of today.

The 19-piece ensemble carries the sound of pop, patriotic music, big band tunes, modern jazz and original compositions to every part of the world. Band alumni have gone on to play with some of the best big bands in America including Buddy Rich, Stan Ken-



**Holiday tradition: Families gather on the Village Green to "Salute America" with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.**

ton, Doc Severinson and Woody Herman.

Some of the people listening to the DSO during "Salute to America" will be hearing the orchestra for the first time.

"It's a wonderful way for people to hear us," said Fischer. "Maybe the next time they have the opportunity they'll come hear us play at Orchestra Hall."

### Organizing the event

Jacqui Rohde started working at Greenfield Village 20 years ago scooping ice cream and flipping hamburgers. Now she's catering and sales manager - and project manager for the *Salute to America* concerts.

"We're very proud of this event," she said. "It takes a lot of coordination."

Rohde and her staff spend many long hours making sure everything goes smoothly, and that the village's daily program is not interrupted.

"You have to have reminders everywhere," she said. "When

you purchase your tickets we give you an information sheet."

As you enter Greenfield Village, you'll hear the 1st Michigan Fife & Drum Corps playing. They'll parade to the village green before the concert.

Plan to arrive early to get a good spot on the village green. Gates open at 6 p.m. for the physically handicapped and 7 p.m. for everyone else. Dress comfortably and wear your walking shoes. It's a quarter mile walk from the gate to the green.

The Ford Chorus will present a program of patriotic favorites and tunes from the 1970s and 1980s from 6-7:15 p.m. The Jazz Ambassadors play from 7:30-8 p.m. followed by the symphony at 8:30 p.m.

Costumed presenters will mingle with the audience including the "mayor" of Greenfield Village and Lah-De-Dah Baseball Team players.

### Food

Refreshments, beer, wine and

other beverages, picnic fare and snacks, and specialty cheese, fruit and wine baskets will be offered for sale.

On concert days, Taste of History, a restaurant inside the village near the green, will be open 6-10:15 p.m. The Michigan Cafe, a restaurant inside Henry Ford Museum, will be open 5-7 p.m.

"It's such a family atmosphere," said Rohde. "You can see the excitement in people's faces. When the orchestra plays *1812 Overture*, you can hear a pin drop. It's one of the best crowds we entertain."

Salute to America concerts typically sell-out and draw 7,600-7,800 people per night, so if you're planning to go, get your tickets soon.

Concerts are held rain or shine. This year WJBK Fox 2 will televise the concert on Tuesday, July 4.

You can get a sneak preview by visiting Greenfield Village 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 1. That's when the DSO will be practicing.

## TasteFest from page E1

Barnes & Noble will host a readings and visits from such characters as the *Berenstein Bears* 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturday-Tuesday, July 1-4. For those who can't sit still, Eugene Clark will teach the basics of puppeteering at the *Glove Puppet Workshop* 3-6 p.m. Tuesday, July 4. For a complete list of children's activities check out [www.tastefest.org](http://www.tastefest.org).

### Listen for local music

For many heading down to TasteFest, the main attraction is the music. Along with high-powered headliners like Isaac Hayes, Sloan, Roomful of Blues and 38 Special, the event boasts a total of 75 acts gracing four stages. TasteFest offers the perfect opportunity to check out some of the best local bands around.

Fans of the local rock outfit, Face, won't want to miss sultry vocalist Courtney and her psychedelic-inspired rock crew 3 p.m. Monday, July 3. With the band's solid, self-titled debut in stores now and talk of their energetic live performances spreading throughout metro Detroit, Face is sure to take TasteFest by storm. For bassist Mike B, a Troy native and Royal Oak resident, this year's TasteFest will be a first. "I'm glad I get to play," he said. "It should be a lot of fun. It's just another step toward our ultimate goal, which is world domination."

It's easy to tell Mike B and Face know how to entertain. The 3-year-old band - which also consists of guitarist and Redford resident Mike Smith, and drummer and Livonia resident Steve Firneno - will showcase new songs from their recently released self-titled debut on Gabriel Records. "It's definitely a progression," said Mike B of the new material.

The self-confessed veteran of the Detroit music scene promised "We're gonna do our best to entertain the crowd."

What would a five-day bash be without a little Gangster Fun? Those six ska-bands from me'ro Detroit are at it again, celebrating 14 years of band-hood with a performance 8 p.m. Friday, June 30. Drummer Brian Bewie said the band will be promoting its brand-new album *Graphospasm*, released last

■ **'It is the holiday. Our music is so American.'**

*Chris Casello  
Starlight Drifters*

month. The Pontiac resident considers the festival a "great opportunity to play for a bunch of people." "We always try to put on a grand show," said Bowie. "It's always fun to play outside on a big stage in front of a lot of people."

Listen for new tunes like *Til the Weekend Comes* and *Half Wit*, a couple of Bowie's favorites to perform live. "We're a high-energy ska-reggae band. That's something they haven't had at the festival. We're representing the ska edge of the spectrum."

As for the Starlight Drifters, performing noon on Monday, July 3, this year marks a return to TasteFest. Guitarist Chris Casello of Ann Arbor said the band is the perfect addition to a festival held just before Independence Day.

"It is the holiday," he said. "Our music is so American." He's right. It doesn't get much more American than the melding of country, swing, rockabilly and straight-up rock 'n' roll. As for TasteFest, Casello said, "It's just a really relaxed, great time."

He and bandmates Billy Mac, Dave Roof and Bill Alton - a Livonia resident - are set to kick off a Northwest U.S. tour and will be recording a follow-up to the band's 1999 effort *Every Note A Pearl* in Las Vegas.

Comerica Michigan TasteFest will offer something for everyone. It is sponsored by New Center Council Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to developing the northern district of downtown Detroit. Proceeds benefit the New Center Council Inc. in maintaining the area and are also donated to Fairbanks Elementary School offering programs for impoverished youth.

For more on the event, directions or schedules, check out [www.tastefest.org](http://www.tastefest.org) or call the hotline at (313) 927-1000.

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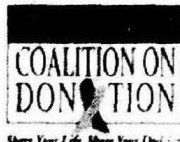
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# Acting out

## Stratford Festival stretches actors' skills

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
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When an actor performs in repertory, he or she has to be prepared to move smoothly from one role to another even if those roles call for completely different thespian skills.

One of the joys of attending the Stratford Festival in Canada is to see actors stretch in many different directions. This year, Graham Abbey makes a strong impression as he moves from the tragedy of *Hamlet*, as the aggrieved Laertes, to the light, quick wit of Oscar Wilde to the dashing swordplay of Alexander Dumas all with equal aplomb.

### 'The Importance of Being Earnest'

Oscar Wilde subtitled his famous play, "A serious comedy for trivial people." The master of the *bon mot* was considered shocking in his day, but his skewering of the upper classes now seems to have gained a moral superiority all its own.

*Earnest* is first and foremost a funny farce that hasn't lost its ability to set an audience laughing at its absurdly smug society twits. This production uses Wilde's rarely performed original four-act version. The play's first producer pared the play to its usual three-act, and the extra exposition doesn't add appreciably.

Still, Stratford artistic director Richard Monette directs with the appropriately light touch and quick pace that Wilde deserves. The sets also suggest an airy, Art Nouveau style.

Two dandies, John (Jack) Worthing and Algernon Montford, each practice what Algernon calls "bunburying," pretending to be someone else or visiting someone else when they want to avoid responsibility at home. This sets up the comic situation when Algernon decides to play some mischief in pursuit of Jack's attractive ward, Cecily. Meanwhile, Jack pursues Algernon's cousin Gwendolen. This is all played out in a London townhouse and a country manor.

Graham Abbey is quick tongued, bright eyed and ingratiating and irritating all in one

### Stratford Theatre

**At the Festival**  
Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, through Nov. 5

Raby's *The Three Musketeers*, through Nov. 4

Stein, Bock and Harnick's *Fiddler on the Roof*, through Nov. 4

Moliere's *Tartuffe*, Aug. 1 to Nov. 3

**At the Avon**  
Shakespeare's *As You Like It*, through Nov. 4

Goodrich and Hackett's *The Diary of Anne Frank*, through Nov. 5

Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*, through Nov. 4

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Patience*, July 11 to Oct. 13

**At the Tom Patterson**  
Shakespeare's *Titus Andronicus*, through Sept. 30

Euripides' *Medea*, through Oct. 1

Findley and Thompson's *Elizabeth Rex*, through Sept. 30

Margulies' *Collected Stories*, July 21 to Sept. 2

Mazur's *Oscar Remembers*, Sept. 8-29

To get to Stratford, take the bridge to Windsor, follow Highway 401 east to Exit 222 (the next exit after Ingersoll), then follow County Road 6 north to Stratford.

For ticket information, call 1-(800)567-1600, or check their Web site at [www.stratford-festival.ca](http://www.stratford-festival.ca).



**Upper crust:** The cast of "The Importance of Being Earnest" (left to right) Claire Jullien, Patricia Collins, Graham Abbey, Domini Blythe, Donald Carrier, Bernard Hopkins and Michelle Giroux.

the innocent Cecily. All's well that ends well, of course, when everyone learns the importance of being earnest.

### 'The Three Musketeers'

Not all theater is about words. Some theater is about sword fights, derring-do, bravado and romance.

All of these burst through in Peter Alexandre Dumas' *The Three Musketeers*. As the opening prologue suggests, this is a perfect introduction to theater for young people, especially boys. A young boy in his pajamas comes on stage with a giant storybook which suddenly comes to life with musketeers, swords aloft pledging, "All for one and one for all."

There are some suggestive scenes and a prologue to an execution but these move quickly.

Raby has pared Dumas' sprawling novel down to focus on young D'Artagnon's quest to become a musketeer against the wicked intrigues of Cardinal Richelieu and Milady de Winter. But the novelistic sweep, multiple characters and plot complications are retained.

Director Richard Monette moves his cast through 41 scenes across northern France and southern England. This sort of cinematic speed is punctuated with stirring fencing scenes.

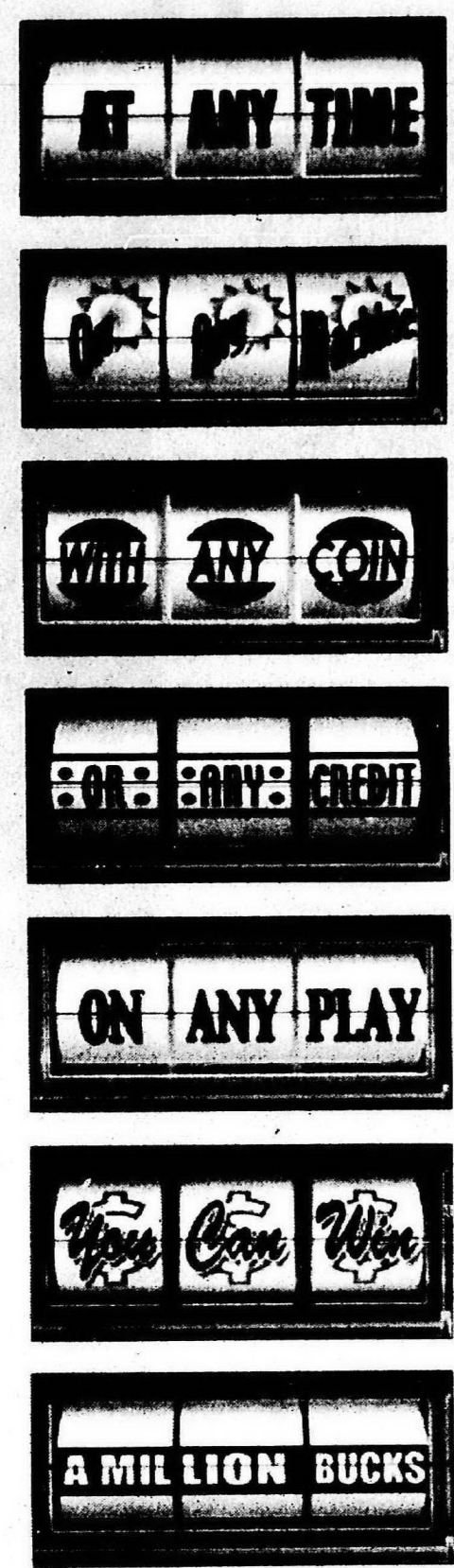
Graham Abbey leaves the effete Algenon behind in his rousing, comic-heroic portrayal as the headstrong, and easily seduced, D'Artagnon, the youth from Gascony who longs to be a musketeer.

The three musketeers of the title, Porthos, Athos and Aramis, are the King's loyal guards who spend most of their time fighting the rival guards of the Cardinal. Benedict Campbell is the most dashing and the most heavy hearted as Aramis. Andy Velasquez is the poetic Aramis and Thom Mariott is the romantic Porthos.

In key roles are Stephen Russell as the politically astute and treacherous Richelieu, Kate Trotter as the sexually provocative spy Lady DeWinter, Claire Jullien as Constance, and Robert King as the grumbling grocer.

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(Sunday, a look at Niagara on the Lake's Shaw Festival.)



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## Westland gets in gear for summer fun

Family fun, that's what the Westland Summer Festival, Thursday, June 29, through Tuesday, July 4, is all about.

The festival will take place at Central City Park and environs, by City Hall, Ford Road and Central City Parkway. Daily features include carnival rides, Vegas and bingo games and music, everything from country and classic rock to polka and top 40. Here's the schedule of events:

#### Thursday, June 29

Rich Eddy's Band (1950s/1960s rock) 7-11 p.m., Main Stage

#### Friday, June 30

Golf Chipping Contest 3-4 p.m., Tot Town  
Horseshoe Pitching 3 p.m.  
Carnival rides 3-11 p.m.  
Jacob Ramig's Polka Band 3-7 p.m., Main Stage  
RPM Band (top 40) 7-11 p.m., Main Stage

#### Saturday, July 1

Parade 10 a.m. to noon  
Car Show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., by the lake  
Carnival rides noon to 11 p.m.  
Horseshoe Pitching 1 p.m.  
Parade awards 1 p.m., Main Stage  
Family Day noon to 7 p.m.  
Children's Picnic 12:30-2 p.m., Tot Town  
A la Mode Barbershop Quartet 1-3 p.m.  
Ice Cream Eating Contest 1-3 p.m., Main Stage  
Josh Graen, country 2-4 p.m., in the park  
Golf Chipping Contest 3-4 p.m., Tot Town  
Pie Eating Contest 4 p.m., Main Stage  
Opie's Dream classic rock 7-11 p.m., Main Stage

#### Sunday, July 2

Free continental breakfast 10:30 a.m. to noon  
Carnival rides noon to 11 p.m.  
Game Show Party noon, 1-15 p.m., 2-30 p.m., 4-30 p.m., 6-30 p.m.  
Horseshoe Pitching Finals 1 p.m.  
Benny and the Jets (oldies and classic rock) 1-5 p.m., Main Stage

#### Golf Chipping Contest Finals

3-4 p.m., Tot Town  
Lonestar Dancers 5-8 p.m., Main Stage  
Young Country Band 7-11 p.m., Main Stage

#### Monday, July 3

Game Show Party noon, 1-15 p.m., 2-30 p.m., 4-30 p.m., 6-30 p.m.  
Siren's Web (modern rock) 7-11 p.m.

#### Tuesday, July 4

Baby and Toddler Contest Finals 10:30 a.m. to noon  
Carnival rides noon to 11 p.m.  
Eclipse (various music) 1-5 p.m.  
Tom's Karaoke 5-9 p.m., Gazebo by the lake  
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## COMMUNITY THEATER

**STAGECRAFTERS 2ND STAGE:** "Forever Plaid," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 30-July 1, and 7 p.m. Sunday, July 2, at the Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak. \$9. (248) 541-6430

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**IN THE PARK:** Steward Francke and Birmingham Songwriter Showcase, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 29, in Shain Park, Birmingham.

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**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Outdoor overtures with fireworks, 8 p.m. Friday, July 7, Beethoven's Pastoral, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 8, with guest artists the Fifth Dimension 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 9, at the Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester. (313) 576-5111/(248) 645-6666

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**HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE:** in Dearborn, open 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:** 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, 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oakland University campus, Rochester. \$8. \$6 seniors. \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY:** Dr. "Wrapped in Pride: Ghanaian Kente and African American Identity," an exhibit exploring the historic, cultural and political significance of kente, continues through July 16, at the museum, Detroit. \$5, \$3 ages 17 and under. (313) 494-5800

**PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM:** New exhibit, "American Vacations & Leisure," continues through August. 7:30 p.m. at the museum, Plymouth. \$3. \$1 students, \$7 family. (734) 455-8940

**ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM:** "Tally My Ace! Sports Memorabilia from the Past" exhibit continues to July 8, 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, at the museum. \$3. \$2 seniors/students. (248) 656-4663

**SPIRIT OF FORD:** "Summer of Racing" continues to Aug. 30, design your own car or build works of art from recycled car parts, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at the hands-on automotive adventure center, Dearborn. \$6. \$5 senior, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 31-SPIRIT

## LIVE MUSIC

**CHRISTINA AGUILERA:** With Destiny's Child, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$38.50-\$25. (248) 645-6666

**ALLMAN BROTHERS:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.35. (248) 645-6666

**LORI AMEY:** Saturday, July 8, Roadrunners Raft, Hamtramck, 21 and over. (313) 873-7238. 8 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Gayle's Chocotates, Royal Oak. Free. (248) 398-0001; 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, The Ark, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 761-1451

**JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS:** 10 p.m. Thursdays. Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-6368

**THE BEACH BOYS:** With Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 29, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**PAT BENATAR:** With Vudu Hippies 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 30, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$22.50. (248) 645-6666

**TONY BENNETT:** With Diana Krall, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$35. (248) 645-6666

**CLINT BLACK:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**BLOWTOP:** With The Muggs, 10:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, Lili's re, Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555; 10 p.m. Sunday, July 2, Cadieux Cafe, Detroit. Free. (313) 882-8560; 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, Rochester Mills Beer Company, Rochester. Free. (248) 650-5080

**BLUES MUSIC FESTIVAL:** With BB King, Buddy Guy, Susan Tedeschi and more, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$35.50. (248) 645-6666

**BROCA'S AREA:** With Remainder, 10 p.m. Friday, June 23, Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. 18 and over. (313) 886-7860

**THE BROTHERS GROOVE:** Mondays, The Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU; 10 p.m. Sunday, July 2, Bo's Brewery, Pontiac. (248) 338-6200

**IAN BROWN:** Of the Stone Roses, June 22, St. Andrews Hall show cancelled.

**RICHARD BUCKNER:** With Lori Amey, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, The Ark, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-1818

**CATHERINE WHEEL:** With Tracy Bonham, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 1, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages \$15 advance. (313) 961-MELT

**CHICAGO:** With Little River Band, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 28, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20.25-\$30.25. (248) 645-6666

**TERRI CLARK:** 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$15-\$30. (248) 645-6666

**JOE COCKER:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666

**HARRY CONNICK JR. AND HIS BIG BAND:** Come By Me Tour, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25.50-\$45.50. (248) 645-6666

**COUNTING CROWS AND LIVE:** With Galactic, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Aug. 2-3, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$23.50-\$46. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

**CREED:** With 3 Doors Down, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 18-19, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25-\$35

**CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVISITED:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**MARSHALL CRENSHAW:** 8 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$17. (248) 544-3030

**D'ANGELO:** With Amel Larneux and Slum Villages, 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, Cnepe Park, Detroit. \$38.73. (248) 645-6666

**DEF LEPPARD:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 29, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$28.50-\$38.50. (248) 645-6666

**DIXIE CHICKS:** 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$32.50-\$39.50. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

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**THE DOOBIE BROTHERS:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50 \$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**DR. DRE, SNOOP DOGG, ICE CUBE, EMINEM AND WARREN G:** Up In Smoke Tour, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$35 \$50.

**GEORGE DUKE:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.50 \$34.50. (248) 645-6666

**DURAN DURAN:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15 \$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**BOB DYLAN:** With Phil Lesh and Friends, 7 p.m. Sunday, July 16, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25 \$43.50. (248) 645-6666

**DYNAMITE HACK:** With Mest, Bowling for Soup, 6 p.m. Friday, June 30, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. \$7. (313) 961-MELT

**KURT ELLING QUARTET:** 8:30 and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 7, 8, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310

**FIGHTING GRAVITY:** With Under Construction, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29, 7th House, Pontiac. All ages. \$7. (248) 335-3540

**JASON FISHER:** With Lisa Gonzales, Friday, June 30 and With Jelly's Pierced Tattoo, Saturday, July 1, Xhedos Cafe, Ferndale. \$5. (248) 399-3946

**FOLK IMPLSION:** 8 p.m. Friday, June 30, 7th House, Pontiac. 18 and older. \$10 advance. (248) 645-6666

**FOREIGNER:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$14.50 \$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**PETER FRAMPTON:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50 \$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**GLENN FREY:** 8 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$42.50. (248) 645-6666

**GIPSY KINGS:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15 \$42.50. (248) 645-6666

**GOOD VIBES TOUR:** Featuring Slum Village, Bahamadia, Cali Agents and Spontaneous, 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 28, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$15 advance. (248) 645-6666

**COLE GUERRA:** With Lori Amey, Saturday, July 15, 7th House, Pontiac. (248) 335-3540

**SCOTT HENDERSON:** 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$16. (248) 544-3030

**DAN HICKS AND THE ACOUSTIC WARRIORS:** 8 p.m. Sunday, July 30, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

**INSIDE 30 MINUTES:** With Small Brown Bike, Quixote, 10 p.m. Friday, June 30, Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. 18 and over. (313) 886-7860

**JO NAB:** 5 p.m. Friday, June 30, The Deck, Detroit. (313) 965-9500

**STANLEY JORDAN:** 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$17. (248) 544-3030

**THE JUDDS:** With Lee Roy Parnell, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20 \$39.50. (248) 645-6666

**MARVIN KAHN AND KEITH VRELAND:** 7 p.m. Thursday, Le Metro, Southfield. (248) 353-2757 ( jazz duo)

**KID ROCK:** With Twisted Brown Trucker, featuring Joe C. and Uncle Kracker, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Aug. 31, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$29.50 \$36. (248) 645-6666

**KISS:** Farewell Tour featuring Ted Nugent, Skid Row, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, Breslin Student Events Center, East Lansing. \$45. (800) 968-BRES

**KORN:** With Powerman 5000, Papa Roach, Sunday, Aug. 20, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$34.50. (248) 645-6666

**ALISON KRAUSS & UNION STATION:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$12.50 \$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**KD LANG:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$21 \$36. (248) 645-6666

**LEFTOVER SALMON:** 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, The Majestic, Detroit. \$15. (313) 833-9700

**ADRIAN LEGG:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 761-1800

**HUEY LEWIS AND THE NEWS:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 3, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50 \$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**LONESTAR:** With Rascal Flatts, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$15.50 \$32.50. (248) 645-6666

**DJ MARK E.P. OF PARADISE:** 10 p.m. Wednesday, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434

**PJ MARQUIS:** 9 p.m. Thursday, Detroit Science, "The Lab," 18 and older. \$10 \$15 cover. Ladies free. (313) 438-4146

**RICKY MARTIN:** 8 p.m. Friday, June 30, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$45.85. (248) 645-6666

**DAVE MATTHEWS BAND:** With Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, Comerica Park, Detroit. \$46.50. (248) 645-6666 or (313) 983-6611

**MARTINA MCBRIDE:** With Chris Zito, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 1, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$22.50 \$33.50. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

**MAZE:** With Gerald Levert, K-Ci and Jo Jo and Kevin Edwards, Time 7 p.m., Sunday, July 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25.25 \$47.75. (248) 645-6666

**MB2:** 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 28, Family Fun Day, Berkley. (248) 546-2450; 8 p.m. Friday, July 7, Tray Civic Center, Aquatic Center, Troy. (248) 680-7224; 1 p.m. Thursday, July 20, Shark Park, Birmingham. (248) 644-5832

**MICHAEL McDONALD:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50 \$24.50. (248) 645-6666

**BILLY McLAUGHLIN:** 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$10. (248) 544-3030

**NATALIE MERCHANT:** With Wade, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$20 \$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**THE MILLIONAIRES:** I.D. Release Party, 8 p.m. Sunday, June 25, Magic Bag, Ferndale. Free. (248) 544-3030

**MISSING PERSONS:** With Frank of Seagulls, Wong Chung, Gene Lyons, Jazzybel, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$10 \$15. (248) 645-6666

**MONTREUX FESTIVAL:** Featuring Al Jarreau, Roberta Flack, David Sanborn, Joe Satriani, George Duke, Monday, Aug. 21, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.50 \$41.50. (248) 645-6666

**MOTLEY CRUE:** With Megadeth and Anthrax, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15 \$35. (248) 645-6666

**THE MOODY BLUES:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50 \$29.50

**NICKELODEON'S ALL THAT TOUR:** With Ifo, Bewitch'd and Blaque, Sunday, Aug. 6, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.50 \$28.50. (248) 645-6666

**NOBODY'S BUSINESS:** Hosts Rockabilly Jam Sessions, Thursdays at The New Way Bar, Ferndale. (248) 541-9870

**NO DOUBT:** With Lit, Black Eyed Peas, 5:30 p.m. Monday, July 3, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. \$26.50. (248) 335-9497

**N'SYNC:** No Strings Attached Tour, Tuesday, July 18, Pontiac Silverdome. \$49.75. (248) 645-6666

**OVER THE RHINE:** 8:30 p.m. Sunday, July 23, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$12. (734) 761-1800

**OVERTHROW:** With Red Tree, Friday, June 31, Griff's Grill, Pontiac. (248) 334-9494

**OZZFEST 2000:** Featuring Ozzy Osbourne, Pantera, Godsmack, Static X, Incubus, Methods of Mayhem, POD, Soulfly, Queens of the Stoneage and Crazytown, 10

a.m. Wednesday, July 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$50.25. (with donation to Lifebeat Charity. (248) 645-6666

**PEARL JAM:** With Supergrass, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$28. (248) 645-6666

**PLEA FOR PEACE TOUR:** With MU330, Link 80, Alkatraz Trio, 4 p.m. Friday, June 30, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$10. (313) 961-MELT

**POISON:** With Cinderella, Dokken and Slaughter, 6 p.m. Sunday, July 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15 \$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS:** With Stone Temple Pilots and Fishbone, 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Aug. 7-8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$28.50 \$38.50. (248) 645-6666

**LEANN RIMES:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50 \$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**GONZALO RUBALCABA:** 8:30 and 11 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Oct. 6-7, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$20. (734) 662-8310

**SMOKEE ROBINSON:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15 \$25. (248) 645-6666

## CLUB CIRCUIT

**ALVIN'S:** 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. 18 and older welcome. (313) 832-2355 or www.alvins.com

**ARBOR BREWING COMPANY:** 114 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 213-1393 or www.arborbrewing.com

**THE ARK:** 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-8587

**ANDIAMO ITALIA WEST:** 6676 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300

**BEALE STREET BLUES:** 8 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. (248) 334-7900

**BIRD OF PARADISE:** 312 Main Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310

**BLIND PIG:** 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$3 in advance, \$5 at the door. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 or www.blindpigmusic.com

**BULLFROG BAR AND GRILL:** 15414 Telegraph, Redford. (313) 533-4477

**CARBON:** Joseph Campau, 15414 Telegraph, Redford. (313) 366-9278

**CAVERN CLUB:** 210 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900

**CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET:** 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older. Saturdays. 18 and older Wednesdays. (248) 333-2362 or www.961melt.com

**COBO ARENA:** 301 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6616

**CONOR O'NEILLS:** 318 S. Main, Ann Arbor. Free live entertainment. (734) 665-2968 or www.conoroneills.com

**COWLEY'S:** 33338 Grand River Avenue, Farmington. (248) 474-5941

**THE DECK AND THE FIVE HOLES:** 2301 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 965-9500

**DETROIT SCIENCE:** 9 p.m. 5 a.m. Thursday-Saturday, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford. Cover \$10 for 21 and over. Cover \$15 for 18-20 year olds. No cover for women on Thursdays. (313) 438-4146 or www.detroitsscience.com

**EDISON'S:** 220 Merrill Street, Birmingham. (248) 645-2450

**ELIE'S:** 263 Pierce Street, Birmingham. (248) 647-2210

**FIFTH AVENUE BILLIARDS:** 215 W. Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

**FLYING FISH TAVERN:** 17600 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747

**FORD ROAD BAR AND GRILL:** 35505 Ford Road, Westland. (734) 721-8609

**FOX THEATRE:** 2211 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 983-6611

**FOX AND HOUNDS:** 15600 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

**GOLD DOLLAR:** 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

**GROOVE ROOM:** 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly. 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or www.thegrooveroom.com

**HILL AUDITORIUM:** 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2538

**JOE LOUIS ARENA:** 600 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6606

**JD'S KEY CLUB:** 1 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 338-7337

**KARL'S CABIN:** 9979 N. Teritorial Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450

**LA BOOM TEEN NIGHTCLUB:** Dance night for teens ages 15-19, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, 1172 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. (248) 926-9960

**LONELY HEARTS CLUB:** 211 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 913-5506

**LOWERTOWN GRILL:** 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. (734) 451-1213

**MAGIC BAG:** 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030

**MAINSTREET BILLIARDS AND THE ALLEY:** Main Street, Rochester. (248) 652-8441

**MAJESTIC THEATRE, CAFE AND MAGIC STICK:** (313) 833-9700

**MEADOWBROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL:** On the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. (248) 377-0100

**MEMPHIS SMOKE:** 100 S. Main Street, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300

**MICHIGAN THEATRE:** 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 668-8397

**MOTOR LOUNGE:** 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 396-0080 or www.motorlounge.com

**MR. B'S FARM:** 24555 Novi Road, Novi. (248) 349-7038

**MUSIC MENU:** 511 Monroe, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU

**THE PALACE:** 2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills. (248) 377-0100 or www.palacenet.com

**PHOENIX PLAZA AMPHITHEATRE:** 10 N. Water Street, Pontiac

**PINE KNOB MUSIC THEATRE:** 175 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

**PURE BAR ROOM:** 1500 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 21 and older. Cover charge. Friday-Saturday. (313) 471-PURE

**ROCHESTER MILLS BEER COMPANY:** 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080

**THE ROOKIE SPORTS CAFE:** 3632 Elizabeth, Wayne. (734) 729-7337

**ROYAL OAK MUSIC THEATRE:** 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. (248) 546-7610

**THE SCARAB CLUB:** 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 831-1250

**ST. ANDREW'S THE SHELTER:** 431 E. Congress, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**7TH HOUSE:** 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 335-3540

**STATE THEATRE AND STATE BAR:** 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and over. (313) 961-5451 or www.statetheatre.com

**24 KARAT CLUB:** 28949 Joy, Westland. 21 and older. (734) 513-5030

**313 JAC:** ( upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush Street, (313) 962-7067

**TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE:** 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Discount for members. (734) 464-6302

**U.S. 12 BAR AND GRILL-WAYNE BREWERY:** 34824 Michigan Ave., West. Wayne. (734) 722-7639

**VELVET LOUNGE:** 29 S. Saginaw St., Pontiac. (248) 334-7411

**VILLAGE BAR AND GRILL/BEENY'S CUE & BREW:** 35234 Michigan Ave., West. Wayne. (734) 729-2360

**WAGON WHEEL TAVERN:** 102 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. (248) 693-6789

**WOODRUFF'S SUPPER CLUB:** 212 W. Sixth Street, Royal Oak. (248) 586-1519

**XHEDOS CAFE:** Sister Otis performs 8:10 p.m. Sundays at the club, 240 West Nine Mile, Ferndale. All ages. Free. (248) 399-9498

**ZIM'S IRISH TAVERN:** 1350 Capeer Road, Oxford. (248) 969-9467

**LEE ROCKER:** Former Stray Cat bassist, Brophy Dale, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$12. (248) 645-6666

**KENNY ROGERS:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50 \$29.50. (248) 645-6666

**TODD RUNDGREN:** With Leon Russell, 8 p.m. Monday, July 3, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$12.50 \$25.50. (248) 645-6666

**SANTANA:** With Macy Gray, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. Tickets \$25.50 lawn and \$59.50 pavilion. A 50-cent donation per ticket will be given to the Milagro Foundation. (248) 645-6666

**DAVID SEDARIS:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 668-8397

**BRIAN SETZER ORCHESTRA:** With Twistin' Tarantulas, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 1, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15 \$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**THE SIGHTS:** With The Witches, Outrageous Cherry, 9 p.m. Friday, June 30, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$7. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

**SMALL CRAFT SHOW:** With The

**SUNNY DAY REAL ESTATE:** 8 p.m.

Pontiac. All ages. \$15. (248) 645-6666

**SWEATYSUEDELIPS:** With The 19.5 Collective, July 15, The Shelter, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT

**TATTOO THE EARTH - THE ROCK AND INK TOUR:** With Slipknot, Slayer, Sevendust, Sepultura, Coal Chamber, Hed, Nashville Pussy, 1 p.m. Sunday, July 30, Phoenix Plaza, Pontiac. (248) 645-6666

**THIRD EYE BLIND:** With Verticle

Horizon, Splendor 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 19, Pine Knob Music Theatre. \$15 \$27.50

**THE THROAT SINGERS OF TUVA:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 761-1800

**TRAGICALLY HIP:** With Chris Brown, Kate Fenner and Guster, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 15, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20 \$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**VANS WARPED TOUR:** NOFX, Suicide Machines, Green Day, Jurassic 5, Long Beach Dub Allstars, MxPx, Millencolin, Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Good Riddance, Flogging Molly, Dilated Peoples, Unwritten Law, Snapcase, Save Ferris, Hot Water Music, Animal Aid, One Man Army, Arm-Fleg, One Minute Silence, Gob, Nippon, Camp, Beatsteaks, The Line

Buena, Scooter Trash, The Hippies, Stingrays and Toledo Show plus local bands to be announced. Max 10 p.m. Sunday, July 23, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. All ages. \$27.50. (248) 398-4436 or (248) 645-6666

**VILLAGE PEOPLE:** With the salsa, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15 \$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**CLAY WALKER:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$17.50 \$27.50

**STEELY DAN:** 8 p.m. Sunday, July 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15 \$25. (248) 645-66



Drama: George Clooney hangs on in "The Perfect Storm."

# Surviving the 'Storm'

BY VICTORIA DIAZ  
SPECIAL WRITER

In the autumn of 1991, an enormous hurricane named Grace, a cold front from Canada, and a low-pressure system originating off the New England coast slammed into each other in the North Atlantic. Their three-way meteorological dance spawned the fiercest storm in recorded history.

It also spawned a mega-selling book by Sebastian Junger titled *The Perfect Storm*, and, from that, this movie scripted by Bill Wittliff (*Legends of the Fall*).

At the center of the drama is the crew of the Andrea Gail, a swordboat out of Gloucester, Mass. Captain Billy Tyne (George Clooney) hasn't been bringing in the catches lately. The mercenary owner of the Andrea Gail is grumbling big-time, Tyne and his crew desperately need more money than they're making, and (maybe worst of all) his chief competitor, Linda Greenlaw (Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio), is landing the swords right and left.

What's a fellow to do? This fellow decides to move out beyond ordinary fishing territory and head for a spot called the Flemish Cap. Here, fish abound, but it's a risky venture for several reasons, not the least of which is the monster storm bearing down on the little group.

For those of you who have never experienced stormy seas in a fishing boat, this picture most probably will not encourage you to do so. Surely, this is one of the noisiest, wettest films ever made. You may feel as if you

should have brought earplugs and towels along. There is so much special effect lightning that people with photosensitive epilepsy might be well advised to avoid the production, and so much pitching and yawing that folks who tend toward mal de mer maybe should stay away, too.

Clooney seems slightly miscast as the salty captain. It's interesting to see that he's most effective when he's sappy, sloppy wet all over, a condition which appears to afford him the chance to shed his self-conscious, Dr.-Ross-goes-to-sea pose.

Mastrantonio has some of the same problems, coming across most of the time like a pretty performer merely pretending to be a sea captain. Mark Wahlberg as Clooney's feisty second-in-command fares somewhat better.

Still, *The Perfect Storm* is a spectacular story and, though a bit overlong, a compelling film. Director Wolfgang Petersen (*Das Boot*) and cinematographer John Seale (*The English Patient*) bring us aboard and compel us to stay there, mesmerized by the lashing, thrashing, swirling, twirling sheer magnitude of what came to be known as the "Halloween Storm."

Together with production designer William Sandell (*Air Force One*) and the folks at Industrial Light & Magic, they bring us a cinematic experience that is truly remarkable (even though it is not always literally enjoyable).

We also find the story compelling because of the strength of its supporting cast. John C. Reil-

ly plays a flinty-edged crewman with a soft heart. John Hawkes is irresistible as the plucky sailor who finally gets the girl. William Fichtner may set your teeth on edge as an explosive loner with the temperament of an errant blowtorch.

Diane Lane, Cherry Jones, and Rusty Schwimmer are standouts as the women in Gloucester who serve as a loving, but sometimes resentful, support crew.

While most of this drama focuses on the Gloucester fishing boat and the men aboard, we're also shown rescue attempts involving a storm-tossed sailboat somewhere out there in the middle of the mess.

But we know little of the people aboard or of those involved directly in the rescue. At times, we can barely even see them or understand what they say amid all the storm und drang. Confusion reigns and we feel lost at sea in more ways than one regarding this segment. Actually, the segment could possibly make a compelling movie in itself. Here, though, it feels something like a bit of ragged detritus sucked into the dark maelstrom.

The movie opens with a shot of Gloucester harbor, its salty charm enhanced smartly by James Horner's (*Titanic*) score. Later, however, the music lapses into a peculiar kind of overkill. The images in this film are of such power that the swelling score often threatens to take away from, rather than complement, what we are witnessing on the screen.

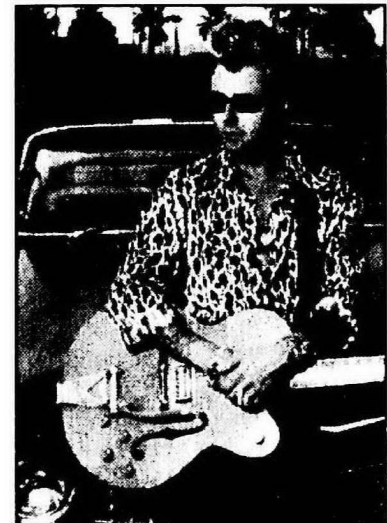
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**Scheduled to open Friday, June 30**  
**THE PERFECT STORM**  
Drama based on the true story about a disastrous storm at sea and its consequences to the ships and crews in its path. Stars George Clooney, Mark Wahlberg, Diane Lane.  
**BUTTERFLY**  
Exclusively at the Landmark Maple Art Theatre. Set against the backdrop of

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**ADVENTURES OF ROCKY AND BULLWINKLE**  
Boris and Natasha return in this live-action/animated comedy where only Rocky and Bullwinkle stand in the way of their diabolical plot to take over the

world.  
**Scheduled to open Friday, July 7**  
**SCARY MOVIE**  
New comedy guaranteed to shock from the folks who brought you *Tin Living Color*, and *Don't Be a Menace to Society While Drinking Your Juice in the Hood*. Stars Carmen Electra, Shannon Elizabeth, Marion Wayans and Shawn Wayans. Directed by Keenen Ivory Wayans.

**MUSIC**  
**Brian Setzer ready to play Pine Knob**  
BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
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One week before he packs up his big band and heads out on the road, Brian Setzer is taking care of few last-minute details — like packing, getting his clothes dry-cleaned, oh yes, and shooting a video for the Brian Setzer Orchestra's latest single *Gettin' In The Mood*.



Brian Setzer

The song — inspired by Glenn Miller's classic *In The Mood* — is featured on the band's fourth album *Vavoom*, due in stores Aug. 1. "It's a classic," said Setzer, calling from his Malibu home June 22. "When you say swing, everybody knows it. It's a great song."

It's just what you might expect from the man who did what no one thought possible: revived rock 'n' roll, jump blues, swing and rockabilly by fronting a 16-piece big band with his electric guitar. Eight years and four full-length albums later, he'll complete the video for *Gettin' In The Mood*, which showcases the band in all its glory along with Setzer's other passion, 1930s hot rods. He'll have to leave his beloved Fords behind when he heads Midwest for the start of the tour — which rolls into the Pine Knob Music Theatre Saturday, June 1. Local boys, the Twistin' Tarantulas, will open the show, which is titled *Here I Go Again Draggin' 16 Guys (And A couple Chicks) Around The World Tour*.

With a new album and tour, Setzer promised the band's ready to "bump it up" a notch this time around. By adding background singers on this album and tossing in some "trash talking" hip hop beats and tape loops, *Vavoom* takes another leap to bring the sounds of 1940s swing well into the year 2000.

album *The Dirty Boogie*. "It's always a temptation," said Setzer. "You don't want to change your sound, you just want to tweak it a little bit. If there is a criticism about swing it's that it's retro music. It's from the '40s." But there's never a feeling of de-ja-vu with the Brian Setzer Orchestra. No musician before him or since has dared to back a wailing rockabilly guitar with a full orchestra. He's made it work since 1992.

Setzer's been intrigued by big bands since he saw Johnny Carson's talk-show orchestra. "The time the Stray Cats were going to be on he asked if we wanted to use Doc's band. That's what turned the lights on. That's what really started me thinking."

Setzer first rose to fame in the early 1980s as one-third of the rockabilly band, Stray Cats. The band had early success with such top 10 hits as *Rock This Town* and *Raggle In Brighton*. Despite past success, starting over with an orchestra seemed a shaky endeavor in the beginning.

"There's no way this thing should actually work," said Setzer. "I had people tell me there's no way you're going to get 16

guys together' and in the beginning they were working for free."

A major challenge in the beginning was just completing the music charts for the songs. It isn't quite the same as writing a rock tune like *Stray Cats Strut*. "It's like making a puzzle. The sax has to fit in with the trumpets. It's a big job."

Audiences will see it all at Pine Knob — and even be treated to a solo performance by Setzer. "We'll basically be breaking the set down for a couple of songs," he said. He'll do a little rock "Stray Cats-style," he said, as well as a more intimate song with only his guitar to accompany him. Die-hard fans will even be treated to an older Setzer tune *I Won't Stand In Your Way*.

Speaking of changes, the rockabilly and swing-centric music Setzer's known for has come in and out of general popularity. He's seen it through the highs and lows. "You can never predict when things come and go," said Setzer. "I just do what I want and every five years I get lucky. When I started the big band, everyone thought it would flop."

With hits like *Jump, Jive & Wail*, he proved them wrong. This time around, he's got live gems like a rendition of Duke Ellington's *Caravan* and an original called *The Footloose Doll*. He can't wait to try them out on metro-area audiences. "I'm lucky, I've always got an audience," he said. "Especially in Detroit, there's a core audience. I can always play."

"The only problem I have with Pine Knob is I started watching the audience on the lawn playing Frisbee. I lost my place."

*Leave the Frisbee at home and see The Brian Setzer Orchestra with Detroit's own Twistin' Tarantulas, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 1, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. Tickets \$15-\$27.50. call (248) 377-0100 or (248) 645-6666.*

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STREET SCENE

# Sloan kicks off the 12th annual TasteFest in Detroit



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

If Sloan's Jay Ferguson were locked in a room and forced to choose between the shuddering sounds of Limp Bizkit or the squeals of Britney Spears, he'd go for the teen-queen, no question about it.

"I'd take Britney over Limp Bizkit any day," he admits candidly, calling from his Toronto home.

Lucky for us Sloan falls somewhere far from the mass-produced sugar-pop hysteria and it's flipside - rage-infested rap-rock. Yes folks, there still exists a land where an indie break-out band from Halifax, Nova Scotia, can rock out in peace.

That place can't be detected on today's radio airwaves, but that doesn't really bother Ferguson much. He isn't about to chase a music trend he says is bound to fade away. "If you just stick to your own way, you're gonna be safe," he said. "We have to stick with what we do best."

With five albums under their hefty rock and roll belts Sloan is

set to perform 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30 as the first headlining act for the 12th annual Comerica Michigan TasteFest. Fresh from a European tour, the band seems hardly able to take a breath. In a short 18 months, Sloan released three full-length albums.

Rather than rushing out yet another, Ferguson and his cohorts, Chris Murphy, Patrick Pentland and Andrew Scott are taking time and making every song count. They don't expect to release new material until May 2001. But there's plenty out there to tide hungry fans over.

Songs off of Sloan's most recent effort, the alternately rock and dreamy-pop *Between the Bridges*, will be a highlight of the TasteFest performance. Ferguson said the band is always happy to return to the Detroit area. "We play Detroit and Pontiac all the time," he said. "We're always happy to play Michigan. The crowds are quite big in Detroit because it's so close to the Canadian border. It always feels just like playing a Canadian show."

For TasteFest, Sloan will likely gather "bits and pieces" from their past recordings as well as a healthy dose of newer tunes from *Between the Bridges*, an album Ferguson refers to as the band's

most "democratic" so far. Each band member contributed three songs. Since everyone writes the material, Sloan's methods have been criticized as creating a sort of compilation effect. But Ferguson considers it to have a variety of styles. Who doesn't like to mix it up every now and then?

With a concept-like feel that traces a band from its humble beginning through the phases of relationships and life on the road, the album's gems include *The Marquee* and *The Moon and Friendship*.

Already working on new material with longtime engineer and affectionately-dubbed unofficial fifth member, Brendan McGuire, Sloan is working to make a more cohesive effort next time around. And they've got a few tricks up their sleeves.

"We tried to link songs musically," said Ferguson. "The last chord of one song will be the first chord of the next song." The band also experiments with using a melody in one song and mimicking it instrumentally on another track. There's no telling what's to come.

Sloan fans gets your taste buds ready, it's about time for another heaping helping of Sloan. And



RICHARD BELAND

Just like home: Sloan says Detroit audiences are just as welcoming as the band's Canadian fans. Come prove them right as Halifax's pride rocks opening night of TasteFest in Detroit's New Center Area. Sloan (left to right) is Andrew Scott, Chris Murphy, Patrick Pentland and Jay Ferguson.

just think, it's the appetizer to kick off five full days of free music in the motor city.

Don't miss Sloan, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Music Stage.

which will be situated north of West Grand Boulevard and east of Third Street in Detroit's New Center area. For more information, call (248) 373-9522 or check the Web at [www.tastefest.org](http://www.tastefest.org).

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## THE SOUNDS OF TASTEFEST

Follow your ears to the beats of rock, jazz, blues and funk at this year's Comerica Michigan TasteFest. For star quality seek out the Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Stage located in the Fisher Building parking lot, just north of West Grand Boulevard. For the best in smoking local jazz turn down Cass Avenue and West Grand Boulevard for the Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase. To check out the best local bands offering everything from ska to mod and electronic music, hit the Prince Pasta Stage at New Center Park, across from the Fisher Building.

**Friday, June 30**  
Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Stage  
7:30 p.m. Sloan

Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase  
4:30 p.m. Marvin Jones Trio  
7 and 8:30 p.m. Johnny Rodriguez and the Fiery Latin Jazz

Prince Pasta Stage  
5:30 p.m. Funktelligence  
8 p.m. Gangster Fun



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**Saturday, July 1**

Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Stage  
3 p.m. Sonia Dada  
7 p.m. 38 Special

Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase  
Noon Sisters in Jazz  
2 p.m. Ursula Walker and Buddy Budson  
4:30 p.m. Dave McMurray  
7 and 8:30 p.m. David Myles and Mylestones

Prince Pasta Stage  
3 p.m. Immunity

5:30 p.m. The Numbers  
8 p.m. DJ Shortround

**Sunday, July 2**

Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Stage  
3 p.m. Roomful of Blues  
7 p.m. Norman Brown

Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase  
Noon Vincent York's Jr. New York Force  
2 p.m. Ange Smith with The Charles Boles Quartet  
4:30 p.m. Paul Abler  
7 and 8:30 p.m. Modern Tribe

Prince Pasta Stage  
Noon Stunning Amazon  
3 p.m. The Brothers Groove  
5:30 p.m. The Volcanos

**Monday, July 3**

Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Stage  
3 p.m. Boozoo Chavis and the Magic Sounds  
7 p.m. Isaac Hayes

Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase

Noon Loba  
2 p.m. Schunk - Star Dryden  
4:30 p.m. Robert Lowe  
7 and 8:30 p.m. Kimmie Horn Show

Prince Pasta Stage

Noon Starlight Drifters  
3 p.m. Face  
5:30 p.m. Civilians  
8 p.m. DJ Cisco

**Tuesday, July 4**

Malibu Rum Loud and Clear Stage  
2 p.m. Polyester  
5 p.m. Taj Mahal and the Phantom Blues Band

Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase  
1 p.m. Rich K and Brazil

4:30 p.m. Straight Ahead  
6 p.m. Tim Bowman  
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ING OUT

# How to get the most out of food fests

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Whether partaking in a taste-fest satisfies your philanthropic urges or your taste buds, most of us want to enjoy these food melanges to their fullest.

That's a tall order at venues like the Comerica Michigan TasteFest, an annual food tasting and entertainment event June 30-July 4 in downtown Detroit's New Center area.

If you're like most patrons, you'll walk away feeling you could have eaten less, or more, or differently.

Is the tummy ever satisfied? Cut yourself some slack, and loosen your belt.

Even those who taste food for a living find having a plan is key to enjoying taste festivals.

"What I try to do is walk around once and see what they've got, then I start testing the food. I don't make a meal out of every place that I go," said Gary Hungerford, CEO of Royal Oak's Silver Spoon Creative Catering, which is serving up Marinated Baby Lamb Chops, BBQ Chicken Calzones, Grand Marnier Chantilly over Fresh Fruit and Tarte Tatin (an upside-down, French caramel apple tart) at the upcoming tastefest.

In its 12th year, the five-day event, which benefits New Center development, boasts participation by more than 30 metropolitan Detroit restaurants.

Each will serve up culinary specialties — Chicken Picatta from Marios in Detroit, BBQ Pork Ribs from Beale Street Blues in Pontiac and Chocolate Fudge Cake Sundaes from Twingo's Cafe in Detroit, just to name a few.

The restaurants will set up shop in booths along West Grand Boulevard, serving taste portions of appetizers, entrees, desserts and side dishes in exchange for Tastefest tickets.

Sounds heavenly, right? Just keep in mind your experience at Comerica TasteFest and similar events will probably be all the more divine, if you have a plan.

**Tactical strategy**

Know the lay of the land, said Bill Roberts, president of the Michigan Restaurant Association and owner of 220, Streetside Seafood and the Beverly Hills

**Banquet on the Boulevard - Tastefest**

**What:** More than 150 delectable dishes from more than 30 metropolitan Detroit restaurants. A variety of beverages including British ales and margaritas will also be available for purchase.

**When:** 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday Monday, June 30-July 3; 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 4

**Where:** West Grand Boulevard between Woodward Avenue and the Lodge Freeway, adjacent to Fisher Building.

**Information:** Call (313) 927-1000 or visit [www.tastefest](http://www.tastefest)

**Cost:** \$5 for nine "taste" tickets (cash only) at ticket booths located throughout the festival. Tickets are not refundable, but any unused tickets benefit New Center Council, Inc. programs. "Taste-sized portions" are priced up to two tickets. Other menu items are priced up to eight tickets.

**Participating restaurants**

- Silver Spoon Creative Catering, Royal Oak
- Olympia Cafe, Allen Park
- Murdick's Mackinac Island Fudge
- Parker's Rib Haus & Soul Food, Romulus
- Aw Shucks, Elk Rapids,
- Ja-da, a barbecue grille, Detroit
- Dave & Busters, Utica
- Ginopolis Restaurant, West Bloomfield
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- 736 Java — Coffehouse, Detroit
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Grill. "I'm a person who doesn't like to stand in line," said Roberts. "If you're in a huge crowd and you know where you're going, it sometimes helps. ... The other thing is, if there's a layout ahead of time, you might want to plot your course."

When mapping out your route, decide which restaurants and which dishes interest you, advised Roberts, adding he typically heads for establishments with which he's totally unfamiliar, as well as a handful of old favorites.

Consider making your first stop somewhere in the middle of the venue and working your way out, too, as most patrons start sampling at the entrance, he said.

Likewise, moving left, rather

than right, through the event often reduces exposure to crowds, he said. "We tend to flow right because most of us are right-handed, so go left."

**31 flavors**

Sample a few items, then take a break, advised Pascal Paviani, chef and co-owner at Silver Spoon Creative Catering. Don't make the mistake of rushing, he said. "I know that in France it takes three hours to eat a seven-course meal. Time allows you to

digest the food in between each course with a beverage or sorbet.

"Really, to get the most out of the experience, I would just take my time," said Paviani.

Furthermore, consuming sorbet between tastings, especially items with strong flavors, such as lamb, fish, BBQ, Thai food and other spicy cuisine, will enable you to fully experience the offerings, Paviani said.

And, thanks to Waterford's Savino Sorbet, sorbet will be readily available.

"I do love to eat, and especially at those events. You get to try lots of different cuisine," said Savino Sorbet owner Lou DeCillis, who is also a chef trained at the Culinary Institute of America. "But after you taste four or five different items, well, the sorbet really does break up that monotony, and the whole fun of these events is tasting the food."

DeCillis hopes TasteFest patrons will visit his booth not only to cleanse their palettes but also to sample some of his new, innovative sorbet flavors. Tropical rainbow, for instance, is a swirl of raspberry, mango and pina colada.

Sampling and experimenting are all essential to the experience, said DeCillis. And, if you're not willing to physically share your food with others — DeCillis is apt to offer strangers a taste from his own plate, if they're interested — at least share your opinions and feelings about the food.

Tasting food is an age-old social event, he said. "If you think about it, when we were all cave dwellers, the whole experience of eating — it was really a social kind of thing. People really got together around food, so when I go to a tastefest, it's a big party."

**Maximum intake**

Nonetheless, food festivals are also an opportunity — not to mention, excuse — to shamelessly fill up. And, there are several tactics for turning an ordinary tastefest into a pig-out session, said DeCillis.



**Good eats:** A variety of culinary favorites await visitors to the Comerica TasteFest, held June 30-July 4.

First up, be honest with yourself. If you love food, if you love to eat, don't try telling yourself otherwise. Just go for the gusto.

Better than just doing it, better than merely granting yourself permission to break the rules, plan on pigging out.

Hey, don't eat breakfast.

"I swear, I'm not kidding — I would not eat breakfast," said DeCillis. "I'm not embarrassed to tell you when I go to these events, I think, hey, here's my chance to go to lots of different restaurants in one trip, and I figure I'm going to pig out."

Of course the stomach isn't a bottomless pit, either. So, as Paviani suggested, take your time. And, while you're at it, enjoy the total sensory experience, said DeCillis. Take in the sights and smells. Listen to that steak sizzle over the open flames.

"You gotta smell the aroma and look at the plate," said DeCillis. "That's part of the experience. And that way, by the time I'm stuffed I feel I've had the total experience — the unique, the sublime."

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